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Expansion plans for Costa

The Costa Group have announced a further expansion of their glasshouse operations in Guyra.

At the August meeting of the Costa Board, approval was given for the construction of a further 10ha glasshouse for snacking tomato production.

Capital expenditure for the project will be \$67m with production expected to ramp up from May 2020, employing a further 150 people.

The expansion will also encompass expansion in nursery capacity and enhanced packing capability across total of 40 ha of tomato production.

Guyra based MLC Scot MacDonald said that this foreshadowed expansion is a vote of confidence in the industry and Guyra.

"We have the right factors here that make glasshouse horticulture viable and this sector will only increase in the future," Mr MacDonald said.

"I think we need to strongly promote these advantages and seek further investment in other greenhouse com-



Scot MacDonald MLC (pictured at the opening of the last glasshouse in 2016) believes the expansion plans are a vote of confidence in Guyra

modities around Guyra.

"We have shown it can be done in harmony with the community and other industries.

"The Guyra Chamber of Commerce, Armidale Regional Council and Adam Marshall MP continue to back these developments and that is important for a strong diversified economy in

Guyra."

Costa began producing tomatoes in Guyra in 2004 with a five-hectare glasshouse built in Elm St.

Production on this site eventually expanded to 20 ha, and in 2015 Costa commissioned a new 10ha glasshouse on land to the north of Guyra.

This site was configured for

future expansion and the additional 10ha will provide further growth capacity for snacking tomatoes.

It is planned that the site will continue to be self-sufficient, with water capture and recycling sources meeting all requirements.

A stand by bore is able to be utilised in the event of exceptionally dry conditions.

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Sunday
9th September

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Friday &
Sunday nights

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on Saturday**

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Access to treated water for farming families

Armidale Regional Council is making available access to town water for farmers needing assistance during the drought. Members of the community living on the land can now access small volumes of town water all hours via the truck wash behind the north Guyra road house and the truck wash located at the Armidale sale yards.

To be eligible to access the water your property must be classified within the 'farmland' category on your rates assessment. To apply for an AVData account, come in person to the Armidale or Guyra Civic Administration Buildings, bringing with you your rates assessment. Once

your token is activated (usually the same day) you can swipe it at either of the water access points. You must bring your own hose with a one inch threaded fitting.

Armidale Regional Council Mayor Cr Simon Murray said he hoped this would assist farming households who maybe running low on household water.

"We haven't experienced any significant rain in our region for over six months and household water supplies would be extremely low," said Cr Murray. "If we can make it a little easier for farming families to access treated water for drinking, showering and general household use it will be one less issue to deal with on the

farm."

Residents who are experiencing genuine financial hardship can contact Council for consideration to enter into a payment plan under Council's Hardship Policy. Contact Council's Customer Service Centre on 1300 136 833 or email council@armidale.nsw.gov.au or by mail to Armidale Regional Council PO Box 75A, Armidale 2350.

To download the Hardship Policy Application form go to the council website at www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au and search for 'drought relief'.

Facelift for Museum underway



MUSEUM FACELIFT: Painters Quinn Larsen and Barry Cox at work on the outside of the building

The Guyra Museum has been a hive of activity over recent weeks, with work in full swing to refurbish the building inside and out.

The work is being carried out thanks to \$60,000 grant from the NSW Cultural fund, with support also coming from Armidale Regional Council and the Guyra Historical Society.

The major work being carried out includes repainting of the building inside and out and refurbishment of the flooring.

Repairs will also be made

to the toilets and kitchen as well as the side and back doors.

Local contractors have been employed to carry out the work, with a completion date expected towards the end of the year.

It has been a major logistical exercise for the Historical Society with some of the museum's collection being housed in a shipping container while the work is being carried out.

Further work will include cataloguing the whole collection and the establishment of

a research space and storage room at Guyra Library. The total estimated cost of this project is \$107,500.

The upgrading of the Museum is expected to enhance the cultural opportunities in Guyra and district, giving local residents, tourists and school children a local cultural and educational experience.

When work is complete, they hope to reopen the museum to the public and extend their opening hours to cater for visitors.

Trout stocking for 2018

Guyra Hotel Anglers are again organizing the stocking of local streams with fry from Dutton Trout Hatchery for the 2018/19 season.

Climatic conditions may put a slight damper on this year's release with a few streams not running, but the majority of streams still have good water and the usual arrangements will apply. The Club's stocking officer will contact all of our volunteers this week in preparation for September 15 release date.

If you or your family would like to see how it is done come along to the Guyra Hotel at 9am Saturday 15 and you might be able to tag along with someone to see how the fish are released.

Volunteers must be registered so please ring 6775 5735 after 5.30pm for details.

Otitis Media Awareness Day

Does your child suffer from earaches, have frequent colds and flu, say "What?" a lot, have poor speech or trouble concentrating at home and school? They could be suffering from otitis media, or disease of the middle ear.

On Tuesday 18th September, Guyra will host an OTITIS MEDIA (middle ear disease) awareness day at the Guyra Public Library from 10.00am until 4.30pm

Free ear health checks will be available on the day for children between 2-12 years old. Health checks will be provided by audiometry nurses from Armidale Community Health and Armajun Aboriginal Health Service of Inverell. Information about Otitis Media and the associated conductive hearing loss will be available from the Conductive Hearing Loss Teacher of the NSW Depart-

ment of Education.

