



Guyra Gazette

Wednesday March 8, 2017

No-one knows LOCAL like we do

Paddy's Guyra Cup



The Guyra Cup runneth over with beer as Paddy Cunningham and Greg Mitchell celebrate a home town win in the Guyra Cup

EVERY story has a beginning, and the story of the 2017 Guyra Cup goes back to a day in 1973.

On February 24th of that year a strapping lad was given his first ride aboard a racehorse owned by two Guyra men - Greg Mitchell and Arthur Williams.

The horse was Mountain Star who was entered in a race at Inverell, however there were only 11 jockeys available and 12 horses in the race.

With a little persuasion they managed to get the then 14 year old Paddy Cunningham approval to ride, as he was 'nearly 16'.

He rode a winner that day and fast forward 44 years and he was back in the winner's cir-

cle with Greg Mitchell, this time receiving the trophy as the trainer of Carry on Jake in the \$30,000 Guyra Cup on Saturday.

Paddy grew up at Ben Lomond and attended school in Guyra, but these days he is based at Glen Innes where he trains. But if you ask him where home is, he says Guyra.

"It was good to win a home town cup," he said. "The ride on Mountain Star was a long time ago, but it was a good day - you don't forget your first winner."

This was Carry on Jake's second win this preparation and his next hit out will be the \$40,000 Armidale Cup (1900m) on March 20.

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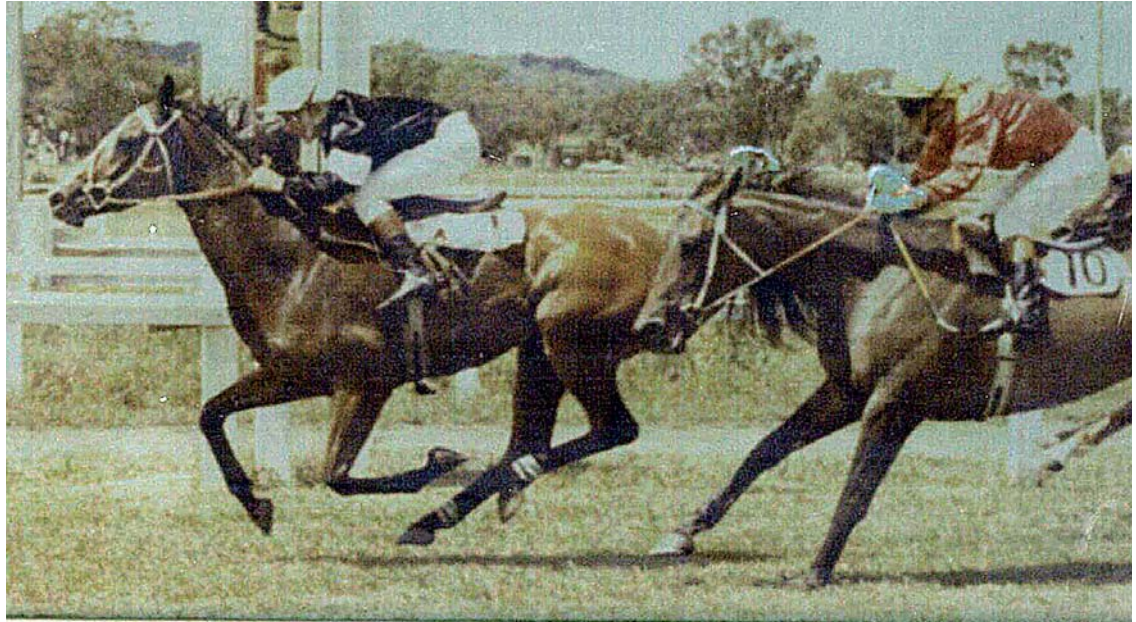
Greg Mitchell, who is a life member of the Armidale Jockey Club and the driving force behind the Guyra Cup said that the win was well deserved.

"Paddy and I go back a long way," he said. "It was a very emotional moment to see his horse come home a winner."

Greg thanked all the locals who supported the race meeting with sponsorship and attending on the day.

"It's always good to see the number of Guyra people who come out and support the day," he said.

"Angela Grills in particular puts in a lot of hours to promote the day and deserves credit for the work she does."



The Guyra connection - Paddy Cunningham's first win aboard 'Mountain Star' at Inverell in 1973 owned by Greg Mitchell and Arthur Williams, trained by Hunter Kilner

Technology challenge rewards afternoon

Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 at Guyra Central School had a fantastic afternoon day on Friday participating in a Technology Challenge rewards afternoon.

Students were divided into groups to participate in various activities, including building bridges and towers out of newspaper the bridges were then tested out and had to be able to support driving trucks (toys) across it, the towers were measured seeing who made the highest and also making planes using a variety of materials such as paper and straws then having a competition to see whose plane travelled the highest and the furthest.

All students showed great pride in



the items that they built and did a great job working together and supporting each other in the construction.

With the start of 2017, the Secondary Student Representative

Council has been proactive in planning and potentially improving the Guyra Central School environment.

All members of the SRC have been heavily involved in the planning of a fundraiser - movie night. While

finer details are still being sorted the event will include a late afternoon BBQ followed by a student movie night to be held in one of our large classrooms.

The SRC are trying to create a positive, fun environment for all students to engage in. The funds raised from this event will go towards ideas brought up by the student body to improve various areas of the school.

