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Dasha's 20th birthday bash

Darren and Tania Lennon have chalked up 20 years in the hardware business serving the Guyra community.

The first 10 years were in the Bradley Street store which they purchased from Les and Carmel Kirk in 1998.

In 2008 they moved around the corner to Ollera St, to larger premises which they still occupy trading as Dasha's Hardware under the Home Timber and Hardware banner.

They say much of their success comes from the support they received in those early days.

"Les and Carmel were instrumental in getting us off to a good start," Tania said. "They loved the business and they were always there when we needed advice."

"We also received great support from other local business owners during

those early years which helped us to get established.

"When we started we had a five year plan and I think we have lasted 20 years because our community has supported us and we have supported the community.

"Darren and I are local people who believe in supporting the local community, local events, local charities and local sporting groups.

"It has been hard work and we have worked long hours but have always had wonderful staff and good customers who are the reason we are still here."

"We are not the biggest store but we try to cater to the needs of the community and 20 years on we still love coming to work.

"There are still a few things we want to do so I guess we will start on our next five year plan."



Tania and Darren 'Dasha' Lennon

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What's HOT

HAVING A DENTIST in Guyra!

GREAT NIGHT at the Black Tie Ball at Ben Lomond raising funds for Friendly Faces & Helping Hands charity

JAKE ELLIS - Armidale radio Sports Star of the month. Also Adding another 5 wicket haul on the weekend.

What's NOT

LARGE NUMBERS of cats roaming free at night.

RYANDA ST being used as a speedway - SLOW DOWN!

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
27	Tues	10.6	23.0	10.0
28	Wed	10.6	25.5	0
01	Thurs	14.1	27.5	0
02	Fri	15.6	27.0	0
03	Sat	14.7	25.3	0
04	Sun	15.0	21.6	0
05	Mon	14.3	22.7	1.0

Rain this week	11.0mm
March rainfall	1.0mm
Rainfall YTD	148.2mm
Rainfall last YTD	341.8mm

Water treatment plant

Rainfall Registrations to 9am Monday, March 5

Rainfall 10 (147mm YTD)
Top Dam 210mm below spillway
Bott. Dam 170mm below spillway
Daily average town consumption (target 650 kl)1897kl

Water Restrictions

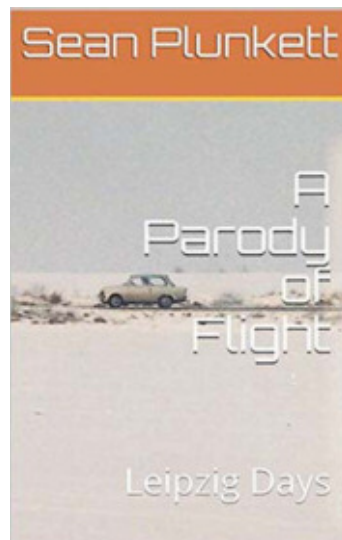
Voluntary Community restraint

First book for local author

Local author Sean Plunkett's first book has been released. Entitled "A Parody of Flight" Sean describes the story as a piece of creative non-fiction based on his own life experiences.

The story is set in Germany at the time when the Berlin Wall came down and is a story of 'Love, Leipzig, Language and Disability'. It has been a work in progress for around 20 years according to Sean who said that he knew he had a story to tell.

"I have been writing it on and off for a while, but in the last 12 months I revisited what I had in an effort to make it more interesting," he said. "It is essentially a true story but what I have done is to try in the writing process to find some sought of beauty



Available now to download at Amazon.com

in the words of it, which has an effect of how the story unfolds."

"I think it's a good story

and it's an interesting story - there are no car chases, no people shooting each other with guns so it's not an action book but rather a story that reflects real life."

Sean has his own disability however he says that while the story comes from his experiences it is not his story.

"It's about onset of disability and it is up to the reader to decide what is fiction and what is true and enjoy the story for what it is," he said.

"The message I hoped to get across is that life doesn't stop because something bad happens - you have to keep living your life."

"A Parody of Flight" is available to download at Amazon and also can be ordered as a paperback

Camel farm visit for Kolora residents

Kolora residents visited the Armidale Camel Farm on February 15th. The owner (Naomi Hooper) gave a talk about the life of the camels including the gestation period, rearing, life span and the purposes at the farm. For lunch we went to the Mung Hing Chinese Restaurant to celebrate 'Chinese New Year'.

