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Allora Tennis Courts - A Hit!

President of the Allora Tennis Club Mandy Mutch (pictured) is so excited that the major upgrades and repairs are nearly complete.

The new playing surfaces and new fencing were jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland governments under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

The new lights and electrical works including a new property pole and underground power and all the earthworks, repairs and concrete pathways were funded by the Gambling Community Benefit Fund.

Activities will resume from next week. For updates check out the Club's Facebook page.

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Vendors thoughts: Could take out the top 15 or 20 grape vines in each row or take out one entire lot of vines and fence. Lots of different scenarios: one house to live in, 2 cottages for AirBnb or extended family. Very pretty outlook and a nice part of town.



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Mayor Melissa Hamilton Inducted

Last Wednesday the newly elected Southern Downs Regional Councillors were officially sworn in at the inaugural Post-Election Council Meeting, marking the beginning of their four-year term in representing the community.

In her opening address, Mayor Melissa Hamilton promised to foster a team environment with the new Council for the benefit of the region.

"The recent election has delivered a Council with a wonderful blend of both youth and experience," Mayor Hamilton said.

"Congratulations to our five new Councillors, Carla Pidgeon, Joel Richters, Sarah Deane, Morwenna Harslett and Russell Wantling. This is an exciting and memorable day for you and I look forward to your energy and enthusiasm bringing fresh ideas into the Council Chamber.

"Congratulations also to our returning Councillors, Sheryl Windle, Cynthia McDonald and Ross Bartley.

I look to you to help me provide the leadership and guidance that is needed to create a cohesive Council.

"To all our Councillors, I ask that we commit ourselves to work as a team for the benefit of the people



Mayor Melissa Hamilton.

of the Southern Downs whom we have the privilege to represent. They gave us a clear message that they wanted a Council that would listen to them and work together respectfully.

"To our staff, I look forward to working with you and benefiting from your experience and advise in providing a transparent Council with well-informed decisions.

"To the press. Not many places in regional Australia have managed to maintain local press. I hope our newspapers and radio stations continue to thrive and provide the accountability that we as a chamber benefit from as well as our democracy generally.

"Councillors, I wish you all the best for the next four years and look forward to leading the Southern Downs Regional Council with you. Let's get to work."

Popular Choice for Deputy Mayor

Councillor Sheryl Windle has been elected as Deputy Mayor of the Southern Downs Regional Council.

In accepting the role of Deputy Mayor, Councillor Windle said she looked forward to a productive term and working with the Councillors to contribute to the region's growth and well-being.

"I am happy to fulfil the role to the best of

my ability. I think this team can deliver. We have a very positive team around

the table and I look forward to working with you all," Councillor Windle said



Councillor Sheryl Windle attending Anzac Day Service at Allora

Congratulations

Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud has congratulated the men and women elected to the Southern Downs Regional Council.

"Serving as an elected official is a huge responsibility and to see so many qualified locals from

all walks of life and a variety of different backgrounds put their hands up at this year's election is truly inspiring" Mr Littleproud said.

Thanks were also extended by Mr Littleproud to the outgoing Mayor and Councillors for their years of dedicated service.

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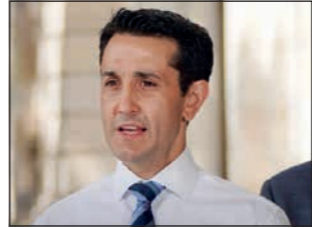
David Crisafulli MP will be guest speaker at the Fundraising Dinner for the Warwick branch of the LNP.

This special evening will be held on Sunday 27 April from 6.30pm at the Douglas Feez Pavilion, Warwick Showgrounds.

Member for Southern Downs James Lister MP will also be in attendance.

There will be a lucky door prize, music, multi draw raffle and a three course meal.

Book your tickets by Monday 22 April - phone Dawn on 0407 636 087.



David Crisafulli MP.

Tickets available at Rose City Jewellers (cash only) or pay by direct deposit to BSB 034002 - Account 172311 - Liberal National Party Warwick Branch - Seg. 000722. If paying by direct deposit please advise Dawn so that your tickets can be reserved.

ALLORA ANZAC DAY
THURSDAY 25 APRIL

We will remember them

5.30am Dawn Service at Anzac Park, Warwick Street

7.00am Gun Fire Breakfast Everyone welcome

9.30am 105th Memorial Service conducted by Salvation Army at Allora Cemetery

10.00am Parade to form - corner Herbert and Drayon Streets

10.45am Parade March off

11.00am Commemorative Service at Allora Cenotaph.

On completion Lunch, Drinks and refreshments will be available at the RSL Hall.
Everybody welcome

Lest we forget

Goomburra Now Has A Helipad

After three years of fundraising by Brad and Teresa Badgery a helipad has been built for emergency use at the Goomburra Valley Campground.