These ideas include providing shaded seating are on the back oval. We have also been working hard putting up a noticeboard in the central area of the high school this would be used to communicate important information to all students.

Principal Jo Burgess

What's HOT

Herefords grazing on the previously 'ANGUS ONLY' pastures at Tanglely

Thumbs up to the Guyra Youth Council and coordinator for organising their meetings; creating activities and letting people know that they have a voice.

Autumnal tones beginning to show on the streets of our town

Roadworks on the Guyra - Tingha Rd - not before time

Crooked Tree album launch -@ Bowlo March 17th

What's NOT

Running out of room in the Gazette for local stories

Another door closing for Guyra business community

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

Weather Watch

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max
28	Tues	11.4	17.3
1	Wed	11.8	19.9
2	Thurs	11.6	24.0
3	Fri	11.0	24.1
4	Sat	12.0	21.0
5	Sun	14.0	21.1
6	Mon	11.6	22.2

Rainfall this week
80.2mm 6 days
February's rainfall
95.4mm 8 days

Water treatment plant

Rainfall Registrations - to 9am Monday, February 27
Rainfall - 0mm (253mm YTD)
Top Dam FULL
Bott. Dam 130mm below spillway
Daily average town consumption (target 650 kl) 1603.2 kl
Water Restrictions - NIL

Rainfall year to date
344.2mm 27 days
Rainfall last year to date
167.4mm 17 days

New kid on the block

A new name has entered the Guyra business community with Davidson Cameron and Co commencing operations.

The name and branding may be new, but there are familiar faces at the helm with local stock and station agencies Professionals Stock & Land and W John Pearson and Co joining the team.

Davidson Cameron & Co is a Ruralco business, with offices covering the northwest of NSW who specialise in livestock, property, real estate, insurance and financial services.

Mark Atkin, Craig Waters and John Pearson have many years of experience serving the rural community in Guyra and district.

They will continue to offer the same services as before, including

the weekly sheep and lamb sales at Guyra and cattle sales in Armidale, however they will also benefit from being part of larger corporate network.

Mark Atkin said that working with Davidson Cameron and Co offers further benefits and access to different markets.

“We are looking forward to working with them,” Mark said. “We would like to thank everyone who has supported them over the years and hope it continues into the future.”

“This is a new opportunity for us and will mean we can offer more to our clients, while retaining the local knowledge and connections that we have built up over many years.”



At the Guyra saleyards last week - Craig Waters, Mark Atkin, John Pearson, Daniel McCulloch (DCC Tamworth) and Chris Johnson

Hottest February for 78 years

Guyra has experienced its hottest February for 78 years. The average maximum temperature of 26.4C was highest for the month of February since 1939 when it was 26.5C. This was 3.3C higher than the long term average of 23.1C. The average minimum temperature was 14.2C which was 2.4C higher than average.

The maximum temperatures of 35.1C on the 11th and 34.7C on the 12th were Guyra’s hottest days on record. The previous highest was 34.4C on 3rd January 2014. The minimum of 21.2C on the 12th was also highest on record, with the previous highest 21.1C on 10th February 2004.

This follows what was the hottest January for 14 years, with average maximum temperatures of 26.2C. The average minimum of 14.9C in January was the highest on record. (Previous highest 14.1C in 1942.)

Information on Guyra’s weather can be found at www.weatherarmidale.com/guyra



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Hidden treasure



Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall presents Julie Gittoes with the certificate marking her spot on the 2016 NSW Hidden Treasures Honour Roll.

In smaller towns there aren't many one-trick ponies - and Guyra's Julie Gittoes has gone above and beyond, serving the community for decades in several different fields.

In addition to her work as Principal of Bald Blair Public School, Julie has somehow found the time to serve as secretary of the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival and Tennis Club. All up, this accounts for almost 60 collective years of service in the community - making for a very busy couple of decades.

Julie's constant contribution has earned her a place on the NSW Hidden Treasures Honour Roll, a state government initiative that highlights the role of women in smaller communities.

The teacher and avid volunteer said that she's always willing to do more.

"I love teaching; I love the Bald Blair community and students. It's never hard to turn up for work at Bald Blair," Mrs Gittoes said.

Julie started a homework club after school to help kids get their work done, with extra equipment and assistance if necessary.

"It's all done, plus they get extra time with computers. To allow the kids to read a book for the second time, it shows tremendous growth," she said.

Julie is the secretary for the annual Lamb and Potato festival, working for weeks to train volunteers from the community. She trains hundreds

of volunteers, who then bring thousands of dollars back into the town

"I work with 30-odd groups every festival, almost 400 people - that's a lot of training! It's for the love of Guyra. The community spirit that you receive from the people - you know it helps businesses, and provides a good boost for the start of the year," Mrs Gittoes said.

Many people assume she's paid for her work - but Julie says she needs no recompense.

"It's a wonderful thing to be able to give your time for your community," she said.

"It's an inspiration - it's run by very few people, and considering what they throw at us we must be mad."

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall recently presented Julie with a certificate celebrating her recognition on the Honour Roll.

"Julie has the instant presence to capture and inspire a crowd," Mr Marshall said

"Whether it's through directing the education of primary school students or organising dozens of volunteers for the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival, people are happy to follow Julie's lead and get work done.

"In smaller communities, everyone needs to roll up their shirt sleeves and take part. Over decades Julie has worked in spades and ensured others were happy to lend a hand as well."

