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Two to Appear Over Wattles Loss



A long-running investigation into the loss of funds from Wattles Rugby League Football Club has resulted in two local residents being ordered to appear in court.

Warwick CIB detectives have issued notices to a 63-years-old Headington Hill man and his 48-years-old female partner in connection with

the alleged theft.

The offence is alleged to have occurred between 2018 and 2019 while the couple held positions of responsibility with the rugby league club.

The two have been issued Notices to Appear in Warwick Magistrates Court on 16th September.

Warwick detectives are continuing their investigations into the

case and have called for public assistance as part of that inquiry.

Police have called on any local people who may have information which is relevant to the matters under investigation to contact Warwick Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB) on 4660 4444.

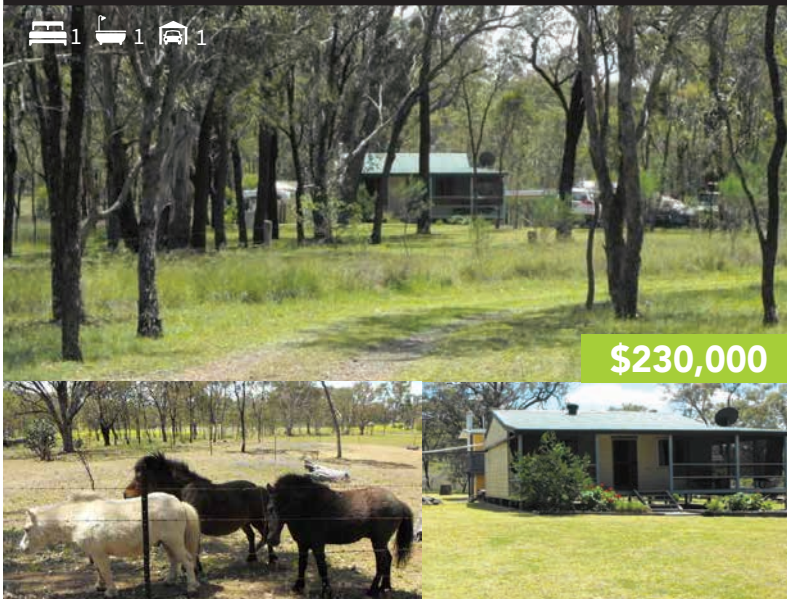
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Queen's Birthday Honour For Lawrence Springborg

The former Member for Southern Downs Lawrence Springborg was among those honoured in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours announced on Monday.

Lawrence Springborg has been made a Member on the General Division of the Order of Australia, entitling him to use the letters AM after his name.

Now Mayor of the Goondiwindi Regional Council, Mr Springborg received his award for significant service to the Parliament of Queensland and to the community of the Southern Downs.

He was the youngest politician to be elected to office when he became Member for the seat of Carnarvon in 1989 at the age of 21.

He retired from the Queensland Parliament at the end of 2017.

One of Mr Springborg's major achievements was driving the creation of the LNP (Liberal National Party) in Queensland.

During his career he was



Lawrence Springborg AM. Photo, Goondiwindi Regional Council

also Leader and Deputy Leader of the LNP as well as Leader of the Queensland branch of the Nationals.

In Government, Mr Springborg served as Minister for Natural Resources in 1998 and Minister for Health from 2012 to 2015.

Over his 28 years in Parliament, the seat held by Lawrence Springborg had three names.

When he was elected in 1989 it was for the Carnarvon electorate, which became Warwick in 1992, then Southern Downs in 2001.

Bruce Scott AM

The former Member for Maranoa in Federal Parliament, Bruce Scott, has been made a Member of the General Division of the Order of Australia.

Mr Scott, who lives in retirement at Roma, received his award for significant service to the people and Parliament of Australia and to the community of South West Queensland.

He served as Member for Maranoa from 1990 to 2016. Although retired from political life, he continues to serve the community.

Mr Scott has been a Director of the Stockman's Hall of Fame at Longreach since 2017, a Board Member of the Royal Flying Doctor Service since 2016, is Co-Chair of the Telstra Regional Advisory Board and was appointed inaugural Chairman of the Southern Queensland Natural Resource Management Group (now SQ Landscapes) in 2018.



