



# Guyra Gazette

Wednesday April 19, 2017

## Phil calls it a day after 40 years

Phil Devlin's forty year reign as the king of the corner has come to an end. As the long term proprietor, (and more recently the hired help) at the Fourways Service Station, the well-known local has 'left the building' for the last time.

It brings to an end a long association with the business for Phil and wife Debbie. The garage was built by Debbie's grandparents Herb and Dorothy Burgess in 1965, and was then handed on to their daughter Betty and her husband Harold Steele (Debbie's parents). Phil began work there in 1977 and when Harold took ill Phil and Debbie took over.

They sold the business to Craig and Tracey Reeves in 2014, however Phil continued as an employee until last Wednesday when he pumped his last tank of fuel and said goodbye.

Phil said that while it was sad to leave, he was looking forward to moving on and sleeping in.

"The business has been good to us," he said. "Yes there were long hours, but I wouldn't change a thing."



A treat on his last day - Phil cuts his farewell cake with owner Craig Reeves

He said that he plans to 'reacquaint' himself with the game of golf and spend more time visiting his kids and grandkids who are based in Sydney and Brisbane.

Tracey and Craig said that they appreciate Phil and Deb-

bie's help since taking over.

"We wish him the best for the future, and will miss his advice which has made the transition easier," Tracey said. "While we are sad to see him go, we are also pleased that he stayed on and helped us to get

established."

Craig and Tracey are pleased to welcome Logan Beechey to the team at the Fourways and they will continue to provide the same quality service they are known for.

## Tax Planning Seminar

**Worried you might have to pay too much tax for the 2017 Financial year? We can help!**

### Topics covered:

- What is tax planning?
- Have you got available funds to spend before the EOFY?
- Working examples.
- Q&A opportunity.

**When:** Thursday, 27 April  
**Time:** 5.30pm - 6.30pm  
**Venue:** Rafters Restaurant  
 New England Highway, Guyra



**RSVP by Monday, 24 April ...**

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## ANZAC day services

Next Tuesday, April 25th, the Guyra RSL sub-Branch will hold services to commemorate ANZAC Day:

**5.45am** - Dawn Service at the Memorial Hall, followed by morning tea in the Hall

**9.00am** - Service at the MPS

**10.00am** - Form up at Four Ways for the March

**10.30am** - March down Bradley Street

**11.00am** - Main Service at the Soldier's Memorial Hall

**12.30pm** - Lunch at the Bowling Club

Members of the Combined Churches Choir will lead the hymns, accompanied at the organ by Beverley Handebo. The ANZAC Day Address will be given by Hunter Davidson.

After the official wreath-laying, anyone wishing to lay a memorial tribute is invited to do so.

There will be a 'bucket brigade' of VRA members circulating amongst the crowd to raise much needed funds for the RSL and the usual lunch for RSL members and guests will be held at the Bowling Club at 12.30pm.

The Guyra RSL sub-Branch encourages main street businesses to join in commemorating ANZAC Day by doing a window display of memorabilia.

*Martha Weiderman  
Hon. Secretary*

# Guyra Soldiers in the First World War

This year will commemorate the centenary of some of the worst battles of the First World War: Arras, Bullecourt, Messines, Polygon Wood and the muddiest, bloodiest battle of all, Passchendaele.

101 years ago the men of Guyra and district enlisted in the 33rd Battalion AIF. They trained initially at Armidale Showground, moved to Greta, near Maitland for further training and then were transported to Sydney in May 1916 where they embarked on HMAT Marathon on 4 May, 1916 to sail to England.

The 33rd Battalion became part of the 9th Brigade of the 3rd Australian Division. It left Sydney, bound for the United Kingdom in May 1916. Arriving there in early July, the battalion spent the next four months training. They crossed to France in late November, and moved into the trenches of the Western Front for the first time on 27 November, 1916 just in time for the onset of one of the worst and coldest winters experienced in that region.

The Battalion had to wait until the emphasis of British and Dominion operations switched to the Ypres Sector of Belgium in mid-1917 to take part in its first major battle; this was the battle of Messines, launched on 7 June, 1917.

The battalion held the ground captured during the battle for several days afterwards and was subjected to intense ar-

tillery bombardment. One soldier wrote that holding the line at Messines was far worse than taking it.

The battalion's next major battle was around Passchendaele. The battlefield, though, had been deluged with rain, and thick mud tugged at the advancing troops and fouled their weapons.

The battle was disastrous but the 3rd Division captured the German blockhouses on the hill of Passchendaele on 4th October, 1917 with great loss of life.

In the drive towards Passchendaele, 35 men were lost for every yard or metre of the 5 miles or 8 km advance. That is 280,000 men who died in just a few months from August to October 1917.

A full strength Battalion generally numbers 1,000. The 33rd was left with 231 soldiers.

For the next five months the 33rd alternated between periods of rest, training, labouring, and service in the line.