Transition adventures

The St Mary of the Angels Transition class for 2017 has embraced big school with great enthusiasm! Our transition program runs one day a week for the full school year, allowing for our newest students to become familiar and confident with school routines.

Led by Matt Frizell and Dom Jackson, our transition students have been busy learning how to form letters and shapes, looking at our colours and playing fun and exciting new games.

We look forward to sharing the adventures of these students with you over the next 7 years!

Principal Sharon Wittig



Brooke Newberry, Kayne Brennan, Indi Roberts and Lewis Robinson

Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale Weekly Market Report

There was a yarding of 4350 lambs and 4200 sheep on Wednesday March 1. It was a reduced penning of lambs with increased supplies of grown sheep. The quality and supply of the trade and heavy weight lambs was again very high, although just behind last week's show sale. There was a good supply of well-bred young lambs suitable to the restockers along with a fair supply of light weight Merino lambs.

The regular buyers were in attendance. Market trends varied with demand for the good quality restocker lambs high, the major orders coming from as far away as the Riverina and Victoria. Market trends remained firm with an odd dearer sale. Well finished trade weight young lambs sold to a slightly cheaper trend with a small quality related increment. There were isolated dearer sales on the better quality lambs. Heavy and extra heavy lambs attracted keen demand from both domestic trade and export orders with the market remaining firm.

There was a good quality and condition penning of heavy sheep, both ewes and wethers. The medium and light weight sheep saw a large variation in condition. Competition was strong and demand high from all buyers. The market trend was dearer for the heavy weights with some weight related price improvements. The light and medium weight sheep also sold to a dearer market trend with some quality related price change.

Lambs	
Lgt restocker.....	\$74 to \$118
Trade	\$118 to \$145
Heavy.....	\$138 to \$172
Extra heavy.....	\$189 to \$205
Sheep	
Light.....	\$51 to \$91
Medium.....	\$72 to \$135
Heavy.....	\$105 to 142

Guyra Sheep Sale will be **WEEKLY** until further notice.

Armidale Regional Council News

PUBLIC EXHIBITION ROAD NAMING

Pursuant to Section 162 of the Roads Act 1993, Council proposes to officially name the following road:

The unnamed road that runs off Government Road, Ben Lomond – Lotties Lane

Written submissions to Council on the proposal will be received until 5:00pm, 29 March 2017.

Written submissions can be emailed to council@armidale.nsw.gov.au or mailed to Armidale Regional Council 'PROPOSED ROAD NAME - LOTTIES LANE' PO Box 75A Armidale, NSW 2350.

ROAD NAMING

Pursuant to Section 162 of the Roads Act 1993, Council proposes to officially name the following road:

Location: In the approved Subdivision of 5 Erskine Street Armidale, being Lot 136 DP 755808

Proposed Name(s): Bruce Close

Written submissions on the proposal will be received until 5pm on Wednesday, 29 March 2017.

Written submissions can be emailed to council@armidale.nsw.gov.au or mailed to Armidale Regional Council 'PROPOSED ROAD NAME - BRUCE CLOSE' PO Box 75A Armidale, NSW 2350.

ROADS ACT 1993 NAMING OF ROADS

Notice is hereby given that Armidale Regional Council, in pursuance of section 162 of the Roads Act, 1993 has officially named the roads as shown hereunder:

Location: In the approved subdivision of 205 Taylor Street Armidale, being Lot 2 DP 1206479

Names: Greaves Close

Name to officially take effect from 27 February 2017

Authorized by resolution of Council on November 2008
P Dennis
Chief Executive Officer

TENDER PIVOT UPGRADES AND TELEMETRY CONTROL ARMIDALE SEWAGE TREATMENT EFFLUENT REUSE FARM RFT ARC17/1867

Armidale Regional Council is seeking tenders from suitably qualified and experienced suppliers to upgrade control equipment on existing pivot irrigators at the Council's effluent reuse facility at Cafferries Road, Armidale NSW.

Full details are provided in the tender documents which will be available free of charge from the etendering portal at the website www.tenderlink.com/nesac or Council's website www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au from 21 February 2017.

All formal communication should be via the Tenderlink forum, however enquiries regarding this tender may be directed to Cindy Garrahy on 02 67703 805 or cgarrahy@armidale.nsw.gov.au.

Tenders quoting the reference number ARC17/1867 and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, will be received up until closing time 2.30 pm Tuesday, 14 March 2017.

The lowest or any tender may not necessarily be accepted.

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION FOR DISPOSAL OF 5 VEHICLES

RFQ ARC17/1912

Council invites quotations for the Disposal of 5 vehicles. The vehicles are not currently registered but have been within the last 12 months. These quotations for disposal are lump sum amounts, not subject

FREE WEEKEND ACCESS TO GUYRA AND TINGHA WASTE DEPOTS

Armidale Regional Council advises that a free entry day to Guyra and Tingha Waste Depots will be held on Saturday, 11th March 2017 for residents.

Access to the waste depot is subject to the following conditions:

- ✓ Normal passenger vehicles and passenger vehicles with an attached trailer
- ✓ All green waste
- ✓ Separated recyclable materials
- ✓ One TV per household
- ✗ Industrial or commercial waste
- ✗ Tyres and hazardous materials
- ✗ Asbestos and contaminated waste

For enquiries, please contact Council on Ph. 1300 136 833

to change once submitted.

