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## Senior Citizens Open Doors to Public

Fancy a game of cards, other games, afternoon tea, and great company in pleasant surroundings? In an attempt to promote awareness of their group, President Mary Smart and the Allora Senior Citizens Club committee are opening their doors, inviting community members to be a part of their weekly card meetings. You don't have to be a club member, just looking to enjoy some time and conversation with people that have their community at heart. The card afternoons on Monday & Friday weekly commence at 1.00pm with afternoon tea at 3.30pm.

Many within the Allora community will have visited the stylish brick hall at the rear of the Southern Downs Regional Council building on the corner of Herbert & Drayton Streets, the home base of the Allora Senior Citizens Club for the past 32 years.

Most will recall the Senior Citizens Centre as a popular venue in Allora for community social events, celebrations, birthday parties and more. But the Centre is much more, it has been a thriving hub of activity for the Allora district's senior population since it opened; cards, concerts, bowls, bingo, cent sales, functions and meetings, the list goes on, seeing the Centre a well used and very necessary facility. However, in more recent times various factors have affected the use of the hall as a venue to be hired, and time is also having it's affects on the membership of the Allora Senior Citizens Club. Membership numbers are dwindling, putting pressure on the precious few that actively maintain the Centre and manage activities for the lessening list of members. Those in our district community aged fifty and over are very welcome to join the Senior Citizens Club, to enjoy the company of fellow club members and the varied activities the Club provides. The proven successful social group that has catered so admirably for our senior population for over 45 years extend a warm welcome new members. Current members are not as young as they used to be, and some new faces will provide some additional energy, time & direction for the Club's future which is vital to the Allora community. Many loyal committee members have guided the Senior Citizens Club very successfully since it formed, an example being the 17 consecutive years of voluntary service as Secretary by Mrs. Joyce Black and former Treasurer Heather Mole, but new members are needed if the tradition is to continue.

The Senior Citizens Hall was built in 1980 at a cost of \$127,000, considered Allora's number one building at the time, with Allora Shire Chairman Stuart Henry encouraging use by all sections



Allora Senior Citizens Club executive committee John Roessler (Treasurer), Joyce Black (Secretary) and Mary Smart (President) have plans to encourage community involvement with the Senior Citizens Club and boost membership of the community.

A visit to the Pittsworth Senior Citizens Centre by Allora Hospital Board & Allora Shire Council members started moves for a similar centre in Allora, the Board members "amazed at the facilities at Pittsworth". Councillor Henry said "after seeing what they had, we decided that Allora's senior citizens deserved something similar".

A public meeting was called and the Allora Committee for the Aging established, the well attended meeting also prompting the Hospital Board to contribute \$20,000 towards a centre. A federal government subsidy of \$81,000 and a \$41,000 State subsidy funded the construction of the building.

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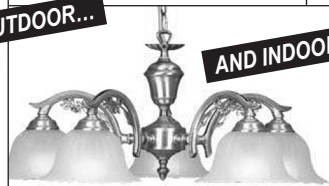
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Since that time the Allora Senior Citizens Centre has served our elder population and the Allora community well, and if the current committee of the Allora Senior Citizens Club have their way, their Centre will continue to be a community hub well into the future.

The Senior Citizens Club have a lengthy history in "the Best Little Town on the Downs", having formed at a meeting in the Allora Shire Council offices, Chaired by then Shire Chairman Stuart Henry, on the 16th of June, 1965. The Club later became incorporated on the 27th of January, 1989.

While the Club has a lengthy and respected history, an increase in membership is absolutely vital to the Club's future existence according to Committee Treasurer John Roessler. Hire of the Senior Citizens Centre has also diminished in recent times, and along with the concern of withering numbers at Club activities, the committee have concerns over falling income. Membership numbers stood at 58 when the Senior Citizens Centre officially opened in 1980. In 1994 membership had reached 70 and 2006 saw the club boasting 87 members.

The 2010-11 year saw President Jan Moore mention in her annual report that membership was on the decline, and the rising expense of bus trips to neighbouring centres and points of interest was now curtailing that activity. However, the Club's annual Cancer Day with a "Bring & Buy Stall" raised \$ 800 for the very worthy Cancer Fund charity, just another example of the support the Senior Citizens Club have provided their community over many years.

