

## Camilla – Wattles 2011 Ambassador

Twenty-two year old Camilla Bazley was announced as Wattles Rugby League Club's 2011 Ambassador at a function at the Warrior Club at Platz Oval on Friday night.

Camilla is Wattles 43rd Princess/Ambassador, the Wattles Princesses contesting the Toowoomba Rugby League Princess Quest since 1969, the Quest renamed the Ambassador Quest in 2008.

The young Toowoomba based personal trainer has been visiting Platz Oval for five years now, supporting her partner, Wattles first grader Matthew McCarthy. The McCarthy family has a close association with the TRL Quest, Matthew's mother Jenny winning the TRL Princess title in 1973, and his sister Kate a winner also on 2007.

Camilla was sashed by the 2010 Wattles Ambassador Holly Whittaker in front of a big crowd of family members, players, club officials and supporters, at a night that had a fancy shirt dress theme.

Camilla is the daughter of Greg & Jenny Bazley of Dalby, and has family connections on the Central Downs through Chris & Louise Bazley. She can also boast a club link, being a cousin of former Wattles top grade coach Lee Wharton.

Currently studying nutrition to further her career qualifications, Camilla has an impressive sporting pedigree. A talented swimmer, she has competed as a State level competitor in both backstroke and butterfly, a medalist and finalist at State & National level swimming events against the likes of Stephanie Rice & Leisel Jones. While her father's family are rugby union orientated, with long standing links with the Dalby "Wheatmen", Mum's family have similar links with rugby league in Dalby. On the union side, a family member is well known Wallaby representative Stephen Larcom.

Camilla enjoys watching Matthew and his Wattles team mates play each Sunday, and while she is not all that concerned about an injury to the Warriors star back rower, she believes his temper robs him a lot of his ground time.

McCarthy is a name that is synonymous with the Wattles club, and while Camilla may have received a gentle nudge to be



Wattles recently announced Ambassador Camilla Bazley with 2010 Ambassador Holly Whittaker at Wattles Ambassador Presentation function at the Warriors Club at Platz Oval on Friday night.

involved with the Ambassador Quest, she was keen on the challenge and meeting so many new people. She has a heavy schedule of fund raising this year, including regular raffles, clothing offers and a significant raffle at Wattles Clifford Park Race Day on July 30th. She has also arranged fund raising at Wattles Pre-Season Meet and Greet Dinner, and the recent club Mother's Day function at the Downs Hotel.

The Toowoomba Rugby League Presentation Night in September will see Camilla and representatives of the other TRL clubs gather for judging of the TRL Ambassador Quest.

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## A 50 Year Partnership – Keith & Marg Rackley

Fifty years ago today blushing bride Margaret Loveday strode to the entrance of the Methodist Church in North Ipswich on the arm of her father, and took the short walk to that alter where she would marry her true love, life partner and best friend Keith Rackley.

It was the 13th of May 1961, Del Shannon's hit tune "Runaway" was top of the charts, and rather than running away, Mr. & Mrs. Keith Rackley headed off with car and caravan on a tour of the southern States, before settling in their home town of Rosewood.

The Rackley & Loveday families were keen campers, snatching a break at Easter & long weekends, and it was on such a camping trip that nineteen year old Keith met seventeen year old Margaret in 1958, camping with their parents at a Tweed Heads Caravan Park, hatching a romance that would live for over five decades.

Keith was a truck driver in the Rosewood based family business Rackleys' Transport, and Marg a public servant in the Mental Hospital at Goodna around the time they exchanged vows. Just given how busy the young couple were, riding in Keith's truck, enroute with a load of cattle, provided much of the time they spent together in



ABOVE & LEFT: Keith & Marg Rackley today and 50 years ago.



those early days.

The Rackley's have been dedicated supporters of Allora sporting and community groups, they themselves enjoying sport in their younger years, Marg a better than average swimmer who regularly represented her school and also Ipswich. Keith was a regular for a time in the Rosewood Rugby League side, and recalls those times with a grin, especially the pugilistic habits of the tough boys from Esk. After seven happy years in their home town of Rosewood, that saw their three children David, Leanne & Paul welcomed into the world, the Rackleys relocated to Allora. They initially rented their current Warwick Street residence, before buying the house from Bert Telford for \$1200, and have remained there ever since. The homely lowest timber building with the retiree veranda has significant history in Allora, originally

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serving as the Miegunyah Hospital that opened in 1915. Keith took a truck driving job with J.H. Enright's Consolidated Freighters who operated from depots in Allora & Warwick. Before long the Rackley's took over the Allora section of the business, commencing Allora Freighters that serviced Allora, Clifton, Nobby, Greenmount, Toowoomba & Brisbane daily. The firm operated three trucks, two running the daily routes and a spare that Marg would handle if need be. While the business was a worthy bread winner, daughter Leanne recalls her Dad having all but no spare time, and never being home before she was in bed. What evolved into a highly respected transport business, was sold in 1990, Keith heading to a career change at the Warwick Bacon Factory that lasted fifteen years until retirement, a career that gave him spare and family time. While Keith was organizing the container movements at the Bacon Factory, Marg decided she would help out at Warwick's Mobil Oasis Service Station. She went on to "help out" for seven years before joining the deli staff at Debbie Smith's Allora Supermarket.

