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Jeremy's View

Amelia report number 3

I have so many things that I want to do articles about because of everything that I did on the school holidays. But every time people talk to me about what I say in the Allora Advertiser they say that they want to know more about how my baby sister Amelia is going. Well Amelia's big news is that last week she started walking. She has been kind of walking for about a month but she usually liked crawling better because she was a bit wonky on her feet.

Now that Amelia is more mobile she needs to be watched all the time. Every time she has a chance to do something dangerous she'll do it but mum says that it is just what all little kids go through. Everyone in my family has noticed that Amelia is more happy now and she doesn't try to hold onto your leg as much as before. And Amelia is starting to say more words like birdy and baba (which means brother). She also has started to love old episodes of Play School on YouTube and she waves her arms around and tries to dance when the songs come on. We all think that walking has made her smarter and more interested.

But Amelia is still super messy when she has her food. If she doesn't like something she just holds it away from her high chair and drops it on the floor like she's some kind of high-maintenance customer at a restaurant. And Amelia insists that she gets to hold the spoon which always equals extra mess everywhere. My brother William and I really love Amelia and so does Mum and Dad. She's the cutest little baby in the world and I really love getting to be her big brother. Mum took this photo of Amelia to show how much she has grown up now that she is 13 months old.



Jeremy Lister, age 11

Letters to the Editor

Send letters to the Editor to -
53 Herbert Street Allora
 or email editor@alloraadvertiser.com

Please include your name and contact details.
 Letters will be published at the discretion of the Editor.

Plumes of Smoke Seen for Miles

Hot, windy conditions last Wednesday morning led to two fires developing at Old Talgai and Pratten with smoke visible from Allora, Hendon and Deuchar.

A 'Prepare to Leave' warning was issued by Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) Wednesday afternoon for the Old Talgai fire, which also affected Ellangowan and Victoria Hill.

The warning area was between Leyburn Cunningham Road, Oleary Road, Fontainbleau Road and Ryeford Pratten Road.

The fire was moving from Leyburn Cunningham Road towards Oleary Road and Ryeford Pratten Road.

There were concerns some properties might be threatened.

Crews had everything burning within containment lines by Midday on Thursday.

The fire at Pratten was south of the town, between Condamine River Road and Leyburn Cunningham Road.

A QFES spokesperson said the fire was fast-



moving and jumped Leyburn Cunningham Road at one point, raising concerns about houses in the area being in danger. Into Friday and Saturday crews continue to patrol before finishing

Saturday night.

The QFES spokesperson said that between both fires, dozens and dozens of Fire and Rescue and Rural Fire Service crews spent the afternoon and evening battling the blaze.

They were assisted by air support, in the form of water

bombers that collected water from Leslie Dam and aircraft from Massie Aerodrome.

The QFES spokesperson said a cause of the fires has not been determined.

There are unconfirmed reports the Old Talgai fire was started by an electric fence.



The aftermath of the fire.



The Warwick Airport at Massie was a hive of activity with refilling of aircraft to fight the fires.

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The majority of articles are almost brand new, some with prices still attached.

At midnight in Springfield Di heads out collecting "rubbish" that local residents have left on the footpath.

Management at the Shopping Centres and shops also give Di any unsaleable goods.

After the van is full Di and Bob head to the country - calling into Allora then travelling out west to Roma or north to Esk and Gympie.

Di is known around Springfield by the Police - but for all the right reasons.

The Police first approached Di as they found her roaming the streets in the middle of the night.

After she explained she was collecting bottles and



Bob and Di Miller with Julie Leggatt - displaying the goods they have delivered to the Salvation Army Shop in Allora.

cans for charities the Police now support Di.

Julie at the Salvation Army Shop at Allora is thrilled to receive these donations and pass on the bargains to her customers.

Men's Breakfast Guest Speaker

The speaker at the next Allora Presbyterian Men's Breakfast will be Roger O'Dea. Roger had the privilege of growing up at Lake Moeraki Motels in South Westland,

New Zealand. After working at various jobs in different parts of NZ, from Possum Shooting and Wool Pressing to Car Detailing and Carpet Cleaning, he moved to Australia in 1990 where he worked for a House Removalist and then became a Carpenter by Trade while working for a Builder. In 2005, he and his family moved to Spring Creek near Allora where they took on the challenge of owning and running a Dairy Farm. Over the years he has also taken a keen interest in buying and renovating Rental Properties in Bundaberg, Warwick and Inglewood. He and his wife Andrea have four adult children and three grandchildren. Roger will be speaking about how his life growing up in South Westland NZ and his father have influenced his appreciation of the beauty of God's creation of the natural world in which we live.