Kolora residents also participated in the Guyra Show entering items in a number of categories. Elizabeth King, Dorothy Paull and Phylis Mephram were among in the winners.



Troy's horseback success



Troy Brazier win the Novice section at the 'King of the Ranges' challenge

Local competitor, 19 year old Troy Brazier competed and won the Novice section of the 'King of the Ranges' Stockman's Challenge on February 25th at Murrurundi NSW.

Troy is at home on horseback and has been riding since the age of three on the family property 'Fourex' Guyra.

Inspired by tales of local 1930's stockman Archie "Bung" McInnes (known as the "King of the Ranges") this event is a celebration of the

traditional skills of Australian stockmen and women, showcasing the tasks they use daily in an intense competition consisting of cattle work, pack-horse, bareback obstacle, whip cracking, horse-shoeing and cross country jumping.

Competing for the first time out of the Junior ranks, Troy finished first over the Novice field after two days of competition.

This was Troy's third attempt at the King of the Ranges Stockman's Chal-

lenge, having won the Cross Country section in 2016.

Three competitors went into the final, each having to catch a brumby in two minutes. Troy as did his rivals, all caught their brumby so it was the overall score that brought Troy home first.

In winning Troy also won the 'Packhorse and Stock handling' section, as well as "Bandit" his horse, having the highest scoring Australian Stockhorse "Fourex Valley Bandit" in the Novice.

Baldersleigh mobile tower switched on

Member for New England Barnaby Joyce and Minister for Regional Communications Bridget McKenzie have welcomed the switch on of a new mobile base station at Baldersleigh delivered under the Federal Government's \$220 million Mobile Black Spot Program.

The new mobile base station was completed by Telstra and is one of the latest of 37 sites across New England set to receive new or improved mobile coverage under the program.

"The Mobile Black Spot Program is enabling mobile carriers to service areas like Baldersleigh where it would otherwise not have been economically viable," Mr Joyce said.

Under the first two rounds of the program, a total of 765 new base stations will be delivered to address black spots in every state and territory.

A further \$60 million has been committed to a third round to address 106 sites in priority black spot areas including New England sites at Copeton Dam, Fig Tree Hill, Kingstown and a second site at Baldersleigh.

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110th Guyra Show - Record Horse entries

The horse section of the 110th Guyra Show was very well supported, with record numbers of entries. The depth of quality was up on previous years, with many horses entered having competed at Royal, State and National level in the previous 12 months.

The local events and sporting events were extremely well supported, with the judges commenting on the number of local competitors.

Some of the highlights of the show include:

- Dianne Newberry Memorial Supreme Horse & Champion Lady Rider - Lindsey Blanch & "DC Gustav" (Grafton)

- Supreme Rider - Brie Aitken

- AJE Turner Memorial Champion Hack - Rosie Bloch & "Willowcroft Braveheart"

(Inverell)

- Ross Kelly Memorial Champion Working ASH - Karl Anderson & "Bonniebe Marnie"

- AC Clayton Memorial Champion Local Hack - Fiona MacArthur & "Kellys Blackhawk"

- Champion Local Rider - Jessica Taylor & "Bean"

- DC Youman Memorial Champion Sporting Horse & Rider - Matthew Sisson

Thank you to the Guyra Pony Club for setting up and running the sporting events. Thank you to our excellent team of ring stewards and the Guyra Central School Ag students for your valuable assistance in the ring.

Last but not least, thank you to our generous sponsors, for your continued support.

Luke Newberry



Above: Supreme Horse of the Show & Champion Lady Rider Lindsey Blanch DC Gustav with Judges Jill & Camilla Dawson
Below: Ross Kelly Memorial Champion & Reserve Working ASH - Karl Anderson 'Bonniebe Marnie' & Deborah Curtin 'Sable Oriton' with The Kelly Family & Judge Camilla Dawson
Far Left: DC Youman Memorial Champion Sporting Rider & Horse Matthew Sisson **Left:** Supreme Rider - Brie Aitken



Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale Market Report

February 28th - There was a reduced supply of lambs and an increased number of grown sheep. The quality of the lambs was fair to good with restocker lambs well supplied.