Keith and Marg, like most parents, are exceptionally proud of their children & their families, and all of their achievements. Daughter Leanne Ingram Manages Warwick's Suncorp Bank branch, and will celebrate 25 years of marriage with her husband Phillip this year, the year their only son Dylan graduates from Year 12 at the Warwick State high School. Youngest son Paul, who is currently in the USA with his wife Lee-Anne & family, is a sergeant on the RAAF based in Darwin, with two children, Caitlyn and Jaxon. While recalling memories of their children, and the special events 2011 has brought for all in the Rackley family, Keith & Marg beam happiness, but also a stern pride.

Leanne, speaking on behalf of brother Paul, can't thank her parents enough for support they gave in their growing years, and the superb & respected example they set as role models. But while a life time of memories that bring a smile to her face whiz through her mind, Leanne recalls her Mum's days as a "truck salesman adviser" with a jolly chuckle. Various truck salesmen would meet Marg as the face of the Rackley's transport business, and she told more than one that should Keith consider acquiring a certain brand of truck, she would drive him over the gap in it.

While the Rackley's have experienced the rocky road of life with its various hardships, hard work & many moments of happiness, they also experienced tragedy when in June 1986 eldest son David and his partner Sandra's lives were taken in a motorcycle accident involving an intoxicated unlicensed driver.

Ironically David was a school days friend of a fellow biker David Morrish, who passed away earlier this year, the boys great neighborhood mates.

Keith & Marg are very well known in kennel club circles around the Darling Downs, and share a 50 year affection for boxer dogs after receiving one two days before their wedding. After a marathon 22 years of showing dogs, the couple have dropped off the show circuit somewhat, now channeling their energies to assisting with the Allora Kennel Club and the Allora & Killarney Annual Shows. Keith has spent countless hours over the past 20 years manicuring the Allora Showgrounds dog arenas, the result an absolute picture since the first trees were planted in the area 15 years ago. The devoted couple was recognized at the 2010 Allora Show when the "Keith & Marg Rackley Dog Arena's" were named in their honour.

Marg is the longest serving Patron of the Allora Swimming Club, and both she and Keith are proud Life Members of the progressive group. The Rackley children were all committed members of the club, Leanne representing in State swimming titles. The "David Rackley Memorial Shield" is among the major meets on the Swimming Club calendar. Patron Marg, who at one stage served as the club Secretary, Handicapper & Coach in a single year, has much admiration for the club who

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boasted 130 members in the past season. Marg and Keith are familiar faces with a friendly wave to locals cruising up Warwick Street, enjoying their privacy from the veranda along with the family pet, and a family of thesaurus' and dictionaries, necessary partners to tackle the Daily News crosswords. "Allora is the most peaceful little town you can come back to" according to Marg, after her and Keith have been on the road. In a philosophic view, Marg suggests in Allora "it is to do or not to do, & what you want to do or don't want to do". Keith and Marg are looking forward to a quiet but very special night with family at Warwick's Condamine Club tonight, a meal, great company, and many special memories.

Glyn Rees

*Sootie's Cat Laws...*

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**Letter to the Editor...**

Dear Sir,

Bob Wood (April 26) claims humans are unconscious in death. If so, some of them are recorded as doing amazing things in the death coma that has overtaken them.

In Luke 16:19-31 one such character indulges in a conversation of several sentences in the spirit world with the patriarch Abraham. Not bad for an unconscious man eh? See I Samuel 28:11-19 for a similar old testament passage. It is worth noting that a certain quasi-biblical cult numbering millions world-wide consistently puts the name "Samuel" in inverted commas here because of their belief that the dead are unconscious and therefore, now speaking, it must have been a demon impersonating the prophet, in spite of the fact that the text said it was indeed he, and the act of adding what is written (even if it's the truth) is to invite judgement.

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Around midday, the two chickens return to the circulation desk quite vexed and say, "Buk Buk BuKKOOK!" The librarian decides that the chickens desire another three books and gives them three more. The chickens leave as before.

The two chickens return to the library in the early afternoon, approach the librarian, looking very annoyed and say, "Buk Buk Buk Buk Bukkooook!" The librarian is now a little suspicious of these chickens. She gives them what they request, and decides to follow them.

She followed them out of the library, out of the town, and to a park. At this point, she hid behind a tree, not wanting to be seen. She saw the two chickens throwing the books at a frog in a pond, to which the frog was saying, "Rrredit Rredit Rrredit..."

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Do you know of an outstanding individual or group who could be included in Council's submission? If you would like to applaud the work of someone special please forward a short story stating what makes them 'outstanding' to Yolande Alley at yolande.alley@southerndowns.qld.gov.au or telephone on 4661 0355. Please include your contact number with your story and forward to Yolande by 25 May 2011.

