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They're at it again!

Local Allora talents John Denny, Ted Cowley, Lesley Telford, Mick Maw and John Cowley will put their special brand of entertainment on some of our favourite Aussie songs in what is set to be an afternoon to delight all ages.

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Supporting the well-loved band this year are true blue local, Ron Smart and poet, Frank Roache. Music co-ordinator, Lesley Telford, has also spliced the 2011 program with a couple of numbers featuring the students

from St Patrick's School Choir - a group whose rising star is gaining attention far and wide.

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Left to right: Allora-Gooburra ladies Avis Stehn, Trish Thornberry, Cathie Wilson and Lesley Telford.

Fundraising for Women of Cambodia

On Tuesday 5th July, a group of Allora-Goomburra ladies gathered at Cathie Wilson's home for a morning tea, co-hosted by Cathie and Trish Thomberry, to raise funds for the women of Cambodia.

Lesley Telford was able to tell us about the wonderful work that her friends, Bruce and Raija do in teaching and empowering the women and their families to rise above the crippling poverty found in South East Asia.

Avis Stehn has travelled in Cambodia and presented, both with words and photos, a description of life, the struggle and the poverty of these people.

A small business, selling beautiful handicrafts can make a huge difference, but money is needed to buy materials and threads. Talented young people can attend university if the funds are available. Thank you Lesley, for "introducing" us to your friends and making those present realise just how blessed we are in our lives in this area.

After a delicious morning tea of scones and patty cakes, there was much fun and laughter with some games to keep our brains active.

A big thank you to Allora Hardware and Allora Pharmacy for your donations to the multi-draw raffle.

At the conclusion of the morning, we were able to present Lesley with enough funds to send a young Cambodian to university. Further fund raising activities are being planned and your support would be appreciated.

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Dear Sir.

I moved to Allora about 6 months ago, to what used to be a quiet little country town - How wrong I was! I love the town of Allora - it's so friendly, but I did not know it is being used as a speedway by trucks! Poor old residents of Allora.

We don't need our little town used as a speedway, with elderly residents, kids etc. fearing for their safety as they go about their daily routines. One elderly resident in South Street, his home of many years, shakes when the semis roll by his home! Poor

Don't these truck drivers have families of their own? It's about time they took responsibility of their actions and showed some consideration for others! Residents understand that they must work, so please show some consideration to others.

Also, might I add about the number of hoons about lately of a night. The local Police are looking into the matters mentioned; I ask all residents of Allora to please assist the Police in stopping these matters and making our town a safe and quiet place to live for all.

Regards, Mr. Egan

Reply to "Letter to the Editor", The Allora Advertiser 7th July 2011.

Dear Sir,

Your correspondent of July 7 says the 7th day sabbath still applies: "God does not change". No, but His will for man does. He didn't rest on the seventh creation day (they weren't literal 24 hour days by the way), because He was tired. It was a rest of satisfaction which is bequeathed to us in the new covenant. But if this person wants to keep the sabbath, why not keep it as God directed, stoning sabbath breakers, etc.

Ken Hood

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

The man had spent all night out drinking and was in no shape to drive, so he wisely left his car parked and walked home.

As he was walking unsteadily along, he was stopped by a policeman. "What are you doing out here at 2.00am?" said the officer.

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Happy Hippies Hit the Highway

Allora's "Happy Hippies" Bev O'Halloran and Lyn Wright headed out into the wild blue yonder in their pink and purple HQ on Monday morning amid a fanfare of horn blowing and waves in Herbert Street as they embarked on the 2011 Great Endeavour Rally. Before heading off they touched bases with local business identities and sponsors Jon Constable (Allora Pharmacy), David & Zita Dwan (Allora News) and Robyn Miles (Railway Hotel). Their first port of call was Warwick to collect the third crew member of the "Hippie" trio Robyn Devine, before heading west to Goondiwindi for the official start of the famous rally fundraiser.

