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women on our country

Under the theme - Because of Her, We Can! - NAIDOC Week 2018 is being held nationally this week. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have played active and significant roles at the community, local, state and national levels.

One of those women is Guyra's Tanya Elone who has been the manager of Banbai Enterprise Development Aboriginal Corporation since 2003 and has been instrumental in the development of Banbai's ranger employment and training program.

Her story recently featured in a report entitled 'Strong Women On Country', detailing the achievements of women Indigenous rangers on Indigenous Protected Areas across Australia.

The Banbai ranger program started with just five rangers and has grown to employ 15 Aboriginal people who have tertiary qualifications in Natural and Cultural Resource Management. The economic impact has been estimated to be \$3.25 million dollars of expenditure in Guyra since 2001.

Banbai Corporation oversees the Wattleridge Indigenous Protected Area 35 kilometres north-east of Guyra, and covers 640 hectares of bushland growing on outcropping gran-



ite country, only 20% of it cleared land.

For Tanya, the Banbai-Wattleridge IPA has become a springboard for employment, new businesses opportunities and a revitalisation of cultural knowledge and pride. Banbai's emphasis on job creation has focussed on gender equity with six Aboriginal women currently employed in ranger, administration and governance

Tanya is passing on her knowledge to younger women such as Bridgette Patterson, who has been mentored in a ranger coordinator role by the executive team and has completed her diploma in manage-

"Bridgette has been instrumental in shaping Banbai's enterprise development functions and recognised for her leadership qualities, making her highly competent as Banbai's next program manager," Tanya said.

"Aboriginal women within Banbai draw their inspiration

from Aboriginal women of the past generations who had to endure, persevere and struggle for recognition of basic human rights."

"Our vision has always focussed on providing opportunifor employment for Aboriginal people. Creating jobs means improved health and well-being for our people and our successes would not have been possible without the commitment and dedication of theses inspirational Aboriginal women."

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Country music award for Swainy

A local man has been recognised for his service to country music at the annual Dubbo Country Music Awards. Mark 'Swainy' Swain was honoured with the HAROLD (HEC) DAVIES memorial award for services to country music. The awards are run by Mal Norton Entertainment each June long weekend.

Swainy is a newcomer to town, joining his brother Scott here about a year ago. His involvement in country music goes back to his early days growing up on the Gold Coast.

"I've been playing music since I was a kid and have travelled all over Australia," Mark said. "I may have grown up on the coast but I've always been a country boy at heart and now I'm living in the true country."

"It was a real feather in the cap just to be nominated, and winning this award it's a really big deal for me, because there were some really big names also up there."

Organiser of the awards Mal Norton said that the award is well deserved and Swainy is a genuine, patriotic Australian whose attitude is contagious.

"He was nominated by a fan then it went to three musos across Australia who send back the recommendation," Mal said. "He can sit down and write a song in five minutes and it's just magic."

"These awards are all about keeping the dream alive, promoting country music and recognising the unsung heroes – it is not who you are so much as what you have done for country music."



Mark 'Swainy' Swain happy to be recognoised at the Dubbo Country Music Awards



Masquerade Ball planned

By Us for Us (BU4U) plan events for people with disabilities and their families.

Their next event is a Masquerade Ball in August and they are keen to spread the word and reach people who may be interested in attending. The event is open to all people with a disability, their friends, carers and family.

It will take place on Saturday August 11 at the Ex Services Club in Armidale. Tickets are \$70 and include dinner, live music, from "The Sherona Rose Trio, a lolly bar and photo booth.

BU4U runs regular events for people with disabilities in conjunction with Challenge Community Services, which are available for everyone who wants to have a good time. As well as the Masquerade Ball they are also planning a Haunted House event in October.

For more information, contact Kelsey on 0474 853 041 or email Kelsey.Templeman@challengecommunity.org.au

Trout fest planning underway

TroutFest planning is well underway with just over two months to the long weekend.

This year the TroutFest's second Art Competition and Exhibition (20.9.18 to 1.10.18) will be ambitious with a six category competition, plus children's Infants, Primary and Secondary students sections. Advertising for the Art Expo have already gone out to all New England art groups and as far away as Bellingen and Moree

Categories for seniors include Water colour, Oil/Acrylic, Drawing— any medium, Print making, Sculpture/Ceramics/Collage and Photography for juniors and seniors. Prize money will total over \$1200. Request an entry form at guyratroutfest@gmail.com or call into Caffiend's Coffee Shop and start preparing.

A new feature will be a series of workshops run by local and other New England artists covering oils, water colours, pho-



The Art competition was one of the success stories of last year's troutFest will be even bigger this year

tography and jewellery making. There's even one on market day especially for children.