When the German Army launched its last great offensive in the spring of 1918, the Battalion was part of the force deployed to defend the approaches to Amiens around Villers Bretonneux.

It took part in a counter-attack at Hangard Wood on 30 March, 1918 and helped to defeat a major drive on Villers Bretonneux on 4 April.

Later in 1918, the 33rd also played a role in the Allies' own offensive. It fought at the battle

of Amiens on 8 August, 1918 during the rapid advance that followed, and in the operation that breached the Hindenburg Line at the end of September, thus sealing Germany's defeat.

The 33rd Battalion disbanded in May 1919.

There were 451 killed, 2052 wounded (including gassed)

Decorations: 2 VC, 1 CMG, 4 DSO, 1 bar, 1 MBE, 22 MC, 19 DCM, 1 bar, 76 MM, 3 bars, one 2nd bar, 10 MSM, 25 MID, 9 foreign awards.

The Battle of Passchendaele is also known as the Third Battle of Ieper.

Ieper in Belgium (or Ypres as it was known by the British Army) was at the heart of the western Front Battlefield throughout World War I.

For four long years the medieval town witnessed destruction and the loss of a generation.

Fighting for the freedom of Europe against the German War Machine, the Allied Forces suffered the heaviest losses in its history.

Tyne Cot Cemetery is the resting place of 11,954 soldiers of the Commonwealth Forces.

This is the largest number of burials contained in any Commonwealth cemetery of either the First or Second World War. It is the largest Commonwealth military cemetery in the world.

The dates of death of the soldiers buried at Tyne Cot cemetery cover a period of four years, from October 1914 to September 1918.

## What's HOT

**Perfect weather** for the Easter break - an opportunity to get lots of outdoor chores done

**ANZAC Day** services - would be good to see a good turn out next Tuesday

**Easter Eggs** and Hot Cross buns

**Back to school** next week

**Submit your Hots and Nots by phone 6779 2132 email news@gala.org.au or drop in to the GALA centre**

## What's NOT

**Using** the front of Kirk's IGA as a drop-off and pick-up station.

**Potholes** already appearing in the freshly laid road surface near Wandsworth

**Neighbours** who make life difficult for no real reason

## Weather Watch

### Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max
11	Tues	3.4	19.7
12	Wed	7.5	20.1
13	Thurs	7.9	17.9
14	Fri	6.5	18.0
15	Sat	4.1	18.6
16	Sun	6.2	18.7
17	Mon	6.0	19

### Rainfall this week

0mm 0 days

### April rainfall

18.9 5 days

### Water treatment plant

**Rainfall Registrations - to 9am Monday, April 17**

Rainfall - 0mm (496.5mm YTD)  
Top Dam 10mm above spillway  
Bott. Dam 10mm above spillway  
Daily average town consumption (target 650 kl) 822 kl  
Water Restrictions - NIL

### Rainfall year to date

516.8mm 47 days

### Rainfall last year to date

220.4mm 26 days



# Festival funds flow for community groups

The cheques are in the mail for local community organisations as a reward for helping out at the Lamb and Potato festival in January.

This year more than \$30,000 has been distributed and is spread between the groups who assisted in the food gazebo and helped out with the night watch duties.

President Steve Mephram said that the festival relies on the volunteers and they enjoy being able to pass on the rewards to those groups who put in the long hours to make the festival a success.

“The storm that hit the festival had an impact, and overall takings were slightly down,” Steve said. “However our costs were also down so the net position was the same and we were able to distribute slightly more than last year.”

Reflecting on the 2017 Festival Mr Mephram said that there were many positives to take out of this years event.

“The storm could have been a major disaster, however it brought out a great show of community spirit for which we are extremely grateful,” he said.

“People came from everywhere, they just turned up



The Guyra Golfing Ladies (and partners) helping out at this year's festival

with brooms and rakes and it was a tremendous effort which meant we were able to get going the next day with only minimal interruption.”

Plans are already underway for the 2018 Festival and the committee are looking to apply for grants to make some upgrades for next year.

“The gazebo is the centre of a lot of action and we would like to make some more upgrades there,” Steve said.

“We would also like to put down a slab for the music

tent to provide a solid foundation, making it sturdier and safer particularly after what happened this year.”

“With the AGM coming up

in May, there are a few positions that need to be filled,” he said. “New people and new ideas are always welcome.”

## Ben Lomond Public School 2017 Transition



If you have a son or daughter commencing school in 2018 come and have a friendly chat to us.

Ben Lomond Public is offering an extensive transition to school program during 2017 commencing Term 2.

To find out more details please contact us on 6733 2001

We'd love to hear from you.