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## Events Calendar

2011

- May -**  
**Thu 19** Raise The Spirit Local Chaplaincy Motivational Project  
 Warwick West State School, 6.00pm  
**Fri 20** Warwick 150 Birthday Celebration events  
**- Sun 29** Check website www.warwick150.com for event details  
**Sat 21** Fundraising Race Meeting - Great Endeavour Rally  
 Clifford Park Race Course, Toowoomba, 3.00pm  
**Fri 27** St Patrick's Rattle of the Brains Trivia Night  
 Allora Community Hall  
**Sun 29** Wattles vs. Dalby - Rod Frahm Memorial Shield  
 Platz Oval Clifton
- June -**  
**Sun 5** Wattles vs. Pittsworth  
 Platz Oval Clifton  
**Mon 13** Allora Community Auction  
 Allora Showgrounds  
**Sat 18** St Davids Guild Rainbow Tea  
 St Davids Hall  
**Sun 26** Wattles vs. Gatton  
 Platz Oval Clifton
- July -**  
**Sun 17** Wattles vs. Goondiwindi  
 Platz Oval Clifton  
**Sat 30** Wattles Race Day  
 Platz Oval Clifton  
**Sun 31** St Patrick's Parish - Sing Australia!  
 Allora Community Hall  
**Sun 31** Wattles vs. Brothers  
 Platz Oval Clifton
- August -**  
**Sun 14** Wattles vs. Warwick - Legends of League Day  
 Platz Oval Clifton
- October -**  
**Sat 1** Allora High Tea  
 Allora Community Hall  
**Sat 8** Wattles Banquet  
 Allora Community Hall  
**Fri 14** St. Patrick's Parish Fete  
 St. Patrick's School Grounds  
**Sat 22** Allora & District Historical Society Display & Demonstration Day  
 Old Allora Shire Chambers  
**Fri 28** Anglican Parish Fete  
 St. Davids Church Grounds, 4.30pm  
**Mon 31** Allora Swimming Club Melbourne Cup Calcutta  
 Railway Hotel Allora
- November -**  
**Tue 1** Allora Swimming Club Melbourne Cup Luncheon  
 Railway Hotel Allora  
**Fri 4 -**  
**- Sun 6** Allora State School Celebrates 100 Years on Warwick St  
 Allora State School

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.

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CEO Rod Ferguson said that the new process was designed to assist with budgeting for events each year in a strategic manner.

"Up until now we have ad hoc requests, and sometimes these have been very close to deadline," Mr Ferguson said.

"To improve planning and budgeting there is now a new annual process where a community organisation must apply once a year in writing for Council support.

"That applies even for those groups who have traditionally received assistance each year from Council for their event."

To be included in this year's budget submissions must be in by Friday, 20 May 2011. Thereafter the deadline is March 31, 2012 for events occurring in the following financial year/s.

# ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT

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For further information, please contact Council's Personal Assistant to the Director Corporate Services, Yolande Alley, on 4661 0300.

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## Famous medals return for Warwick 150th

Jackie Howe's feats are part of sheep shearing folk lore and he single-handedly made the blue singlet a national fashion statement.

So it's fitting that the shearing medals won by Warwick's favourite son will return home for display during the Rose City's 150th birthday celebrations later this month.

His gold medals, shield and fob watch, worth an estimated \$305,000 and normally housed at Canberra's National Gallery, will be on display at Warwick Art Gallery from this Friday, May 20 until May 29.

The Warwick Art Gallery will be open extended hours during that week, including Monday 23 May, from 10.00am - 4.00pm. Warwick Art Gallery director Karina Devine said regional Australia was lucky to have the items on display.

Jackie Howe was born at Canning Downs near Warwick and is famous for his 1892 unbroken record of shearing 321 sheep in one day using hand shears.

Jackie Howe wore the medals and fob watch when he wore a suit.

The collection was bought by a private collector after they were auctioned by the Howe family in 2008.

Southern Downs Mayor Ron Bellingham negotiated with Canberra contacts over getting the collection back here for the sesquicentenary.

"The wool industry was an integral part of Warwick's roots and I really believe these medals are a Warwick treasure," Cr Bellingham said.

"It is an opportunity for our community to see a genuine and important piece of our history," he said.

A 10 day festival of events celebrating Warwick's 150th birthday will run from May 20. For program details, visit [www.warwick150.com](http://www.warwick150.com).

## LIFE EDUCATION VAN TO VISIT ALLORA

All parents and community members are welcome to come and check out the Life Education Van on:

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## "Georgie" the Homestead's Friend

Evidence of the old cliché "a dog is man's best friend" can be seen on a daily basis at Allora's "Homestead" aged person's hostel, and not just man's best friend, everyone's best friend.

Twelve month old fluffy white shitzu/maltese cross "Georgie" is among the more popular residents at the "Homestead", the facility's "pet therapy", with the large majority of residents enjoying the little dog's company. "Georgie" is a close confidant of 104 year old Isabella Gallanders, and a very best friend of former far west stockman "Doc" Crowley. Oddly enough, the little dog has developed a special bond with "Doc", with him an important part in what is "Georgie's" daily routine. Facility Carer Tania Wilson said "Georgie" is great company for the older

men, especially those who have come from a background on the land working with dogs. "Georgie" may not be your classic "Bluey" or kelpie working dog, but she gives the special affection & loyalty many are used to from the dogs they have had in their lives.

