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## YOUR LOCAL PAPER

During the last week, we have been asked numerous times if we will be continuing to produce printed versions of our four Darling Downs newspapers.

The answer is most definitely!

OurNews Pty Ltd, publisher of **The Allora Advertiser**, **The Clifton Courier**, **The Oakey Champion** and **On Our Selection News**, is committed to the communities we serve.

Our philosophy is that we are simply guardians of what is, after all, the community's newspaper - we are caretakers of history for future generations.

Whilst we now have some of our weekly publications online, we will continue to offer printed versions of all four newspapers.

We are able to do this thanks to the strong support of our readers, the most valued support of our advertisers and the dedication of our loyal staff.

We encourage you to support those businesses that advertise in our newspapers, as they enable us to continue our work.

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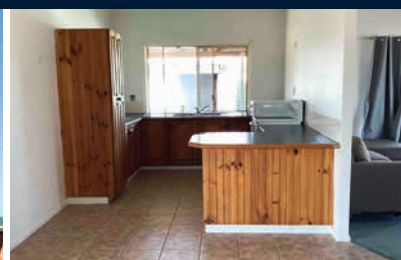
James Lister MP, finds an engrossing read in local papers.



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# News Corp Upsets Member

Maranoa MP David Littleproud is calling on News Corp Australia to come to the table on job losses and masthead closures.

"I urge News Corp to consider the implications of what these job cuts mean for towns which have been battling severe drought, bushfires and the COVID-19 pandemic," Mr Littleproud said.

"Journalists, advertisers - and potentially 40 to 50 staff working at the Warwick print site - have lost their jobs.

"With fewer staff, a digital-only presence and the Balonne Beacon and Surat Basin News to completely cease publication, people are concerned news will no longer be locally covered and produced.

"The reporting and printing of news is particularly important in servicing the needs of towns

from Charleville to Warwick and providing people of all ages with access to what's going on.

"For many of our seniors, printed content is their only way to stay informed with news from their community.

"These publications keep us up to date with happenings in the community, unite residents and support local business growth and development through local advertising.

"It's a disappointing day for media in Maranoa."

Affected News Corp publications in Maranoa to be digital only from June 29: *The Stanthorpe Border Post, Warwick Daily News, South Burnett Times, Dalby Herald, Chinchilla Daily News, The Western Star* and *The Western Times*.

*Balonne Beacon* and *Surat Basin News* are to cease publication.

# Local Newsagent Disappointed By News Corp's Decision

Allora's local newsagent, David Dwan is disappointed with the NewsCorp decision to cease printing the Warwick Daily News.

"It will have a huge impact on our business as the Warwick Daily News is our biggest selling paid newspaper," Mr Dwan said.

Mr Dwan said he hopes the Toowoomba Chronicle will replace the readership, depending on its contents.

Also affected by the closure will be the delivery driver in Allora.

The printed version of the Warwick Daily News will finish at the end of June.

## Letters to the Editor...

Dear Editor,

**Lister saddened by news of local papers to cease printing.**

I was saddened to hear last Thursday that the Stanthorpe Border Post and the Warwick Daily News will no longer produce a paper edition. The first I knew about it was when I went to purchase my papers this morning.

This follows a move by News Corp to transition almost all rural and regional newspapers to a digital only format which will be available only to online subscribers.

This move worries me, there are many people in our community who rely on printed local news.

Whether they are the older generations or people with poor internet service, the old-fashioned printed version is still a necessity for some. Take for example the devastating fires in our region only last year, power and communications were cut for days, and an online paper cannot provide the community with emergency messaging in those circumstances.

These papers have been a cherished source of local news for generations, through good times and bad. I am also saddened to hear that the Goondiwindi Argus maybe going the same way.

I would like to say, I sympathise with our local newspaper staff and journalists who have been working so hard for our regions to get the stories out there. I know with the current uncertain world, this will be a blow for them.

James Lister MP,  
Member for Southern Downs

# A bad time to overtake...

A 66-years-old Hendon driver was lucky to escape with minor injuries after his car slammed into the rear of a low loader in Allora last Wednesday.

