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naugural Book Sale For Mental Illness

Generous donations of a wide variety of valuable volumes, especially from

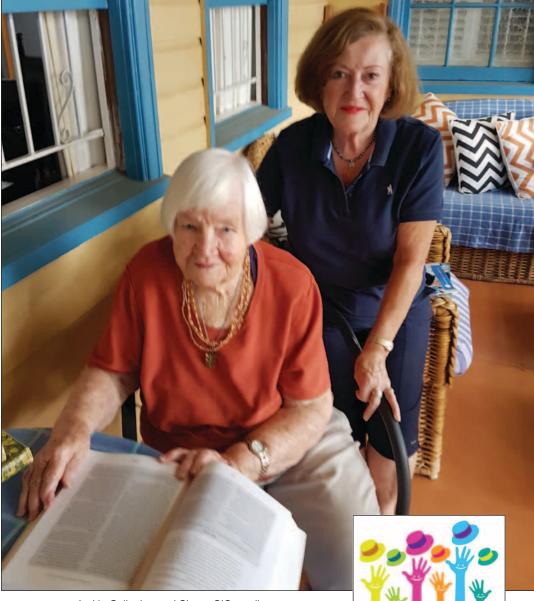
Jackie Gallagher, has made it possible for Rotary to hold a book sale this Saturday, 18th November, starting at 9.00am on the verandah at Shann O'Connell's place near the newsagent.

Every dollar raised through the sale of books will be forwarded to Australian Rotary Health and will directly assist those who are affected by mental illness. Please come along and support this event and help make our inaugural event a success.

Lift the Lid on Mental Illness is Australian Rotary Health's National annual fundraising day for mental health research. The campaign, founded by ARH Vice-Chairman Greg Ross, started in 2016 in partnership with Rotary Clubs of Victoria. The event was such a success that it has now been extended to all Rotary Clubs across Australia.

Each year approximately 1-in-5 Australians will experience a mental illness and in order to help future generations of young Australians, we need to look ahead through research and find out how we can prevent this type of illness occurring.

Andrew Westerman



Jackie Gallagher and Shann O'Connell.







Hospice Carols to kick off Toowoomba's Festive Season!

The Toowoomba Hospice will start the Festive Season for the Toowoomba Region on Sunday 26th November at the Hospice in O'Quinn Street.

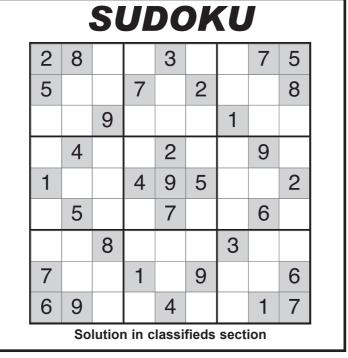
Toowoomba Hospice Chairman Graham Barron OAM said the Hospice is celebrating the Festive Season with their annual carols.

Mr. Barron said to celebrate this special occasion "We are having Christmas Carols at the Hospice from 5pm till 7pm, Toowoomba Municipal Band will be playing, High Altitude Harmony will lead the singing, there will be food and drinks on sale as well, so bring the family, a blanket or chair and kick off the Festive Season with us here at the Toowoomba Hospice".

Mr. Barron wanted to reassure all those who attend on Sunday that the 'Big Fella' in the red suit will be coming in from the North Pole for a guick visit. "I have had our administration and fundraising manager Mark Munro on the phone to the North Pole coordinating a special visit from Santa and I am pleased to say he is on his way and will arrive about 6pm!!"

"We are excited to be able to celebrate our 15th Christmas and we want to thank the Community as a whole from the bottom of our hearts for supporting the Toowoomba Hospice, so we can provide professional and quality palliative care for those with a terminal illness especially at this time of the year."

The Toowoomba Hospice has been providing Palliative Care Services to the Lockyer Valley, Toowoomba and Darling Downs Communities since July 1st, 2003 and is located at 57B O'Quinn Street Harristown. For more information on The Hospice please call 07 4659 8500.