Given dog's apparent ability to sense illness, bright eyed & bushy tailed "Homestead" resident "Georgie's" calming influence is so beneficial for the isolated & ill. Residents from all walks of life have had pets, and so "Georgie" provides that company for those who enjoy it. In a sense he makes the "Homestead" even more of a home for those enjoying life there.

Mr's Wilson notes the value of their curly while puppy with the hostel's dementia patients, especially when they are stressed, "Georgie's company seeming to allow them to refocus".

The "Homestead" has always had resident pets over the years, a cat & dog previously and currently an aviary of budgerigars. While the residents adore their canine friend, he is much loved by staff members also, Mrs. Wilson more than willing to take "Georgie" for a pre-work brisk morning walk. While the "Homesteads" resident canine charmer wanders the facility aisles and gardens at will, he is also a familiar face at planned activities such as barbeques, social events and bus trips on a day out.

Company is vital to the comfort of the elderly, and those at the "Homestead" are fortunate to have "Georgie", as she is to have them.

Glyn Rees

## Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago May 1986

### DEBUTANTE BALL

Five young ladies were presented to Bishop Adrian Charles at the St. David's Anglican Debutante Ball on Friday night, 16th May 1986, in the Allora Community Hall. They were Deseree Tickle, Jenny Evans, Vickie Holmes, Lyndal Maw and Robyn Puschmann. Their partners were Gary Shooter, Chris Kelly, Tony Jones, Steve Maw and Glenn Freak. Music for the night was supplied by Crescendo's Orchestra.

Allora's Past 50 years ago May 1961

### NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of women will be held in the Victoria Hill Hall on Monday, 5th June, at 2 p.m. for the purpose of forming a branch of the Q. C. W. A. at Victoria Hill.

E. F. Lilley, Vice-President Border Division Q. C. W. A.

Allora's Past 75 years ago May 1936

### OBITUARY

News was received of the sudden death of Miss Josephine Ellen Donovan, daughter of Mrs. Ellen Donovan and the late Mr. Patrick Donovan, at her home in Pott's Point, Sydney. Miss Donovan was born in 1885 and came to Allora at an early age when her father was appointed the first manager of the Queensland National Bank in 1888. She had a highly distinguished career in music from an early age and in 1902 was awarded the degree of A. T. C. L. for practical music by the Trinity College, being the highest degree conferred by the college. Miss Donovan was the youngest pupil to have ever passed this examination in Queensland. She taught music in Allora, Toowoomba and Longreach before moving to Sydney in 1917.



**1986 Debutante Ball - Front row L to R:** Julie Bell, Brooke Gilmore, Kristy Sparrow, Donna Willett, Rebecca Sparksman, Kelli Anderson, Nina Gilmore.

**Middle row:** Siale Gilmore, Deseree Tickle, Chris Kelly, Jenny Evans, Robyn Puschmann, Belinda Gilmore.

**Back row:** Tony Jones, Vickie Holmes, Gary Shooter, Bishop Adrian Charles, Glenn Freak, Lyndal Maw, Steve Maw.

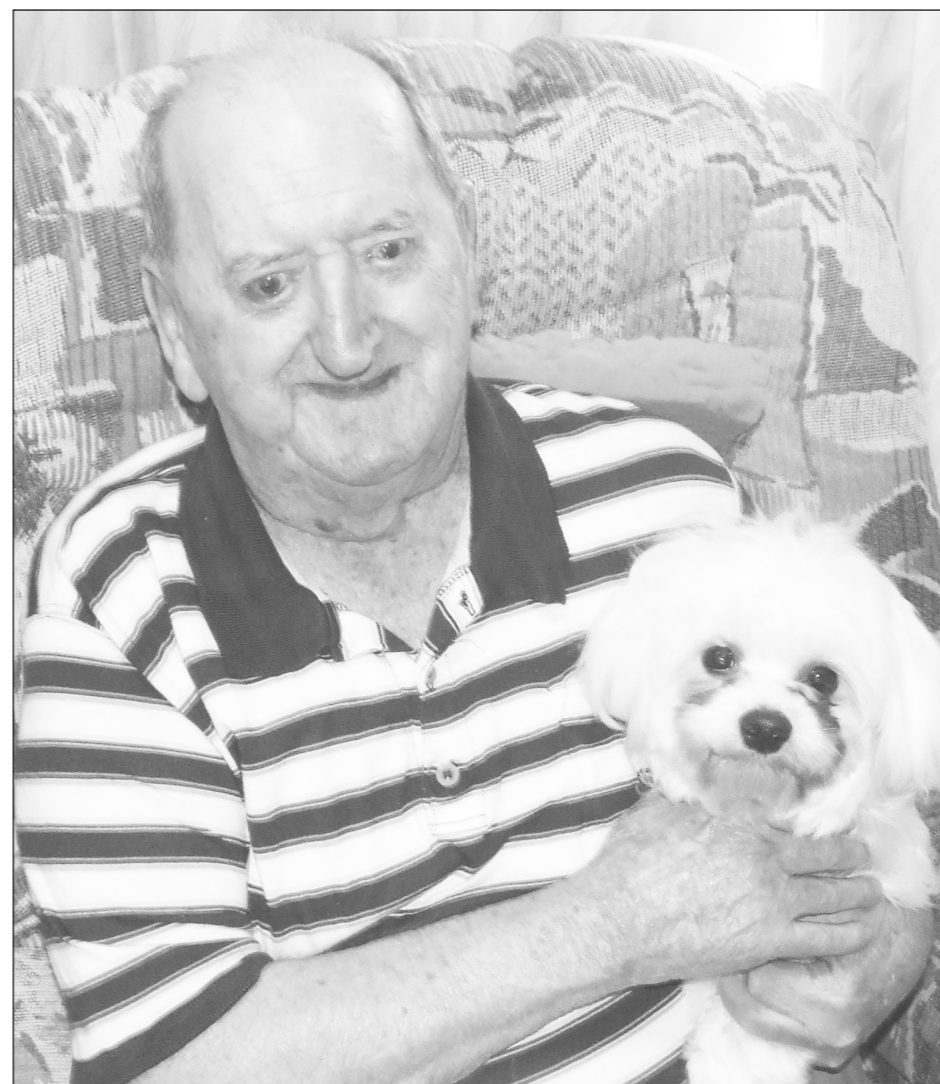
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Allora's Past 100 years ago May 1911

