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Well Done Peter Cavanagh

After 58 years of participating in all aspects of Warwick and District Rugby League Peter Cavanagh is officially winding up his formal involvement in the game.

Cavanagh had been there since day dot, coming through the grades as a player and referee, before spending his time in coaching and administration, enjoying 30 years as chairman.

The retired Allora dairy farmer said he was "lucky enough to have the opportunity to be part of it", particularly enjoying working with the juniors, making sure they left the game with good memories and values of teamwork and being gracious winners and losers.

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In Loving Memory of Christina (Chrissy) Huhta (10/9/1936)

aged 88 years who passed away peacefully on 25th December 2024, following a decline in her health over the prior 18 month period.

Christina's beloved husband Peter passed away on 13th July 2014, he was aged 87 years at the time of his death. Chrissy and Peter chose Allora as their home in the early 80's living in the district from 1981 to 1990. They bought a 280 acre block of land off Victoria Hill Road and named this property 'Lintula' and there they built their beautiful home from scratch. Living in a caravan for over a year with a generator for power and definitely limited luxuries, they toiled hard to create their piece of paradise and loved their life in this quiet neck of the woods. Peter (junior) the youngest of their three children attended Allora State High School for 3 years followed by 2 years boarding at Concordia College in Toowoomba.



Chrissy was born in Holland, 3 years before World War II began. Life was very tough in this part of the world, which was hugely impacted by the war and as the Netherlands was in famine, Chrissy and her brother and sister were billeted to a family in Switzerland in 1945 for a 9 month period.

In 1951 the family moved to Australia, when Chrissy was 15 years of age. They lived in a migrant camp in Bathurst, and that is where Chrissy learnt English by reading comics. The family later moved to Brisbane where her dad had gained secure employment and the family finally settled. Chrissy was employed as a seamstress in a Brisbane business before marrying Peter Huhta in 1956.

This resilience that Chrissy had built during her young life made her the strong character she proved to be throughout her life. With this positive demeanour, a bright smile and a cheery disposition Chrissy was readily accepted into the Allora community, forging firm friendships.

She was an active member in the Allora Scope and Tennis Club and helped with Meals on Wheels. She loved a chat and a cuppa and always had interesting stories to tell. She was a frequent visitor to Fairfield, Ellinthorpe where she chose the Nolan family to be part of her own extended family.

After leaving Allora, Chrissy and Peter moved to the Sunshine Coast where they enjoyed retirement and led an active life. She was a lover of swimming and travel and created beautiful gardens wherever she lived and her needlework and her intricate cross stitch adorn many walls in the homes of her extended family. Chrissy moved to the Scarborough area in late 2014 to be closer to her family and grandchildren.

In any conversation with Chrissy over the past 30 years, she considered her time of living in the Allora district as a very special and treasured part of her life and would readily jump at any chance to travel back to Allora with family when the opportunity arose.

Christina was much loved by her family and is survived by her three children - Marianna Nolan, Belinda Huhta, Peter Huhta and their partners.

She was a loving Oma to her 9 grandchildren and Oma Chrissy to her 15 great grandchildren.

Forever in our hearts and sadly missed.

New CEO To Join SDRC This Month

Southern Downs Regional Council has appointed highly experienced local government leader Rachel Brophy as the new Chief Executive Officer to lead the region towards a vibrant and sustainable future.

With extensive networks across all levels of government, Ms Brophy has a proven track record as a strategic leader in delivering innovative solutions and fostering collaboration.

Southern Downs Mayor Melissa Hamilton said Ms Brophy had the expertise and vision to help Council realise the region's opportunities and address its challenges.

"I am delighted Council has been successful in securing such an accomplished leader as Ms Brophy to be our new CEO," Mayor Hamilton said.

"A national recruitment campaign attracted both national and international applicants of the highest calibre. Five candidates were shortlisted, and after a rigorous selection process including an independent member on the interview panel, Ms Brophy was chosen by Councillors as the successful candidate.

