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Yard dog trials a big drawcard

Yard Dog Trials proved to be a fantastic draw card to this year's Guyra Show. The event attracted over twenty handlers, running 52 dogs to equate to over 100 runs for the weekend, plus seven local men working in the maiden trial on Sunday.

Competitors travelled from the Hunter Valley, Macksville, Boggabri, southern Queensland and the local area.

The open trial saw a total of 38 runs and was won by Justin Tombs of Armidale and Sunraysia George. They are the current NSW Yard Dog Champions and will be off to Canberra this week to defend the title.

Placings went to Jai Moar and Dash 2nd, Jai Moar and Biggin 3rd, Stuart Williamson and Trend 4th and Tony Overton and Orcha 5th.



LOCAL TRIALLERS (above)

Back l to r: Dan McLennan, Dan Vidler, Andrew Clark, Barry Grills, Don Mayled, Margo Hogan.

Front: Cody Martin and Troy Wesley

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Armidale Cup Sunday March 4

Armidale Jockey Club welcomes you to Armidale Racecourse this Sunday

for the  Armidale Cup

Free bus at 11.30am from Guyra provided there are enough numbers

Book your seat NOW with ...

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● The Guyra Cup will be held on 15th April ●

**Armidale Jockey Club
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**Fashions
on the Field
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**Jim Dedes
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What's **HOT**

GUYRA CUP now on in April - Armidale Cup this weekend

RAIN, RAIN RAIN - good falls but more still needed

ADULT EDUCATION - check out some of the great courses on offer through NECC

GARDENERS who know how to make things grow

What's **NOT**

DRIPPING AWNINGS in the main street

RUMOURS without confirmation

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Weather WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
20	Tues	11.3	22.1	3.2
21	Wed	10.6	21.0	0.6
22	Thurs	7.8	22.0	0
23	Fri	12.9	22.6	0
24	Sat	15.4	24.4	0
25	Sun	16.9	25.1	1.6
26	Mon	15.8	20.8	40.0

Rain this week	45.4mm
February rainfall	61.6mm
Rainfall YTD	137.2mm
Rainfall last YTD	264.0mm

Water treatment plant

Rainfall Registrations to 9am Monday, February 26

Rainfall 54 (137mm YTD)
Top Dam 580mm below spillway
Bott. Dam 190mm below spillway
Daily average town consumption (target 650 kl) 2281kl

Water Restrictions

Voluntary Community restraint

Beautiful and bountiful



Chris Hietbrink and Mark Fletcher among the overflowing beds at the Community Garden

The gates to the Guyra Community Garden were thrown open last Friday to showcase the work that has been carried out by volunteers over the last few months.

The Community Garden is located behind Guyra's Neighbourhood Centre, The Hub at Guyra which is next door to the council building.

The garden has undergone a period of renewal and there is currently a range of produce available for use by the community.

It is fully fenced, with a variety of plantings including fruit trees, a range of berries

and garden beds containing vegetables which can be used by anyone.

Around 40 people gathered in the garden for an "Evening Soiree", which included food and entertainment.

Coordinator Chris Hietbrink said that there were many there who had never been to the Garden before.

"Everyone was impressed by our vast array of fruits and vegetables growing so well," she said. "We thank Mark Fletcher who volunteers weekly in the garden, not only for his tender care but also for taking the load off our busy members."

"Mark ensures the garden is meeting the seasonal plantings and care required to keep it viable. We invite anyone who wishes to become a member of the Garden to drop into The Hub at Guyra for a membership form."

The gates are always open and anyone can make use of the space which contains not only a thriving garden, but also a BBQ and seating which make it an ideal place to enjoy some time out for lunch with friends or for a group outing.

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Hunt on for new CEO

Armidale Regional Council is on the hunt for a new Chief Executive Officer following the resignation of Peter Dennis.

Mr Dennis has resigned to take up a position within the private sector as Managing Director of Hunter H20.

He tendered his resignation last Tuesday, giving council four weeks notice.

Mayor Cr Simon Murray says it is business as usual for Council to deliver outstanding service to the community and to continue on the region's upward trajectory for growth and prosperity.

