# Guyra Gazette Wednesday September 13, 2017

# Simon's our man

The makeup of Armidale Regional Council remains unclear with only five of the eleven spots decided.

What is clear is the overwhelming support amongst rural voters for Simon Murray who received the lion's share of the vote in Guyra and district at both at pre poll and on election day.

Ian Tiley, Margaret O'Connor (Team O'Connor), Debra Obrien (Country Labour) and Jon Galletly are also assured of a place. The final spots will be decided after the allocation of preferences which is expected to be known by the end of the week.

Simon said that this is a great result both for himself personally and also for all those outside the Armidale city limits.

"It is clear that the small localities were behind me and that was always the focus of my campaign," he said. "There was also a lot more support in Armidale than I expected which is pleasing."

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# AUCTION



# On site: 221 Baldersleigh Road, Guyra 11.00am on 23 September, 2017

#### Looking for that rural lifestyle.....

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#### What's HOT

**ELECTION** is over - time to move on for the good of the whole region

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BANK - great to see
money coming into our
town

**GO THE CASPERS** - both teams playing in the grand final this weekend

**TALENT** on show at local schools

#### What's NOT

**GRAFFITI** popping up all over town

**INFORMAL VOTING** - if you didn't vote you don't have the right to c riticise

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 Rain** 5 Tues **2.4** 12.5 0

6 Wed **1.4** 12.0 0 7 Thurs **-0.8** 12.1 0

8 Fri **1.2** 11.4 0

9 Sat -1.6 13.6 0 10 Sun 1.2 15.8 0

10 Sun **1.2** 15.8 (

Rain this week 0mm September rainfall 1.4mm

Rainfall YTD 748.6mm Rainfall last YTD 632.4mm

#### Water treatment plant

Rainfall Registrations to 9am Monday, September 11 Rainfall - 0mm (725mm YTD) Top Dam FULL Bott. Dam FULL Daily average town consumption (target 650 kl) 1654.2kl Water Restrictions - NIL

# Simon's our man (cont.)

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"There are so many people who helped along the way and I would like to thank everyone who contributed to my campaign."

"In particular I would like to than my wife Michelle for her constant support and the hours she put in - I couldn't have done this without her."

Ian Tiley has already announced his intention to run for Mayor, however Simon says he is undecided about taking on the leadership role.

"It is something I will think about, but it would be a big job," he said. "At this stage I will wait and see what the final makeup of council is."

"It is anyone's guess how the preferences will go and a lot will depend on who else is elected."

Aileen MacDonald is unlikely to make the final cut after a lower than expected



Eric Heagney and Aillen MacDonald at Guyra on Saturday

vote

While she is disappointed with the result she said that she is proud to have taken a stand and conquered some of her fears along the way.

"Thank you to everyone who supported me and stood by me during the campaign," she said. "Politics is hard. I wish all those candidates who were elected all the very best for the future and know we

will be in good hands."

"I also wish each and every candidate that nominated and worked hard during what was sometimes a difficult campaign all the best and to them I say congratulations for standing up and walking your talk - you are braver than you think you are and showed great courage."

# CWA enjoy Nepalese luncheon



Guyra CWA hosted their annual International Luncheon on September 2nd. Guest speaker was Keshav Timalsena who works the Costa tomato farm. He gave a great presentation on his country of Nepal.

The luncheon was attended by members and friends of the CWA, who were able to feast Nepalese food and enjoy an introduction to Nepalese culture

Planning for the 2018 Country Women's Association of NSW's (CWA) state conference is well under way, with over 1000 people from around the state expected to converge on Armidale for the week-long conference next May.

The conference is a great coup for Armidale and surrounding regions. The State Conference provides a forum where all branches can come together to discuss and set policy directions, receive the various reports of the year's activities and elect the team who will lead the Association for the next twelve months.

This is the first time Armidale will host the Conference, which will be good for not only Armidale, but also the entire Northern Tablelands.