The festival itself will have some exciting new events for fishers and handcrafters plus other activities to meet a range of interests. If you knit or crochet why not enter our quirky fish competition? More details will be revealed closer to the event or keep up to date with developments on our Facebook page.

In the meantime if you would like to be involved as a musician, stall holder, art sponsor or to run some other event, email the committee guyratroutfest@gmail.com . Everyone is welcome to attend meetings held first Tuesday of the month at the Bowling Club at 5.30pm.



DAVIDSON CAMERON REAL ESTATE

CLEARING SALE - EMILY PARK - BEN LOMOND A/c J.R. Coleman

Saturday, 21st July 2018 at 10am | Livestock to be sold at 12noon

Cattle: 137 Main Anjou Cows 3 yrs to aged, in calf to Main Anjou Bulls to commencing calving July to be drafted into suitable lines for buyers.

Sheep: 130 1st X ewe lambs – Feb shorn; 130 1st X ewes 2-4T May shorn; 95 1st X ewes 4T May shorn; 120 1st X ewes 4-6T May shorn; 90 1st X ewes full mouth May shorn. Majority to commence lambing August with a few to lamb earlier.

Plant & Equipment: Massey Ferguson 5710 4-wheel drive tractor 100HP (purchased in 2016) with 946 Ferguson loader with euro hitch 470 hrs, 2004 Valtra 6550 4-wheel drive tractor 100HP (2653 hrs) with euro hitch loader & 4 in 1 bucket, Keenan Classic 100 mixer with high discharge elevator, 2004 Isuzu 500 truck (77,000 kms) with 20' tray, float, gates and tarps, 2004 Toyota Landcruiser tabletop workmate (75,355 kms), Kubota RTV x 1120D (495 hrs), Kubota RTV 900XT (1408 hrs) side by side, Ford 7000 tractor with blade, Ford 5000 tractor, BTD 6 crawler tractor with angle & tilt blade, Jetstream mixer with hammermill, Marshall 3BT multi-spreader, Grasslands 10 tyne trailing chisel plough, John Shearer 17 tyne trailing scarifier, 7 tyne Grasslands trailing chisel plough, Grasslands 10 tyne 3PL chisel plough, Dean tipping trailer, Euro hitch hydraulic post hole digger with 2 augers, Smith post driver, twin reel trailer mounted quick spray, 2 Suzuki king quad 4-wheel bikes, 3 PL Teagle concrete mixer, VE sheep handler, approx.. 80 ram selling pens with round display selling ring, portable sheep yards, Hardie 400 ltr boom spray with 6m boom, 3 PL super spreader, Lincoln tractor pack welder, WIA gasless MIG welder, Weldmac 200 MIG welder, Liquid arc 200 AMP welder, AIS trade power 8KVA generator, Mobilco bale

Plus items too numerous to mention. This sale consists of a lot of very good quality items. **Buyer Premium of 5% on all items except livestock**. **Terms:** Number system to be used. ID required, cash or approved cheques on sale day. No EFTPOS. 10% GST on all items.

Directions: From Guyra go north to Ben Lomond village, take Maybole Road for 6 kms and follow signs. **From Glen Innes** go south on New England Highway to Inn Road, then to Ben Lomond and follow signs. **Catering:** Ben Lomond Hall Committee.

elevator, Mitze 40'x9" grain auger, Allbulk 35'x6" grain auger, 15' Vennings 4" electric auger, Gallagher post hole digger, 3 PL Challenge hydraulic grader blade, 756 Portmulti grader blade, stick rake to fit Challange loader, euro hitch stick rake, petrol driven air compressor, spray unit with Honda motor & retractable reel, Christie steel post driver with Honda motor, air operated clip gun with compressor, 3 sheep handlers, portable sheep loading ramp, 3 PL carryall, jetting plant with Honda motor, electric air compressor, 2 Sunbeam overhead shearing gear, Stock feeders: 8 round bale feeders, 4 lick feeders, approx. 10 older cattle feeders, approx. 20 older sheep feeders, Cox Stockman ride-on mower, Ford belt pulley, 2 Onga pressure pumps, Quantity new rabbit netting, steel posts, plain wire & barb, Quantity new hardwood timber 6"x2", 6"x1" & grating, Wooden strainers, fence posts, conveyor belting, cut off saw, 2 hydraulic pipe benders, electric drill press, Stihl & Solo chainsaws, electric drills, angle grinders, etc., 2 fuel tanks on stands, Ruddweigh sheep scales with 2-way draft, Avery scales, Avery shop scales, bee boxes, 8 black poly tubs (round), poly pipe, 2 utility mounted sheep feeders, 3 wire spinners, electric fence equipment, 1000 ltr poly tank, misting machine, large anvil, quantity of sheep yard panels, 25 new cattle yard panels, new & used farm gates, ropes, Aqua max hot water system, 2 stock saddles, bag trolley, retractable hosereel, quad spray tank, large quantity of general farm tools plus bolts, nuts, gate hinges etc., large quantity of new & used pipe, metal rods, chains, 2 schuttles, 3 portable dog kennels, lamb marking cradles, bale trolley, round wool table, 3 concrete foot baths, corrugated iron, hydraulic hoses, oil & grease. Plus household items.