It ensures visitors enjoying the picturesque Goomburra Valley Campground and surrounding campsites will now have easy access to the RACQ LifeFlight Rescue helicopter services, if needed.

RACQ LifeFlight Rescue Toowoomba-base lead Scott Nicholls praised the Southern Downs couple for funding the new helipad out of their own pockets.

"The Goomburra area, where the campgrounds are located, can be over a two-hour drive to Brisbane hospitals and a one and half hour drive to Toowoomba hospital," Mr Nicholls said.

"We have had some missions where it has been difficult to find a suitable landing area close to the patient due to limited suitable sites or wet conditions, making it difficult to safely land and shut down."

"After a lot of rain, it can be impossible to land at some locations so having a



LifeFlight landing on the Pad at Goomburra. (Photo - RACQ LifeFlight)

prepared and known area to land will save valuable time and be an asset for the emergency services and the campers around that area."

Also involved with raising funds were Aaron and Ashley from the Allora Butchery with a meat raffle they market to campsite

guests every week. So far they have raised over \$30,000 for the Toowoomba LifeFlight base.

LifeFlight Toowoomba base has used these funds to buy safety and aeromedical equipment.

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Allora P-10 Introduces new Chappy

Chappy Bernard (pictured) is working on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Allora P-10 State School.

The role of a Chaplain is to support students social and emotional needs and also to promote positive behaviour and constructive social relationships.



Allora Senior Citizens Still Meet Regularly

Locals have asked if the Senior Citizens still operates in Allora?

The answer is yes but not at their old premises near the Sports Museum.

The venue that has become their home is St Andrew's Community Centre, on the corner of Warwick and Forde Streets Allora.

Every Wednesday at 1pm indoor bowls are played followed by a cuppa, finishing about 3.15.

Six handed euchre is played on the 4th Tuesday of the month with teams of three needed.

Cost of \$10 covers play and lunch.

Next Tuesday 16 April members can enjoy a Music Morning from 9.30am. Cost \$5 with morning tea provided.

If anyone is interested in social cards, bowls or games contact Kathy on 0427 973 286 or Shirley on 0439 702 051.

Hospice invitation to Mother's Day High Tea

Tickets are now on sale for the Toowoomba Hospice annual High Tea at Gip's Restaurant.

Join the Toowoomba Hospice on Wednesday 8th May from 9.00am for a 9.30 start to celebrate Mother's Day by enjoying a delicious High Tea for only \$60.00 per person.

Fundraising and Events Coordinator Amy Goldsmid

said they are delighted to be in partnership with Briese Lawyers who are sponsoring this year's event. Guest speaker will be Kym Briese who has a diverse background and varied training over 33 years, including many years practice as a Family & Estates Lawyer.

Part of the fun will be multi-draw raffles and silent auction items for bespoke pieces of jewellery.

Bookings can be made by going to <https://www.toowoombahospice.org.au/events> by COB Thursday 2nd of May. Tickets are limited.

For more information contact Amy on (07) 4659 8500 or events@toowoombahospice.org.au

The Toowoomba Hospice is situated in Harristown and has provided free palliative and respite care based on mutual respect, trust, and individual needs for over 2,000 terminally ill patients of which 1000 have been mothers.

Allora Local Launches Novel

Georgia Harper invites you to delve into her fascinating journey from psychologist to debut author.

From her paddock in Allora and under the watchful supervision of her horse, Georgia penned her first novel What I Would Do to You.

In a near-future Australia, the death penalty is back. But if the victim's family wants the perpetrator to die, they must be the ones to

carry out the execution.

Ten-year-old Lucy was murdered in bushland adjoining her family farm. Through the lens of counselling sessions with the court-appointed psychologist, What I Would Do to You explores the moral complexity faced by the surviving family. Their agonizing question: What punishment could possibly compensate for their loss? And if they choose to

proceed, can they live with the consequences?

As a psychologist, Georgia Harper has worked closely with both serious violent offenders and victim-survivors of crime. Her diverse career has spanned roles in correctional, forensic mental health, mental health and rural psychology.

Join the conversation and discover Georgia's path to publication, her research

and the experiences that shaped her debut.

Georgia Harper who currently lives and works in Allora hopes you will join her on Thursday 18 April from 2pm at St Marks Anglican Church Hall, corner Grafton and Albion Streets, Warwick.

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The Allora and District Historical Society members would like to thank all who

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The Society is especially grateful to Justin and Gretta Barton of Bartranz Petroleum, for their fuel voucher donation which netted the Society a sizeable amount. The winner was a happy Tony Haig.