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Requests for further information should be directed to Liz Ferris on 0419 019 345.

Quotations with the reference number ARC17/1912 and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, will be received up until closing time 2.30 pm Tuesday, 14 March 2017.

EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

An Extraordinary Council Meeting will be held on Friday 17 March 2017 from 10.30am in the Armidale Mall (outside the old courthouse) to endorse the new Council branding. The public are welcome to attend.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next - Ordinary Council Meeting will be held in the Guyra Council Chambers on Wednesday 22 March 2017, from 9am.

The public are welcome to attend.

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Have your say.....

Free dump day

Wonderful news we are having a free dump day on Saturday. A few years ago I wrote to the council with a suggestion. I had heard that some councils who don't provide a curb side pickup provide 2 or 3 vouchers with the rate notice so the ratepayers can have free access to the dump through the year.

It seemed a really good idea to me, and I can't see it would cost council anything plus would maybe stop some of the illegal dumping going on.

The free day is great but once a year? And if you have other commitments on the day you miss out completely. I wrote to Armidale Regional Council last week with the suggestion too, but as yet have had no reply.

Jan Claridge

Let's talk tourism

Have you ever snorkelled the coral reefs off Cairns; trekked the icy forests of Tassie; visited Uluru or Alice Springs; even New Zealand or Europe?

If you or your group has, then more than likely you were a tourist; a visitor looking for something nice, an experience to take home.

The historical township of Guyra is surrounded by not only unique natural beauty but also by hundreds of thousands of visitors spending time and money at Glen Innes, Armidale, Inverell and Coffs Harbour. Car loads of world travellers work at the Tomato Farm as well.

The happy visitors spend

millions of dollars annually supporting businesses and families.

Maybe it's a good time to express tourism ideas in the Guyra Gazette so everyone can have a read, update their knowledge or contribute.

Maybe even a picture or two.

Richard Stanley

Leave Bradley St alone

Leave Bradley St alone. Put money to better use such as a foot path to school along Ryanda St and Showground. Widen the St behind Bradley and bitumen for extra parking. It is presently a goat track and a total disgrace.

Dot Williamson

Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

- March 9 Pamela Hart
- March 10 Golf Club Ladies
- March 13 Darrel Taylor
- March 14 Joyce Betts
- March 15 John Mitchell

Street Stalls

- March 9 Catholic Women's League
- March 10 Masonic Lodge
- March 16 Westpac Rescue Helicopter
- March 24 Hospital Aux.

Church Notices

St James Anglican

Sun 9am Traditional Service, 10.30 am Family Service; 1st Sunday of the month: Backwater 2pm 3rd Sunday of the month: Ben Lomond 12.00 noon 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 67332021

Uniting Church

Regular Sunday Service - 9.30pm Enquiries Nancy Davidson 6779 1366

Seventh-day Adventist

Saturday from 10am Bible Study, 11am Divine Service. Enq: 6779 1587

Northwest Church

66 Llangothlin St Service 10am Sunday. Connect group and Spektrum Youth Tony Stace 0427956772.

Church of Freedom

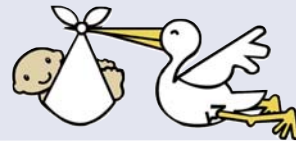
10 Nincoola Street - Contact: 0421 847 973 Tuesday Prayer 6.30pm, Wed Bible Study 6.30pm Sunday Service 10am

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

Stork Report



Nicholas Matthew Hutton (being held by NSW Governor David Hurley) was born at Armidale Hospital on February 10th. Nicholas weighed 8lb (3.6kg) and is the third child of Aimee and Craig Hutton of Guyra, and brother to Liam and Will. Grandparents are Steve and Jo Burey and Di and Phil Hutton of Guyra. Great grandparents are Lorna Burey of Guyra, Barry McLennan of Port Macquarie and Jean Mottershead of Bundaberg.

No tornadoes this time for Crooked Tree

The first attempt to launch the long awaited album for local band Crooked Tree did not go exactly as planned. In fact the launch was put on the backburner when a storm hit the Lamb and Potato Festival in January wiping out the music tent and taking band member Ian Russell with it.

Now almost two months down the track the band are planning a second attempt to launch their album "Devils Pinch" - this time in the sturdier, bricks and mortar venue of the Guyra Bowling Club. The date has been set for Friday March 17th and no doubt they will be keeping an eye on the weather forecast - just in case.

"We know there were a lot of locals who were planning to be at the launch and unfortunately the weather turned against us," Ian said. "Our major goal this time is to avoid a tornado and not end up in hospital."

Of course Ian is referring to the freak storm that hit just hours before the band was set to perform and officially launch their first album. It is not something he ever wants to experience again.

While he doesn't remember much of what happened that night, Ian is extremely grateful to the emergency services who came to his aid and also the staff at the



Crooked Tree featuring Jason Eddy, Dave O'Brien, Ian Russell and Michael Bailey will officially launch their debut album at the Guyra Bowling Club on March 17th

Guyra MPS and intensive care unit at Armidale Hospital - they literally saved his life.

After being laid low with a fractured skull and leg injuries, Ian is now well on the road to recovery, and the band have been back rehearsing.