There was an increased supply of well finished young lambs suitable to both trade and export orders. The usual buyers were in attendance with increased restocker demand.

The strong restocker demand resulted in dearer trends of \$3 to \$5/head on the better lambs and more for the plainer light weights. There was an increased supply of 1st cross store lambs included, this had an impact on the average

prices.

The well finished trade and heavy weight young lambs met increased demand, with trends firm to \$4 dearer on trade weights and up to \$2/head on the few heavy weights. Both Merino and cross-bred ewes were well represented in an increased penning of sheep.

There was also an increase in the numbers of Merino wethers penned. Demand was stronger with trends dearer. The ewes were \$2 to \$9/head dearer. Wethers also sold to dearer trends with quite a few very good quality young Merino wethers attracting both restocker and processor competition.

Weekly Wool Market Report



March 2nd - The opening day of sales in the Northern region continued to see the market push higher for most categories. It was a designated Superfine sale in Sydney and these types continued to increase in value as the week progressed on the back of solid demand.

It was a slightly different story in the 18.5 to 20 micron range with these types coming under pressure on the final day of sales. New record levels have become nearly a weekly occurrence and this week was the turn of the 21 and 22 micron indicators both closing the week in uncharted territory.

The benchmark Eastern Market Indicator also hit a new record high

on Wednesday of 1834c/kg before dipping 4 cents on the final day. 41,227 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate 6.6%. Major buyers included Techwool, Seatech and Lempriere.

Next week's expected national offering has risen to over 46,000 bales with the Southern region playing host to over 29,000 of these over three selling days. AWTA test data out yesterday is showing a 2.1% increase in the weight of wool tested nationally for the season to date on the back of a 4.1% decline in February.

Greg Andrews

Schute Bell Wool



Tenders

Design and supply of three bridges

RFT ARC18/2554

Armidale Regional Council is seeking tenders from suitably qualified and experienced suppliers to complete project description, scope of work, specific sites and project requirements. This tender is being offered as three separable portions.

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 6 March 2018.

Enquiries regarding this tender may be directed to Rowan Neville on 0415 328 713.

Tenders quoting the reference number ARC17/2554 and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, will be received up until closing time 2.30 pm Wednesday, 28 March 2018.

Electrical installation

RFT ARC18/2581

Electrical Installation New England Highway Roundabout Armidale Airport

Armidale Regional Council is seeking tenders from suitably qualified and experienced suppliers to complete proposed contract is for the Electrical Installation for the New Roundabout on the New England Highway (NEH) adjacent to the Armidale

Airport. The works include the installation of new lighting at the roundabout, the removal of existing poles, the installation of new poles, the installation of LV duct and cable and the relocation of aerial HV to underground.

Full details are provided in the tender documents which will be available free of charge from the eTendering portal at the website

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website www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au from 6 March 2018.

Enquiries regarding this tender may be directed to Mark Wilson on 02 67703 877.

Tenders quoting the reference number ARC18/2581 and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, will be received up until closing time 2.30 pm Tuesday, 27 March 2018.

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents in the Armidale Regional Council Local Government Area are being consulted on the most effective model to establish an Aboriginal Advisory Committee that represents the expanded Council area.

An online survey/feedback form is available on the Aboriginal Advisory Committee page on Council's engagement website, yoursay.armidale.nsw.gov.au

Printed copies of the feedback form are available from Council's offices in Armidale and Guyra, or by contacting Aboriginal Community Development Officer Cyril Green on 6770 3936 or cgreen@armidale.nsw.gov.au.



Mayor's Message

The design process for a revitalisation of Armidale's central business district has entered the next phase, to work closely with the community in reviewing the plans.

Council last week resolved to engage the city's Business Advisory Committee to take responsibility of this important project, including a review of the feedback and progressing the design, by forming a reference group including a variety of stakeholders. The reference group will include representatives from several groups, including Mall Traders and Business Owners, chambers of commerce, Locals for Locals, the Aboriginal community, Disability and Access and emergency services. The reference group will also

include a number of experts in the areas of heritage design and urban architecture, engineers and planners to support the design process. Last Wednesday's meeting noted the huge level of community feedback received during the community consultation period, which ran from late November until 16 February.