Local Police, Fire and Ambulance personnel were called to the scene near the intersection of Dalrymple

Creek Road and South Street.

The man was treated at the scene by ambulance paramedics.

Police issued an infringement notice to the car driver because he had attempted to overtake a turning vehicle.



Crash on the outskirts of Allora last Wednesday.

# Allora Loses a Loved Character

A service for Ian "Kookie" Tickle will be held on Monday, June 8, after the well-known Allora identity sadly passed away on May 29, after a long illness, aged 78.

Kookie, as he was affectionately known, was the loving father and father-in-law of Deseree, Janine, Stephanie, Glen, Wayne and their partners.

He was also known as poppie Kook to 8 Grandchildren, and Lucia (dec'd).

Kookie lived in Talgai since 1946 when the family moved to the farm when he was just 4-years-old.

He attended Talgai West State School for primary education and Gatton Ag College for secondary education.

Kookie worked on the family farm but was most known for his seed grading

outfit that saw him cover a wide area for many years.

He was very involved with the Allora Show Society among other things, and was the go to person to organise the sideshows.

Shirley Cornhill, the former president of the Allora Show Society, knew Kookie for 42 years and worked with him at the Showgrounds.

She said his personality will be sorely missed.

"I always found him great to work with," she said.

"If you ever found him with a pair of shoes on you were lucky.

"I believe he started working at the show grounds when he was 7 years of age, going in with his father until his passing.

"He had a grain cleaning business and went far and wide servicing people with that," Mrs Cornhill said.



Kookie was a real local identity and will be remembered and missed for a host of good reasons by the people of Allora and district.

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# 12-year-old thieves target "nice quiet country town"

Detectives from the Warwick Child Protection Unit have dealt with two 12-year-old boys who were involved in a car theft in Allora last month.

The two boys, along with a third 14-years-old boy, stole a car from a Darling Street address and a mini-bike from a William Street address in Allora on May 13.

The 14-years-old boy, the alleged ringleader, was arrested and charged with a total of 47 criminal-related matters including unlawful use of a motor vehicle and fraud offences.

His matters are now before the Warwick Children's Court.

It was noted during their respective questioning by detectives that the youths readily admitted that they had specifically targeted Allora as a town because they believed it to be a "nice, quiet, country-town" and that local residents would be lax

in their respective security.

The bike that was stolen still remains missing, last believed to have been left on the side of the New England Highway between Allora and Glengallan.

Police would like to thank local residents and businesses who helped with enquiries.

**NEW CONTACT** - Allora Police Station now has a new means of contact for routine or administrative inquiries via email.

An office address of **Allora.Station@police.qld.gov.au** is now available for residents to contact Allora Station and officers for any general matters they may be seeking assistance with.

For non urgent enquiries contact the Allora Station number **4666 3222**. **As always, for anything urgent, contact 000.**

**WEATHER FORECAST**

Day	Forecast	Min/Max
WED	Sunny. Cool.	3 18
THU	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	6 17
FRI	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	6 17
SAT	Morning Clouds. Cool.	6 20
SUN	Morning Clouds. Cool.	7 18
MON	Mostly Sunny. Cool. Crisp.	4 18

HON **DAVID LITTLEPROUD** MP  
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## Disposing Of Waste Correctly

Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor Vic Pennisi urges residents to do the right thing when it comes to disposing of waste.

As well as harm to the environment, public health risk and cost involved in disposing of the waste, the dump site also provides an effective rabbit breeding harbour which impacts the adjoining land.

"Council's waste management facilities are equipped to appropriately deal with residential and commercial waste and should be the first port of call for residents wishing to dispose of waste" said Mayor Vic Pennisi.

"There are severe penalties for persons found to be illegally dumping waste. I ask that everyone do the right thing by disposing of their waste responsibly"

"If you are unsure how to access SDRC waste management facilities or are unsure about proper disposal of various materials, please contact Council. It is far better to ask a question than to receive a fine!" Mayor Pennisi said.

## Aussie Helpers' urgent call to buy local

One of Australia's biggest rural charities, Aussie Helpers, is urging Australians to 'buy local' in a bid to support farmers experiencing financial hardship as a result of COVID-19.