You are invited to come and hear Roger speak on next Saturday (28th Jan) at 7.30am and enjoy a free breakfast of cereal, fried eggs, bacon and sausages in the Allora Presbyterian Church hall.

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Healthy Grant Awarded to Goomburra Hall

Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal has awarded \$1,448,968 in grants to 121 projects across remote, rural and regional Australia.

In our region the following grant was awarded as part of the Strengthening Rural Communities program.

Goomburra Town Hall

Committee Incorporated has received \$25,000 based on strengthening Goomburra Community's Resilience to our changing climate and disasters.

The grant will help build community preparedness for future climate events including bushfires by installing solar panels and

purchasing higher energy efficient whitegoods for the hall to function as a self-sufficient refuge during emergencies.



Busy Year For Allora Photography Group

The Allora Photography Group (APG) has an exciting schedule ahead of them this coming year with the usual monthly workshops and photography challenges along with several local excursions.

Guest Judges from the Photographic Society of Queensland (PSQ) visit every second month to evaluate and judge members monthly topic photos. These meetings are both educational and informative as a great deal of constructive knowledge is passed onto members.

There will be a photo editing presentation to help members with some basic

skills to bring out the best in their photos and a landscape photography presentation to learn more about the intricacies of taking amazing landscape photographs.

Later in the year the Group is holding an exhibition at the Warwick Art Gallery from 19th October to 2nd December.

The Allora Photography Group consist of amateur photographers. New members with or without experience are very welcome. Please feel free to call on 0435 953 791 or email alloraphotographygroup4362@gmail.com if you would like further information.

NAIDOC Week funding

The NAIDOC 2023 Local Grants are now open and the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) invites eligible applicants to apply for grants for activities to be held during NAIDOC Week, 2 to 9 July 2023, by Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities and community organisations across Australia.

The funding will provide

assistance towards the cost of organised activities. Previous grants have generally been for amounts between \$200 and \$1,000 (GST exclusive).

Activities must align with the 2023 NAIDOC theme For our Elders and celebrate First Nations' histories, cultures, achievements and continuing contributions to our country and society.

Applications close at 8pm Friday 17 February 2023.

Further information about the NAIDOC 2023 Local Grants, as well as requirements for applicants, can be found on the NAIDOC website (www.naidoc.org.au) and on GrantConnect (www.grants.gov.au - click Grant Opportunities > Current Opportunities and scroll to GO ID: GO5994).

This Looks Like A Fun Mailbox



WELL, FUN FOR SOMEONE!

Matt the postman certainly got a fright when Amelia popped out of the Minion mailbox to collect the Allora Advertiser.



Amelia's dad Mike Norton was the clever one who built this unusual mailbox - It's one in a minion.

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How To Celebrate Your 70th

Last Saturday night Lesley Telford decided on a musical night for her special birthday.

It was reminiscent of a 70's party with guests enjoying line dancing and having a great time.

Congratulations Lesley!



Australia Day Awards Recipients

The Southern Downs is a proud home to an army of inspiring individuals who selflessly go above and beyond to make this region a great place to live, work, play and stay.

Southern Downs Regional Council will host ceremonies in both Warwick and Stanthorpe. In the Northern region, the following

community-nominated winners are:

- Citizen of the Year Award: **Rosalyn Keim**
- Junior Citizen of the Year Award: **Lucinda Bourke**
- Sports Administrator of the Year: **Carly Hansen**
- Junior Sportsperson of the Year: **Rogan Sutherland**

- Cultural Person of the Year Award: **Leonard Monaghan**
- Southern Downs Citizen of the Year – To be announced on **Australia Day**

In Warwick, members of the public can attend the Australia Day Awards and Australian Citizenship Ceremony at the Warwick Town Hall from **9am Thursday, Australia Day**.

Allora and District Days for Girls



Firstly, we hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year. Allora and district Days for Girls have started off with a bang. On January 10 we despatched 240 kits which form part of a larger Australian commitment to Sudan. This is a very early start to our volunteer efforts.

The gathering on Friday January 13 saw us fill our wheelbarrow with goods plus additional prizes for our main fundraising effort for the year, as part of the Allora Heritage weekend. Our group will be selling raffle tickets for the multi-draw raffle from 6am Saturday with the prizes drawn between 2 and 2.30. Our sellers will be located

in the thoroughfare near the loading ramp as well as in the old canteen. There'll be roving sellers around the Showground. Please support us by buying a ticket in this amazing raffle. We would like to thank all businesses and individuals who supported us by providing goods and gift cards for the raffle.