# Boost for local groups



HANDING OUT THE BIG BUCKS, Regional Australia Bank staff (at front) Dane Oconnor, Kayla Hutton, Shona Muligan and Janelle Gaukroger. Community group representatives (I to r) Helen Turnham, Arthur Atkins, Bev Handebo, Jenny Cumming, Gillian Davis, Beth White, Deborah Little, Jeff Richardson, Orron Surwaski, Wendy Jackson, Tyrone Clough, Robyn Geddes, James Stewart, Chris Hietbrink, DavidTaylor, Yvonne Penn, Chris Sole, John Ross, Mel Morgan, Hans Hietbrink, Dorothy Every and David Mills

Community based groups in Guyra have received a boost from their participation the Community Partnership program operated by Regional Australia Bank.

Donations totalling \$19708.34 were announced at a special function held at the Guyra Bowling Club last week. The support provided was described by recipients as a 'great program that pushes money into clubs'.

For many of the hardworking volunteers present, the donation represented money that they don't have to slave for the need for one less lamington drive, one less BBQ, one fewer raffle.

Regional Australia Bank CEO Kevin Dupé said the Community Partnership Program was just one of the ways in which the organisation assists their customers and communities.

"Regional Australia Bank is proud to continue delivering the Community Support Program in 2017, enabling it to continue enhancing the quality of life and a strong sense of community for the regions it serves," he said.

There are currently 27 Community organisations in Guyra registered for the scheme, with a total of 455 supporters.

The Guyra branch of Can Assist received the highest donation of \$3211.43 and they currently have 76 account holders who have nominated to support them. Rounding out the top five were the Bowling Club, Rescue Squad, Ben Lomond Hall and the Guyra Central School P & C.

"We're immensely proud of our ability to deliver these kinds of social and environmental returns to our regional communities," Regional Australia Bank Regional Manager Dane O'Connor said.

"For a bank like ours, which is founded on the promise to operate in the best interests of our customers and communities, it's entirely fitting that our customers are able to lead the way in initiatives like this, given that they'll often be the ones benefitting from the positive impacts of this program."

The banks goal for the Community Partnership Program is to reach \$1 million in donations to local communities in 2018 and invites regional Australians to get on board and choose to bank with them, so that they can take advantage of this initiative and enjoy both better value from their financial institution, and help create local communities that can fully prosper and thrive.

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# Have your say.....

#### Taken off Electoral Roll

I debated whether I would bother to vote in the Armidale Regional Council elections because they took my right to vote for our own council after the forced amalgamation. However the thought of the \$55 fine, changed my mind!

Can you imagine being asked to pick out six 'true and honest citizens' out of 45 un-

knowns!!

However, I wanted to support Simon Murray (Guyra's representative) so off I went only to find my name has been taken off the roll!!

Who has the right to do that? What next? No S.S.M forms, I suppose!

Meg Simpson

# Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale Morket Report

September 6th - There was an increase of 500 lambs, while sheep numbers saw a small decline. The quality of the lambs was quite mixed with both trade and heavy weights well represented. There was some variation in condition in the trade lambs with a large line of lean lambs penned. All the regular buyers were in attendance.

Prices improved slightly for trade weight lambs when compared to the sale a fortnight ago.

The heavy and extra heavy

weight lambs also showed price improvements with some of that weight related.

There were insufficient grown sheep in any class for a market quote, however prices were down on the previous sale. Both weight and skin values were a contributing factor.



### *Weekly Wool* Market Report

September 8th - It was a rather calm week in the wool market compared to recent history and whilst the fine types came under some pressure it needs to be pointed out that the quality of the offering in any given week can influence these movements.

Coming off the back of a designated superfine sale last week in Sydney the finer micron categories retreated and realigned themselves to prices being paid in the Southern region.

Most other types were relatively unchanged to slightly dearer except for high vegetable matter skirtings that continue to remain under pressure. 38,841 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed

in rate of 5.2%. Major buyers included Lempriere, Fox & Lillie and PJ Morris.

