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Allora residents want more from their Council



A Connecting with Council meeting hosted by Southern Downs Regional Council (SDRC) in Allora last Wednesday provided an opportunity for residents to speak their minds about issues important to them. (story page 3 & 4)



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Buy A Bird - Sell A Bird

sees the Annual Auction conducted by the Southern Downs Poultry Club at Allora.

Entry forms are being taken now with cut-off time midday this Friday which allows time for a Catalogue to be organised and distributed. Entry fee of \$3 per lot must accompany the entry

Some of the conditions of entry include ·

- vendor
- · a maximum of 1 cock/ cockerel by each vendor
- · a maximum of 3 birds (poultry & waterfowl) per
- Pigeons 4 birds per lot
- · Chicks and ducklings under 3 months 6 per lot.
- · Cagebirds 6 birds per lot in their own box/cage.
- · Disease and vermin infected fowls are not to be penned.

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Darling Downs

HEAVY HORSE FESTIVAL

Viewing commences at 8am with auction at 9am sharp.

Contact President Leanne Doepel on 0409 496 796 or email - sdpoultrycluballora@ hotmail.com

Interested people are welcome to become a member of the Southern Downs Poultry Club.

Find out more at the Club's Annual General Meeting to be held on



Wednesday 5th starting 5pm at the Ernie Young Pavilion, Allora Showgrounds.

How can first responders and disaster personnel communicate

Southern Downs Regional Council is partnering with Australian Red Cross to bring Dr Rob Gordon to the Southern Downs. Rob Gordon is a renowned clinical psychologist, natural disaster and emergency recovery consultant.

include:

- · Understanding long term disaster recovery
- the public

more effectively with members of the public?

You're welcome to join Dr. Rob Gordon at this free sector event to gain insight and learn more about how people in our communities react to and can recover from traumatic events

Topics for this session will

- · How do communities react and recover after disasters
- · How can first responders and disaster personnel communicate more effectively with members of

This session for communitybased organisations & first responders will be held on Tuesday 21st March at the Churches of Christ Auditorium. 223 Dragon Street, Warwick. Morning tea will be provided so please arrive at 9:30am for the 10am start. Places are limited so please RSVP by registering at: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ drought-flood-fire-storms-disastersector-talk-tickets-558490509147. Phone the Southern Downs Regional Council if you want more

Recycling Your Household Batteries Is Easy

The Southern Downs have dedicated collection points for the safe and controlled disposal of household batteries at the region's supervised waste facilities.

Disposing of batteries through regular rubbish collections can pose a risk to the environment and public health, so Southern Downs Regional Council has partnered with experienced battery recycler, ecobatt to provide this free service to the community.

Director of Planning and Environmental Services Scott Riley said "We all use batteries at home and work to power everything from watches to cars, yet less than three per cent of all batteries purchased in



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The Queensland Police Service will be participating in the Expo and would be happy to speak to you. The Expo runs from 9am to 3pm Thursday 9th March at The Goods Shed, 3 Victoria Street Toowoomba.

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Australia are recycled," Mr Riley said. "Batteries are a growing waste item and they present potential fire and environmental risks when disposed of incorrectly. Residents can easily keep on top of household battery recycling by having a dedicated empty ice cream container handy to collect and fill up until it is ready to be taken down to the waste facility."

The new battery disposal points are clearly marked at all supervised waste facilities. Wheelie bins are located at Warwick Waste Management Facility and white 10-litre buckets are available at all other supervised waste facilities.

The following batteries are accepted for recycling: AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, power batteries, button cell batteries and other handheld sized batteries that fit in the collection units. This includes most batteries under 5kg. Car battery (lead acid battery) disposal at Council's supervised waste management facilities remains the same.







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Wattles Juniors Ready to Run On for 2023'

Rugby league is ready and raring to kick-off it's 2023 season on the Central Downs, and Wattles Junior Rugby League Club President Aaron Gilmore couldn't be happier with the preparation.

It's Aaron's initial year at the helm of Wattles juniors, his passion will certainly contribute to the ongoing future development of the game in the Allora-Clifton region.