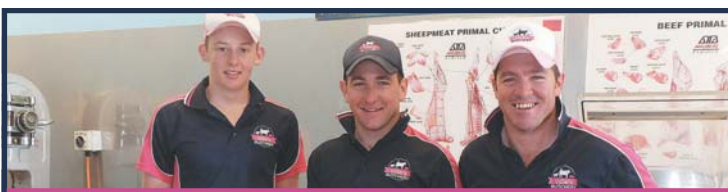
"We are all looking forward to getting back to live performances,"

Ian said. "We're a Guyra band and there was a real sense that we wanted to do the live launch in our home town - we hope that people will come out and support us."

The launch night will include original songs from the "Devil's Pinch" album, as well as the covers they are regularly perform. They have already had some great feed-

back for the album which will be on sale on the night. It was recorded at Keystone Studios in Armidale and produced and engineered by Al Heeney.

"We are really proud of the album and happy with the way it turned out," he said. "This will be the first time it will be played in public and it will be a great show."



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Roadworks underway for Guyra-Tingha Road

Roadworks to improve the East-West corridor between Guyra and Tingha will begin this week, as part of a series of works undertaken by Armidale Regional Council designed to improve the stability, usability and durability of local roads.

An 800 metre stretch of the Guyra-Tingha Road located at the Moredun Bridge Flats will be rehabilitated and widened to 9 metres, with an 8 metre seal applied.

Armidale Regional Council's Group Leader for Service Delivery, Mark Piorkowski, said the weather conditions and increased volume of traffic have had an impact on the road.

"During winter, the Moredun Bridge Flats section of the road is known to flood and, over time, this has caused the road to deteriorate," said Mr Piorkowski.

"We are initiating an engineering solution to correct this problem and widening the road to cope with the increased traffic, and in particular heavy vehicle traffic, that is utilising this important stretch of road."

The work at Moredun Bridge Flats is the first of two sections of road aimed at improving the Guyra-Tingha road link.

Following the completion of the Moredun Flat Bridge section - expected to take approximately four to five weeks - work on a 1.2 kilometre length of the Guyra-Tingha Road at Loxton Road, Wandsworth, will begin.



Armidale Regional Council's Group Leader for Service Delivery, Mark Piorkowski, and Works Overseer, Paul Little, inspecting the Guyra-Tingha Road works site.

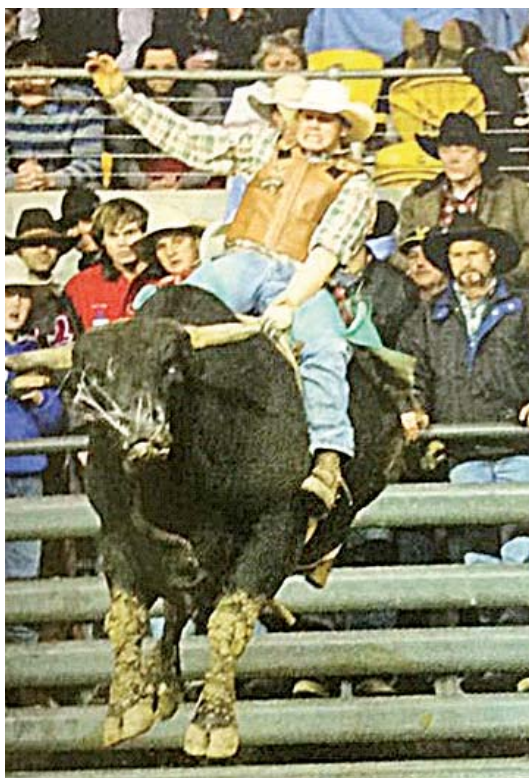
High altitude, attitude

HIGH ALTITUDE is his name throwing cowboy's is his game. Tony Deaves' number one bull has a reputation that precedes him in the world of rodeo. At 14 years of age he's in the twilight years of his rodeo career, but it hasn't slowed him down a bit.

After eleven years of throwing cowboys into the atmosphere, High Altitude has only been ridden to the eight second whistle twice by Jason O'Hearn and Ben Jones, both multiple Australian champions and world P.B.R finals quailifiers.

"He's not the bull that the cowboys want to draw, because he's just so tough," Mr Deaves said. "He's a wreck looking for somewhere to happen."

High Altitude will be at Bulls in the Bush on Saturday March 18th. It will be one of the last chances people will get to see this great bull. Lightning Strike, Bullet Proof and Red Wasp from the Tony Deaves' Rodeo Co. will make the journey from Tamworth to the WAUBIC ARENA, for this great bull riding event.



Tim Amey from Willow Tree on High Altitude at Tamworth ALEC going into the atmosphere. Tim is one of the best bull riders in Australia and will be at the Bulls in the Bush on March 18th.

Troutfest planning begins for 2017

Are you or your organization interested in being involved in the planning and running of the Guyra Spring Trout Festival for October 2017?

The future of the festival will be discussed at a meeting on Tuesday March 14 at 6pm at the Guyra Bowling Club.

The inaugural festival, small but successful, was organized by some of the members of the former tourism committee of council, with assistance from the Guyra Anglers Club and the Guyra and District Chamber of Commerce. Both organizations have indicated their willingness to be involved again in 2017. Council has pledged some funding.

An active committee is sought to begin planning events for the proposed 2017 event. The main aims of the festival are to bring visitors and business to Guyra, and to promote Guyra as a trout fishing destination. There is a strong emphasis on encouraging young anglers and so the festival is keen to have events that appeal to young people in addition to the very popular fishing clinic. Suggestions for non-fishing activities are sought for all three days.