Council has also listened to community calls for more opportunity to be involved in the design process, to capitalise on the expertise and wisdom in our community.

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback during the latest round of consultation for the CBD revitalisation. A total of 358 people completed the online survey and Council received another 161 printed surveys and written submissions during the consultation period.

That excellent response was supplemented by the 146 people who left comments in the guest book

and the comments board at the Community Connect shopfront in the Beardy Street Mall, which was visited by 941 people during the consultation period.

Council also received submissions and petitions, including one with 3975 names listed in support of changes to the design including no traffic access to the mall and a design which is sympathetic to the existing heritage architecture. I would like to acknowledge the group's substantial petition, organised by Maria Hitchcock, which will certainly be considered as part of the reference group's deliberations.

It was fantastic to see such a high level of community input to this discussion, aided considerably by a number of dedicated community members who helped generate public interest in the issue.

I look forward to seeing how the CBD Revitalisation designs evolve through the reference group, in close cooperation with Council staff.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 March 2018, at the Guyra Chambers, 158 Bradley St, from 1pm. The public are welcome to attend.

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Outstanding results at Armidale

A group of keen Agriculture students from Guyra Central School recently participated in the Armidale Show where they competed in a vast array of junior judging competitions which included stock horse, meat and merino sheep, fleeces and cattle, as well as cattle parading.

There were some outstanding achievements from students across the events which included Michael Looker and Harris Dullaway gaining first and second respectively in the fleece judging. Other good results came from Tom Lockyer who was second in the merino sheep judging, Andrew Pearson 5th in horse judging and Caleb Campbell-Spencer 5th in cattle judging. Also making the finals were Michael Looker and Jamie Loeb in the cattle judging and Ashley Donnelly and Colleen Pearson for cattle parading.

On the Saturday in the stud cattle section, students prepared and presented the school's Murray Grey animals. There were some very pleasing results with "Nan" and "Bonny" winning their respective age classes in a combined breed's competition which saw a range of animals from Murray Grey, Speckle Park, Devon and Red Poll studs. "Betty" also placed 3rd. Bonny then went on to be awarded senior champion female.

Guyra Central was then crowned overall champion exhibit due to the excellent presentation of the cattle and stall area, combined with the outstanding results achieved by both the students and cattle.

A huge congratulations to all those people involved and special thank you to Jo Dullaway and to Gwyn and Ian Pearson for assistance over the two days and for help with transporting cattle.



Above: Harris Dullaway Michael Looker Armidale show **Below:** Tom Lockyer Armidale show



Students enjoy cultural journey



St Mary of the Angels students were treated to an incredible performance of history and aboriginal culture on Thursday the 1st of March. Gwenda Stanley took the students on a cultural journey that allowed students to connect to the aboriginal way of live through a range of stories, dance, language and some amazing artefacts.

Learning experiences like this are a very important to student learning and we are very lucky to have had the chance to experience the 'Sharing Culture' performance presented by Gwenda through the Young Australia Workshops. Kindergarten students Benji Archibald and Teo Starr raved about the performance recounting vari-

ous sayings and names of animals in a range of aboriginal languages. While other students Annabelle Brazier-Kraan, Molly Mackenzie and Indi Roberts were very interested in recreating the dance moves they learnt to express the story of the Emu.

*Matthew Frizell,
Kindergarten Teacher.*

Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

- 7th March Wendy Lockyer
- 8th March Pamela Hart
- 9th March Golf Ladies
- 12th March Darrel Taylor
- 13th March Joyce Betts
- 14th March J Jordan/St Marys

Street Stalls

- 8th March Senior Citizens
- 9th March Westpac Helicopter
- 16th March Masonic Lodge
- 17th March Anglican Women

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 Rafters Restaurant, 6pm for 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307



Champion Bird of Show

110th Guyra Show Poultry

Another great Guyra Show for 2018, the committee and all involved in the Guyra Show Society should be commended. The Poultry section was outstanding this year with a great range of birds including Ducks and Guinea fowl which was great to see and made our section that much more interesting. I would like to thank the Guyra Central School and all the juniors who entered this year, we hope you got something out of the experience and hope to see you for many years to come. A big thanks to our Judge Ken and all the stewards involved, to all who donated towards the prizes and the running of the Poultry. To Guyra Milling, Guyra Fuels, Landmark Guyra, Robyn Mills, Cathy Williams Memorial and

Guyra Men's Shed thank you, your support is greatly appreciated.

