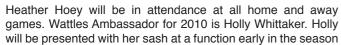
Wattles Sign on

The Wattles Warriors recently held a successful socially orientated sign-on at the Toowoomba races. New and old faces had a relaxing afternoon in the Sponsors Room. We hope to make this event our starting point each year.

In attendance was our new President Mr Barry Glass, a former Warrior and our youngest Secretary ever at Wattles, Jess Van Der Poel. Don Schied steps up to Senior Vice President while his eldest son Aaron takes on Junior Vice President and also Club Captain. We welcome all of you to your new positions and we are behind you 100% as you take our club into a new decade. Our Patron Mr Peter Glass will also lead the charge for the club in 2010. First Aid Officer





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and we will give Holly all the support we can and assist Holly with her fundraising and her TRL Quest.

Wattles have supplied a coaching staff that will strengthen our player depth and instil confidence in our three teams. Our very own legend Cameron Hamblin will take control of A Grade. Ross Hentschel is looking forward to running Reserve Grade and our U/18 coach is the experienced Doug Peardon. These three great men have one big thing in common – their loyalty and dedication to the Mighty Wattles Warriors, which has seen them over many years, firstly as players, put their bodies and mind on the line for the green and gold. And now as coaches, they come well equipped to hand on not only their knowledge and culture of our great club but also their skills and experience. This is truly a unique situation and we hope all players and supporters enjoy this experience.

Our very worthy cause that we are supporting and raising awareness for this year is the Endeavour Foundation. Local lady and long time Wattles supporter Bev O'Halloren has entered this year's Endeavour Rally bash. Wattles have chipped in with \$200 to get things started and we look forward to seeing the car, Bev and Crew at the games.

Angela Van Der Poel

GOLF

Allora Golf Notes 25-1-10

Last Sunday we play a 4BBB versus par setup with the pairing of Max

Bielefeld and Jack Fulwood winning the day with 15 points. Runners up were Tom and Barry Brown with 14 points. Pin shots went to Bob Harrison on the 3rd and 13th, Anthony Bowe on the 12th and 16th and Glen Teacle on the 7th.

Next week's competition will be another trophy supplied by the club, with tee off at 12noon. Don't forget your sand buckets and remember - to play is to live.



Allora Bowls Club -

The AGM of the Allora Bowls Club will be held on Saturday 13th February commencing at 1 p.m. A

game of bowls will follow the meeting. Night bowls recommences on Tuesday 2nd February.

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Top Turnout at Heritage Weekend -

This year, another fantastic effort by the Warwick Veteran & Vintage Vehicle Club last weekend at the Allora Show grounds saw a huge crowd in attendance.

With over 400 tractors, 200 trucks, 200 cars and motorbikes and 100 stationary engines it was no surprise that over 6000 people walked through the gates this year to marvel at the past. Live musical perfomances entertained throughout the weekend along with various stalls and the bar & canteen kept spectator's thirsts guenched during the hot weather.

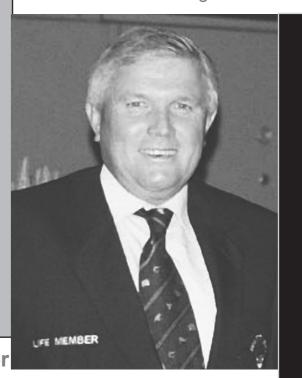
The weekend also owes its success to the kind efforts of the Allora Schools, combined churches and Allora Show Society. Without their supprt, the event may not have been the great day out it turned out to be. *See photos of the day inside.*



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ALLORA SHOW SNIPPETS...

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Magnificent prime cattle will be judged at 10am & sold at 1pm. Trade sites will be set up.

Kids - don't forget to use your 2 for 1 vouchers for all rides in Side Show Alley from 4pm – 7pm, FRIDAY NIGHT ONLY.

At 7pm after the day's activities, the Invitation Open Bullride with 35 elite riders competing, will excite the crowd. Then the 17 & unders battle it out in the Junior Bullride; the 12 & unders in the Poddy Ride; and the 15 & unders in the Junior Bare Back. Entertainment and bar will be open till late. Well. I'm exhausted and that's only Friday.