National offerings over the next fortnight rise to around 44,000 bales a week as the AWEX auction offering statistics are showing nearly a 10% jump in the volume of wool offered for the season to date.

\The rise in the wool market has seen it surge to 25 year highs in the ratio of its competitiveness against both cotton and synthetics and its currently trading at a huge premium to the average ratio of the past decade.

**Greg Andrews** 

Schute Bell Wool



### Athletic success



Last Thursday, Friday and Saturday four secondary students from Guyra Central School competed at Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush in the NSW Combined High Schools Athletics championships.

Bailey Wilson was placed 6th in Shot Put while Matthew Sisson ran a great 800m but didn't progress through to the final. Eva Knox was placed 6th in her 800m final and 5th in the 1500m final. Kelsie Youman received the silver medal in her 800m final and also silver in the 1500m final, a nice way to finish off her last school representation.

All students should be extremely proud of their efforts and commitment to training and leading up to this event.

#### **Probus Notes**

Our monthly meeting was held this week. We are to have a movie morning next Tuesday, 19th at 10.30am. Anyone wishing to attend will be welcome.

Our guest speaker this week was Ron Vickress who is recuperating after being in hospital.

He gave us a talk about an educational tour for teachers which he went on in 1974. He visited countries which included Turkey and Greece. Towns included Athens, Beirut, Belgrade and Istanbul. He visited Theatres, Presidential Palaces, Mosques, the Parthenon, Acropolis and Mt. Olympus.

This was a very interesting talk.

Our next meeting is on the 9th October at 10.00am. After the meeting we hope to go to another movie at the Guyra Council.

Judy Jackson

#### Scot MacDonald MLC

Member of NSW Legislative Council Liberal Party of Australia (NSW Division) Guyra NSW

Parliament Phone 02 9230 2393

Parliamentary Secretary for Planning, the Central Coast & the Hunter

# What happens after amalgamation?

The social and economic implications of local government amalgamations will form the basis of a thesis for PHD student Andrea Wallace.

Andrea is studying local government at the University of New England and recently visited Guyra where she met with members of the ANTY group.

The meeting allowed her to gain an insight in to their thoughts following the demise of Guyra's locally based council

"I'm interested to find out what happens after amalgamation in rural Australia," she said. "There has been a lot of talk, but I will be looking at what actually happens to small towns that are affected."

ANTY spokeperson Robert Gordon said that it had been useful for the group to talk to an outsider about their con-

"We welcomed the opportunity and it is good to see UNE engaging with the Guyra community," Mr Gordon said. "It has given us a different perspective of the issue and we were able to put forward our fears of the potential decline of Guyra under forced amalgamation."

"There remains a huge commonality in terms of our opposition and it is clear that many remain apprehensive for the future of Guyra."

Ben Lomond resident Beth White welcomed the chance to voice concerns for the outlying areas.

"It was nice to have someone who was just listening," she said. "We were able to put our views forward to someone who was not trying to oppose or evaluate what we had to say."



Ray Mulligan, Beth White, Andrea Wallace and Robert Gordon

Andrea said that it will take around 12 months to complete her thesis and during that time she will speak to a lot of people.

"This meeting has given me a lot to digest and I will take on what has been said to form part my thesis."





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# Rotary Club seeks young professionals for goodwill exchange to Uganda

Rotary Club members of fellowship opportunities. Guyra are seeking young professionals to be part of a Group Study Exchange Team to visit Uganda in April/May 2018. The program in 2018 will be centered in the Republic of Uganda.

It is a program that is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity young business and professional men and women in their early years of professional life. The program is designed to develop professional and leadership skills among young adults.

It offers vocational visits to observe vocations as practiced in another country as well as impacting on team members' long term careers through exchange of ideas, cultural experiences [people, languages, diversity and institutions] and

While abroad, team members stay in Rotarians' homes and have the opportunity to meet their professional counterparts. They also gain experience in public speaking through presentations to local Rotary Clubs and other groups about their experiences and home country.