**10.00am - 4.00pm Sunday, 30 April 2017**  
**Guyra Central School, 27 Marne Street, Guyra NSW**

*A day of all things yarn in the heart of the New England*



*Workshops, retail opportunities and an opportunity to share your love of knitting and crochet.*

*Catering available*

*Other informal activities will be taking place on the Saturday so if you wish to make a weekend of it, a range of accommodation options are available. Visit [www.knittersguildnsw.org.au](http://www.knittersguildnsw.org.au) for more information.*

*Further information is available by contacting Cynthia at [president@knittersguildnsw.org.au](mailto:president@knittersguildnsw.org.au) or 0418 230 498.*





# Lions Easter raffle

The Guyra Lions Club Easter raffle was drawn last Thursday. The winning ticket was drawn by Sophie Gaukroger from Kirks IGA.

1st prize went to Roy Soraghan, 2nd prize to Tracey Williams, 3rd to Lindsey Schaefer 4th prize to Nerida Saunders.

The Lions Club would like to thank Kirk's IGA for allowing them to sell their tickets and everyone who supported them.

All funds raised will be used for Lions projects within the community

## Community Noticeboard

### Meals on Wheels

- 20 April: Susan Gerard
- 21 April: Rob Forbes & Doreen Garniss
- 24 April: New England Mutual staff
- 25 April: Jeanette Jarvis
- 26 April: Noreen Williams

### Street Stalls

- 20 April - RSL sub branch
- 21 April - Hospital Auxiliary
- 27, 28 & 29 April - Guyra Rotary Club
- May 4 Westpac Rescue Helicopter

### Church Notices

#### St James Anglican

Sunday 9am Traditional Service, 10.30am Family Service; 1st Sunday of the month Backwater 2pm, 3rd Sunday of the month Ben Lomond 12.00noon

Rev Mark Evers 6779 1111

#### St Mary's Catholic

Saturday Mass 6pm in Guyra, Sunday 9am, 1st Sunday of the month Ben Lomond, 3rd Sunday Wards Mistake, otherwise Guyra

#### St Columba's Presbyterian

Sunday 9.00am Rev Andrew Campbell, Acting Session Clerk: Jim Coleman 6733 2021

#### Uniting Church

Regular Sunday Service 9.30am Enquiries Nancy Davidson 6779 1366

#### Seventh-day Adventist

Saturday from 10am Bible Study, 11am Divine Service.

Enquiries: 6779 1587

#### Northwest Church

66 Llangothlin St, Sunday meeting 10am, Wed 7pm Food Pantry - Fridays 1-3pm.

Tony Stace 0427956772.

#### Church of Freedom

10 Nincoola Street - Contact: 0421 847 973, Tuesday Prayer 6.30pm, Wed Bible Study 6.30pm Sunday Service 10am

### Service Clubs

**LIONS CLUB** dinner meetings 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm. Ph: Peter King 0412 780 951

**ROTARY CLUB** dinner meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at Rafters Restaurant, 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307

## Have your say.....

### # Cemetery 'disgusting'

Once again I am writing to bring people's attention to the state of the older portion of the Guyra Cemetery.

It is disgusting with thistles and long grass every-

where. Surely something can be done to mow this section and keep it tidy. Other towns can keep their cemeteries neat and tidy. Why not Guyra?

Perhaps Armidale Re-

gional Council could apply for a grant. I have written to them asking about this. Would other concerned citizens do likewise.

**Kath Varley**

### # Tourism funding

Surely one responsible use of some of the 300 million dollars for Regional Growth, Environment and Tourism funding would be to assist in removing the Indian Myna, statewide and in particular, locally!

These "European Carp with wings" are gradually killing off our colourful rosella, kookaburras and small iconic marsupials. The diverse birdlife up here from the lagoons to the bushlands at over 1300 metres above sea level, next to historic



Birds of the Plateau (Richard Stanley)

townships/villages is a unique experience.

Put a \$10 bounty on their head for a month or two

maybe - they need to be controlled. Funding could pay a contractor.

**Richard Stanley**

## DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

Armidale Regional Council has received Development Application No. 38-2017 for Subdivision to be undertaken in 2 Stages. Stage 1 – Subdivision of 7 Existing Lease Lots to Create 8 New Torrens Lots. Stage 2 – Subdivision of 3 Existing Lease Lots to Create 6 New Torrens Lots.

The Development, which is not designated development, is proposed at Lot 1 and 4 DP 1198787, Lot 1 DP 1196697, Lot 31 DP1043255 and Lots 9, 12 and 13 DP 802978 being, 10541 New England Highway, Armidale, also known as The Armidale Airport.

Armidale Regional Council has lodged the Application and will be the Consent Authority.

The Application and supporting documentation may be inspected at the Civic Administration Building, 135 Rusden Street Armidale between 8.30am and 5.00pm Monday to Friday from 19 April 2017 until 3 May 2017 public holidays excluded. Within this time, written submissions may be made and any objection to the proposal must state the grounds of objection.