### COURSING

The opening meeting of the Darling Downs Coursing Club was held in the Allora plumpton grounds yesterday. There was an exceptionally large attendance and over £5 was taken at the gates. The judge was Mr. C. J. Houghton with Mr. J. Schriek acting as slipper. The Maiden Stakes was divided by W. A. Deacon's Tommy and G. Webb's What a Sell.

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## Feel Good Fitness gets in Pentath Mode

More than 25 Feel Good Fitness members have taken up the challenge of the Warwick Pentath Run.

Three members, Gina Noble, Kelly Tester and Nick Kemp will participate in all five Pentath races this weekend of May 21 and 22.

Alongside their team mates they will complete combinations of the Warwick to Yangan half marathon, the Killarney to Queen Mary Falls 10km run, the Morgan Park 4.6km cross country, the 5km Sandy Creek run and the 1500m city run.

Feel Good instructor Gina Noble said that during the recent



After a successful 8-week challenge, more than 25 Feel Good Fitness members have signed up for the Warwick Pentath Run.

Feel Good Fitness 8 week challenge, 49 members had successfully put themselves to the test of losing weight and gaining fitness.

"The Pentath event provides a great opportunity to celebrate their achievements while supporting a local event that raises funds for local charities," Ms Noble said.

The 9th annual Pentath Run will be held on May 21 and 22. For more details on the Warwick Pentath Run, contact Pat Sinnott on 4661 4419 or visit [www.warwickpentath.com](http://www.warwickpentath.com).

## Wattles Brace for "Origin" Tussle.

The initial brush of cool weather as Autumn takes grip may well let you know Winter is looming, but it also signals the arrival of those blood boiling events that matches state against state, none other than State of Origin. Game 1 of the tradition that was born in 1980 kicks off next Wednesday evening at Brisbane's Suncorp Stadium, Queensland clashing with the New South Wales "Blues" for what will be the 91st time. At present, other than two draws, Queensland have 47 wins to New South Wales' 41, the Maroons also ahead on the series wins by 15 - 12 with two drawn.

While the engine room at local league institution, the Wattles "Warriors", my idle away over 98% of the year under the leadership of club President Barry Glass and Secretary Angela Van Der Poel, over the next few weeks the Wattles motor my develop a miss and blow some smoke at times as the two leaders become engrossed in their "Origin" allegiances. Barry "Buzz" Glass is a Queenslander through & through, while Katoomba born Angela, a petite little lady, has a giant "Blue" ticker.

Wattles meetings may not be for the faint of heart until after "Origin III", Barry as certain as the "sun rises" the Maroons will snare a record breaking sixth consecutive Origin series, while Angela is dreaming of a "Blue Moon" over Allora next Wednesday.

In Angela's opinion, the selection of debutante "Blues" five



Wattles Secretary Angela Van Der Poel and President Barry Glass.

eighth Jamie Soward and the non inclusion of Jarryd Hayne will tip the scales in NSW favour, and make life a little more bearable given her five children are all Queensland supporters. As a loyal "Roosters" supporter, Barry Glass feels Maroons front-rower Nate Myles will be a major contributor to yet another winning result for those north of the border.

Wattles committee members will do well to keep the two apart as the interstate clash approaches, but they are both fully focused on the Wattles "Warriors" encounter with the Warwick "Cowboys" this Sunday at Father Ranger Oval.

In a final word from Baz.....QUEENSLANDER !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Adam May with son Lewis enjoying the Allora Cricket Club Break-Up and Presentation afternoon.

## May Earns Player of Year Honours

Allora all rounder Adam May has won his fifth consecutive "Player of the Year" award for the Allora Cricket Club.

The medium pacer and hard hitting right hand batsman, who also skipper's the Warwick Cricket Association Mitchell Shield team, scored 255 runs for Allora in the 2010/11 season. His top score was 79, his runs coming at an average of 39.5, and his ten wickets from seven games at 17.9. Newcomer to the Allora Club Aaron Vietheer was named "Best New Talent" after a very impressive tail end to his season, with 155 runs off his last six innings, a top score of 52. Vietheer, a familiar face as a butcher at the Allora Butchery, is originally from the Lockyer Valley area, but is keen to continue in Allora colours next season.

