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Gina's Babies Win Bowls Comp



Outright winners of Allora's Night Bowls competition were Gina's Babies - Glen, Rusty and Andrew - seen here collecting their prize and no doubt giving a few tips to the other players while Club Secretary John Ellwood has a few laughs. (see story page 10)

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People move to the countryside for peace and quiet not to listen to barking dogs all day and night.

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Southern Downs Regional Council advises that Dog owners are obligated to restrict their dogs from being a barking nuisance.

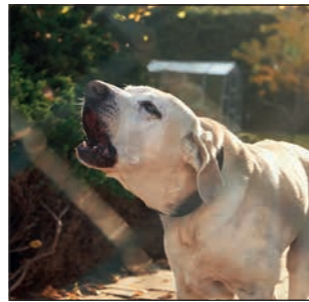
Council encourages pet owners to identify and address their dog's

excessive barking before it results in an official complaint.

Are you affected by a barking dog?

If a dog is barking excessively, it is the owner's responsibility to ensure that this does not continue. Council believes the most effective and successful way of managing a nuisance barking dog is for the person affected by the problem (the customer/complainant) to communicate their concerns directly with the dog owner/keeper.

If that doesn't work Council can provide a letter that may be dropped in the dog owner's mailbox. If the customer requests



for Council to investigate barking dog issues, customers must complete a Noise Nuisance Diary to assist Council to verify your complaint.

Both the Letter and Noise Nuisance Diary together with the Barking Dog Fact Sheet are available in Council's Barking Dogs Information Package.

Letters to the Editor...

Dear Editor

A HUGE!! Shout out to the Community Circle group. People who tirelessly demonstrate their commitment to our community. I have immense admiration for them all on how they manage to get things done & deliver these detailed & complex events and do their day jobs and lives as well. The Easter events, the Autumn Festival held on Sunday and more events to come. A lovely example of community caring for community. Cheers to you all.

Kim Birch

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David Littleproud Bursary supports Maranoa's emerging female students

To help support rural women pursuing further study, Member for Maranoa and Leader of the Nationals David Littleproud MP is once again offering a \$1000 bursary through the National Council of Women in Queensland (NCWQ).

Mr Littleproud said the bursary had helped country students pursue educational pathways for the past seven years and had provided much-needed support for those needing to move away from regional areas to pursue further study.

"I understand how important it is for our next generation of young women to pursue further education and that's why each year I sponsor a bursary through the NCWQ for a young woman living in the Maranoa electorate to pursue full-time study because it gives them the support they need to take their education to the next level. This is a great initiative by the NCWQ and I am proud to be involved again in 2023." Mr Littleproud said.

The bursary is designed



Maranoa MP David Littleproud chats with students.

for a female, first year, full-time student undertaking a tertiary course, such as university, TAFE or the Conservatorium of Music.

To be eligible, applicants must be a Maranoa electorate constituent, although they may have relocated for their studies, and eligible applicants must also be an Australian citizen or Permanent Resident of Australia.

For more information or to apply visit: ncwq.org.au/bursary-2023/the-hon-david-littleproud-mp-bursary

Raising Funds for the Hall's Insurance

As with every small community group with a building the Goomburra Town Hall strives to raise funds for insurance costs plus maintain our icon hall.

Recently a social dance was held and thanks go to the community, the Swan Creek Dancers and Ray Blinco for their support on the night.

Another popular fund raiser is the Annual Trivia night, this year being held on Friday May 19.

Let the fun begin! A challenge has already been thrown to the 2022 winners - local team North Branch Road.

Second place last year was the Warwick Team "Ask me Anything" followed in third by "Alexandria" made up of Landcare and local people. Due to the support of Clint Kenny and Properties Ruhle the Wooden Spoon Prize was presented to the Christenson table.

Previous committees started the

Goomburra Trivia Night and set the scene of a great night filled with good company, top entertainment and food. Everyone is welcome including families. You don't need to book as a team just advise for catering purposes so you can enjoy snacks, sausage sizzle, cakes and biscuits with tea or coffee all included in \$15 ticket. The bar will be operating.

Prizes being offered- 1st \$180; 2nd \$140; 3rd \$100 plus the Wooden Spoon Prize.

