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Allora Fired Up To Rope in Colts

The Allora "Foodworks" Eleven have a great opportunity for victory when they take on "Colts" at Warwick's Queen's Park on Sunday. "Colts" are struggling this year in the Warwick Cricket Association premierships, yet to register a win. Allora defeated Inglewood in a great result in their last outing two weeks back, but were unable to play last weekend when opponents Maryvale/Condamine forfeited.

This week the Allora side taking the field without team Captain Cameron Masters and also reliable all rounder Ross Hentschel, both unavailable. Established campaigner Steve Hughes may make a comeback after a couple of weeks absence which will be a boost to the Allora side.

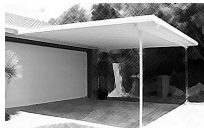
The Allora team to play Colts is: Adam May, Andrew Petersen, Travis McMicking, Jason Nightingale, Brady Glass, Len Hoey, Lauchlan Hoey, Steve Hughes, Cameron Stevens, John Byrne, Sean Coker. All players are required at the grounds by 9.15 am on Sunday, any inquiries to Glyn Rees 0417 765 801. Glyn Rees

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Swimming Club Notes -

Our mid-season breakup is quickly approaching. Our final night until school resumes will be Monday, 7 December. This will be our annual David Rackley Memorial Swim, which is a 50m handicap freestyle event. Nominations need to be to Jo Frizzell on Monday night (30 November), if you are swimming in this event. If you haven't experienced this before, it is great to watch. If you do not swim 50m still come along and have a swim between events. This night counts as a club night. At the end of the night all swimmers will receive a Macdonalds voucher. We will be having chicken and gravy rolls for \$3.00 each once the Rackley swim is over - please bring along a plate of dessert to share.

We wish those swimmers going to Crows Nest and the Pouts going to Goondiwindi all the best. We also have 20 swimmers going to Brisbane on 12 December to compete in State relays - all the very best to you all.

Swimming Club, in conjunction with Wild Origins is holding a "Fresh Prawns" drive. If you wish to order prawns to be delivered just before Christmas, please contact a club member. \$2.50 for every kilo sold will go to the Swimming Club. Prawns are \$22.50/kilo or \$112.50 for a 5 kilo party pack. Get your orders in now! Happy swimming.

GOLF

Allora Golf Notes 22-11-09

Last Sunday we had a small field contest for a Club trophy with the winner for the day being Kev Harrison with 45 points. Runner up was Lindsay May with 34 points. There were the usual pin shots with Kev picking up 3 and Max 2.

Thanks to all who helped work on the greens last week they a already looking and playing well and will be even better with some needed rain.

One upcoming date to remember will be the Sportsclub Christmas party with both golf and bowls with entertainment after. This will be held on Saturday 19th of December so try to keep this free for a great night.

Next weeks competition will be the Presidents and Captains day, this will be a 2 ball ambrose event with tee off at 12noon. Don't forget your sand buckets and remember - to play is to live.



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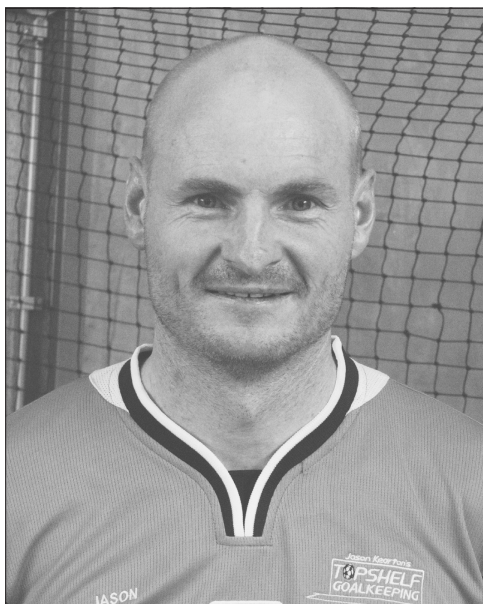
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New sponsors for Carols

There will be some new faces at Warwick's Carols in the Park this year and not all of them will be on the stage.