The cost of the exchange is approximately AUD\$2,000 depending on the cost of the airfares and other essentials and is paid by the successful applicants while their nominating Rotary club covers the cost of a team blazer and the balance of the economy airfares as advised.

The host country provides meals, lodging and group travel whilst the team members are in their district. Team members

pay for personal and incidental expenses.

Young adults (both male and female) between the ages of 25 and 40 who are interested in applying should be employed full time in a business or profession. Applicants must live or be employed in our district.

Rotary is an organisation of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service and help to build goodwill and peace in the world. There are more than 1.231 million Rotary members in some 35,500 Rotary clubs in 540 Districts in 220 countries/geographic areas.

For an application, please contact Zahoor Ahmed at zahoorcsc41@yahoo.com 0425905444. Applications are due by 13th October, 2017.

#### **Community Noticeboard**

#### Meals on Wheels

13th Sept Jan Jordan/St Marys 14th September Susan Gerard 15th Sept R Forbes/D Garniss 18th September Lions Club 19th September Pamela Carter

#### Street Stalls

14th September Can Assist 21st September Westpac Helicoptor 22nd & 23rd September Masonic Lodge

#### 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 month Ben Lomond, 3rd Sunday Wards Mistake, otherwise Guyra

#### St Columba's Presbyterian

Guyra Sunday 9.00am 'Ben Lomond Service, first Sunday of even-numbered months, 2.00pm Rev Andrew Campbell, Acting Session Clerk: Jim Coleman 6733 2021

#### **Uniting Church**

Regular Sunday Service 9.30am Enq. 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 Rafters Restaurant, 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417079307

### Art gallery visit for Kolora

Kolora's monthly bus trip was to Inverell Art Gallery. They enjoyed morning tea with a browse around the gallery and a walk through the meandering "Macintyre Mosaic Footpath". This 94 metre long mosaic is located outside the gallery and represents the flow of the Macintyre River, featuring some of the local flora and fauna in the area. Lunch was enjoyed while overlooking the Macintyre River at the Function Centre.

Lisa Church Activities Officer



Lorraine Holmes



Gill Williamson and Win Weston



less Landsborough and Rhonda Youman

# Council News GUYRA

#### **Road Closure**

### Cinders Lane Rd to undertake construction works

Cinders Lane Road will be closed to undertake construction works during the following times: Cinders Lane:

- Faulkner St to Dangar St Sunday 17 September 7.30am to 5pm
- O'Connor PI to Dangar St- Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 September 7.30am to 5pm

The planned road closures in Cinders Lane are to allow the installation of a new gas main by Elgas subcontractors, to service the Tattersalls hotel development. Please direct any enquires to Greg Inglis of Inglis Plumbing on 0408 669 986.

## Naming of roads In the approved Subdivision

of 111 Cookes Road Armidale
Pursuant to Section 162 of the Roads Act 1993, Council proposes to officially name the following road:

#### Location:

In the approved Subdivision of 111 Cookes Road Armidale, being Lots 23, 1010, 308, 307 DP 755808, Lot 2 DP 818397, Lot 1 DP 1202380 and Lot 40 DP 1215012

#### Proposed Name(s):

Willow Way, Bushel Street, Pasture Street and Clydesdale Close

Written submissions on the proposal will be received until 5pm on Wednesday, 20 September 2017. Submissions should be addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer, Armidale Regional Council, PO Box 75A, ARMIDALE 2350 or emailed to

council@armidale.nsw.gov.au Ref: ARC16/0043

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### What's on this School Holidays



#### **Guyra**

### **22 September 2017**Guyra Dance - Op Shop Ball

At the Guyra Bowling Club

Time: 7pm-9pm, high school students

Cost: \$5 (all proceeds to Orange Sky Laundry)

