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Carols In The Country A Hit!



The Hoey Family from Allora enjoying the concert while waiting for Santa Claus to arrive. *More photos inside page 4 & 5*



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Motorists travelling along Forde Street in Allora may have noticed that there are changed traffic conditions.

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Letters to the Editor...

Dear Editor,

I am disgusted at news that a group associated with the invasion and sabotage of the Carey Brothers Abattoir in Yangan this year have been granted \$35,000 by the Palaszczuk government.

That invasion, at which lambs were stolen, resulted in significant costs and trauma to the staff and family owners of the business, and it also resulted in injuries to staff who were overcome by fumes from ammonia used to sabotage the workplace.

The Palaszczuk government has used every trick in the book to keep the laws soft on these protesters, and now they hand them 35 grand of our money. Who are they trying to impress? The Premier needs to explain why her government is giving taxpayer money to vegan extremists. Groups associated with the disgraceful invasions of our farms and abattoirs are in no way fit and proper recipients of government grants.

James Lister MP,
Member for Southern Downs

To the Editor,

I am a medical student from the University of NSW, Sydney. I have had the great privilege of attending placement at the Allora Medical Practice for two weeks each year over the past four years. My final day of placement is this Friday December 20.

I would like to thank Sharon and all the staff at the practice for their generosity in having me. The doctors and nurses were excellent teachers and gave me their time and patience to help me learn. I'd like to extend this gratitude to Kaye and Peter Fiechtner, who generously hosted me in their home each year. Lastly, I'd like to thank the community of Allora. I've grown very fond of this genuine and welcoming community over the last four years, and will miss coming back to Allora.

Best wishes to the practice and to the community of Allora! Kind regards,

David Tighe, Coonabarabran NSW

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Water Restrictions Drop to 80L a Day

The Southern Downs region will move to Emergency Level Water Restrictions as of 19 December 2019.

Emergency Level Water Restrictions will reduce

water usage to 80 litres per person per day.

The new restrictions will apply to all residents including rural residents who purchase water from Southern Downs Regional

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Southern Downs Regional Council will continue to work with local businesses, sporting clubs and community groups to help them reduce their water consumption and conserve water.

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- 7L dishwashing (Only use the dishwasher every second day)
- 3L cooking (Do not run the tap while washing vegetables, etc)
- 3L drinking (Water, tea, & coffee – saving water is important but staying hydrated is paramount)
- 2L teeth, hands and face washing (Turn off the tap while shaving/soaping up and brushing teeth)
- 2L house cleaning (Use waterless products where possible)
- 1L pets (Small to medium pets)

History Repeating Itself



Storm damage to Allora Showgrounds.

In last week's *Allora Advertiser* Colin Newport supplied in his "Looking Back..." column details of a Thunderstorm that occurred on a Wednesday 100 years ago.

At that time widespread damage was caused by the high winds.

Moving forward 100 years and last Wednesday

the winds played havoc in Allora, ripping off sheets of iron from sheds and stands at the Allora Showground.

The Insurance Assessor has inspected the damage and Mark Pillar, President of the Allora Show Society has stressed that all work and repairs must be finished by late January.

WEATHER FORECAST		
Day	Forecast	Min/Max
WED	Morning Clouds. Warm. Dry.	13 30
THU	Morning Clouds. Hot. Dry.	12 35
FRI	Sunny. Very Hot. Dry.	16 39
SAT	Sunny. Very Hot. Dry.	18 42
SUN	Sunny. Very Hot. Dry.	20 41
MON	Sunny. Very Hot.	18 37

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The Cowley Family - always a favourite with the crowd.



LEFT: Don Burge sings a popular carol



Dalrymple Band with John Cowley & Gretta Barton.

A bumper crowd turned out for Carols in the Country last Saturday night in Stuart Henry Park.

Gretta Barton, the main organiser was extremely pleased as the weather was perfect and the feedback was positive.

"It was great to see

generations of family gather to enjoy the traditional carols sung by the wonderful performers," she said.

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2019

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James LISTER MP
Member for Southern Downs

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Solution in classifieds section

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

A city slicker arrives at an outback pub and orders a meal.

“Only got corned beef, mate” said the cook “That’ll do” - so he took a seat and when the meal arrived found it consisted of a slab of ancient corned beef and very little else.

“Could I have some tomato sauce to put on it?”

And the Cook yelled out to the publican “Hey Boss, the bloke out here thinks it’s Christmas!”

Events Calendar

2020

January -	
Wed 8	Allora Photography Group AGM Warwick Art Gallery
February -	
Fri 7 & Sat 8	Allora Photography Display Allora Showgrounds
Fri 7 & Sat 8	142nd Annual Allora Show Allora Showgrounds
June -	
Sun 14	Allora Community Auction & Markets Allora Showgrounds

TODAY'S QUOTE

“Life is not about waiting for the storm to pass but learning to dance in the rain.”