Last year, the Holden HQ prepared and driven by all girl crew Bev O'Halloran, Lyn Wright and Margie Ciccotelli, "the Purple People Eater" traversed southern Queensland and north east New South Wales in the

rally. They raised \$13,900 in their community before heading off last year, including amazing support from home base Allora. Bev and Lyn are back to steer and navigate their faithful HQ reborn in Hippie theme, including a crew addition in the quietly spoken "Charity", after a very successful 2010 rally. Margie Ciccotelli has stood down this year, but her place in the "flower power garb" will be more than capably filled by new face Robyn

This year the Great Endeavour Rally got underway on Tuesday July 12th and will run until July 21st. The theme for the 2011 Rally is 'Goondiwindi to the Gold Coast via the Golden West". Our three intrepid female adventurers are this year "raising dust and dollars for people with a disability", guiding the "Hippie Holden HQ" through western centres including Wyandra. Charleville, Tambo, Tooloombilla and Miles finishing at Sea World on the Gold Coast.

The girls will be hoping for similar success to last year when they finished in first place overall in the cruise section of the rally, first in Class A and also scooped the "Spirit of Endeavour"



Allora based "Happy Hippies" Bev O'Halloran with Chastity and Lyn Wright about to set their sights west to Goondiwindi for the start of the 2011 Great Endeavour Rally

Crew mentor and local motor sport guru Gary O'Halloran, Bev's husband, was on hand to bless the crew and car as it accelerated out of Allora, stating "the girls are focused on what lays ahead, and will meet all the challenges that crop up". With his gaze fixed on the disappearing two tone sedan, the Holden devotee and avid community worker remarked, "the real winner is the Endeavour Foundation and all those that benefit". But while the three lasses chew dust on some of western Queensland's toughest gravel tracks on their trek, in a tremendously unselfish gesture Mr. O'Halloran is available as a "lifeline or phone a friend" if needed over what looms as a testing fortnight alone for the demure retiree.

After heading for Flinton after leaving Goondinwindi on day one, the rally pulled up at Boolba on Wednesday night, while today the "Happy Hippie" HQ will traverse around 300 kms before camping at Dunkeld. Tomorrow they well be winding their way to Wyandra for the over night stop, before driving into Charleville on Saturday.



ABOVE: Laura Geitz (left). RIGHT: Greg Holmes (left).

It's Something in the Air

Our little town of Allora is well known on a State front, and to a degree Nationally with our Heritage Weekends, giant Community Auctions and acclaimed streetscape. But the name of the "Best Little Town on the Downs" has been thrust to the forefront Internationally of hero's home towns with the amazing achievements of Allora bred sporting giants Laura Geitz and Greg Holmes.

Champion netball goal keeper Laura has become a household name across the nation with her emergence through the Queensland "Firebirds" ranks to International stardom, with the climax wearing the colours of the Australian

"Diamonds" in their World Netball Championship final win over New Zealand on Sunday night. Few televisions if any weren't tuned in to see the 23 year old local hero and former Allora State School student ply her talents in the 58 - 57 nail biter. Laura has an immense future facing her, already with a tally of 27 tests to her credit after making her debut against England in 2008. Her "Firebirds" team were victorious, premiers in this year's ANZ Championships, with Allora's Laura awarded the Network 10 ANZ Championship "Most Valuable Player". Her

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name is also etched in Commonwealth Games history after winning a silver medal with the national side in India last year.

While the former local State School's all round sportswoman was raised a few good netball throws to Allora's south, a few lengthy rugby ball kicks to the east is the farm that is still home to rugby union International Greg Holmes. Allora State Schools 1998 "Sportsperson of the Year", the now 28 year old Greg achieved a career high on Saturday night at Brisbane's Suncorp Stadium when he was in the Queensland Reds side that finished ahead of the Crusaders, 18 - 13, to win the Super 15 Rugby Championship crown, the culmination of a record breaking season that re-wrote the history books and has re-invigorated the Queensland Rugby community. Prop forward Greg played the

full 80 minutes in the rough and tumble of the engine room against arguably the best pack in the Super 15.