Carols organiser Tracy Vellacott is excited to have the Warwick Chamber of Commerce, Campbell Page and Condamine Plumbing & Drainage join long-standing sponsors, the Warwick Credit Union, Ergon Energy, 4WK, Warwick Daily News and APN Print in bringing the community a special Carols evening.

"It is fantastic that even in tough times, local businesses and organisations dig deep to support community events," Mrs Vellacott said.

"Sponsorship from these businesses guarantees that a professionally staged Carols program is presented to the audience, but more importantly it demonstrates a strong commitment to this community by our sponsor businesses."

Warwick's Carols will be held in Leslie Park on the evening of Sunday, December 20. A two and a half hour program of traditional and contemporary Carols will be presented by exciting young local performers, as well as crowd favourites. From 5.30pm the Warwick City Band will entertain the early crowd vying for a good position, with the stage show commencing at 6.30pm.

Families will be able to grab a bite to eat from food stalls operated by the Lions and Rotary Clubs. In the event of a hot



Some generous new sponsors have joined the team in 2009, ensuring a great night of entertainment is presented to the community. The Warwick Credit Union team, Anna Harding and Caitlin Hetherington, were on hand last year to hand out balloons to the children.

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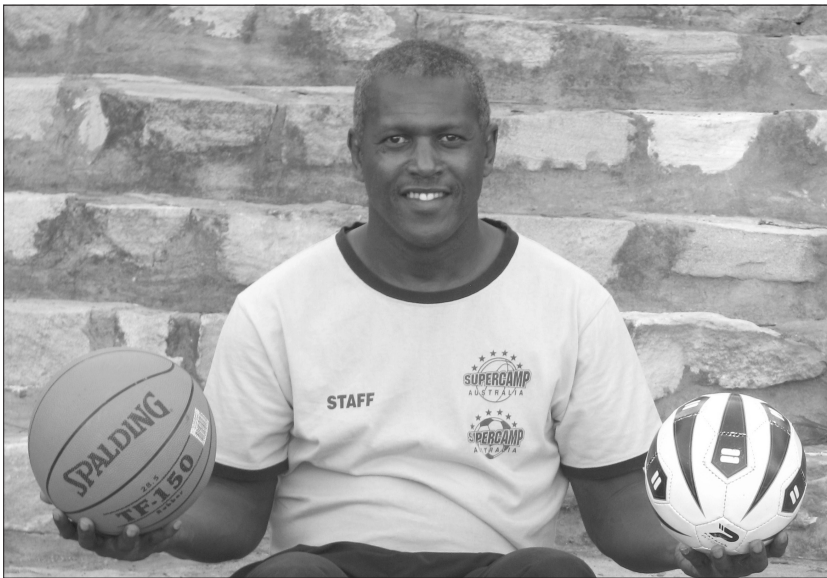
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great learning experience". Some of the top coaches attending the camp this year are: National Women's Soccer players (Matildas) Kate Stewart and Kim Carroll, as well as Jason Kearton, assistant goalie coach for the Brisbane Roar, while the basketball coaches are joined by Women's National Basketball League All-Star, Megan Michaels from the Logan Thunder, and Andre Moore, former Brisbane Bullet. Don't miss this opportunity to improve your game, have heaps of fun and learn from the pros. Campers can commute to the camp or live-in at the Supercamp.

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• ANNOUNCEMENTS •

Funeral Notice - WHITELEGG, Kenneth of Toowoomba, formerly of Goomburra. Taken into God's care on 22 November 2009, aged 79 years. Much loved husband of Maree; dearly loved Father and Father-in-law of Julie and Paul Maher, Mark, Anthony & Chinie, Monique and Andrew Bryson. Loving Grandad of his 13 Grandchildren and 2 Great Grandchildren. Loved Brother of Jim (dec'd) and brother-in-law of the Canavan families. Relatives and friends are warmly invited to attend a Thanksgiving Mass to celebrate Ken's life to be held at St Theresa's Parish Centre cnr Curzon and Campbell Sts, Toowoomba, commencing at 1.30pm, Friday, 27 November, then proceeding to the Toowoomba Garden of Remembrance Cemetery, 1001 Ruthven St South. In lieu of flowers, donations to Parkinson's Qld would be appreciated, envelopes available at the service.