Following a savage bushfire season and years of drought, the coronavirus pandemic is another blow to farmers who have been forced to drop meat prices to keep their farms afloat and feed remaining stock.

Aussie Helpers CEO Tash Kocks said despite the significant economic downturn caused by COVID-19, butchers were continuing to price meat competitively.

"Just three months ago, Australia was in the midst of a cattle crisis with many farming families faced with the reality of losing their livelihoods and their land," Ms Kocks said.

The call by Aussie Helpers echoes the feelings

of business organisations in large and small towns across Australia.

With Australia Post reporting a huge increase in parcel business, and the nation's grocery retail giants continuing to conduct delivery forays into smaller towns such as Allora, Clifton, Nobby and Greenmount, there are real fears that the viability of small local traders is being overlooked or ignored by local residents.

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GOOMBURRA | 1743 Inverramsay Road

Goomburra National Park is up the valley further but this little piece of paradise is surrounded by mountain ranges, native wildlife and the trickling creek at the back door. The colorbond home is comfortable with solar to the grid, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and room to move and run a couple of ponies or a few sheep on the block. There is a set of yards and sheds with workshop and plenty of undercover for trucks and cars.

The modern kitchen has a gas cooktop, oven, dishwasher, plenty of workspace and there is a small cottage for guests separate to the house. The valley is popular in holiday season with Gordon Country weddings and four wheel drive parks along Inverramsay Road.

Eugene Hollis-Neath T 0474 777 022 3 2 4

Investment Property or Move to Allora and Relax



\$265,000

ALLORA | 13 Darling Street

The corner block with 1333m2 has room to move and is fenced for a pet or two, the home faces a park and the school is close by. There are two-three bedrooms, sun room, lounge and there are three roller door sheds for storage or a workshop. The garden shed has a concrete floor and the main shed has room for a caravan with 12m depth. There are 3 rainwater tanks and town water connected. Ideal base for a traveller as the property is two streets from The New England Highway and 8km to The Cunningham Highway.

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Entry Level Investor or First Home Buyer

ALLORA | 20 Erhardt Street

Set back from the road this home has been re painted outside and is ready for a new colour scheme inside. The polished floors would freshen up and the kitchen-dining is an open plan. Two bedrooms are roomy with the third having windows on two sides and could be a bedroom or office - craft room. The laundry is down stairs with a small storeroom and the back door opens to a large fenced back yard.

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\$189,000

ALLORA | 19 Herbert Street

This brick home is comfortable and was an owner build and they have enjoyed 30 plus years in Allora. There's a caravan shelter set up for storage of the van whilst not travelling. The home has 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, lounge, family media room, kitchen, dining and a spacious entertainment area set up with a fixed Barbecue. There is a two car garage and a workshop for the man of the house. The aromatic rose garden at the front entrance is colourful and delightful. The gardens are low maintenance with room to extend with a vege garden out back. The fire pit is set up out the back for an evening under the stars. Well worth an inspection for the retiree or family looking for a country change. 3.5Kw Solar to The Grid also.

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ALLORA | 29 Neale Avenue

Perched privately in a lane, this spacious and stylish home absolutely should be inspected to be fully appreciated. Offering large open plan living area, the home flows beautifully out onto the covered entertaining area, with built in gas barbecue. The chefs kitchen has a great island with stone bench tops, there is a gas stove and dishwasher. Don't forget the walk in pantry! Master bedroom is king size, with enormous ensuite and walk in robe. The 3 remaining bedrooms all have built in wardrobes and access to the kids rumpus room. The office with built in wardrobe could be converted to a 5th bedroom if required. Double lock up garage with remote access. Fully fenced yard on almost 1/2 an acre offers privacy and plenty of space for the kids to run and play.

