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Congratulations to The Allora Community Circle for organising a wonderful Bush Christmas again this year
With the support of local sponsors and business houses as well as the community involvement Allora turned on a memorable event including the official lighting of the Community Christmas Tree. (photos pages 6 \& 7)

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## BURRUM RIVER | 137-259 The Yachtsmans Drive

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The owner has set up cattle yards with a race and ramp and irrigates from the dams to freshen up the established fruit trees at the property. The residence of 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms has a lot of scope to extend or build on the cleared land around the existing residence. The open plan living has vinyl living area and quality carpets in the bedrooms. Security screens and roller blinds are a feature of the home. The modern kitchen has a 900 mm gas stove, dishwasher, massive walk in pantry [with room for refrigerator and freezer], ample bench space and has views across the farm from the kitchen and lounge/ dining area.
An area has been set aside for an office and room for a gym or craft area within the open plan design. Insulation and ceiling fans keep the home cool in summer and the high ceilings open up the home further.
A very desirable addition to the entire home is the installation of multiple power points in each room, no more searching for an available power point! There is parking for 3 cars attached to the house that is being utilised as an entertainment area with hard plastic blinds attached.
Come and retire to the country with a mixed lifestyle from ocean walks to gardening and running some stock in the country. Class of 2023


Back from left - Bee, Ella, Blake, Abbey, Boston, Deakin
Front from left - Maddy, Tristan, Claire, Tom


The ladies have been tea will be held on Monday busy arranging Christmas Hampers including vouchers with tickets to be drawn on Tuesday 19 December.
President Jill would to thank everyone who is helping with ticket sales. The last craft/morning 18 December. Members will be back and refreshed, ready to go
on Monday 8 January with on Monday 8 January with
the first monthly meeting on the first monthly meeting on
Tuesday 16 January. Come one, come all with your new ideas.


## Congratulations to Rachael \& William

on their fairytale wedding


High School Sweethearts Rachael Duncan and William Auld were married on the 4th November 2023 at Branell Homestead near Laidley.

Rachael is the daughter $\quad 2019$ Miss Allora Showgirl.
Kathy and Craig Duncan
William is the son of Anita of Kathy and Craig Duncan William is the son of Anita who live locally in the Allora and Peter Auld of Clifton. He
district. After completing was raised in Clifton where district. After completing was raised in Clifton where
grade 10 at Allora State he spent his whole life and grade 10 at Allora State
School Rachael went to attended Clifton High School Clifton High School then where he met Rachael.
 Rachael was named the




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Only Flush The 3 P's Please Council crews have
recently attended to a growing number of avoidable blockages pump stations, prompting Southern Downs Regional Council to remind residents to only flush the 3 P's - poo, pee and paper.

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$$ Infrastructure Services Gary Murphy said non-flushable items such as wet wipes cause significant blockages

to our sewerage system and

belong in the bin, not the "Sometimes items are innocently but mistakenly labelled 'flushable', despite
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the fact that they don't
disintegrate in the sewer system in 20 seconds like toilet paper," Mr Murphy said.
"Council acknowledges items like wet wipes are hygienically convenient
for baby clean ups, nappy changes, cleaning floors, wiping toilet seats and cleaning hands, however they are not manufactured to completely disintegrate ke toilet paper.
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oilet unfortunately results in blocking our pumps and causing potentially toxic overflows

Some properties don't have properly functioning overflow relief gully traps and there is the potential for a sewer blockage to cause surcharging inside houses and none of us wish to To avoid futur
and damage to the pump stations and waterways, Council reminds the community to sustainably
dispose of wet wipes, dispose of wet wipes,
flushable wipes and cleaning wipes in household rubbish, rather than flushing these items down the toilet. These items should be
put in the bin (not the put in the bin (not the toilet) Facial tissues
Paper napkins
Paper napkins
Hand towels

- Nappies

Sanitary items - Cotton buds Dental floss Cigarette butts - Food scraps - Needles.

## Bursary Applications

 Closing Late JanuaryThe QCWA Condamine Valley/ Warwick Branch is offering three Bursaries of $\$ 2,000$ each to the successful applicants who reside in Goondiwindi region

The President of the QCWA Branch, Penny Campell-Wison is encouraging graduating Grade 12 - 2023 students to apply Bursaries are availabl to both male and fombe who wish to fow to tiar Su go
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In the past students who reside in Allora, Clifton, Stanthorpe, Warwick, Killarney, Glen Aplin and Goondiwindi have been successful in obtaining a QCWA Condamine Valley Warwick Branch Bursary. Applications can be sourced through the QCWA Rooms at 76 Grafton Street Warwick or by contacting on ipcw1@bigpond. contactin
com. Applications close on
Wednesday, 31st January, 2024.





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All the action happened last Saturday from 2 until 8 pm where the crowd was entertained on stage by the Allora P-10 students having a sing-a-long before singers presented our favourite Christmas Carols. Local businesses people wandering around people wandering around
Herbert Street which was packed with games and adventure programs for the kids, roaming entertainers, market stalls, Long Neck Alpacas - all happening
while waiting for the arrival
of Santa Claus in his sleigh pulled by reindeer. It was an amazing experience as
the kids flocked to see and the kids flocked to see and
touch a real live reindeer. Organisers believed the numbers were well up on last year so being held on Saturday instead of Friday proved to be popular. An interesting comment from the Vendors and outside entertainment companies that they were impressed with the lovely,
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Colin formed "Versatile Farm Machinery" which was located on his property at "Copperfield" at Crooble New South Wales. There were five Versatile tractors imported in the first shipment.
The first Versatile tractor by Versatile Farm Machinery on 24 January 1974 to C.H. Ledingham "Merinda"

Versatile Tractor in next year's Allora Heritage Weekend on 27 and 28 January
Celebrations will continue on 10 and 11 February at the Goondiwindi Showgrounds where Versatile tractors and
other makes and models will other makes and models will
be exhibited. For details on this event contact Jack Barry on 0401331948 or email versatiletractor50@ gmail.com

## Agricultural Shows in our Region get underway early in 2024

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Stanthorpe..........2nd, 3rd, 4th Allora ..................9th and 10th Killarney Show Rodeo. 23rd/24th

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## Allora Golif Report



Friday - Duck Run, thank you Allora Hardware.

The winners for this week were: 1st: John Sparksman 23 points, 2nd: Kev Harrison - 20 points.

Pin shot on the 7th: Wayne McKewen.

Long putt on the 9th: Nick Lake.

Sunday - Monthly Mug, thank you Allora Railway Hotel.

There were about 70 years difference between the winner and runner-up of Sunday's Allora Railway Hotel monthly mug with the winner also taking out Friday's duck run! It was also great to see some golfers visiting from Gatton
and supporting the club for the day!

The winners for the week were: 1st: John Sparksman - 36 points, 2nd: Alex Pardella-Collie - 35 point, 3rd: Kev Harrison - 35 points.

Nearest the pin: 4th Chris Creedy, 7th - Chris Creedy, 8th - Michael Kelk, 13th - Kev Harrison.

Approach shots: 2nd Chris Creedy, 6th - Barry Large, 11th - Kev Harrison, 15th - Michael Kelk.

Long putt: 3rd - Beetle, 12th - Alex Pardella-Collie.

Upcoming events: Sunday 10 December -3-ball ambrose - 11.30am shotgun start. Grab your friends, golfers or nongolfers and enjoy a Sunday afternoon at the Allora Sports Club!

If you wish to sponsor a golf day in 2024, please contact club captain Hethe on 0421864811 to arrange a day.



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