Should you have any further enquiries in relation to the Application, please contact Ms Linda Graham, Council's Town Planner on (02) 6770 3883 or [council@armidale.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@armidale.nsw.gov.au)

Please note that under State legislation, any person making a submission on a Development Application must also disclose whether they or any "associate" have made a "reportable political donation" or gift to a local Councillor or Council employee within the period commencing two years before an submission is made and ending when that Application is determined. Further details including disclosure forms are available on request from Council.

## PUBLIC EXHIBITION

### Draft 2017-2018 Fees and Charges

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held in Armidale on Wednesday 12 April 2017 the Administrator endorsed the recommendation to place the Draft 2017-2018 Fees and Charges on Public Exhibition from Thursday 13 April 2017 for a period of 28 days.

Council must review its fees and charges for

the following year. The legislative requirements are outlined in the Local Government Act and Regulations.

Due to Armidale Dumaresq and Guyra Shire Councils amalgamation, there is a requirement for the many separate service fees and charges adopted by both former councils to be standardised. While many are statutory fees or charges and do not differ, there are a number of other fees and charges which have been revised and restructured. This allows fees and charges to be consistently applied throughout Armidale Regional Council as a whole. Any fee or charge duplicated across the two former councils have also been identified and removed.

To view the Draft 2017-2018 Fees and Charges and comparison document visit Council's engagement hub at [yoursay.armidale.nsw.gov.au](http://yoursay.armidale.nsw.gov.au) or via Council's website at [www.armidalerregional.nsw.gov.au](http://www.armidalerregional.nsw.gov.au)

Hard copies can be viewed at the Armidale Office 135 Rusden Street, Armidale or the Guyra Office at 158 Bradley Street, Guyra.

Submissions can be emailed to [council@armidale.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@armidale.nsw.gov.au) or mailed to Armidale Regional Council 'Draft 2017-2018 Fees and Charges' PO Box 75A Armidale, NSW 2350.

## COUNCILS TO COLLECT NSW GOVERNMENT FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY

On 1 July 2017, a fairer system for collecting the NSW Government levy that funds fire and emergency services across the state will come into effect.

NSW councils will now collect the Fire and Emergency Services Levy (FESL) from property owners alongside their rates, on behalf of the NSW Government.

Currently, individuals and businesses that buy property insurance contribute most of the funding for NSW Fire and Rescue, NSW Rural Fire Service and the State Emergency Service to protect the community from fire, floods and other natural disasters.

This means that NSW property owners who

insure their properties are subsidising households who don't purchase home and contents insurance.

The levy, to be paid by all property owners, is not part of Council's rates and will be clearly identified as a separate item on the rates notice.

The amount of the Fire and Emergency Service Levy for each property will be set by the NSW Government and determined by land classifications and unimproved land values.

The NSW Valuer General is responsible for determining unimproved land values, while councils identify which land classification properties fall into. If you disagree with your property's classification, you can request a review by contacting Council via email at [council@armidale.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@armidale.nsw.gov.au) or by mail to council at PO Box 75A Armidale, NSW 2350.

Armidale Regional Council property owners and businesses can rest assured that while Council will now be collecting the Fire and Emergency Services Levy, their rates remain protected.

The NSW Government's rate protection commitment means residents of the new council will pay no more for their rates than they would have under their old council for the next three years.

For more detailed information on the NSW Government's Fire and Emergency Levy, visit:

[www.fesl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.fesl.nsw.gov.au)

or call 1300 78 78 72

## EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

An Extraordinary Council Meeting will be held on the 17 May 2017 in the Armidale office Council Chamber, 135 Rusden St, Armidale, from 9am. Agenda - 2017-2018 Budget.

The public are welcome to attend.

## COUNCIL MEETING

The next - Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on the 24 May 2017 in the Guyra office Council Chamber, 158 Bradley St, Guyra, from 9am. The public are welcome to attend.

## Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates determined March 2017 - Guyra region

Section 101 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, as amended precludes a challenge to the validity of consent more than three months after the date of public notification of the consent. In accordance with Section 101 of the Act and Clause 124 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation, 2000, the following determinations are publicly notified:

Application Number	Address	Description	Date	Decision
CDC-10-2017	1262 Baldersleigh Road BALDERSLEIGH NSW 2365	Farm Shed	7/3/17	Approved
CDC-7-2017	12 Yarrawonda Street GUYRA NSW 2365	Demolish Existing and Construct New Shed	6/3/17	Approved
DA-75-2006/B	163 Baldersleigh Road GUYRA NSW 2365	Subdivision x 13	1/3/17	Approved

## Stay connected

Armidale Regional Council is on **Facebook** - the page is named 'Armidale Regional Council'.



and on **Twitter** 'ArmidaleRegional LGA' or '@ARC2350'.