The next gathering of Allora DfG will be Friday January 27 with a variety of jobs to be done. As usual there are tasks for sewers and non-sewers alike. Even if you can't attend our monthly gatherings, there is certainly sewing which can be completed at home. Please contact one of our executive team for further details if this is of interest to you.

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Excitement Grows for the Allora Heritage Weekend



Nothing will stop the popular weekend this year - after a postponement then a cancellation in 2022 everyone is ready for an action packed two days of displays, demonstrations and swap meets this Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th January.

Top of the list this year is the return to the ring of the famous tractor pull. It's always popular with the crowd as they wait to see which old tractor can pull the drag the furthest.

During the weekend be sure to check out the displays as you'll be intrigued by the vintage and veteran cars and trucks, many antiques, motorcycles and historical machinery.

This year there will be Grand Parades happening throughout the weekend.

Swap Meets will start operating from 6am on both days. People come from

far and wide to exhibit their goods so there's plenty of see, buy or swap.

Take a stroll to the Pavilion on Saturday afternoon as Days for Girls will conduct their multi-draw raffle.

Gates will open at 6am both days with admission \$10 per adult and children free.

EFTPOS will be available at the gate and canteen but no ATM onsite.

The Allora Heritage Weekend will be held at the Allora Showgrounds on the New England Highway.

If you need further information phone Graeme on 0428 717 623 or Mark on 0438 623 734.



Queensland Fire Squad Welcomes Kira Holmes



Kira with parents Glen and Christine Holmes.

The Women's National Cricket League competition resumes this week in Perth and local product Kira Holmes could play a big part.

Last Thursday at the Ian Healy Oval, Kira was presented with her Debut Cap for the Queensland Fire Squad.

An amazing achievement as Kira did not debut until this year.

Originally from Allora, Kira was a member of the Queensland Under-19 squad that won the national titles last year and has been in strong touch in the Katherine Raymont Shield and KFC T20 Max competitions.

A multi-talented sports-person as she was a competitive camp drafter and equestrian competitor as a youngster before concentrating on cricket, with her efforts for Valley so far earning her 671 runs including two one-day centuries.

Another Darling Downs cricketer Ruth Johnston from Dalby has also made her debut with the Queensland Fire Squad.

Experienced batter Laura Harris will captain the side with Charli Knott named as vice-captain.

Coverage of the match will be available through cricket.com.au

Allora Bowls Notes



18 d. What A Show 12; **RINK 6:** The Three Stooges 14 d. Doesn't Matter 6; **RINK 7:** Do It Again 12 draw with Peaky Blinders 12 who only had 2 players, Danny was kept busy.

Ashleigh is in charge of the touchers again this season with Right 1st Time Cleaning being the sponsor. Chocolates were won by Alex, Leeanne, Lynn P, Michelle, Kris and Greg P.

Thank you to our sponsors Railway Hotel, Allora Sports Club, Allora Butchery Tony Morris Tiling and Right 1st Time Cleaning. Lucky raffle winners were Fiona, Lynn P, Doug, Dewy, Greg P and Rusty. Nicko's name was drawn out for the \$20 Jackpot but no luck to be had, \$40 next week.

Successful rinks pulled out of the 'tin' for the winners and losers were No.2 and No.2. Winners – Fire Ants and Losers – Beers, Bowls & Bitches happily picked up their prize vouchers.

Don't forget \$20 Membership fees are due. See you all back next Tuesday night for another great game of social bowls.

ROUND 1 - Welcome back to all our old and new players, everyone was on time and ready to roll when Greg called the draw and rink numbers. No new team names but old teams with new players. A few players were on fire right from the start but it took some of us a while to get back into the swing of things. Roanne took out the biggest boo boo of the night with her bowl from Rink 6 hitting the jack on Rink 7 but redeemed herself with some good bowls after that. Thanks to Moley the green looks good and played well.

Results this week showed a few big scores and a draw. **RINK 1:** Railway Hotel 19 d. Generation Gap 12; **RINK 2:** Fire Ants 12 d. Beer, Bowls & Bitches 9; **RINK 3:** Gina's Babies 22 d. The Gecko's 7; **RINK 4:** Phoenix Rising 25 d. Stone Cutters 4; **RINK 5:** Pig Lures



Kira Holmes presented with her Debut Cap last Thursday at Ian Healy Oval..



GRDC invests millions to unify key trade & market services

The Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC) has committed more than \$17.5 million over four years to Grains Australia Limited to bolster the competitiveness and profitability of the nation's grain sector across the value chain in domestic and international markets.

Established by GRDC in 2020, Grains Australia delivers 'industry good' services and functions on behalf of the grains sector including classification, trade and market access, market information and education with the aim of ensuring Australia has a collaborative and unified approach.