"My priorities for the re-



CEO Peter Dennis

gion have not changed. Sustainable economic growth, job creation and value for money in the delivery of services to our community are a priority

and will continue to be as we commence recruitment for a new CEO," said Cr Murray.

"Since commencing my role as Mayor and during the administration period Peter has demonstrated outstanding leadership and initiated numerous programs that will deliver outstanding customer service for our community," said Cr Murray.

"Peter has done a wonderful job for our community and will be sorely missed. On behalf of the Council we wish him all the success in his new role."

Chamber pushes for decision on Rail Trail

The Guyra and District Chamber of Commerce has written to Armidale Regional Council requesting support for the closure of the rail corridor between Black Mountain and Ben Lomond.

They have also requested Council immediately contacts the Deputy Premier, John Barilaro, to indicate its willingness to participate in the trial of three NSW locations for the development of rail trails.

Council's Regional Growth Advisory Committee has recommended it support the closure when it meets in Armidale on February 28th.

Armidale Regional Council Mayor, Simon Murray will use a Mayoral minute at the Council meeting to call for a review or business case to evaluate the case for a New England Rail Trail

Joyce turns focus to New England

Member for New England Barnaby Joyce has reaffirmed his commitment to the New England electorate after stepping down as leader of The Nationals and welcomed newly elected party leader, Michael McCormack.

Mr Joyce resigned following weeks of controversy over his relationship with staffer Vikki Campion and the breakdown of his marriage.

Media attention had focused on the contradiction between his support for family values and his actions, as well

as the alleged creation of jobs within the National Party for Campion.

In a separate incident, the Nationals last week received a formal complaint accusing Joyce of sexual harassment, which prompted him to finally step down.

Mr Joyce said he was incredibly humbled to have had the opportunity to serve regional Australia as Deputy Prime Minister and is determined to get on with the business of representing the New England.

"I extend my thanks to those who have supported me in recent months, especially those in the electorate, and I endeavour to repay that support with steadfast focus on getting a better deal for the New England.

"We have important projects already underway or in planning in the New England, including major road developments like the Tenterfield and Scone by-passes, our \$75 million commitment for Dungowan Dam, Tamworth's Northern Inland

Centre of Sporting Excellence, 37 new and upgraded mobile phone towers for the electorate - we launched the last one near Glen Innes just recently - to name but a few.

"We also have decentralisation in progress with the APVMA moving to Armidale bringing more jobs to regional Australia, and a freshly upgraded airport in Armidale as well.

"We've made big ground already for the New England and I'm excited what the future holds for us."



The Guyra Show Society

would like to thank all our very generous sponsors and supporters who helped make the 2018 Guyra Show such an outstanding success.

Your ongoing support is very much appreciated.



Without our Stewards and Volunteers the Guyra Show would not be possible. The Show Society appreciates the hard work and many hours our members and friends put in each year to enable the best Show in the district to continue.



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110th Guyra Show

High standard and new flavours

The Jams and Preserves section at the 2018 Guyra Show was extremely well supported.

It was especially pleasing to see a number of new exhibits, experiments with new flavor sensations and the extremely high standard of the junior exhibits.

The number of preserves was slightly down in number but excellent standard. Exhibitors are encouraged to consider preserving as an excellent way of utilizing fruit and vegetable surpluses.

There were a few particular standouts this year worthy of mention. Colleen Pearson in the junior section presented an outstanding jar of strawberry and passion fruit jam. It was expertly presented with a delicious taste sensation. Prue Post won champion in the section with a wonderful jar of tomato and chilli relish.

The decision for grand

champion was very tight, but it was a near perfect sweet orange marmalade by Heather Starr that nudged just in front.

All exhibitors are to be congratulated on their endeavours, particularly attention to detail with flavours, consistency and where appropriate decoration.

Remember practice makes perfect, read the schedule, use quality ingredients and clean jars - your support is wonderful and appreciated.