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[www.armidalerregional.nsw.gov.au](http://www.armidalerregional.nsw.gov.au)

## PUBLIC NOTICE - Wednesday 19 April 2017

Authorised by the CEO Peter Dennis Armidale Regional Council  
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## Courses/Workshops GUYRA

### April & May

136 Bradley Street  
Guyra  
02 6779 2132

admin@gala.org.au  
[www.gala.org.au](http://www.gala.org.au)

#### Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA)

Unit: SITHFAB201 Provide responsible service of alcohol. The NSW liquor laws mandate Responsible Service of Alcohol training for all people working the liquor industry. Participants will receive a Statement of Attainment and a certificate from the NSW Government Trade & Investment Office of Liquor and Gaming upon completion. Delivered & assessed by ATAC RTO# 90886

**Fee:** \$150  
**Time:** 9.00am - 4.30pm  
**Date:** Tuesday 16th May

#### Responsible Conduct of Gambling (RCG)

Unit: SITHGAM201 Provide responsible gambling services. The gaming machines act (2001) Requires all staff working in venues with gaming machines to undergo the NSW Responsible Conduct of Gambling Course. Delivered & assessed by ATAC RTO# 90886

**Fee:** \$140  
**Time:** 9.00am - 4.00pm  
**Date:** Wednesday 17th May

*Get a discount !! Do both RSA & RCG for \$260*

#### Combined Food Safety Supervisors

This course, combines SITXFSA101 Use hygienic practices for food safety and SITXFSA201 Participate in safe food handling practices. Due to new laws, food outlets and other organisations must ensure that they have a nominated staff person(s) as the Food Safety Supervisor. Delivered & assessed by ATAC RTO# 90886

**Fee:** \$150  
**Time:** 9.00am - 4.30pm  
**Date:** Thursday 18th May

#### First Aid

Unit: HLTAID003 Provide first aid. Gain a sound understanding and working knowledge of first aid procedures. Work at home on the theory (with a workbook), cover the practical and do the assessment in class. Certificate is valid for three years.

**Fee:** \$160  
**Time:** 8:30am - 4:00pm  
**Date:** Sunday 30th April

#### CHEMICAL COURSE - FULL & REFRESHER

**Date:** Thursday 13th April. **Fee:** Full \$340 - Ref. \$250  
**Time:** Starts 8.30am.

#### Prepare & Serve Espresso Coffee

Unit: SITHFAB204 Prepare and serve espresso coffee. All major coffee styles including café latte, macchiato, long and short black, cappuccino and mocha are covered. Learn about different coffee beans, working with different types of milk and cleaning the equipment.

Delivered and assessed by ATAC RTO# 90886

Prerequisites: Participants must have completed the Food Handling unit SITXFSA101

**Fee:** \$120  
**Time:** 9:00am - 4:30pm  
**Date:** Friday 19th May

#### WHS Construction Induction - White Card

Unit: CPCCOHS1001A Work safely in the construction industry. Delivered and assessed by Allens Training Pty Ltd RTO# 90909. Upon successful completion of this course, you will receive a SafeWork NSW Statement of Training, which remains valid for a period of 60 days from issue. SafeWork NSW will post your General Induction card directly to you. 100 Points of ID required.

**Fee:** \$140  
**Time:** 9.00am - 4.00pm  
**Date:** Friday 2nd June

#### RMS Combined Traffic controller & Implement Traffic Controller New Entrant Training

Please contact the NECC office to discuss options regarding RMS Traffic Control Training

Delivered and assessed by ATAC RTO# 90886

**Fee:** \$320  
**Time:** 9.00am - 4.30pm  
**Date:** Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th June

#### Need-Based Selling 1 Day Workshop

Needs-Based Selling teaches a proven methodology for face-to-face selling that puts the focus on satisfying customer needs rather than on using pressure techniques to push products or services onto customers.

Needs-Based Selling is aimed at people who sell to end-users or resellers.

The workshop is conducted over one day. The workshop processes and exercises are designed for up to ten participants.

**Fee:** \$255 for Guyra & District Chamber of Commerce Members.  
\$255 for Armidale, Guyra Business Alliance Members.  
\$300 for Non Members.

**Date:** Thursday 4th May **Time:** 8.30am-4.30pm

Maximum Class Size 10 people

Needs-Based Selling Workshop is a partnership between Guyra & District Chamber of Commerce and New England Community College



## Operate an Accounting Applications ( using MYOB )

Learn how to use MYOB for your business or personal accounting. This course covers creating and editing accounts in the accounts list, processing accounts and cash sales, payments and bank deposits. You will also learn to process pays, complete bank reconciliations, and compile the quarterly BAS figures.

**Fee: \$235**

**Date 6 consecutive Thursday beginning 25th May**

**Time: 5.30pm - 8.30pm**

## Enter and Work in Confined Spaces

Unit: RIIWHS202D Enter and work in confined spaces  
This course offers training in the requirements of AS2865-2001 (Safe working in confined spaces). The course covers all aspects of safely entering, working in and exiting enclosed or partially enclosed confined spaces, and the safety equipment used in such situations. Delivered and assessed by ATAC RTO# 90886. **NOTE:** Those wishing to renew their current Confined Spaces ticket may attend Day 2 only. Participants must provide evidence of their current unexpired Confined Spaces ticket to the trainer at the commencement of the course.