WEATHER FORECAST

Day	Forecast	Min/Max	
THU	Breaks of Sun Late. Warm.	12	29
FRI	Showers. Mostly Cloudy. Mild	13	25
SAT	Showers Late. Mostly Cloudy. Mild.	14	24
SUN	Rain Late. Mostly Cloudy. Mild.	13	23
MON	Showers Late. Afternoon Clouds. Cool	. 13	22
TUE	Mostly Sunny. Mild.	13	24

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L to R: Administration & Fundraising Manager Mark Munro and Chairman Graham Barron give the Thumbs up to Forbes Batteries who helped Santa arrive at the Hospice Carols in previous years.... If you are wondering how he will arrive this year you will need to be there on Sunday 26th November from 5pm until 7pm.

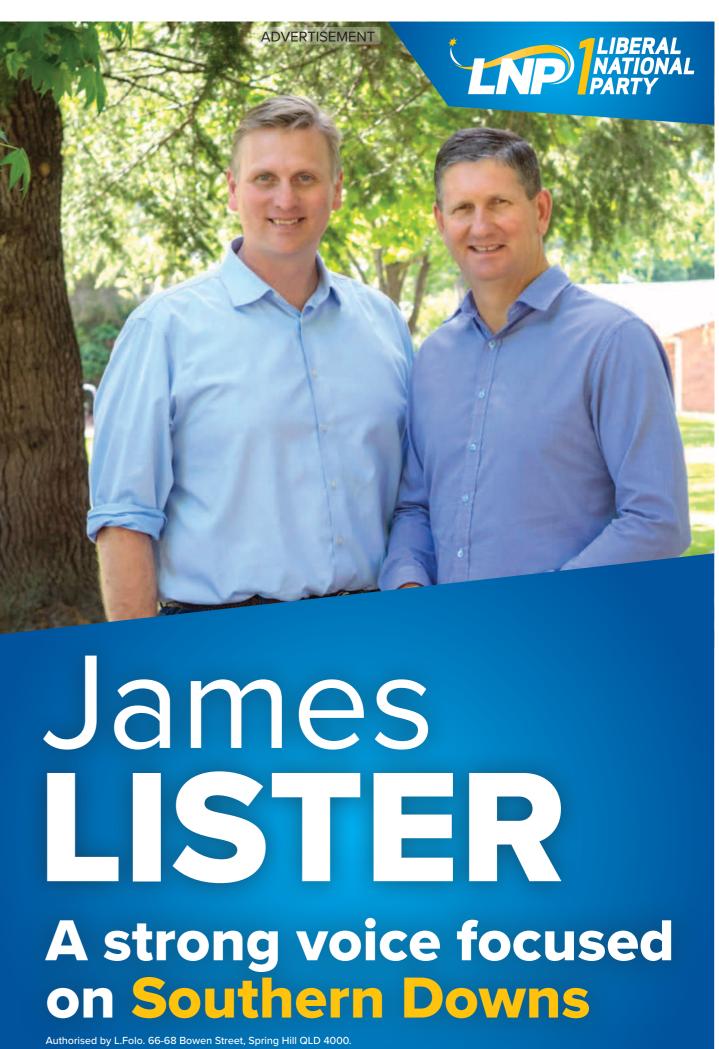
Letters to the Editor...

Dear Editor.

I wish to inform readers of the progress of my injuries from being hit by a reversing car out of a driveway whilst I was delivering the mail on my Postie Bike about five weeks ago. I received four broken ribs two of which were torn from the rib cage and are "floating". They can take up to five months to repair. Also a lot of cuts and abrasions and my lower teeth were damaged to the extent they had to be pulled out and replaced with a plate. Please be careful when reversing out of driveways. Stop at the boundary, LOOK then proceed.

Thanks to all who have helped and wished Sharon & I well.

Roger Nielsen, Allora.



Letters to the Editor must have name and address for authentication, but upon request there will be consideration to withhold names. Publishing or editing of letters is at the editor's discretion.

ABC Accelerates Regional Jobs and Services Under Connecting Communities Plan

The ABC will fast-track the recruitment of up to 40 regional reporters, producers and presenters under its Connecting Communities initiative first announced in March 2017.

The initiative, originally planned for completion by July 2018, will create up to 80 new content roles as part of a \$15.4 million annual funding boost to strengthen the ABC's coverage and services in rural and regional Australia.