Thanks to the Darling Downs Heavy Horse

Association for their sizeable donation in return for Society members manning the gates on their very successful weekend. The last two winners of the \$100 boards were Bev from Warwick and Marilyn from Toowoomba.

The Historical Society's next endeavour is selling raffle tickets in a ton of wood which last year proved very popular.

The winner of the load

of wood will be drawn on Thursday 6 June and will be delivered locally if there is a local winner.

Tickets can be purchased at The Post Office, outside IGA on 19 April and at the front of the Pharmacy 24 May.

You can also buy tickets at the Museum which will be open on 4 and 5 May in conjunction with the Autumn Festival Weekend

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Cameron Leckie your Regional Soil Coordinator is coming to Allora.

The Condamine Catchment Management Association (CCMA) has been lucky enough to entice Cameron to join them at the Allora Senior Citizen rooms on Tuesday 23rd April from 9.30 until 10.30am with information about our local soils.

Soil is fundamental to so many aspects of life, yet it is something generally taken for granted. It is critically important for our collective future that we manage our soil resources with a long-term view in mind.

Australia's soils are, on the whole, in poor condition and deteriorating. That was the conclusion of the 2021 State of the Environment report. To address this very concerning issue, the first ever National Soil Strategy is being implemented. Part of the Strategy includes the creation of Regional Soil Coordinator positions, funded by the National Landcare Program.

Aim of program is to increase the skills and knowledge of the wide range of people working with soils, from farmers to agronomists and soil field and laboratory technicians who will be a key part of improving the condition of our soil.

To identify the gaps in soil capacity and capability across the region, Cameron is developing a Regional Soil Improvement Plan that will identify priorities and barriers to the adoption of soil best management practices.

The Plan will be provided to the Australian Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) and used to inform future programs with the ultimate aim of improving soil health.

If you are a land manager or interested in soils and would like to attend this free event please contact Mary-Lou Gittins (CCMA Secretary) on 0429642092 for catering. Morning tea will be provided.



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Tough Forward Shines in First Up Win



Skilled front-rouer Alex Donn proved his worth against the Oakey Bears on Sunday at Platz Oval in magnificent football conditions, winning player of the match honours in the Stillwater Pastoral Company Wattles Warriors sides 52 - 18 success.

Donn led Wattles pack by example, making regular inroads against the robust and physical Bears forwards.

Wattles skipper Ty Gardner was another to excel, leading his line-up to a valuable first up season victory.

Fullback Jackson Green and five-eight Kai Duggan were also among the key contributors to the green and gold attack that in total produced ten tries.

The home side regrouped in the later stages, with the Bears never having the firepower to haul in Wattles advantage.

After a year's leave of absence, halfback Matt Duggan renewed his partnership with fullback Jackson Green very effectively, with Gardner the beneficiary for his second touchdown.

Duggan left the field though midway through the first half allowing Brayden Paix to step into the playmaker role partnering classy performer Kai Duggan.

Wattles set the standard dominating over the initial twenty minutes to lead 18 - 0.

The rampant Warriors ran in another trifecta of

four-pointers heading in to halftime through Christensen, five-eight Kai Duggan and polished finisher Jake Meddleton.

Bears clever centre Jeremiah Pati added to his sides total to head to the break trailing Wattles 8 - 34.

Another Pati touchdown minutes into the second stanza signalled a Bears resurgence.

Winger Maluafiti Vaovasa Taiama kept Oakey in the game with a try fifteen minutes from time, but touchdowns by green and gold threequarters Craig Donn and a second to Mitch Burke put the result beyond doubt.

A positive start by the Warriors, but they will be tested at another level next Saturday when they meet the Warwick Cowboys at Father Ranger Oval, the Cowboys set on levelling the ledger after their recent Barrett Family Shield loss.

Wattles: 52 (Matt Christensen 2, Ty Gardner 2, Mitch Bourke, Kai Duggan, Jake Middleton, Brayden Paix tries; Brayden Paix 3, Matt Duggan goals).

Oakey: 18 (Jeremiah Pati 2, Jacob Edwards, Maluafiti Vaovasa Taiama tries; Preston Alberts goal)

Reserve Grade - Galloping centre Tim Hentschel shows that despite donning the boots for over two decades the veteran commands respect, snatching a hat trick of tries off the Oakey Bears reserve grade outfit in a crushing 52 - 10 win for the Warriors.

The Coach couldn't speak more highly of his line-up and their performance.

Wattles forwards paved the way with Jack Duggan, Jordan Henry, Garth Lonergan, Tim Duggan and Tim Exelby taking the challenge to the Bears, while halves and chief organisers Tom Morris and

Josh Henry were creative throughout.

Fullback Joe Willett was in superb form flushing out gaps in the Bears defence.

Tries by Josh Henry, Willett, and a double by Hentschel captured a 22 - 0 halftime lead for Wattles.