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WHITES GARAGE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE - We would like to advise our clients that we will be CLOSED from 5pm, Friday, 18th December, and will RE-OPEN 8am, Monday, 4th January.

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THIS WEEK'S SUDOKU SOLUTION

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Solution in classifieds section

WEATHER FORECAST

Day	Forecast	Min/Max
THU	Light Rain Early. Mostly Sunny. Mild.	15 28
FRI	Afternoon Clouds. Warm.	16 30
SAT	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	19 32
SUN	Sunny. Warm. Dry.	20 31
MON	Sunny. Warm. Dry.	16 28
TUE	Light Rain Early. Morning Clouds. Warm.	15 30

• CHURCH NOTICES •

Scots Presbyterian Church - Allora.
THIS SUNDAY AT ALLORA - Service/Sunday School at 9.30am.
Wednesday Evenings - Bible Study at 7.30pm.
KIDS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Friday of each month for prep -
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Wednesdays: Morning Prayer 10.00am

All Saints: Clifton
Sundays: Holy Communion 8.00am

St Johns: Goomburra
Sunday: 2nd of Month - Evening Prayer 5.30pm
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After his keynote address, Mr Hutchinson presented the Academic Awards for 2009. The prestigious Dux Trophy for 2009 was won by Brooke Westerman who also won many subject awards including English, SOSE, Science and the Paul Ashton and associates bursary for Business. The runner up to Dux was Brett Weier who received the Trophy donated by June and Peter Stewart and family for Academic Excellence.

Alex Morris received the Pride of Achievement Trophy for diligence.


Mr Matthew Prendergast, also a former student and athlete who holds 8 Track & Field records at the school, returned to present the 2009 Sporting Awards. Matthew Kanowski won the Open Swimming Trophy, the Open Track and Field Trophy and the Rugby League A Trophy and was named the 2009 Sportsman of the Year. A highlight for Matthew this year was silver medal at the National Championships in Perth in the Medley Relay. Alex Morris won the Pierre De Coubertin Award which recognizes a student who has demonstrated attributes consistent with Olympism through participation and commendable behaviour in sporting activities. Matthew Denny won the Michael Butler Memorial Trophy for Excellence in Track and Field.

Flying Officer, David Weekley from the RAAF Base Amberley also attended on the evening to present the Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork award to a student who has demonstrated these qualities in the school community. Underpinning this award are values of supporting others and doing the best you can - qualities of tomorrow's leaders. Congratulations to Brooke Westerman who won this award this year. Brooke also won the Mayors medal presented by Mr Neil Meiklejohn, Councillor for the Southern Downs Regional Council. The Bob Deacon Trophy for Community service was won by Carla Frizzell. Carla also won the Lex Ellwood Trophy for Leadership and Community Service.

The evening closed with the Year 10 class of 2009 receiving graduation medallions. Mr Don Grobe, Director of Schools, Warwick District presented each of the students with a medallion while the audience heard about each student's plans for their future careers including plans to go on to study senior in the Warwick district then for some, onto university to study for a variety of occupations including an architect, photographer, psychologist and sports trainer.



Matthew Prendergast presenting Matthew Kanowski with Sportsperson of the Year Trophy



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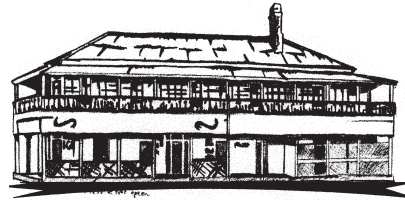
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- 1793 - Republican calendar replaces Gregorian calendar in France
- 1842 - The University of Notre Dame is founded.
- 1859 - Last weekly installment of Charles Dickens' "A Tale Of Two Cities" is published in literary periodical All the Year Round
- 1865 - "Alice in Wonderland" by Lewis Carroll published in US
- 1867 - Refrigerated railroad car patented by JB Sutherland of Detroit
- 1885 - 1st meteor photograph
- 1922 - English archaeologist Howard Carter opens Toetanchamon's

