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The Allora Fire Station hosted specialist training courses over the past weekend in "High Angle Rescue" and "Swift Water Rescue". Among the staff that took part in the courses were - Front: Station Officer Shane Rankine (Instructor - Toowoomba), Lieutenant Peter Koina, Fr Andrew Quirke, (Back) Senior Firefighter Michael Coombes (Instructor- Warwick), Fr John Meddleton, FF Andrew Petersen and Lieutenant Mal Clark.

Rescue Course for Allora Firefighters

Allora's efficient emergency services added a couple of arrows to the skills quiver over the past weekend with the Queensland Fire & Rescue Service in town conducting training courses for local firefighters.

Passers-by could have been excused for thinking the Allora State School was under siege on Saturday, with firefighters

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dangling from ropes and lines from school buildings. QFRS Allora staff Captain Brett Bender, Lieutenants Peter Koina and Mal Clarke, and firefighters Andrew Petersen, John Meddleton, Andrew Quirke and Cameron Thomas were involved in a "High Angle Rescue" course over Saturday, with most returning on Sunday to take part in the QFRS "Swift Water Rescue" course held at both the Muir Street Fire Station and the Allora Swimming Pool.

Instructors for the courses were Station Officer Shane Rankine from Toowoomba and Warwick based Senior Firefighter Michael Coombes, who earlier this year among Australian emergency service contingent who attended New Zealand's earthquake tragedy.

Mr. Coombes said "the weekend was a great success in that the Allora QFRS staff had gained valuable skills that could see them called on, not only to attend local emergency incidents involving rescue, but also incidents further afield". The Allora staff members boast significant experience and knowledge, which was added to over the weekend, thus providing Allora and it's surrounds with a commendable emergency response.

Queensland's past year of tragedy including cyclones & floods has seen the State's emergency services performing at optimum levels. "The courses the Allora staff completed successfully will see them and the Allora community better prepared should similar future situations occur" commented Mr. Coombes.

Firefighter Andrew Petersen was one who enjoyed the courses, the hands on aspect especially in areas of rescue procedures new to most of the local staff. "An enhanced knowledge of the dangers of elevated and also water rescue, along with new knowledge of rescue techniques & the importance of team work would benefit all staff who took part in the training".

The courses completed over the weekend are another step in a continuing upgrade, maintenance and addition to firefighter skills as is conducted State wide. Allora Captain Brett Bender said the new skills focusing on water and elevated rescue take the capabilities of his staff to another level, those involved in the training better equipped to handle the unpredictable situations that emergency services can be called on to address.

Glyn Rees



Allora firefighter Andrew Quirke abseiling down the face of an Allora State School building during Saturday's Queensland Fire & Rescue Service "High Angle Rescue" course.

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He turned to her and said, "Look my dear, it has begun to rain!"

Without even looking up from her knitting she replied, "It's too cold to rain. It must be sleeting."

The Czar shook his head and said, "I am the Czar of all the Russias, and Rudolph the Red knows rain, dear!"

Ozcare's arrival in Warwick to help seniors stay in their own homes for longer

Health and human services provider Ozcare has opened an office in Warwick in response to calls for more community care services across the Southern Downs and Granite Belt. Ozcare State Manager for Community Care Lanna Ramsay said the facility had been two years in the planning and would make life easier for hundreds of struggling residents in Warwick, Stanthorpe and surrounding areas including Allora, Killarney, Clifton and out to Wallangarra on the border.

"The services Ozcare provide make it possible for many people to remain self-sufficient and enjoy living in their own homes," Ms Ramsay said.


"Living independently is something many of us take for granted but within the community there are plenty of elderly people who are barely managing to care for themselves, or a loved one suffering dementia or other age-related conditions.

"Having access to domestic assistance, personal care, social support, meal preparation and delivery, transport and nursing services could make all the difference to people and their quality of life.

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"Ozcare also cares for the carers, offering respite for those who find it difficult to do simple things like shopping for groceries, working shifts or simply switching off for a few hours from the demands of looking after a frail loved one."

Ozcare's decision to open an office in Warwick is the latest step in the health and human services provider's plan to offer a diverse range of services to people living in rural, regional and remote areas across Queensland.