Approximately \$4 million is also being invested by the ABC in new tools and equipment for regional teams across the country to enhance video and digital reporting for

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago November 1992

Local Cricket Wins

Allora had a big win over Nobby in the Back Plains and District cricket fixtures on the weekend. Batting first Nobby was all out for 149, with Doug Rickert taking two for 26 off 10 overs and Mark Eelkena three for 14 off 6 overs of spin. John Meddleton top scored for Allora with 140, his first club century. He was well supported by Ashley Ruhle who hit five sixes in his

score of 93. and Mark Haig who scored an unbeaten 59. Allora finished with seven for 361.

Victoria Hill kept up their winning record with an 85 run win over Clifton. Neil Chandler top scored with an unbeaten 72 in a score of 251. Matthew May scored 61 and his father Lindsay, a solid 41. Best bowlers for Victoria Hill were Lindsay May with three for 45 off 10 overs and David Reisenleiter, three for 1 off two overs.

Allora's Past 75 years ago November 1942

Allora Casualties

At the recent meeting of the Welfare Committee news had been received that Privates Ron Mogg and Arthur Roberton had paid the supreme sacrifice. Both of these boys had enlisted from Allora and had been farewelled by the residents of the district at a function arranged by the Welfare Committee. Private Maddern is another man who enlisted from Allora and who has given his life for his country. Although his people do not live in the district at present, sympathy is offered to them in their time of sorrow. The secretary has been instructed to write letters to

local and national audiences. ABC Managing Director, Michelle Guthrie, said that accelerating the Connecting Communities initiative will result in greater local coverage for regional Australians across platforms and across the week.

"Connecting Communities will increase our regional workforce by almost 20% which allows our reporters to spend more time in the field covering local stories that may also be of state and national interest," Ms Guthrie said. "We've received feedback that Australians want to hear, read and watch more news and information about their community and be part of national conversations.

"We are developing local weekly newsletters and expanding weekend coverage from regional Australia, as well as enabling our reporters to spend time in some of the most remote parts of this country.

"Our commitment to regional Australia continues to grow. Last month, we announced a \$1 million investment in live audio streaming services to enable an additional 19 regional communities to listen to their local radio stations online and via mobile. "In September, we announced





Horse teams at the Goomburra railway station

those who have suffered bereavements and express the sympathy of the committee. The passing of Percy Carsburg who had been serving with the military and whose death was as a result of illness was referred to. The gathering stood in silence for one minute as a mark of respect.

Allora's Past 100 years ago November 1917

Goomburra Telephone Mr. P. M. Borrowdale of the Telegraphic Department, besides inspecting the Allora exchange and telephones, is installing a public telephone at Goomburra. This telephone will have all the trunk line and telegraph facilities.

Unlucky Number

As mentioned in our report of the anticonscription meeting, there were only 13 present when the chairman opened the proceedings. We are not superstitious, neither do we wish those present any harm, but 13 according to some people is very unlucky and has an evil omen. We trust it denotes the failure of the anticonscription campaign in this part of the commonwealth

Allora's Past 125 years ago November 1892

Police Inaction

Sir, Kindly give me space in your columns to call the attention of the authorities to the manner in which police perform their duties in Allora. A respected member of this town (lately married) returned to his home on Monday. On the night of that day about twenty of the young larrikins of the place assembled in front of his residence and commenced beating kerosene tins etc. raising a terrible noise which roused the whole place. During all this time the police constable was standing on the corner of the street not more than thirty vards from the spot where this outrage was taking place, taking no steps whatever to quell it until Sergeant Roe, hearing the din, came upon the scene and dispersed the perpetrators.

The sooner we have a constable who will perform his duties in an impartial manner, the better it will be for the good order of the town.

I am, sir, etc.

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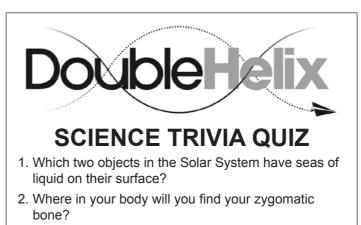
Colin Newport

ABC Weather - an initiative which explores the science behind weather events, their impact on the landscape and people.

"Today marks an important milestone for the ABC and for regional audiences - as we are continuing to expand our coverage and services in regional Australia at a time when some media outlets are scaling back," Ms Guthrie said.

Connecting Communities was announced in March as part of the ABC's Investing in Audiences strategy.