For information phone Toni on 0429 383 397 or go to the Goomburra Facebook page.



Toni Williamson GTH Secretary with Ray and Paul Blinco.

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The David Hack Classic Returns

This is the 23rd year of the popular David Hack Classic which is run by the Rotary Club of Toowoomba North in conjunction with Aerotec and with assistance of the Toowoomba Regional Council.

The day attracts some 400 vehicles and 30 to 40 aircrafts with some 4,000 people attending.

Many classic car owners and car clubs make the David Hack Classic a must attend event. The mix of classic vehicles and warbirds make for a unique atmosphere and this year the Jensen Car Club will hold it's Club National Rally.

The WWII P51 Mustang "the Flying Undertaker" and the L39 Albatross jet fighter are set to be popular as well as the North American T-28 Trojans and CA-25 Winjeels. Some aircraft will be offering joy flights.

Barring operational requirements, QFRS will be demonstrating the jaws of life on a 4WD.

The Classic is being held at the Toowoomba Aerodrome on Sunday 21 May from 8.30am until 2.30pm.

Public parking is free, food and drinks (no alcohol) are available. There is an entry fee to attend, \$15 per adult, children 12 and under free, \$40 for family 2 adults and teenagers. Exhibitors are \$10 per vehicle with two people on board. Exhibitors start assembling at 7.30 am. Due to Aerodrome regulations smoking and pets are not allowed apart from guide dogs.

For more information follow the event on the David Hack Classic Facebook page and the Rotary Club of Toowoomba North website (David Hack Classic tab).

The David Hack is a major fundraising event for charities and over 60 volunteers help run the day. The Leukaemia Foundation and Blue Care are primary recipients.



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Certificates for Maranoa's Veterans

Maranoa MP David Littleproud is inviting Defence Force Veterans who have served overseas, from World War II onward, as well as those who served on the home front during World War II, to apply for a Certificate of Appreciation from the Australian Government.

Part of the Federal Government's Saluting Their Service Commemorative Program, the Certificates of Appreciation are a way for the country to show its gratitude to those who have served.

Mr Littleproud said the Maranoa electorate has a proud tradition of service and the Certificates of Appreciation were the perfect way to say thank you to those who have served.

"Our electorate is grateful to those who have served Australia and this is a small way we can show our appreciation for their

contributions," Mr Littleproud said.

"Certificates of Appreciation are open to veterans who served overseas in wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations, as well as those who provided logistics support in Vietnam, or served on the home front during World War II.

"I encourage all veterans in the Maranoa electorate to apply for their Certificate of Appreciation."

Family members can apply on behalf of eligible veterans who are deceased, however Boer War and World War I veterans will not be eligible.

National Servicemen who served overseas in eligible conflicts and operations, including Vietnam and Reserve personnel who served in Peacekeeping Operations are eligible for a Certificate of Appreciation for their service.

We Acknowledge and Thank Our Volunteers

Volunteers play a vital role in creating positive change in their communities and beyond. Their dedication and selflessness to help others creates a better future for all of us.

Volunteering has the power to change the lives of both volunteers and those they help. Whether you are a seasoned volunteer or just starting your volunteer journey, your efforts make a difference.

To celebrate volunteering in

Australia, National Volunteer Week will be held from May 15 to 21 with the theme this year "The Change Makers".

The Southern Downs Regional Council recognises the importance of volunteers in the Southern Downs and will host a morning tea at the Warwick Town Hall on Monday 15th May from 10.30am to noon.

All volunteers are welcome to attend.

74th Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers throughout September



Beautiful floral displays in Queens Park at a past Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers.

After smashing records last year with attendance figures increasing an astonishing 28% to 364,775 and generating \$22.61 million in direct and incremental spending in Queensland, the Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers will this year bloom across all of September, with Toowoomba Regional Council Mayor Paul Antonio

launching the 2023 program. "Our internationally famed Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers will take over September as a joyous 30 days of petals, flavours, sounds and sights, headlined by 190,000 blooms which are being planted now by our Gardens Team," said Toowoomba Regional Council Mayor Paul Antonio.