RSVP to Cara Barnes **cbarnes@armidale.nsw. gov.au** by 4pm, 22 September, 2017

### 28 September 2017 Theatre Sports - with Little Fish

At the Guyra Council Chambers **Time:** 10am-1pm, ages 10-24

Cost: FREE

Register with Little Fish at

info@littlefishentertainment.com

by 28 September

#### At the Guyra Library!

Bookings are essential and places are limited, Please contact 6770 7123 to book your spot

#### Tuesday 26 September

Movie: Boss Baby, 10.30am

#### Wednesday 27 September

Lego Workshops, 10.30am & 2pm

#### Thursday 28 September

Theatre Sports with Little Fishes, 10am - 1pm, 10 years and over

#### Tuesday 3 October

Colouring in, 10.30 am

#### Wednesday 4 October

Lego Workshops, 10.30am & 2pm

#### Thursday 5 October

Card Making, 10.30am



#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

The next - Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on the 27 September 2017 in the Armidale office Council Chamber, 135 Rusden Street, Armidale, from 9am.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE -**

#### Wednesday 13 September 2017

Authorised by the CEO Peter Dennis Armidale Regional Council PO Box 75A, 135 Rusden Street, Armidale NSW 2350. Ph: 1300 136 833 Fax: 6772 9275. Email: council@armidale.nsw.gov.au



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# Creative Arts Night

Thursday 7th September students from Years 7 – 12 at Guyra Central School performed for teachers, parents and the community at the annual Creative Arts Night.

The night included a variety of acts including English and Drama plays,

musical items and a gymnastic display.

Relieving Principal Gillian Davis said that it is important for the students to have these types of events, to connect with the community and explore their creative side."

"It allows our students to get to learn

to work together and be collaborative whilst building their confidence," Ms Davis said.

"I would like to thank the teachers and students for their efforts both on the night and leading up to the Creative Arts night."



Year 9 English play: Snow White Lite



Piano performance - self composition - Zak Cannon



Year 7 English skit: 'Selfie 2'
Lorena Tresize, Lucinda Mayled, Renae Vanderwolf and patient



Preliminary HSC Music Performance: Zak Cannon - Bouree'. Zac Cannon accompanied by Mr Derrick Craigie and Miss Sarah Steele



Year 9/10 Drama class play: Mousse Ashleigh Richardson, Tara Wells and Shayla Cannon



Year 7 English skit: Lochie Leonard Andrew Pearson, Fletcher Richardson, Jake Wilson and Malekai Landsborough

# Junior League Presentations





#### Top right:

Bill Williams Award Under 12s Player's Player Tom Lockyer and Oscar Atkin joint winners

#### Above:

Andrew Bull Trophy Tahmani and Malakia Landsborough joint winners

#### Left:

Under 8s

#### Below left:

Junior League Tag Best & Fairest Shanae Bull

#### **Below:**

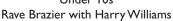
Gus & Mark Brazier Trophy won by Will Knox

#### Below left:

Best & Fairest

League Tag

Shanae Bull with Dean Mitchell Under 10s













#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

**PHOTOGRAPHY** COMPETITION FOR TROUTFEST Entry forms available at NRMA office opposite Kirks IGA KIDS FISHING WORKSHOP registrations for Troutfest close September 22nd. Phone 0458 274 876 for registration forms (leave a message)

#### RAFFLE RESULTS

BEN LOMOND CWA raffle won by L Taylor (meat) 2nd Gill Williamson (fruit)

#### **MEETING NOTICE**

GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY Meeting Tuesday 26th September 7pm at **GALA** Centre

#### **POSITIONS VACANT**

#### Jobs @ Council

#### **Management Accountant**

This role is responsible for providing assistance to the Program Leader – Management Accounting with the preparation of budget, monthly budget reports, tax compliance and overseeing the accounts payable and payroll functions.

