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# n Anzac Day to Remember



Anzac Day service held by Esson family in their driveway at Talgai. Seth, Xanthe and Jed Esson lighting up the dawn. (More Anzac pictures inside)



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#### Eugene Hollis-Neath 0474 777 022

# **Anzac Day Piper**

Anzac Dav was commemorated in a different but none-the-less moving way this vear.

Echoing through Allora and the outskirts were the haunting sounds of the bagpipes then the Last Post was played.

This came as a surprise to the community as they stood with their candles, wreaths and flags to remember the fallen. The town was

abuzz on Mondav discussing and praising Mark Pillar who had arranged for Rory McCabe to play the pipes while Mark himself

played the Last Post and Reville over the sound system from the Allora Showgrounds. Rory traditionally plays the pipes at the Dawn Service at Memorial Park in Allora.

## Support for Darling Downs Zoo

Maranoa MP David Littleproud visited the Darling Downs Zoo in Pilton on Tuesday to announce the Federal Government's \$94.6 million to support zoos and wildlife parks through the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Zoos and wildlife parks are facing sky-high expenses to care for animals and pay operating costs because the COVID-19 pandemic is stopping visitors," Mr Littleproud said.

WEATHER FORECAST

Day	Forecast	Min/I	<u>viax</u>
WED	Partly Cloudy. Mild.	13	24
THU	Early Fog Followed by Sun. Mild.	9	27
FRI	Mostly Sunny. Cool. Crisp.	6	17
SAT	Sunny. Cool. Crisp.	3	19
SUN	Sunny. Cool.	5	22
MON	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	8	19

circumstances. "The Darling Downs Zoo in Pilton is a major tourist drawcard and that's exactly

what this grant is designed to do - to help pay operating costs including feed, vet care and electricity- for up to six months.

In addition to this support to help with operational costs, zoos who meet the criteria will be able to apply for the Job Keeper program to assist with staffing costs.

Piper Rory McCabe

Local Daphne Whatley, along with many others, would like to thank Mark for his initiative in making this Anzac Day service very special under unusual

## Departure of SDRC Chief Executive Officer

Southern Downs Regional Council has thanked departing CEO David Keenan for his service to the community over the last five years.

Appointed in January 2015, Mr Keenan came to the Council with a strong background in public administration, planning and economic development, having served as CEO at Councils in Victoria and New South Wales.

Mr Keenan played an instrumental role in attracting investment and employment to the region, as well as increasing the level of funding for important projects from both State and Federal Government.

He also helped guide the Council organisation community through and challenges including floods, bushfires, the crippling and ongoing drought and COVID-19 the current situation. Additionally, Mr Keenan led a major financial reform process to ensure the ongoing financial sustainability of the organisation.

Southern Downs Mayor Vic Pennisi congratulated Mr Keenan on the valuable contribution he has made to the Southern Downs region.

"On behalf of the Council and our community, I would like to thank Mr Keenan for his commitment over the last five years," Mayor Pennisi said.

Mr Keenan said "I would like to thank the staff of the organisation for the very good work that they do every day of the week, as well as their resilience in dealing



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Thank you to everyone for your understanding and cooperation, and please stay safe.

Kind Regards, Dr Alan Smith B.D.Sc

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with natural disasters. I would also like to offer my thanks to the three Mayors and sets of Councillors that I have worked with over the past five years. Finally, I would like to thank the various sporting groups that made me and my family welcome. I wish the new Mayor and Council well for the next term."

No details have been supplied on David's plans post council.



David Keenan

## **Joffre Celebrates 100 Years**

Centenarian Joffre Bell.

Prominent Clifton loca Joffre Bell, who is also well-known to members of the Allora RSL Subbranch, celebrated his 100th birthday on Monday.

Due to social distancing and ceremonies cancelled Joffre thought celebrations would be low key.

He was aware that a drive-by by a few mates would take place but wasn't prepared for the large contingent of motor vehicles that drove past his house, once, do a loop and came back again.

**Congratulations Joffre** - 100 years - well done!



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Declan, Atticus, Zara and Reuben Sullivan.



Katelyn, Thomas & William Peters at their driveway dawn service at Victoria Hill.



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Tanner Henley on Anzac morning at Reverend Tom Bower and Archdeacon Laurel Raymond at Mt Marshall.

St David's Anglican church.



The Salvo's Anzac monument at Allora Cemetrery.



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David "Spurs" Goodall.



## **Nutrien** Harcourts It's business as usual from **Peter Cooke and the team!**

Business will remain the same at the newly re-branded Nutrien Harcourts Cooke, with Nutrien Ag Solutions, a Canadian fertiliser company, taking over Landmark and recently acquired Ruralco.