The Warwick office has opened with five employees but Ozcare is actively recruiting for more care workers, in anticipation of increased demand for services.

The office also provides general nursing, immunisation services and dementia support, along with assistance to rural families who are facing difficulties due to isolation or considering relocating to urban areas.


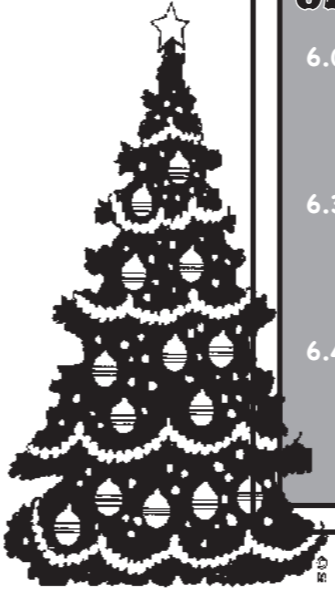
Ozcare is a leading not-for-profit organisation which has been dedicated to providing the highest standards in community and health services to the frail, aged and disadvantaged across Queensland for the past 16 years.

For more information about services offered by Ozcare Warwick call (07) 4639 7860 or visit www.ozcare.org.au

Allora Rotary Club invites residents to the...

Allora Bush Christmas Street Carnival

9th December, 5.00pm Start

ORDER OF EVENTS -

6.00pm - Join Katie Dennis backed by Phil Vellacott singing Christmas carols, karaoke style.	Allora State School P&C BBQ - Hamburger, Steak burger, Cans of drink, Sausages
6.30pm - Enjoy a choir of St Patrick's School Students led by Lesley Telford, singing children's carols.	Face-painting, Chocolate Wheel
6.45pm - Allora State School students, led by Andrew Westerman, sing children's carols.	Allora State School Year 9 Canberra Fundraiser - selling GLOW STICKS!
	Amusements - Slides, Cup & Saucer Ride, Laughing Clowns, Giant Inflatables!
	7.00pm - Santa comes to town on a fire engine. All the kids can line up at the stage for treats from Santa.
	7.45pm - Kick back, relax and listen to Phil Vellacott backing Katie Dennis singing a variety of popular songs.

In the event of wet weather, the Community Hall will be used for entertainment and activities.

Medical Centre Closer to Reality with High Tea Support

The Allora Medical Support Group's goal of achieving a new medical centre for Allora received a significant shot in the arm recently when the Group was presented with a cheque for \$8,100 courtesy of the Allora High Tea. High Tea committee spokesperson Kellie Robson made the presentation to Allora Medical Support Group Chairman Jon Constable, the amount a significant and much appreciated donation towards funding the AMSG's efforts in making a modern, state of the art equipped Herbert Street medical facility a reality.

The High Tea has been a regular occurrence over the past five years, donations from the proceeds going to charitable organizations, thus providing tremendous support to needy groups that in many cases have been called upon to support local community members. The concept of the High Tea was bred back in 2007 with the inaugural event held on the lawns of Kiwi & Sue Stevens' home, "Yettambah". It provides a wonderful social opportunity for the many ladies that attend, and money raised is put to the best possible use within the local and wider community. This year 200 ladies gathered



Allora Medical Support Group Chairman Jon Constable recently accepted an \$8,100 donation on behalf of the Group from Allora High Tea committee member Kellie Robson.

in the Allora Community Hall on October 1st for the 2011 High Tea, which had a French inspired theme. The High Tea was bred from a regular lunch gathering of five

local ladies "looking to do something productive to do with our time" according to Kellie Robson, one of those ladies. "We all love Allora, and wanted to give something back to our community". "Each year we identify both a National and local charity to which we channel funds from the High Tea". The High Tea committee felt that the Allora Medical Support Groups efforts to establish a new Medical Centre in 'the Best Little Town on the Downs' was an admirable cause, as Kellie states "it is an issue that affects and will benefit all in our town and district, including the 200 wonderful ladies that supported our annual event".