Applications close Monday, 18 September 2017. See the full position description on our website at www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au

For more information contact Ms Nicole Cameron on 6770 3685 or 6770 7119.



#### **CLAIM THE DATE**

SEPTEMBER 29TH - OCTOBER 1st Guvra Trout Festival

OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup> Ben Lomond Fashion Parade at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall. Enquiries 0429 332 094.

**NOVEMBER 4th Anglican Church Fete** at St James Anglican Church, Guyra NOVEMBER 7th Melbourne Cup Lunch & Fashion Parade (by Noni B), at Bowling Club for Can Assist.

NOVEMBER 11TH & 12TH St Marys P&C and Kolora Open Gardens

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7/4/1935 ~ 13/9/2014

The years are passing quickly Though still we can't forget For in the hearts that love him His memory lingers yet Joan, Peter, Davíd, John, Doug and their families

#### **RETURN THANKS**

We would like to thank Dr. Jey and Dr. Sen, all the fantastic staff at Guyra MPS, Max and Bev Handebo and Noeline Thomson who provided such wonderful care and kindness to our father, **Don Morgan** over the last few months. You all did a mighty job.

Your care and empathy as his health deteriorated was above and beyond and was greatly appreciated.

Nicholas & Karen Morgan, Katy Morgan

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#### Cricket

Attention all cricketers. Guyra is intending to enter a 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade team in the senior competition this year, as well as an under 16s in junior cricket. The competition will start on Saturday October 7th.

For training please contact Adrian Cameron on 0427 351 1059.

Due to a lack of numbers and having no convenor, there will be no other junior teams entered for the 2017/2018 season.

For interested junior players contact details for the Armidale sides are; ExServices - Pete Collins 0408 427917. Hillgrove- Ian Reeves 0477 707408. Easts/CSC - Mark McDermott 0413 452492. Milo in-2 Cricket - Mike Porter 0427 004377.

Any enquiries please contact Craig Lockyer on 0427 013312.

James Stewart

#### Veteran's Golf

On Tuesday, 5th September, eight 'Valiant Vets' battled gale-force winds to compete for the Reg Taylor Shield - a monthly stroke event.

Ian Taylor had the best scratch score with 86 on a countback from John Prisk. Doug Archibald won the nett event with a good score of 72. John had the least number of putts with 24 putts.

Wal Chapman was Nearest the Pin on the 18th and John on the 7th.

The Vet

#### Women's Golf

Five golfers set out in the wind on Wednesday to play a Stroke and Putting Competition. Wendy George won the day with a fabulous 74 net as well as Nearest the Pin on the 10th hole. Meg Simpson won the Putting Competition, scoring only 29 putts for 18 holes.

Meanwhile at Armidale Golf Course a successful day was held for June Dangar's Single Stroke Trophy Day. Four of us represented Guyra and enjoyed the day's golf, but have no victories to report.

The Phantom

#### Men's Golf

Last Sunday saw an excellent field turn out for the Burgess Garage day as well as the 4 Ball championships. The individual winner was Len Stanley with runner up going to Reg Walls.

The A grade 4 Ball champions for 2017 are Steve Kliendienst and Jake Ellis, the nett winners were Bruce Coppock and Steven Sole, runners up Reg Walls and Ben Vidler.

The B grade champions are Len Stanley and Neil Paine, the nett prize going to Evan Sole and Colin Walls with the runners up being Dan Vidler and Taylor Brennan.

Nearest to the pin on the 10th was Dan Vidler and Barry Simpson on the 18th.

Next Sunday will be an individual stableford for Grazag's trophy, with Sunday 24th September being the New England Autos 3 person ambrose.

The Albatross

#### Men's Bowls

The weekend saw the Final of the Three Bowl Pairs played. Dan Kennedy and Graham Starr faced Steven Sole and Robert Moore. By end five Steven and Dan were level on five shots each it was after this that Steven and Robert took control of proceedings and slowly but surely drew away from Dan and Graham. But true to form Dan and Graham tried to turn around their fortune but to no avail Steven and Robert kept forging ahead and after 25 ends Steven and Robert emerged the victors 31 shots to 15 shots

Congratulations to Steven and Robert being the Champions of the Three Bowl Pairs for 2017.