Mobile Breast Screening



The Mobile BreastScreen bus will return to the local area later this year.

Dates have been announced for visits to Clifton and Allora.

The BreastScreen bus will be at the Clifton Medical Centre from Monday 4th to

Friday 8th September.

It will at Allora Southern Cross Care the following week, from Monday 11th to Friday 15th September.

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Matthew Denny From Allora To Doha

Olympic and World Champions descended on Doha last Friday for the Opening of the 2023 Wanda Diamond League Season.

This is the start of the international Athletics Season which brings together the world's biggest names in track and field, including eight Australians led by a distance duo and a discus giant in the form of Allora's Matthew Denny.

Matthew stamped his presence when throwing a seasons best of 64.42m to finish in fourth place of the Men's Discus, edged out of a podium position in the fifth round by Sam Mattis of USA.

With the competition won by Slovenia's Kristjan Ceh with a mark of 70.89m, Matthew's best effort came in the third round to propel himself into third place, before his United States



Matthew Denny.

rival put competition ahead of friendship when bettering the Australian by 27cm. The result adds three centimetres to Matthew's seasons best from February's Adelaide Invitational and stands as the second highest finish of his career on the Diamond League circuit.

Footnote - in case anyone wants to visit Doha - it's the capital city and main financial hub of Qatar. Doha has an urban population of over one million and is Qatar's fastest growing city.

Council elections will be early

Southern Downs Regional Council in line with other councils across Queensland will have couple of weeks dropped from the end of its current term following a decision by the Queensland Cabinet last week.

The Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister Assisting the Premier on Olympic and Paralympic Games Infrastructure, Dr Stephen Miles, said on the advice of the Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ), Cabinet has approved bringing forward the date of the local government election.

The 2024 Local Government election now will be held on Saturday 16 March, 2024.

The election was previously scheduled for Saturday 30 March, 2024, which is Easter Saturday next year and the first weekend of the school holidays.

Dr Miles said during school holiday periods, many Queenslanders take holidays to other parts of Queensland, interstate and overseas.

"This would likely see a significant increase in postal and telephone votes, potentially creating delays to declaring election results," he said.

A similar situation happened in 2016, and the date was moved to be the week prior.

Dr Miles said the new date will support Queenslanders, councillors and candidates to plan for the campaign and voting day.

Annual Young Bird Show At Allora



This Sunday the Southern Downs Poultry Club is conducting its annual Young Bird Show in the Ernie Young Pavilion at the Allora Showgrounds.

This show is only for birds under 12 months of age. There will be some well known exhibitors presenting their birds on the day for the appraisal of the judges and hoping that they receive the nod to have their name and

breed of bird placed on the honour board.

Judging commences at 9.00 am and the club wishes to pass out an invitation to the general public to come and have a look at the different types of poultry that will be displayed.

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Wattles Contest the Manktelow Challenge



Wattles Warriors junior Under 11 team ventured to Pittsworth on Sunday April 30th and Monday May 1st taking part in the annual Manktelow Challenge Junior Rugby League Carnival.

Fifteen teams contested over the two days, Wattles running on in five games on Sunday and another three on Monday.

Coach Russell McMillan offered much praise for his young players in a demanding weekend, that also offered experience and enjoyment in a non-competitive atmosphere.



Wattles 'Clifton Auto Ag Services' Under 11 Junior Rugby League team that contested the recent Manktelow Challenge at Pittsworth. **Back row** - Malea Moore, Leo Thompson-Cleary, Levi Zadow, Lincoln Cooper, Jackson Shannon, Adam Butler, Rory Turner, Charli Voss, Jax Taylor-Hayward, Bryce Bateman, Tom Peters, Brodie Delvendiep. **Front row** - Mick Willett, Jackson McMillan, Beau Henry, Dustyn May, Lawson Turner

"The players certainly learnt a lot, knowledge that will stand them in good stead this season and for the future".

Glyn Rees

Clifton Benchrest Shooters News



The Don Doro Prize Shoot was held last month at the Laurie Bowe Rifle Range and saw Luke Steffen taking out first place in the 100 yards Rimfire competition.

