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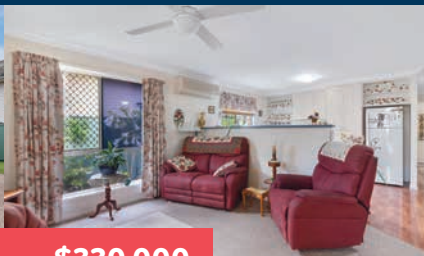
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Opening this Saturday, 21st May

And to mark this occasion, the RSL will again run the Autumn Market Day, so come along and check out the Café and Market.

Letter to the Editor...

Dear Editor,

Congratulations on your article in last week's Allora Advertiser regarding the spectacular shaded horse arena at the Allora Show grounds.

The fact that past President Mark Pillar's name was mentioned several times reassures the community that he was responsible for the decisions made before the construction of this shed. Continuous hard work by the current management committee is still being done to make this shed useable.

Maree Gillam

Election Polling Booths for Voting This Saturday

This Saturday 21 May, the Federal Election takes place. Allora P-10 school hall has been chosen as an election polling booth. Volunteers will be welcome on Saturday at either the school or Goomburra polling places.

The Allora P-10 P&C has decided to run a sausage sizzle and cake stall on the day of the election at both the Allora P-10 State School and Goomburra Hall Polling Booths and they will need help. Please message Mrs Judy Emms, the P&C Secretary, on 0468 912 068 if you can assist to sell items or assist with the sausage sizzle.

Donations of saleable items such as cakes, biscuits and slices, as well as packet mixes, sugar, eggs and milk. These can be left at the School's catering building this Friday 20 May.



Allora P-10 School News - The next P & C Meeting will be held tomorrow 19th at 5.30pm in the school library.

The School's Book Fair will commence this Friday and finish Tuesday 24 May. It'll be held in the library before school, at second break and after school until 4pm.

Purchasing books will encourage your children to read more and will also enable the library to obtain more resources.

Parents or caregivers are encouraged to read more with their child every day. By reading just 20 minutes a day with your child helps their vocabulary immensely.

Allora To Warwick Back Road Expected To Open Today



Following the recent flooding, the Southern Downs Regional Council workers have been busy with considerable repairs needed to the culvert situated a couple of kilometres south of Deuchar.

Yesterday the road was still closed to all southbound

traffic at the Deuchar Church intersection.

Nevertheless road users were still trying their luck before being turned around.

The Council was not sure when the road will be open today but they will be doing their best to make it trafficable.

Water main break on Warwick-Allora line

Following a break in the Warwick-Allora water pipeline line last Friday 13 May, water carting commenced on Sunday to the Allora Reservoir to ensure the continued supply of potable water to the town's residents.

Toowoomba Regional Council has partnered with Southern Downs Regional Council to provide two trucks for the operation to deliver Warwick water from Mt Marshall to the reservoir site.

Council's Director Infrastructure Services Gary Murphy said that Council would continue to test and monitor the carted water quality to ensure it complies with the relevant standard.

"Given the Warwick-Allora water pipeline runs through Mount Marshall, the carted water is the exact same water supplied to the Allora community every day of every other week," Mr Murphy said.

"All things being equal, we do not expect there will be any changes to the taste and colour of the water, however Council's operators will continue to test and monitor the water quality regularly to ensure the water complies the

relevant standard.

"We are very grateful for the assistance from our neighbours at Toowoomba Regional Council to ensure that the Allora community has adequate water from their residential taps and the partnership to cart water will continue until the mains are repaired."

Following rain at Allora, the trucks had some access challenges to the reservoir and minor works were carried out to ensure safe access to the site.

Council is aware of some impacts on the shared property at the reservoir and will restore and repair any damage once carting ceases.

Local residents are asked to be mindful of water usage during the carting period.

"We appreciate the local community minimising water usage as crews work to fix the pipeline under difficult circumstances," Mr Murphy said.

(At the time of going to Press The Allora Advertiser had received no further updates on the situation).



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David LITTLEPROUD For Maranoa

Authorised by L. Folo, Liberal National Party of Queensland, 281 Sandgate Road, Albion QLD 4010.