They continued on their merry way nailing another three four-pointers through Jack Duggan, Hentschel and winger Alex Morris to be well in charge leading 40 - 0 eighteen minutes from the full-time hooter.

Oakey snatched two tries in to install some respectability to the score trailing 10 - 40.

When Josh Henry and Tom Morris crossed in the later minutes it sealed a more than convincing first victory of the fixture season.

Wattles: 52 (Tim Hentschel 3, Josh Henry 2, Joe Willet, Jack Duggan, Alex Morris, Tom Morris



Front-rouer Alex Donn took out player of the match honours in Wattles overwhelming 52 - 18 A Grade win over Oakey on Sunday.

tries; Tom Morris 8 goals)
Oakey: 10 (Jack Schilf, Joseph Eising tries; Dylan Crump goal)

Under 19 - Given the Oakey Bears are not fielding an Under 19 team in 2024, no match was played.

Glyn Rees

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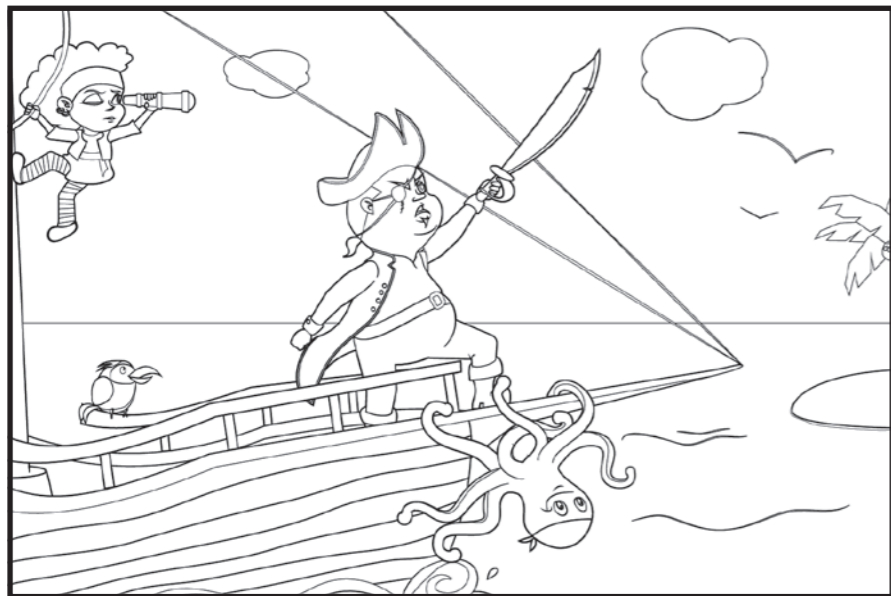
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Allora Bowls Notes - Round 10

Due to the wet weather we are now a week behind in our rounds so all going well the last round of the season will now be on Tuesday night 23rd April.

Some very close scores for some teams, a big win for Peaky Blinders and a drawn game between What A Show and Beers, Bowls & Bitches. A very comical & close game between Doesn't Matter & Generation Gap with Duke keeping some of us very amused and also reminding us that it is social bowls.

Results:- **RINK 1:** Peaky Blinders 27 d. Stone Cutters 7;

RINK 2: Do It Again 14 d. Pig Lures 12; **RINK 3:** Generation Gap 15 d. Doesn't Matter 14; **RINK 4:** Gina's Babies 15 d. Phoenix Rising 8; **RINK 5:** The Three Stooges 15 d. Spring Creek 13; **RINK 6:** Cool Cats 11 d. The Gecko's 10; **RINK 7:** What A Show 10 draw Beer, Bowls & Bitches 10

Touchers for chocolates were Denis, Noah, Danny, Fiona, Toni & Chris B. Noah our youngest player has certainly improved his bowling, must be those "new" bowls you are playing with now.

Tracey scooped the pool this week in the raffles, going home

with 3 prizes, other winners were Hethe, Kris & G Patto who never wins anything (according to him).

Winners on the night were What a Show. Usually if there is a drawn game it is a countback of the number of ends played by each team but when ends are equal it is a cut of the cards (if we can find them) or a pick of numbers from the tin. Losers were Pig Lures.

Gina's Babies are still very much in the lead on 17 points with Do It Again, Peaky Blinders & Generation Gap on 14 points, The Three Stooges, Stone Cutters & Cool Cats 12, Phoenix Rising 10,

Doesn't Matter 9, What A Show & Pig Lures 8, Spring Creek & Beers, Bowls & Bitches 4 and The Gecko's 2.

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Thanks also to Moley our GreenKeeper, Bec & Wendy for the bar, Ryan our music man and everyone else who helps out on the night.

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