If you have an interest or ideas for activities bring them along to the meeting. Organizations are encouraged to send a representative along, especially our district schools and pre-school. The Agenda is to confirm going ahead with the festival, form a committee, assign responsibilities and brainstorm ideas.



Gazette Footy Tipping

The results from this week show that selling real estate and getting out and about can pay off, with Sue leading on 12 points. The girls are reigning supreme with Beth and Tegan next on 10 points, leaving Soley and Josh both on 8.

There is a trifecta in the lead for the Locals: Eel-be-Right, The Saint and Carmel on 12, followed by five on 10 points. But what happened to Elva - only 2 points. She must have been distracted and will no doubt hit her straps this week.

Hard to believe, isn't it, that we are now two weeks into the footy season with autumn colours starting to show.

Soley's Tips

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Eels



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Beth's Tips

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Tegan's Tips

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Expert looking for local birds of prey

One of Australia's leading raptor experts will be delivering a special presentation on the plight of birds of prey on the Northern Tablelands at a 'Recognising Your Raptors Field Day' coming up in the Ben Lomond/Llangothlin area on Tuesday March 21st.

Northern Tablelands Local Land Services is hosting a series of events as part of a new project to raise awareness of the birds of prey that call the Tablelands home and halt the decline in local populations of the Little Eagle, the Square-tailed Kite, and the White-bellied Sea-Eagle.

It may surprise people to know how rare these birds now are. Each of these birds is listed in NSW as a 'threatened species' (category Vulnerable) which means their numbers are in decline to the point of being at risk of extinction in the long term.

Ecologist and raptor specialist, Steve Debus, is searching the Northern Tablelands for raptor nests with the aim of monitoring their breeding success over the coming season.

"The Northern Tablelands may be one of the few places left in the State where habitat is still in relatively good condition," said Steve.

"Lakes and large water bodies in inland areas provide very important habitat for raptors such as the Sea Eagle, which is mostly considered a coastal bird."

The breeding success and life expectancy of inland birds of prey have dropped dramatically, particularly in pairs of Little Eagles which he has been personally studying since 1980.

Northern Tablelands Local Land Services Project Manager, Carina Johnson, said it's a privilege to have Steve involved in the Birds of Prey Project and take the time to speak with local communities about where these birds are in our landscape.

Landholders are invited to take part in the Recognising Your Raptors Field Day Guyra on Tuesday March 21.

For more information and bookings contact Carina Johnson on 02 67702000 or email carina.johnson@lls.nsw.gov.au



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Eel-be-Right	12	Hazel	10
The Saint	12	Mailman	8
Carmel Hoade	12	Men's Shed	8
PHJ	10	Nightwatchman	8
Darcey Heagney	10	Ron McEwen	6
The Ref	10	Bulldog	6
John Credland	10	Elva Brazier	2

Locals Entry Form - Round 3

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on Tuesday, 14 March

Name:

Phone:

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

Guyra Gazette Classifieds

RAFFLE RESULTS

CAN ASSIST raffle won by Barbara Skinner (Gary's wife) 100 club 1st Barbara Skinner (Ron's wife) 2nd David Williams 3rd Margaret Day. Thanks to all

MEETING

TROUTFEST planning meeting March 14, 6pm, Guyra Bowling Club.

TENTERDEN RURAL FIRE BRIGADE Annual General Meeting Thursday 6th April 2017, 4pm at the Fire Station. BBQ & BYO drinks to follow.

THE FUTURE OF GUYRA GOLF, Sunday 26 March at 9.30am at Guyra Bowling & Recreation Club. All members welcome.

WANTED

AGISTMENT wanted 10-50 head cattle. Ph. Deb 0437 524 163

CORRECTION

APOLOGIES to Betty Wilson for incorrect names last week. Betty & Norm's sons are Scott and Roland

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29-4-1991 ~11-3-2014

Though your smile is gone forever and your hand I cannot touch, I still have so many memories of the one I loved so much, Your memory is in my keepsake, with which I'll never part,

God has you in his keeping,
I have you in my heart.

Sadly missed, Dad



MOWLE Stacey Lorraine

29~4~91 to 11~3~14

No matter how we spend our days, no matter what we do, no morning dawns, no evening falls that we don't think of you.

When we're sad and lonely, and everything seems wrong, we seem to hear a whisper, cheer up and carry on.

Each time we see your picture, you seem to smile and say, 'don't cry I'm only sleeping', we will meet again some day.

Nan, Pop and family

*In loving memory of
Stacey Mowle*

29-4-1991 ~ 11-3-2014

Another year has passed and still sadness remains. We are however blessed to still share your love and memory every single day.

*Loved & remembered always
Coral & family*

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Men's Bowls

The results of the Club Championships played Saturday March 4th:

In handicap Singles Robert Moore (-1) played Steven Sole (-8). Steven started off with a bang getting a 4 on the first end but that was all she wrote as by end 21 Robert had the game by the throat, but he did not count on Stevens fighting ability. With his head down Steven managed to draw even by end 31 but the effort had taken its toll and Robert went on to take the victory 31 shots to 28 shots over 37 ends.

The other game was also Handicap Singles and was played between Cameron Peardon (+3) and Barry Presnell (-2). In this contest Cameron managed to hold on to and extend the advantage of the start given him by Barry and went on to take the victory 31 shots to 11 shots over 23 ends.