Most will recall the former Wallabies frontrower powering across the turf like a winger in a test against Ireland in 2006, running over 60 metres to score one of the great tries by a prop forward in Test rugby. Holmes made his Super 12 debut for the Reds in 2005, and after having a strong debut season, found himself in the Wallabies squad to tour Europe, running on in

his Australian debut against France.

Allora is abuzz currently with the achievements of both Laura and Greg, an abundant pride sweeping all in our special little

Their accolades are so deserved, as all they achieve comes at a price of sacrifice and hard work.

They are far from vacating the International sporting stage though, and Allora salutes both as they continue with their

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Events Calendar

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July -Colts & Fillies Singles Roundup Fri-Sun Bestbrook Mountain Resort. **Caxton Street Jazz Band** Allora Community Hall Wattles vs. Goondiwindi **Sun 17** Platz Oval Clifton Jazz & High Tea Sat 23 Goomburra Town Hall, 2.00pm **Allora Chaplaincy Dinner** Thu 28 Allora Community Hall, 6.00pm

St Patrick's Parish - Sing Australia! Allora Community Hall

Wattles vs. Brothers Sun 31 Platz Oval Clifton

August -

Sat 6 **Wattles Race Day** Platz Oval Clifton

Sun 14 Wattles vs. Warwick - Legends of League Day Platz Oval Clifton

October -

Allora High Tea Allora Community Hall **Wattles Banquet** Allora Commuity Hall

St. Patrick's Parish Fete St. Patrick's School Grounds

Allora & District Historical Society Display & **Demonstration Day**

Old Allora Shire Chambers Fri 28 **Anglican Parish Fete**

St. Davids Church Grounds. 4.30pm

Allora Swimming Club Melbourne Cup Calcutta Railway Hotel Allora

November -

Tue 1 Allora Swimming Club Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Railway Hotel Allora

Fri 4 -Allora State School Celebrates 100 Years on

- Sun 6 Warwick St Allora State School

December -

RSL Womens Auxiliary Christmas Cent Sale RSL Hall Allora, 7.00pm

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Marco offers belly laughs for **Jolly Jumpers** brekky

Members of Warwick's Sunrise Rotary Club are certain they have both a warm and merry contrast to a sleepy winter morning



New to the 2011 Jumpers and Jazz program will be the Jolly Jumpers Rotary Breakfast with champagne, comedy and verse courtesy of renowned larrikin poet, Marco Gliori. Sunrise Rotary President, Barbara Lee said it will be a case of full bellies and belly laughs as the audience warms to Marco's unique form of storytelling.

"The Golf Club will be a great atmosphere for people to rug up in their jazzy jumpers, enjoy the camaraderie of friends and family and help Rotary raise funds for local organisations," Ms

"Having Marco perform is a great way for the club to connect in to both the festival and the community and we're confident this will be a unique and well-received addition to the program," he

All proceeds raised from the Jolly Jumpers Breakfast will go to local sporting organisations, the Warwick Redbacks AFL Club and the Warwick Gymnastics Club.

In line with the response to Marco's recent Variety Nights for Warwick's 150th Celebrations, the club is hopeful of a sell-out crowd. Only 150 tickets are available and tickets priced at just \$30 for breakfast and the show, are already selling well. Attendees will also go in the draw for a lucky door prize valued at \$100. Keen to showcase other local artists at the event, Rotary Sunrise have invited Rhonda Kraak, Louise Tait and Dorothy Devine to exhibit original artwork throughout the morning, with their latest pieces of work available for sale.

The breakfast will commence at 8.00am on Sunday, July 24 at Frankie's on the Green at the Warwick Golf Club. Tickets are presold and are available from Kids Zone, Olsens Hardware, Rollys Party Hire, Sally Lancaster at Abshot Pysiotherapy, Maxwell Solicitors, Reece Plumbing Supplies and from Frankie's on the Green at the Warwick Golf Club. For more information contact Kieran Doherty on 4661 9024.