"We have seen an excellent committee assemble for the coming season" according to Aaron, "I'm looking forward to working within our management team to provide our players with an enjoyable and competitive season."

A recent working bee has Platz Oval looking a picture and well prepared for a busy pre-season and year ahead.

This Sunday will see Wattles open their footy campaign against the Pittsworth Junior 'Danes' at Platz Oval, before heading to Stanthorpe on Saturday March 18th to match up against the junior Gremlins.

The Warriors pre-season will conclude on March 26th at Platz Oval where they host Toowoomba's Southern Suburbs Tigers.

"It's a busy pre-season but will prepare us well for the competition challenges ahead" said the club President

Despite the league year being in its early stages Wattles players have already taken to the field at higher representative levels.

Henry McMillan and Jack Burton were among the Collegians (Warwick) Under 14 representative team that finished a sensational fourth in the recent Adrian Vowles Cup in Charleville in a line up of 19 teams.

Henry was recognised for his impressive form when named in the Under 14 Adrian Vowles Cup Dream Team, after pocketing two Man of the Match awards from five matches in a superb overall Carnival.

Jack was also an outstanding performer, and is looking to another year of achievements after a sterling 2022 in rugby league and cricket.

Wattles players Hamish Gartery, Sam Gilmore, Darcy Betts, Graham Hopper and Bryce Stewart gained selection in the Warwick and District JRL Development Cup team excelling in the league's top company in recent weeks against Toowoomba City, Toowoomba Country and Roma.

Aaron Gilmore rates his club's coaching staff for the new season highly, predicting plenty of benefits for Wattles' young players.

2023 season coaches: Under – 6: Nick Van Der Poel, U – 7: Jared Gault, U – 8: Shadai Daley, U – 9: Chris Ryan, U – 10: Ian Brady, U – 11: Russell McMillan, U – 12: George Gall, U – 13: Glen McMillan, U – 15: Tom Duggan, U – 17: Shane Wright, U – 15 Girls League Tag: George Berry and U – 17 Girls League Tag: Dan Wallis.

Along with club President Aaron, the 2023 Wattles



Aaron Gilmore has taken on the roll of President of Wattles Junior Rugby League Club for 2023

junior Club committee is: Vice-Presidents: Shane Wright & Jodie Gilmore, Secretary: Melissa Gartery, Treasurer: Lucy Berry, Registrar: Leanne Ridley, Canteen: Serena Fiechtner, Uniforms: Kellie Saville and Ref Co-Ordinator: lan Brady.

Wattles initial fixtures in the Warwick and District Junior Rugby League season commence on April 22nd when they front up against the Eastern Suburbs Hornets on home turf Platz Oval.

Enquiries regarding Wattles Juniors can be directed to Aaron Gilmore on 0414 245 860.

Glyn Rees

The Master Coach Proud Of The Dolphins

Wayne Bennett admitted it was special to get the club's first win in the NRL and win the Arthur Beetson trophy.

The Dolphins proved they deserved to be in the NRL with a convincing win of 28 points to 18 over the Sydney Roosters last Sunday.

Winner of the Arthur Beetson Medal was Felise Kaufusi who showed some brutal defence in the first half with a pretty influential performance throughout the game.



Wayne has reason to smile.

The Dolphins are the real deal with the best coach in the NRL - this combination will make for an interesting footy season. Bring it on!



Cattle Australia Appoints New CEO

Born and raised in Western Australia, Luke Bowen has been appointed the inaugural Chief Executive Officer of Cattle Australia.

Luke brings to Cattle Australia, a broad and extensive wealth of knowledge in the cattle industry, advocacy processes, grant funding, program management and membership-based organisations.

He has previously worked for the Commonwealth and

was CEO of the Northern Territory Cattlemen's Association (NTCA) from 2008 to 2014 demonstrating his leadership and advocacy skills through challenging times for Australia's cattle industry.

Chair of Cattle Australia, David Foote said "there was an overwhelming response and an exceptionally strong candidate field which had applied for this role which is a wonderful endorsement of our new national body, established to advance and advocate the interests of Australian grassfed cattle producers".