"With more than 16 years' experience in local government, Ms Brophy has a strong commitment to delivering value to residents

and to improving community wellbeing through a combination of people-centred leadership, creative problem solving and sound governance.

"Regarded for her ability to deliver innovative solutions, Ms Brophy is set to guide Council through an exciting new chapter focused on operational excellence."

Ms Brophy said she is excited to join the team and help drive the region's growth and progress.

"Having grown up in regional Australia, I am very excited about the opportunity of living and working within the Southern Downs," Ms Brophy said.

"It is a fabulous place to call home and as a keen bush walker and gardener, I am looking forward to exploring the natural beauty of the Southern Downs region and working collaboratively with Mayor Melissa, Councillors and staff to deliver services to our community."

Ms Brophy's extensive experience includes serving as CEO for Douglas Shire Council and North Burnett Regional Council, where she successfully led transformational projects, fostered productive partnerships, and implemented initiatives that delivered lasting benefits for local communities.



Rachel Brophy to lead Southern Downs into new chapter as CEO.

Her qualifications in law, financial management, marketing, and business management, combined with a strong governance and financial background, position her to provide strategic leadership for Council.

Ms Brophy commences her new role with a key focus on strengthening Council's leadership team by recruiting two vacant senior executive roles: Director Planning and Environmental Services and Director Customer and Organisational Services.

Fatal House Fire, Warwick

Police are investigating a fatal house fire that occurred in Warwick, January 6.

Around 9.45pm, emergency services responded to Pratten Street, following reports of a house on fire.

The fire was contained and an initial search of the house located a 20-year-old man deceased inside.

Two dogs also died as a result of the fire.

A crime scene has been declared and investigations into the cause of the fire are underway.

Anyone with information is urged to contact police.

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Both Nic and Gay are still active within the Allora community.

Gay participates in weekly games of competition squash at the Allora squash courts, with Nic her number one fan, attending every game to cheer her on. They both attend the local church in Allora every Sunday and regularly catch up with friends and family within the community.

The happy couple were married in Rhodesia/Zimbabwe on January 9th 1965. Gays success in squash ranked her number four in the world and captain



of the Springbok squash team for many years. Her legendary status brought the

family to Australia. Nic also achieved success in sport at an international level in cricket and squash and his profession as a physics, chemistry and biology teacher for 39 years.

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This year the Committee is pleased to showcase Ford 1000 series Tractors, D model Ford Louisville trucks and the now valuable 1960's Holden, Falcon and Valiant. There will also be plenty to see with a big line-up of motorcycles, engines and bikes.

Grand Parades will be held throughout both days as well as a continuous

displays of working machines.

The popular Swap Meet is also on again from 6am both days and when you need a rest, sit and listen to the bush poets.

Admission is just \$10 per adult with children free.

If you need any further information Graeme is the man to contact on 0428 717 623.

The Allora Heritage Weekend will be held at the Allora Showgrounds, New England Highway on Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 January.

Des Donovan Almost Made 100

Local identity and popular resident at Southern Cross Care Des Donovan passed away on 14 December at the age of 99 years.

Des was born in Allora and went to St Joseph's (now St Pats) school where the Parish Priest was Father O'Shea.

The first job Des had was pumping petrol at the garage owned by Molly and Jack Marshall.

The garage is now the location of Wilson and Rigby. Patrick Donovan, Des' grandfather started Donovan's Auction Mart in Allora in 1895.

In 1906 he was joined by his son Frank (Des's father)



and the business became Donovan & Son.

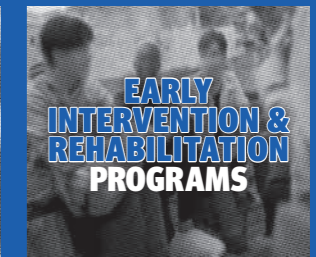
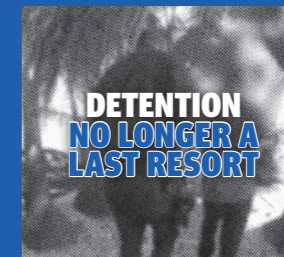
Des met his wife Rose at Currumbin where they lived for many years.