Mary Hollingworth
Judge

Top right:
Judge Mary Holligworth and Head Steward Di Burey

Right:
Colleen Pearson earned praise from the judges



Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale Market Report

February 21 - Lamb numbers retreated after the annual show sale increase. There were limited supplies of well finished trade and heavy weights with no extra heavy weights penned. Once again restocker lambs made up a large percentage of the offering. As to be expected the average quality of the well finished lambs was below the previous sale. The usual processor and restocker orders were in place.

Despite the reduction in quality there was little change in the market for trade and heavy weight lambs. The plainest of the restocker lambs sold to a

cheaper trend. The better quality lambs to restockers saw a firm to dearer market trend of up to \$8/head.

Merino sheep skin values played a role in a dearer market for Merino sheep. The crossbred ewes saw a firm to cheaper market trend with the heavy weights least affected.



Weekly Wool Market Report



February 23rd - It was another extremely solid week for the wool market resulting in the Eastern Market Indicator finishing at its highest ever weekly closing level and just short of January's all time high. Almost all categories gained ground for the week with up to 50 cents rises for the medium Merino types.

The 20 to 22 micron indicators closed at fresh all time highs with the 20 and 21 micron indicators rapidly closing the price premium gap that the finer types had opened up in recent times. The Aussie dollar shedding 1.3 cents against the US during the week certainly would have helped the market however the EMI closed the week 17 cents cheaper

when looked at in US dollars. 39,429 bales were sold nationally with a passed in rate of 5.4%.

Major buyers included Techwool, Seatech and PJ Morris with the top four accounting for over 50% of the Merino Fleece offering. Next week's national offering has increased by around 5,000 bales above last week's forecast with Sydney scheduled as a designated Superfine sale. Some caution is becoming evident in the forward market with buyers reluctant to trade at the physicals historically high levels.

Greg Andrews

Schute Bell Wool



110th Guyra Show - Big crowd, Big bulls

After several years' absence from the Guyra show, the Bull ride made a comeback and didn't disappoint. The Open Bull Ride was won by Tamworth's Jarrod Hunt with 81pts on Six Barrel.

The novice bull ride was won by Dorrigo cowboy Jack Watt on Lil Wayne. Fifteen year old Grafton cowboy Bradley Wheeler continued his successful run by winning the mini bareback on Golden Boy as well as placing second in the novice bull ride.

Bundarra local Cameron Jones won the junior steer ride and local cowboy Dallas Mulligan placed third in the novice bull ride, but was bucked off in the open. Jake McKay continued to improve, but was bucked off in the novice bull ride.



The crowd stayed on to watch the Bull Ride

The -U- Rodeo Company owners Dean, Michelle Mulligan and family would like to thank all their sponsors,

supporters and all the Guyra community who came and watched. Also thank you to Luke and Ellen Newberry,

Chris Sole and all the Guyra show Society.

Dean Mulligan

110th Guyra Show - Blooming Horticulture

Daryl Burton from Armidale won the Champion Decorative, Cactus and Miscellaneous Dahlias of the Show as well as the Champion Dahlia of the Show, followed by Neville Green from Guyra in the Novice Section with some beautiful Dahlias.

Champion Gladioli was exhibited by Rita Williams and Paivi Walls won the Champion Rose. Long standing exhibitor Frank Presnell won the Champion Hydrangea with some beautiful white blooms.

Jane McCowen won the Champion Miscellaneous Section with a collection of

interesting flowers. The Decorative Section at the Show was a particular standout with so many beautiful entries and some new exhibitors as well. The Champion Unit and Grand Champion of the show was won by Helen McKemey with some exceptional work.

Ben Lomond School won the Landcare award in the School Section. Thank you everyone for contributing in such dry times and we look forward to you coming back next year. A special thanks goes to the wonderful helpers in Section 8.

Kris Grills



Above:

Champion Miscellaneous Unit of the Show

Left:

The Champion Unit and Grand Champion



Ten years of Probus

Guyra Probus Club celebrated their tenth year anniversary last week with over sixty people attending a celebration dinner at the Guyra Bowling Club.

Secretary Judy Jackson said that they had a most enjoyable day.

"We had visitors from Glen Innes and Armidale attending," she said.

"Thanks to Ron Vickress and Tony Bush for our great entertainment. Ron did a skit and Tony was our guest speaker on his recent visit to China.