Some of the 2018 Poultry results:

- Champion Hard Feather Bantam - Cheryl Brown
- Champion Jr Hard Feather Bantam - Billy Youman
- Champion Pair Hard Feather Bantam - Billy Youman
- Champion Hard Feather Large - April Seaton
- Champion Duck - Skye Seery
- Champion Bird of the Show - Cheryl Brown
- Reserve Champion Bird of the Show - Syke Seery
- Again a big thank you to everyone involved and I hope to see you all again next year.

John Mitchell.

Have your say.....Email: news@gala.org.au Mail: PO Box 170

Remembering our Rail Heritage

Saturday 19th November was the day of the annual railway picnic in 1892. Early that morning, the special picnic trains had left Moonbi and Jennings, picking up railway employees, past and present, and their families along the way, and meeting around midday at Guyra. With locals joining in, there were some 1,000 people at the picnic. The report in the Armidale Express gives a glimpse of the importance of the railway to the social fabric of New England.

"The specials drew up opposite the picnic ground near the new school site... Those unaccustomed to these picnics have no idea of the genuine sociability that pervades throughout, and the amount of pleasure that is crowded into the few hours that the reunion lasts. The hearty hand shaking all round, the talk of the events of the past year, the critical examination of the new babies, and the progress of the elder children serve to keep the mothers busily employed, while the juveniles renew the acquaintance of their old playmates, and the head of the family compares notes with those whom his lot had at one time been cast in the same gang. There were no select circles formed on the green

sward, they all felt that their existence was wrapped up in each other, and they endeavoured to share each other's company as much as they could during the short stay."

The extension of the Great Northern Railway (GNR) from Tamworth to Jennings between 1879 and 1885 had come at great cost, both financially and in the 27 workers killed in construction accidents. Between 1896 and 1938, the annual reports of NSW Railways provided figures for the individual lines. The GNR ran at a loss every year over this period, ranging (in today's currency) from a low of \$2.7 million in 1910 to a high of \$13.4 million in 1932. And that was when almost all freight went by rail.

So why did the NSW Government operate the GNR for so long, when it was clearly uneconomic to do so? In a 2014 study of rail closures in NSW, Jim Longworth argues that railways survived as part of an unwritten social contract between the government and people in country areas. For its part, the government wore the operating losses, while country people built a prosperous agriculture in the face of the privations of fire, flood and drought. Country people were accorded public recognition and respect for their contribution to the nation's prosperity.

So it is little wonder that communities facing railway closures felt angry and betrayed, and it is understandable that the Save the Great Northern Rail Group should see a rail trail on the GNR corridor as the final insult to a railway that was once the heart and soul of New England. The Group is right to be concerned about the loss our railway heritage. The bridges, cuttings and station buildings of the GNR are crumbling and there is an urgent need to find ways of preserving this heritage for future generations.

But it is not clear that bringing back rail services would help preserve the heritage of the GNR. Modern safety practice would not allow public access to the little unstaffed stations like Black Mountain. These would have to be demolished and the line fenced to modern standards. The museums in the larger station buildings that have become important repositories of GNR heritage would have to go elsewhere. The spectacular timber bridges would have to be demolished and replaced to modern standards.

It would be a tragedy if restoring rail services destroyed our GNR heritage, rather than saving it.

**Ian Reeve
Black Mountain**

Careful consideration need

Reports from the Armidale Regional Council meeting 28-02-18 have Council funding a feasibility study into the proposed rail trail.

It seems that this study is to be undertaken on minimal support when much of the machinery and plant used to maintain the roads and infrastructure is in dire need of repair/replacement and funding to do so is not available. A ridiculous position to adopt! Rather than placing the Council in a tenuous financial position by adopting such financial irresponsibility could the Council prioritise projects such as these and move on them when in a more financially stable position.

While this communication is not to debate the merits of this or any other project that the ARC has on the table, I ask that very careful consideration be given to projects such as this before they are implemented. There are many projects that ratepayers would consider far more important and more within Council's charter to take place before spending on something such as this. I would only be too pleased to take Councillors on a guided tour to view some of the council infrastructure and responsibilities in support of my claim.