Facing difficult conditions Luke still had an excellent score of 1.1576 and took home the winner's prize, a cutlery set generously donated by Don Doro. Second came the master- Don Doro himself -with 1.3724 and 3rd place Ashleigh Brown scoring 1.4212. All great scores considering these Rimfire shooters were aiming for the best group on a Hunter target at 100 yards.

In the regular Benchrest shoot, held before Don's challenge, Gary Manteit was 1st in Men's Rimfire, scoring 588.20 as well as taking out the 3 Best Cards of the Day:- Hunter Class (199.8/200 20), RBA

(240.5/250.25) and Rabbit & Crow (149.7/150.15). Gary also came first in the Senior Centerfire with another great score of 0.3728.

The Factory Rimfire gong went to Vincent Alberry with a score of 538.8.

1st in the Women's Open Rimfire went to Helen Manteit, scoring 569.13. Ash Brown shot 563.11 for 2nd while in 3rd place Michelle Ford with 557.8.

Cooper Steffen was thrilled with his 1st place in Junior Rimfire with 568.10 while not too far off came Rebekah Robinson in 2nd place with a score of 546.11. In 3rd place was Mia Edwards with a score of 517.4. It's great to see all of our Junior shooters improving.

Next pistol competition will be held this Saturday 13 May with the Benchrest Rifle competition on Sunday 21 May.

Enquiries can be made to President Helen Manteit on 0418 791 991.

Well done to the new Publicity Officer Rebekah Robinson who now supplies the Benchrest Shooters news.

Warrior Matt earns Winners Medallion

Wattles Warriors star fullback Matthew Christensen has a little more silverware on his mantle piece after returning from Emerald after the May long weekend a member of the victorious Toowoomba Clydesdales Mens XXXX QRL Central Division 47th Battalion Trophy winners.

The women's trophy was won by a very capable Sunshine Coast Falcons outfit with a 20 - 12 effort over the Rockhampton Rustlers.

Considered Wattles 'Mr Reliability' Christensen has been in superb form this season and was the only player from his Allora-Clifton based club selected in the Clydesdales.

From a Southern Downs perspective, he joined Warwick Cowboys Harry Sullivan, Darryl Erepia and coach Col Speed who was also at the helm of the all-conquering Clydesdales.

Toowoomba toppled defending champions the Rockhampton Rustlers in the final, rallying back from



Wattles and Toowoomba player Matt Christensen.

a 10-0 first half deficit to secure a stunning 24-10 victory.

Battling the Emerald heat, the men's side were impressive in their three games, walloping the South West Stockman 34-0 and catering for the Sunshine Coast Falcons 20-10.

Coach Speed said he was "very proud of the side and that we were able to win back the title" last secured in 2021.

Glyn Rees



The Back Paddock

Research Into Better Ryegrass Management

Researchers have made a scientific breakthrough which could significantly advance understanding herbicide resistance in ryegrass, with the new information set to help combat the weed for Australian grain growers.

Scientists from the University of Melbourne and CSIRO, Australia's national science agency, have completed the sequencing of the ryegrass genome, which will provide an understanding of how certain genes construct and deconstruct protein to build herbicide resistance.

Sequencing a genome determines the entirety of a DNA sequence of an organism and its DNA patterns.

University of Melbourne senior lecturer in the Faculty of Science, Dr Alex Fournier-Level, said understanding ryegrass' DNA patterns is the start of being able to identify the presence of resistant genes and how they form.

"In the future, we're wanting to be able to test the DNA of a weed in the paddock, sequence it and diagnose its level of resistant genes," he said.

"In theory, we'll be able to test a grower's ryegrass and tell them in a timely manner which kind of resistance they may have and how best to treat it - as we'll be able to easily identify whether their population has resistant genes present."

"DNA technology could allow an in-season diagnosis of herbicide resistance, to help growers manage resistant ryegrass varieties early, giving them more



Ryegrass in Wheat - Photo GRDC

opportunity to control the weed," he said.