Also played was the New England District Bowling Association State Singles at Armidale City. Guyra was represented in this event by David Wilcox and John McIlwain. David received a forfeit Saturday morning. He played Saturday afternoon and

Women's Bowls

On Tuesday February 28th the Guyra Women's Bowling Club held their 61st Presidents Day, with 72 bowlers (24 teams). They came from Bingara, Inverell, Inverell RSM, Glen Innes, Tenterfield, Walcha, Bendemeer, Uralla, Armidale City, Guyra, Armidale Ex Services and New England President Lorna Halloran & team.

There were apologies from Tingha, Kootingal, Armidale President Judy Kerry and Tenterfield President Daphne Kirkman.

Winners were Doreen White and team from Bendemeer. Run-

Gun Club *from page 12*

Event Five was the 50 Target New England Point Score Championship. Kim Nealon, (Yamba), posted an impressive 150/150 to win the overall prize. The Grade results read as follows: AA Grade 1st Robert Clark 152/156; AA Grade 2nd Rod Gardiner 151/156; A Grade 1st Brett Farlow 148/150; A Grade 2nd Kevin Aitken 145/150 B Grade 1st Jenny Haynes 140/150; B Grade 2nd Lyell Pettman 139/150; C Grade 1st David Browning 140/150; C Grade 2nd Merv McRae 134/150.

Perazzi Australia sponsored the next event, where Graded shooters

was unsuccessful when he was defeated by the eventual winner Tod Fuller from Armidale City. At the time of writing this report I have been unable to find out how John went.

The NEDBA Senior Singles played at Glen Innes, in this event Guyra was represented by John Jackson. John won his first game but was defeated by Jim Williams in a hard fought second round.

Well done to the bowlers that represented Guyra.

This weekend March 11th and 12th will see the Guyra No.3 Penant Team begin their journey to State representation when they take on Armidale City No.3's at Guyra in round 1, and then travel down the hill to Armidale City for round 2. The teams are listed on the notice board so players please check to see if you are playing. As stated previously the reserves for the first will get a start in round 2.

Club Championship games will also be listed on the notice board so Bowlers it up to you to make sure whether you are set down for play or not.

The bowls bandit

ner up was Dulcie Nay and team from Ex Services. Mystery prize went to Elfie Brunner and team from Ex Services. There were lots of raffles, lucky door prizes and spiders.

Guyra Women's Secretary Bertha Reeves said that it was a great day and everyone enjoyed themselves.

"We finished with a lovely lunch prepared by Donna and staff," Bertha said. "Thank you to all who helped out on the day including the bar staff and David Wilcox and a special thank you to our few bowlers (5) for all your work and prizes."

went into the draw to compete for Perazzi prizes. Tammy Henshall, (Tamworth), took first prize with 43/45. Paul Wright took second with 42/45 and Melissa Crosby's 40/45 secured her third prize.

The High Gun prizes for the weekend were awarded to the following shooters: Overall Kim Nealon (Yamba) 319/325; AA Grade Ben Rumbel 327/362; A Grade Romeo Spagnolo 304/325; B Grade Lyell Pettman 299/325; C Grade David Browning 300/325; Lady, Libby Clark 297/325; Junior, Lachlan Broom 280/325; Veteran, Michael Sullivan 308/325.

Bernie Mackson

Finals time for cricket

Guyra cricketers will be hoping for a reversal of form in this weekend's semi-finals, after both senior teams went down in the games on the weekend.

Second grade went down in their game played in Guyra, after winning the toss and sending the Barbarians out first. With the skies threatening all afternoon they were probably hoping for rain to intervene as the Baa Baas amassed 293 runs for the loss of just 5 wickets.

BJ Cameron (2 for 37), BJ Kliendienst (2 for 44) and Andrew Page (1 for 37) were the best of the Guyra bowlers.

It was always going to be a hard chase and the batting lineup failing to fire. Only Shane Wolfenden (28), Jake Brazier (21) and Charlie Keen (16) made it to double figures, and the team only made it to a total of 88 at the close of in-

Men's golf

Sunday the 6th of March saw Dick Burey Country Kitchens sponsor an individual par. The winner was Scott Mendes with plus 4. The runner up was Chris Newberry, who was square with the card. Nearest the pins went to Ian Taylor on the 10th and Chris Newberry on the 18th. The Monthly Mug for March was won by Scott Mendes. Thanks to Dick Burey Country Kitchens for their continued support.

This Sunday will be a Bellaine Merino sponsored Flag event. This is open to all, men and women, so come and have a game.

A meeting will be held at the Club on the 26th of March, to discuss the future direction of the Golf. This is a very important meeting and everyone's attendance is requested.

Cameron Peardon

Mid-week Golf

The best performed Team this week was TWG with 69 points. Plus Fours had 60 points and Western Workers scored 59 points. The best individual score this week was 19 points by Wendy George. 18 points were scored by S Mendes and A Little. J Betts scored 17 points. D Saunders, C Peardon, M Harman and C Sole all scored 16 points. There are only a few games left, till mid-week finishes.

Cameron Peardon

nings. Hopefully they can regroup this weekend in the semi-final.

The third grade game against TAS was a much closer affair. Batting first TAS put 202 runs on the board for the loss of five wickets. Maurice Blair was the best of the bowlers taking 3 for 21, while Cody Patterson also took a wicket.