Allora State School Year 10 student Nick Morris took most catches, while team captain Cameron Masters collected the award for most runs, veteran campaigner Andrew Petersen taking the honours for most wickets.

Prominent young Warwick Junior cricketer Brodie Frizzell finished the season with the best bowling average, while exciting all rounder Kris McLennan was on top of the batting averages as well as being very handy with the ball.

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"The club, like all WCA clubs had a frustrating year with the wet weather interference, but it can be measured as a successful season with the club making the reserve grade Grand Final" according to captain Cameron Masters.

Allora have also kicked some goals off field when they were recently granted a lease over the Allora Cricket Oval area by the Southern Downs Regional Council, the club looking forward to lifting the standards of the facility.

The contribution of sponsors Debbie Smith's Allora Foodworks, Robyn Miles' Railway Hotel, David & Zita Dwan's Allora News, Beetle & Sue Wakefords Allora True Value Hardware and Shaune Duffy (Tractor & Implement In Miniature Diecast Models) of Hendon was also acknowledged, their support enabling the club to exist and cricket to continue in Allora.

Glyn Rees

## McCarthy Leads Warriors Back to Winners Circle

Wattles "Warriors" frustrating losing bubble burst on Sunday at Platz Oval, back-rower Matthew McCarthy inspirational as they finished all over the Highfields "Eagles" winning 60 - 10. The vital win lifting the home side off the "wooden spoon" rung on the TRL Premiership ladder. After leading 18 - 6 at half time, the "Warriors" weathered the storm of a concerted Highfields revival immediately after the break, their stone wall defence the springboard for an unanswered 42 point gallop in the final 28 minutes to notch up their second win of the season. Wattles back-rower Matt McCarthy was in sensational form running the ball, both he and centre Luke Baker scoring a hat trick each. Front-rower Brady Glass was another to shine for Wattles, while half Jeff Nielsen was at his creative best, scoring two tries after earlier touching down four times in reserve grade.

In what has possibly been the most tumultuous week since Wattles formation in 1965, the club's first grade side weathered a "changing of the guard", coach & former South West Division Coaching & Development Officer Ken Riddiford stood down after a committee meeting on Thursday. Former Wattles junior

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and Brisbane Western Districts accomplished first grader Glen McMillan was appointed first grade Captain/Coach for the remainder of the 2011 season, assisted by his brother Russell McMillan.

Regardless of reasons for the "Warriors" ship being a little unstable on & off field over the last month, Sunday's result has jolted the confidence of the "National Farmer's Warehouse" first grade squad as they prepare to face off in this Sunday's local derby with the Warwick "Cowboys".

Wattles will be keen to see talented veteran five eighth Robert Woodbridge available for the team this week, he turned out in reserve grade against Highfields and played a role in many of Wattles tries. Handy utility player Dean Cubby is another available for recall, as is injured centre/prop Ashley Evans. Evans has progressed rapidly with injury recovery and is another keen to play this weekend. He has been arguably Wattles best player overall this season, and his presence is vital for new coach McMillan. On McMillan, a hamstring twinge in the eleventh minute against Highfields saw the skipper hobble off clutching his leg, but he is confident he will lead his charges at Father Ranger Oval.

Eighteen year old Carl Gale showed he has the qualities it takes to make an impact in top grade registering a solid debut off the bench, while winger Michael McCarthy handled the extra pressure as he also debuted, playing top grade alongside brother Matthew for the first time.

Wattles 60 (Luke Baker 3, Matt McCarthy 3, Dale Dempsey 2, Jeffrey Neilson 2, Brady Glass tries; Brady Glass 6, Dale Dempsey, Jeffry Neilson goals) defeated Highfields 10 (Mitch Hannant, Clinton Eastell tries; Joel Koina goal).

"Wattles Stumble at the Line"

In a high scoring match Wattles "Railway Hotel, Allora" reserve graders lost 40 to 44 against Highfields, halfback Jeff Neilson notching four tries. Neilson was a constant danger to the opposition defence, and his combination with Rob Woodbridge brought plenty of opportunities. Other "Warriors" to shine included McIntosh brothers Josh & Walter, along with fullback Justin Van Der Poel. Wattles led at half time 24 - 18, stretching that lead to 34 - 18 by the 40th minute when exciting 17 year old outside back Brandon Cubby showed some razzle dazzle to score. He had debuted earlier in Under 18 for Wattles, after transferring from Southern Suburbs to join his brother Dean at Platz Oval. Wattles fell off the pace from that point, their defence in particular found wanting and Highfields charged back into calculations on the back of four unanswered tries. The match saw the return of slick winger Ian Brown after a six match suspension, benefiting from the Woodbridge/Neilson combination to celebrate a return try in the 17th minute. Aside from Neilson, Brown & Cubby, Under 18 players Jason Wilson & Anthony McIntosh bagged tries, McIntosh and Neilson kicking two goals apiece.