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ALLORA | 15 Norman Street

From the minute you lay eyes on this property you know you are experiencing something unique as this house would suit the most prestigious suburbs in any Australian city. Ducted air conditioning is throughout and the five bedrooms all have ceiling fans, built ins, carpet and the enormous main has WIR, en suite and bay window design. A beautifully appointed kitchen complete with pantry, electric induction hotplates, oven and range hood with expansive quality timber cupboards presents an inviting cooking environment. High quality floating floors adorn the kitchen and dining/lounge which also opens out to the large, wide covered deck complete with ceiling fans and 6' X 4' pool table. In addition to the main inside bathroom, an outside shower and toilet is also available. A concrete driveway leads to a large 4 bay steel shed with an additional car port for 3 vehicles. The town water supply is complimented with 15,000 gallons (67,500 litres) of water which is further complimented by 30m equipped bore capable of 5,000 GPH. This is a most magnificent residence with the added advantage of the large sheds, carports, tank and bore water, and of course, a very large yard. This is an outstanding property and will attract buyers with an eye for quality, comfort, utility and elegance.

Rod Williams T 0409 271 794

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Comfortable Family Home with Extensive Rural Views

ALLORA | 17892 New England Highway

Overlooking the Goomburra and surrounding ranges this family home has been a dairy for many years and fattening cattle currently. There are 3 bedrooms with ceiling fans, 2 with built ins, air conditioned lounge, kitchen dining combined, family room, shower, bath and vanity, separate toilet and vanity, downstairs second shower and basin in the built in garage. There is a two car garage with concrete floor and a 3 bay shed with two car garage also. The paddocks are being grazed on at the moment by young cattle. The family have retired into town and the home is ready for a new family enjoy the lifestyle and views this property can offer.

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- Combined lounge/ dining
- Hallway storage.
- Shower over bath, separate toilet, laundry downstairs
- Fenced 546 m<sup>2</sup> yard, carport
- On city bus route, close to schools & golf course.

**INVESTORS:**  
Rents at \$260 per week

### NOSTALGIC COLOURS \$ 189,000



- 1940's nostalgia abounds in fretwork, archway, VJ walls, high ceilings, picture rails, original timber kitchen cupboards, coloured glass & more.
- Lounge - woodfire
  - Kitchen - Crown wood stove, electric range, dine-in section.
  - Bathroom - revamp in 1980's, replaced bath with shower cubicle.
  - Toilet in bathroom & 2nd toilet in detached laundry.

### HOME FOR ALL SEASONS \$ 310,000



- 3 built-in bed, 2 bath – master king-sized/en suite
- Elevated 1500 m<sup>2</sup> terraced gardens & mountain view.
- Aircon + woodfire in media living
- Huge vaulted entertaining area
- Laundry utility • Carport
- 2 bay powered shed + 2 garden sheds
- SOLAR System – 5 KVA

### CHARMING CLASSIC \$ 295,000



- Reno inside & out, walk to Private Schools.
- 3 bed + study, built ins
- Kitchen – Timber cupboards, good storage, electric appliances
- Living dining has double doors to big deck
- Aircon + woodfire in lounge
- Polished floors
- Bathroom has clawfoot bath/ shower, separate toilet
- Laundry + storage
- Garage + carport, fenced 1090 m<sup>2</sup>

### DOER-UPPER !! \$ 150,000



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- 3 Brm, aircon, 2 bath, open plan living, new kitchen, car, gard/shed \$ 320 p.w.
- 4 Brm, aircon, 2 bath, mod kitchen, 2 living, 2 car, fenced yard \$ 335 p.w.
- CLINTONVALE 10ha - 3 Brm, shower, kitchen, 2 living, Shed, bore, yards \$ 450 p.w.
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### PORTICO ENTRY \$ 330,000



- Aircon 4 built-in b/rm brick, 2 bath, 2 living, 2 car.
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- Kitchen has s/steel appliances, good pantry & adjoining
- Open living with slider to East entertaining
- Separate laundry
- 836 m<sup>2</sup> yard with access + watertank.

**INVESTORS:** Renting \$340 per week

### QUEENSLAND CHARACTER \$ 300,000



- Reno inside & out, 2 blocks to CBD, walk to Schools, shops.
- 3 bed, 2 built in
- Open kitchen - good bench, cupboards, gas cook top, electric oven
- Living dining has double doors to E deck
- Wood fire + aircon in lounge
- Polished floors
- Bathroom - 2 vanity, walk in shower
- Laundry under home + storage
- 2 carport, fenced 809 m<sup>2</sup>.