If you would like to know more about membership of the Allora Senior Citizens Club, or wishing to take advantage of the club offer of joining them for card afternoons and a "cuppa", contact Mr. John Roessler on 4634 1064 or Mrs. Joyce Black on 4666 3124.

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SAT	Heavy Rain. Cloudy. Cool. Breezy.	19 21
SUN	Heavy Rain. Mostly Cloudy. Mild.	19 26
MON	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	19 28
TUE	Mostly Sunny. Mild.	18 28

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Its Dalrymple Duck Race time again in Allora, with event organizer Ted Cowley busy selling tickets for 400 of the cutest yellow ducks that will take to the Allora Swimming Pool at 3.00 pm on Australia Day in what has been a novel and successful fundraiser over many years for Allora Show Princess entrants. It may not be the race that stops a nation, but it will halt a good percentage of Allora as they cheer their duck home from poolside. The main race will be preceded by a warm up race to help the ducks stretch a few necessary muscles and get their bearings, and punters can also buy tickets to acquire a warm up race duck.

This year the Duck Race will benefit Show Princess entrants and Allora locals Lauren Morris and Jessica Van Der Poel, with both young ladies willing assistants selling Duck Race tickets. With the purchase of a \$2.00 ticket community members can lay claim to a duck in the big race, and should that duck cross the finish line first the winner collects an easy \$150, second place pockets \$100 and a crisp \$50 note goes to third place.

While Ted Cowley, assisted by Princess entrants Lauren and Jessica, have been selling Duck Race tickets in recent weeks outside Allora Pharmacy, tickets will also be available before the big races on Australia Day.

The Dalrymple Duck Race has become an Allora district tradition, first held in the late 1990's. The popular race draws a healthy crowd to the Allora Pool, but the fundraising event had its beginnings in the Stuart Henry Park stretch of Dalrymple Creek, with up to 300 yellow rubber ducks winding their way downstream on a 50 metre course with nature providing the momentum for the wining duck.

The Dalrymple Creek Duck races back then were great spectacles, and great fundraisers, but the event didn't come



Dalrymple Duck Race organizer Ted Cowley busy selling Duck Race tickets with Allora Show Princess entrants Lauren Morris and Jessica Van Der Poel.

without some chance of peril.

A move to the Allora Swimming Pool has provided a safer more comfortable venue, for ducks and spectators alike.

Allora Swimming Pool leasee Bill Lacey will be opening the pool complex gates at 10.00 am for what is "a big family day" lasting until 6.00 pm. "We will have a sausage sizzle operating throughout the day, or people can bring a picnic lunch, enjoy the pool facilities and the Dalrymple Duck Race while celebrating Australia Day" says Bill.

Glyn Rees



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**2012**

**January -**

**Sat 28 & Allora Heritage Weekend**

**Sun 29** Allora Show Grounds.

**February -**

**Fri 10 & 134th Annual Allora Show**

**Sat 11** Allora Show Grounds.

**Fri 24 Allora Rotary Club Inc. Trivia Night**

Allora State School BER Hall.

**April -**

**Sat 21 Scope Club of Allora Afternoon Tea**

Allora Community Hall, 1.30pm

**Fri 27 Allora QCWA International Day - Chile**

Allora QCWA Hall

**May -**

**Sun 20 2012 Goomburra Valley Classic Fun Run**

Goomburra

**June -**

**Sat 16 June Afternoon**

St David's Hall, Allora

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - Clients wishing to include their events in the *Events Calendar*, must book a display (boxed) advertisement for the event in *The Allora Advertiser*, sized at least 2 column x 8 cm. Clients will then automatically receive, as a bonus, a calendar entry. These entries will be in a 2 line format as above, starting in bold with date and event, followed by venue and time.

If people wish to contact The Allora Advertiser and discuss their particular needs, please feel free to do so. Ph 4666 3128.

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Allora's Past

### Historic Car Returns to Allora



Noel Cox and his immaculately restored 1912 Cadillac Model 30 Tourer.

When vintage car enthusiast, Noel Cox of Toowoomba, bought the shell of a 1912 Cadillac from former Allora resident Bill Budd in the 1960's, he was told that the car had a connection with the famous "Talgai Skull".