A Funeral Mass was held for Des at St Patrick's Catholic Church in Allora on Monday 30 December 2024.

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To find out how these new laws will help restore safety, search Making Queensland Safer.

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Looking Down The Lens With Allora Photography Group

After an enjoyable and interesting 2024 the Allora Photography Group finished the year with the topic "Continuum" which required members to present four photos that told a story. Lisa's series of photos "First Rodeo Ride" featured a brave young rodeo rider battling to stay on top of a young bull, then being interviewed and encouraged

by the ring announcer.

The first topic for 2025 is "Repetition" and entries close at 6pm on Friday January 31st.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Allora Photography Group will be made most welcome. Phone Michael on 0427 521 159 or email alloraphotographygroup 4362@gmail.com



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Dave Burns Remembered as a Staunch Community Member

Both Allora and Clifton are better communities because of people like Dave Burns who sadly passed away on Monday 30th December 2024.

The Allora & District Historical Society was grateful for the services offered by the handyman/Dave Burns.

"Dave's legacy at the museum will be the many family portraits that he has hung on the walls, each row laser levelled and each individual portrait hung on two screws so they stay straight.

Whenever there was a difficult job to do Dave had the answer. He will be sadly missed" said Colin Newport.

In early 2024 Dave joined the Allora Men's Shed where he enjoyed helping with carpentry projects.

In Clifton Dave Burns was a staunch supporter of various local community organisations and was well-known and highly regarded, in particular for his roles with Clifton & District Historical Society, initially as an active volunteer; then assisting with computerising Secretarial duties; acting as President during the final years when the Clifton Museum was in limbo after the Old Butter Factory was deemed unsafe and was closed. Dave's other roles included Treasurer and master organiser of the new Clifton Museum build. He was the 'glue' which held everything together.

Dave was a gifted co-ordinator, excelled in problem solving, had an amazing memory and asked for little recognition of his many achievements. He was awarded a well deserved Clifton & District Historical Society Life Membership in 2022.

Dave also gave his time whole-heartedly to his roles

as Treasurer and Secretary for Clifton District Meals on Wheels from 2014 - late 2022. Clifton M.O.W. won the Australia Day Community Group award in 2022. Dave spent many hours organising and co-ordinating rosters for volunteers and delivery of meals around the district, with the particularly onerous task of dealing with added paperwork during those difficult Covid years. He continued to personally deliver meals after he'd resigned from the main roles, right up to 20th December 2024.

Dave was a very complex and humble human being. He was also a caring person with a bright enquiring mind and helped many with his



Dave, the busy handyman at the Allora Museum (photo supplied).

practical skills. A quietly brave man who passed away in Toowoomba Hospital with family members present.

An informal Gathering

to celebrate the life of Dave Burns will be held on Saturday 11 January (full details page 13 Allora Advertiser)

Repairs To Council Flood Damaged Roads



Southern Downs
REGIONAL COUNCIL

External funding approvals continue to be finalised for flood recovery road repairs to restore the region's road network following extensive damage caused by the January 2024 weather event.

Council crews have begun rolling out critical infrastructure works across the region and works will continue into the new year to repair flood-affected roads.

Jointly funded through the Australian and Queensland governments' Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) and supported by Council, the comprehensive \$10+ million program will address damage to approximately 260 roads.

One road in our region where work will be carried out is the Inverrasmay Road at Goomburra. Work to widen the road is scheduled to commence in February 2025 with anticipated completion May 2025.

Southern Downs Mayor Melissa Hamilton said the repair program would be balanced with long-term infrastructure planning to keep the region's roads maintained and safe for road users.

"We understand how vital our road network is to the daily lives of residents, businesses and visitors, and we are working hard to restore and maintain accessibility," Mayor Hamilton said.

"While current funding allows us to address a significant portion of the damage, we must prioritise works due to resource and time constraints.