The formation of Cattle Australia follows many years of work by industry to restructure to a single commodity representative body for the nation's single largest agricultural sector.

With an annual value of production of \$20 billion, directly employing 35,000 people and managing 42% of the Australian landmass, the grassfed cattle industry forms the backbone of

rural, regional and remote Australia.

Luke commences duties on 17th April.

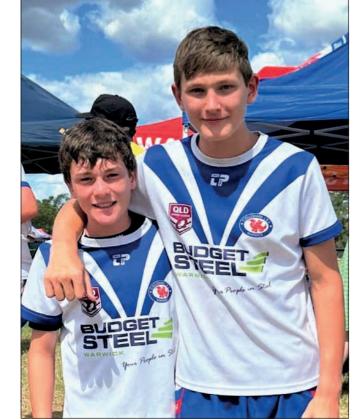


Luke Bowen



Scots PGC College Warwick with a very strong Team of Black Angus and Led Steers at the 86th Millmerran Show 2023.





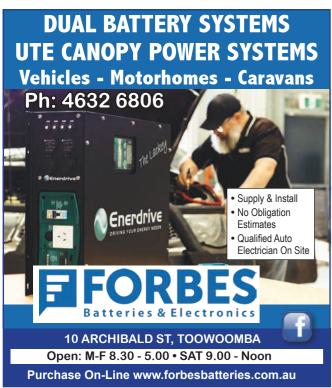
Wattles junior players Jack Burton and Henry McMillan were outstanding achievers at the recent 'Adrian Vowles Cup' Junior Rugby League Carnival in Charleville.

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Jeremy's View

My Mum's Music Sometimes it takes me a long time to work out what I will say in my column and this time it was like that. All of a sudden I thought that I should write about my mum. My mum is great and she does a lot of things with music for the community. When I was born mum was in the Air Force like my Dad.

When my dad ran

left the Air Force

for parliament mum

but now she is super



busy with her music and community things and with me and my brother William and my baby sister Amelia. And sometimes she opens things and gives speeches because she is the wife of our MP too.

My mum's most favourite thing is being a volunteer playing the violin and the viola in the string music groups which she organises. There's the Southern Downs String ensemble and a quartet called Occasional Players and she is also president of the Eisteddfod on the Granite Belt and arranges for guest musicians from Brisbane to come and play too. And mum is teaching me and William to play the cello and she's also teaching William to play the double bass which is a huge instrument which looks like a giant violin. It's much bigger than even me or William. Also, Amelia who is 15 months old now has a tiny little baby violin and when mum brings it out she plucks the strings and hits it with the bow which she loves.

What I love most about my mum is that she makes sure that us kids have lots of chances to do interesting things like learning the cello and double bass. And I learn the piano with Mrs Chapman too. William and me play rugby league with the Stanthorpe Gremlins and we both do cub scouts as well. And mum takes me to Brisbane sometimes to go to concerts there. The picture is of my brother William with the double bass he's learning on. I love my musical mum.

Jeremy Lister, age 12

Fire Danger In Our Region

With the high fuel load due to lack of rain and grass that has dried off, general advice is to be prepared. Ross Williams, Captain of QFES Auxiliary Brigade at Allora says to be vigilant tidy around your garden, keep the grass mowed and have hoses at the ready. While local town residents tend to keep their lots well maintained, the problem is greater for smaller acreages and properties. Some areas only have one road in and out which makes it even more important for residents



Captain Ross Williams

to be well prepared. If you need to Burn Off be sure to obtain a Fire Permit through the Rural Fire Brigade. Fire permits for the Allora urban area can be obtained through Allora Auxiliary Fire Brigade. (see page 13 for contact numbers)

lssues Raised At SDRC Session

Seven of the eight councillors, Mayor Vic Pennisi and a few SDRC officers were in attendance to speak about and listen to issues affecting the town.

Around 30 residents attended the session, with the mid-morning time making it difficult for many to get there.