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and Kunda, Berat and Kital sidings during that time. As well as that, the daily service saw many passengers travel to and from the Goomburra valley. The volume of traffic was is in spite of the fact that the railway was laid with light line on a packed earth and cinder ballast. Even with a 10 m.p.h. speed limit the journey was accomplished with much bucking and swaying of the engine and carriages. A heavy storm in 1913 saw the line completely buried with silt between Berat and Kunda.

Allora's Past 75 years ago July 1936 School of Arts Annual Meeting

The election of office bearers at the Annual General Meeting of the Allora School of Arts resulted in the following:- President, Mr. D. C. Logan; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. Naughton and A. Hamilton; treasurer, Mr. W. J. Lilley; secretary, Mrs. A. Leggatt; committee, Messrs A. C. Lickiss, G. D. Duncan, W. H. Cross, F. Hymus, C. Blair, and Mesdames W. McMillan and F. Donovan.

Allora's Past 100 years ago July

Presbyterian Changes

Tomorrow (Sunday) Rev. D. McLennan will preach his farewell sermons in Allora. On the following Sunday he will exchange pulpits with the Rev. J. Lundie, and he will begin his ministry in Clifton on the first Sabbath in August. We wish Mr. and Mrs. McLennan health and happiness in their new home. Clifton is gaining an estimable resident, and the Presbyterian congregation an earnest and capable minister

(Donald McLennan was born in Scotland in 1852. After ordination as a Presbyterian minister, he served the church in New Zealand and N. S. W. before being called to St. Andrew's Parish, Allora, in 1905. Within twelve months he oversaw the building of the new church and its opening, debt free, in 1906. In 1910 he was appointed to the position of Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Queensland. Up until 1911 Clifton was part of the Allora Parish and when the new Clifton Parish

was formed in that year, the Rev. McLennan chose to take on the challenge of the new parish, which he served until 1914. The Rev. McLennan's grandson, also the Rev. Donald McLennan, was Presbyterian minister in Allora from 1956 to



Goomburra Train bogged in silt in 1913

Allora's Past 50 years ago June 1961 **Last Train to Goomburra**

The railway line from Allora to Goomburra saw its last traffic in June 1961, nearly 49 years after it was officially opened on the 23rd August 1912. Vast quantities of grain, cream, livestock and other produce had been despatched from Goomburra station

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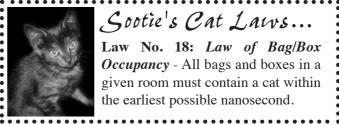
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Ross Inspirational in Last Breath Loss

Pocket dynamo Liam Ross put in an amazing performance in Wattles last minute 28 - 24 loss to premiership heavy weights the Valleys Roosters at Herb Steinohrt Oval on Sunday, collecting Wattles player of the match honours. At 167 cms tall and weighing 75 kgs, the little hooker was sensational in defence, grassing Valleys big men with textbook around the ankles tackles, while he consistently stung the "Roosters" with his well timed dummy half darts. Coach Glen McMillan was full of praise for the young nineteen year old, "he's a gutsy player who performs well above his weight".

The "National Farmers Warehouse" Warriors bubble burst Sunday when Valleys former Queensland "Rangers" prop Eugene Seddon controversially blasted out of a tackle to charge the couple of metres to Wattles try line just before fulltime. The try gave Valleys the lead and the two premiership points, ending Wattles recent four week winning streak. Coach Glen McMillan was happy with his side's performance, given they were clearly outweighed in the engine room, but a few second half options that saw possession lost in key field



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position cost Wattles dearly. They came into the match with the scalps of Souths, Newtown, Gatton and Pittsworth hanging from their belt, but Valleys were always going to be a benchmark if Wattles were to seriously consider themselves finals contenders

The Warriors defence was a high point for much of the game, but the Roosters big men of Eugene Seddon, Clinton Banks, Kim Phoenix and Rihari Peeti soaked up plenty of manpower bringing them to a halt.

Wattles drew first blood with a 90 metre intercept try against the run of play by winger Dale Dempsey, but Valleys hit back to level the score 6 all after eighteen minutes. Classy halves duo of Robert Woodbridge and Jeff Nielsen layed on a try for fullback Brenden Wilson three minutes later, and while the home side ran in two more touchdowns in response, Wilson won the race to a Woodbridge grubber in under the posts to allow Wattles an 18 - 16 half time lead.