"Margaret Day had an album of last 10 years of photos of members on trips and those who have departed since - a great record.

"Maurie Rohrshiem organized three lovely vases of flowers assisted by Bev Handebo for decorations.

"Thanks to all those who helped to make the day successful. Phillip Crossing



Founding members Margaret Day, Liz St Clair and Maurie Rohrshiem

from Tamworth presented us with a dinner bell for our meetings."

The next meeting day of the Probus Club will be held

on March 12th. This will be the annual changeover meeting at 10am at the Bowling Club.



Above: Bruce and Gail Moffatt

Left: Liz and Maurie cut the anniversary cake

Below left: Jan and Kevin Harman

Below: Phillip Crossing, Ron Vickress and Tony Bush



Meals on Wheels

28th February Noreen Williams
1st March Heather Marchant
2nd March Lesley Credland
5th March Kath Varley
6th March Don & Betty Mayled
7th March Wendy Lockyer

Street Stalls

1st March Presbyterian Church
8th March Senior Citizens
9th March Westpac Helicopter
16th March Masonic Lodge

Church Notices

St James Anglican

Sunday 9am Combined Service,
1st Sunday of the month Backwater
2pm, 3rd Sunday of the month Ben Lomond 11.30am
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 at Rafter's Restaurant, 6pm for 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307

Build it and they will come

My little family and I recently moved to the New England region to escape the hustle and bustle of city life. Our family of seasoned and budding adventurers have travelled to Europe and New Zealand to seek spectacular scenery, country roads and traffic free rail trails to cycle on. While exploring my new city of Armidale and the New England region I was astounded to discover the underutilised community asset of the potential New England Rail Trail.

I am writing to encourage support for the creation of the New England Rail Trail. I believe it would be a great recreational resource for the New England region and source of future sustained tourist revenue. When complete the

210km New England Rail Trail would be the longest rail trail in this region of Australia. The famous New Zealand Otago Central Rail trail, the yard stick for rail trail potential in the Antipodes, is only 150km long.

The New England Rail Trail has many potential features that could see it become the Australian equivalent of the Otago Central Rail Trail. Climatically New England is similar to Otago and far more conducive to cycling in most parts of the year. Geologically New England region is easily equivalent to the Otago region with its exposed rock outcroppings and high alpine flora. The paralleling system of roads that enables users to travel sections of choice and visit towns for resupply, is also similar to Otago. In regards to history I think NERT easily surpasses the

Otago Rail Trail. Due to the short time of inactivity on the Northern Rail line so much remnant infrastructure remains. This infrastructure, if retained, would be a huge draw card for train and rail trail enthusiasts.

The Brisbane Valley Rail trail is a great example to hold up for rail trail potential in this region of Australia. Even though not yet complete, local communities along the trail hold sporting events, fun runs, animal trail walks and religious reenactments along the length of the BVRT. In my years of involvement with the BVRT I've seen resources and business grow beside the trail. In my opinion NERT could easily surpass the BVRT in potential community use and involvement. New interest in the rail lines history would bolster the existing community historic

groups that remain along its length.

Rail trail enthusiasts that are not locals, are predominantly interested in travelling along corridors of rail history and spend time exploring historic features. Enthusiasts travel great distances to experience a rail trail. They are mindful of local landowners privacy and grazing stock security. They come to explore and celebrate the history and scenery of a region. I know this because I am one of those rail trail enthusiasts and I've already started exploring around Armidale, Guyra and the New England region and spending my dollars there every weekend.

New England, if the trains are not returning, and you build it, they WILL come.

Anthony Cooke

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Following on from the open, the novice trial commenced with Michael Colvin of Guyra judging this event. The eventual winner from a field of 24 dogs was Eric Tighe of Bundarra with Lily, 2nd was Jai Moar with Biggin, 3rd Ed Gray and Nickles, equal 4th Justin Tombs

and Edward and Eric Tighe and Percy.