Ray Mulligan

Anglers Club Presentations

Hotel Guyra Angler's Club held their AGM on Sunday 4th March. A completely new executive was elected: Grant Roberts President, Kevin Mayled Secretary and Wade Jones Treasurer.

Outgoing President John Wilcox said the club ran a number of successful events in 2017 including the Trout-Fest competition and dinner, the kids Go Fish Day at Malpas, fish releases in the local trout streams and Malpas Dam and the very popular Redfin Roundup.

Club members had been active out fishing and the Club

had received a lot of positive publicity. Its major project, the cleaning of the tenth dam at the Golf Course will hopefully see action this year.

The annual presentations took place following a fantastic BBQ lunch. There were not as many entries on the competition board this year and President Grant is hoping to improve this in 2018 especially encouraging young and lady members to enter.

Angler of the Year went to Wade Jones, Ladies Angler for the Year went to Yas Foster. Ryan Jones was the Junior Angler for the Year.



Above: Wade Jones receives his trophy for Angler for the Year from President Grant Roberts and Sponsor Dean Williams.

Below: Ryan Jones receives his award for Junior Angler for the Year
Below left: Yas Foster receives the Lady Angler for the Year award



110th Guyra Show Good results for shearers

A good roll up of shearers turned at the Guyra Show with local shearers having some good results. I would like to thank all the sponsors and helpers on the day and to all the shearers and draggers who helped shear 320 Dorset rams by lunch time on a Saturday to raise the money for the prizemoney at the Show.

Thank you to John and Diana Presnell for supplying the sheep and carting them in and also to Treveor and Deidre Tarrant for carting sheep in also. Thanks to all the persons involved in running the Show shearing and the crowd for their support.

Bruce Reeves



OPEN: 1st Jeremy Newberry, 2nd Luke Foster, 3rd Brett Mayled, 4th Gary Mayled



SENIOR: 1st John Barraston, 2nd Erik Klabe, 3rd Andrew Clark, 4th Ben Layton



INTERMEDIATE: 1st Peter Handebo, 2nd Mathew Gillham, 3rd Jared Jessop, 4th Jordan Bearman



NOVICE: 1st Snowy Kerr, 2nd Heidi Anderson, 3rd Manu Tawhai, 4th Callan Mallise



Gazette Footy Tipping



A big welcome to all our tipsters for this year's footy tipping competition.

As you can see, we have a great line-up of Celebrities this year and it should be exciting to see how the girls vs. boys tussles turn out. (Note: I trust it's not sexist or anything else-ist to refer to girls and boys these days!)

Prizes for the Celebrities are: 1st half page ad, 2nd quarter page ad and we'll think of something for last place.

There's a good roll-up for the local competition with 14 entries, most of them having a wide variety of interesting *noms de plume*.

Prizes for our locals are: 1st \$100.00, 2nd \$50.00 and wooden spoon \$20.00. Let the games begin!

The deadline for tips is no later than 11.00am on Tuesdays so that we can meet our print deadline.

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This week's specials:

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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.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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Men's Bowls

The weekend saw the New England District Bowling Association State Singles played at Guyra. Guyra had four representatives take part.

Saturday Morning March 3rd saw round one played: Col Stanley (Guyra) defeated Steve Fuller (Armidale City) 31 shots to 20 shots. David Wilcox (Guyra) was defeated by Brody Dexter (Armidale Ex Services) 31 shots to 19 shots. John McIllwain (Guyra) defeated Thomas Inman (Armidale City) 31 shots to 13 shots.

Saturday Afternoon March 3rd saw the Quarter Finals played: Col Stanley through to the Semi Final courtesy of a forfeit. Steven Sole defeated John McIllwain both of Guyra 31 shots to 23 shots.

Sunday Morning March 4th saw Tod Fuller (Armidale City) defeat Steven Sole (Guyra) 31 shots to 18 shots. Gavin Latham (Armidale City) defeated Col Stanley (Guyra) 31 shots to 20 shots. All the games played were first to 31 shots.

Bowlers picked to play No.2 Pennants, please read the notice board as there have been changes to all teams. Also the Venues have been changed.