"Eagles to Big & to Fast"

Wattles "Allora Foodworks" Under 18's, despite a positive first stanza that saw them level with Highfields 6 all at half time, were no match for the visitors in the final thirty minutes, eventually losing 42 - 6. The "Warriors" were first on the scoreboard when Anthony McIntosh scored their lone try & goal after eleven minutes. The rot set in soon after the break, Wattles deep in enemy territory and with possession after a win



With hooker Josh McIntosh on hand to assist, Wattles defenders Jason Wilson and Wally McIntosh (sen) join forces to halt Highfields "Eagles" runner Gary Halliday in the the "Warriors" 40 - 44 loss on Sunday at Platz Oval.

against the scrum feed. But a spilled ball saw Highfields race away to score the first of six unanswered tries. They "Warriors" had been competitive enough to cause competition leaders Highfields plenty of concerns, but second half errors robbed them of momentum & opportunity. Five-eighth Joshua Henry was a bright light on Wattles horizon, in sensational form in what Coach Wally McIntosh rated his best game of the season. Consistent performer Jason Wilson was a mainstay in Wattles pack, while halfback Michael Duggan again played will above his weight, in a never say die performance. Bustling front rower Lee Lousic mixed it with the big Highfields pack, recognized by team mates with the "Players Player" honours.

The Under 18 line-up will be without Lousic this Sunday as he heads to Cairns for the State Open Schoolboys Rugby League Championships. Wattles will be looking for the full compliment to roll up on Sunday for the clash with the "Cowboys" who are running second on the ladder. The arrival of Brandon Cubby was added more speed to Wattles backline, while a familiar face in Michael Nauschutz also donned the "green & gold". Michael is a former Wattles junior who has resided in southern NSW in recent years, excelling in Aussie Rules.

Kick off times for this Sunday's matches at Father Ranger Oval are: Under 18- 11.00am, Reserve Grade - 1.00 pm & A Grade: 3.00pm.

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## SPORTS CLUB NOTES

The Sports Club would like to extend their congratulations to those children who participated in the recent Golf/bowls fundraiser for Year 10's trip on their behaviour and great attitude displayed on the day. It was great to see 36 golfers on the course and especially heartening to see 44 bowlers filling the green. Thanks kids.

The Sports Club was pleased to assist with the Cricket Club season BBQ break-up and bowls game last Saturday 14th

May. Congratulations to the players who received awards and enjoy your break before next season kicks off.

The special meeting of the Sports Club will be held this Monday 23rd May commencing at 7.00p.m. Could all Sports Club members be in attendance if possible as there are agenda items that require serious honest discussion. The future of this Sports Club is reliant on the support of golfers and bowlers and their participation in their chosen sport on a regular basis.

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### • PUBLIC NOTICES •

MEMBERS OF THE ALLORA LANDCARE GROUP (ALG) wish to undertake a long-term project to IMPROVE ACCESS AND FACILITIES ON THE ALLORA MOUNTAIN RESERVE. To help in planning, we seek advice and ideas from the wider Allora community. Please contact the secretary of ALG, Peter Thomas on 07 4666 6210 or pandathomas1@bigpond.com

REMINDER - Tickets are still available from the Allora Newsagency for the ENDEAVOUR RALLY FUNDRAISER at Toowoomba Turf Club THIS SATURDAY, 21st May, at 3.00pm.

DATE CLAIMER - Anglican Fete, 28th October 4.30pm start.

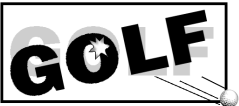


### LOST & FOUND

LOST - ONE HEREFORD WEANER STEER, approximately 8 months, Goomburra Berat area. Phone 4666 6060

WELL WOMEN'S CLINIC (Mobile) Women's Health Nurse, Kathryn Anning, will be at Southern Cross Care Allora, 29 Darling Street, Allora on Tuesday, 31 May 2011, between 9am to 3pm. For information and bookings for this free service please phone Southern Cross Care on 4666 3171.





## Allora Golf Notes 15-5-11

There was no competition played at Allora on Sunday due to the Zone 3 championships held in Goombungee.

This Sunday will be the Jenco Feeds & Seeds Monthly Medal with tee off at 11.30am, everyone is welcome to play.

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

## Wattles JRLFC Footy Notes 14.5.11

**Flynn Electrical U7's:** Due to the Border team having no U7 team, the Wattles boys played a game amongst themselves. All boys got to spend the whole game on the field and plenty of tries and goals were scored across most players. Special awards for tackling this week: Footy cards-Michael Shingles for some great low down tackles; Footy poster- Darcy Minnikin for his great front-on tackles. Jed Esson received the Clifton Foodworks award for his overall involvement and Andrew Willett the Red Rooster award for an all round good game.

**U8's:** This week Elijah Hall led the Wattlebrae Stud U8's against a very committed Border team. Because Border were short on numbers Wattles helped them out, which was great to see. Jackson Pogany had a great game with strong running which was backed up with similar efforts from Ben Willett, Sam Scott and John Nolan. Will Denny complemented this with blistering pace out wide, with Jacob Meddleton. None of this would be possible without the solid defence provided by Harry McMahon and Thomas Darcy. The coach was impressed with the great team effort of his players. Tries were scored by Lachlan Meacle (2), Samuel Scott, Michael Duncan, Ryley Lever, Will Denny, Ben Willett and Jackson Pogany (2), with Ryley and Jacob Meddleton kicking one goal each. Playing for Border Lachlan Meacle scored 1 try, Mickey 1 and Ryley 2, with Lachlan and Mikey kicking one goal each. Best tacklers were Lachlan, Mikey and Ryley.