- (Tut) tomb
- 1932 - Bradman completes 10000 runs in first-class cricket, 126 innings
- 1941 - Japanese carrier force left its base and moves east toward Pearl Harbor
- 1949 - India adopts a constitution as a British Commonwealth Republic
- 1952 - 1st modern 3-D movie "Bwana Devil," premieres in Hollywood
- 1954 - Test Cricket debut of Colin Cowdrey v Australia at Gabba
- 1955 - Johnny Cash debuts Top 10 country song "Cry! Cry! Cry!"
- 1962 - Fab Four have their 1st recording session under name Beatles
- 1966 - 1st major tidal power plant opens at Rance estuary, France
- 1976 - Ringo releases "Hey Baby" single
- 1976 - Sex Pistols release their debut single "Anarchy In The UK"
- 1983 - Heathrow Airport, robbed of 6,800

- gold bars worth \$38.7 million
- 1984 - Kim Hughes tearfully resigns as Australian cricket captain
- 1985 - 3rd Space Shuttle Mission (61-B)- Atlantis 2-is launched
- 1988 - Pioneer 6's closest approach to Earth since 1965 launch (1.87 M km)
- 1990 - 1st Billboard Music Awards: Janet Jackson wins
- 1998 - Tony Blair becomes the first Prime Minister of the United Kingdom to address the Republic of Ireland's parliament.
- 2003 - Concorde makes its last ever flight over Bristol, England.
- 2008 - Terrorist attacks in Mumbai, India: Ten coordinated attacks by Pakistan-based terrorists kill 164 and injure more than 250 people in Mumbai, India.



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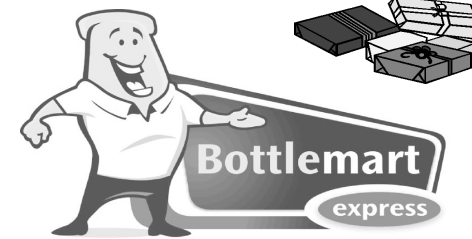
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Looking Back...

Drayton Street Museum

The Allora and District Historical Society is investigating the possibility, subject to approval of the Southern Downs Regional Council, of relocating their Drayton Street museum to a site between the Old Shire Hall and the Q. C. W. A. Restrooms in Warwick Street.

The building was erected in 1866 as Allora's first court house on the site of the present police station in Raff Street. The builder was local carpenter James Dougall. In 1884 when a new court house was built, the old building was purchased by the local School of Arts Committee for £14 and moved to the Drayton Street site obtained from Mrs. Emily Buxton (nee Gwynne). The Allora School of Arts had been formed in 1873 with a library in the Town Hall in Forde Street.

The Drayton Street building served the Allora community as a library and reading rooms until it was closed in the 1960's. The final meeting of the Allora School of Arts Committee was held on the 26th January 1967. The Allora Boy Scout Troop then took on the lease of the building. When the local Boy Scout Troop folded, the Allora and District Historical Society sub-let the building from the Boy Scouts Association on the 1st July 1970, taking over the lease in November 1971.

Difficulties caused by having museum buildings at two separate sites have caused the Historical Society to investigate the possibility of concentrating their buildings on the one site.

Doctor's Death

Dr. Charles Sassadius came to Queensland from Germany in 1865. He spent time at the Pratten goldfields before coming to Allora in late 1866. On the 28th December 1866 he was summonsed by an employee of Pilton Station to attend a man who had a broken leg. In company with another man they set out from Allora at 8 p.m. calling in at Gillam's public house at Spring Creek for two glasses of beer. Dr. Sassadius was seen taking frequent sips from a small bottle that he carried. About 2 1/2 miles past McIntosh's public house at Spring Creek, the doctor tumbled from his horse. The men made him comfortable at the side of the road but Dr. Sassadius passed away later that night. Dr. Margetts J. P. was called from Warwick to carry out a post mortem and gave evidence at a later inquiry that Dr. Sassadius died from congestion of the brain brought on by the excessive use of intoxicating liquor, combined with the immoderate use of laudanum (an opium derivative). Dr. Sassadius was buried in the Allora cemetery and his grave marked with a simple wooden cross.