Overall, there was acknowledgement by SDRC of the issues important to Allora residents and assurances by Council that matters will be looked into and addressed, although there was little in the way of concrete promises or pledges.

Mayor Pennisi said 4 per cent of the 2022-23 SDRC budget was spent on Allora.

Mayor Pennisi gave a reminder that himself and his fellow councillors are available for meetings for both at their offices and out around the Region, including out of office hours.

Those who would like to contact SDRC are encouraged to use the My SDRC app or call 1300 697 372.

FUTURE OF HALL

For many, the future of the Allora Community Hall was the most important issue to discuss.

Allora has been left without a town hall for a year now, causing regular events to seek alternate venues and preventing the chance to attract new events to town.

A first report into the hall completed last year found the hall had fundamentally failed, which necessitated its indefinite closure.

A second, more detailed structural report has only just been received.

It found pylons in the structure's roof have moved over the stage and the floor is not level and will require restumping and repatching.

Mayor Pennisi questioned the importance of the hall for the town.

"My understanding is that there's been very little bookings in a long time," he said.

To the audience's disappointment, there is no timeline for the re-opening of the hall at this stage.

Once a cost for the repairs is calculated, it will

need to be brought to SDRC as part of its budget process.

SDRC has said previously it is hopeful for state or federal funding to assist with the cost.

There was a sense among the audience that Council's communication around the status of the hall has been lacklustre and Council's conduct so far has been unacceptably slow.

The hall is used by a variety of organisations for important annual events and fundraisers, such as a ladies high tea, school trivia nights and Wattles' awards presentation.

MUSEUM MOVE

The Allora Regional Sports Museum, represented at the meeting by Perry Cronin and Rod Kelly, has been working hard lately to expand the museum into the site currently occupied by the SDRC library.

The library would then be moved to the largely unused senior citizens building.

SDRC is the trustee for the old senior citizens building, however as part of the trust arrangement the building can legally only be used for purposes that support seniors.

SDRC has engaged a solicitor to present it with viable options which come with varying levels of cost and effectiveness.

The matter could potentially be taken to the Attorney General or the Supreme Court.

If possible to do so, there was general agreement between Council and those in attendance that moving the library to the senior citizens building is a good idea.

TOWN PLAN

A Council officer indicated SDRC is in the final stages of drafting its planning scheme, which should be open to public submissions in May, June or July.

Audience members mentioned there is very little detail regarding Allora in existing documents and as such will be interested to see what the planning scheme has to say about the potential for growth in Allora.

Once in place, the planning scheme will remain in place for a decade.

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TREE MAINTENANCE

Councillors were well and truly made aware what a thorn in the side Bunya pine nuts can be, as well as the negative effect unmaintained trees can

One audience member went as far as to suggest the bunya pines should be cut down.

CEO Dave Burges said SDRC does not usually encourage the felling of

healthy trees, but once Council is made aware of an issue they will do their best to fix it.

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DISABILITY ACCESS

The lack of availability of ramps and similar aids to enter Herbert Street businesses was voiced as a concern for some.

Council hoped that those with concerns would remain in contact so the best result can be achieved.



testing your brains and memory against your mates while at the same time raising money for the Hall.

Funds are needed each year to keep the Goomburra Hall insured.

Test your memory now - don't write down the date - remember Friday 24th March from 6pm.

There will be a bar, snacks, supper and sweets.

with teams of 6. Book at qoomburratownhall@ outlook.com.au or phone 0429 642 092.







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.

Bullying

As explained by Principal of Allora P-10 State School Dr Shaun Kanowski

It is important to understand what bullying is and what it is not. The agreed national definition for Australian schools describes bullying as:

- · ongoing and deliberate misuse of power relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/or psychological harm;
- · involving an individual or a group misusing their power, or perceived power, over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening;
- · happening in person or online, via various digital platforms and devices and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying behaviour is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time (for example, through sharing of digital records);
- having immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. incidents and conflict or a fight between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying).