**INVESTORS:** Tenant paying \$310 per week

### MARYVALE VIEWS \$ 187,000



- Neat 2 built-in bed Westbuilt home
- Elevated 2023 m<sup>2</sup> (1/2 acre) - panoramic mountain view.
- Aircon + woodfire in open plan living + kitchen
- Bathroom with shower, toilet combined laundry.
- 2 bay shed, attached outdoor area + double carport.

### CITY LOCATION, RURAL VIEWS \$ 237,500



- 3 bed Renovated Cottage, built-ins
- Front & back decks
- Modern eat-in kitchen
- Lounge has slow combustion heater, air con & ceiling fans
- Extra wide hallway, laundry utility, bathroom & separate toilet
- Double garage, carport, rain water tanks, gardens, fenced 1290 m<sup>2</sup>

**INVESTORS:** Rents at \$275 per week

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- WARWICK - 1.16 HA ON SPRING FED CREEK, BITUMEN FRONTAGE, POWER, FENCED \$ 189,000
- MARYVALE - 1012 M<sup>2</sup>, POWER AVAILABLE, CLOSE TO SCHOOL, VIEWS \$ 40,000
- MARYVALE - 2024 M<sup>2</sup>, POWER NEARBY, SCHOOL, VIEWS (2 ADJOINING BLOCKS) \$ 45,000
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  - Bore, 22,000 gal rainwater tanks, permanent holes in creek, 7 good dams + 4 more.
  - Steel cattle yards, good fencing right round ... plus more.

### QUEENSLANDER ON 2.6 ACRES \$ 299,000



- 3 bed, North facing verandah
- Main bedroom has built-ins
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- Split system aircon, solar hot water, entertainment area
- Double garage, 3 fenced paddocks

**INVESTORS:**  
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### IN QUIET VILLAGE OF ALLORA \$ 298,000



- Rendered 3 built-in bed
- Open plan living
- Kitchen has dishwasher, pantry electric cooktop & oven + storage.
- Bath, separate shower & toilet next door.
- Double garage has internal laundry.
- Outdoor entertaining area
- 1057 m<sup>2</sup> - Plenty of room for large shed if needed.

**INVESTORS:** Tenants paying \$280 per week.

### SLICE OF HEAVEN \$ 549,000



- Spring fed creek in subtropical rainforest with rock pool swimming hole.
- Insulated colorbond open plan home
  - Big windows frame treed canopy with abundant wildlife.
  - Stone benchtop kitchen - gas stove, dishwasher, pantry etc.
  - Dining, lounge flow to timber deck, steps down to entertaining.
  - Walk in shower & enviro toilet
  - Bonus self-contained Granny Flat
  - Eco friendly, off grid solar • 25.32 ha.

### MOVE TO THE COUNTRY & SELF-ISOLATE \$ 175,000



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# Sports Club Renovations Completed

Renovations to the Sports Club are now complete and Club Providore Wendy Ellwood is delighted with the result.

The old asbestos exterior walls were removed and replaced with weatherboard planks. The exterior of the club has been repainted in a modern and sophisticated colour which suits the style of the building. Inside the clubhouse, a vinyl floor has replaced the carpet with new bar furniture completing the decor.

The layout now has a modern and contemporary feel whilst retaining the charm of the original bowls club.

Wendy invites all the old Allora bowlers and anyone else interested, to visit the club to see how things have changed. The Sports Club committee is looking forward to restrictions being lifted and full trading restored, which should be in the next few weeks.



Wendy Ellwood is more than happy with the bar area that has taken on a fresh modern look with new flooring and trendy chairs & tables.



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## Rebate for Rural Water Tanks

Southern Downs Regional Council will allocate \$1,050,000 towards providing a water tank rebate to rural landowners.

Council expects that the demand for this rebate will exceed the \$1,050,000 of funds available and so will run an expression of interest process, followed by a ballot of eligible applications, should applications exceed available funding.