Allora's Past 75 years ago November 1934

Obituary

The death occurred on the 31st October 1934 of Mrs. Janet Cooke at the advanced age of 88 years. Mrs. Cooke arrived in Australia from Scotland with her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall in 1853. She married Mr. Robert Cooke, a well known Allora farmer, in 1868. The Cooke's lived at "Hillside" a few miles to the north west of the town and had extensive property in the Pilton district.

Mrs. Cooke was survived by two sons, Charles and William of Pilton, and three daughters, Mrs. J. Finlay, Mrs. M. Biggar, and Mrs. H. G. Deacon.

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PONDERISMS

- The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.
- Whenever I feel blue, I start breathing again
- All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism
- In the 60s, people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it normal
- Who was the first person to look at a cow and say, "I think I'll squeeze these dangly things here, and drink whatever comes out?"
- If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a song about him?

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Method:

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2. Add cream and cook until reduced by half and to a thick consistency.
3. Add spinach and cook until wilted, season to taste.
4. Serve spinach in a shallow bowl top with soft poached eggs.

Cooking tips:
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Once a dog contracts the disease it usually takes 5-12 days before clinical signs develop. These include depression, anorexia and vomiting. Diarrhea may initially be absent, but most dogs develop a putrid bloody diarrhea within two days.

Parvovirus attacks the rapidly dividing cells in the body. The main organ systems affected are the bone marrow and gastrointestinal tract. If an unvaccinated bitch is affected whilst she is pregnant the pups can be born with a fatal heart condition.

Treatment is primarily supportive. Fluid therapy and antibiotic, antiemetics and plasma therapy is often used. Unfortunately this can be a potentially fatal disease and prevention is always the best defense.

Puppies require three vaccines for maximum protection against the virus with the first vaccination given between after six weeks of age. While puppies are most susceptible to infection, dogs of any age can be affected and thus should be vaccinated annually.

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Letter to the Editor...

To the Editor,

The Christmas season is well and truly upon us, as the school and working year comes to an end and we start to prepare to celebrate this special time of year with our friends, family and loved ones.

Christmas is one of my favourite times of the year. For me and my family, Christmas is a time to stop and reflect on the year that's been; it's a time to be thankful and to celebrate; and, perhaps most importantly, it's a time for goodwill, compassion and kindness.

However sometimes this true meaning of Christmas gets lost, buried under the long list of things to do, buy and get ready in time for December 25. Busy with Christmas wish lists, end of year parties and annual summer holidays, we often forget that there are thousands of families across the world where every day is a struggle, where those things we take for granted, such as food, shelter, health, education and economic stability, seem completely unattainable.

So this year, on behalf of the thousands of families across the world living in poverty, I ask that every family in Allora make this Christmas a meaningful one, by making their own personal contributions towards creating a positive difference to these impoverished communities.

This request comes at a particularly important time. As you know, over the last couple of months World Vision has been assisting the thousands of communities who have been affected by the September natural disasters which occurred across the Asia Pacific. While signs of rejuvenation and re-building are popping up across the affected regions, for most of the disaster survivors, the recovery phase will require a lot more time, effort and resources.

With this in mind, I hope that every family in Allora makes a special effort to positively contribute to the lives of children, families and communities in need and purchase a Christmas gift for friends and loved ones from the World Vision Smiles Gift Catalogue.

Each Smiles gift represents the kind of activities World Vision will undertake in communities across the world on a family's behalf. Each donation supports programs in either agriculture and environment, health, water and sanitation, education and vocational training, emergency relief, or the protecting of children and Indigenous Australia.

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World Vision has been fighting poverty for over six decades. Through sustainable development programs over 100 million people from all over the world have received life-changing assistance via the generous donations of families across Australia and we look forward to continuing the fight against poverty in 2010 and beyond.