> Contact: John Pearson 0428 255 994 or 6775 8360

What's HOT

STOCK FEEDERS - the must have fashion accessory on farm vehicles this winter

LOTS OF EXTRA VISITORS

in the main street making plans for the upgrade

NEW FACES launching new ventures in town - welcome and good luck

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVI-TIES continue next week at the library

What's NOT

YOU DON'T NEED to

own a dog to have dog shit in your yard.

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

QUOTE of the week

When you can't find Sunshine, be the Sunshine

Weather

WATCH

Guyra Hospital

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Rain this week

Rain this week
July rainfall
Rainfall YTD
Rainfall last YTD

18mm 48mm 234.4 mm 711mm

Lara launches new salon

A new beauty therapist is now offering services to the Guyra community. Lara See-Tonkins is a fully qualified beautician operating out of Hairy Tales Comb True.

Lara qualified at the Mask Academy in Newcastle and is excited to launch her career in Guyra at her own salon, Sonneterre Skin and Beauty, featuring products by Arbre.

Originally from Newcastle and educated in Armidale. Lara will be working in the salon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, offering a full range of treatments. From facials to body treatments, beautiful nails, tanning and waxing, you will find the service you are after right here in town.

As her welcome to Guyra, she also has some great opening specials to introduce herself to the local community. This includes a brow wax and tint for \$25, packages from \$130 for a one-hour body massage and body treatment or \$150 for a one-hour body massage and facial package. Call in and ask about more of her winter warmer specials.

Sonneterre has been open for two weeks and Lara said she is finding it a fantastic place to work and is enjoying working alongside the excellent Hairy Tales team and



Lara See-Tonkins is the new beautician in town launching her new salon Sonneterre Skin and Beauty

meeting some of the locals.

Opening hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9.30am to 5pm. If you are in need of a little indulgence this winter, call in and

meet Lara to discuss all of your beauty needs. For appointments please call the salon on 6779 1704 or mobile 0426 563 320.

Tribute Concert for Malcolm Boyd

Malcolm Boyd, who died recently in a tragic car accident, was an accomplished musician with a passionate love for, and commitment to, music. At the time of his death he was the music teacher at Uralla Central School and also worked at a number of other schools in the area, including Guyra Central School.

As a teacher he introduced the joy of musical performance to many young people and fostered in them the lifelong enrichment that music can bring.

Mal's death deeply affected his family, friends, teaching colleagues and students. It also had a deep impact on the many musicians with whom he has performed and who had a deep respect for his commitment to music.

A tribute concert is being planned for the Top Pub in Uralla on Saturday July 28th to honour Mal. Some of his music students as well as a number of the area's well known musicians will be performing to show their high level of respect for Mal.

The tribute concert will commence at 12pm. Throughout the afternoon they hope that many people will come and participate in the performance. A number of Mal's family members will be travelling considerable distances to attend.

Organisers would like to invite you to join us in this celebration of Mal's life and achievements.

Council News GUYRA

Mayor's Message

One of the best things about serving a community as Mayor is the opportunity to be part of many wonderful events and I'm particularly excited about my schedule of events for this week.

I'm attending some of the multitude of NAIDOC Week activities being held throughout the Armidale Regional Council area from 8 to 15 July, to recognise and celebrate the heritage and ongoing valuable contributions of our Aboriginal community.

There are many opportunities for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people to come together, to enjoy fun activities and reflect on the issues and achievements of First Australians – from a local and national perspective. The diversity of cultures represented in our community – and their prominence – is one of the greatest strengths of the Armidale region. It's not just about a variety of food and cultural celebrations.

Ethnic diversity also brings a greater breadth of experience within a community, offering more resilience and wider perspectives to deal with challenges and opportunities for progress.

There is a lot to learn and draw upon from the experiences of First Australians – who are among the oldest cultures on Earth.

It is terrific to see a growing appreciation and celebration of their history, shared

wisdoms and contributions and there is more than can be done to ensure these stories receive the attention they deserve.