Bruce Scott AM.

His rural background is something of which Bruce Scott has always been proud and this is reflected in the various organisations he has served and the honours many of those groups have accorded him.

He is a Life Member of the Stanthorpe & Roma Show Societies and Life Member of the Queensland Merino Stud Sheep Breeders' Association of which he served terms as President and Vice President.



In the past week minor traffic delays have occurred just north of Allora on the New England highway while road works are being carried out.

SDRC Share of Federal Grants

Two projects by Southern Downs Regional Council are among 19 to receive funding under Round Four of the Federal Government's Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF).

The Council has been allocated \$21,037 for a project which will deliver a comprehensive strategic events plan for the Southern Downs region with a focus on social and economic sustainability.

A further \$20,000 has been awarded to SDRC to enable the delivery of a youth-focused event promoting music, food and physical activity.

Most of the \$21.3 million in grants across the Maranoa electorate went to the western areas, although Clifton Chamber of Commerce picked up \$20,000 for a project aimed at developing a tourism and events strategy.

"I'm proud to see that communities across Maranoa, that have been plagued by this devastating drought, getting their fair share through BBRF," Member for Maranoa, David Littleproud said.

"Round Four of BBRF is wholly and solely dedicated to helping the communities hardest hit by drought and easing some of the pressure.

"BBRF projects are about improving our infrastructure, services, creating jobs and expanding opportunities to build on and diversify the community's economic base – whether it's agriculture, education or events and tourism.

"The 19 projects secured with BBRF funding are going to play an essential role in opening doors to get involved with the community, enjoy our great lifestyle and boost business."

Police Report



No new crime to report for Allora this week.

Late night hoon activity still seems to be an issue in the local area, with predominantly young people still not heeding the road-safety message.

Shortly after 11pm on Friday night 5th June, Allora Officers detected a 20yr old Warwick man performing burnouts on the Warwick Allora Road, Deuchar. The driver of the involved Holden utility lost control of his vehicle upon Police approach and ended up in the nearby table-drain. Thankfully, neither he nor his passenger (a 21yr old man from nearby Berat) were injured. This activity followed on from their performance of a burnout at the intersection of Forde

Street and South Street, Allora only minutes earlier.

The male driver has been issued traffic offence notices totalling \$700 and which will cause the loss of his licence. Due these actions being classed a "Type 1 hoon activity", his registration plates were seized and the vehicle immediately put off the road now, for the next 3 months.

Allora Officers advise that there will be no leniency or lee-way given with these types of offences, due to the frequency of traffic crashes within our local rural area; the potential risk of serious injury or death to the drivers and other road users.

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Now that the cold weather has hit donations of blankets, doonas and anything warm would be appreciated.

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Darling Downs Zoo Re-Opens

It was all smiles as Darling Downs Zoo opened its doors to the public for the first time in months yesterday.

It seems however that zoo owner Steve Robinson was right to be "cautiously optimistic" back in April when \$94 million in zoo funding was announced by the Federal Government, with Darling Downs Zoo still not seeing a cent of it.

He said he was immensely relieved to finally be able to open the gates again.

"We're opening under a COVIDSafe plan that has been developed in association with the government and within that we have our own site plan," Mr Robinson said.

"The one thing people will have to get used to is we are compelled to take your name, address and phone number.

"If we hadn't had agreed to do that we wouldn't have been able to re-open."

It's been the generosity of the public and the hard work of volunteers that have kept the zoo going during this tough time.

Mr Robinson said the support has overwhelmed staff.

"We have had an unbelievable and continuing wave of support from tradies in town to farmers and families in the district," he said.

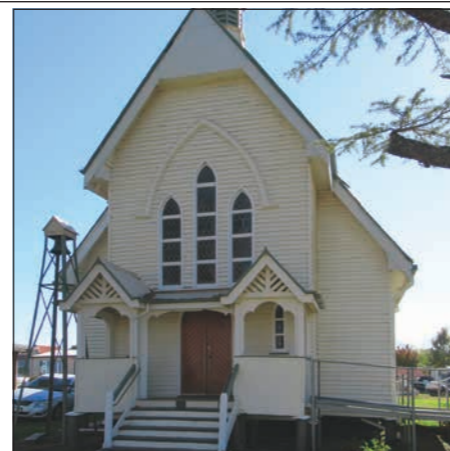
Unfortunately half of the zoo's staff was lost due to flow on effects of the closure.