Saturday dawns - the gates open at 6am. Show Jumping commences at 7.30am then ongoing Ring events from 8am proving the dedication of the contestants, judges and volunteers. Change direction – head to the Pavilion with all its exhibits and trade stalls - see the talents of the locals. Judging of all our animal and feathered friends commences at 9am in their various areas on the grounds. Large numbers are expected in all sections.

This year Boer Goats make an entrance along with the Angoras and Miniature Goats.

The Beef Cattle Young Judges, Dairy Cattle Young Judges and Beef Cattle Young Paraders Competitions are a wonderful incentive for the young to gain experience in this field.

An animal nursery will be open all day and kids, get your favourite pet ready for the Pet Parade.

All you rev heads, come and check out the Ute Competition judging is at 1pm.

Carla Tierney, Qld. Rural Ambassador and Next Generation President, will officially open the Allora Show at 2.30pm, preceding the Grand Parade at 3pm. Meet our Showgirl entrants throughout the day. Sit and relax while Lyn-D-Jo Boutique hosts a Fashion Parade near the Pavilion at 3.30pm. Later at 6pm the Stockmens' Challenge (for 10 - 16 year old males and females only) will show us what the kids are made of. Get your friends together and make teams of 4-6. Fireworks will light the sky at 7pm then the Demolition Derby will rip and roar. Side Show Alley, live entertainment and the bar will be open till late.

Teela G Photography (major sponsors of Allora Showairl) will be on the grounds as the official photographer all weekend and will be offering some great packages.

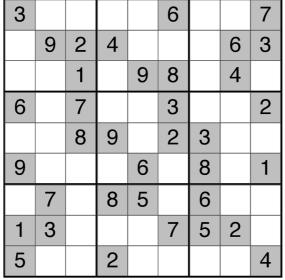
Now I'm really exhausted so come to the show - bring your friends – have a great weekend and make the Show volunteers' efforts worthwhile.

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Wendy Ardrey (Hon. Sec.) www.allorashow.org.au

WEATHER FORECAST				
Day	Forecast Min/N	<u>lax</u>		
THU	Scattered Showers. Cloudy. Warm.	17	33	
FRI	Scattered Thunderstorms. Morning Clouds. Warm.	17	30	
SAT	A Few Showers. Mostly Cloudy. Mild.	19	25	
SUN	Numerous Showers. Mostly Cloudy. Cool.	17	19	
MON	Numerous Showers. Mostly Cloudy. Cool.	17	20	
TUE	Rain. Breaks of Sun Late. Cool.	16	22	

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Picture taken of the new Killarney off-stream storage facility last wednesday, 20th January, at about 9.30am: Southern Downs workforce preparing the Off Stream Storage. Final trimming and placing of a crusher dust layer was done. Darling Downs Tarpaulins installed a geofabric layer prior to installing the HDPE lining. About 20000 litres of water a day is flowing through the underdrains installed under the HDPE Lining. Photo © Jim Llewellyn

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Reminder to vote in by-election

Mayor Ron Bellingham has issued a reminder to residents that the by-election for the local government area of Southern Downs will be held this Saturday, 30 January 2010.

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"All Australian citizens aged 18 years and over living in the Southern Downs electorate are eligible to vote in this by-election, as long as they were correctly enrolled to vote when the electoral roll closed," Cr Bellingham said.

"Voters are reminded that the by-election closes at 6pm on Saturday, and while Council would prefer that materials be posted back to us this week, the Warwick Town Hall will be open from 8am until 6pm on the day for lodgement of voting materials previously sent to electors by post.

If any elector has not received their voting materials, please contact Council urgently to make arrangement for voting as voting is compulsory

The by-election has been called to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Councillor Bev Shelley, who resigned from Council in November due to ill health.

ALLORA SHOW SNIPPETS...

POST OFFICE CHALLENGE

Entry forms at Allora Post Office Looking Back...