Team 1: John McIllwain, David Wilcox, Murray Bourke, Cameron Peardon.

Team 2: Colin Stanley, Scott Campbell, Robert Moore, Andrew Sparke.

Team 3: Phillip Kliendienst, John Jackson, Ian Jacobs, Robert Walls.

Reserves: Roger Cox, First Reserve. Barry Presnell, Wayne Reeves.

Cars to be taken: Ian Jacobs, David Wilcox, Robert Moore. Cars to leave the Club by 6.45am.

Cost of travel will be \$10.00 per player.

The above selected teams will travel to Kootingal Saturday March 10th, play to commence at 9.00am. Guyra will play South Tamworth in the morning. Saturday afternoon will see Guyra play Kootingal.

Sunday March 11th Guyra will play Armidale City at Guyra. Playing time will be advised Saturday.

The Bowls Bandit

Men's Golf

Last week's midweek saw the Shire Sharks come out in front with 68 points with Jim Betts having 20 points. On Sunday the Richard Burey Country Kitchens trophy was contested. W McCowen was the winner with T Ellis runner up. Nearest to the pins went to W McCowen on the 7th, T Ellis on the 10th and M Lyes on the 18th.

Next weekend will see the first two rounds of the championships opening with the Country Fresh bakery sponsored round one on Saturday. Round two will be sponsored by the Fourways on Sunday, with the course in excellent condition and the promise of good weather I'll see you Saturday.

The Albatross

Vets Golf

Thank you to all the Guyra Vets who travelled to Glen Innes last Thursday to play the next game in the Pennants Competition. We all enjoyed playing on their lovely course, but some of us struggled with the greens.

Congratulations to Pip White who was the second runner-up in the Ladies Division with 33 points. Jon Cumming was nearest the pin on the 7th and John Prisk on the 17th hole.

Guyra is leading the point score by 12 points. We have two more games - Walcha on March 15th and Armidale on March 27th.

We have had wonderful support from our Vets in the Pennants Competition with about 27 players going to each game. We need to maintain this support for the next two games and perhaps bring the trophy back to Guyra!

Please contact Wal Chapman - 67755735 or 0488755735 if you are able to play on those dates.

This week's golf was cancelled due to the rain, good for the land but not for golf.

The Vet

CRICKET SCOREBOARD Saturday, March 3rd

1st Grade

Guyra v Ex Services
(two day game)

Ex Services 1st Innings
10 for 52 off 21.3 overs

Guyra Bowling:

BJ Cameron 3 for 12, Jake Ellis 5 for 29, Tom Smith 2 for 7

Guyra 1st Innings

Troy Martin.....9
Shane Wolfenden.....0
Matt Finley.....29
BJ Cameron.....49
Charlie Keen.....14
Nick Page.....11
Kai Landsborough.....16
Ben Jackson.....2
Tom Smith.....not out.....2
Heath Dowsett.....DNB
Jake Ellis.....DNB
Extras.....8
Total.....8/140 (dec)

Overs.....36

2nd Grade

Guyra def. by Easts
Easts Innings

5 for 244 (dec) off 45 overs

Guyra Bowling:

Matt Smith 1 for 24, Justin McKay 2 for 49, Keiran Wicks 1 for 32, Wayne Smith 1 for 35, Jake Brazier 0 for 35, Taylor Brennan 0 for 2, Ryan Walker 0 for 25, Andrew Page 0 for 37

Guyra Innings

Craig Lockyer.....7
Les Perrett.....0
Steve McElroy.....2
Ryan Walker.....0
Keiran Wicks.....1
Jake Brazier.....2
Taylor Brennan.....14
Justin McKay.....16
Matt Smith.....not out.....2
Wayne Smith.....4
Andrew Page.....2
Extras.....15
Total.....65

Overs.....22

3rd Grade

Guyra defeated by Easts (Anytime)

Easts (Anytime) Innings
8for 221 (dec)

Guyra Bowling:

Cody Patterson 0 for 51, DJ Patterson 1 for 34, Maurice Blair 2 for 26, Corey Wilson 2 for 30, Simon Brown 2 for 36, Marley Blair 1 for 19