Sunday morning the maiden trial commenced with seven locals entering to have a trial. Running a combined maiden and local trial saw veteran Barry Grills and Bailey winning the local ahead of Dan Vidler 2nd and Andrew Clark 3rd. Barry

was unlucky to be knocked out of the maiden final by the second last dog to run. Jai Moar rounded out a successful weekend taking home first with Blackie with Greg Thomas and Chester 2nd, Ed Wall and Duke 3rd while Jai Moar and Stan took our 4th.

The trial organisers would like to thank the show soci-

ety, Harry and Rita Williams, Joel Youman, Ramage Engineering, Elders Guyra, Landmark Guyra, Grazag Guyra and major sponsors Regional Bank and National Australia Bank as without their support it would not be possible to run this event.

Margo Hogan



Greg Thomas, Margo Hogan and Stuart Williamson



Jai Moar, Margo Hogan and Michael Colvin

Community Small Grants Program now open

The Armidale Regional Council's 2017/2018 Community Small Grants Program is now accepting applications until 5pm Friday March 30, 2018.

The grants program covers the whole Armidale Regional Local Government Area and the Mayor Cr Simon Murray strongly encourages local not-for-profit organisations from the region to submit an application for up to \$1000.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for not-for-profit organisations to seek support for a local program or initiative," said Cr Murray. "Council is keen to support proposals from across the area that meet the criteria and address community need."

Council can provide assistance through the small grants program for applicants seeking up to \$1000. Local not-for-profit organisations are encouraged to apply however Council would like to remind the community that not-for-profit groups who already receive regular funding from Council are ineligible to apply for a Community Small Grant.

The aim of the Community Small Grants Program is to:

- Provide support for local programs or initiatives which are considered beneficial to the community and which address community needs.
- Support the development of special initiatives or programs which demonstrate community cooperation between a number of local groups and organisations.

For more information on whether your organisation is eligible and to find the correct application form, please visit www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au and on the homepage select 'Community' then 'Grants and Funding Opportunities'. You may also contact Customer Service on 1300 136 833 or email: council@armidale.nsw.gov.au

Tenterden bridge almost complete



Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall inspecting progress on the \$1.06 million Tenterden Road Bridge replacement project

Work on the \$1.06 million Tenterden Road Bridge replacement west of Guyra is progressing well.

Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall inspected the construction recently and commended Armidale Regional Council crews on the quality of work so far.

"The project involves replacing the old and dangerous single-lane timber bridge with a two-lane concrete structure over Georges Creek along Tenterden Road, as well as new bridge approaches for the newly aligned road," Mr Marshall said.

"The new bridge abutments and piers have been constructed and the girders, deck and guard railing installed – now council staff are busily building the new bridge approaches on either side.

"It is an impressive sight and I

cannot wait to see the bridge completed soon and the first vehicles driving across it."

Mr Marshall said the new two-lane bridge would dramatically improve safety and increase productivity for local companies by opening up the area to heavier freight vehicles that previously couldn't use the old crossing.

"The bridge will eliminate a potential detour of 67 kilometres for heavy vehicles, shortening travel distances and lowering freight costs," he said.

The \$1.06 million Tenterden Road Bridge replacement project received \$510,000 from the NSW Government's Fixing Country Roads program, \$530,000 Australian Government as well as \$20,000 from Armidale Regional Council, which is managing the works.

Farmers bark at new dog breeding rules

NSW Farmers is concerned that the fundamental position of working dogs on farms is under threat with proposed dog breeding regulations. The NSW Department of Primary Industries has developed draft Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Breeding Dogs) Standards and Guideline in response to animal welfare incidents on puppy farms but they will apply to all dog breeders.

NSW Farmers has strongly opposed these proposed regulations applying to working dog breeders as they are not feasible. Chair

of the NSW Farmers Animal Welfare Committee James Jackson said that the proposed regulations are completely unrealistic for small breeders, and they do not differentiate between working and companion dog operations.

"These regulations are intended to address health and welfare concerns with puppy farms. The regulations focus on large commercial operations and will require all breeders to have completed specific training courses, have specialised housing facilities and de-

tailed management procedures," Mr Jackson said.

"The detailed requirements will force working dog breeders to either stop operating or continue in fear of being found non-compliant, with these overly bureaucratic requirements".