Alexander Munro

Alexander Munro was a horticulturist from Cromarty, Scotland, and worked on the Duke of Sutherland Estates. He received an appointment at Kew Gardens in London but a worsening asthma condition caused him to relocate to Australia where he met up with his brother George, a farmer at Allora in Queensland. In 1872, Alexander Munro married Mary Ann Armstrong, the cook at Talgai Homestead. He was appointed as second in charge of the Brisbane Botanical Gardens and while there landscaped Albert and Wickham Parks. He was in charge of the Bowen Park experimental gardens and also worked with Captain Charles Hope to develop the fledgling sugar industry in Queensland. He took the position of curator of Queens Park gardens in Ipswich in 1882 and held the position until 1909.

On the 13th March 2010, as part of the City of Ipswich celebrations on the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of Ipswich, an unveiling of an avenue in Queens Park, named in honour of Alexander Munro, will take place. The descendants of Alexander Munro are hoping to contact the descendants of his brother George, so that some of them can be present at the ceremony.

In 1863 George Munro married Julia Schriek. The marriage is believed to be only the second performed in the town of Allora. George and Julia went on to have ten surviving children, two sons and eight daughters. The sons were John (Jack) and Alex, and of the daughters, Christina married Bill Crisp. Ellen married George Gwynne, Margaret married Harry Blanchard, and Bessie married Bert Sims. At the time of Julia Munro's death in 1922 there were 22 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Descendants of George and Julia Munro are invited to be present at the unveiling ceremony.

Spring Creek Schools' Reunion

A reunion of ex-pupils and teachers of the Spring Creek and Spring Creek Upper Schools will be held in the F. E. Logan Hall, Clifton, on Sunday, 18th April, 2010.

The programme will include a Roll Call and the cutting of the cake by the oldest former student present. Lunch will be available on the day. A special feature will be the launch of the book "Spring Creek - A Look at Yesteryear on the Downs" written by Joy King. Invitations will be issued in February.

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- 1807 London's Pall Mall is 1st street lit by gaslight.
- 1813 Pride and Prejudice is first published in the United Kingdom.
- 1820 Russian expedition led by Fabian Gottlieb von Bellingshausen and Mikhail Petrovich Lazarev discovered the Antarctic continent approaching the Antarctic coast.
- 1821 Bellingshausen discovers Alexander Island off Antarctica.
- 1830 Opera "Fra Diavolo," premieres in Paris
- 1855 The first locomotive runs from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean on the Panama
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2010 Australia Day Winners -**Northern Region CITIZEN AWARDS**

Australia Day Citizen Award - Peter Stewart

This year's Citizen Award goes to a well-known retired local business man who has always given plenty of his time to worthy causes in our district. He came to live in Allora in the early 60's, where he worked with his father at Allora Motors for approximately 20 years. Whilst in Allora, he joined Apex, of which he was a founding member and went on to become the first life member. He was also involved with the Auxiliary Fire Brigade, becoming the Chief. In 1978 he joined the Queensland Ambulance Service local board, taking over his father's position on his retirement. He took over as President of what is now the Local Ambulance Committee, upon the death of Herb Angell. In 1979, he and his wife and family of five moved to Warwick

and purchased the business Peter Gordon Ford - now days Peter Stewart Ford. After moving to Warwick, Peter Stewart joined the Rotary Club of Warwick in 1985, of which he is still a member (24 years later). He is a very well recognised face at all major charity events wearing his blue and gold uniform and volunteering with his fellow Rotarians.

Peter also became a member of the Australian Red Cross (Warwick Branch) and has been President for the past 10 vears. He is also a committee member of the Warwick Club and the Warwick Golf Club, and was a member of the large volunteer group who supported the staging of the Ridley Polocrosse World Cup in Warwick in 2007.

Others have recognised Peter Stewart's dedication and service to his community:

He was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow within Rotary in appreciation of tangible and significant assistance given to the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among peoples of the world.

On Australia Day 2006, Peter received an award recognising his valued and long-standing contribution to the Warwick Local Ambulance Committee and his involvement in the Assistant Commissioner's LAC Regional Reference Group.

Today, he adds the 2010 Australia Day Citizen Award to his list of significant achievements. This award represents the appreciation of his community for all his years of service to a range of organisations.