**Fee: \$340 (full) \$215 (refresher)**

**Time: 9.00am - 4.00pm**

**Date: Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th May**

## Work Safely at Heights

Unit: RIIWHS204D Work safely at heights - A course for all who want to have knowledge of the requirements of safe working at heights in resources and infrastructure industries. It includes: identifying work requirements, work procedures and instructions for the task; accessing and installing equipment; performing work at heights and cleaning up the work area. Delivered and assessed by ATAC RTO# 90886

**Fee : \$210**

**Time: 9.00am - 4.30pm**

**Date: Wednesday 31st May**

## Other Course being held in May Are:

**Forklift License - Scissor Lift & Elevated Platform**

**Talk to us about dates**

## Drawing/Water Colour Workshop

Learn and be guided through the basics, of drawing and water colour techniques. Morning Tea supplied BYO Lunch

**Fee : \$70 per person**

**Time: 10am - 4pm**

**Date: Saturday 20th May**

## Tapestry, Embroidery, Crocheting, and Knitting

In this highly customisable course, you can work on any project at your own pace with our experienced tutor, who is an expert on Tapestry, Embroidery, Crocheting, and Knitting. Bring your ideas or your unfinished work

**Fee: \$7 per session**

**Time: 10.00am - 3.00pm**

**Date: Every Second Wednesday excluding School Holidays starting 26th April**

## Cheese Making Workshop

Coffs Harbour residents Siggie and Gustaf from Cheese 4 Life, will bring all the equipment and ingredients to teach you how to make soft and hard cheeses including camembert, feta, cream cheese, cheddar and Greek yoghurt. Perfect accompaniment for that glass of wine! Course notes, morning tea, lunch and a take home goodie bag will be provided.

**Fee: \$190**

**Date: Saturday 13 May**

**Time: 9.30 - 3.30pm**

## ICA10111 Certificate I in Information, Digital Media and Technology

This qualification provides the skills and knowledge for individuals to safely perform foundation digital literacy tasks using a personal computer and a range of software applications and digital devices.

### Core units

ICAICT101A Operate a personal computer

ICAICT102A Operate word-processing applications

ICAICT103A Use, communicate and search securely on the internet

ICAICT104A Use digital devices

### Elective units

BSBWHS201A Contribute to health and safety of self and others

ICAICT105A Operate spreadsheet applications

**Fee : Talk to us about a Subsidies under Smart & Skilled, you may be eligible for a subsidy and in some cases there may be a zero cost**

**Date: 8 consecutive Wednesday beginning 3rd May**

**Time: 5.30pm-8.30pm Daytime Classes also available**

## FNS30115 Certificate III in Financial Services

This qualification is designed to reflect the job role of entry level employees working across the entire financial services industry who perform duties relating to administrative, clerical and customer service roles

### 4 Core

BSBWHS201 Contribute to health and safety of self and others

BSBWOR204 Use business technology

BSBWOR203 Work effectively with others

FNSINC301 Work effectively in the financial services industry

### 9 Electives

BSBCUS301 Deliver and monitor a service to customers

BSBITU306 Design and produce business documents

BSBWRT301 Write simple documents

BSBITU304 Produce spreadsheets

BSBRKG304 Maintain business records

BSBRKG303 Retrieve information from records

FNSACC303 Perform financial calculations

FNSRTS305 Process customer accounts

FNSACM302 Prepare, match and process receipts

**Fee : Talk to us about a Subsidies under Smart & Skilled, you may be eligible for a subsidy and in some cases there may be a zero cost**

**Date: Monday 8th May**

**Time: 5.30pm-8.30pm Daytime Classes also available**

## Tech Savvy Seniors Program

Tech Savvy Sessions are \$10 per person per session. Are you over 60 and entering the information super highway late in life? Come and explore the world of personal computing in a course designed for the complete computer beginner.

Sessions include:

- Introduction to Computer
- Introduction to Basic Word processing
- Introduction to Tablets and Smart Phones
- Basic Spreadsheet.
- Using Social Media
- Using Email and the Internet
- Online Shopping and Banking.

**Fee: \$10 per session**

**Time: 10.00am - 12noon Date: Tuesday 23rd May**





# A day in the garden

On Thursday April 12, the residents of Kolora were invited to morning tea at "Kallala Gardens" the home of Norm and Hazel Charles. We had a stroll around the garden, enjoying the warmth of the sunshine while our

hosts enlightened us about the plants and shrubs growing in their colourful garden. We would like to give a special thanks to our extra helpers Judy & Peter Baxter and Debbie Heffernan.