This year's NAIDOC Week theme, Because of Her, We Can!, shines a spotlight on the unsung contributions of a particular section of the Aboriginal community.

Aboriginal women have been pillars of society and custodians of culture, as leaders, activists, trailblazers, mothers, grandmothers, aunties, sister and Elders. However, their roles have often been invisible.

Events at a number of locations in the Armidale region, including the Aboriginal Culture Centre and Keeping Place and the Armidale Library – go some way towards bringing attention to these contributions and I hope everyone takes the opportunity to get involved.

Simon Murray

Kolora open morning

McLean Care will hold a community information session at the new Kolora Aged Care facility this Friday (13 April).

Council recently confirmed McLean Care was the successful tenderer to operate and manage the 32-bed facility, which was officially opened in May.

The information session begins at 10.30am and will be a chance to meet the McLean Care team and find out about the services it will offer in Guyra. The new \$7.5 million facility was backed by a total of \$2 million in Federal Government assistance - a \$1.5 million grant from the Department of Health and Ageing and \$500,000 through Member for New England Barnaby Joyce's office.

Thinking outside the box

An initiative to revitalise cities and towns, one empty space at a time, is coming to the Armidale region next week.

The Renew in a Box project, based on the Renew Newcastle initiative launched in 2008, encourages creative use of empty spaces to bring new life to buildings and outdoor spaces.

The Armidale and Guyra Business Alliance, with support from Council, is bringing Renew in a Box to the region, with Renew Newcastle General Manager Christopher Saunders

speaking at a breakfast on Friday 13 July.

A Renew in a Box travelling exhibition, featuring some of the initiative's success stories, will feature in Armidale Library from 12 to 20 August. The exhibition shows how artists and entrepreneurs have activated spaces in a number of cities and towns.

Renew Newcastle brought culture and creativity to the surface in the coastal city and its mobile version is now a globally-recognised model for urban renewal.

Visit the Armidale Business Chamber website for details about the breakfast.

Expressions of interestEnvironmental Sustainability Advisory Committee

Council is seeking applications for a Guyra delegate and a Tingha delegate on Council's Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee. The Committee is responsible for:

- developing and implementing Council's Sustainability Strategy
- providing advice on environmental sustainability issues such as water, air and soil quality, climate change adaptation and mitigation, sustainable transport, local food, sustainable business, waste management, water management and local biodiversity management
- providing input to Council's environmental

sustainability projects

• assisting in the review and implementation of specific environmental and sustainability management plans

We invite all passionate community members in the Guyra and Tingha districts to read the Terms of Reference for this committee, available online or at Council's Administration Buildings in Armidale or Guyra, and submit a letter expressing your interest to participate in the committee. Your application should be sent to the Acting CEO, Armidale Regional Council, PO Box 75A.

Expressions of Interest Grazing permits

Council is seeking expressions of interest from individuals wishing to lease Council land for grazing. The following areas are available for lease from 1 July 2018 for a 12-month period ending 30 June 2019:

- 75-77 Canambe Street (0.55ha suit 1 horse)
- 356 Beardy Street (1.3ha suit 1-2 horses) Expressions of Interest (EOI) will be received up to 12pm Monday 30 July 2018. Additional details of site and EOI forms may be obtained from Council's offices at 135 Rusden Street. Contact Richard Single on (02) 67703983 or rsingle@armidale.nsw.gov.au for

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 25 July 2018 at the Armidale Council Chambers, 135 Rusden St from 4pm. The public are welcome to attend.

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further information.

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Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

12th July Pamela Hart 13th July Golf Club Ladies 16th July Lions Club 17th July Pamela Carter 18th July Amanda Bishop

Street Stalls

12th, 13th, 14th July Rotary 20th & 21st July Lions Club

Church Notices

St James Anglican

Sunday 9am Morning 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, Thursday 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: Geoff Reeves 679 1257

ROTARY CLUB dinner meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at Rafters Restaurant, 6pm for 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307

LOOKING BACK - A LUCKY ESCAPE



The 'plane attracted great interest in Bradley Street, when it was brought for repairs at a local garage, Tierney and Stennett's, which is now occupied by Dragonfly Plumbing, next to T & A Meats

Guyra Argus 18th April, 1935 'Plane's Forced Landing PILOT SMALL'S LUCKY ESCAPE

Mr. J. Small, the Glen Innes aviator, while travelling en route from Sydney to Glen Innes and Inverell, in an Avro-Avian plane, was compelled to make a forced landing at Guyra lagoon on Friday last.

The crank shaft broke, causing the engine to 'cut out' when at an altitude of about 2000 feet above Guyra.