Business owner Peter Cooke said everything will remain the same at the Clifton branch and customers will continue to get the local service they've come to love.

"We just need to reiterate that we've only changed branding, everything else will be the same," Mr Cooke said.

"We're not being taken over, our staffing will remain the same and ownership will remain with Peter Cooke.

"It's a fresh new approach but our core business and core business values will stay the same.

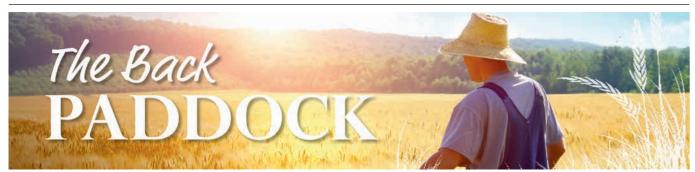
Executive Vice President and CEO of Retail at Nutrien Mike Frank said the company would be adopting a gradual roll-out, with new signage expected at the Clifton branch in the coming weeks.

"Rebranding the assets of both legacy companies to align with our brand internationally makes it clear that the new organisation we're building is much more than the sum of its parts. he said.

During the COVID 19 crisis Nutrien and Nutrien Harcourts Cooke will remain committed to servicing the region and keeping their staff and customers safe.

Peter and the team will continue to 'love what they do' under the new banne of Nutrien Harcourts when it rolls out nationally.

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## Australia calls for action on Wildlife Wet Mar

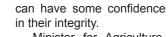


David Littleproud MF

- Australia has called on international experts to scrutinise wildlife wet markets.
- Concerns for biosecurity and health risks from Australia at G20 Agriculture Ministers virtual meeting. Need for governments
- to acknowledge the risks and take action to protect human health and agricultural industries.

At the virtual G20 meeting of Agricultural Ministers, Australia has called for international experts to scrutinise wildlife wet markets.

These markets are a source of biosecurity and human health risks and they need to be scientifically investigated so the world



Minister for Agriculture, David Littleproud, said we need to acknowledge the risks were for both human and animal health.

"We must learn from COVID-19 on how we better manage and mitigate both human and animal biosecurity risks and to ignore wildlife wet markets in that assessment would be wrong," Minister Littleproud said.

"There are risks with wildlife wet markets and they could be as big a risk to our agricultural industries as they can be to public health so we have to understand them better.

"The G20 of Agriculture Ministers have а responsibility to lead the way and draw on global experts and engage international organisations to rationally and methodically look at the many significant risks of wildlife wet markets.

"Our people should have confidence that the food they eat is safe. We owe it to our domestic population and



our international markets. Australia also pressed G20 counties to accelerate trade negotiations, not just on tariffs but technical trade barriers that were an impediment to food supply chains.

Minister Littleproud said while there wasn't a shortage of food globally, international supply chains are being further stressed by technical trade barriers that was hindering the supply efforts.





Johnson Grass is now lining our highways and roads and has become a problem for motorists. The Southern Downs Regional Council tries to keep it under control by slashing the roadsides and that's

the extent of Council's role However there are back roads that have plenty of Johnson Grass that can obstruct the motorist's view on corners. This photo was taken on the Allora Clifton Road





# **Coronavirus:** Thanks to you, we are saving lives and stopping the spread.

## But it's important we continue to keep all Australians safe.



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## Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago April 1995

#### Anzac Day

Mr. Jim Bradfield, president of the Allora Sub-Branch RSL, said that he was pleased with the attendances at the 1995 Anzac Day commemorations. Mr. Bradfield said that the dawn service and the cemeterv commemorative service both had increased attendances. There was also a larger crowd to witness the march which started at the Council offices in Herbert Street and proceeded to the Memorial Park.

Captain Anthony Clark from the Oakey Army Aviation Centre was the guest speaker at the Memorial Park service and the guard was mounted at the cenotaph by the cadets of 19RCU from Allora and Clifton

#### Allora's Past 75 years ago April 1945

#### Anzac Day

The attendance at the Anzac Day ceremonies in Allora this year was excellent. Rev. I. Hiscock was the secretary of the committee which had charge of the arrangements, and in the arranging of the evening concert he received able assistance from Mr. J. K. Murray, president of the local subbranch of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A. The first of the ceremonies was the pilgrimage to the cemetery which took place at 9.30 a.m. The simple service there was conducted by the Rev. Hiscock and wreaths were placed on the graves of fallen soldiers.

At 2 p.m. a procession moved from the Shire Hall through the main streets of the town to the Memorial Park where a large crowd was waiting. The



An Anzac Day commemoration in the Memorial Park c.1920.

procession was led by the local Salvation Army band and included members of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A., several returned soldiers of the current war, Shire councillors, representatives of lodges and other bodies, women's organizations and a large number of children.