SDRC Mayor Vic Pennisi said that the prospect of a rural tank rebate is expected to be very popular and urged residents to familiarise themselves with the application process before making tank purchases.

"Once the expression of interest period closes, all eligible applications will be collated and if the total number received exceeds the available budget, a ballot

will be undertaken to select the successful applicants. Written approval will be provided to successful applicants who can then purchase a water tank and arrange installation, with the assurance they are approved to receive the rebate."

"The Rural Water Tank Rebate is provided to assist as many rural residents as possible increase their domestic water storage capacity and help to drought-proof their properties. The last thing we want is for residents to rush out and buy a tank only to find out they haven't been approved to receive the rebate. I ask residents to follow the process and wait to see if their expression of interest is approved before ordering or purchasing their tank". Mayor Vic Pennisi said.

## Abattoir upgrade creates 16 new jobs

A Southern Downs abattoir facility will re-purpose cattle hides and create up to 16 regional jobs with a funding boost from the State Government.

Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries Mark Furner said the Carey Brothers abattoir was one of 14 businesses in Queensland to receive Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant of up to \$250,000 to fund the expansion of their business.

"Carey Brothers is a family owned business that's been operating for over 75 years," Mr Furner said.

"Currently cattle hides are sold to the overseas leather market largely in Asia, however market demand has severely diminished due to the cheaper synthetic leather products.

"This funding will allow the business to upgrade their abattoir infrastructure by purchasing a specially

designed large batch cooker.

The pressurised by-product batch cooker will allow Carey Brothers to repurpose the oversupply of cattle hides into meat meal protein for pigs and poultry and tallow.

The installation of the pressurised batch cooker and throughput increases will create up to 16 full time employment opportunities directly and indirectly in the Southern Downs region.

Company director Mark Carey said they received nothing for their hides and had to pay to have the hides freighted to Brisbane, so the new cooker would be more cost efficient for the abattoir.

"The demand for cattle hides has changed drastically in the past three years and the purchase of a larger batch cooker will allow us to efficiently cook the hides to produce these by-products," Mr Carey said.



## Recycled water plant for Saleyards

A new recycled water plant at the Warwick Saleyards will drought-proof its truck wash after Southern Downs Regional Council secured \$500K from the Queensland Government's Building our Regions program.

The new recycled water plant will help preserve the region's precious water and Council expects that the plant will reduce the truck wash's town water consumption by up to 70 percent.

"The Warwick Saleyards is an essential and vital service for the livestock industry in our region, and the truck wash was sorely missed when it was forced to close temporarily in March 2019 due to ongoing drought," said Mayor Vic Pennisi.

"The livestock transport industry is bound by strict Australian bio-security standards which require operators to routinely wash their trucks to remove animal waste. The closure

of the truck wash meant many truck operators had to travel long distances outside of the region to meet these requirements.

"No longer reliant solely on town water and at the mercy of water restrictions, the new recycled water plant will ensure the truck wash can operate long term and during drought times. This will also ensure that the Warwick Saleyards remains financially sustainable and reduce financial pressure on ratepayers.

"The recycled water plant provides water security for the truck wash and financial stability for the saleyards, and it is fantastic to see this project come to fruition.

"Waste water will be collected, treated and recycled at the saleyards to wash heavy vehicles, effectively creating a closed loop system that will require very little additional water and remove the dependency on treated town water which is a scare resource in times of drought."

## Mobile Black Spot Program

To ensure that the Mobile Black Spot Program (MBSP) continues to improve coverage across the Bush, Maranoa MP David Littleproud is urging you to have your say on the design of the Program's next funding round.

"Since being elected I've secured funding for 50 mobile towers in Maranoa and now is the time to make sure that we can continue to build on digital connectivity," Mr Littleproud said.

It is vital that feedback is received on proposed changes from rural and regional communities.

The discussion paper proposes three main objectives:

- Improve coverage in areas prone to natural disasters including bushfires;
- Improve coverage along major regional and remote transport corridors; and to
- Trial new technology solutions in areas where low population densities have discouraged applications in previous rounds.