The "Talgai Skull" is that of a young aboriginal boy believed to have died 14,000 to 20,000 years ago. It was found by contract fencer, William Naish, at Talgai West in 1884. Although it has since been pre-dated by another find, at the time that it was first examined at the University of Sydney, it was believed to have been to be the oldest known Australian aboriginal relic.

In August 1914, eminent anthropologist Professor (later Sir) T. W. Edgeworth David contacted William Naish, then aged 76 and living in retirement in Allora, to show him where he had found the skull. Mr. Naish was picked up in Allora and Professor Edgeworth David was met at the Talgai railway station (now Ellinthorp) in two cars, one big and one small. The larger car is believed to have been a Cadillac hired from Jack Murdoch of Warwick, who had replaced his horse drawn cabs with three Cadillac's in 1912.

The big car caused a sensation as cars were then rare in the Allora district. It was seen at the time, and later described many years later, by Reg and Les Shooter two young local lads swimming in the creek.

Noel Cox paid Bill Budd, then of Northgate in Brisbane, £22/10/0 for the chassis, engine and four rotted wheels of the Cadillac. With the addition of a £10 body from Ipswich, a £3 windscreen from Tannymorel and much painstaking work, he has restored the car to the showroom condition that it is in today. It can be seen in all its glory at the Allora Heritage Weekend organized by the Warwick Veteran and Vintage Vehicle Club.

Allora's Past 25 years ago January 1987

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#### HIGHLIGHT

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The aims of the group are to maintain and sustain the local environment by conducting relevant projects in the district. Possible activities are discussed and any necessary funding is sought as a grant through appropriate government agencies. The most recent project was a weed eradication and planting program along the banks of Dalrymple Creek. The flooding experienced early last year destroyed much of the good work but replanting took place and so far appears to be successful. The group in conjunction with the Riverside Trust will also consider eradication of larger woody weeds such as willow and privet along the creek banks as a future project.

A major initiative currently under discussion is the development of Allora Mountain for recreational purposes. The aim is to establish easy vehicle access, initially to reach the level of the reservoir. Walking and riding tracks and possibly extension for vehicles to the top of the mountain are intended. Discussions with the mountain lessee, the Southern Downs Regional Council engineer and other interested stakeholders have been positive. An announcement seeking community input for the project was published in the Allora Advertiser in mid 2011 and the ALG again requests local people to contribute ideas to what we see as a major benefit for the town and district.

The lower levels of Allora Mountain have suffered marked pollution for years from rubbish and litter blown from the town dump. With the recent redevelopment of this facility to become a transfer station, the ALG will conduct a group activity on the mountain to remove rubbish as part of Clean Up Australia Day on 4th March. The project has been registered and it is intended to combine this worthwhile activity with a social function such as a sausage sizzle, sponsored by Allora FoodWorks.

The ALG continues to support the Allora Show and members will be in attendance this year. The famous ALG raffle of native plants conducted by Jim Flesser will again be a feature. Tickets are free and separate lucky numbers for adults and children are drawn every hour from 10.00am each day and announced over the PA. Please drop in to the ALG display trailer, take a ticket and say hello. We particularly like receiving botanical specimens, including weeds, of interest or unknown nature and we will endeavour to identify them for you. Another ALG Show feature this year is the awarding of a book prize for best collection of wild flowers by a boy or girl attending school. This activity is identified in Section 38 of the Show program.

The ALG is always open to welcome new members and we would like to encourage anyone with an interest in our work to contact us through the information given below or via direct contact with known members. A brief profile of members will occur in future editions of the Advertiser.

Current ALGG office bearers are Ken McCray as president, Jenny Gardner as treasurer and Peter Thomas as secretary. All correspondence should be directed to Pete Thomas at pandathomas1@bigpond.com or 0419 724 025

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Allora Show and Clean Up Australia Day and hopefully at our next meeting in February.



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The event is attracting people from across that nation to see, display, demonstrate & share much loved restored machinery, vehicles & recollections in such an ideal venue as the Allora Showground's with historical Allora as the perfect backdrop. The Warwick Veteran & Vintage Vehicle Club have been the very competent organising body for what has become a massive dose of special memories since the inaugural Heritage Weekend back in 1993.

