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Hair (E)rasing Experience



On Saturday The Allora Barbershop was the scene for clippers and cuts. Nathan from the Barbershop with help from his team raised \$5,295 for "Cure Cancer". It took 7 years for Nathan to grow his virgin hair which is perfect for the use in wigs. His little lot will make 6 wigs. *(more pics on page 4)*



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Busy Launch For Katie's Cocktail Cafe



Alex and Katie at Saturday nights launch.

Allora's newest Cafe opened its doors on Saturday night to an eager crowd.

Atmosphere was magic with diners enjoying the balmy night in the garden or gathering in the covered well lit hut out the back.

Owner Katie Dennis was excited to see so many people supporting the Cafe.

A new oven is arriving soon to help cater for the larger crowds.

Prices have been kept very reasonable.

Dinner dishes for example - Wagyu Burger with chips \$20 or stuffed chicken breast \$25. Desserts just \$8. Lunches are easy and tasty such as Beer Battered flathead \$16 and fresh or toasted sandwiches \$7.

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Merivale Street Closed

Authorities have closed the northern end of Merivale Street at Allora after severe damage was caused during heavy rain earlier this month.

The section between Allora-Clifton Road and Drayton Street is likely to be closed for some time as preparations are made to repair significant damage.

The Dalrymple Creek crossing was not seriously damaged however there is a large amount of debris surrounding the causeway.

A little further north, flood water rushing through a gully has caused a deep wash on the side of the carriageway which would pose a danger to any traffic.



ABOVE: Flood damage to Merivale Street.

RIGHT: Merivale Street at the Dalrymple Creek crossing in Allora.

Is The Speed Limit Really 60 On This Section Of The New England Highway ?

How many motorists are sick of seeing these work signs being left beside the

highway with no workmen in sight. This has occurred for the past two days that we are aware of with no workers and no repairs being made to the road surface.

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Well known local Kurt Ross (left) was a good sport too. Kurt raised \$1,000 and shaved his beard and hair.

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Young Alex got in on the fun - doing the shave too!

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THC is the active ingredient in Cannabis and adversely affects your ability to operate a motor vehicle through reduced attention, concentration and reaction time in a similar manner to alcohol.

As the use of medicinal cannabis continues to grow, police remind motorists that even if prescribed a medicine containing THC, it is an offence to drive a motor vehicle while it remains your system.

Some medicinal cannabis contains only CBD (cannabidiol). There is no evidence that CBD affects your ability to drive.

If in doubt, check your prescription with your GP.

There are serious consequences if you are caught driving with a relevant drug in your saliva, including mandatory licence disqualifications, significant fines and even jail time.

Darling Downs Highway Patrol are performing more roadside drug tests than ever before, so if you use illicit drugs and drive you can expect to get caught.

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Edge Of The Present Coming To Warwick



Warwick Art Gallery in association with The Big Anxiety presents EDGE OF THE PRESENT from 7 April to 7 May. The Big Anxiety is an initiative of the University of New South Wales (UNSW) and explores how arts-based experiences can help us work through trauma, suicidality, anxiety or stress, creating the connections we need for better psychosocial health. Warwick Art Gallery was invited to be

one of three Queensland venues for EDGE OF THE PRESENT recognising the impact of mental illness in rural/regional communities. Warwick being the only rural/regional venue.

EDGE OF THE PRESENT is the world's first virtual reality (VR) environment for suicide prevention, recently featured in the SBS documentary, A Matter of Life and Death. Participants will experience spectacular visual transformations, which have been shown to improve mood and helpfulness after 10 minutes.

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REMEMBERING THE BRAVE SERVICEMEN WHO SERVED IN THE BOER WAR

In the lead-up to the Light Horsemen Parade through Allora on 28th May, the Allora Advertiser will remember some of the local servicemen who were involved.

(Courtesy of Lyn Wright - Allora & District Historical Society)

Joseph Farrington was born in Allora on 17 April 1869. His parents Francis Henry and Frances Thompson (nee Hancock) Farrington lived at the railway camp at Hendon where Francis supplied wood for the railway department and to the Allora Council. He later owned a farm at Sandy Camp, Clifton.