"We are deeply concerned that the vital role of working dogs in agriculture has not been considered. There is no recognition of the importance of working dogs nor that these dogs are bred for a specific purpose unlike companion dogs."

"NSW Farmers is calling

on NSW Department of Primary Industries to exempt working dogs from these requirements, and recognise the difference between working and companion dogs."

"Working dogs need to be treated different, otherwise they will continue to be tangled in puppy farm regulations".

The DPI will review feedback provided to a recently concluded stakeholder consultation process and consider whether amendments are required.

NRL visit a hit with students

Last week St Mary of the Angels was lucky enough to have two representatives from the NRL league come and visit. All the classes got together to participate in a fun and informative talk about how to be fit, healthy and be a good sport. The boys taught us that NRL is a very welcoming sport that both boys and girls can participate in. They ran us through all the rules and how to join the local club.

It was so fantastic to see such a great message being shared with our school. It really encouraged a healthy lifestyle and good sportsmanship. They talked a lot about how to be respectful and caring to teammates and people in our day to day lives.

The students all learnt a lot:

"I learnt that you have to eat five vegetables and two fruits a day to be healthy," said a Year Six student.

"I didn't know the rules of



Jack Lockyer with Luke from the NRL

NRL before the talk but I think that I will be trying out for the team," said a Year Two student.

"I really enjoyed the quizzes about how to be a good sport," said a Year Three girl.

At St Mary of the Angels we always try and promote healthy living through our Health lessons. The students are really enjoying being a part of our school garden and are learning a lot about what a good diet looks like. During

our sports lesson we are always improving our fitness and learning new skills. Hopefully one day the students can use them to play NRL!

Submitted

Ladies' golf

The 1st NSW Medal Round Stroke Competition was played on Wednesday 21st February 2018. Joyce Betts put together an excellent round of golf to win the competition with an outstanding 67 net score on a count back from Wendy Jackson. Julie Walker won the putting competition making only 27 putts.

On Wednesday 7th March 2018 the 2nd Golf NSW Medal Competition is set down on the programme. The starter is Meg Simpson.

The Phantom

Men's golf

Last week's midweek competition saw P Jackson and K Oehlers take the individual honours with 20 points. The team of the week was TWG with 68 points. A new rule is now being enforced that if you haven't paid your midweek fees your score will not be counted.

Last Sunday saw the annual East verse West challenge the winner of the day was S Mendes. Nearest to the pins went to V Reeves on the 7th, A Dittman on the 10th and S Mendes on the 18th.

Congratulations must go to Joel, Ma-gooley and the Bowling club who sponsored a card draw for full golfing membership for next year. The lucky winner was Bruce Coppock.

Next week will be an individual par for Dick Burey Country Kitchens trophy as well as the monthly mug. With the Championships looming the following week it is your chance to fine tune your game .

The Albatross

Vets golf

On Tuesday February 27th, 10 Vets played a 4 Ball Best Ball. The day started off being quite cool and overcast, but improved to be a pleasant day for golfing.

Congratulations to the winners, Wal Chapman and Jon Cumming, with a great score of 44 points. Pat Grills and Warren McCowen were the runners-up with 42 points.

Nearest the pins were awarded to Doug Archibald on the 7th, Jon Cumming the 10th and John Prisk on the 18th.

On Thursday, a very keen team of 28

Vets will be traveling to our first Pen-nants game in Glen Innes.

The Vet

Swimming Carnival

On Friday 9th February, St Mary of the Angels School held their annual swimming carnival. The children had a great day, swimming competitively, cheering on their fellow students and enjoying the company of our wider school community. Thanks to all of our helpers whose assistance is crucial to the success of our carnival.

Congratulations to our Age Champions Reegan Jackson, Jack Lockyer, Anna Grills, Tom Lockyer, Annie Williamson, Camilla Grills, Lachlan Clark, Olive McFarlane and Archie Foster and Runner Up's Lucy Campbell, Sebastian Brazier, Brooke Newberry, George Williamson, Leah Jones, George Bradford, Clara Bradford, Kayne Brennan and Sam Reeves on your achievements. From this carnival a small squad of swimmers represented the school at the Diocesan Carnival on Friday Feb 23rd in Armidale.