Dempsey extended Wattles lead when he crossed touching down before taking out the corner post after great lead up work by back rower Luke Baker and the ever present Nielsen.

Wattles squandered an opportunity soon after attacking a metre out from the home side line, the ball rolling free in what may well have been the turning point in the game. Desperate attempts to bust through Valleys tough defence along with unnecessary urgency off loading saw possession turned over and Wattles defending deep in their own half more than they should have in the final twenty minutes.

Home side back rower Oliver Scott scored with Wattles defence on their try line found wanting, narrowing the "Green & Gold" lead to 24 - 22 with around ten minutes remaining. When front-rower and Player of the Match Seddon took the short scoot down the touchline to score in the corner, Wattles protested he had been held in a tackle, the try was awarded that handed the premiership points to the Roosters.

Despite the loss, Wattles showed they are a competitive combination against the competition heavyweights. They were the dominant force in the first half, but lost their way in the later stages of the second stanza.

Back-rowers Aaron Scheid and Glen McMillan worked

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relentlessly across the eighty minutes, while front rower Jason Nightingale set a mighty example in a "never say die" performance.

Valleys 28 (Jay Melrose, Nick Schnitzerling, Eugene Seddon,

Oliver Scott, Rihani Peeti tries; Kerrod Selmes 3, Mathew Rose goals) defeated Wattles 24 (Brenden Wilson 2, Dale Dempsey 2 tries; Rob Woodbridge 3, Brady Glass goals).

Former British Super League star Tony Duggan played fullback in Wattles 10 - 11 reserve grade loss, collecting his side's player of the match honours. Classy hooker Josh McIntosh and second-rower Dean Cubby were also among the Warriors better players in the tussle with competition leaders Valleys. The "Railway Hotel, Allora" Warriors ball security left a lot to be desired, the game could be considered the one that got away with so much possession lost. The scores were locked at 10 all with four minutes remaining, when Valley's halfback Daniel Weaver popped a field goal that would prove the difference. The final minutes saw Wattles unlucky not to score, young prop Lee Lousick desperately reaching out and slamming the ball down over the try line while grappling with defenders only for the ball to go loose. With seconds left, Josh McIntosh fired a pass to Duggan who put a great pass on the chest of winger Aaron Hooper who ran out of room taking out the corner post, unable to touch down in heavy traffic.

Valleys 11 (Shane Whitehouse, Matthew Hunt tries; Joshua Waters goal; Daniel Weaver field goal) defeated Wattles 10 (Coedie Tandy, Anthony McIntosh tries; Anthony McIntosh goal).

Wattles "Allora Foodworks" Under 18 side

lifted in the second half of their 38 - 16 loss to Valleys after trailing 22 - 0 at half time. Both sides scored three second half tries, but it was to little to late for Wattles. Their first try came midway through the second stanza after winger Matt Perry gathered a Wattles kick across the Valleys goal face and after struggling with defenders offloaded to Anthony McIntosh to score wide out. Wattles were over again soon after on the opposite side of the park when winger Dominic Hansen gathered a McIntosh cross field kick in traffic inside Valleys 20 metre zone before touching down. Trailing 12 - 34, Wattles erred when they lost possession from the restart, Valleys scoring soon after. But the Warriors crossed for another four pointer after McIntosh took a tap penalty and fired the ball wide to a charging Lee Lousick to score, to strong from two metres out. Front-rowers Carl Gale and Jim Johnston excelled for the Warriors, the big men getting through plenty of work throughout.

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Wattles front-rower Jason Nightingale steams in to confront the Valleys defence in his sides 24 - 28 loss at Herb Steinohrt Oval on Sunday.

Hooker Alex Morris was also very busy in a strong all round performance.

Valleys 38 (Ryan Stevens 2, Brogan Melrose 2, Mitchell Reimers, Nathan Short, Harley Farrah tries; Harley Farrah 5 goals) defeated Wattles 16 (Dominic Hansen, Anthony McIntosh, Lee Lousick, tries; Anthony McIntosh 2 goals).