The break was plainly audible to townspeople, but few realised that anything serious had occurred until the airman commenced to make a forced landing.

Skilfully negotiating the many deep ditches cut through the lagoon, Mr. Small displayed remarkable presence of mind and coolness in safely landing.

The plane, which was taken by motor lorry to Messrs. Tierney and Stennett's garage to have a new engine installed and to be overhauled, has been the object of great interest during the week to both young and old.

At the time of the mishap Mr. Small was conveying bundles of Sydney newspapers to different destinations, and these were later 'transhipped' by train.

Guyra Argus 17th February, 1936 'Plane crashes PILOT SMALL KILLED

Five persons were killed when a Gannet 'plane crashed and immediately burst into flames in rugged, densely-woodedcountry

about four miles from the' settlement at Cordeaux Dam, which is 12 miles from Douglas Park, at about 7.45 o'clock on Wednesday evening. Only one passenger escaped incineration. He was flung clear of the blazing wreckage, and probably lived a few minutes.

Mr. Jack Small was piloting the 'plane from Young, with four passengers from Leeton, bound for Sydney.

The cause of the accident will probably never be known, but it seems probable that the pilot, held back by headwinds, believed that he had passed over the rugged country and that he descended through the clouds to ascertain his position. When he realised his danger, he made a desperate effort to save his 'plane and passengers, but was unable to gain height in time, and crashed into the rugged mountainside.

Pilot Well-Known at Guyra

The ill-fated pilot, Mr. Jack Small, would have been 27 years of age last Friday. He was well known and extremely popular in these parts, and was flying the same machine in Inverell and Glen lnnes recently.

Some months ago he landed at Guyra owing to bad light, and a few weeks later made a skilful landing on the Guyra Lagoon when he had engine trouble. Before taking up flying, he was also on the staff of the Bank of N.S.W. here.

A widow (formerly Miss Thora Job, of Dinton Vale), and a daughter two and a half years of age, survive him.

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ANZAC Ambassadors Program

Local high school students have the chance to apply to tour the battle fields of Greece, Belgium and France as part of the 2018 ClubsNSW ANZAC Ambassadors Program. Six young people from across NSW will take the trip of a lifetime to historic battlefields to key World War One sites.

The tour will visit Athens and Lemnos in Greece, Villers-Bretonneux in France, Passchendale in Belgium and London as part of the program.

This program to key First World War battlegrounds is an opportunity for students to deepen their understanding of the events and contributions made by young men and women that shaped our nation a century ago.

Students are invited to submit a 1,000 word essay on the topic: "Why is the Centenary of ANZAC important for modern Australia?"

The tour will leave Sydney on 28th October and return home 7th November. Applications are now open and close on Tuesday, 31st July 2018.

For more information about how to enter this program, please visit: www.clubsnsw.com.au/anzacambas-sador



In 2016 Guyra Central School student,
Hunter Davidson was a successful candidate
and visited World War I battlefields in France
and Belgium with the Anzac Ambassadors
Program. Applications are now open for
the 2018 Program.

BackTrack Scores \$100,000 to Tackle Youth Unemployment



The innovative BackTrack youth organisation based in Armidale, has taken another big step in seeing its creative training project become a working model for youth unemployment across the state.

I was pleased to announce late last month, a financial boost of up to \$100,000 from the NSW Government to develop its working initiatives into a workable business model and pitch its inventive ways for an even larger funding prize.

The BackTrackers have won through to the second stage of the government's new Youth Employment Innovation Challenge, designed to find innovative ways to create new jobs in some the state's areas worst unemployment hotspots.

The BackTrack program is widely and quite rightly seen as the most successful one of

its kind in tackling youth unemployment across this region, and that's been recognised with this funding and even more opportunity.

BackTrack Youth Works was among 17 projects that successfully pitched for financial support under the Challenge in Sydney early in June.

I'm delighted BackTrack Youth Works has got through to this stage. They will now get training, mentoring and up to \$100,000 in funding to develop their ideas into workable business models which can be rolled out locally.

Successful projects that make it through to the third and final stage of the Challenge may be able to access up to \$850,000 in funding.

For more information, visit: www.launch.innovation.nsw. gov.au/YouthEmployment

Preschool Subsidies for Three-Year-Olds

For the first time in Australia, parents and carers of three-year-old children are to have subsidised access to a preschool education and I welcomed the \$197.8 million in funding, announced last month as part of the 2018-19 State Budget.

This means that for the first time, three-year-olds will be able to attend preschool at the same subsidised rate as older four and five-year-old students. Importantly, this will give those students two full years of preschool before entering Kindergarten.