Private Joseph Farrington, Service No. 159 became a member of the 3rd Contingent Queensland Mounted Infantry which was raised on 9th February 1900, leaving for Cape Town within three weeks of formation.

The 3rd Contingent travelled to British Rhodesia where they took a prominent part in the war against the Boers. Joseph was severely wounded in December 1900.

When the 3rd Contingent had completed their twelve month service they left Cape Town in May 1901. Joseph was discharged in

South Africa and did not return to Australia with his unit. He joined the Corps of Cattle Ranges formed for the protection and safe conduct of captured stock. Conditions of enlistment included the term of service, pay of 6/-per day, free rations, provision of a rifle, a bandolier and ammunition and provision of a horse. The men who joined the Corps were reported to have made a lot of money. Commission was based on the cattle valued at five pounds and sheep 10/-.

Joseph returned to Australia on 24th January 1902. He married Annie Jane Miners on 6th May 1902. They had six children. Joseph's Boer War medals were donated to a museum in Brisbane. He was awarded to Queen's South Africa Medal with the Relief of Mafeking, Orange Free State, Transvaal, Rhodesia and the 1901 clasps.

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Allora P-10 State School News



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- **Friday 1 April** -LAST DAY OF TERM 1
- **Friday 15 April** - Good Friday public holiday
- **Monday 18 March** - Easter Monday public holiday
- **Tuesday 19 March** - FIRST DAY OF TERM 2

COMING EVENTS -

- **Today 23rd** - Interhouse Cross Country
- **Thursday 24 March** - Southern Downs Youth Council Induction Ceremony
- **Tuesday 29 March** - Year 7 Mate Bystander Program
- **Wednesday 30** - Central Downs Cross Country, Pilton
- Pie Drive delivery -

TUCKSHOP

Serena and members at the Tuckshop would welcome anyone who can assist, especially on a Friday when they need an extra pair of hands. As well as helping to feed the students it's also a nice social time with other mothers.

The Tuckshop menu is on the school website, under "Facilities - Tuckshop."

News From St Patrick's P & F



Uniform Co-Ordinator - Lisa Dedini.

It was decided that the Care and Concern Group be mobilized when required. As an avenue to foster positive relationships with members of the St Patrick's Parish Community, a group from the St Patrick's P&F will visit members of the parish who are in need of some help. This could be garden maintenance, house cleaning or shopping.

St Patrick's P & F Committee always welcomes new members. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20 April commencing at 6.00pm.

St Patrick's Parents and Friends Association - With the lifting of COVID 19 restrictions the P&F Association met in person at their annual AGM earlier this month.

All executive positions were filled for 2022.

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More Pics From The Successful Inaugural Heavy Horse Festival Held In Allora



Drum Horse - a pretty horse known for its great temperament.



ABOVE: Military Display by Clifton local Bruce Gilbert.

LEFT: Mule looked disinterested but the crowd was intrigued and amused.



Photo at right by Katelyn Caldwell

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Do you manage land? Are you interested in your soil? Condamine Catchment Management Association is offering a opportunity to attend a FREE short session to wet your appetite regarding your soils. We have been lucky enough to tag Dr Nikki Seymour!

Nikki is currently a Principal Policy Officer with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries,

based in Toowoomba, where she has worked since 1988 mainly as a Soil Microbiologist. Nikki completed her undergraduate degree with Honours at the Queensland Agricultural College (now University of Old) and then, whilst working fulltime and raising a family, gained her PhD in 2003. She has worked on national and international agricultural research projects on key issues relating to

soil biological interactions with crop nutrition and disease. With 30 years of experience staring down a microscope and digging up roots and soil, she is particularly interested in the beneficial microorganisms that build healthy, productive soils to help plants access nutrients and fight off soil-borne diseases. Whilst specialising in agricultural production, Nikki has an appreciation for all plants,



Dr. Nikki Semour. big and small, and is a keen bushwalker and nature-lover too. This session will be held on Wednesday 30th March from 10.30am for one hour, at All Saints Anglican Hall, Clifton.