"The High Tea raised \$8100 for the Allora Medical Support Group, and another \$1000 went to the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund" noted Kellie, "unfortunately the Community Hall lost power 45 minutes into the event due to a blackout, but this didn't affect the social atmosphere".

This year the High Tea boasted a giant multi draw raffle with over fifty prizes, the major prize a plasma television donated very generously by sponsors Warwick's Harvey Norman Electrical. Major sponsor of the of the event this year was Robyn Miles' Railway Hotel in Allora, while the National Australia Bank also provided sponsorship support.

Genny Imhoff from Clifton was judged "Best Dressed Lady", and entertainment for the day was a fashion parade from Undercover Wear, which featured some brave local male waiters who modeled clothing earning the event a few extra dollars. AMSSG Chairman Jon Constable said the "High Tea donation was a tremendous display of support for establishment of a new Medical Centre in Allora". "There are significant costs associated with making the Medical Centre a reality, and donations such as this by the High Tea committee inevitably benefit the Allora and district community as a whole".

Glyn Rees

Allora Advertiser CHRISTMAS BREAK CLOSING TIME

This year, the Allora Advertiser office will CLOSE 12.00pm on FRIDAY, 23rd DECEMBER 2011 and will RE-OPEN in the New Year on MONDAY, 9th JANUARY 2012.

The final issue Allora Advertiser newspaper for 2011 will come out on **Thursday, 22nd December**. All copy to be included in this paper is required by **Tuesday, 20th December 2011, at 5.00pm**.
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Looking Back...

To the Editor of the Allora Guardian

Desecration of the Sabbath

Dear Sir, Will you kindly permit me through the medium of your paper, to speak a word to my neighbours of Harrison's Paddock and Forest Plain, upon a matter that concerns not us alone but the public generally.

A short time ago one of our farmers was seen working his reaper on the Sabbath. Then, shortly after, three or four followed this bad example. Then followed carting in sheaves on the Sabbath.

Now, I ask, when and where this evil is to stop? Shall we see, next harvest, the whole of the people in the Allora district reaping and drawing their wheat on the Sabbath, machines threshing, and all labourers working? And, after that, shall we see farmers ploughing, stores and hotels open, carpenters and blacksmiths working, and the complete secularisation of the Sabbath? And then shall we see this mischief spread throughout the colonies, and throughout the British Empire? God forbid! But the beginning of the evil is as the breaking in of the waters of the ocean, and the kindling of fire in the dry grass.

I hope my neighbours will see the evil of this pernicious practice, and leave it off for their children's and neighbour's sakes, for the colonies and the Empire's sake, and for the world's sake. The day of rest is a sacred privilege. Apart from its religious aspect it is a political right, and he who secularises it, infringes the rights of his fellow subjects.

I. HARDWICK

Forest Plain, December 3rd, 1893.

To the Editor The Brisbane Courier

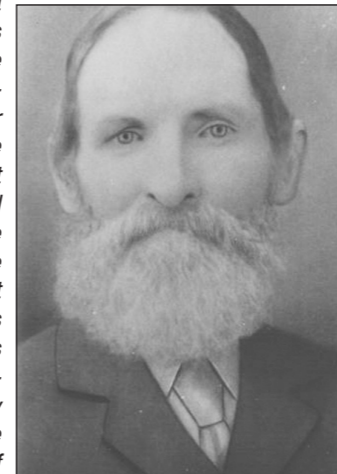
Isaac Hardwick

Sir, No doubt many of your readers feel as I do, that much of the interest in the subject matter of the various questions discussed in your columns centres on the personality of the writer. Unfortunately, modesty, or less desirable attributes, usually induce correspondents to use a nom de plume - or perhaps a nom to guerre! There is one correspondent, however, who attaches an honest-sounding signature to his contributions, but no doubt to many thousands of "Courier" readers this name - Isaac Hardwick - may be a pen name. It looks like a name-portrait of one of Cromwell's grizzled captains! But the name is genuine - and so is the possessor. The first time I saw this old warrior entering the "Courier" lists there flashed to my mind Browning's: - "I was ever a fighter - and one fight more, The best and the last".

N. C.

Brisbane, November 17th, 1911.