More information on this work can be found via CSIRO's Australian Pest Genome Partnership (APGP) project page at: <https://appliedgenomics.csiro.au/projects/apgp/>

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Allora Bowls Notes

ROUND 13 - What a wonderful end to the season, everyone enjoying a BBQ dinner before commencement of play on a rather fresh autumn night. With three teams on 19 points it made for some interesting games, Gina's Babies against Peaky Blinders and Fire Ants against The Gecko's. Outright winners of the season were Gina's Babies on 21 with Phoenix Rising runners up on 20. Congratulations to Gina's Babies players, Glen, Rusty and Andrew (Slug) and Phoenix Rising players Gary, Ryan and Trevor. And well it Doesn't Matter who came last.

Results - **RINK 1:** Railway Hotel 13 d. Doesn't Matter 12; **RINK 2:** Gina's Babies 21 d. Peaky Blinders 10; **RINK 3:** Do It Again 10 draw The Three Stooges 10; **RINK 4:** Beers, Bowls & Bitches 18 d. Stone Cutters 16; **RINK 5:** The Gecko's 14 d. Fire Ants 8; **RINK 6:** Generation Gap 13 d. What A Show 11; **RINK 7:** Phoenix Rising 21 d. Pig Lures 9.

Toucher chocolates were won by Leanne, Bev, Codie, Fiona, Doug, Glen Mc and Dave Sparksman.

Lucky raffle winners were Lynn P, Tracey, Kerry, Robyn, Bec and Leanne. Slug was the lucky winner of the \$40 Jackpot.

Winners and Losers on the night were both from



John Wright and John Ellwood with Lyn Wright Memorial Shield.

Rink 6 - Generation Gap and What A Show.

A very touching end to the night was the unveiling of the Lyn Wright Night Bowls Champions shield in recognition of the Lyn's passion and dedication to the success of night bowls in Allora. On behalf of her family a big thank you to the Allora Sports Club for a very special gesture to her.

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29th August is the start of our next season so please have your teams organised and see you back again then for another great round of social bowls.



Peaky Blinders and Gina's Babies discussing tactics.



Runners up - Phoenix Rising: Trevor, Gary and Ryan with Greg.

Allora Golf Report

4th was won by Moose, the long putt on the 1st by Kev and the approach on the 5th by Ty. Thank you Allora Hardware.

Sunday Railway Hotel Allora Monthly Mug - With a solid 40 points Shannon Gardner won Sunday's Railway Hotel Monthly Mug. John Ellwood was runner-

up on 35 then Jim Anderson on 34 who had a blinder back 9 to take 3rd spot off Tommy Kolenich. The approach on the 3rd went to Moose, the 12th to Tommy K and the 18th to Shannon. The longest putt on the 1st was won by Moose and the 10th by Shannon. The nearest the pins went to Andy on

the 4th, Brooke on the 13th, Kenny on the 7th who also took out the eagle's nest, the 8th to Moose and the 17th to Shannon. Thanks to the Railway Hotel Allora.

This coming Sunday is Mother's Day and a club trophy will be up for grabs in a tiger tees competition.

Warriors clean sweep against Danes



Wattles Warriors captain Ty Gardner congratulates 18 year old Harry Schwenke on his A Grade debut against Pittsworth on Saturday. (image courtesy Glyn Rees)

The Allora-Clifton based Wattles Warriors served notice they are a force to be reckoned with in all grades when they overwhelmed the Pittsworth Danes on home turf at Clifton's Platz Oval on Saturday.

The luckless Danes bore the brunt of the Wattles onslaught, the home side successful in A Grade 44 - 12, Reserve Grade 32 - 12 and Under 19, 24 - 16.

A Grade - While he wasn't a certain starter coming in the game given injury concerns, speed machine centre Austin Jennings reminded supporters of his capabilities running in three eye catching touchdowns.

It wasn't all Wattles way throughout though, Pittsworth easing to a 12 - 6 lead by the fourteen-minute mark, before Wattles lifted a gear to lead 24 - 12 at the break and skipping away in the second stanza.

The Danes were still well in the contest at half time, but when Jennings launched his side's second stanza charge in the 47th minute that featured a superb in and away resulting in a try, the outlook looked grim for the determined visitors.

The 'Stillwater Pastoral Company' Warriors went on to run in another three unanswered touchdowns through front-rower Jordan Crocker and wingers Mitch Bourke and Jake Meddleton to reach their full time total.