*Lisa Church*



## Make the most of paddock feed

There is a chill in the air and as we head towards winter producers are urged to make the most of their paddock feed by supplying protein supplements for cattle.

Jason Siddell, Senior Lands Services Officer with Northern Tablelands Local Lands Services, advises cattle fed a protein supplement can significantly increase their utilisation of low quality pastures.

"In most western parts of our region there is still good pasture and recent rain will increase both quality and quantity," Jason said. "The wet weather will also prompt growth in eastern areas but as soon as the weather cools, plant growth will slow and pasture availability will likely be limited in coming months."

"You can make better use of the feed in your paddocks easily and cost effectively by supplying some form of protein supplement but keep an eye on herbage mass to ensure groundcover and plant composition is maintained at an optimum level."

A variety of protein supplement products are available from lick blocks to dry licks and protein meals. Lick blocks can be convenient, however producers are advised to calculate the cost of the protein and whether the goal is to maintain or increase livestock weight when

making decisions about what product to use.

When using dry licks or blocks which contain urea farmers are advised to be alert for potential urea poisoning. Supplying stock grade salt to cattle before starting protein supplementation can reduce the risk. The salt can be a cost effective way to satisfy their initial craving so that stock don't then gorge on urea.

"Also ensure when feeding urea based protein supplements that you start at around 4 - 5% urea and build up gradually from there," advised Jason. "Dry licks can be used to minimise weight loss, however if the goal is to promote weight gain, protein meals are a better option."

Most protein meals are safe to feed to cattle, however soya bean meal can be problematic and producers will need to be more cautious in how it is introduced to stock. If lupins are used as a protein source, they should be cracked for cattle so stock can better utilise this feed source.

Information on making your own blocks or protein meals is available online at: [www.dpi.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au)

**For more information on livestock management and feed options contact Jason Siddell on 0459 162 295.**

## Tingha a step closer to Inverell

Armidale Regional Council administrator Ian Tiley last week conceded to a boundary adjustment which paves the way for Tingha to become part of Inverell Shire Council.

The boundary adjustment will mean that Tingha Village, Green Valley Farm and the Georges Creek area south and south-west of Tingha will now belong to Inverell Shire Council.

In February ARC agreed to Tingha and Green Valley moving to Inverell, and undertook to survey households in the George's Creek area to determine which local government they would like to be part of. A survey of 42 properties was conducted with 57% in favour of the move.

Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall said he was delighted to now put a single submission to the Minister for Local Government Gabrielle Upton.

"What has been a heavy discussion between both councils now has an agreed position and I'm very hopeful the decision will be resolved soon," he said.

"The prospects of Tingha incorporating with Inverell have been given a massive boost."

Armidale Regional Council will request all costs of the move incurred be funded by the NSW State Government.



# Welcome morning tea a huge success

On Saturday April 8th the Guyra & District Chamber of Commerce (GDCC) hosted a 'Welcome to Guyra' morning tea for new residents to the area. The event was made possible by sponsorship from the Armidale Regional Council and took place at the Guyra Library.

Former Guyra Shire Mayor and Chamber member Hans Hietbrink welcomed the new residents and gave an introduction to all of the team in attendance.

Nicole Corry from The Hub at Guyra and Community Gardens provided all with fresh produce from the Community Garden and



Hans Hietbrink chats to new residents Trevor and Kye

took the residents on a tour of the Community Garden after morning tea.

GDCC President Aileen

MacDonald said that all of the guests were provided with a 'goodies bag' that contained a tea towel, six pack

of fresh eggs from 'Working with Nature', treats from High Country Wholefoods and useful information about the region and how to get involved with the Chamber and other organisations.

"There were visitors from Iran, Taiwan, Sydney, Western Australia and other regional areas of NSW, who have made Guyra home," Aileen said. "We hope they enjoyed the morning tea and meeting new faces because we certainly enjoyed meeting them."

"We hope to host more 'Welcome to Guyra' events during the year and will keep you posted."

## Cool country could prove a koala refuge

The cooler climate of the Northern Tablelands could prove an important refuge for koala populations and other animals in NSW as heatwaves become more frequent.

Field work on the Cool Country Koalas project is nearing completion following extensive surveys in the Delungra and Ashford regions, and also in the area from Black Mountain south to Nowendoc. The findings are expected to be released in late autumn.

"The information gathered in this project will help us implement strategies relevant to the local area that will protect and enhance existing koala habitat," said Carina Johnson, Cool Country Koalas project officer with

Northern Tablelands Local Land Services.

"The data we have gathered will also feed into the NSW Government's Saving our Species Iconic Koala Project which aims to secure the survival of the koala in the wild in NSW."

Research on koalas west of the Great Dividing Range indicates there has been a dramatic decline in koala populations of up to 80% since the 1990s, due partly to drought and extreme heatwaves.

The Independent Review into the Decline of Koala Populations suggests the impact of extreme weather events on koalas is likely to increase. Predicted climate change is also expected to exac-

erbate other threats to the species such as disease.