WVVVC President Ted Woodrow was there at the very first Heritage Weekend. "I guess it all started when a group of us decided we best get our tractors and vehicles out of the sheds" joked Ted, "many of us had been restoring various vehicles and farm machinery so we took the opportunity to put it on show at the showgrounds". It all started back then with just 25 tractors, "little did we know it would grow out of all proportion, with



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events of recent years featuring around 300 tractors, a couple of hundred trucks, not to mention cars, motorcycles & stationary engines".

A measure of the success of the Allora Heritage Weekend is the positive reviews it has received in historical machinery magazines not only in Australia, but also New Zealand & Britain, enthusiasts from those countries having visited Allora. Ted Woodrow's phone is suffering serious wear & tear of late, with calls from around Queensland including remote Winton, the Hunter Valley and New South Wales mid north coast & Victoria, from people making the trek to Allora. The Heritage Weekend has also seen visitors and exhibitors from as far away as Western Australia in recent years.

Ted is expecting numerous car clubs, "a contingent of American "Ramblers" from Brisbane are making the journey over the range, and a Ford Model T display will be popular". "We also have confirmation of a "Landrover" Club and a "Buick" Club among the many vehicle groups attending".

As in past years the Heritage Weekend will provide an amazing array of displays, vehicles & machinery for everyone to experience. The Allora Showgrounds hosting one of the nation's biggest collections of vintage & veteran cars and motorcycles over the two day trip back in time, along with horse drawn machinery; stationary engines; trucks, tractors & farming machinery, and an array of working displays of vehicles, machinery across the weekend. The Allora Historical Society will also have a display, opening a window to the past of our own local area.

The nominated feature machinery for the 2012 Heritage Weekend is Chamberlain Tractors, A.M.C. Cars, White and Diamond Rio trucks, Indian Motorcycles and Southern Cross Machinery & Engines, and there will be plenty of magnificently restored examples on show.

While the machinery & vehicles are the fibre of the popular weekend, with just the numbers of exhibits and immensity of the event the main changes each year, one thing that definitely hasn't changed each year is the voice of machinery commentator Barrie Geitz echoing out across the showgrounds. "Hold her, hold her, hold her" is his signature catch cry as calls the machines to order when they enter the Grand Parade show ring. Barrie is as much a part of the Allora Heritage Weekend as the exhibits themselves, although he certainly doesn't profess to share their age. The man, with a history as an auctioneer and with stage experience, who has assumed a position as perhaps Queensland's foremost commentary expert in vintage, veteran & historical machinery & vehicles debuted as compare at Allora's very first Heritage Weekend. Barrie is more than comfortable behind the microphone, his confidence and amazing knowledge winning him wide spread respect, with few leaving the event without an informed appreciation and fascination for what they have witnessed.

A self proclaimed tractor tragic, Barrie recalls tractors being a lifelong interest for him. Although, he recalls with a grin, "as a small boy anything with wheels interested me, & that interest grew with me as did the knowledge it provided". "I was asked if I would announce at the first Allora rally in 1993, I had never