I can now let the readers know the Champions for 2017.

Open Singles: Winner and Club Champion: Col Stanley. Runner Up: Dan Kennedy.

Major Singles: Winner: David Wilcox Runner Up: Dan Kennedy.

Club Fours: Winners: Dan Kennedy, Col Stanley, Greg Mitchell, Graham Starr.

Club Pairs: David Wilcox and John Hamel.

Major/Minor Pairs: Steven Sole, Robert Walls.

Handicap Singles: Cameron Peardon.

Minor Singles: Wayne Reeves.

The Club Triples are yet to be finalised. Congratulations to all winners.

No Club Championships this weekend.

I have been asked to let all bowlers and interested persons wanting to learn the game that Wednesday Afternoon Social Bowls will commence the first Wednesday in October, for further please contact Mr David Wilcox at the Club on 6779 1499.

The Bowls Bandit.





# Fight of his life for MacDonald

Brisbane based Super Featherweight boxer and former Guyra resident James 'Jimmy' MacDonald has landed the biggest fight of his life to date

James is the son of Scot MacDonald and Aileen MacDonald. He made the move to Brisbane from Guyra two years ago, with a record of 2 wins and 1 loss.

Since then MacDonald has risen to become Australia's number 3 ranked Super Featherweight and is unbeaten in 7 fights, recently winning his first Queensland title.

On September 30 in China, Macdonald will take on the unbeaten Chinese prospect Jin Xian in front of 8,000 people in Beijing. MacDonald will be the underdog but he won't let the occasion overawe him; he aims to throw everything but the kitchen sink at the Chinese Champion.

MacDonald's coach Gareth Williams said that he is training hard for the fight

"Jimmy is a dedicated kid and I am confident that he will walk into the Lion's Den in China and bring home his first International belt," said Williams.

"Jimmy can do anything in boxing because his attitude is tremendous," Willams added. "He has built some classy boxing skills through his dedication to the sport."

MacDonald said his whole mindset is to win.

"I can't see any other outcome in the fight," he said. "My trainer has been involved in big fights before and he knows how to come up with the perfect plan, just like he did when Hoops (world ranked Light heavyweight Damien Hooper) beat Salamov on Jeff Horn's undercard, and I will do the same."

Super Featherweight Champion of Queensland James Macdonald will fight in front of 8000 people in Beijing later this month



# Caspers go for glory in grand final

The Guyra United first and second grade teams will be preparing this week to play in the 2017 ADFA grand finals to be held in Armidale this Saturday.

Both teams will be up against minor premiers TAS. It has been just a fortnight since the teams last met with second grade winning 1 nil and first grade 3 nil.

Despite these wins both

of the teams know that they will have to be at their best if they want to mix it with the students. TAS recorded massive wins over the weekend to book their spot in the final.

The games are to be played at the Rologas fields (Wicklow). The second grade game will kick off at 12.30pm with the first grade fixture is scheduled for 3pm.

There will be a players and supporters bus leaving the Bottom pub at 11 oclock (First in best dressed). Come out and support the Casper's as they aim for glory.

The first and second grade teams for the game are as follow:

FIRST GRADE: Henk Bus (coach), Ben Lennon, BJ Cameron, Matt Simpson, Ashley Holt, Logan Stanley, Vinnie Abayan, Mick Purvis, Brodie Harman, Rheece Handebo , Desie Walls, Cody Martin

SECOND GRADE: Mark Evers (captain/coach), Tom Smith, Rheece Handebo, Ben Vidler, Adam Brennan, Scott Miller, Eunice Blair, Tyrone Clough, Blake Handebo, Matt Simpson (goalie), Vu Nguyen, Taylor Brennan