Allora's Two Special Nonagenarians

At this month's meeting of the Dante Book Club the usual robust discussion was curtailed somewhat by the birthday celebrations of two of the members.

Jackie Gallagher celebrated her 97th birthday last Sunday 15th while Yvonne Hore celebrates her 90th milestone this Sunday 22nd May.

These two ladies don't fit the mould for the over 90's with their combined vibrant interest in life in general from fine crafts to politics. Both avid readers, they are both valued members of their Book Club, which is always a highlight of their month. As well as being an avid reader Yvonne is the other half of the monthly swap trolley with her daughter Rebecca.

The double decker strawberry sponge came from the kitchen of talented local baker, Ross Williams.

Denise Dalglish



Yvonne Hore and Jackie Gallagher.

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Flood damage to the surface of Allora Drive near the Park.

'Operation Ribbonwood' detects drug and alcohol drivers on the Darling Downs

Operation Ribbonwood commenced on May 1 and enforcement will continue throughout May, focusing on the detection of drivers under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.

In 2021, 41% of lives lost on Queensland roads in Southern Region were found to have drug and/or alcohol in their system.

From May 1 to May 10, Darling Downs Police have detected 24 drug drivers in Toowoomba, Warwick, Goondiwindi, Kingaroy and the Lockyer Valley.

During this same period, 26 drink drivers were also detected in Darling Downs and 320 traffic infringements were issued.

Police are urging motorists to think about their actions when behind the wheel, especially during the rainy period.

Remember:

- Do not drive under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol
- Make safe decisions when driving
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Expect police anywhere, anytime.

Senior Const. Belinda Elks
Queensland Police

First Talgai Goldfields samples shipped off

The first shipments of core samples taken from the Talgai Goldfields by Queensland Gold Hills have been shipped to an analytical lab for assaying.

Since drilling commenced at the Big Hill property, ten reverse circulation holes totaling 1175 metres have been completed.

The analytical lab, ALS Global, is in Brisbane.

Queensland Gold Hills CEO and Director Blair Way said that last week saw the halfway point of the planned 2000-metre drill program.

"The drill is targeting the Queenslander workings to determine the source of the gold that was extracted by historic mining in the late 1800s," Mr Way said.

The intention is to drill close to 2000 metre over approximately 20 holes in order to gain greater understanding of the feeders to these historic workings.

"With first assays in progress and the drill continuing to turn, we look forward to providing further updates over the coming weeks."



Bull Ride Cancelled



The Bull Ride scheduled for Friday 20th May at the Allora Showgrounds has been cancelled. The Showground has been awash with water three times in the past few months and the area is extremely wet underfoot.

It is very disappointing, however the weather events of 2022 have been unprecedented and

unfortunately the 'Allora Show Society Bull Ride' is just one more casualty.

The Committee of the Show Society extends its gratitude to the sponsors and volunteers who had put time aside to assist, and we look forward to your continued support in the future.

Sue Huston,
Allora Show Society

JAMES LISTER MP
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Improvements To Horticulture Market Transparency

The Federal Government is backing fairer prices for horticulture growers through funding totalling \$1.75 million to improve market transparency and bargaining power for the industry.

Minister for Agriculture and Member for Maranoa David Littleproud said the funding to ABARES and to an industry consortium led by Fresh Markets Australia is a practical example of the Government's commitment to addressing price transparency in perishable agricultural goods supply chains.

"The more perishable your goods are, the weaker your

position at the bargaining table," Minister Littleproud said.

"Australian horticulture produces some of the finest produce in the world, and it's essential that our growers get a fair price in the marketplace.

"A grant of \$653,950 provided under the Government's \$5.94 million program to improve market transparency across perishable agricultural goods supply chains, will be provided to Fresh Markets Australia to help develop and build of a web-based application that provides trusted, verifiable, daily updated market data across all

fresh fruit and vegetables.

"This will mean that growers can access daily market information online about the prices of fresh fruit and vegetables, and the volume of market sales"

"With this investment the data lifecycle from generation to display will be only 24 hours.

"This work will enable a timely

publication cost of production, production margins and overall industry profitability to be determined – transparency that will assist all parties to strike a fair bargain," Minister Littleproud said.

"Understanding an industry's cost of production is essential to understanding if growers are being treated fairly in the market."