Behaviours that do not constitute bullying



Principal Dr. Shaun Kanowski

include:

- mutual arguments and disagreements (where there are no power imbalances):
- · not liking someone or a single act of social rejection:
- · one-off acts of meanness or spite:
- incidents of isolated aggression, intimidation or violence.

However, these conflicts are still considered serious and need to be addressed and resolved.

At Allora P-10 State School our staff will work to quickly respond to any matters raised of this nature in collaboration with students and parents. If you believe that your child is being bullied at school, please make early contact with their teacher to discuss.

More information can be found within our Student Code of Conduct located on our School Website.





Southern Downs Poultry Club Allora Inc.

Allora Showgrounds Ernie Young Pavilion Sunday 12th March 2023

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News from Clifton Benchrest Shooting Club



Congratulations to Jason Edwards who took out the big prize of the Men's Open Rimfire trophy with a score of 580.14 on 19 March 2023. Jason paid tribute to Laurie's help and encouragement over the years. "I am feeling very chuffed with my first ever 1st place with the club, and to do it on Laurie's day makes the feeling so much more special as Laurie is a true gentleman and helped me when I first started out in Benchrest shooting," Jason said.

Other placings on the day were:

Men's Open Rimfire: 2nd Gary Manteit 573.18: 3rd Bob Mulder 569.19

Ladies Open Rimfire: 1st Michelle Ford 573.13: 2nd Helen Manteit 570.17; 3rd Ashleigh Brown 541.12

Junior Open Rimfire: 1st Amelia Steffen 561.14;



Placegetters: Back row L to R - Izaiah Bowe, Vince Alberry, Gary Manteit, Jason Edwards, Tony Bott, Amelia Steffen; Middle row L to R - Helen Manteit, Mia Edwards, Ashleigh Brown, Michelle Ford, Cooper Steffen, Bob Mulder; Front row L to R - Ben Duggan with son Jackson, Laurie Bowe, Michael **Bowe**

2nd Cooper Steffen 552.10; 3rd Mia Edwards 551.10

Senior Factory Rimfire: 1st Ben Duggan 574.9; 2nd Vince Alberry; 518.6; 3rd Tony Bott 485.5

Visiting Men's Open

Picture 2003 - Just a few of the family who were present: From L to R - Ben Duggan and son Jackson,

Darryl Bowe, Daph Bowe, Izaiah Bowe, Lee Bowe, Debbie Duggan, Laurie Bowe, Gerry Duggan, Michael

Bowe and Anthony Bowe

Rimfire: 1st Michael Bowe 389.0; 2nd Matt Duggan 374.3; 3rd Ryan Duggan 354.1

Visiting Junior Open Rimfire: 1st Izaiah Bowe 293.0

> Many of Laurie's and Daph's family and friends came to honour them and make the day special. Again, quoting Jason Edwards, "It was a great turnout today for a great man and family."

Next rifle competition is on 19 March 2023 with shooters competing for the Harrison Memorial

Secretary/Treasurer

Best Cards of the Day: Hunter Class - Cooper 198/200.20, Steffen Jason Edwards

237.7/250.25, Rabbit & Crow - Helen Manteit 148.8/150.15

The first pistol competition for the year was held at the Laurie Bowe Range on 11 February and the results were: 1st Chris Clarke (262): 2nd Vince Alberry (250); 3rd Daymon Mason (226). These competitions are held on the second Saturday of each month with pistol practice on 4th Saturday of each month.

Dave Trophy.

Margaret Sullivan

Downs Polo Club Camp Draft Returns to Allora



Allora Competitor Rose Picton competing in the Onadare Group Novice Draft.

Last weekend the Downs Polo Club brought back their annual camp draft after weather-related and covid-related absences from the events calendar The committee welcomed over 300 competitors to the Allora Showgrounds with many local horsemen and women putting on a spectacular show of horsemanship and equine athleticism. Some competitors travelled from as far as Alpha, central Queensland to take part in

700 head of cattle were donated by local producers Kev Ryan, John Ryan, Dan Brash, Royston Carter and Tom O'Donoghue.