To have your say, visit: <https://bit.ly/2yUkJk4>

The discussion paper is open for submissions until **19 June 2020**.

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**Looking Back...**

Allora's Past 25 years ago June 1995

**X-Ray Machine for Hospital**

A \$17,500 portable x-ray machine has been installed at the Allora District Co-operative Hospital thanks in part to the generosity of the Allora community and the Chefs Association of the Gold Coast. The Allora Rotary Club raised and donated funds from a theatre restaurant and the Chefs Association donated surplus funds from their annual convention. The Allora District Hospital Board also contributed funds for the unit. Board chairman, Mr. Ted Cowley, and chief executive officer, Warren Collins, said that the board was grateful to everyone who contributed to the raising of the funds for the unit.

Allora's Past 75 years ago June 1945

**Corpus Christi**

The festival of Corpus Christi was celebrated by the Roman Catholic community of Allora on Sunday afternoon last and despite the unfavourable weather a large crowd was in attendance and took part in the ceremony. The procession which moved from the church and proceeded around the grounds to the Convent steps where the altar was placed, made a beautiful picture. Members of the various sodalities including the Children of Mary, members of the Sacred Heart Sodality and the Holy Name Sodality took part. Rev. Father O'Brien of the Sacred Heart gave the occasional sermon and was listened to with reverence by the large assembly.



Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lawson taken on their Diamond Wedding anniversary 30th May 1920.

Allora's Past 100 years ago June 1920

**Diamond Wedding**

On the 30th May Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lawson celebrated the 60th anniversary of their wedding. Mr. Lawson was born in Cambridge, England, in 1832 and his wife in Sussex in 1836. The old couple, considering their age, were in excellent spirits and were surrounded by their family and many friends. Mr. Lawson at the age of 19 years enlisted in the 15th Hussars and served in India. He then served in the Crimean war from which he was invalided home. He was for some time an inmate of the Sussex County Hospital and subsequently married his nurse. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson came to Australia in 1872. Mr. Lawson was employed by Mr. George Clark,

East Talgai, as head gardener, where he remained for 28 years. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson have 7 children, 35 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Allora's Past 150 years ago June 1870

**Council Meeting**

At the Allora Municipal Council meeting tenders for the new Town Hall were opened. There were five tenders sent in viz. George Cook £215, Marshall & Wallace £205, James Dougall £179, John Gartner £194 and Edward Fitzgerald £213. On the motion of Ald. Anderson, seconded by Ald. Munro, James Dougall's tender was accepted.

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Solution in classifieds section

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**BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK**

The doctor was doing his ward rounds.

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"Give me the bad news", said Harry.

"I had to amputate both your legs".

"MY God! What's the good news?"

"The man in the next bed wants to buy your slippers".

**TODAY'S QUOTE**

"Fall seven times, stand up eight." - Japanese proverb

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**SCIENCE TRIVIA QUIZ**

1. What part of the plant *Crocus sativus* does the spice saffron come from? Is it a) a seed pod, b) a root fibre, c) dried bark, or d) reproductive parts of a flower?
2. What space region are the dwarf planets Pluto, Haumea and Makemake part of? Is it a) the asteroid belt, b) the Kuiper Belt, c) the Oort Cloud, or d) the Small Magellanic Cloud?
3. In a human body, what organ is the appendix typically a part of? Is it the a) brain, b) intestines, c) liver, or d) gall bladder?
4. Which of the following elements is a part of all steels? Is it a) iron, b) neon, c) strontium, or d) zinc?
5. Which simple machine has a fulcrum? Is it a) a wedge, b) a screw, c) a pulley, or d) a lever?

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## • ANNOUNCEMENTS •

### TICKLE, Ian Charles "Kookie"

Late of Allora, formerly of Victoria Hill, passed away peacefully on 29th May 2020, after a long illness, aged 78 years.

Loved Husband of Nola. Loving Father and Father-in-law of Deseree, Janine, Stephanie, Glen, Wayne and their partners. Poppie Kook to 8 Grandchildren, and Lucia (dec'd).