Japanese Encephalitis Virus Detected In Queensland

Australia's Acting Chief Medical Officer, Dr Sonya Bennett, has declared the unfolding situation in Australia concerning the Japanese encephalitis virus (JEV) a Communicable Disease Incident of National Significance.

"I have declared the JEV situation a Communicable Disease Incident of National Significance after determining a national approach is required in relation to coordination of health policy, interventions and public messaging," Dr Bennett said.

"A national working group of communicable disease, vaccine and arbovirus experts has been established to support the response, including mosquito surveillance and control measures

and identification of those at direct risk, and for the rollout of vaccines. Public health communications regarding mosquito protection will target affected communities."

JEV is a mosquito-borne viral disease that mostly occurs in pigs and horses, but can cause disease in people and rarely other animals. Pigs are the focus from a human health perspective as they can infect mosquitoes that can then infect humans. This is not the case with horses.

Humans can become infected with JEV through the bite of an infected mosquito. The virus cannot be transmitted between humans, and it cannot be caught through eating pork or pig products.

Less than 1 per cent of people infected may develop a serious illness such as encephalitis and experience symptoms including neck stiffness, severe headache and coma, and more rarely, permanent neurological complications or death. Vast majority of infected people show mild or no symptoms at all.

Australia's Chief Veterinary Officer, Dr Mark Schipp, said JEV had been confirmed at 14 piggeries across NSW, SA, Queensland and Victoria.

"The key signs to look out for in pigs are stillborn or weak piglets, some with an impaired nervous system. Piglets can develop encephalitis or wasting, depression or hindlimb paralysis.

Adult sows do not typically show signs of disease," Dr Schipp said.

"In horses, many cases show no signs of the disease. Some animals may show signs of elevated temperature, jaundice, lethargy or anorexia. Other signs may include lack of coordination, difficulty swallowing, impaired vision or over-excitement."

"Pig producers are asked to be highly vigilant for signs of this disease and report unexplained pig abortions or stillbirths."

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Days for Girls – Allora and District to provide disaster relief to Tonga



Days for Girls Allora and District had a gathering last month where we packed another 100 kits for the refugee commitment for September. This brings us to 150 kits so far with the aim for another 350 kits before then.

The upcoming meeting on Friday will focus on packing kits to go to Tonga for disaster relief after the volcanic eruption and Tsunami back in January. The provision of reusable feminine hygiene kits will allow the slow rebuilding of the health and welfare of the ladies and girls within the community whilst reducing rubbish going into landfill. We are hoping to be able to pack at least 120 kits subject to product availability. This

may be the first of several containers to go to Tonga during this year. We hope to be able to provide kits to go in these future containers. There is a strong possibility that the group may also provide disaster relief to Fiji in the near future.

In order to be able to achieve these commitments, the group is requesting donations of: new ladies knickers, small hotel style soaps, new face washers, new 100% cotton (non-stretch) material or monetary donations. Items can be dropped into Allora True Value Hardware store or Bryson's Florist Warwick marked to Days for Girls. If dropping items in can you please text, phone or email contacts below so that we know to pick them up as not all executive members live in town. Monetary donations over \$2 are tax deductible and can be transferred to:

Allora Days for Girls, BSB 064032 Acc: 10127292. Items or donations can also be dropped off at gathering times.

The next gathering is this Friday 25 March from 9am at St Patricks Hall off McKillop Ave, Allora. All are welcome, sewers and non-sewers with plenty of tasks to do. If you have a skill at fundraising, we would love your assistance. For those who

had previously attended, it would be great to see you back. Please bring a small plate for morning tea, coffee and tea provided.

Thank you – Allora and district Days for Girls Executive team – Heather Goonan Mobile 0434 907 904, Lenore Wissemann Mobile 0428 973 432, Shirley Cornhill and Kaylene Williams or email: alloraqld@daysforgirls.org.