Preschool is critical to a child's development and learning and also helps address any difficulties a child is facing before he or she enters the mainstream education system.

Average fees for three-yearolds will now drop from over \$50 a day to around \$36 dollars a day over the next four years. Over the course of a year this reduction will save families nearly \$1,500 in fees, making preschool more affordable for parents.

Sport Grants Program Open

Applications recently opened for the hugely popular Local Sports Grant Program, which is open to all local sporting clubs to upgrade facilities, start a new program, upskill volunteers or hold a community event.

This is an extremely popular grant program for local sporting clubs looking for that little extra cash to complete a project.

Local clubs can apply for up to \$25,000 to fund individual initiatives, with up to \$50,000 set aside for the Northern Tablelands electorate.

This program is now in its fourth year and has helped fund Guyra Bowling Club and Guyra Gun Club's new facilities in the last round.

For our local Sporting Clubs who are mostly run by dedicated volunteers even a few thousand dollars can dramatically upgrade their facilities, buy much needed equipment or run a course locally.

The Local Sports Grant Program is now open until 24 August 2018. Visit: www.sport.nsw.gov.au/clubs/grants/localsport or phone 13 13 02 for details.

Firearms amnesty timely

The current state-wide Firearms Amnesty brings with it a timely reminder for licensed firearms holders to check their obligations under the act. Anyone with an unregistered firearm or firearm-related item in their possession will have the opportunity to legally dispose, or register it, without penalty between 1 July and 30 September 2018.

New England Police District Superintendent, Scott Tanner said firearms have been stolen from rural areas in and around the New England Police District in recent months.

"Whilst investigations continue it is timely to remind residents of their responsibility to ensure their weapon is safely stored at all times and be discreet about gun ownership," Mr Tanner said. "Police across the state have noted the influx of photographs on social media where gun owners reflect their gun activities and in effect advertise gun ownership."

"Gun owners, and residents in general, should be mindful of what information they are broadcasting via social media networks. These photos, along with lax personal security settings, make gathering personal information easy. Having people know where your guns are and not keeping them secure is a dangerous combination."

Mr Tanner said that Under the Firearms Act, owners of firearms must take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safe-keeping of their firearms.

"It's especially important that weapons are stored in such a way as to limit the possibility of loss or theft, so they don't come into the possession of a person who isn't authorised to hold them," he said.

The maximum penalty for incorrect storage of a weapon is two years in jail.



Diesel is a friendly Kelpie x Staffy boy. He is about 2 years old.

Diesel loves every one! He is such a smoocher. He is very obedient, he comes to his name and sits politely for his dinner at night.

Diesel is good with other dogs. He would love to find a loving home.

His adoption fee of \$260 includes desexing, flea treatment, worming, microchipping, vaccination and a dog coat.

If you would like to know more about Diesel, please contact us at: friendsoffredanimalrescue@gmail.com

or call/text 0401 855 677

Guyra Sheep & lamb Sale

July 4th - There was only a small reduction in numbers in both sheep and lambs. Trade and heavy weight lambs made up a fair percentage of the offering along with a number of plainer condition light weights. Overall, the quality of the lambs was quite mixed as last season's production numbers diminish. The usual

buyers were in attendance, however there was little in the way of restocker activity.

Market trends saw the plainer condition lambs suitable to the trade sell close to firm, with weight and quality variations taken into account, the medium and heavy weight trade lambs sold firm to slightly cheaper. Heavy and extra heavy weight lambs maintained recent levels with both weight and quality accounting for any price change.

Shorn Merino sheep made up the bulk of the offering as producers take advantage of extra skin length and a strong wool market to optimize returns. There were some pens of plain condition Merino sheep still carrying good skin length along with a few pens of crossbred ewes. Market trends were generally firm to slightly dearer as processors competed on the low numbers to secure requirements.

Weekly Wool Sales

Week 1 marked the start of the 2018/19 wool selling season. There was a large volume of wool held over from the previous financial year, with almost a third of the offering consisting of wools 180 days or older. This week saw a total of 43.800 bales on offer to the trade, of which 37.018 were sold, resulting in a passed in rate of 15.6%, with the passed in rate varying from 10.7% in the North to a massive 31.8% in the West. The softer market was evident from the opening of sales on Wednesday for all micron categories, however it was very apparent that the lower quality and off-style types and wools with lower additional measurement results and those carrying heavy vegetable matter were most effected. This general downturn continued throughout

the sale on Wednesday and persisted on Thursday, resulting in a general fall of 50 to 90 cents, with some of the poorer wools falling by as much as 120 cents clean. The EMI lost 62 cents for the week. On a positive note well prepared and better style clips held up well. The correction in the fleece market was also shared by the skirtings and crossbred sectors, while the oddments attracted strong support they too also retracted by 5 to 15 cents. Next week sees the final sale before a three week recess with a slightly lower than anticipated offering of 41,430 bales selling in Sydney, Melbourne and Freemantle.