With only six TRL Rounds remaining before the finals, Wattles have a rocky three weeks ahead coming up against Goondiwindi "Boars" this Sunday at Platz Oval, followed by competition leaders Oakey and Brothers.

Wattles will be looking to snatch the competition points on Sunday to keep them in the running for a finals berth. Goondiwindi won the first round encounter 42 – 34 in a scoreathon at Goondi, but with Wattles stinging after losing grip on the Valleys game, the "Boars" won't have it all their way at Platz Oval.

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Central Downs Carnival 2011.

Platz Oval, Clifton was saw action aplenty last week with the Under 43 kg rugby league carnival in full swing. Eventual carnival winners Western Downs were consistent over the four playing days and won the carnival with Balonne Barwon runners up. Central Downs played well winning three games for the week. Central Downs Team 1. Jake Ranger, 2. Cahal Davis, 3, Lachlan Henry, 4, Jackson Olzard, 5, Kobi Blades, 6, Nick Van Der Poel, 7. Blake Lollback, 8. Dylan Hounslow-Cullen, 9. Stewart Henderson, 10. Kodi Rigney, 11. Blake Ruhle, 12. Troy Kahler, 13. Trent Henry, 14. Nick Brown, 15. Jacob Willett, 16 Darcy Brady, 17. Tyrell Woodbridge.

Game 1. South Burnett - The lads played the opening game of the week and put in a solid effort on a cracker of a day for footy. The bounce of the ball did not go our way with two South Burnett tries containing an element of luck. Dylan Hounslow-Cullen scored twice for the locals with captain Nick Van Der Poel kicking a conversion. The boys crossed twice more only to be held so the result could have easily been different. Van Der Poel, Troy Kahler, Jake Ranger, Lachlan Henry, Jacob Willett and Kodi Rigney led the tackle count. South Burnett 22 - Central Downs 10.

Game 2. Balonne Barwon - Balonne Barwon were a very strong side and the Central Downs boys found them hard to contain. Down 14 to 4 at half time the team rallied in the second half to score more points but in the end were well beaten. Jake Ranger and Kobi Blades scored the tries with Blades pouncing on a loose ball in the in goal area after a good kick from half back Blake Lollback. Van Der Poel, Kahler, Hounslow-Cullen, Trent Henry and Kobi Blades led the defensive effort. Nick Brown, Tyrelle Woodbridge and Darcy Brady provided great backup from the bench with Brown organising well and Woodbridge very safe fielding kicks. Balonne Barwon 32, Central Downs 8.

Game 3. Cunnamulla - The team won their first game with a resounding 32 to nil victory over the boys from the west. Playing with better structure the team found ground in the middle and then the backs enjoyed room with quicker service from the halves. Ranger scored a gem from deep in his own half. Lachlan Henry showed some class to beat many defenders to score in the corner and his try was deserved. Not to be outdone brother Trent crossed and other boys to score were Van Der Poel, Lollback and Rigney. The defence was rock solid and many players put in improved efforts over the first two games. Hooker Stewart Henderson shone in defence topping the tackle count and gave the team good service. Blake Ruhle. Cahal Davis, Lollback, Rigney and Hounslow-Cullen made plenty of tackles in a good win which was confidence building. Central Downs 32. Cunnamulla 0.

Game 4. Warwick and Southern Downs - What a cracker of a game. The local derby was hard fought and the Central Downs boys played with enthusiasm in defence. With the wind at their backs they were able to post an early try to captain Van Der Poel. This lifted the spirits and they defended great. Hounslow-Cullen crossed before half time and Van Der Poel converted for the team to lead 10 nil at the break. The second half required a huge effort from all into the strong wind and the lads answered the challenge. Continually they defended their line with remarkable determination as Warwick threw everything at them. After a terrific Trent Henry run which got the team into Warwick's half Jake Ranger was able to step through from 15 metres out to give the team a 16 point buffer after Lachlan Henry converted. As the clock wound down the boys could smell victory and in the dying minutes outstanding Warwick lock forward Jesse Simon crossed out wide but the siren sounded soon after and Central Downs recorded a 16 to 4 victory. Everyone played their part with the tackling by the whole team the backbone of the win.