Wattles defence underlined their winning result, and while Pittsworth had ample opportunities and territory to work within, they couldn't turn it in to points.

The green and gold forwards toiled endlessly led by skipper Ty Gardner and sterling efforts by the Stevens brothers Zac and Tyson.

A shining light that emerged from the rough and tumble of the Warriors pack was 18-year-old

Harry Schwenke making a stunning top-grade debut.

He had earlier made his mark in Wattles Under 19 victory collecting a try to add to a memorable day.

Coming off the bench, Schwenke ran on in the 29th minute and lined up at every opportunity for his chunk of the work load that included some hefty defence and line breaks.

Wattles back five were in fine attacking form, Jennings, Meddleton and the ever-reliable fullback Matthew Christensen especially.

Burns was also happy with his halves, halfback Braydon Paix very active organising and inspiring attack.

The Warriors looked more than capable of rising to another performance level, and will have to with the premiership heavyweights they will encounter in the coming weeks.

Burns was full of praise for his team, "the win was important and will help build confidence."

Wattles 44 (Austin Jennings 3, Jacob Meddleton 2, Mitch Bourke, Mitch Duff, Jordan Crocker tries; Brayden Paix 6 goals) defeated **Pittsworth 12** (Thomas O'Sullivan, Brenton Clement tries; Thomas O'Sullivan 2 goals).

Reserve Grade - A try double by exciting winger Warren Draper was a vital contribution to the Wattles' Tony Morris Tiling Reserve Grade team's winning 32 - 12 scoreline over the Pittsworth Danes on Saturday.

Draper has crossed for five touchdowns so far in the season's initial four fixtures, and joins outside back team mates Tim Hentschel and Brayden Wilson on second rung of the Toowoomba Rugby League top try scorers list



Front-rower Tim Duggan on the fly in Wattles 32 - 12 reserve grade victory over the Pittsworth Danes at Platz Oval on Saturday. (image courtesy Bonnie W)

for reserve grade.

A familiar face to supporters was veteran crowd favourite Dale McAntee who played his initial match for the season, and claimed a try for his efforts.

Wattles forwards set a fine defensive example, while front-rower Harry Shooter made an impact off the bench with his mighty charges into the Danes line.

Fullback Joe Willett impressed in the last line again this week, while a highlight of the game was back-rower Jessy Hammermeister's try saving effort in the 32nd minute.

The winning result saw Wattles maintain their unbeaten season record after four rounds of the TRL premiership.

It was anyone's game at half time with the Warriors leading 10 - 4, however a try by bustling centre Braydon Wilson in the first minute of the second stanza triggered a home side dominance.

After further touchdowns by hooker Alex Morris and winger Draper, Wattles established a 28 - 4 lead with twenty minutes to play.

The Danes struck back with two tries in a five-minute space soon after, but it was too little too late, and Wattles flanker Travis Pitman shut the game out when he scored in the shadow of full time.

Wattles 32 (Warren Draper 2, Dale McAntee, Alex Morris, Braydon Wilson, Travis Pitman tries; Joe Willett 4 goals) defeated **Pittsworth 12** (Jake Johnston, John Lele, Ausage Meauli tries).

Under 19 - Pittsworth drew

first blood in the Under 19 contest to lead 6 - 0 for the initial fifteen minutes, before Wattles banked points from tries but Sam Gilmore and slick winger Daniel Morris.

Regardless, the Danes Colts had the edge on the Black Toyota, Warwick Wattles line up leading 12 - 8 at halftime.

A Danes error from the second half restart opened the gate for home side threequarter Lachlan Clements to touch down and snatch a 14 - 12 lead.

Wattles upped the ante in the second half after a sluggish start to the match, and tries by centre Will Sheppard and back-rower Harry Schwenke saw the green & gold outfit snare their third success of the season.

The Warriors were a little short in numbers, but the return of centre Will Sheppard after suspension added to the backline fire power.

Halves Hamish Gartery and Judd Rei were among Wattles best while star Wattles Junior Rugby League Club Under 17 utility Bryce Stewart impressed.