Australia Day Junior Citizen of the Year Award Winner -**Daniel Rayner**

Our Junior Citizen of the Year Award goes to an inspiring young man who has fitted in countless community commitments with part-time work and his studies at Warwick High School.

At school, he's a member of the Big Band, Wind Symphony, small jazz group and the musical band. He's on the High School Debating Team and the Student Council.

At a community level, he has been a Young Ambassador in 2008 and 2009. He was a Peace Festival Co-ordinator in 2009, for which his Peace in the Park team won a Queensland Award for best community event. He was an organiser of the Wake-up Call Concerts in 2008 and 2009, and is on the Youth Advisory Group for Headspace, which is a Youth Depression Action Group. In a similar vein, he has worked to create a DVD for the Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Group.

His interest in the welfare of humanity and the environment is admirable. He has been keen participant of My River Team Conferences which have been held in Canberra, Mildura and Dalby. On returning home from these conferences, he has been inspired to implement his learnings for the betterment of Warwick's Condamine River. Locally he has participated in the My River Team Festival, Tree Planting Days and River Clean Ups, and has visited primary schools to show children how to care for the Condamine River.

CULTURAL AWARDS

Australia Day Junior Cultural Award Winner - Kirstin Payne

She's got plenty of talent, community spirit and spunk, but these characteristics are accompanied by a shining social conscience which reassures us that the future is in good hands. Her love of art is starting to reap great rewards and while she still loves to create many interesting works of art for local markets, friends and family - unusual pieces such as painted suitcases, creative earrings and headbands, she has shown herself to be competitive in the modern art world.

She won 1st prize in the Scots College Art Prize in both 2007 and 2009 and this year was an Award recipient in the Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Art and Design. As one of 40 award recipients, she attended a five-day residential workshop in Brisbane over the September school holidays. where she worked with professional artists at the Queensland College of Art and Queensland University of Technology. Her work will feature in the 2010-2011 Touring Exhibition, promoting excellence in senior visual arts education throughout Queensland State and non-state schools. In 2009 she volunteered at the Warwick Art Gallery, assisting with mounting displays, children's events and openings.

This young lady is also an exciting young visual and mime artist who has used her talents by volunteering at community events like fetes, Jumpers & Jazz, the RSL Christmas Party, the Killarney Show and children's birthday parties.

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March -

Sat 13 St Patrick's Irish Night Sat 20 Wattles vs. Souths Trial

Platz Oval, Clifton

Sat 27 Wattles vs. Warwick (Barrett Shield)

Platz Oval, Clifton

April -

Sun 18 Wattles vs. Brothers

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May -

Wattles vs. Dalby

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Sun 16 Wattles vs. Goondiwindi

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Sun 30 Wattles vs. Warwick

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June -

Sun 20 Wattles vs. Gatton

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July -

Wattles vs. Oakey Sun 18

Platz Oval. Clifton

August -

Sun 1 Wattles vs. Souths

Platz Oval. Clifton

Sat 7 St Patrick's P&F 80's Night

Sun 15 Wattles vs. Valleys & Legends of League

Platz Oval, Clifton

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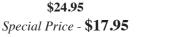


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Regional Economic Blueprint under way

Work is starting on an economic blueprint for the Southern

At a special meeting last week, Southern Downs Regional Council resolved to appoint leading regional development expert, Deborah Wilson Consulting, to develop an Economic Development Strategy for the region.

Mayor Ron Bellingham said that the timing is right to plan economic growth for the whole Southern Downs.

"Even though we are still primarily a strong agricultural and horticultural area, other business sectors such as retail and manufacturing are moving forward at a pleasing rate," Cr Bellingham said.

"We need to plot a course to take advantage of the many different economic opportunities occurring now and projected for the future."

Council's acting Economic Development Manager, John Randall, will manage the project which will involve extensive consultation with members of the Southern Downs business community and other key stakeholders.

"Our region now produces over \$1600 million of goods and services each year and our total workforce is over 13,000 people, so an economic development strategy is essential to ensure Council works closely with the business community to meet full on, and make the most of, the changing business conditions in the future," Mr Randall said.