Isaac Hardwick was a prolific writer to the Letters to the Editor column. He was a very early blacksmith in Allora, a farmer and a storekeeper. He was a member of the first Allora Municipal Council and Mayor in 1872. He was a stalwart of the Wesleyan Methodist Church and founder of its Sunday school. He was the great great grandfather of the Telford family of Headington Hill and the Charles Smith family of Berat.



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Combined Churches of Allora Advent Study -

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There will be 3 venues, beginning with St. David's Anglican Hall, today at 1.30pm; St. Patrick's Meeting Room - 2 sessions - tonight, 24th November, at 7.30pm and also Friday, 25th November, at 10.0am.

This programme has an ecumenical basis and will continue for the 4 weeks of Advent. All are welcome to join any of the groups for all or part of the programme. Be surprised at how you will enjoy the reflection, the sharing of ideas and the friendship.



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Kimberley Takes Polo Club Campdraft Honours

Beaudesert rider Kimberly Sammon took the honours in the feature event of the 2011 Downs Polo Club Annual Campdraft, the Clifton Real Estate Novice Draft, in what was her first visit to Allora. Kimberley accumulated 175 points on "Lethal Breeze" to win from seasoned veteran Michael Boyce on "Connie Ray", but she also collected the honours for third place on "Doc's Melrose". Neville Fanning of Warwick on "Synton" finished with the highest cut out score.

Roadvale based rider Megan Porter was victorious in the George & Fuhrmann Maiden Draft on "Silkstone Fourten", finishing ahead of second placed Arthur Crumblin on "Peppy Doll" and Mick Aspinall who finished third on "Chulas CD Hickory", also collecting the highest cut out honours.

The Junior Draft with the prize of the "Frank Phelan Memorial Trophy" was won by Tyler Aspinall on "Flash", receiving his trophy from Neil & Robyn Phelan.

After being postponed from its regular time slot in early October, the 2011 Downs Polo Club annual campdraft finally got under way on Sunday at the Allora Showgrounds with a mammoth 290 entries. The weather was warm, but the conditions ideal for the highly successful draft. Previously known as the Allora Rotary Rodeo which featured a campdraft, the event has been a regular occurrence on the local calendar over many years, organized by the Downs Polo Club for the past 28 years.

Downs Polo Club spokesman and former organization President Andy Gilmore rated Sunday's event as "the best ever". Mr. Gilmore issued high praise to the Allora Show Society for the outstanding condition of the campdraft facilities, "improved conditions from previous years saw the return of many former competitors, while the cattle used over the course of the draft were ideal". "Success of a campdraft relies on the conditions of the arena and the cattle, and we had the best line of cattle from go to woe on Sunday".

Winning rider Kimberly Sammon was another to remark about the "fantastic facilities" presented at the Allora Showgrounds. Kimberley, a 26 year old horse trainer/farrier, has been on the campdraft circuit since she was 12 years old. She is enjoying a purple patch of late, the prestigious Canning Downs Cup comfortably nestled on her mantelpiece after an outstanding performance in Warwick during Rodeo week last month. Her visit to Allora, the first time she has frequented the "Best Little Town on the Downs", came about after learning about the



LEFT: Sponsor Eugene Hollis-Neath presents the winners ribbon to Kimberley Sammon, winner of the Clifton Real Estate Novice Draft at Sunday's Downs Polo Club Annual Campdraft at the Allora Showgrounds.

BELOW: Neil & Robyn Phelan after making presentations to award winners, Tyler Aspinall on "Flash" the event winner, Haydn Aspinall on "Miss Hankman", Joe McMahon on "Milly" & Robbie Scott on "Henry", after the "Frank Phelan Memorial Junior Draft" at the Downs Polo Club Annual Campdraft.

RIGHT: Winner of the George & Fuhrmann Maiden Draft, Megan Porter on "Silkstone Fourten" with event judge Shane Corbould.



Polo Club Campdraft from fellow Novice Draft finalist Michael Boyce at a campdraft in Crows Nest on Saturday. Kimberley, who is also an Australian Campdraft Association judge, loaded her six horses and she and younger sister Jess headed to Allora on Saturday afternoon, and plenty of success.