"Koalas have likely been struggling in inland areas like Moree where prolonged hot weather has broken new records over summer," said Carina Johnson.

Early findings of the Cool Country Koalas project indicated that previously strong populations around Ashford and along the Severn River may be suffering too.

"We hope that the higher elevations and significantly cooler climate of the Northern Tablelands might provide a refuge for koala populations in northern NSW," said Carina.

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# Trophy triumph



Local grazier Geoff Burey is a regular visitor to the Royal Easter Show in Sydney. He has been supplying wool which is used in the Northern District Exhibit for the past 60 years.

This year he was pleased to be presented with the 'Beer Can' Trophy, which was awarded for winning the wool section in the District Exhibits.

## NRL Gazette Footy Tipping

Congratulations to Elva, Nightwatchman and Soley, who picked all the winners. The numbers man is finally getting his numbers right, Elva is back to her winning form, and the Nightwatchman might be the man to watch in this competition!

The Saint, meanwhile, has slipped to second last place. Divine intervention might be needed to rescue the situation.

The Ref is only just clinging to his lead in the Locals, with four tipsters hot on his heels only two points behind. We then have three in third place.

Tegan still leads the Celebrities but fumbled the ball this week, scoring just 10 points.

### Soley's Tips

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Darcey Heagney	70	Hazel	64
Nightwatchman	70	Eel-be-Right	64
Men's Shed	70	Elva Brazier	64
John Credland	68	The Saint	60
Mailman	68	Bulldog	56

### Locals Entry Form - Round 9

Tips must be submitted by **11.00pm on Wednesday, 26 April**

Name: .....

Phone: .....

Broncos	vs	Panthers
Rabbitohs	vs	Sea Eagles
Cowboys	vs	Eels
Titans	vs	Knights
Bulldogs	vs	Raiders
Tigers	vs	Sharks
Warriors	vs	Roosters
Dragons	vs	Storm



# Gazette Sport

## Junior League

Guyra junior rugby players had a successful day in Glen Innes on April 8th, competing in the Gordon Creighton Cup.

The junior league tag girls had a 20-12 victory over Warialda and a 16-4 defeat of Bingara.

The under 8s defeated Bingara 40-16 and lost to Warialda, 44-36. Thomas Ward had his first game with the under 8s and enjoyed it.

The under 10s won both their games, defeating Warialda 40-20 and Bingara 48-16 and the under 12s defeated Bingara 14-10 Warialda 56-0.

The Gordon Creighton Cup was awarded to Inverell.

There is no training during holidays, which will start back when school commences.

In the next round to be played on Saturday April 29th and Guyra will be at home against Armidale.

## Men's Bowls

Due to the Easter Break there were no Bowls played over the weekend.

This weekend in Major/Minor Pairs Scott Campbell and Barry Campbell to play Steven Sole and Robert Walls on Saturday April 22nd start: 1.00pm. Starter and Umpire Robert Walls.

Now to upcoming Club events. The Major/Minor three bowl Pairs Carnival will be held over the weekend of May 6th and 7th. There is still plenty of room left at this stage to get your entry in, so come on bowlers get your team organised and come along to the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club and enjoy the hospitality the Club has to offer also to enjoy the Bowls.

A notice to all Bowlers that have entered the Club Fours that the first round will be played Saturday May 13th. It will be the responsibility of the skips to ensure that their teams are complete and ready to play. If they have a player short then it will also be up to them to obtain a substitute and not left up to the match committee.

If you are interested in purchasing a Travelling Bowls Shirt at a cost of \$50.00 then feel free to put your name and shirt size on the sheet provided on the notice board.

*The bowls bandit*

## Men's Golf

With perfect autumn weather on Sunday a dozen golfers contested the Jones Cracknell & Starr 18 hole stroke. The winner with a great score of 66 nett was Len Stanley. Len also

took home the Monthly Mug making short work of the mugs contents. Runner up was Dom Hill with 69 nett, NTP on the 7th was Ian Taylor, long drive on the 8th was D Hill, 2nd shot on the 9th P Taylor.

Next week is the very popular Guyra United Soccer Club 3 person ambrose, so if you want to show your support for the soccer club organise a team and be at the club from 10am.

*The Albatross.*

## Women's Golf

We enjoyed being back on the course again last Wednesday when we played a 9 holes Eclectic competition. The back nine remained closed due to the wet conditions on the 11th and 16th fairways. It was a relief to have a second chance to improve the score, on the second round, following a poor score for the first nine holes! Winner on the day was Meg Simpson with 29 1/3 and runner up was Julie Walker with 30 1/3.

We hope to complete the final 27 holes round of the Championships this Wednesday. On the program for Wednesday 26th April is a Stroke and putting competition, incorporating the 3rd Golf NSW Medal round. The starter is Jenny Rogers.

*Julie Walker*



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