Sincere thank you to the staff at the Oncology Ward at the Base Hospital, Toowoomba for their wonderful care of Kookie. Thank you to family and friends for their care and support. Thanks also to Warwick Funerals for their care and support.

A service for Kookie will be held on Monday, 8th June 2020. The family invite you to share in the funeral via webstream. To receive the link and pin to view the service via webstream, please email watchwarwick@burstows.com.au



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## • CHURCH NOTICES •

### The Catholic Community of St. Patrick's, Allora

At our Parish Council on 21st May, the decision was made that the parish church will remain CLOSED until gathering numbers are further extended. To make Mass available, Fr. Rod offers the availability of a home Mass for any parishioner - that would mean the family plus up to 5 more invited guests (including Fr. Rod).

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## • SOLUTIONS •

### DOUBLE HELIX QUIZ ANSWERS

1. (d) Saffron spice is the stigma and styles of the saffron flower. a bit like the asteroid belt, but it's just iron and carbon, and sometimes other elements.

2. (b) The Kuiper belt is found near the junction between the small and large interstices.

3. (b) The appendix is between Mars and Neptune, rather than outside the orbit of Jupiter.

4. (a) Steel is an alloy of iron and carbon, and sometimes other elements.

5. (d) The fulcrum is the pivot or hinging part of a lever.

### THIS WEEK'S SUDOKU SOLUTION

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## Allora Golf Club Notes



Another good field on Friday for the **Percy's Fruit Duck Run**. Thanks Percy. Winner on 24 points was Liam Duncan. This bloke would have the best head of hair in town. Runner up was Moba with 23 points on a count back from the May brothers. Pin shots went to Kev on the 3rd and Roy Boy on the 8th. Long putt on the 5th went to Aaron. Balls in the rundown went to Moose, Errol, Tommy and Doreen.

Sunday the trophies were donated by our club patron Patto and he was delighted with the roll up of 29 golfers. Welcome back to our visitor Chappy who is a past winner of the highly regarded Dalrymple Seat (2016). Also welcome to our newest member Gay who played very well in her first competition game.

Winner on the day with an impressive 41 points in her comeback game was our green keeper extraordinaire Doreen, who also won the novel "flag event" which was a bit confusing but a lot of fun. Runner up was Liam with 39 points. Liam is looking so much like John Travolta in Pulp Fiction that we might have to start calling him Vincent. Balls in the rundown went to Shann, Ray, Moose, Roy, Garth, Aaron and Tommy. Pin shots went to Len (7/16); Aaron (8/17), Baz Junior with a ripper (5/14) and Moba (9/18 and 2/11). Don't drive too fast in that WRX Mobes!

Next week will be Tuesday golf as usual, **Percy's Fruit Duck Run** on Friday and the **Railway Hotel Monthly Mug** on Sunday.

Don't forget your sand buckets and repair all divots on the tee and the fairway. See you on the links.

## Wattles Wait For 2021

The TRL Clubs have decided to cancel this year's Rugby League season.

Wattles Warriors president Amanda O'Halloran said the Club was disappointed with the decision, but it was the best outcome financially. Ms O'Halloran said the club wouldn't be able to continue playing without its valuable spectators. No supporters

would have meant no income. It's a disappointing end to what was a promising pre-season for the Warriors who made a number of key signings in the off-season. "The good thing is at the moment, hopefully, we can retain most of the player base and the coaches that we currently have". Ms O'Halloran said.

## Brisbane Broncos Support Act For Kids

The Broncos have teamed up with child protection service Act for Kids, urging Queenslanders to take a stand against rising rates of domestic and family violence.

Act for Kids calls on all Queenslanders to **make your home game your A game**.

Dr Neil Carrington, CEO of Act for Kids said during times of pandemics, natural disasters and social hardships, the

rates of domestic violence escalate. "violence thrives in silence and secrecy," he said. "Sadly, children living with domestic violence offer suffer emotional and psychological trauma from the impact of living in a household dominated by tension and fear."

"it is really important that everyone understands that domestic and family violence is never okay," Broncos Justin Hodges said.

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