Mr Robinson said he will assess the need for more staff upon re-opening.

The good news however is all animals that were previously at the zoo have remained, with none having to be re-homed, despite the zoo's ongoing monthly expenses of \$110,000.

Uniting Services resume

The Uniting Church in Allora has re-opened for services this weekend, after being closed due to the Covid-19 restrictions.



RAILWAY HOTEL OPENING THIS THURSDAY!!

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Friday 10am - our discretion - Takeaway food available & 20 people dine in 5.30-7.30pm

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Local Member Happy With Party Role

Member for Maranoa and Federal Agriculture Minister David Littleproud says he is comfortable with his role as Deputy Leader of the National Party.

Mr Littleproud was responding to a question after he delivered a speech to the Rural Press Club of Victoria last Thursday when he was asked if he wanted the Nationals leadership and if he considered himself a viable option to calm the tension between Queensland Nationals and those south of the border, in the federal party.

Mr Littleproud said there are no tensions in the Federal National Party and suggested that speculation was the result of a lot of commentary from outside the party room.

"Let me say, there is all 21 of us that come into this Parliament, as there would be with the other 150 that are in the Parliament, all come in with ambition and to say you don't, you'd be lying," Mr Littleproud said.

"But let me say, I'm very comfortable where I am being the Agriculture

Minister and I'm honoured to be the Deputy leader of the National Party.

"If that is all the politics provides me, then when I leave I'm going to be happy because I've had an opportunity to be able to make a difference, to leave a legacy.

"Now, there's not too many people that even get to Parliament.

"There's not too many people that even get to become a Cabinet Minister, but to be the Deputy leader of the National Party is an honour that I can walk away from.

"Whether by popular demand I'm kicked out of the next election by my electorate in Maranoa or not, I'm comfortable in my own skin.

"And I'm just getting on with the job as the rest are, I think people that make commentary that there's division, make a misunderstanding of that - the passion and pride in regional Australia and diversity, more than a political play."

Congratulations Angus Lane OAM

On Queensland Day Angus Lane was added to the list of Queensland Greats. The award recognises and celebrates extraordinary achievements and life-time contributions by Queenslanders to our state.

If you've been to any local show in Queensland, you'd recognise the voice of the ring announcer, Angus Lane. He's been with us for more than 30 years - no wonder he can always tell a yarn about the locals who are wondering around the showgrounds. His knowledge of competitors and exhibitors is personal

and legendary. In 2013 Angus received an Order of Australia Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honour's list for services to agricultural shows.

Angus has been involved in many community groups and was named Queensland Father of the Year in 2002. In 2003 Angus was awarded the Henry Palaszczuk Minister's Recognition of Outstanding Contribution to Rural Communities for Services to Rural and Regional Queensland. Last year Angus was made the patron of the Showmen's Guild of Australasia.