"In addition to flood repairs, Council is allocating extra resources to address defects in the sealed

road network, with crews expected to remain active throughout the region now and following Christmas over the coming months."

Any unfunded repairs will be added to Council's prioritised list and addressed as future funding and resources become available. Residents are encouraged to report any defects or hazards to assist Council in identifying these priority areas.

"We thank the community for their continued patience and cooperation as our crews work to complete the extensive flood recovery and maintenance program," Mayor Hamilton added.

Visit www.sdrc.qld.gov.au/living-here/roads-infrastructure/current-and-future-road-works for a full list of current and future road works.

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New Resources For Ewe Pregnancy Scanning

Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA) and Australian Wool Innovation (AWI) have released a range of new resources to help producers scan and manage pregnant ewes.

The new resources are the result of a multi-year co-investment between MLA and AWI aimed to improve lamb survival and reproductive rates in the Australian sheep flock through better adoption of pregnancy scanning. The background research was completed by The University of Adelaide and included many industry consultants in the project team.

In 2018, an MLA-funded survey of Australian sheep producers determined that 69% of respondents did not pregnancy scan their ewe flocks for litter size.

According to Project Manager for Sheep and Goat Productivity at MLA, Dr Daniel Forwood, this limits a producer's capacity to maximise lamb and ewe survival.

"Pregnancy scanning is a vital tool for improving sheep reproductive performance. It enables identification of litter size early in pregnancy, so that multiple-bearing



(Image - MLA)

ewes can be differentially managed to meet recommended condition score targets and increase survival," Dr Forwood said. "Research shows pregnancy scanning in sheep provides an average increase in profit of \$5.55/ewe scanned.

"By customising ewe nutrition during pregnancy and lactation according to whether ewes are carrying singles or multiples, producers can help to reduce lamb and ewe mortality."

Important to increasing producer adoption is having a detailed business case for pregnancy scanning which is applicable to different production environments and enterprise types, producer needs and resource availability.

The resources include -

- The value of pregnancy scanning
- Ewe scanning and management checklist
- Pregnancy scanning: an ultrasound investment
- Resource guide for sheep reproduction
- The value of pregnancy scanning: a benefit-cost analysis

This project is an initiative under the Sheep

Reproduction Strategic Partnership (SRSP). The SRSP is a sheep industry initiative managed by MLA that seeks to profitably and sustainably increase lamb production by increasing weaning rates and decreasing mortality.

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Allora Days for Girls Notes



Happy 2025 for everyone. This month is a busy month. On Monday 13 January we will prepare for the upcoming multi-draw raffle as part of the Heritage weekend over the Australia Day weekend. DfG will be selling raffle tickets at the weekend and outside of the Allora IGA in on the Monday, Wednesday and Friday on the two weeks preceding the weekend. The main prize is a trolley full of goods with additional prizes as well. Please consider buying a raffle ticket to support your local group in supporting women and girls in need. The raffle will be drawn on Saturday 25 January between 2.30 and 3pm at the Allora showgrounds.

Our fundraising initiative Allora DfG 'Container for Cash' account has had several donations so far. People and businesses may like to use the code 'C10749279' when depositing their eligible containers and the refund will be directly deposited into the Allora DfG account. Please contact Kaylene via the Allora DfG email if you would like containers to be collected or they can be brought along or dropped off at any monthly gathering.

As always, the group is requesting donations of: new cotton ladies knickers, new face washers, new flannelette, new 100% cotton (non-stretch) material. Please think of us if you are doing a cupboard clean out. Items can be dropped into Allora Hardware store or Bryson's Florist Warwick marked as Days for Girls. If dropping off items in, please text, phone or email contacts below so that we

Watch out for kids or pets locked in cars this summer

In the past 12 months RACQ patrols rescued 799 children and 776 animals locked in vehicles – that is two kids and two animals locked in a vehicle every day in Queensland.

General Manager Assistance and Automotive Mark Boswell of RACQ said motorists must be aware of the danger with above temperatures predicted this summer.