Schute Bell Wool



Armidale Cattle Sale

July 5th - Numbers doubled as held over cattle were put forward with the start of a new financial year. There was a good supply of weaners, limited numbers of yearlings and grown cattle, while cows were in fair supply. There was a large variation in both quality and condition, while there was also quite a bit of quality variation within breeds. The usual processors attended, while restocker activity was very strong following up to 50mm of rain earlier in the week. That restocker activity went from heavy weight cows down to the lightest of the vealers.

Demand was high from all sectors through the young cattle with a small number of well finished trade cattle available. This demand combined with the increased supply resulted in dearer trends for the most part. Quality and breed variations played a role in some price change. Vealer

steers to restock sold to dearer trends of 20c to 30c/kg regardless of the weight class. There was greater improvement in the heifer portion with a pen of well bred but lightly muscled heifers attracting a premium. Yearling steers to restock and feed in limited numbers were up to 20c/kg dearer. There were strong gains in the yearling heifers, with well finished lots showing the greatest improvement.

No heavy grown steers to quote. Well finished grown heifers attracted strong processor competition to record strong price improvement. There was little but quality related price change in the plainer condition cows to process. A couple of restocker orders were active. Strong competition from processors for the well finished cows saw them record the greatest market improvement, up to 35c/kg.



Gazette Footy Tipping



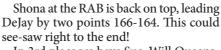












In 3rd place we have Sue. Will Queensland win the State of Origin tonight?

Next in line are Vu and B&L both on 154 points.

Girls 762-Boys 738. The Girls have reclaimed the supremacy: 28-22.

Mailman is remaining steady in the Locals top spot on 162, followed by Jy on 160. We then have three in 3rd place:

Chris, Young Master Darcey and the Red Devils on 158.

The Red Devils might be a bit blearyeyed of late watching soccer matches so we'll see how they go this week.

Moose Knuckle has discovered just how slippery the Locals Leaderboard can be, sliding down a couple of places to 4th.

Lurking in the shadows just waiting to pounce and feeling very happy about his full round is The Shadow just 2 points











Kerrie's Tips

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SIMPSON, Priscilla Jane "Dot"

Late of Toowoomba, passed away peacefully on 6th July 2018, aged 86

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Guyra hockey men win at state championships

Hockey New England came away with a nail biting win at the NSW Over 45's State Championships recently held at Newcastle. Congratulations to the Guyra men who were part of the NE team, being Paul Gellie, Craig Reeves, Neil Clayton, James Abbo, Jake McCrae and Paul Marquhart.

On the home front, the ladies' Saturday competition saw Guyra Green in Division 2 go down to top of the ladder Breakaways with a 3-1 loss. Sara Cox scored for Guyra and had a strong game in the centre. Greens are currently sitting in second position.

Guyra C grade then took the field coming up with a good win against Harlies 3. This is a young team who are improving all the time.

Guyra White, also in Division 2, have been unfortunate to play most of the season without a full team on the field. Despite this, they now sit in third place



Guyra hockey players Paul Gellie, Craig Reeves, Neil Clayton, James Abbo, Jake McCrae and Paul Marquhart were members of the winning Hockey New England team Photo Hockey NE Facebook

after a great win with only nine players over Harlies 2, scoring 2 goals to nil. Abbey Walls played her usual reliable, strong game in the backs even though she had just played in the two Guyra games beforehand. Valuable new Guyra member, Keiahna Veale, scored both goals.

In the Sunday competition Guyra has a men's A and C

grade, along with a women's team in 1st Division. Our junior teams currently have a break in play due to school holidays

Jane Moffatt.

Polar Bears swimming club season wrap up

The Guyra Polar Bears started the 2017-18 season strongly with over 50 swimmers, an increase from the previous season with a number of new families joining the club. It was great to see such enthusiasm from all the swimmers, and they all improved out of sight.

This year we welcomed Bronte Stanley to the club who took on a coaching role. She has brought so much knowledge to the club and I commend her awesome effort. Thanks Bronte. A big thankyou goes to our other coaches who volunteer their precious time from week to week to guide our children in their swimming endeavours.

The club remains in a strong financial position due to securing some funding grants from the Stronger Community Grants, a Sport and Rec Grant and a Guyra Sports council grant.