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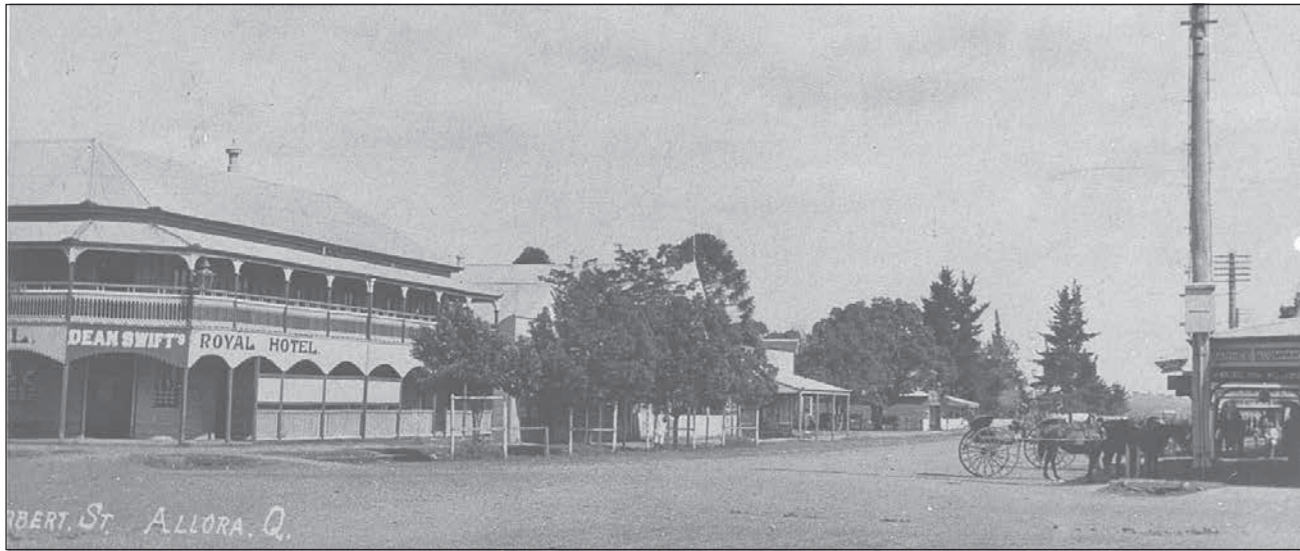
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Looking Back...

Allora's Past 100 years ago June 1920

Supposed Suicide

A revolver shot and a woman's screams proceeding from an upper room in the Royal Hotel, shortly after 1 p.m. on Tuesday last gave all too unmistakable evidence of some untoward happening. Mr. J. Anderson was the first to hasten to the scene. Hurrying up the stairs he met Mrs. Swift, wife of the licensee, who accosted him in an agitated manner, requesting him to procure the services of a doctor and intimating that her husband had shot himself. Evidence was given to the subsequent inquest that Richard Dean Swift, age 38, had shot himself in the roof of the mouth with a revolver that had belonged to Mrs. Swift. She had been given the gun by her father and kept it in a locked trunk in her room. On the day in question, following ongoing marital problems, she had got out the revolver

and was threatening to shoot herself, when after a struggle her husband snatched the gun from her and shot himself instead.

Allora's Past 50 years ago June 1970

THANKS

The Phelan Family wish to thank the Fire Brigade, Allora Police, neighbours and friends, and all those who assisted in any way at their Goomburra Homestead fire. Please accept this as their personal thanks.

Allora's Past 75 years ago June 1945

Roll of Honour

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wright of Warwick Street, Allora, have been advised that their son Jack died of illness while a prisoner of war in Japanese hands. According to the official notification his death occurred 15 months ago. Mr. and Mrs. Wright's other son Dick is serving

with the A.I.F. in the islands. (QX 23446 Private Jack Wright, 2/26th Infantry Battalion, worked for seven months with F Force at Shimo Sonkurai and Kami Sonkurai, two of the toughest Australian prisoner of war camps on the Burma Thailand railway. He survived only to die of encephalitis, age 22, on the 18th March 1944 in Changi Hospital after his return to Singapore)

Allora's Past 25 years ago June 1995

Bicycle Safety Course

Forty-two Allora State School students passed a bicycle safety education course organized by the school P & C and the Allora SES. The course on bicycle safety, maintenance and road rules, was conducted by Allora SES member Brett Bender on 10 afternoons. Each of the children received a ticket in the draw for a helmet donated by Allora Hardware with Jake Pospischil the winner.

Colin Newport

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Solution in below

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

There was a little boy who was lost at the Show. He was standing there crying when a policeman came along.

"What's the matter, son?" said the policeman.

"I can't find my dad" the lad bawled.

"Never mind - perhaps I can help you find him. What's he like?"

"Beer and women" sobbed the boy.