This fantastic weekend of drafting was held on the downs thanks to the hard work and dedication of the committee. A special mention to camp draft secretary, Angie Seibel from Goodwood Equine, who made sure everything was in order for all competitors.

Mark your calendar for upcoming events hosted by

Nierbo Recon winners of the Pursehouse Rural Open Draft. Judge lan Glasby. (Both photos

Zak O'Brien and

courtesy Jess L Rea Photography)

the Downs Polo Club. April will see the start of the polo season with the Eagers Shield running over two weekends, the

22nd and 23rd April and the 29th and 30th April at the Clifton Showgrounds.



Allora Bowls Club Notes



ROUND 5 - Last night of summer and what a beautiful night for social bowls and a quieter night as the Corellas have moved down the creek further. They have left a lot of damage to the green but Moley is getting everything under control. He got a bit excited when someone driving past gave a wolf whistle and Moley thought it was for him.

Some interesting results, a few big scores and a few close games.

RINK 1: Fire Ants 22 d. Pia Lures 7: RINK 2: Doesn't Matter 14 d. Beers. Bowls & Bitches 13: RINK 3: Phoenix Rising 27 d. Do It Again 13; RINK 4: Gina's Babies 23 d. Stone Cutters 8: RINK 5: Generation Gap 18 d. The Gecko's 15: RINK 6: Railway Hotel 11 d. The Three Stooges RINK 7: What a Show 13 d. Peaky Blinders 12.

Thank you to Beer, Bowls & Bitches for a great close game having tied twice during the game and my team Doesn't Matter (our first win) only winning

by one. Fire Ants were on fire again, their 5th win for the season. Phoenix Rising were elated with their big win over Patto's team Do It Again, and well done to What a Show (their first win) over Peaky Blinders.

Thank you to Right 1st Cleaning for sponsorship of chocolates for Touchers, winners being Rusty, John C, Beetle, Dorelle, Kris and Chris B.

Our lucky raffle winners were Heath. Brvce x 2. Lvnn P. Danny and Josh T. Thank you to Allora Butchery, Railway Hotel and Allora Sports Club.

It couldn't have happened to a nicer bloke, well done John Ellwood for winning the \$100 Jackpot. Thank you to Paul Parker Painting for your sponsorship, back to \$20 next week.

Winners and Losers on the night both Rink 3 -Phoenix Rising winners, Do It Again Losers. Thank you to Allora Sports Club for your sponsorship.

For anyone who is interested in joining us on Tuesday night, 6.30pm for a 7pm start, \$10 green fee, \$20 membership.

Thank you to all our helpers each week who make the night run smoothly. See you all back again next week for another great night of Social Bowls.





Allora Hardware Duck Run was won by Errol with 19 points from Kev on 18. Pin shot went to Macca and approach to Aaron. Thanks Allora Hardware. Saturdav's event was won by Shannon with 36 points in a countback from Lachie.

Sunday the Railway Hotel Monthly Mug was won by Garth with a cracking 42 points with Sparky in second place with 38 points in a countback from Russell.

The first two rounds of the Club Championship were played over the weekend. Moba is leading the "A" Grade on 155, Macca is in second place on 159 and Kev is in third on 163. In "B"

Grade Garth is the runaway leader after his 6 over par 74 on Sunday giving him a half-way total of 160. Other scores are Russell 170, Tommy Brown 174, Jason 176 and Kenny 179. John E is leading "C" Grade on 176 with last year's Champion Brooke breathing down his neck on 179. Other scores are former Champion Hethe on 189. Lachie on 190. Andv on 202 and Shannon on 213.

Next Saturday is the third round of the Club Championships with hit-off from 9.00 am. A club trophy will be played in conjunction.