At the monument Mr. Murray read the names of the fallen in the 1914-18 War and the present war, after which Mr. S. Tickle of the Salvation Army sounded the Last Post. Following hymns and prayers, many beautiful floral tributes were laid. The ceremony ended with the delivery of a stirring address by the Chairman of the Allora Shire Council, Cr. H. S. Warfield.

#### Allora's Past 100 years ago April 1920

Anzac Day The fifth anniversary of Anzac Day was

celebrated in Allora at the monument in Queen's Park at 3 p.m. where a large

gathering of citizens from Allora and district was present. The matter of speakers for the programme was arranged by the local sub-branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. who secured the assistance of the chairman of the Shire Council, Methodist and Presbyterian ministers, together with the Adjutant of the Salvation Army. The Church of England minister was the only one asked, who would not take part in the combined celebration.

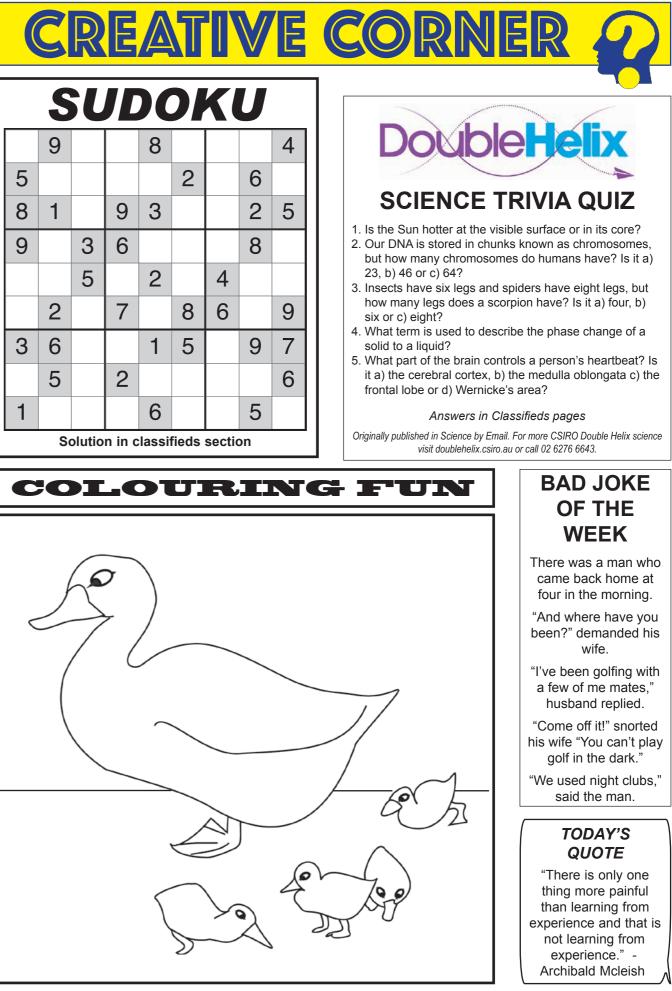
After prayers and the singing of hymns, the names on the honour roll of all men who had fallen from the district were read by the Rev. Lapthorne, followed by a minute's silence, after which the Last Post was sounded by Digger W. J. T. Neal. The last hymn "Abide with Me" was announced by Mr. Neal, followed by the Benediction pronounced by Adjutant Drury. The celebration was brought to a close by the singing of one verse of the National Anthem.