Men's Breakfasts Restart

The Allora Presbyterian Men's Breakfast is recommencing this Saturday, the 26th March. We have not been able to operate because of COVID restrictions but with their easing, we are pleased to return to providing the free breakfast for men, starting on the last Saturday of the month at the Allora Presbyterian Church Hall, 12 Jubb Street, Allora. Our speaker for the upcoming breakfast is David McFetridge from Maryvale.

David has an interesting life story as a Christian, including a time of smuggling Bibles into countries where the Bible was outlawed. We'd love to have you come at 7.20am to enjoy a breakfast of cereal and sausages, bacon and eggs, tea or coffee and to hear David's talk. All are welcome. Elton Wiltshire (Pastor), Allora Presbyterian Church 0407 082 553.

LET'S REMEMBER BACK TO 1989

- Findings from the Fitzgerald Inquiry are released in Qld
- Qld State Election puts ALP'S Wayne Goss into power after 32 years of Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen
- Current Qld State of Origin Captain Daly-Cherry Evans is born

AND IN ALLORA...

Allora Business Council announces the winners of the local essay and logo competitions - based on "Allora - the best little town on the Downs".

The winner of the essay competition was Joanne Denny.

The winner of the logo competition was Wayne Frizzell Jnr.

Council Chairman Robyn Kinzel presented the awards which outlined the aim of the Allora Business Council - to promote town and community, both for civic pride and for business growth, which would lead to job opportunities for school leavers of the future.

THE BEST LOGO - Copy of the Special Award presented to WAYNE FRIZZELL Jnr



ALLORA APEX Community Cultural Award presented to WAYNE FRIZZELL Jnr



(unfortunately we can't trace the actual logo - hopefully someone in Allora may provide?)



WINNING ESSAY

'The Best Little Town On The Downs' By JOANNE DENNY, Grade 5, Allora State School

Allora is always alive, trees standing tall with their beautiful, lush green leaves swaying in the sky; plants growing young from old, where nature is kind, and humans are too.

This place is never over-crowded. Its mornings dewy as drops from a tap, and nights as warm as a lit fire.

Some homes are old-fashioned, and some have modern features for a pleasant home for the modern family.

Young learn from old as they correct our wrongs and rights.

The Homestead, Blue Nurses, Brownies, Girl Guides, Cubs and Scouts, even the friendly Shire Council – they all let you lean on them.

Crime is a make-believe word and the warm-hearted policemen protect all of the community, and even visitors from the smelly city, who come to relax in this dream town.

As hours pass, you can sit in the rocking chair and listen to the animals scattering for food or birds feeding their young; horses galloping through the long grasses and up the hills to see the coming riders.

Any one day will never be boring. There's tennis, cricket, swimming and a lot more exciting events to do.

You could go camping on any mountain or just in the back yard; and horse riding is an exciting thing to do.

School sometimes gets boring, everyone thinks, but we can learn a lot of things.

The word 'Allora' is like six sparkling bubbles that pop in everyone's ears and tells them about this beautiful land.

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Allora Golf Notes



Great to see golfers back out on the course after all the wet weather and flooding.

Percy's Fruit Duck Run on Friday was won by Aaron with 23 points from Ty on 20. Aaron also won the pin shot, approach and long putt.

Commencing next week the Duck Run sponsor will be Peter's Produce. Thanks to Percy for his generous sponsorship of the Duck Run for the past seven years.

Saturday was the first round of the Club Championships sponsored by the Allora Butchery. Thanks Aaron and Ashley.

Brooke won the day with 38 points to win from Duke on 37. Brooke also led the "C" Grade after the first round.

Sunday was the second round of the Championships with the Railway Hotel Monthly Mug played in conjunction. Winner of the mug with an incredible 47 points was Tommy Morris from his "boss" Ty on 42 points. Duke was third with 40 points. Thanks to Robyn from the Railway.

After two rounds of the championships, Willy is leading the "A" Grade on 150 from Baz on 153, Tommy Morris is leading "B" Grade on 155 from Duke on 157 and Wal is leading "C" grade on 186 from Brooke on 189.