"The major outcome required for all aspects of the new economic development strategy will be job creation.

"Even though we currently have a 13,000-strong workforce, we need to grow that number to provide jobs to sustain our growth." Mr Randall said.

Any enquiries regarding the Economic Development Strategy can be directed to Mr Randall on 4661 7332.

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ABOVE: Mr Doug Partington's immaculately restored 1911 Ford Model T Touring is given a warm welcome on its Grande Parade lap.

RIGHT: Mr Col Christensen drove the people carrier, providing rides through all areas of the event with a John Deere 850 tractor and trailer.

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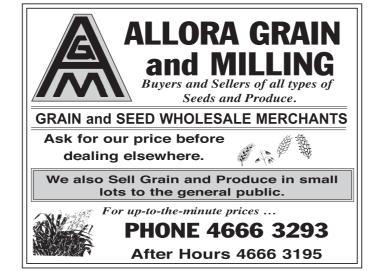
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Even prior to her role as School Captain at the Warwick High School, this young lady was a keen participant in the school's education and social programs. From 2005 to 2009, participating in the High School Talent Quest, and taking on lead roles in the school musicals. She will forever be remembered in her role as "Sharpei" in the 2009 performance of High School Musical.

Aside from her outstanding cultural achievements, she is a fine young citizen who shows strong leadership, participation and volunteerism.

Australia Day Cultural Award Winner - Claire Schofield

This lady has been involved with a number of different voluntary organisations within the district, and always, these endeavours have been for the benefit of the community as a whole... Area Coordinator of the Allora Rural Neighbourhood Watch, member of the Allora Action Association, the Allora Show Committee, Southern Downs and Granite Belt Regional Tourism, and the Glengallan Homestead Trust.

Of note, is her contribution to cultural and tourism endeavours in the region. She is credited with bringing to life the fascinating history and heritage of our area to generations of children and other young-at-heart through her unique presentations and puppetry.

In addition, she has single-handedly, and at her own cost, produced and distributed many thousands of flyers advertising local attractions and services, and important adjunct to local tourism promotion.

She has been a long-time supporter of the efforts of Glengallan Homestead Trust and a hands-on volunteer, offering through this important heritage place, a unique and memorable experience for visiting school children and tour groups. It has been said that this lady is one of the friendliest in the region.

SPORTING AWARDS

Australia Day Sports Administrator Award winner – Anne Glass

The winner of this year's Sports Administrator Award is the first and only secretary of the Allora & District Campdraft Association, which was formed in 2006. The Association's formation was largely due to her efforts... lots of meetings, letters and phone calls to put in place a legal and incorporated club with membership to the Australian Campdraft Association.

She takes her role so seriously, in the days before an event, she may be found camping at the showgrounds. She juggles an enormous secretarial commitment with a family business, and a busy family life which includes two teenagers.

While undertaking secretarial duties for the Allora & District Campdraft Association, this lady manages to volunteer for a number of other jobs within community clubs and organisations. She is a member of the Cambooya Sports & Gymkhana Association.

Volunteers (last 4 years) at the Warwick Campdraft & Rodeo. In 2009 she volunteered at the Dalby & District Campdraft's ACA National Finals

She is a member of the Eastern Downs Branch of the Australian Stock Horse Association and puts her hand up to work in the office for the duration of the Futurity/Maturity/Challenge and Youth events.

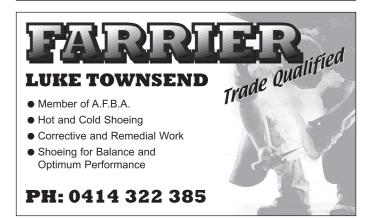
She volunteers at the South Queensland State Show of the Australian Stock Horse Society.

A Netball coach, umpire and player, who coached the 17 years Warwick & District Netball Team which came equal third at the 2009 Queensland Championships.

Club stalwart of Wattles Football Club, Allora Swimming Club, Allora Pony Club.

She and a small group of friends organise the annual Allora High Tea, she is a volunteer at the Annual Community Auction and has been known to cook up a pot of savoury mince for the Anglican Church Fete. From sweeping floors to picking up rubbish, her attitude always is to pitch in. This lady is truly dedicated to the betterment of her community through her involvement in running sporting and recreational activities.