Thank you and Merry Christmas,

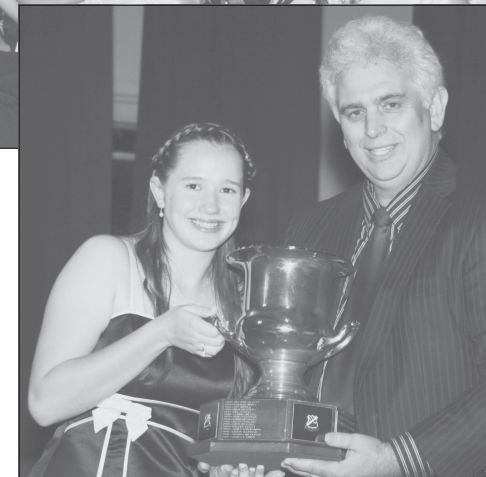
Tim Costello
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Allora State School 46th Annual Speech Night Photos -

ABOVE: Concert band conducted by Keith Waples.

RIGHT: Ken Hutchinson presenting Brooke Westerman with Dux Trophy.




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Glenn & Marg Hentschel

How often do you read in the paper or watch the news to hear of another incident of big business swallowing a little enterprise. Think of the grocery industry with the two giants Coles and Woolworths taking over from the corner store. Or Japanese company National Foods taking over Dairy Farmers Co-operative, which is owned by Australian farmers, or Queensland icon XXXX being purchased by New Zealand brewer Lion Nathan. But in fact it is small business that makes the Australian economy run. Small business owners are the ones that take the risk, often with little start up and nothing to fall back on.

But fortunately this is a tale of small business success. Acclaimed business commentator Peter F Drucker once said "Whenever you see a successful business, someone once made a courageous decision." and this is certainly true of Glenn and Marg Hentschel. Without fanfare or strategy they saw a wrong and worked to right it. This is the tale of Glenmar Fuels, who with the support of Allora Clifton and surrounding districts took on big business and won.

It is very difficult to talk about Glenn Ross Hentschel and Margaret Hope Davis separately, as it seems they have never really been apart. Glenn grew up on a small dairy farm in Mt Marshall just outside Allora with his parents Eric and Leila and brothers Trevor, Russell and Kerry. Marg grew up on the adjoining farm where she lived with parents Dick and Avis and sister Liz. Both had traditional happy childhoods, both attended Mt Marshall primary school in the same class and later school in Allora and both knew, on some level , that the other would play a special part in their future.

At the age of 11 Marg wrote on her ruler " Margaret Davis loves Glenn Hentschel". It took Glenn six more years to work this out but he eventually did and mustered up the courage to ask Marg on a date at the age of 17.

Glenn had always had a passion for machinery and he and his brothers would spend hours pulling cars apart simply to put them back together again. With his knowledge and love of machinery it is not surprising that Glenn eventually went to work for the Main Roads. He was posted west to Mungindi and then on to St George. Most weekends he would make the 435 km trip back to Allora to see Marg. Some time into his posting Marg came to visit and Glenn decided to come back to Allora with her.

Upon his return Glenn did two things which would have a significant impact on his future. Firstly, he asked Marg to marry him and secondly, he took his initial step into the fuel sector when he accepted a job at L.A. May & Co driving fuel tankers to supply the local farmers. He was 20 years old.

In 1978 Glenn and Marg married and set up their family home in George Street in Allora. Their marriage coincided with the demise of the Allora & District Co-operative Society where Marg worked in the accounts department.

Marg then became a full-time homemaker and their first child Gretta was born in 1979 followed by Ross in 1981 and Tim in 1985.

Glenn learned a great deal from his boss Lewis May about the importance of good service and honesty in business. In 1985 L.A. May & Co sold the fuel sector of their business to a Toowoomba based firm. Knowing that the level of service would drop, Glenn rejected an offer of employment with the new company and accepted an offer from a Warwick based fuel distributor.