For more information on Connecting Communities visit about.abc.net.au/pressreleases/building-the-abcsservices-in-regional-andremote-australia/, or to visit the ABC Careers site, www. abc.net.au/careers/



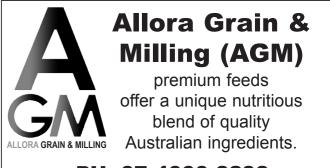
- 3. If you were photophobic, what would you find uncomfortable: a) taking selfies, b) the sound of clicking, c) bright light?
- 4. Which chemical element does the H stand for in 'pH'?
- 5. What is the speed of a gravitational wave?

Answers in Classifieds pages

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THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY - 16th November

579 - Pelagius II begins his reign as	carrying the Llangollen canal 126
Catholic Pope.	feet above the River Dee.
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1688 - French King Louis XIV declares	1832 - 1st streetcar railway in America
war on Netherlands.	starts operating in New York City
1703 - Great storm of 1703 hits Southern	with 12 cent fare.
England (NS 7 Dec) - thousands	1842 - The University of Notre Dame is
killed, Royal Navy loses 13 ships	founded.
and around 1,500 seamen.	1859 - Last weekly installment of Charles
1716 - 1st lion exhibited in America in	Dickens' "A Tale Of Two Cities"
Boston.	is published in literary periodical
1778 - British explorer Captain James	"All the Year Round".
Cook discovers Maui in the	1861 - West Virginia created as a result of
Sandwich Islands (now Hawaii).	dispute over slavery with Virginia.
1789 - 1st national Thanksgiving in	1865 - "Alice in Wonderland" by author
America.	and mathematician Lewis Carroll
1793 - Republican calendar replaces	is published in America.
Gregorian calendar in France.	1867 - Refrigerated railroad car patented
1805 - Official opening of Thomas	by JB Sutherland of Detroit.
Telford's Pontcysyllte Aqueduct,	1914 - Battleship HMS Bulwark explodes



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SCAM ALERT: Community Warned of Scammers **Operating in the Region**

There have been reports of people operating a scam in the Southern Downs region and the community is warned to be vigilant.

The scammer will take a deposit to undertake concreting or bitumen work for residents, and then are not seen again. Those involved say that they work for a company which operates out of Brisbane.

Typically scammers of this kind prey on the elderly and vulnerable, so please keep an eye on friends or family members who might be

targeted.

Council would ask residents to be aware of the scam and only with registered deal businesses that have an ABN. The police are also aware of this scam.

You can find out more information about making complaints about scams at Fair Trading:

www.qld.gov.au/law/lawsregulated-industries-andaccountability/queenslandlaws-and-regulations/fairtrading-services-programsand-resources

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at Sheerness Harbour, England,

- 1916 Greece declares war on Germany.
- 1922 English archaeologist Howard Carter opens Tutankhamun's virtually intact tomb in Egypt.
- 1932 Bradman completes 10,000 runs in first-class cricket, 126 innings.
- 1933 Camille Chautemps becomes
- 1941 Lebanon independence first proclaimed by France.
- 1942 "Casablanca" directed by Michael Curtiz and starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman premieres at Hollywood Theater, NYC (Academy Awards Best

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Events Calendar

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November -				
Sat 18	Wattles Rodeo			
	Clifton Show Grounds, Platz Oval			
Sat 18	Rotary "Lifting the Lid on Mental Illness" Book Sale			
	Herbert St., Allora			
Sun 19	Allora Swimming Club Rotary Carnival			
	Allora Swimming Pool, Allora, 8.00am - 4.00pm			
Sat 25	Goomburra Town Hall Christmas Party			
	Goomburra Town Hall, 4.00pm			
December -				
Sun 10	Combined Churches Carols			

Begins Homestead 7.00pm, finishes at Uniting Church.

Sat 16 Allora's Creekside Carols Stuart Henry Park.

<u>2018</u>

March

The Rotary Club of Allora Annual Trivia Night Allora State School Hall, 6.30pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - Clients wishing to include their events in the *Events Calendar*, must book a display (boxed) colour advertisement for the event in *The Allora Advertiser*, sized AT LEAST 2 column x 4 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. If people wish to contact The Allora Advertiser and discuss their particular needs, please feel free to do so. Ph 4666 3128.



potable water available to

Warwick, Yangan and Allora.

Due to the condition of the

existing clarifier, the first stage

of the treatment plant upgrade

is to build a new clarifier. The

existing clarifier will then be

taken offline and refurbished.