Australia Day Junior Sports Award winner – Brodie Sharman

This young man has had a terrific year on the football field and on the track.

Football... He is a member of Wattles Junior Rugby League Club, who were minor and major Under 13 Premiership winners for 2009 and a member of the Mustangs Junior U13 Representative Team. He also made the Broncos Coca Cola Cup JRL B Team, who were 2009 Premiers.

Athletics... He was Age Champion at School, District and Regional School Athletics Carnivals for Under 13. Subsequently he was selected as a member of the Darling Downs Athletic Team and Queensland State Athletics Team in 2009. As an indigenous athlete this young man is an excellent role model for other young aspiring sportspeople who want to achieve tremendous sporting milestones at local, state and national level

Australia Day Sports Award winner – Cameron Shepherd

This region has a strong reputation as a centre of excellence for equestrian sports and our 2010 Sports Award winner is building a formidable record of achievement in the field of polocrosse. His 25 year playing record has culminated in his Australian selection for the International 4 Nations Quadrangular series at Burradoo NSW in April 2009 and he has also represented Queensland twice in 2009.

COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR

Australia Day Community Event of the Year Award winner – Premiere of "Shadows of the Past"

This year's Australia Day Community Event of the Year Award goes to the Premiere of Shadows of the Past. To make this event happen took a true combined effort by the Killarney community. While the filmmaker organised the technical side of the premiere and appearances by the film's stars, locals rallied to put on an evening in true "red carpet" style, in the process showcasing the capability of their beloved Killarney Recreation Club. Staff from the Credit Union sold tickets, Sharon and Terry Keogh together with the Warwick High School Rodeo team trucked chairs in, the Daily News and Rainbow FM proved extremely valuable media partners and rallied behind the event. Over 1000 people turned out on a

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cold night, with a steady stream of car lights shining the way from Warwick to Killarney and home again. All proceeds of the evening were donated to the Warwick High School Rodeo Program for their support of the film.

Australia Day Community Project of the Year Award winner - Warwick Peace Garden

This inaugural Australia Day Community Project of the Year Award goes to the Warwick Peace Garden Project, which was facilitated by Lenore Neville and Bill Greer.

It was the vision for the Warwick Peace Garden team to create a beautiful place, an oasis of calm and tranquility, to be enjoyed by visitors and local people looking to find a moment of quietness in otherwise busy lives. The Peace Garden aims to remind people of our need for peace... in spirit, in families, local and global communities, and with nature. Its location in Victoria Park, opposite the hospital, is also an ideal site, providing respite for hospital patients, families and staff.

Local gardening advisor Bill Greer designed the stunning garden, which includes a huge feature mosaic and many mosaic stepping stones, a central paved area surrounded by sandstone seating, a water feature and an inviting Australian

The project has had the support of the Regional Arts Development Fund, Council, Tanamerah Sandstone, the Indigenous Network, SCAP, the Warwick Quilters, and talented artists such as Chris Hulme, Ro Koch, Alain Colfs, Ron and Jenifer Marshall, and Paul Stumkat, along with other Warwick businesses and nurseries.

ALLORA HERITAGE WEEKEND 2010



ABOVE: Miss Julie Gretton, in only her second historic tractor rally, gives the tractor pull a huge effort with her 41-year-old International 434. LEFT: Allora Historical Society member, Mr Allan Darr driving the Society's 22/36 McCormick-Deering tractor and Rickerts corn thresher into their place in the Grande Parade.

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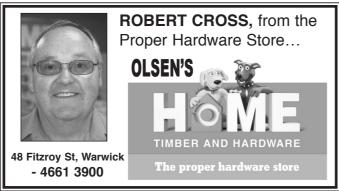
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ABOVE: The ever-popular heavy horse teams of Mr Mick Bradford lead the Grande Parade on Saturday morning.

LEFT: Young James Brennan from Ipswich on board his Howard 2000 tractor, with which he gave the old hands a run for their money in the slow tractor race and the blindfold race.



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