Fifteen year old Jess Sammon, also of Beaudesert, took out the top two places in the Allora & District Tyre Service Juvenile Draft on "Little Dream Duchess" and "Spinnin' Silver" respectively. Kimberley is not resting on

her laurels, her no nonsense approach to her campdrafting will be on display in a fortnight at Dalby. But one thing is for certain, Kimberley Sammon's first experience of Allora will certainly not be her last, as she eagerly awaits the next campdrafting event hosted in the Allora Showgrounds.

"The annual campdraft is the only fundraiser the Downs Polo Club host each year" explained Andy Gilmore, "every club member is expected to roll up to assist in some fashion, and on Sunday we had a great turn out of members helping to ensure the success of a very popular event". "The funds raised assist in the upkeep of the Polo Club's turf field at Clifton".

For Andy, the 2011 Downs Polo Club Annual Campdraft provided many highlights, including the overall success of the event. Young Warwick rider Maddie Hale was very excited with her efforts on "Trumby" after contesting the Junior Draft, her



On her way to victory in the Allora & District Tyre Service Juvenile Draft at the Downs Polo Club Annual Campdraft at the Allora Showgrounds is Beaudesert rider Jess Sammon on "Little Dream Duchess".

first outing in the campdraft ring. But after almost a lifetime as a polo player that ended this year with his retirement from the sport, Andy Gilmore also debuted in the campdraft arena on Sunday, a debut that saw him feature in the Novice Draft finals. The Downs Polo Club members extend a vote of thanks to all who contributed in any way to Sunday's 2011 Campdraft, and ask competitors to note the second Sunday in October 2012, when the Allora Show ring will again come to life with campdraft excitement in support of the Downs Polo Club.

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Laura Geitz awarded netball's top honour with 2011 Liz Ellis Diamond

The accolades keep coming for the Mission Queensland Firebirds with defender and former Allora State School student Laura Geitz being awarded the Liz Ellis Diamond at the Netball Australia Awards on the weekend. Geitz said she was honored to receive the award.

"I can't even describe how I'm feeling, when they read out the four nominees I never expected to be in the running for the award but to win it is incredible. It's really special to have my mum here with me tonight who has been an instrumental part in my sport. I definitely wouldn't be here without her or my dad. It's just such a special award."

It has been a memorable year for Geitz who as Vice Captain of the Firebirds helped lead the team to a perfect season.

This was followed by an outstanding performance at the World Netball Championships and most recently a win in the Holden Netball Test Series.

Geitz said the award could have gone to any one of her team mates in the Diamonds.

"I think the work ethic and the way the team trains marks the Australian Diamonds the team they are, the award could have gone to anyone tonight. It's been an incredible year and this is the cherry on top, I couldn't have asked for anything more this year."

In between all her Netball commitments Laura has still managed to launch her own clothing range and deliver her popular Netball clinics. Laura was not the only member of the Firebirds to come away with a win on the evening, Coach Roselee Jencke was named Coach of the Year.

The Firebirds are also up for a number of awards at tonight's QSport Awards.

Despite the slew of awards to her name, Geitz still remains grounded and focused on 2012.

"I've worked hard this year but I feel I can work a little harder, I can get fitter, faster and stronger. It's the hunger to win and we don't settle for anything less than winning."

In 2012 the Mission Queensland Firebirds are aiming to do what no other team in the ANZ Championship has done, a back to back premiership.

2011 Australian Netball Award winners:

- **Liz Ellis Diamond:** Laura Geitz
- **Holden Australian International Player of the Year:** Kimberlee Green
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- **Australian 21/U Player of the Year:** April Letton
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- **Lorraine Lea Linen Umpire of the Year:** Sharon Kelly
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Events Calendar

2011

November -

- Sat 26 Allora Chaplaincy Christmas Musical "A Baby Changes Everything"**
Allora State School Hall
- Sat 26 Allora Rotary Open Swimming Carnival**
Allora Swimming Club

December -

- Fri 2 Allora Clifton Blue Care Boutique Christmas Market Day**
Allora Blue Care Respite Centre Carpark, 8.00am
- Fri 9 RSL Womens Auxiliary Christmas Cent Sale**
RSL Hall Allora, 7.00pm
- Fri 9 Allora Bush Christmas Street Party**
Herbert Street Allora, 5.00pm
- Sat 31 New Years Eve Family Fun Day/Night**
Allora Show Ground, 5.00pm

2012

January -

- Sat 7 Wattles JRLFC Meet & Greet**
Leyburn

April -

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

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"Children wanting to get back to nature can experience horse trail rides or pick their own strawberries and pet enthusiasts can even see police dogs being trained at Law Dogs Australia," Mrs Hocking said.