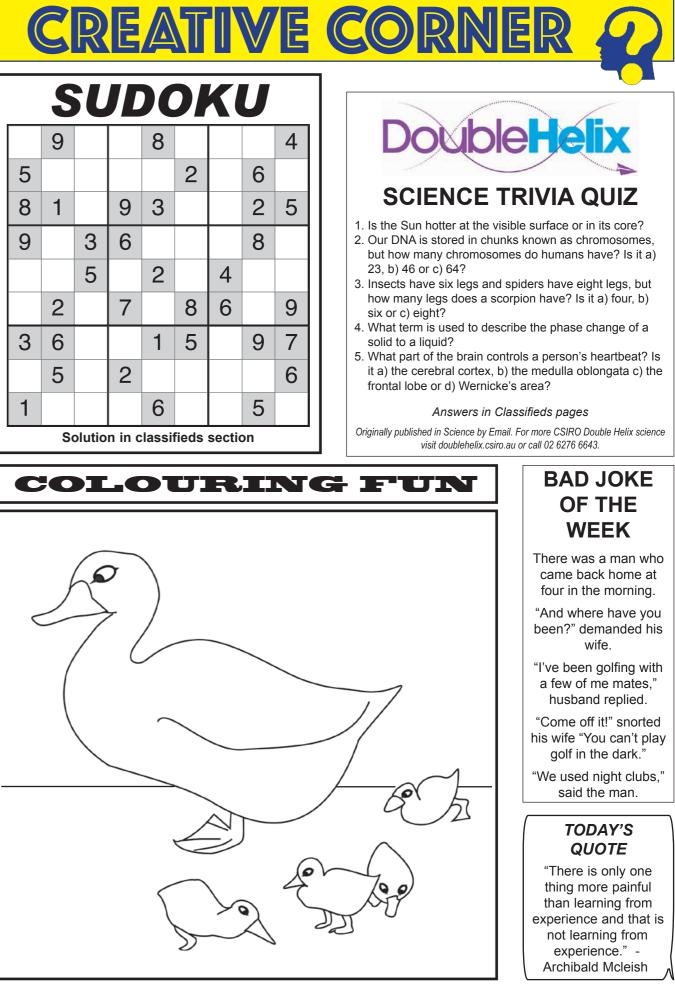
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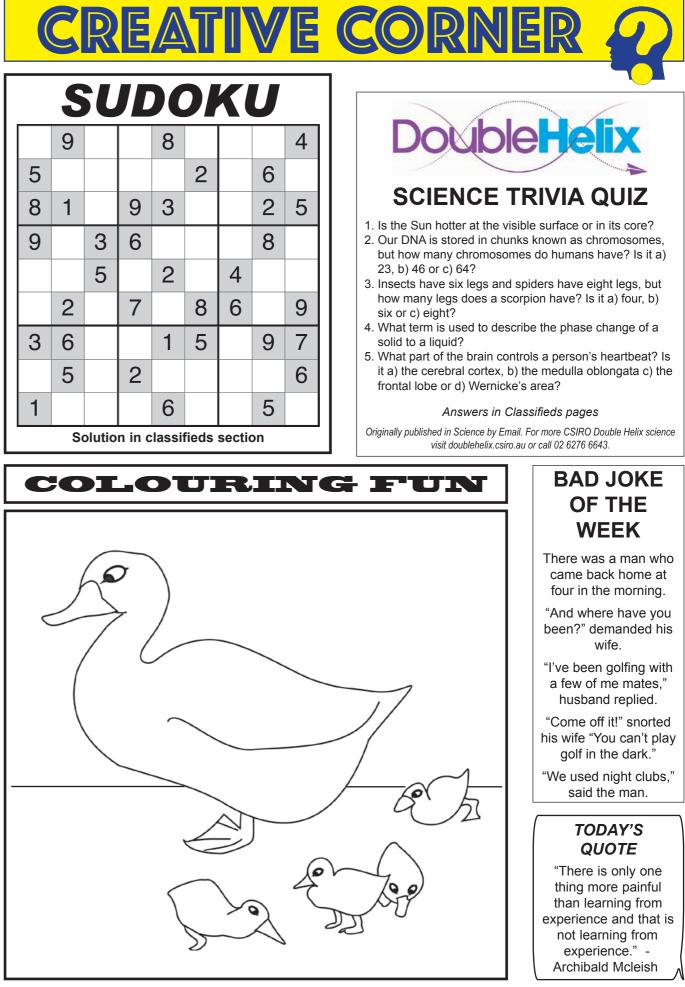
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An excellent field of 18 golfers played on Friday for the **Percy's Fruit Duck Run**. Winner with 22 points was Jon Millard who for some reason was happy to see his boys riding their bikes rather than playing golf with him. The home schooling a bit tough Jon? Runner up on 21 points was Tommy Brown on a count back from Jimmy who won a ball in the rundown. Pin shot

#### went to Tommy, approach to "Rockin" Rod and long putt to Nick (again).

Another fantastic field on Sunday for the very popular **Allora Butchery Two Person Ambrose**. It was great to welcome back a few old faces plus our great friends from Warwick, Dave and Nachcha who certainly brighten up the course and Troy from Clifton. Winners on the day were Liam and Moba on net 59.75 in a count-back from Ant and Kieran. Pin shots went to



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Liam on 1/10; Len on 3/12 (a cracker); Troy on 4/13; Aaron 7/16 and Gordy 8/17. Next Friday will be the

Percy's Fruit Duck Run and Sunday the Railway Hotel Monthly Mug. Good golfing to you all.

## Lyn & Bev Remember with a Toddy



Bev O'Halloran and Lyn Wright.

Each Anzac Day it's a tradition for the sisters to have a toddy (which is rum and milk) at the Gunfire breakfast to honour their Dad who was fond of a toddy.

However with no official

service this year they decided to walk to the cemetery to where the ashes of their Dad and Mother are in the Wall of Remembrance and toasted them both -Norm and Jean Newport.



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