Construction of the new

clarifier is critical to ensure

Council can continue to supply

treated water to the community

in the event of a significant

breakdown of the existing

plant or major maintenance on

the existing plant. The work is

also aligned with good asset

management practice around

Construction of a reservoir,

filter and changes to the outlet

works have been scheduled in

Council's 10 year capital

Media outlets who are

interested in a photo

opportunity when the walls are

being poured are asked to

register their interest at julie.

asset renewals.

works program.

Warwick WTP Clarifier Project Well Underway

Council is pleased that the Warwick WTP Clarifier project is well underway with ongoing construction works, and is about 50% complete.

The concrete pour for the walls will be undertaken at the end of the month. At this stage, the proposed date is 23 November.

- Some key construction statistics for the project include:
- 165m3 of concrete in the clarifier walls
- 135m3 of concrete in the footing
- 45 tonnes steel reinforcement in walls
- 43 tonnes steel reinforcement in base slab The clarifier is expected to be

completed just prior to Christmas, and the contractor expects commissioning in early January, weather permitting. This is one of the larger capital

works projects undertaken by the Council, with \$2.4 million budgeted in the 2017-18 financial year. This project is the first stage to

I, with \$2.4 million in the 2017-18 ar. t is the first stage to cave@sdrc.qld.gov.au to ensure the necessary site safety arrangements can be made.

increasing the security of

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

Doctor: Face the window, would you?

The patient faces the window.

Doctor: Now stick out your tongue.

Patient: Okay, but... Why am I facing the window?

Doctor: Because I don't like the man next door.

Council Identifies Advocacy Priorities in State Elections

Council has identified a number of advocacy priorities and projects for the Southern Downs in the upcoming State Government Election.

The recent announcement of State Government Elections on 25 November 2017 provides Council with the opportunity to inform the candidates for the Southern Downs region of the priorities and projects that Council has identified as significant to the region's residents.

Some of the top priorities include:

Road Safety – Highway Taskforce

The Cunningham and New England Highways between Yamanto in Queensland and Bolivia Hill in NSW, which traverse three local government areas, are managed by the States. Council has identified that a consistent approach be adopted for the adequate delivery of services to the road user.

Upgrade and Maintenance of Rail Links

Investment in food processing, intensive agriculture, manufacturing, transport and logistics as well as employment being generated through new aged care facilities and retail development means that the Southern Downs economy requires the support of upgraded rail infrastructure. As the Inland Rail will now not play a role in the Southern Downs region, Council is keen to see the existing rail infrastructure upgraded to accommodate future growth. Council has real concerns that there is a possibility that the State Government ill lower maintenance standards and potentially discontinue the operation of State Rail Freight Routes in South Western Queensland. To do so would detrimentally impact the economic growth and employment within the region. Council is seeking a commitment from the State Government that it will maintain and continue the operation of State Rail Freight Routes in South Western Queensland.

Other priorities include:

- Continue lobbying State Government Agencies and Departments that own or manage land in the region to inform them of the Invasive Pest Control Scheme.
- Development of and investment in State government research centres that support the agricultural and agribusiness sector.
- Additional funding for rabbit and dog fencing
- Subsidized public bus services to Warwick from Brisbane
- Urban water security for Stanthorpe
- Cluster fencing around Morgan Park raceway to reduce the potential of an

Scholarships For Future Farmers

Would you benefit from additional training to boost your future? Future Farmers is offering scholarships to help you take charge of your future. Future Farmers Network (FFN), the national organisation that aims to empower, support and retain young people in Australian agriculture, is offering three (3) x \$1,000 scholarships to study a course of the applicants' choice with RuralBiz Training. RuralBiz Training offers nationally accredited, flexible online training designed especially for farmers, and has a range of agriculture related courses on offer.

Toby Locke, FFN Executive





accident involving kangaroos • Sewer solutions for Allora

- Funding for maintenance upgrades of historical buildings
- Funding for fire trail maintenance
- Streetscape plans for Warwick and Stanthorpe
- Funding for the upgrade of heavy vehicle access roads
- Warwick heavy vehicle by-pass to improve travel efficiency for heavy vehicles along the New England and Cunningham Highways.
- Hydro-generation at Connolly Dam and Storm King Dam
- All weather facility for the Warwick Show and Rodeo Society
- Funding for a campaign to attract more people to the Southern Downs to fill in

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Officer is excited to be offering more education opportunities to young agriculture professionals.