"During school holiday periods it is common for parents and carers to think 'what can I do today that is within my budget and keep the children amused', so we have taken the guess work out with the Game Plan."

The promotion encourages families to explore the region's attractions but with the added incentive of great prizes. As part of the promotion, Southern Downs & Granite Belt Tourism has offered the prize of a hot air balloon ride for a family of four valued at over \$1000.00. For entries to be valid, children must get their entries stamped from three participating businesses. For more information on the Holiday Game Plan, call the Warwick Visitor Information Centre on 4661 3122 or visit www.warwickevents.com.

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David de Vito headlines Carols in the Park

Australia's Got Talent fans have the chance to hear 2011 finalist David de Vito live at this year's Carols in the Park.

After endearing himself to a national audience, organiser Tracy Vellacott is pleased that the big voice of the big man will again wow the Carols audience.

"David won the hearts of Warwick audiences during his 2007 and 2009 Carols performances so I'm hoping that they and all his new fans from this year's season of Australia's Got Talent will be out in force to support him on this very special night," Mrs Vellacott said. "After such a successful year, it would be a shame if Warwick audiences could not add their personal accolades to that of Australia's."

According to Mrs Vellacott, David's affable nature, which was clearly evident during his television performances, coupled his commanding voice, have signaled the beauty of opera to a younger audience.

"He's made opera cool and it's wonderful to see young people connecting and awakening their imagination through his performances," she said.

With a voice he describes himself as a 'dramatic tenor', David was trained in classical piano and discovered by examiners to have a talent for singing in 'perfect pitch' at a very young age. David will join with a host of local performers for a two and a half hour program of traditional and contemporary Carols. Crowd favourites Erin Hilton, Melissa Williams, Jenny McDonald and Deputy Mayor, Peter Blundell will be joined by new talent along with a mass choir conducted by local music teacher, Bruce Eddihausen.

Carols in the Park will be held at the Leslie Park Band Rotunda (Palmerin Street) on Sunday, December 18. Entertainment kicks off at 5.30pm with carols to commence at 6.30pm.



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Allora Swimming Club News


Allora Amateur Swimming Club will be holding their annual Rotary Open Meet at the Allora Pool this Saturday, 26 November from 8.00am. Members and their parents are asked to help set up at the pool after school on Friday. If you have tarps, please bring them along so we can rig up some sun and rain protection. There will be 44 swimmers from the Allora club competing on Saturday, against swimmers from thirteen other clubs. Life Members and community members are invited to attend and cheer on the local Allora team. Members are reminded to return their raffle books and money. Raffle prizes can be left with a member of the committee on Saturday morning, with the multi-draw raffle drawn later in the day. Considering weather predictions, it might be wise to bring along an umbrella or a poncho. Members are also reminded to bring along a plate of savouries or sweets for morning tea for visiting clubs. Emily and her team of helpers will have bacon and egg burgers ready for breakfast. On another note, many of our 12.5 metre swimmers have progressed to 25 or 50 metres. We have three new members - George Nott, Hamish Gartery and Ashleigh Henry now swimming 12.5 metres. Good luck to all Allora members at the Rotary - hope you bring home the trophy! See you on Saturday.

Diabetes fast facts

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Sat	Breakfast Show: John Moulder	9am - 12md Saturday Morning Best Sounds with Pat Elliott/Donna Turnley/Keith Tootell	12md-3pm Swing intoSaturday Arvo with Kathy Mapes/Krissy Bloomfield/Tim Moulder	3pm - 6pm Drive Time Music/ & Peter Hardwick	6pm - 9pm Saturday Night Country: (Old/Modern/Crossover) Don Maher/Pauline Pickering/Mary	9pm - 12mn Continuation of Country Music: Don Maher	12mn - 6am 4SDB's Great Music Mix
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A Warm Welcome to ALL.