The sports carnival on Wednesday morning saw a big crowd attend and there were some fine results. Jackson Olzard from Central Downs won the sprint final by a clear margin. The lads also picked up points in the Tunnel ball and Relay before making the semi final in the popular Tug of War.

Game 5. McIntyre - This was a very close affair with both teams trading hard fought territory. Central Downs were down 6 to 4 at half time with Jackson Olzard scoring a great try in the opening minutes. The team lacked seemed to switch off after the early points and poor ball control and silly penalties proved very costly. Van Der Poel scored a super try late in the second half to claw back some of the deficit but the siren went with McIntyre in the lead. Best for Central Downs were Van Der Poel and Ranger who were superb and they were well supported in the defence by Rigney, Ruhle and Kahler. Brown was busy and had good support from bench player Jacob Willett who ran the

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"Research indicates that children exposed to story-telling and reading in the first three years of life will do significantly better when they later attend school," said Cr Denise Ingram, chair of Southern Downs Regional Council's Community Services group.

Cr Ingram explained that the library service helps provide such exposure through a program of regular story-time and outreach to kindergartens and pre-schools.

"Our librarians liaise with teachers and school librarians, to ensure that library sessions complement and support their teaching goals," she said.

The library supports early literacy through the provision of a range of resources suitable for all ages, from board books for the very young, to picture books and beginner readers, and junior fiction for more advanced readers.

These different levels help stimulate a love of reading and learning, and assist children to gain confidence as they progress through the stages of their reading life, from being told stories, to co-reading with a parent, to independent reading.

There are also non-book resources, such as books on CD and cassette, to allow reluctant readers to still experience the magic of stories.

In addition, a newly-created Parenting collection at Southern Downs libraries will provide information on all aspects of raising children, from new-borns to teenagers, including books to help parents encourage reading and literacy in children of all ages.

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A total of \$25,000 is allocated to replace park furniture across the region's parks and streetscapes. Improvements continue in Stanthorpe's Weerona Park and Warwick's Leslie Park in the coming year with \$30,000 allocated in each park to replace pathways, and \$15,000 to be spent on Leslie Park's garden upgrades.

Playground equipment will be replaced in Allora's Stuart Henry Park (\$55,000), Rosenthal Heights' Chase Estate Park (\$55,000) and Killarney's Canning Park (\$35,000).

Council's 2011/12 Parks & Gardens budget will round out the work by replacing the toilets in Leyburn's Liberator Park at a cost of \$70,000.

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• CHURCH NOTICES •

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ball well in the forwards. This was a game the lads could have won with better ball control and playing to the game plan but it went begging. McIntvre 16. Central Downs 10.

Game 6. Western Downs - What a ripper of a match. The team turned around the lack lustre morning effort to push the carnival winners to the limit without the aid of captain Van Der Poel who was injured. Central Downs played into a strong headwind in the first half and the boys from the west led 12 to 10 at the break. Hounslow-Cullen and Ranger scored great first half tries and all of the team defended brilliantly. The second half was close but Western Downs gained the ascendancy. Trent Henry scored close to full time with a kick and chase near the posts for Lollback to add the extras. Kahler and Lollback led the tackle count with forwards Rigney, Ruhle, Henderson and Trent Henry close behind. In the backs Ranger, Cahal Davis, Lachlan Henry and Blades were terrific. Woodbridge and Brady played an important role from the bench making important tackles and showing good ball skills. This game was the team's second best effort for the week and showed that they could play well against very good sides. Western Downs 22, Central Downs 16.