CORRECTION

The article posted by Allora Advertiser on Wednesday the 6th April 2022 regarding Nutrien's Livestock & Agronomy Event on page 11 incorrectly simplified Doctor David Homer's comments on combination drenches (see below)

"Mr Homer provided some eye opening figures on drench resistance and suggested that a combination of drenches would assist their effectiveness"

This statement however is incorrect and out of context as Mr Homer was describing the use of multiple active ingredients already combined (i.e by a manufacturer) in a single product. All products detailed in the presentation are currently registered by the APVMA, each having been scientifically developed, trialled and approved for supply to and use by producers. Nutrien does not encourage off-label use in any form including off label use of registered products which includes the combining together of two different drenches that are not permitted to be combined on their label. Not only is such product use a legal consideration but there are also many unknowns with residues and animal safety making such a practice potentially dangerous, and contrary to manufacturer recommendations and label directions. The recommendation presented on the night in Allora was for the use of registered products containing multiple active ingredients already combined (i.e by a manufacturer) in a single products, i.e. "combination products".



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Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago May 1997

Anglican Deb Ball

Two young Allora ladies were amongst the eight to make their debut at the inaugural combined Allora/Clifton Parish debutante ball held in the F. E. Logan Hall in Clifton. The debs were presented to Father Tom Treherne assisted by Father David Snape.

One of the Allora debutantes was Serena Free, the only daughter of Garth and Dianna Free of 'Ebley', Allora. Serena was partnered by Justin McNamara, the son of John McNamara of Quilpie and Anne Maree McNamara of Allora. The other was Kylie Prendergast, the only daughter of Colin and Sonia Prendergast of Allora. Kylie was partnered by Brett Willett, the son of Colin and Val Willett of Allora.

Allora's Past 75 years ago May 1947

Camp Draft

The Central Downs A. & H. Association will hold its 15th annual camp draft and bullock riding carnival. A record of 66 entries has been received for the open draft with a first prize of £35. The novice draft with prize money totalling £20 had also attracted a strong field.

Visitors to the grounds will also have an opportunity to see what is claimed to be the biggest bullock in southern Queensland. It is a seven-year-old beef Shorthorn donated by Mr. Clark of Daandine Station to the Association and will figure in the weight guessing competition. The bullock will be auctioned by Mr. Frank Donovan before

the carnival closes.

Allora's Past 100 years ago May 1922

Polo

Our Spring Creek correspondent writes: Our polo enthusiasts are hard at it once more and each Saturday afternoon they may be seen making the ball and dust fly around. One or two of them seem to like the dust so much that they even roll in it. It will be remembered that the Creekites won the Downs Polo Association's medals last season and these will be presented at the club's ball at the end of May.

Allora's Past 125 years ago May 1897

Obituary

The death occurred of prominent Allora identity Mr. Patrick Kelley aged 54. At the time of his death Mr. Kelley was a member of the Allora Municipal Council and was mayor in 1895. He came to Allora from Ireland in about 1867 and was involved in farming activities before taking up the lease of the Royal Hotel from 1880 to 1883. In 1885 he opened Tattersall's Hotel



Serena Free being presented to Father Treherne at the 1997 Allora/Clifton Anglican debutante ball.

on the corner of Drayton and Forde Streets and was licensee at the time of his death. He was predeceased by his wife, formerly Mary Maher, about twelve months ago and is survived by a daughter Ellen and son William.

Colin Newport

Warriors Trek West to Hunt Boars



Wattles 'Stillwater Pastoral Company' top grade side are on safari this Sunday to match wits against reigning Toowoomba Rugby League Hutchinson Builders premiers the Goondiwindi Boars.

Captain/Coach Travis Burns has an all but full-strength side to run on at Goondiwindi's pristine Gilbert Oval with only former Brisbane Broncos Youth Cup forward enforcer Brendon McBride under a shadow with a knee concern.

The Toowoomba Rugby League competition lurches into gear again this weekend with Round 6 fixtures after widespread cancellation of Round 5 matches

last weekend.

Wattles scheduled local derby with the Pittsworth Danes at Platz Oval was shelved, with both clubs sharing a premiership point apiece in each grade.

The Warriors A graders last outing was their thrilling come from behind 20 - 13 win over fellow competition front runners Highfields on May 8th.