• ANNOUNCEMENTS •

Thank You...

The Allora & District Historical Society would like to thank all who helped in any way to make our Display and Demonstration Day a success. It is much appreciated. Also to our sponsors, the Warwick Credit Union and Southern Downs Regional Council. New members are always welcome.

Thank You...

Lyn, Colin & Bev and their families would like to thank all those who sent flowers, cards, letters and e-mails and expressed their sympathy and kindness on the death of their mother, Jean Newport.

A special thank you to Majella and the staff at The Homestead who cared for Mum during her illness.

Thank you to the Allora Sports Club members, Allora R.S.L.

Women's Auxillary and Mum's bowling friends who assisted at the wake. We appreciate the community spirit of the people of the Allora area.

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DATE CLAIMER - ALLORA BRANCH QCWA INTERNATIONAL DAY, 27th April 2012. Country of study is Chile.

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9	6	7	1	2	8	3	4	5
3	4	8	5	6	1	7	9	2



2011 St. Patrick's School, Allora, Swimming Carnival Age Champions at the Allora Swimming Pool after last Friday's School Swimming Carnival won by Koala House. **Back row** - Matthew Blakemore, Cassidy Henry, Seth Mackie, Lachlan Henry, Mary Higgins, Jane Morris, Cooper Seng. **Middle Row** - Jacob Meddleton, Imogen Philp, Matthew Higgins, Charlotte Nott, Alex Bender, Tuomona Strugnell, Casey-Lee Shelton, Thomas Brasch. **Front Row** - Sally Higgins, Jackson Liesegang, Thomas Morris, Nicholas Van Der Poel, Leah Blakemore.

Photo courtesy Angela Van Der Poel



Masters Leads Allora to Win Over Maryvale

Allora Cricket Club skipper Cameron Masters blazed a season highest score of 60 at Allora Oval on Saturday to lead his side to a gutsy three wicket win over Maryvale. Maryvale set a target of 212 runs off 33 overs, but Allora retaliated with 214 off 32 overs and three wickets in hand to snatch the WCA Commonwealth Bank Cup premierships points.



Cameron Masters

Skipper Masters could well have confided in himself "Ding Dong the Witch is Dead" while striding from the pitch to the dressing shed after he was bowled in what was the final ball of the match. Since Allora's re-emergence as a cricket club back in 2006, this was their first victory over Maryvale. Allora's success was somewhat of a family affair, the skipper's brother in law Adam May belting a confident 55 to add to his side's total, and taking 4 for 17 with his off spin. May has been on the injury list in recent weeks with a back

injury, and while he is yet to recover fully, he was very effective despite not being in his usual opening bowler role.

Maryvale won the toss and elected to bat in perfect weather conditions, faltering early to be 2 for 17 after three overs, Josh Klein (5) bowled with Kris McLennan's first ball of the match and James Olsen (4) caught Matt Kiernan off Brodie Frizzell. Jason Steketee and Michael Bourke then arrived at the wicket to install some stability and aggression. In an outstanding batting display they scored 72 and 92 respectively, taking the score to 3 for 153 by the 20th over. The Maryvale tail didn't wag though, their final six batsman scoring just 17 runs before closing their innings in the 33rd over with a total of 212 runs on the board.

Allora's innings got off to a solid start thanks to openers Matt Kiernan and Brodie Frizzell. Kiernan continues to impress in his third match in Allora colours, facing 32 balls in 50 minutes for his 24 runs. Both he and Frizzell added 28 for the opening partnership. Adam May arrived at the crease with Allora at one for 28, and left after being bowled by Jason Steketee with Allora at 4 for 123. Masters replaced Kris McLennan after he was caught off Kieran Bourke for nine, batting out the remainder of the innings and scoring 60 of the additional 99 runs scored to achieve victory. Veteran performer Scott Sparksman could smell victory as he took guard with Allora at 6 for 174, he and Cameron Masters at the crease and three batsmen still in the pavilion. He pushed the run rate along with some powerful hitting, and while his heart might have missed a beat when he was dropped off Jason Steketee with Allora on 191, he responded with a towering six over the western boundary. Sparksman finished with 20 not out, he and Masters "bringing the bacon home", with three overs remaining of the allocated 35 for the Allora Foodworks/Railway Hotel eleven.