MEETINGS

HOTEL GUYRA ANGLERS CLUB AGM and Presentation Day at Guyra Hotel, Sunday March 4, 11am. Memberships due. See Facebook for Agenda. Great prizes and kids' activities.

GUYRA BRANCH of the **NSW Nationals** AGM will be held on Sunday, 25th March, 2018 at 10.00am at Rafter's Restaurant. For more information contact Kirsty White 6779 2141 or kirsty.white@bigpond.com

GUYRA RSL sub-Branch AGM will be held on Monday, 19 March 2018 at 3.00pm at the Soldiers' Memorial Hall. All members, and those eligible to be members, are encouraged to attend.

RAFFLE RESULTS

CAN ASSIST raffle won by Aileen MacDonal, prize redonated. 100 Club 1st Irene Bultitude, 2nd Bentley White, 3rd Diane See. Thanks to all for your support.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY street stall raffle won by Fay Skinner. Thanks for your continued support.

PUBLIC NOTICES

GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM will be open on Sundays from 11am to 3pm. Enquiries 6779 2132



FREE LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC

The Hub at Guyra
160 Bradley Street
Friday, 2nd March
10:00am to 12:30pm

- Having trouble with your neighbours?
- Struggling with employment and workplace issues?
- Do you have a consumer complaint?

These are just some problem types our Principal Solicitor can assist with - **FREE of charge.**

We are offering free legal advice to the Guyra community on the 1st Friday of every month.

Phone now for your **FREE** appointment on **1800 687 687**

GARDENING

OAKLEAF LAWN and Garden Services Mowing, hedging, trimming, weeding, gutter cleaning etc. (pensioner discount). Ph. Edward 0407 484 371

GARAGE SALES

11 WIRRUNA STREET this Saturday, 3rd March, 8.30am start. Lots of knick-knacks, household goods.

2617 BALDERSLEIGH ROAD, Saturday March 17. Household goods, farm implements.

LIVESTOCK

GLENELLA WHITE SUFFOLKS

Rams Available Now

Ready to work. **From \$500**

Call Mitchell Woods 6779 2355

IN MEMORIAM



Eric Melling ~ 27-2-1988

30 years have passed

My heart still aches in sadness
My silent tears still flow
For what it meant to lose you
No-one will ever know

Although you cannot be here with me
We're truly not apart
Until the final breath I take
You'll be living in my heart

Dearest Dad to hear your voice
And see your smile
And just sit and talk to you
Would be my dearest wish today

*Dad, Thinking of you today and always
I will love you forever*

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MARCH 18TH Guyra Lions Club **SENIOR CITIZENS MYSTERY TOUR**. Leaves from Senior Citizen's Hall 8.30am. All Seniors welcome - please **RSVP by March 9th** to Jim Betts 6779 1460 or Eric Heagney 6779 1203.

NEW APRIL 15TH Guyra Cup at Armidale Racecourse.

NEW NOVEMBER 3RD St James Anglican Church Fete

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Applications close 5pm Friday, 9 March 2018.

For further information, including how to apply, visit Council's website www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au

For more information contact Ms Kim Bryan on 6770 3841



We currently have a position available for a Mechanic

Qualified mechanic required for a local business.

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Send your application, including a resume, to:

guyracentralpandc@gmail.com

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Men's Bowls

The results for the weekend, in Open Singles Barry Campbell played Col Stanley and it appeared that Barry pushed Col all the way only to be beaten 31 shots to 23 shots after 36 ends.

In Major Singles Robert Moore played David Lyes. Robert led David 23 shots to 12 shots after 22 ends. David staged a fight back and finally ran out victor 31 shots to 29 shots after 37 ends.

In the Minor Singles game Peter Brodbeck played Wayne Reeves. Wayne held the lead a number of times however Peter fought back and eventually ran out winner 31 shots to 21 shots over 34 ends.