Next Friday will be the Peter's Produce Duck Run



Golf Club volunteer Hethe Ramus always goes "above and beyond" in his commitment to making sure the golf course is in a playable condition. With the first fairway being too wet to mow with the fairway mower, Hethe got in and mowed it with the push mower. Certainly no small feat. The Allora golfers are extremely lucky to have such a hard worker as Hethe as our voluntary groundskeeper.

with the Championships being concluded on Saturday and Sunday.

Great to see a group of 20 social golfers from Toowoomba playing on

Sunday with another 20 from Brisbane booked in to play on Friday. Clearly the word is out about how good the Allora Golf Course is. See you on the links.

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago March 1997

Allora Side Beaten

New life was put back into the race for the Back Plains & District Cricket Association premiership on the weekend when Nobby comprehensively defeated the second-placed Allora side. The match was highlighted by a fine all-round performance by Ashley Gillam, making 68 runs in Nobby's total of 168 and taking 4-11 with the ball. Allora were 6-63 before Paddy Maguire and John Meddleton added 32 for the seventh wicket and some respectability to the score.

Allora's Past 50 years ago March 1972

Public Meeting

A Public Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, Allora, on Tuesday, 14th March, to arrange a public farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Irving and family. S. D. Henry, Shire Chairman.

Allora's Past 75 years ago March 1947

Gift Evening

Miss Frances Cavanagh, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cavanagh of Berat, will shortly wed Mr. Don McLellan of Upper Forest Springs, and to honour her a gift evening was arranged in St. Joseph's

Hall in Allora by Mesdames B. and M. Phelan and Miss M. Geaney. Miss Cavanagh is well known throughout the district and during the war was a worker for the Berat Red Cross. She has been for many years an enthusiastic member of the Berat Tennis Club so it was fitting that a large number of residents from Allora, Goomburra, Berat, Upper Forest Springs, Clifton and other centres should gather to wish her happiness.

Allora's Past 100 years ago March 1922

First for Allora Woman

In connection with the recent University examinations, Miss May Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Smith of Glengallan, Allora, has received word that she has passed her final examination for her Bachelor of Arts degree in history and economics with first class honours. Miss Smith is the first lady to win this distinction at the Queensland University.

Allora's Past 150 years ago March 1872

Land in Demand

There were thirty-two applicants at the Crown Lands Office in Toowoomba,



A current photo of part of the land selected by Francis Kates at the head of Spring Creek in 1872.

paying £1,305 in deposits, for all or part of a 2,052 acre selection at the head of Spring Creek near Pilton Station, forfeited to the Crown by Mr. J. C. S. Hegarty. Local applicants included Eugene Gallagher, Francis Kates, Henry Black, Samuel Gordon and Alexander Cameron of Allora, Henry Saal, Frederick Easton, William Dalton, Laurence Cranitch and John Cranitch of Spring Creek.

(The successful applicant was Francis Kates of Allora and the land was occupied by Charles Siebenhausen. The block was purchased by Edmund Finlay in about 1889 and eventually split up)

Colin Newport

Wattles Under 7 Side With Coach Shadai

Earlier this year Shadai Daley would likely not have believed you if it was suggested she would be coaching a rugby league team across 2022, but as things happen the 27 year old Clifton based married mother of two is doing just that, and loving it.

When coaches were initially announced Wattles for the new season the youngest performers were without a mentor, until a recommendation was suggested by Club President Jason Fogarty.

"Shadai has certainly hit the ground running at Wattles" according to Fogarty, "a very motivated volunteer who has achieved all required qualifications and has her team's enjoyment at heart."

For the devoted coach it's all about having a go, enjoyment, learning skills and building friendships for her Under 7/8 squad.

The young Warriors had a challenging line up of pre-season trials planned to ease them in to the 57th season of the Warwick & District Junior Rugby League, but wet weather put paid to the initial round of hurdles against the neighbouring Pittsworth Danes.

However it all got real for Under 7/8 head coach Shadai last weekend when Wattles joined Brisbane outfit the Redlands Parrots, Tenterfield Tigers and hosts the Stanthorpe Gremlins at Sullivan Oval for the annual Redlands4Stanthorpe Junior Rugby League Carnival.