"We are thrilled to be partnering with RuralBiz Training to offer such a wonderful opportunity. Education was one of the key priorities for FFN members in the 2017 Survey and this is a great start to improving young aggies future, especially with a RuralBiz's focus on rural and remote areas," said Mr Locke.

"Online training means that students can study from home, and can arrange their excess of 700 jobs in the region over the next few years

• A clear direction on the future of the TAFE facility in Warwick

Southern Downs Mayor Tracy Dobie said that the State Elections are a good time to remind the candidates of the importance of regional areas.

"The Southern Downs remains an important hub for agriculture and transport into South-East Queensland," said Cr Dobie. "We want to make sure that our voice is heard as policy is developed by the next State Government for the next four years."

Further priorities have also been outlined and are available to view on Council's website.

times to fit around their farm schedules. RuralBiz Trainers are usually degree qualified farmers themselves who can offer very practical feedback to their students. It's a great use of technology to improve the lives of people everywhere."

Application forms can be obtained by contacting Toby at Future Farmers Network.

Future Farmers Network aim to empower, support and retain young people in Australian agriculture.

For more information or application forms, visit website: goo.gl/eEr2SB

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Allora Cricket Notes

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Round

Colts.

Rascals



LIORA Rascals put on ac. 2013 one of their best bowling

best bowling displays, dismissing the Colts for 92 runs, including 3-0 at one stage. Joe Morris took 4-24/8 and Jake Christensen somehow gathered 5-25/8. Paul took the other wicket, whilst Paul and Brad took three catches each. In response, the Rascals did not get away to a good start. From 0-10 to 3-13. To 3-25 to 5-26. Jake Christensen made 10 in his only over on the field. Whilst Paul Christensen steadied the innings and gave us all hope with a solid 29. Unfortunately, we fell short by 20 runs – really, a disappointing result considering the position we put ourselves into.

Rascal's Player of the Season points: 3 – Paul Christensen, 2 – Jake Christensen, 1 – Joe

Morris. Round 5: Rascals v Inglewood. Losing the toss again, the Rascals went out to bowl. Jon Millard, the newbie. takes a wicket in his first over Then another in his fifth - and sixth and seventh, finishing with 4-50/7. Jake Christensen took 3-42/6 and Brad Johnson took 2-14/5. Joe Morris gained the final wicket, and Tom Morris was again unlucky not to take a few wickets. Inglewood were dismissed for a total of 179, a score that got away from us in the early stages, with Inglewood lashing out with the bat to some good success. The first five wickets earnt Inglewood 168 runs, whilst the last five only gathered 11 - thankfully.... In response, the Rascals were off to a slightly better start than the weekend before, apart from Jake and Jamie

apart from Jake and Jamie n coming and going relatively n, fast. 2-10. Next wicket to go e was Brad for 11, with the score

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Allora Golf Notes

No results for last Friday Percy's Fruit Duckrun, once the rains came people headed for cover and those that

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completed their game will have to wait until next week's notes for the results.

With a group of players heading to Goombungee for their Open we played for Club Trophies the results for this event will be in next week's notes.

This Friday the Percy's Fruit sponsored Duckrun will be teeing from 2 pm, all welcome to attend, then Sunday will be our Open day. It will be a Single stroke event in all grades for Ladies and Men proudly sponsored by Denny's Engineering, City Golf Club, Eziali Excavations, Sam Eaves Golf, Darwalla Milling Co. and Rural Maintenance Guy. Also the Ken Wilson Cup will be awarded to best stableford score. This is a great award and last year's winner Bazz Brown is desperate to hold onto the trophy. Sam Eaves Golf pop-up pro shop will be there. Monster raffle with the main prize golf & accommodation for 2 at Kooralbyn Resort. Carts for hire. \$25 entry, lunch and bar snacks provided. Morning and afternoon tee times available. Over \$2500 in prizes to be won. Call Baz on 0476 418 486 or Simmo on 0448 665 999, there's only a few spots left and if you get in don't forget your sandbuckets and great golfing to you all. at 3-47. Not bad - at drinks the score was 4-60 - balanced. although the Rascals only had nine players. Tom Morris continued well into the second stanza, and was well supported in many mini partnerships by Joe Morris (7), Mick Kelk (10) and Michael Kelk (9). Accelerating in the last four over overs, took reached his half century, and after two consecutive sixes, his awesome innings ended on 77! Wow! He got us to within 33 runs of Inglewood. A little bit awesome, a lottle bit

awesome!