Friday morning February 23rd saw Chris Kliendienst play Boyd Stanley in an Open Singles game, in this game Chris proved too consistent for Boyd and ran out victor 31 shots to 20 shots over 28 ends.

As mentioned in last week's report three teams of bowlers from Guyra contested New England District Bowling Association events. In State Pairs: John McIllwain and David Wilcox played Saturday morning and were narrowly beaten. Steven Sole

and Robert Walls were washed out on Saturday and returned Sunday to finish their game but were defeated. Both the above games were played at Armidale Ex Services.

At Armidale City John Jackson and Ian Jacobs played in the Senior Pairs on Saturday afternoon. Despite a number of interruptions due to rain John and Ian managed to win their game against the Uralla team of David Kliendienst and Graham Smith 28 shots to 20 shots over 21 ends. Sunday morning February 25th John and Ian faced another Uralla team Peter Leggatt and Paul Hine in the Final and again managed a win 19 shots to 10 shots over 21 ends.

John and Ian are the New England District Bowling Association Senior Pairs Champions for 2018. Congratulations to all those that participated in these events.

The following Bowlers are required to perform marking duties for the District Singles to be played at Guyra Saturday March 3rd.

Cameron Peardon, Robert Walls, Peter Brodbeck, Dan Kennedy Steven Sole. All markers are to be at the Club by 9.00am thank you.

The Bowls Bandit



Gazette Footy Tipping

Welcome to the Gazette's 2018 Footy Tipping competition - **Enter NOW!**

We welcome locals who would like to participate and for you the prizes this year will be: First \$100.00, Second \$50.00 and the Wooden Spoon \$20.00.

Some of our **Celebrities** are returning, but we would heartily welcome more of our fabulous Guyra business owners/managers to join the fun. **Call us on 6779 2132 to enter!**

The prizes for our Celebrity winners are a half page ad for first place and a quarter page ad for second. Good luck and have some fun!

Locals Entry Form - Round 1

Tips for Round 1 must be submitted to the GALA office by 11.00am on Tuesday, 6 March

Name:

Phone:

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

President's day for lady bowlers

The greens were full on Tuesday for the Lady Bowler's President's Day.

Held once a year, President's Day brings together bowlers from across the district. There were 22 teams entered from Tenterfield, Inverell, Glen Innes, Walcha, Bendemeer, Uralla, Delungra, Tingha and Kootingal.

Guyra currently has 10 affiliated members, eight who play regularly. While small in number they enjoy the chance to participate in days like this which are held once a year in Guyra. Other clubs also have their own President's Day.

President Dot Jackson said that it is always a good day, and everyone enjoys the game as well as the social aspect.

"I enjoy playing and days like this are always fun," Dot said. "Anyone who wants to join us is more than welcome to come along - we'd love to have new members for our regular competition which we play every Tuesday morning.

"We have struggled for members in recent years but have picked up some new members recently and hopefully they continue to come along a bit more," she said.

Days like this don't just happen and the lady bowler's would like to thank David Wilcox for helping with the draw and for putting the mats out. Thanks also to Betty Ann and the bar staff as well as Donna and staff in the kitchen for the wonderful lunch.

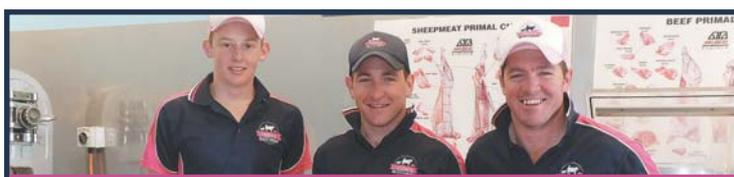
Last of all thank you to our girls for setting up, getting morning tea ready and also Costa for the tomatoes.

Winner of the bowls were L Fuller, B Carter, L Apthorpe from Armidale and runners up were G Davidson, B Cullen and M O'Connor from Kootingal.



Above:
Action aplenty on the greens on Tuesday

Right:
Guyra bowlers Jenny O'Neil and President Dot Jackson



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- * Players
- * First aid officers
- * Trainers/strappers
- * Gameday volunteers

Training: Tuesdays and Thursdays 6pm - Guyra Sporting Complex

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