Capable fieldsman Nat Hooper showed he has handy skills as a gloveman aside from his exploits in the field, his catch at the wicket off Adam May ending what was appearing a certain century for Michael Bourke.

May was unlucky not to achieve a hat trick late in the Maryvale innings in his seventh and final over. After dismissing Kev Bourke (5) and Kieran Bourke (0) with the first two balls of his final over, incoming batsman B. Quirke popped a catch close to the wicket but despite best attempts, unfortunately the ball

Allora Pony Club News -



2011 has been an exciting year for Allora Pony Club holding its first gymkhana since EI broke out in 2007. Gymkhanas don't run themselves and we would like to take this opportunity to thank our hard working committee and all of the generous sponsors who without their help the day would not be possible.

We had many new members this year and they have been competing around the district with great success.

The year will be finishing up with a Christmas Break Up Rally Day on 27th November 2011, start time 9.00am at Allora Showgrounds. All members are welcome.

Next year will kick off with a sign on rally days on the 28th and 29th January 2012 with special instruction for members to prepare for Allora Show.

ended on the grass.

Allora batting: Matt Kiernan 24, Brodie Frizzell 10, Adam May 55, Kris McLennan 9, Cameron Masters 60, Mitchell McLennan 0, Nick Morris 6, Scott Sparksman 20 not out, Nat Hooper did not bat, Luke Kilah did not bat, Joe Morris did not bat.

Allora bowling: Brodie Frizzell 6-0-48-1, Kris McLennan 7-0-35-1, Mitchell McLennan 3-1-21-0, Nick Morris 1-0-17-0, Matt Kiernan 7-0-64-2, Adam May 7-1-17-4, Scott Sparksman 1-0-3-1, Cameron Masters .3-0-1-1.

Allora head to Warwick Cricket Association headquarters Slade Park this Saturday to take on Colts. Colts are coming off a solid win over Inglewood, but Allora's confidence is on a high and providing they stay focused they will be a challenge for Colts.

The Allora FoodWorks/Railway Hotel Allora team to play Colts at 12.30 pm Saturday at Slade Park is: Cameron Masters (c), Matt Kiernan, Nat Hooper, Kris McLennan, Mitchell McLennan, Brodie Frizzell, Nick Morris, Scott Sparksman, Adam May, Joe Morris and Aaron Viethier, 12th man Luke Kilah. All inquiries to Glyn Rees on 0417 765 801.



Adam May

Allora all rounder Kris

McLennan was a member of the Warwick "Bulls" Davis Shield side that defeated Central Downs at Mayhew Oval on Sunday. Warwick scored an impressive 6 for 200 with Central Downs all out 150. Central Downs scored 180 to defeat Warwick 144 in Sunday's Mitchell Shield match at Slade Park.

Special thanks to Allora Cricket Club sponsors Allora FoodWorks, the Railway Hotel and Allora News.

Results of Allora Cricket Club Inc. raffles held last Saturday afternoon at the Railway Hotel were: Meat Tray – Robyn Miles, Meat Tray – Dean Thompson, Railway Hotel Dinner Voucher – Kirstie Gibson, BBQ Chook – Chris, Bottle of Wine – Perry Cronin, Dwanny's Scratchies – Jaimie McMillan. Thanks for the support.

Commonwealth Bank Cup Points Table 2011/2012

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Bye	N/R	B/P	Total Points
Diggers	5	3	2	-	-	5	17
Wheatvale	5	3	1	1	-	4	16
Maryvale	5	3	2	-	-	1*	13*
Allora	5	2	2	1	-	-	9
Colts	5	2	2	1	-	-	8
Sovereign	5	1	3	1	-	1	5
Inglewood	5	1	3	1	-	-	3

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