The Carnival has become firmly entrenched in the southern Downs junior league calendar, emerging as a drought support event and fundraiser for the Stanthorpe community back in 2020.

Wattles suffered losses in the Under 13 & 15 boys team matches, while the green and gold Shane Wright coached Hamblin Building Under 17 outfit showed they will be a force to be reckoned with in 2022. They certainly picked up from their grand final defeat last year walloping their fancied Redlands opponents 38 - 4.

Wattles' Hamish Gartery contributed two touchdowns in the



The Wattles U7 side: Zane Daly (Referee), Briton Muller, Dominic Navybox, Paul Williams, George Mullen, Benji Bocalatte, Henry Ferguson, Charlie Ball, Buddy Turner, Jace Macura, Jackson Wilson, Oliver Marsh, Kia Fox, Chaz Daley and Archie Moore. Coaches Dwayne Bocalatte (Stanthorpe) & Shadai Daley (Wattles).

one-sided encounter that also saw Mitch Ranger don Wattles colours again for the first-time since his Under 12 year and score on the end of a fifty-metre gallop to finish off an exceptional team display.

Wattles Ladies League Tag team excelled with a classy win over Stanthorpe's reigning premiership winning side.

Junior Rugby League makes its new season entrance to Platz Oval on Saturday, hosting Toowoomba's Newtown Lions, the Stanthorpe Gremlins and Warwick's Collegians Ladies team in pre-season trials.

The young Warriors will match up against Newtown in the Under 6 - 12 grades, with Wattles than taking on the Stanthorpe Gremlins in Under 13, 15 & 17.

Wattles Ladies League Tag team will contest their second trial of the new season against Collegians.

Under 13 - Redlands 34 defeated **Wattles 4** (Zac Wheeldon try).

Under 15 - Redlands 34 defeated **Wattles 6** (Atticus Sullivan try & goal).

Under 17 - Girls League Tag - Wattles 22 (Abbey Monckton, Hannah McElhone, Reagan McMillan, Piper Brady tries; Matilda Baty 2, Hannah McElhone goals) defeated **Stanthorpe 6**.

Under 17 - Wattles 38 (Hamish Gartery 2, Jack Barbierato, Ashley Perry, Graham Perry, Sam Gilmore, Mitchell Ranger tries; Bryce Stewart 4, Mitchell Ranger goals) defeated **Redlands 4**.

Glyn Rees

Kick Start for Sport in Maranoa Region

Sporting events across Maranoa are set to benefit from the Australian Government's Regional Sport Events Fund.

Now open for applications, the fund will support community sporting events across the region with an aim of kick-starting the economy and encouraging visitors back to Maranoa communities.

Funding of up to \$50,000 will be available to over 400 eligible Local Government Areas (LGAs).

Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud said that all 17 LGAs across Maranoa were eligible to apply for the grant, which would help kick-start local events after the impact of the pandemic.

"Sport is often the glue that brings people together across the expansive Maranoa region and this program aims to fast-track the recovery from what's been a very challenging period for region," Mr Littleproud said.

"Local sporting clubs and associations play an incredibly important role in community strength and through this fund, the Australian Government is encouraging our community to come together and

celebrate through sport. "Staging these events will also benefit the small businesses in Maranoa that are central to our local economy."

Events can range from "come and try days" to larger events including elite sporting exhibitions and state level competitions that engage the broader community.

"Community sport has been hit hard right across Australia as a result of the pandemic - but we all understand the power of local competition and the opportunities it presents to bring communities together," Mr Littleproud said.

"This fund will help to reboot many of the events that were cancelled or postponed and will encourage local government to be creative in how they re-engage with their local area."

Applications for the Regional Sport Events Fund are now open.

More details about the program, including the Fund Guidelines and closing dates can be found on Sport Australia's Grants and Funding page - https://www.sportaus.gov.au/grants_and_funding/regional-sport-events-fund.

CREATIVE CORNER

WORD SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the breeds of horses below into the corresponding boxes provided to reveal the mystery word circled in red.