Rascal's Player of the Season points: 3 - Tom Morris, 2 - Jon Millard, 1 - Jake Christensen. Next weekend's game will be on Saturday at 12.30 against Maryvale. Following that is another home game, Saturday 12.30pm against the Sovereign Animals. Join us from 5pm on Saturday for the weekly Raffles at the Railway Hotel! Training starts at 4.30pm on a Thursday, come down to the oval and join in, everyone is welcome!

Brad Johnson

Kids Helpline Calls For Youth Suicide Early Intervention Revamp

National counselling service Kids Helpline (KHL) is calling on Queensland political parties to put youth suicide early intervention strategies high on their policy agendas. Suicide is the leading cause of death for children and young people aged between 12 and 25 years in Australia, with Queensland having the highest number of suicide deaths for children aged between five and 17 years.

From 2012 to 2016, Kids Helpline had more than 59,000 contacts related to suicide, with one in five of those from a child aged 14 years or younger.

Despite these alarming statistics, yourtown's Head of Strategy and Research John Dalgleish said there are limited mental health support services available to children under 12 and that more government support is urgently needed.

"Our experience at Kids Helpline and through yourtown's other services, tells us that early intervention is key to preventing youth suicide. We work hard to put services in place to support those needing help, but a lot more needs to be done as a community if we are to effectively address this issue," Mr Dalgleish said.

"We know that youth mental health outreach services are vital in overcoming the stigma of help-seeking that exists among children and young people. Despite outreach investment in recent years, further investment is urgently required to meet the levels of need in Queensland's remote and regional communities in particular. "This year, we were pleased to

see funding put aside for youth mental health services to replace the Barrett Adolescent Centre, provide two new units and refurbish day program venues in South East Queensland, but this is not nearly enough.

"These new services must only be seen as the start of a state-wide, multi-sectoral and integrated strategy to effectively address youth suicide.

"Kids Helpline's research with young people who had lived experience of suicide showed that when they do seek our support it does make a difference but we need to find new ways to support those that do not reach out for help. "This requires investment into support services designed to meet the specific needs and preferences of children and young people.

"We ask every candidate in every constituency to help make youth suicide prevention a key priority in this election and in the forthcoming government. Every young life lost to suicide is one too many."

Kids Helpline is Australia's only national 24/7 counselling service specifically for children and young people aged 5 to 25 years – free call 1800 55 1800 or www.kidshelpline. com.au.

Wattles Appoint 2018 Coaches & Committee

Local rugby league club the Wattles Warriors launched their 2018 season campaign on October 8th at the Clubs Annual General Meeting at Platz Oval, Clifton.

Well known league identity Glyn Rees was appointed the clubs 25th President to take the helm in the club's 53rd year.

Rees is a Life Member of Wattles and has been the Club Secretary from 1999 -2002 and 2012 & 2013, a former Toowoomba Rugby League Secretary and numerous other management roles to QRL level.

"It's certainly great to be back on deck" said Rees. He is looking forward to a strong year for the Warriors both on and off the field.

He also recognised the sterling efforts of the executive committee Neil Phelan, Shelly Duggan and Joanne Frizzell across the 2016/2017 seasons, and the amazing work of Wattles many volunteers.

No nominations for the vacant Secretary & Treasurer positions were received for the AGM, but those roles have now been filled.

"Experienced rugby league administrator Mandy Burns will be endorsed as Secretary at the club's coming general meeting, as will another very capable lady in Joanne Gleeson as Treasurer."

Since the club's AGM the new

season coaches have been appointed, with the new President more than pleased with the quality of applications received and the appointments made.

Former National Rugby League player Travis Burns has returned to where his senior career began.

After 202 games at NRL and British Super League level, the clever five-eighth and former captain of the famous Hull Kingston Rovers club in England, has some unfinished business when he takes on his new role as Wattles Warriors A-grade player/ coach.

The 33-year-old who has previously worn Wattles green & gold from Under 14 to A Grade has never won a premiership in senior footy and would like some silverware in his last season as a player. After sixteen years since Burns debuted in A grade for Wattles in a game against Warwick at Father Ranger Oval, the new coach will also take the field again for one more season as a player.