"While many of these cases are accidental, there are things you can do to avoid the risk.

"You should never leave children or pets alone in the car, always keep your keys on you and don't give them to your child to play with.

"The most common scenario our patrols see is the parent has given the child the keys to play with while they load items into the car."

Mr Boswell warned temperatures in locked vehicles can quickly reach dangerous levels.

"In summer, cabin temperatures can exceed 40 degrees in around 30 minutes," he said.

Mr Boswell said RACQ patrols



respond to vehicle lock-ins as the highest priority.

"Accidentally locking your child or pet in a car can be an extremely stressful situation and we often find people waste time trying to work out what to do or who to call," he said.

"If a person or animal is locked in a vehicle, please call RACQ Roadside Assistance on 13 11 11.

"Our patrols can successfully unlock most cars within minutes using vehicle-specific methods.

"We provide this service to Queenslanders, regardless of whether you're a member.

"If you're concerned about the health of a child, call emergency services immediately."

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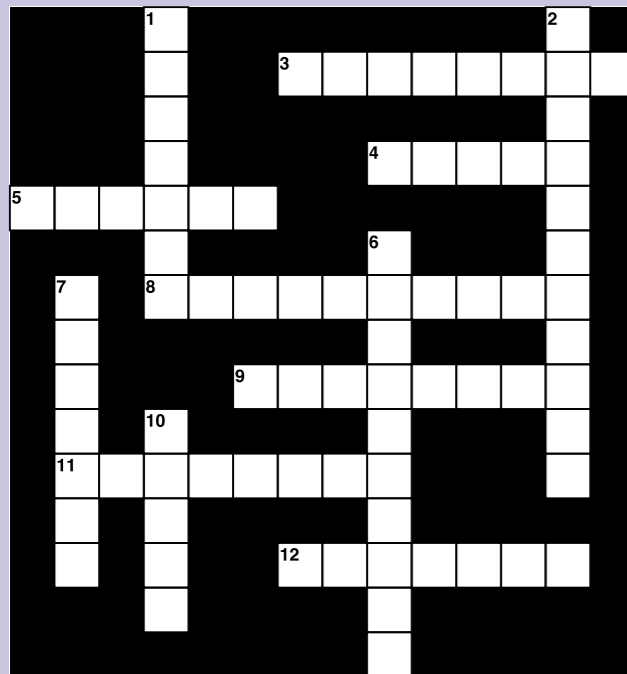
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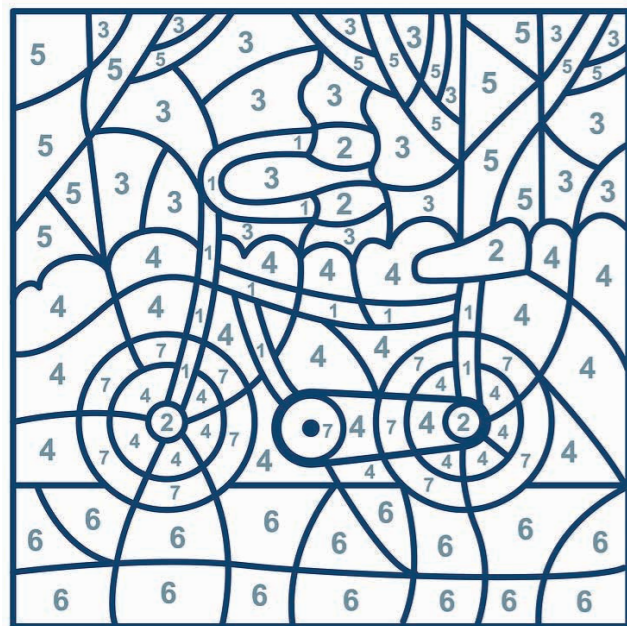
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- Across**
- 3. Bathing attire.
 - 4. Sandcastle location.
 - 5. An open-air meal.
 - 8. Children's seaside construction.
 - 9. Board for aquaplaning.
 - 11. Cold sweet. (3,5)
- Down**
- 1. Short excursions.
 - 2. Visiting places of interest.
 - 6. Large fruit with red flesh.
 - 7. Using a sleeping bag and tent.
 - 10. Unwind, chill out.