Wattles 24 (Will Sheppard, Lachlan Clements, Daniel Morris, Harry Schwenke, Sam Gilmore tries; Koby De Luca 2 goals) defeated **Pittsworth 16** (Ethan Facer 2, Clay Dempsey tries; Kade Warren, Lachlan Thompson goals).

Round 5 - Wattles head to the Lockyer Valley on Sunday May 14th to challenge the Gatton Hawks in all grades at the Cahill Park Sporting Complex.

Glyn Rees

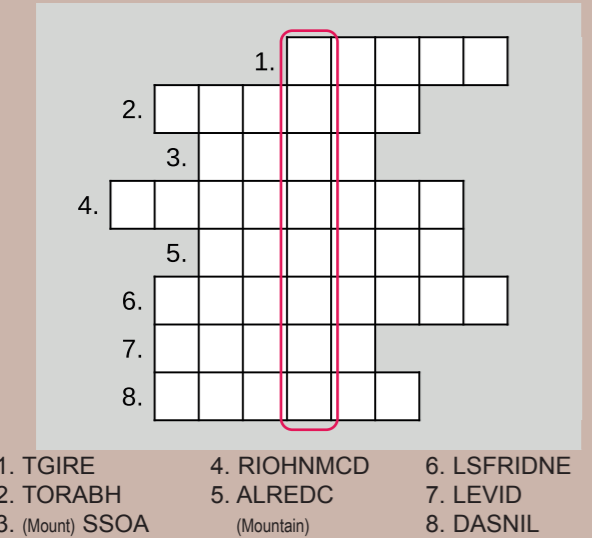


Friday Allora Hardware Duck Run - On 21 points, John Sparksman took out the honours in Friday's duck run, 4 points clear of runner-up Nick Lake, who just edged out Tony Haig on a count back. Nearest the pin on the

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Unscramble the words below into the corresponding boxes provided to reveal the mystery word circled in red.



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 2. TORABH 5. ALREDC 7. LEVID
 3. (Mount) SSOA (Mountain) 8. DASNIL

SUCH IS WAR by Marco Gliori

They came home to us like never before, the brave and the brash who marched off to war, wrapped up in a cliché, fearless and bold, fighting for freedom that you and I hold, close to our hearts on a day like today, acknowledging heroes, pausing to pray.

Just yesterday, War was hot on our heels, calling for soldiers in desperate appeals. They rallied in cities, down tracks to-boot, to back up their mates, to learn to salute. Though many could ride, and knew how to aim, a man in your sights was a whole new game.

Overnight it all changed, kill, or be killed. On beaches, in trenches, our hospitals filled, with those who would never again come home, to someone they loved, except in a poem, where stories told and a writer's romance get bogged in the mud on a field in France.

To those who weren't there, it feels a bit rich, to contemplate life in some foreign ditch, whilst armed to the teeth, our hand on a glass, nodding esteem, as the uniforms pass, remembering those who dreamed for the days, when Wars lay dead in museum displays.

In honouring them, we rise to reflect, then lay down our wreaths and offer respect. Poppies and daffodils proudly adorn, shirts filled with medals, now passed down and worn, by new generations joining the band, willing to sacrifice all for this land.

In future parades they'll march with their mates, while we bow our heads on relevant dates, and rally once more as the Buglers call, such courage, the loss, and pain of it all. The battles, the toll, that knock on the door, when the message reads 'grief', and the author is 'War'.

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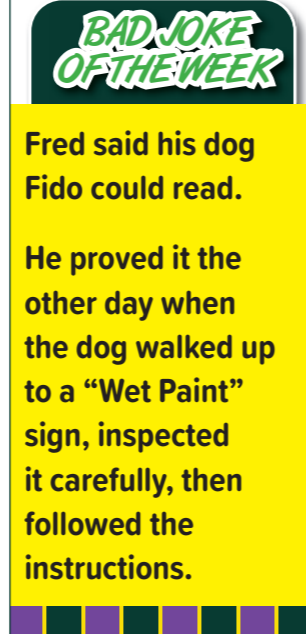
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- 2016 Silver in the Medley Relay at the Summer Olympics,
- 2018 injured her knee at the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games,
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