Game 7. Wynnum - Central Downs had not posted a win over the Baysiders for some years but this year they got the chocolates. It was a close match and only a great try late in the second half to Kobi Blades who raced across out wide after good passing sealed the match. Early in the game the talented Hounslow-Cullen skirted wide from a tap and raced over to score in the corner. Van Der Poel broke through as well in the first half and the team led 8 nil at the break. It should have been an easier assignment than the team gave in the second half with the breeze at their backs however dropped ball was costly. Wynnum replied with two tries of their own and it was a tense finish until Blades scored. The defensive effort was led by Van Der Poel, Rigney, Henderson and Ruhle. Jacob Willett and Nick Brown gave good support from the bench tackling well with Brown playing a great role at hooker and half back when required. Tyrell Woodbridge was very safe and often fielded the bouncing ball with ease. With Blades' try only two minutes were left on the clock and the lads held on to score an important win. Central Downs 14, Wynnum 8. - Major Carnival Awards. Best and Fairest Player Ted Stuart, Western Downs. Best Forward Jesse Simon, Warwick and Southern Downs. Best back Adrian Brown, Balonne Barwon. Athletics Trophy Western Downs. Goodwin's Perpetual Relay Trophy, Balonne Barwon. Peter Cavanagh Trophy for best presented team, Cunnamulla. J.D. Photography Sportsmanship Award, Jake Widgell, Cunnamulla. Award winners for Central Downs: Best and Fairest Nick Van Der Poel. Best Forward Dylan Hounslow-Cullen. Best Back Jake Ranger. Most Improved Troy Kahler. City representatives were Nick Van Der Poel, Jake Ranger, Kodi Rigney and Dylan

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Hounslow-Cullen.

It was a great week of junior rugby league and all who witnessed the event at Platz Oval agreed it was a very well run carnival. At the presentation of trophies Shelley Duggan was honoured with life membership of Central Downs. Shelley has given over 20 years of service to Central Downs and her enthusiasm and ability to get the job done is a credit to her. The local carnival committee was aided by many people who gave their time to help run the very successful event. A huge thank you from committee to our sponsors, selectors, announcers, first aid officers and



referees, Ross Troy presents Matthew McCarthy with the "Elders" Wattles Flyer trophy after the Friday July 1st race. Russell McMillan finished second, Michael McCarthy third and Justin Van Der Poel fourth.

especially all of the people who worked in the canteen. It has been a wonderful week which will not be easily forgotten. Thank you to everyone.

Ladies Indoor Netball -

The winners from 23 June were: All Saints, Pink Panthers and Allsorts.

the draw for this week is: 6.30pm - Al Saints v. Chikerboom (Allsorts); 7.30pm - Mojos v. Allsorts (NJam); 8.30pm - Pink Panthers v. NJam (Mojos); Bye - Tiggers.

A reminder to all players about the change to the dates of the Semis and Finals, with the **Semis now being played on 6th October**, and the **Finals scheduled for 13th October**.





Allora Golf Notes 10-7-11

Last Sunday we played for a Club trophy with the winner being Aaron

Simpson with a 62 nett. The runner up was Paul Mortimer with a 66 nett. Pins and approaches were on offer with Aaron Simpson on the 11th, Paul Mortimer on the 13th and Kev Harrison closest on 2, 8 and 17.

This week will be the Jenco Feeds & Seeds monthly medal, everyone is most welcome to play in the competition with tee off at 11.30am.

The pennants team are still undefeated this season with a draw on the weekend and splitting the points with Warwick at Clifton. Good wins went to Adam May and Kel Strange with Mat May squaring his round and losses going to Anthony Bowe and Lindsay May.

This weekend Allora will be host for the pennants, so it would be appreciated if some of our members could give a hand to serve some meals or work behind the bar before our local competition begins.

Don't forget your sand buckets and remember - to play is to live.

McCarthy Twice as Fast

Wattles star forward Matt McCarthy stormed to his second successive "Wattles Flyer" victory recently at Platz Oval, earning the title of the Warriors fastest player. The award sponsored by Elders was introduced last year, McCarthy winning the inaugural run.

The strongly built second-rower beat off strong challenges by team mates Russell McMillam, his brother Michael McCarthy and Justin Van Der Poel as they hit the line ahead of other team mates in the 100 metre dash in full playing kit.

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