The Australian grains sector is worth \$16.7 billion on average each year with grain growers producing around 46.8 million tonnes of grain annually according to the latest figures from the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences.

GRDC Chair and grain grower John Woods said the decision to invest in Grains Australia on behalf

of the nation's grain growers was a critical, considered move to support the sector's long-term competitiveness and profitability.

"In these changing times it is imperative we have an in-depth understanding of markets and classification preferences, and equally important that we have a mechanism for relaying that information back to the entire grains supply chain so our sector can proactively respond to market trends."

Looking ahead, Grains Australia will focus on key programs to deliver benefits back to growers including:

- A feed grain into Indonesia market access and education initiative
- Malting and brewing barley into Brazil market access and education initiative
- Further improve variety classification systems for wheat, barley and oats; and



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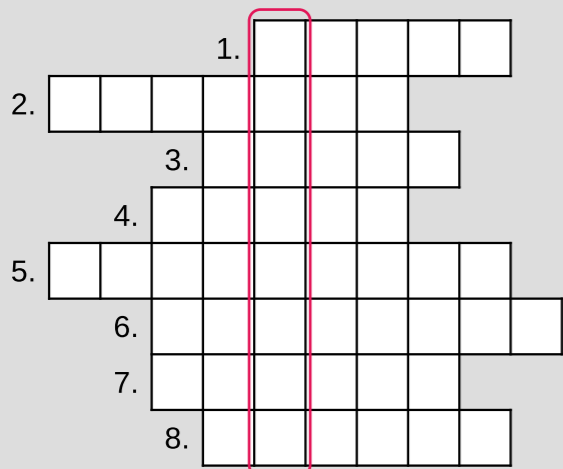
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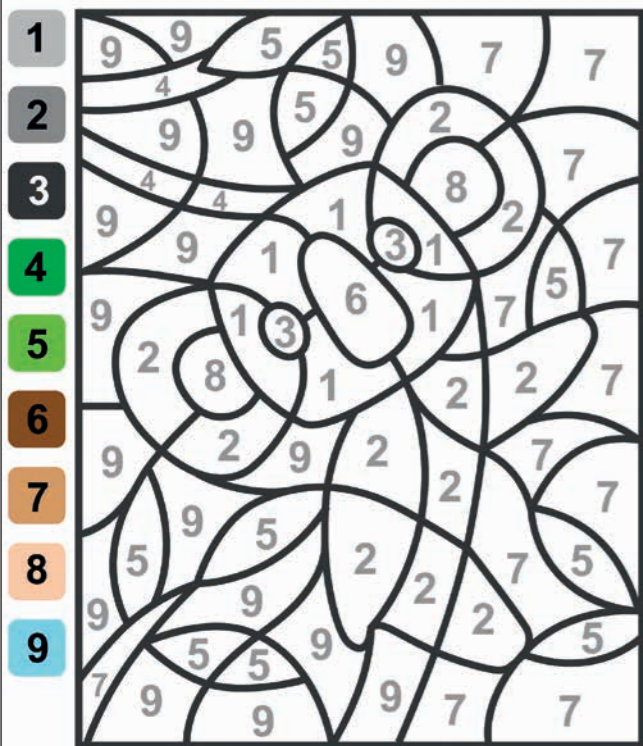
WORD SCRAMBLE

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- 2. COATKUB
- 3. NAGSS
- 4. ONBAG
- 5. LAOTABWUK
- 6. BUERECBA
- 7. GHNTSO
- 8. OZIZEM

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WORD SCRAMBLE

- 1. Koala, 2. Outback,
- 3. Snags, 4. Bogan,
- 5. Walkabout,
- 6. Barbecue, 7. Thongs,
- 8. Mozzie,
- ANSWER: Kangaroo

SUDOKU

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• CHURCH NOTICES •

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CLIFTON - 8am Sunday.
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Allora Presbyterian Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is to be held on
When - 7.30am, Saturday 28th January
Where - Allora Presbyterian church hall
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On Sunday we played for the Ty Gardner Concreting Monthly Medal with a cracking field of 28 players. The 2022 Medal

of Medalist was played in conjunction. Winner of the Monthly Medal was Moose with a net 65 from Hethe on 67 in a countback from Tommy Barth. Moose also won the Medal of Medals which is an incredible achievement considering he has been struggling with his fitness. Thanks Ty for your sponsorship.

The final quarter-final of the matchplay was played with Jason defeating Nick. Jason will now play Ty in the semi for the right to play Kenny in the final.

Next Sunday will be the Allora Butchery Two Person Ambrose. Pictured is Moose May being congratulated by Ty Gardner. See you on the links.



Moose May is congratulated by Ty Gardner.

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