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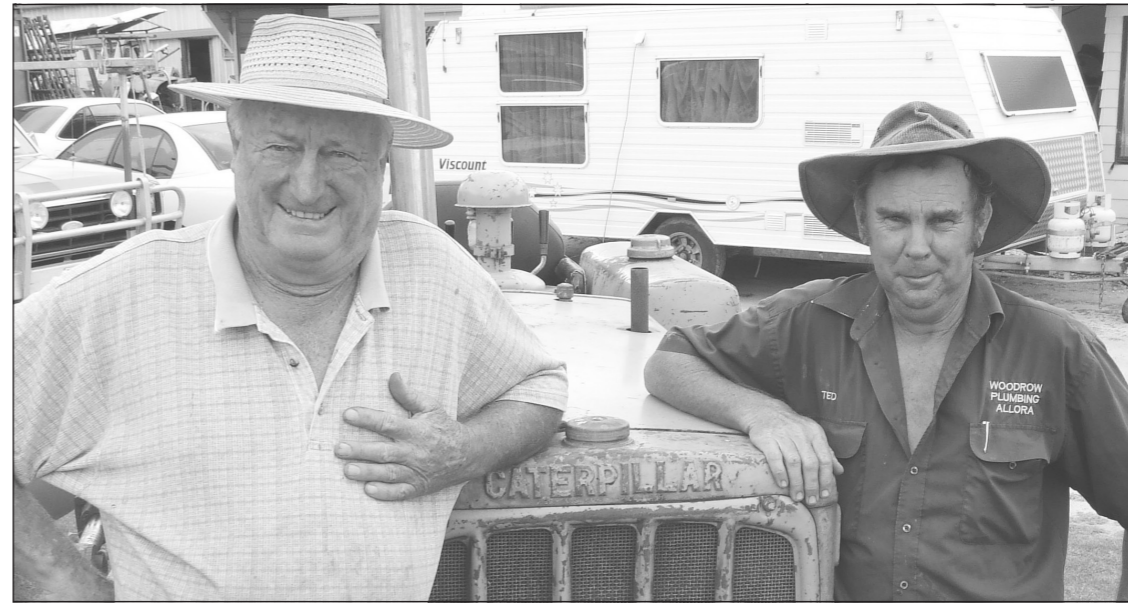
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Historical Vehicle & Machinery commentator Barrie Geitz and President of the Warwick Veteran & Vintage Vehicle Club Ted Woodrow have been busy planning and arranging for the 2012 Allora Heritage Weekend that commences on Saturday at the Allora Showgrounds.

been to one, I was tossed in the deep end you might say, but as the event grew I grew with it" laughed Barrie. Since those day's Barrie has gone on to compere at many major historical machinery rallies from Biloela in the north to Inverell in New South Wales, including State and National level rallies. This year he heads back to Biloela to be the "man behind the golden microphone" at yet another Queensland Heritage Rally. The Allora Heritage Weekend is a massive event though in comparison to other rallies officiated by Barrie. "A measure of the sheer size of the Allora rally is the time it takes to compere the event Grand Parade, one hour and 45 minutes at the last National Rally compared to two hours and fifteen minutes at the last Allora Heritage Weekend". While the chug and odd miss of the motors, and smell of diesel has enthused Barrie throughout his time as a commentator, there are other highlights. "The wonderful friends you meet and make along the way, 'salt of the earth' folk who appreciate what you do, appreciate the importance of preserving history, doing it for the love of it in a non competitive manner, and who have a drive to preserve & maintain our heritage". Among so many Heritage rally memories, Barrie fondly recalls



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the spectacle of the gathering of tractors and trucks at the 2010 Allora Weekend as among the best he has seen, but he has a

feeling 2012 will be bigger. The Allora Show Society Life Member who is very active in the Allora community has a couple of more than able & knowledgeable assistants on the air waves this weekend in Hughie Huston and Allan Hoey. Hughie's interviews in the crowd provide plenty of light hearted interest, while Allan's commentary on the show ring tractor events keeps the crowds enthralled.

While this year's Allora Heritage Weekend will have its traditional Grand parades, 2012 will see three parades with tractors, trucks and cars entering the show ring separately. "We are trying to alleviate

the congestion with so many vehicles" suggests Ted Woodrow, "the tractor parade will precede the 12.15 pm Allora Heritage Weekend Official opening on Saturday by International rugby league legend Shane Webcke, followed by the car grand parade, novelty events and the truck parade around 3.00 pm." Trade stalls and a swap meet will operate over Saturday and Sunday, but the plan is to kick back and relax in the evening says Ted, "a feed, a beer, catch up with some great friends and enjoy some country music".

This inspiring, educational, heritage & historical experience for all ages is available at the Allora Showgrounds at a more than reasonable \$5.00 admission fee, and camping facilities are available.

If you have any inquiries about the 2012 Allora Heritage Weekend, feel free to contact Ted Woodrow (0418 875 469 or 4666 3693) or Graham McMillan (4666 3554). Inquiries regarding the swap meet call Lyle Johnson (0409 766 288 or 4666 6288).

The 2012 Allora Heritage Weekend is not to be missed, take your turn to step back in time.