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SCIENCE TRIVIA QUIZ

1. Who's closer to the centre of the Earth: a scientist at the North Pole, or one on a beach at the Equator?
2. How long does a night on the Moon last? Is it a) 12 hours, b) 2 days or c) 2 weeks?
3. Vanilla comes from what type of plant? Is it a) wattle, b) orchid or c) jonquil?
4. What word is given to the process that turns tadpoles into frogs? Is it a) sporogony b) metamorphosis or c) monophagous?
5. Where would you find your spleen? Is it a) in your brain, b) behind your stomach, c) attached to your intestines or d) inside your spinal column?

Answers below

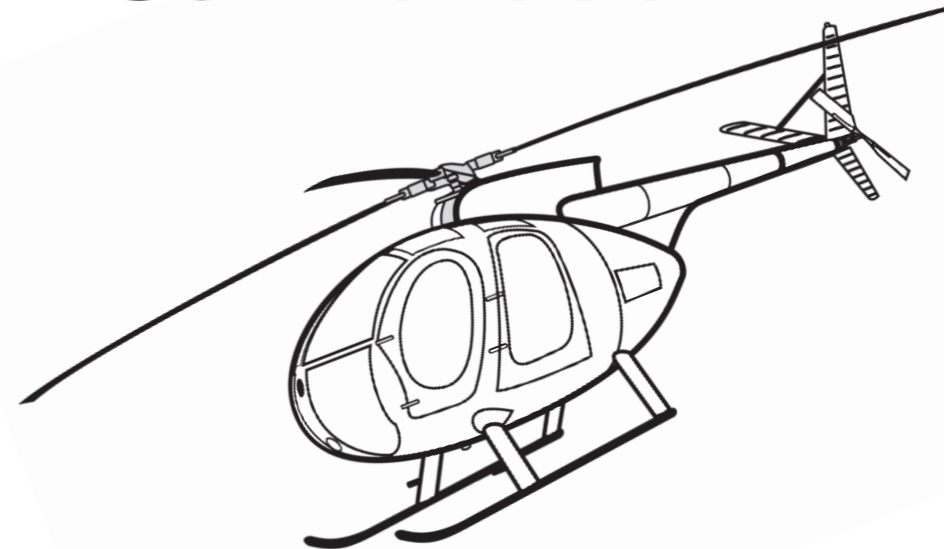
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QUIZ ANSWERS

1. The scientist at the North Pole is from the centre of the Earth than one from the middle, so a scientist at the equator is around 21 kilometres further at the North Pole.
2. c) A night on the Moon lasts about two weeks, as it takes 28 days to complete a whole rotation around its axis.
3. b) Vanilla is harvested from an orchid.
4. b) Metamorphosis is the process in which tadpoles turn into frogs.
5. b) The spleen is found in the upper left abdomen, behind the stomach.



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Allora Golf Club Notes



Another wonderful field of 21 golfers lined up on a beautiful early Winter afternoon to play in the **Percy's Fruit Duck Run** last Friday. Winner with an amazing 27 points was our very own "Clancy of the Overflow" Ray O'Leary. Clancy is making a habit of shooting below his age but on Friday with a 40 off the stick he beat it by about 5 years. Runner up with a credible 24 points was Jimmy Anderson. Approach on the 3rd was won by Murray and the pin was a clean skin.

The Railway Hotel Monthly Mug on Sunday saw a great field of 22 players in what was another beautiful day for golf. Aaron overcame his nightmare of the forward pass call on

Saturday night to record a mammoth 44 points, 18 on the front nine and 26 on the back with a wash on the 10th. Great golf Simmo. Runner up was Liam with 38 points on a countback from Baz Junior. Balls in the rundown went to Barry Jnr, Ray, Sparkie, Roy Boy, Ant, Moose and Crawf. Pin shots went to Ken (4/13), Baz (7/16) who also won the Eagles Nest and Tommy (8/17). Approach was won by Tommy (1/10) and Garth (5/14). Long putt was won by Doreen.

Thanks to all golfers for filling in divots. If everyone fills in their own divot plus one other, the fairways and tee boxes will be maintained in good shape.

Next week will be the usual burglars on Tuesday, **Percy's Fruit Duck Run** on Friday and a club trophy on Sunday. See you on the links.

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