"I'll be a player coach, I won't be captain" said Burns, "I am well aware of how Dale Perkins & Ryan Duggan went when skippering the team this year and the respect they have earned from the team, not having that responsibility will take some pressure off me."

"Having said that though I am



Wattles player/coach for the 2018 season Travis Burns in action for the famous St Helens Club in the British Super League

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certainly thrilled to be appointed coach of such an exciting group of young players."

Burns will play five-eighth in A grade outside of a player he describes as the best half in the TRL, Wattles' 2017 Queensland Rangers representative Matt Duggan.

"I play better with a half who controls the game like Matt," Burns said.

When asked about premiership chances Burns replied, "teams needed a lot to go their way, including minimal injuries, to win premierships, but I will guarantee we will be very competitive."

The only premiership gong the gifted five-eighth has atop his mantel piece is from the Warwick & District Junior Rugby League Grand Final in 1997 as a member of the winning Inglewood/Millmerran Under 13 side. Alas a senior grade premiership is still on the horizon.

Club President Glyn Rees said with all coaches appointed "there is a positive air about the club for the 2018 Toowoomba Rugby League season."

"Travis is certainly enthusiastic about his new role and the coming season, and the fact virtually all of the 2017 A Grade player roster that stormed into the finals series has been retained.

He has certainly created some interest in the area, with his pedigree of 127 NRL games for Manly, North Queensland and Penrith before playing 75 British Super League games with Hull Kingston Rovers, St Helens and Leigh Centurions, everyone wants to see him with the ball in his hands."

This year's A-grade coach Gary Lawrence did not seek re-appointment.



Glyn Rees - Wattles Rugby League Club President for the 2018 Season

Garth Lonergan and Michael Crank will continue as joint player coaches in reserve grade, and Shaun Henry is the new Wattles under-18 coach. "Garth & Michael have done an exceptional job this year, a

year that was a significant learning curve for the young player coaches, with Garth also added to the committee as a Club Vice-President.

Shaun Henry is an experienced Wattles Junior Rugby League Club premiership-winning coach who had also been at the helm of Warwick and District Junior Rugby League representative teams.

"He has held management roles in divisional representative teams and had previously coached Wattles at under-18 level," said Rees.

Wattles are looking to host some significant events in 2018, including a 100-year anniversary celebration of the birth of rugby league in Allora, the 50th anniversary of the Wattles club and the 50th anniversary of the Wattles Under 16 Toowoomba Rugby League premiership win.

The first major event on Wattles calendar is the annual Wattles Rodeo, this year hosted at Platz Oval, Clifton on Saturday November 18th.

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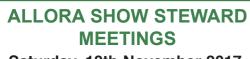
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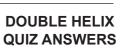
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Clifton Clock Challenge



The good news first - after 12 ends the scores were Clifton 79 v Allora 74. Wow did that boost our morale. We were going to take that damn clock back to Allora for all to see. Alas, after a short interval, when we were offered Mexican chilli dips and partook of liquid refreshments, most of Allora's six teams fell in a heap. The final results for the day were Clifton 180 v Allora 129. The only team from Allora, the



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"A" team, to win both 12 end segments were Peter Morton. Bec Bolzan and John Cochrane. And didn't they rub it in - all the way home. They made us feel inferior and envious of their extraordinary skills!!! As the winning Allora team the trio were presented with portable B.B.Qs by Keith Weier, president of Clifton Club. Lucky John Cochrane also won a meat trav in the Congratulations to raffle Aaron Ritchie who won a fruit tray.

Despite our loss, we had a great day of bowls against the Clifton teams. Clifton Bowls Club members were cordial hosts. We enjoyed snacks and finished the day with a B.B.Q. On the way home in the Railway Hotel courtesy bus, we plotted our revenge. The next challenge will be at night (and without lighting suggested Dennis). Allora night bowlers may have the advantage - we can only



hope.

Apart from the "A" team members, Allora players were Greg and Lynn Patterson, Lyn & John Wright, Aaron, Jaqui & Sam Ritchie, Doug Evans, Gade Gartner, Peter Mole, Nick P, Roy Boy, Dan Hughes, Ken Wilson and Dennis Allen. Thank you to Ken for taking the driving responsibility and to Robyn Miles of the Railway Hotel for the use of the courtesy bus.