In reply Troy Martin opened for Guyra and repeated his good form from last week, to finish on 46. Grub Cameron (23), Maurice Blair (36) and Jason Campbell (33) also batted well. The team fell just 20 runs short in the final run chase, but showed they are a chance for the finals and will hopefully have a home ground advantage.

Unfortunately the Super 6s competition which was to take place on Sunday had to be postponed due to wet weather and will be rescheduled.

Vets Golf

On Tuesday February 28th, 12 Vets hit off hoping that the rain would hold off until they had all played 18 holes. There were a few showers, but 10 golfers finished their round.

The winner of the day was Pat Grills with 37 points, followed by his brother, Roger with 35.

Pat Grills and Paul Reddon were the best putters.

Roger Grills was nearest the pin on the 7th, Ian Taylor the 10th and John Prisk the 18th.

We will have the results of our two day Guyra Vets Open next week.

The Vet

Women's Golf.

We competed in a Par Medal round last Wednesday for the Trophy donated by Joyce Betts. The winner with a fabulous +4 was Karen Oehlers on a count back from Wendy Jackson who played a consistent round with excellent putting.

Entries are due for the New England District Golf Association (NEDGA) Tournament to be played in Armidale on 18th, 19th and 20th March. Programmed events for Guyra include the Individual Flag event, for women and men, on Sunday 12th March. This event is sponsored by Cameron Peardon and Deb Maxwell who run the Bellaine Merino Stud farm. On Wednesday 15th March we will play the 4BBB Classic Par event and the starter is Shona Mulligan.

Julie Walker

Local Sport

Gun Club February shoot

Ninety-seven shooters ensured strong competition when the Guyra club hosted its annual open shoot, over the weekend of February 24, 25 and 26. Shooters travelled from around NSW and southern Qld to be part of this quality event.

Competition commenced on Friday night with the Northern Zone 25 Target Double Barrel. The event was won by Brad Henshall with 91/91, an impressive score under night conditions with floodlights and white targets.

The Grade results are: AA Grade 1st Robert Clarke 90/91; AA Grade 2nd Aaron Jones 49/50; A Grade 1st Shane Lavelle 30/31; A Grade 2nd Kevin Aitken 27/28; B Grade 1st Mal Moffatt 24/25; B Grade 2nd Lyall Pettman 23/25; C Grade 1st David Browning 23/25; C Grade 2nd John O'Gorman 22/25.

On Saturday morning, competition commenced with a 25 Target Cash Divide. In AA Grade the following shooters shared the spoils: Jason Carpenter, Nick Tanner, Tammy Henshall, Justin Turner, Ben Marshall, John Lisle, Kim Nealon, Ken McBean, Dave Edmonds, Brad Henshall, John Reid, Jeff Richardson, Scott Smith, Nic McRae, Ben Rumbel, Clayton Cusack, Daryl Stevens, Brian Kneipp, John Cunningham and Michael Sullivan. The A Graders who collected some cash were: Kevin Aitken, John Barker, Warren Daniels, Ron Skinner, Ray Christie, Brett Farlow. In B Grade John Saint and John Rea took the prizes. The C Graders to collect were



Sash winner, l to r: Lyell Pettman; Darryl Stevens; John Reid; Theresa Montgomery; Michael Sullivan; David Browning; Libby Clark; Ben Rumbel; Kim Nealon; Romeo Spagnolo.

David Browning and Glenn Constable.

Saturday's first event was the demanding 50 Target Single Barrel Championship, won by the evergreen John Reid with 50/50. The Grade results are: AA Grade 1st similarly evergreen Geoff Baxter 50/51; AA Grade 2nd Michael Sullivan 49/51; A Grade 1st Vince Corcoran 50/53; A Grade 2nd Shane Lavelle 49/53; B Grade 1st Grant Harris 47/50; B Grade 2nd Lyell Pettman 51/55; C Grade 1st Melissa Crosby 42/50; C Grade 2nd Mark Hunt 43/52.

Darryl Stevens, (from Fernvale Qld and a member of the Toogoolawah Club), shot 185/185 to

win The New England Double Barrel Super Trap. The Grade results are as follows: AA Grade 1st Aaron Jones 184/185; AA Grade 2nd Mark Drain 152/153; A Grade 1st Paul Wright 54/55; A Grade 2nd Romeo Spagnolo 90/91; B Grade 1st Lachlan Broom 61/62; B Grade 2nd Lyell Pettman 58/59; C Grade 1st David Browning 48/50; C Grade 2nd Melissa Crosby 47/50.

On Saturday night, the Northern Zone Single Barrel Championship was contested. Theresa Montgomery, (Moree), shot 25/25 to take the overall title. The Grade results are: AA Grade 1st Aaron Jones 27/29; AA Grade 2nd Graham Sweeney 26/29; A Grade 1st Brett

Farlow 25/29; A Grade 2nd Kevin Aitken 24/29; B Grade 1st Jenny Haynes 20/25; B Grade 2nd Michael Lindeman 20/25; C Grade 1st John O'Gorman 20/27; C Grade 2nd Sarah Edmonds 20/28.

On Sunday morning, the Hiscox 50 Target New England Double Barrel Handicap was contested, with Romeo Spagnolo (Coffs Harbour), shooting 52/53 to win the event. Kevin Bourke was second with 51/53. Scott Smith shot 50/52 to take third place and Glen Constable's 57/59 gave him fourth place. In fifth was David Browning with 56/59.

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