- 1. AMONRG 4. SSEOKRTHCO 7. DYKEON
- 2. YHCRRUSEO 5. LSOHYWEPN 8. IANBARA
- 3. OBMRAWLOD 6. AAOLSOPAP

Jeremy's View

Home with COVID

My family is all staying at home to quarantine with COVID so there is no school for me at the moment. William got it down in Brisbane when he was at parliament last week but he didn't know he had it until he started feeling sick on Friday night after the Warwick Show.



Now all my family except for me have it and the worst bit is that Baby Amelia has been sick so she's always crying and doesn't sleep much. So of course mum and dad are grumpy because they can't get to sleep either. But Amelia looks much better today so I have been able to have fun with her. Yesterday mum and dad let me ride my motorbike and baby Amelia watched from the pram. The sunlight was too strong for her so she had to wear her sunglasses. She's 14 weeks old now.

I still feel well but probably soon I will get COVID too because it is very easy to catch from other people. William and I got COVID shots when we were in Goondiwindi so I hope it means that I don't have too many symptoms. William says he has sore legs and Dad said it has made him really tired and gives him a sore throat and a headache. Mum has the same things too so I guess that's what it will be like for me.

I know William thinks it's great not going to school but I actually enjoy school and I miss it. Luckily my grandparents Nonna and Dan Dan have their own house on our property so they are far enough away that they don't catch COVID from us but they are close enough to help with groceries and getting the newspapers for me.

Jeremy Lister, age 10

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Solution below

TODAY'S QUOTE -
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WORD SCRAMBLE

ANSWER: Gymkhana.
1. Morgan, 2. Curly Horse, 3. Warmblood, 4. Stock Horse, 5. Welsh Pony, 6. Appaloosa, 7. Donkey, 8. Arabian.



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It was the final of the Cricket Competition when the officials took a call from the gatekeeper. "There are two life-members here. They are close friends of the umpire and they have lost their tickets."

"Throw them out," said the official "they are liars. Whoever heard of an umpire having two friends!"

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Late of Warwick, formerly of Richmond NSW, passed away on 17th March 2022, aged 81 years.

Dearly loved Husband of Dell. Loving Father of Donna, Michael and Paul and Father-in-law of Mike and Marie. Proud loving Pop of Meagan and Luke, Bradley and Kirri, Ashlee, Andrew and Andrea and Great-Grandfather to Evie and Tyler. Loved Brother, Brother-in-law and Uncle to their families.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Don's funeral, to be held at St Mary's Catholic Church, 163 Palmerin Street, Warwick, service commencing at 1.00pm, Thursday 24th March, 2022, followed by interment at Warwick Lawn Cemetery, Lancaster Street, Warwick.

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Allora Bowls Notes



WEEK NINE - I mentioned substitute players last week. Well, it seems that nearly every team had substitute players this week. John from Stonecutters was in Do It Again so Stonecutters must have had substitutes as Mark was away. Ann substituted for Bev in Doesn't Matter, Robyn from Railway substituted, Ryan was away so Phoenix Rising had a substitute. Liz was away so The Three Stoogers had a sub. Confused, so am I! And Kris was the bitch in Beers Bowls and Bitches again! Forgot Gina's Babies had two subs.

Results:- Phoenix Rising 21 b Doesn't Matter 9; Stonecutters 13 b Fire Ants 9; Do it Again 24 b What a Show 5; Beers Bowls and

Bitches 18 b Generation Gap 13; Railway 28 b Peaky Blinders 11; Gina's Babies 17 b Three Stoogers 9; Pig Lures 27 b Two Poc Crew 4

The Tony Morris sponsored Winners and Losers prizes went to Phoenix Rising and Fire Ants.

Toucher winners - Nat, Cody, Dewey, Cam, Russ and Brett.

Adelle was very happy to take home the \$120 Jackpot prize. Raffle winners Gary, Aden, Kris, Nicko, Moley.

Patron Patto was in great form. He played like a champion. John had plenty of chances to roll down the jack and managed to stuff it up every time! Dave had some great shots and they certainly deserved to win. Do It Again are on top of the ladder.

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