Sunday is the final round

of the Championships and also the Ty Gardner Concreting Monthly Medal. Hit-off from 11.30 am. We have a large social group playing on Sunday morning and most of the club carts won't be available until 12.00 noon. See you on the

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Caspian Sea

Bay of Bengal

Mediterranean Sea

North Sea

Black Sea

Atlantic Ocean

Pacific Ocean

Gulf of Mexico

Coral Sea

Indian Ocean

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The Danube The Ganges

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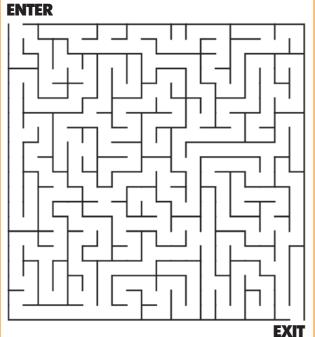
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WORD MATCH-UPS

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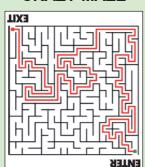
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Helen Harm

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Aaron's wife Ashley phoned the Allora Cricket Club.

"Sorry, you can't talk to Aaron right now said the Captain as he's just walked to the crease. He is about to bat. Shall I ask him to ring you back?"

"No, I'll hang on." said Ashley.

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• CHURCH NOTICES •

Uniting Church Allora

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Allora/Clifton Anglican Church

ALLORA - 10am Sunday & 10am Wednesday **CLIFTON - 8am Sunday.** 5th Sunday, 9am Combined Service

Enquiries to Rev. Matt Skelton, phone 0447 728 227.

Scots Presbyterian Church - Allora

12 Jubb Street, Allora

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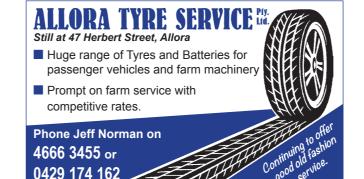
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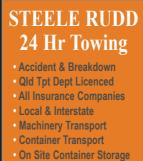


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Former Toowoomba Clydesdales back-rower and a Wattles Warriors favourite son Ty Gardner has been focused on making a comeback to top level Toowoomba Rugby League football in 2023 after missing the previous season due to knee surgery.

The 26 year old is more than keen to run on to Warwick's Father Ranger Oval on March 25th for the 31st annual Barrett Shield contest against the Warwick Cowboys.

But this time the rampaging second-rower will run on as Wattles A Grade skipper after team Coach Travis Burns made the much welcomed announcement last week.

Gardner more than meets the

requirements to take the Warriors helm, and while his line-up has undergone some changes from the premiership winning side of last season, he feels he has a combination to match anyone in the competition this year.

"We're aiming for a solid year ahead" said Ty, "we are certainly focused on silverware, and it would be great to be about at grand final time."

Gardner has worn Wattles colours since 2017 and is still bruised over the 'Green & Gold' grand final loss to Valleys back in 2019

To rub salt into the wound he had to be content to run water last vear as his team mates laid claim to Wattles fifth TRL top grade premiership.

So the new skipper has an abundance of enthusiasm to add another season championship gong to the Platz Oval trophy cabinet.

At 187 cm and 100 kgs and speed to burn the mobile bacrower formed a more than effective try scoring on field combination

with former skipper Travis Burns.

Mentor Burns, who has hung up his boots, is confident that combination can be just as effective with he and his captain on opposite sides of the sideline.

Gardner was a member of the Toowoomba Clydesdales in 2018, 2019 and 2021, only missing the honour due to injury last year and when league was cancelled in

In those same seasons he was also named in the Toowoomba Rugby League 'Team of the Year'.

First grade coach Travis Burns obviously rates Gardner highly and feels his experience, ability and respect he has earned from team mates will see him as a very effective leader.

A sprinkling of retirements and the loss of exceptional halfback Matt Duggan to the Western Clydesdales has motivated a minor rebuild for Wattles.

"But we have exceptional depth, our Reserve Grade team, grand finalists last year boast an abundance of players ready to step up a grade," said Gardner.



Wattles Warriors Rugby League Captain for 2023 Ty Gardner.

Gardner and Burns are impressed with new team five eight Braydon Paix going through his paces at training.

Paix, a former Toowoomba local and younger brother of Brisbane Broncos hooker Corey Paix, is an established player who took the field for Souths Logan Under 21's last season and is showing plenty of class.

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