Wattles' goal for the trek west is to remain undefeated, and while Coach Burns feels his team has the goods to snare the premiership points, "Goondy can't be taken lightly, they are strong across the park."

Star half Matt Duggan survived a dangerous throw charge against Highfields, not denied field time by the TRL judiciary, and will take his place in Wattles playmaking nerve centre against the Boars.

The late mail suggests Goondiwindi captain/coach Travis Waddell, a former Canberra

Raiders, Newcastle Knights and Brisbane Broncos hooker with 78 NRL matches to his credit, may be an injury absentee from the Boars line-up this coming Sunday.

"It's going to be tough, but a win on Sunday is vital" according to Burns.

"We face up to some stiff competition in the coming weeks including Souths, Dalby and the powerful Gatton line-up.

While Wattles need a prime performance across the park at Gilbert Oval, Burns is confident that Matt Duggan, centre Nick Van Der Poel, front rower Jordan Crocker and finisher Mitch Bourke will all continue to build on their good form of late.

Another voice of experience in the Warriors line-up is back-rower Connor Swinton.

The 2022 season is Swinton's first after an eight-year absence from rugby league, after helping Wattles to their 2014, A Grade

premiership success.

Reserve Grade - Wattles Garth Lonergan/Nick Morris coached 'Tony Morris Tiling' Reserve Grade side are focused on a return to the winner's circle against Goondiwindi.

After three wins over Valleys, Newtown and Warwick to start the season they suffered a 24 - 14 loss at the hands of Highfields.

It'll be an even contest with the Boars boasting two wins from four outings, and Wattles will have to be well on their game on the Boars home turf.

Under 19 - Goondiwindi aren't fielding an Under 19 team this season, allowing the 'Black Toyota, Warwick' Wattles Cameron Hamblin coached Colts another free weekend.

Match day program: Sunday 22nd May - Gilbert Oval, Goondiwindi. 1.00pm - Reserve Grade, 2.30pm - A Grade.

Glyn Rees

Young Warriors Gain Rep Selection

Wattles junior stars Jack Burton and Hugh Denny have recently gained selection in the Darling Downs Under 12 Schoolboy Representative team.

The 2022 Queensland Primary Schools Under 12 Schoolboy titles are being hosted by the Sunshine Coast Schools Region at the Maroochydore Junior Rugby League Club from June 23rd - 28th.

Jack & Hugh have been in fine form in the initial weeks of the current competition for Wattles Under 12 side.

Talented lock forward Jack is especially hitting his straps being judged Wattles' Player of the Challenge at the Walker Weekend

Challenge in Toowoomba in late April.

Both players have worn Central Downs representative colours in Zone 5 Under 35 & Under 43 kg Carnivals in recent years, and have recently gained Central Downs representative team honours to take part in the Zone 5 Under 43kg Carnival at Cunnamulla in early July.

Wattles Juniors Head to Goondiwindi - Wattles Junior Warriors will also head west to Goondiwindi this weekend, contesting Round 5 of the 2022 Warwick & District Junior Rugby League premiership.

The junior Warriors will do battle at Gilbert Oval on Saturday,

before the Wattles seniors take the field on Sunday.

As with all other rugby league fixtures around the Southern & Darling Downs last weekend, wet condition saw fixtures cancelled, denying Wattles the opportunity to host the Stanthorpe Gremlins at Platz Oval.

The program for this Saturday, May 21st: Gilbert Oval, Goondiwindi. Back Field: 9 am - Under 6; 9 am - Under 7; 9 am - Under 8; 9.50 am - Under 9; 10.45 am - Under 10. Main Field: 9 am - Under 11; 9.50 am - Under 12; 10.45 am - Under 13; 12 noon - Under 15; 1.15 pm - Under 17.

Wattles Under 9's NRL Highlight - The Wattles Warriors

Under 9's will experience an amazing junior rugby league moment this Sunday, May 22nd, when they run in an exhibition match against Norths Tigers from Ipswich at half time of the Gold Coast Titans and Cronulla Sharks National Rugby League match at Cbus Super Stadium on the Gold Coast. The Titans Mini League program has returned in 2022 for all Titans home games at Cbus Super Stadium!