We were fortunate enough to secure this funding which enabled us to improve our facilities, including the construction of a storage area for our equipment, improvements to the club house, purchase of equipment including lane ropes, anchors for false start flags, noticeboard, starter block storage and signage.

All in all we have had a very successful year in and out of the pool. Thank you to everyone involved. You have all contributed to the success of the club, from the committee to the parent's time keeping and just helping to put equipment away at the end of the sessions.

Unfortunately, this club rises and falls on the backs of those who volunteer their time and despite such a successful season the club may be in danger of folding if we continue to struggle for committee members to drive the club forward.

If you have the time and the ability to contribute then I ask you to consider putting your hand up for the committee to ensure the longevity of the club in the year and years ahead.

Much of the hard work has been done in progressing down that path and many current volunteers are moving on. All we need are a few people to keep things moving along.

> Heidi Wilson President

Gazette Footy Tipping Locals Entry Form - Round 19 Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on Tuesday 17th July Name: Mailman 144 162 Nightwatchman Jy Starr 160 Uncle Grandpar 142 Phone: Chris Morley 158 Wanwan 142 Eels ٧S Bulldoas Darcey Heagney 158 Bulldog 136 vs Sharks Raiders vs Red Devils 158 Elva Brazier 136 **Broncos Panthers** VS Moose Knuckle 156 Eel-be-Right 132 **Knights Titans** vs The Shadow 154 Turkey Girl 128 **Tigers** Rabbits vs Hazel 150 Cowboys **Dragons** 128 Shelby Heagney VS Rooster Rascal 146 Warriors VS Storm Men's Shed 122 Bookworm 146 Sea Eagles Roosters

Chances go begging for Spuds

It should have been the day the Super Spuds jumped into second spot and signalled themselves as potential minor premiers.

Instead, they are back in a scrap just to stay in the top four after another upset loss to Ashford.

The Roosters have now rolled Guyra twice this year after clinging to a two-point lead in the face of a late throw of the dice from the Spuds.

At 22-20 Corey Torrens made a break inside the last minute and then tried to split the defence again as the siren sounded, but ran into the Roosters' scarmbling defence.

The visitors had built a 22-10 lead on the back of three first half tries and one just after the break.

Dan Vidler and Jayden



Britt Youman helped the Spudettes on the way to their first home win

Field posted Guyra's tries and the same two also crossed during the second half fight-back.

Unfortunately, chance after chance went begging for the Spuds in the dying stages and ultimately the key two points went west.

Vidler was Geoffrey Bell Players' Player while Beau Orchard, Ben Vidler, Jack Mooney and Liva Sili had big games and Corey Torrens had some good touches in his return game.

Meanwhile the Spudettes recorded their first home win of the year with a 10-nil defeat of Ashford.

Kia Blair's try gave Guyra a 4-nil lead at halftime and Sophie Gaukroger sealed it with a kick and chase try and conversion in the second half.

She was the standout performer again, but Britt Youman, Natalie Hammond, Taleah Byers, Blair and Simmone Bull also had big games.

This Saturday the Spuds travel to Warialda in a crucial game for both clubs.

Manager). We wish them every success for 2018-2019.

Set down on the programme for 18th July is the 6th Golf NSW Par Medal and the starter is Shona Mulli-

The Phantom

Men's golf

No golf again last weekend so next Sunday will be an 18 hole stableford for the July monthly mug. This will be your last chance to qualify for the mug final on the 5th August, the final of the molly Sole will be on the 4th of August. Due to the misplacement of the qualifying sheet all players will be qualified.

The Albatross

Sara swims

Special Olympian Sara Brazier travelled to Kurri Kurri on Sunday July 8th for a swimming carnival. Sara was placed first in the 50m freestyle and breaststroke, 2nd in the 50m butterfly, backstroke and 2x50m brace relay and 3rd in the 25m butterfly.

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Ladies' golf

On Wednesday 4th July eleven golfers competed in a Stableford event for the trophy day of one our Guyra golfing stalwarts, Kath Varlev. The course was damp, after the welcome rain during the weekend, so we noticed the reduced amount of "run" on the fairways and the variation in the scores compared to last week. The winner, Meg Simpson, played superb golf to score 37 Stableford points while Pip White was runner up with 36 points.

The AGM was held on Wednesday, with reports reflecting another very successful golfing year for the Guyra Lady Golfers. We acknowledge and thank the efficient organisation of golf events by the past executive and welcome the newly elected ladies; Wendy George (President). Vicki President), Reeves(Vice Wendy Jackson(Secretary), Belinda Lenehan (Captain), Shona Mulligan(Treasurer) and Donna White(Handicap