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## Allora Golf Notes 22-1-12

Last week we played for Kel & Yvonne Strange's trophy in a 4 Ball Best Ball, the winners Rod & Kel with 52 pts, runners up with 50 pts Kev and Neil. Pin Shots 4th Max, 13th Garney, 5th Kel, 14th Bowey. We witnessed the Club's first Albatross on the 6th, congratulations to Noel Wallace.

Duck Run was another successful day, 12 players and is back on this Friday (thanks to NAB for their Sponsorship).

Next Saturday Black Toyota 4 Ball Ambrose starting at 1.30pm all welcome. Sunday 29.01.12 is Golf Club Trophy.



## Dongers" Gallant in Australia Day Cricket Feast

The Allora based "Dalrymple Dongers" did the district proud over the past weekend with a solid performance in the 2012 "Supa IGA Australia Day Carnival".

The team won two of their three matches, the Carnival eventually won by "Stunned Mullets" which included Allora Cricket Club bowler Brodie Frizzell. In the final at Slade Park, Maryvale Condimine batted first to be dismissed off the second last ball of the 20th over for 93. "Stunned Mullets" scored the winning runs quickly on the back of an unbeaten 72 by Ricky Coyne. He added 27 for the first wicket with Lachlan Gross and the rest with Olympic hockey gold medalist Dean Butler who made the trip from Cairns for the annual carnival.

Cameron Masters scored 23 and Matt May 22 in a "Dongers" total of 80 against Casino based "Ring In's" at Allora Oval on Saturday morning, but the New South Welshmen had the home side's measure with a match winning 147. Shane Staples top scored for "Ring In's" with 56, Andrew Petersen (2 for 26) & Chris Thomas (2 for 29) on top of the bowling figures for the Dalrymple Eleven. Darky Bergan's 3 for 15 saw him win "Ring In's" best bowler honours.

Allora batting: Nick Morris 0, Alex Morris 0, Justin Briggs 6, Scott Sparksman 6, Cameron Masters 23, Adam May 0, Matt May 22, Chris Thomas 1, Andrew Petersen 3, Adrian Lee 8, Jason Nightingale 4 not out. Sundries: 8. Total 80.

Allora Bowling: Adrian Lee 2-0-0-21, Adam May 4-0-1-16, Matt May 4-0-1-24, Jason Nightingale 3-0-1-26, Andrew Petersen 3-0-2-26, Chris Thomas 3-0-2-29.

Dalrymple collected a dominant 50 run win in their second outing, again at Allora Oval, against Sunshine Coast side "XXXX". The "Dongers" finished their twenty overs with 4 for 189, Adam May clouting a mighty innings of 72. He shared a 77 run opening partnership with older brother Matt May (43). Brady Glass batted at number three, also in the runs with solid 42. "XXXX" were all out for 139, Steve Hughes taking 3 for 27 off four overs for Dalrymple.

Allora Batting: Matt May 43, Adam May 72, Brady Glass 42, Steve Hughes 5, Jason Nightingale 17 not out, Aaron Vietheer 3 not out, Cameron Masters, Justin Briggs, Adrian Lee, Chris Thomas, Nick Morris did not bat. Sundries: 2. Total 4 for 189.

Allora Bowling: Brady Glass 2-0-2-9, Matt May 3-0-1-16, Adrian Lee 1-0-0-5, Steve Hughes 4-0-3-27, Adam May 3-0-0-17, Jason Nightingale 2-0-1-19, Cameron masters 2-0-1-26, Nick Morris 1-0-1-12, Justin Briggs 1-0-1-11.

Goomeri "Giants" provided Dalrymple with their second win of the weekend, the "Dongers" scoring 177 runs off 18 overs. Steve Hughes was powerful with the bat finishing with 65, team mate Matt May taking 49 runs off the "Giants" bowlers.

Allora Batting: Chris Thomas 13, Aaron Vietheer 4, Steve Hughes 65, Matt May 49, Adam may 1, Cameron Masters 6 not out, Adrian Lee 23, Jason Nightingale 0, Scott Sparksman 1 not out, Justin Briggs did not bat.

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The Allora team to play Maryvale at 12.30 pm on Saturday: Cameron Masters (c), Andrew Petersen, Matt Kiernan, Aaron Vietheer, Brodie Frizzell, Mitchell McLennon, Kris McLennon, Nat Hooper, Shane Hooper, Adam May, Scott Sparksman.

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