DoubleHelix

SCIENCE TRIVIA QUIZ

- Where in the human body can the auricle be found? Is it a) on your head, b) in your lungs, c) in your hands or d) inside your bones?
- Which class of animals do frogs belong to? Are they a) reptiles, b) fish, c) amphibians or d) mammals?
- What do you have to freeze to make dry ice?
- Arachnophobia is the fear of what?
- Which planet is closest to the Sun?

Answers in Classifieds pages

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Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago
December 1994

Swimming Pool Access

The Principal of the Allora State School wrote a letter to the Warwick Shire Council seeking details of the conditions under which the Allora swimming pool would be made available for school swimming carnivals. He suggested that all competitors, officials and spectators should be admitted free, and the pool lessee have sole right to food and drink sales. Cr. Mavis Cooper, chairman of the General Amenities Committee, said that if the school wanted to hire the pool, they should pay a set fee. The committee agreed that the matter be referred back to the lessee, while acknowledging his right under the lease to charge \$5 per hour hire.

Allora's Past 75 years ago
December 1944

ROLL of HONOUR

W/O William E. Gilmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Gilmore, Allora, missing from air operations over New Guinea. (*The Courier-Mail* 16/12/1944)

Allora's Past 100 years ago
December 1919

Allora v. Victoria Hill

This match was played at Victoria Hill on Saturday last and resulted in a win for Allora by 31 runs. Allora

scored 99, R. Bensted playing a good innings for 34. Bowling for Victoria Hill, Sedgwick secured 3 for 27 and Robin 4 for 36. Victoria Hill scored 68. F. M. Sedgwick played a sterling innings for 37, saving his side from a total collapse. Bowling for Allora, Sam Deller secured the fine average of 5 wickets for 11 runs.

Allora's Past 125 years ago
December 1894

Obituary

We deeply regret to announce the very sudden death, at the ripe age of 71, of Mr. Ewen McMillan, of Hillside, Allora. On Friday the deceased was engaged with two of his sons stacking barley. Shortly before 12 o'clock he complained of a pain in his side, and said he would go home and get some tea. He walked up to the house, and seating himself in a chair, died almost immediately. Dr. Pain was hurriedly sent for, but on arrival he at once pronounced life to be extinct. The deceased was one of the oldest residents of the district. He was a Scotsman by birth, came to the colony in 1854, and has resided on the farm at Allora since 1862. He was one of the elders of the local Presbyterian Church, and was highly respected by all who knew him. The deceased leaves a large family of grown-up sons and daughters to mourn his loss.

Colin Newport

Allora Photography Club

Members of the Allora Photography Club, accompanied by their partners, enjoyed the hospitality of the Allora Railway Hotel for their annual Christmas breakup. The evening was enhanced by the festive Christmas display (including the wild storm which 'threatened' our hot meal) and the projection of notable photos taken during the year.

President Chris Johnson thanked all members for their attendance and interest during the year and the assistance of the Executive. Trevor Martin was announced as the overall winner of the 'Monthly Topics' photo presentations. The interesting list of topics for 2020 is out now. During the holidays members will be working on their annual display ('Hot & Dry' the appropriate subject just now) of photos for the 142nd Allora Annual Show on 7/8 February 2020.

There are fresh plans ahead for the club in 2020. The AGM will be held at 7pm at the Warwick Art Gallery 8th January, as will the meetings for the 8th of April and July – school holidays. Other



Members of the Allora Photography Club.

monthly meetings will be held at the Allora State School, on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Prize winning, professional photographer and very supportive club member Karen Johnson is offering a most informative series of monthly workshops and excursions next year. Members will need to bring their camera gear each meeting as the lessons

will all be 'hands on'. At least three club excursions will be spaced during the year, for the subjects of 'long exposure', 'panning' and 'silhouette'.

Prospective new members will be welcome to attend for one 'complimentary' meeting / lesson. Karen has made the proviso that unless there are sufficient monthly attendees to compliment her

compositing work, the lessons will be in jeopardy.

The Allora Photography Club looks forward to an enjoyable year of companionship and learning. The current 23 members will welcome and assist those 'shutterbugs' who have the photography 'gear' but have difficulty using it.

Stuart Campbell.

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2. (c) Frogs belong to the class Amphibia, making them amphibians.
3. Dry ice is the frozen form of carbon dioxide (CO₂).
4. Arachnophobia is the fear of spiders and other arachnids.
5. The closest planet to the Sun is Mercury.

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Please note the office will be **CLOSED** from Thursday
19th December, REOPENING on Monday 6th January 2020

The Team at The Allora Advertiser wishes all readers and
 friends a Merry Christmas and safe, happy New Year.

Does A Red Light Mean Stop?

We hear around town that a meeting was held in Allora last week on the night of the storm.

One attendee was driving on the back road to Allora and could notice a long string of traffic stopped at a Railway Crossing.

As he got closer he noticed that the lights were RED and drivers were doing the right thing by stopping.

However no trains ever travel on this track so the storm must have triggered a switch.

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