Clifton Foodworks Award: Lachlan Meacle

Red Rooster Award: Michael Duncan

**Luke Townsend Farrier Services U9's:** Dan Brown and Joe Willett played out of their skins on Saturday and deserved their tries after doing their jobs well above par. Aaron Stace showed he has plenty of pace and agility with a deserved 4 pointer. Jordan Cunningham, Dustin Cuning, Jordan Gavin, Hunter Hamblin and Tom Philp showed their ability in making good yardage throughout the game, and new-comers Patrick O'Brien and Rylan Saville handled the pressure of Dummy-half with ease, giving great ball delivery and showing enthusiasm in their involvement in defence. Josh and Jordan Stevenson were copybook wingers with plenty of talk to keep our line stretched in defence, and dropping back on the 5th tackle in preparation. Tries this week were scored by Dan Brown, Joe Willett and Aaron Stace, with Dan converting one. Best tacklers were: Dan, Declan Sullivan, Jack Bashford and Wesley Lasserre. Great game fellas, you're all impressing us with how much improvement you are showing. Well done.

Clifton Foodworks Award: Jordan Cunningham

Red Rooster Award: Dan Brown

**Superior Silage U10's:** This week the U10 team went down to Border, mainly due to a very slow start in their tackling game. The boys went well when they had the ball, unfortunately Border had the larger share of possession which meant our boys had to work harder in defence. Juston Free had a great game making some good meters in running the ball and was rewarded the Clifton Foodworks Award. Joe McMahon had a great game in defence, pulling off some great low tackles and earned himself the Red Rooster award this week. Two tries were scored by Wattles- one each to Regan Eastwell and Will Flynn, and Ty Norris kicked one goal.

**Clifton Auto Ag Repairs U11:** The Wattles boys had a great game against Border this week, putting in a great effort in

## Ladies Indoor Netball -

Last week's winners were All Saints, Mojos and Pink Panthers.

This week's draw is: 6.30pm - Mojos v. NJam (Tiggers); 7.30pm - Tiggers v. Chikerboom (Mojos); 8.30pm - Pink Panthers v. Allsorts (Chikerboom); Bye - All Saints.

Thanks to everyone helping out with scoring and umpiring.



attack, while they still need to concentrate on their defensive line and moving up as one in defence. Rory Moat played his best game as captain this week, supporting well, and this was rewarded when he chased hard to support Dylan and scored. Dylan showed great sportsmanship in offloading to allow Rory the try. Chris O'Neill's work rate is brilliant, and he led the tackle count with 13 tackles this week, with Jacob Blades and Nick Blakemore making up the top three. Michael Lasserre may be the smallest boy on the field, but he is not afraid to tackle players much bigger than himself. Lachlan Henry was notable in the halves this week. Try scorers were: Dylan Hounslow-Cullen (2), Rory Moat, Lachlan Henry, Nick Brown, Mitch Potter, Jacob Willett and Bradley Newman, with goals kicked by Dylan, Rory (2), Nick Blakemore, Lachlan, Nick Brown.

Clifton Foodworks Award: Lachlan Henry

Red Rooster Award: Dylan Hounslow- Cullen

**U12's:** With a full time score of 26-0, the Ryannie For Tyres U12's Wattles proved to be a formidable opponent for the Border Bears. In a good team effort everyone defended well, showing good line and position. With a tackle count of 22, Nic Van Der Poel demonstrated a committed effort, followed closely by Trent Henry. The boys attacked well this week, in particular with timely offloads to supporting players coming through. There was good ball movement all over the field, especially in the middle of the ruck, and it was good to see two forwards running together up the middle. Michael Kelk scored a memorable try in the corner from a great kick in goal, and earned himself the Clifton Foodworks Award this week, while Lachlan Brown received the Red Rooster Award.

**Clifton Real Estate U14's:** The Wattles U14's had a good win, defeating Border 24-12. They started well and led 20-0 at half time. Joshua Sharman had his best game of the season running strongly and defending very well. Max Somes ran well and scored three tries. Jesse McAntee and Jordan Lewis continue to show improvement. Greater effort at training and better organisation before games is needed in the tough games that are ahead this season. A good effort was given by our 13 year olds in continuing to help in this age group.

Allora Foodworks Award: Joshua Sharman.



Enjoy a game soon!  
Play competition  
Sundays or play a social  
game anytime with  
friends.



## Allora Bowls Club -

All are welcome for a social game of bowls this Saturday. The game will be from 1p.m. till 4 p.m. as there is a function at the club commencing at 6:30. Barefoot and thongs are fine as footwear and there are plenty of bowls that you may use. Come and relax for a couple of hours. Attendance by bowlers at the special meeting of the Sports Club will commence at 6:30 p.m. on Monday 23rd May. Many of the agenda items pertain to the Bowls Club so the attendance of all bowlers is extremely important.