12. Break from school.

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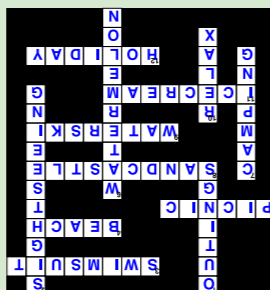
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 "In real life, I assure you, there is no such thing as algebra"

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• ANNOUNCEMENTS •

DONOVAN, Desmond James "Des"

Late of Allora, passed away on 14th December 2024, aged 99 years.

Dearly loved Husband of Rosie (dec'd).

A Funeral Mass was held for Des at St Patrick's Catholic Church in Allora, on Monday, 30th December 2024.

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There will be an Informal Gathering to celebrate the life of

DAVE BURNS

who passed away on Monday 30th December 2024. (In accordance with Dave's wishes there will be no Service).

Date: Saturday 11 January
 from 10a.m. til 12noon at Clifton Citizens Hall,
 8 Meara Place, CLIFTON 4361

For catering purposes please RSVP by Thursday Jan 9th, to Brad Jones bradjones2014@bigpond.com or 0419 767 468

Please note CLIFTON MUSEUM will be CLOSED Sat 11th January as a mark of respect for Dave.

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Allora Golf Notes



points, 2nd: Max Bielefeld: 37 points, 3rd: Wayne McKewen: 36 points.

Nearest the pins: 4th: Brendan Renner, 7th: Rod Simpson, 8th: Nick Caterson, 13th: Kev Hurley, 16th: Russell Sparksman (eagle's nest), 17th: Rod Simpson.

Approaches: 2nd: Len Hoey, 5th: Noel Wallace, 11th: Tom Brown, 14th: Hethe Ramus.

Long putt: 1st: John Barrett, 10th: Russell Sparksman.

Coming up:

Sunday 12 January - Amy's Cafe Monthly Medley.

Sunday 19 January - Ty Gardner Concreting Monthly Medal (stroke).

Friday's Allora Hardware duck run - The winners were: 1st: David Kercheval - 24 points, 2nd: Jake Burns - 22 points.

Approach shot: Lindsay May.

Nearest the pin: John Barrett.

Long putt: John Barrett.

Sunday's Allora Railway Hotel Monthly Mug - The winner's were: 1st: Shannon Gardner: 37

Peter Cavanagh Retires

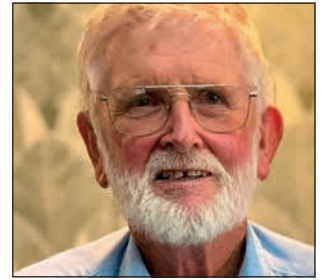
"I was only 16 when they formed Warwick & District and I've been part of it ever since. I've had three goes at being chairman," he said.

"I was playing in the seniors, 16s and 18s and I was 21 when I took up refereeing. I don't think I was a world-beater, but I enjoyed doing it and gave that away for seniors at 33 when I bought the farm (at Allora) off my father. I still kept refereeing and coaching juniors.

"I tried to work with people. You get a lot further with sugar than you do with salt, as the old saying goes."

Cavanagh can attest to the fact you don't have to be from the big city to make it big, having a role in supporting countless talents who went on to play NRL, State of Origin, Tests and even rugby union internationals.

One of those he proudly watched banged down



the door to reach the top was Shane Webcke, who continues to give back after his illustrious career.

"Shane has put a lot back into the country, he's been very good in our area.

"He always kept his nose clean and played good, bloody tough football. He came through in one of the best eras we had in our local area."

Cavanagh still plans to give time volunteering to rugby league at the Wattles Warriors, impressed by the efforts former NRL player Travis Burns has put in at the club giving back to the game as a coach.

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