Across Australia independent fuel businesses were being absorbed as the amalgamation of fuel distributors powered ahead. The major market players were now reduced to BP, Caltex, Shell and Mobil and Glenn could see that the fuel distribution sector was no longer about service it had simply become a streamlined, profit focused industry. That said, it was not until 1993 that Glenn decided to go it alone and Glenmar Fuels was born.

Glenn recognized that with the big players service was no longer paramount. This, coupled with the uncertainty of the market, prompted Marg and Glenn's decision to purchase a truck and become an independent fuel carrier.

The Allora ~ Story ~

Best advice ever received?

Marg: "Do Unto Others" (Avis Davis)
Glenn: "Believe in Yourself" (Marg Hentschel)

WORST ADVICE EVER RECEIVED?

Glenn: Someone said we were two bob independents and would never last in the industry and should stop trying.

Greatest Achievement?

Marg: Getting a written apology from Telstra. It is laminated and hanging on my office wall
Glenn: Taking on a major oil company and winning

Biggest Regret?

Marg: Not having more children
Glenn: I don't think I have any big regrets but certainly wish I had spent more time with my kids when they were little.

What has been the biggest change you have seen in your time in Allora?

Glenn: The Subdivision of good farming land
Marg: Not knowing everyone when you walk down the street

What do you see the Government needs to do for small towns like Allora?

Listen to the people and encourage more business opportunities to increase employment especially for young people.

If you could invite five people to dinner who would they be?

Glenn:
• John Laws • Barack Obama • John Howard
• Jennifer Hawkins • Gran Hentschel (Gladys)
Marg:
• Avis Davis (Mum) • Dick Davis (Dad) • John Travolta
• Oprah Winfrey • Lawrence Springborg

"I had been working in the same industry under different company banners for years. I approached my boss and told him of our decision and said we can either work together or go in competition and I didn't really want to do that" Glenn said. His boss agreed and Glenmar Fuels became responsible for th BP Fuel run out of Warwick. It was all done over a handshake which is unthinkable today. We agreed to a cartage rate and I agreed to only supply the Allora and Clifton region. Our invoices were printed with the BP logo and our fuel was supplied solely by BP. "It worked well, and Marg and I had a business of our own" he said.

By 1998 business was profitable enough to warrant the purchase of a semi-tanker. Justin Barton a very capable young man was employed to drive the second truck. Due to demand Glenmar Fuels started to buy their own fuel and run their own accounts. The company leased a depot in Clifton to enable them to store fuel to streamline their operation.

Increasingly the couple noticed a deficiency in market supply of fuel. Customers were held over a barrel in terms of price and availability and Marg and Glenn recognized that with the purchase of a tanker they could control the efficiency of distribution to their customers, once again relying on the premise that customers

deserved the very best of service.

But if they thought that the amalgamations were over they were mistaken. Overnight it seemed that oil companies were less in favour of independent distributors. By controlling every element of the supply chain, from production, to storage to distribution, they could increase profit margins and not surprisingly a handshake agreement between two businessmen some years before did not stand in their way.

In August 2002 Glenn was called into a meeting in which he was advised his relationship with the company was terminated effective immediately.

"I came home and broke the bad news to Marg. We had just upgraded to a Bdouble tanker for \$300000.00 and as of that day we had lost our depot, our supplier and our cartage work. I don't think it's an understatement to say that I was devastated," Glenn said.

But Marg had far more faith in her husband and encouraged him to continue in the industry.

"We were faced with a choice. Selling everything, for whatever we could get for it and work for someone else of take the oil companies on. I said to Glenn, believe in yourself and believe in what we've created" Marg said. "It seems ridiculous now. We had two trucks and 300 local customers and we decided to take on the biggest fuel companies in Australia," she said.