Guyra Innings

Cody Patterson.....53
DJ Patterson.....5
Mauric Blair.....43
Simon Brown.....3
Marley Blair.....1
Peter Ahoy.....12
Liam Northam.....6
Tim Brazier.....13
Corey Wilson.....not out.....5
John Credland.....2
Extras.....13
Total.....156

Overs.....38.4



Gazette Footy Tipping

Elva Brazier	0	Rooster Rascal	0
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Turkey Girl	0	Hazel	0
Bookworm	0	Darcey Heagney	0
Men's Shed	0	Shelby Heagney	0

Locals Entry Form - Round 2

Tips must be submitted by 11.00am on Tuesday, 13 March

Name:

Phone:

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

Lady Golfers' Open Day

An outstanding field of 54 players entered the Guyra Lady Golfers' 4BBB Stableford event on our Open Day on Wednesday 28th February. We wish to acknowledge and thank sincerely the generous sponsorship by the Regional Australia Bank, Meg Simpson, Guyra Pharmacy, Karen Oehlers, Leading Edge Appliances, Wendy Jackson and CT Electrics.

Thank you to staff at our Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club for their assistance on the day as well as greenkeeper, Len Archer, for preparation of the golf course.

Results are as follows:

Stableford Winners:
Brodie Smith and Anje Driscoll (Inverell) 50 points
Stableford R/U W Jackson and N Prisk 48 points
Gross Winners: Val Davidson and Dawn McMeniman 32 (Tenterfield)
Gross R/U Cheryl McDonald Donna Martin 29



Above | to r:

Shona Mulligan, representing Regional Australia Bank, makes the presentation of trophies to Open Day winners Anje Driscoll and Brodie Smith (Inverell).

(Walcha)
Holes 1-9 J Rogers J Walker 26 points
Holes 10-18 V Reeves S Towells 26 points
Longest Drive Div 1 K Oehlers
Longest Drive Div 2 A Cameron

Longest Drive Div 3 S Towells
NP 7th Pip White
10th Karen Oehlers
18th Donna White
9th NEDGA Prize L. Baraclough

Third five wicket haul for Ellis

With the final round of the Armidale District Cricket scheduled for this weekend, Guyra will be looking to finish on a high.

First grade has found form at the pointy end of the season and will look to wrap up a second outright win in their game against Ex-Services.

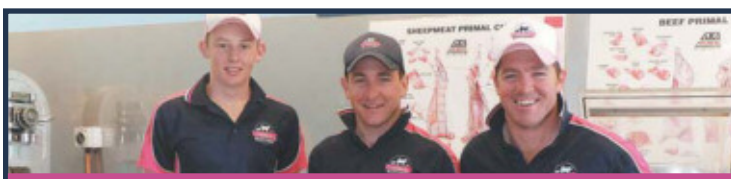
In the first innings played on Saturday Jake Ellis pulled in his third five wicket haul in a row and led the team in dismissing Servies for just 52 runs.

This gave Guyra plenty of time to get runs on the board. Matt Finley (29) and BJ Cameron (49) led the charge.

Matt's innings included a few big hits, one of which landed on the roof of nearby house.

Both the lower grade teams went down this weekend, although both are still in the hunt for a finals berth.

Full cricket scorecard page 11 >>>



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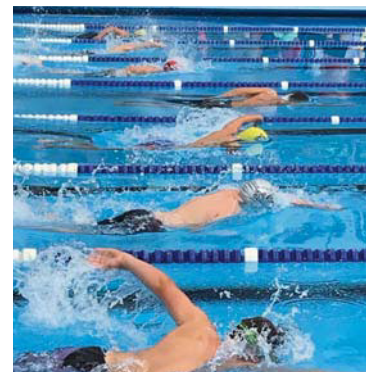
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North West swimming

Five Primary students from Guyra Central School travelled to Armidale on Monday 5th March to compete in the North West swimming championships. Competition was tough with students competing among the best swimmers in the Northwest to secure a position on the Northwest team to compete in the State carnival later in the year. Each student finished with pleasing results achieving personal bests for the event they were competing in.

Hannah Evers finished in 8th place, Eli McGinty 13th place and Stevie McElroy 18th place in the 8 years



freestyle.

Cooper Wilson (pictured) finished 10th place 11 years Freestyle and 18th in the 11 years backstroke. Oscar Atkin placed 19th in the 12 Years Backstroke.