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Glyn Rees

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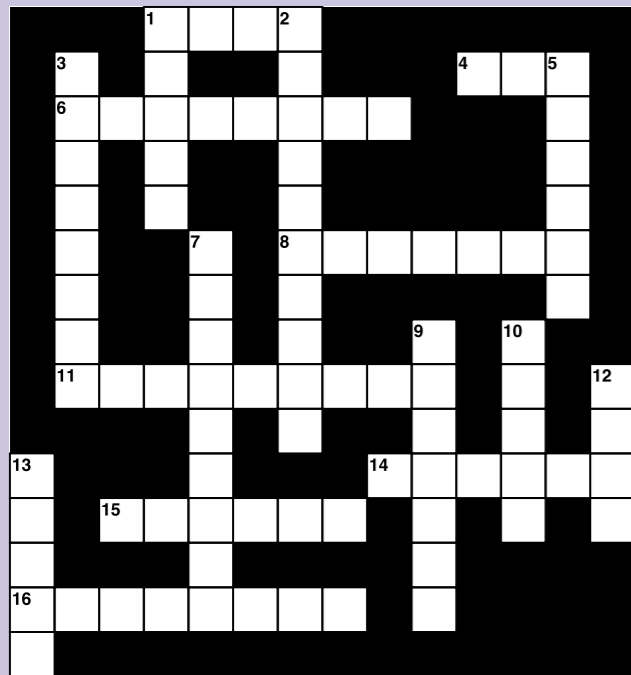
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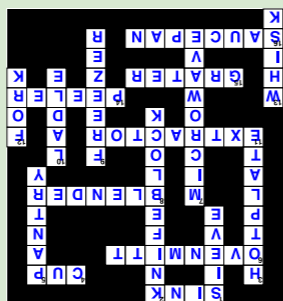
The young woman was giving details of the accident to the police and denied she was speeding.

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Jeremy's View

Busy Times

The past couple of weeks has been very busy and last week we had NAPLAN at school and on the last day of NAPLAN it started flooding. NAPLAN is a test that has four different topics: language conventions, writing, English and grammar, and maths. My favourite was English and grammar, and my least favourite was maths.



At home Amelia is doing well but Mum thinks she might be teething. She can roll over now so if you leave her on the floor on her back and look away for 10 seconds she'll move somewhere different.

The Border district Eistedfodd is coming up soon so I've been practicing my poem for the Eistedfodd (Clancy of the Overflow), which Dad and Dan Dan also did when they were my age. I've also been practicing my cello and piano for the Eistedfodd.

Jeremy Lister, age 11

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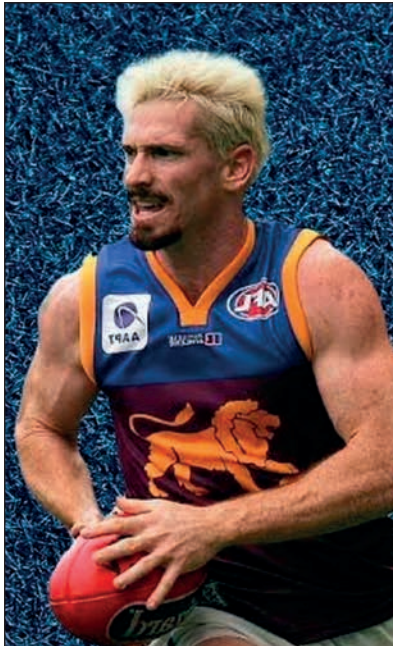
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To be installed at K.O. Masters Oval this automated system was costed at \$102,000 for the complete job with the Clubs contributing the balance. The system will be linked to the bore which was previously put down

by Darr Drilling.

The improved irrigated surface will benefit both the Allora Cricket club and Victoria Hall Club as well as all other sporting organisations, the local schools and the community.

Allora Show Society Inc. received \$47,986 to upgrade an existing arena surface to support horse sports at Allora.

The grants were part of the Active Game Day Projects fund - an initiative of the Queensland Government's Activate! Queensland 2019-2029 strategy.



Wattles junior players Jack Burton and Hugh Denny have been selected in the Darling Downs Under 12 Schoolboys team to contest the State Championships in Maroochydore. (See story page 11)

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