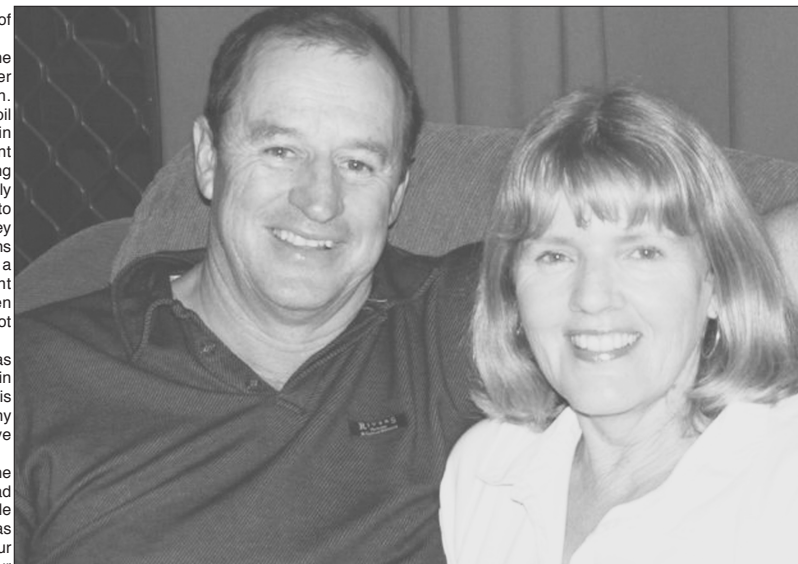
That night Marg and Glenn drafted a letter to their customers they had been delivering fuel to for over 20 years. The letter outlined what had happened and asked for their support.

And the phone calls of support started coming in. Glenmar Fuels received endorsement from every single customer on their books. Today those same customers remain loyal to the company.

A slander campaign commenced saying that Glenmar Fuels product was substandard and that the company could not possibly run accounts and survive for more than six months. But the oil giants had underestimated a community's loyalty and had forgotten the basic rules of business...that service and honesty will keep a customer coming back.

"Glenn had been delivering fuel to the same customers since 1977. We knew so much about their lives just like they knew about us, but we still had doubts about what would happen once we posted out our letter. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to our customers for sticking by us. If they hadn't we certainly would have gone under" Marg said.

"When you invite someone onto your property you have to trust them. Over the years Glenn has put horses back into paddocks,



Glenn & Margaret Hentschel.

fixed electric fences, delivered a few calves. There are many funny tales to tell and you would be very surprised what people tell the fuel bloke. Our customers give some very detailed directions to their fuel tank.

Open the front gate , watch that the cattle don't get out, turn left at the chook house and right at the stables and watch that blue dog. Leave the invoice in the vice inside the shed. You can imagine that sort of instruction to someone sitting behind a desk in a call centre in Singapore which some of the large oil companies expect their clients to do" she said.

Glenmar Fuels were no longer bound to a defined area. They obtained access to all the Brisbane Terminals , which made them more price competitive and enabled efficiency of supply and of course, with the support of their customers gave them all the confidence they needed to expand.

Today Glenmar Fuels supplies more than 2000 customers across Southern Queensland and Northern New South Wales. A company that started with a \$16000 body truck now has 7 trucks worth \$2.7 million.

Glenmar Fuels has been built on the back of honesty, service, integrity and trust. These are not corporate buzz words and if you have any doubt just ask Justin Barton, Eric Standing Greg Riethmuller Brad Eyre Nicholas Cooper and Jamie saal. These men have worked with Glenn and Marg , some for years and they too can confirm the couples care for their clients is genuine. "These men are the backbone of our company, they are not just employees they are mates" Glenn said.

But the story does not stop here because somewhere along this tireless journey to survive and succeed Glenn and Marg raised a family. For those of you that have had the good fortune to meet their three children or even better to be welcomed into this close knit Hentschel group, you can see that Glenmar Fuels is only fraction of what makes this couple unique. Despite obstacles, despite no doubt hard work and long hours, Marg and Glenn have raised a family that choose to spend time together. "We have grown up with our children and they are not only our kids they are our dearest friends" Marg said. "And now we have two of the greatest little grandchildren to enjoy as well"

Yes this is very definitely a tale of the little guy beating big business. It is a credit to a community that provided support so that a family could survive, it is a credit to a couple who had enough faith in each other to give it a go and a family that have played and stayed together. Remember..."Whenever you see a successful business, someone has made a courageous decision".

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