Otitis Media means disease of the middle ear and includes middle ear fluid, ear infections and 'glue ear'. It may affect up to 30% of children in Kindergarten at any time. It often goes unnoticed but the child cannot hear their teacher or peers clearly.

Over 90% of all preschool and school aged children will suffer from at least one episode of otitis media. Many children will have repeat episodes. Information from Australian Hearing shows that in total, an average of 3 months schooling will be affected by otitis media. For an indigenous child that will extend to a total of three years.

Each episode of otitis media can last 4-6 weeks which equates to half a school term! It can result in reduced hearing, leading to problems with learning and

delayed development of speech, language and social skills.

Recurring episodes of otitis media may lead to behaviour problems simply because the children cannot hear instructions clearly over an extended period of time.

The aim of OMAD is to catch otitis media early and reduce the chances of long term damage to hearing and learning. Simple steps can be used by parents and children to combat the problem such as teaching your child to blow their nose and to wash their hands to minimise the spread of germs.

Craft and colouring activities will be provided for those waiting and a show bag is available for children who complete their ear health check.

PET OF THE WEEK



Bill is a 12 month old kelpie looking for a home.

He didn't quite make it as a working dog on a big property. However, he has a keen interest and may suit a hobby farmer.

Bill would also make a fantastic pet with an active family or person. Bill is super friendly and good with children. He is obedient and very keen to please. He also gets along great with other dogs.

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

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September
2018
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And for those looking for the ultimate dining experience, try our wine pairing. Five unique wines professionally paired with your meal, crafted by Toppers Mountain Wines.

Presented by Guyra on a Plate, Guyra & District Chamber of Commerce and the Armidale Guyra Business Alliance.

FIT FARMERS

TARGETING FARMERS PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND FINANCIAL HEALTH



Thursday, 13th September
9.30am to 1.00pm
including meal breaks
Ben Lomond Memorial Hall

Come along for an informative morning with presentations from:

- Safe Work NSW
- NSW Police Rural Crime Squad
- Jenni Jackson - NSW Farmers Action on Q Fever
- Rural Adversity Mental Health Program

This event is **FREE** to attend.

Morning tea & lunch will be supplied

RSVP: 11th September 2018

Phone: 02 6732 3443

Email: kylie@glenrac.org.au



What's HOT

**PASSION ON THE PLAT-
FORM** almost sold out'

GRAND FINAL ACTION
at the New Red Hill this
Saturday

RAIN arriving in time for
Spring - lots more needed

CWA information evening

An information evening will be held on Wednesday September 5th to see if there is enough interest to start up an Evening Branch of Guyra CWA.

An Evening Branch would hopefully allow

those who are unable to attend Friday morning meetings the opportunity to get involved with CWA in Guyra.

Anyone interested please come along to the information evening

which will be held at Rafters, commencing at 6.30pm.

If you would like further information please contact Anne Starr on 0413 595 353.

Support for Farmers from south of the border

Dry Time Dinners will be the mechanism Southern New England Landcare employs to support local farmers using money pledged by the Northern Yarra Landcare Network in Victoria.

President of the Northern Yarra Landcare Network Mr John Birse said that at their recent AGM, a decision was made to assist drought-affected farmers in NSW by donating \$1000.

"We wanted the funds to go to a local landcare network because we knew that they would know the best way to assist," Mr Birse said. "Landcare is all about local people working together to solve local issues."

Executive Officer at Southern New England Landcare Mrs Karen Zirkler said she was speechless to think that a random landcare network from another state would ring out of the blue and offer assistance.

"I think there is a lot of potential for our two networks

Wanted:
LANDCARE MEMBERS TO HOST
DRY TIME DINNERS

Know a farmer who needs a break and a night out with friends?

If you are a Southern New England Landcare member and primary producer, how about coordinating some of your neighbours and hosting a Dry Time Dinner at a venue in Guyra, Uralla or Walcha?

to form a strong and supportive long-term relationship," she said.

Southern New England Landcare will match the donation with a further \$1000 and provide ten \$200 'Dry Time Dinner' vouchers for use by groups of 10 neighbours at local venues in Guyra, Uralla and Walcha. The dinners will be coordinated by Southern New England Landcare members, but open to groups of 10 neigh-

bours who may or may not be members.

The aim of the dinners will be to give farmers a well-earned night out to connect with and support their neighbours, and at the same time, support a local business who may also be feeling the effects of the drought.

More information on hosting or participating in a dinner can be found at www.snelandcare.org.au or by calling 02 6772 9123.

What's NOT

WEARING your PJs down the main street.

TOM'S GULLY road has a few mates including Brushy Ck & Briarbrook Rds

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

Youth is easily deceived because it is quick to hope

Aristotle

Weather WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
21	Tues	-3.7	10.0	0
22	Wed	-3.7	11.0	0
23	Thurs	-2.2	13.2	0
24	Fri	2.0	14.9	0
25	Sat	3.8	11.0	7.8
26	Sun	4.0	9.6	0
27	Mon	3.8	13	9.8

Rain this week	17.6mm
August rainfall	34.2 mm
Rainfall YTD	304.2mm
Rainfall last YTD	747.2 mm

Have your say...

A cowardly act

Today we have just seen the most reprehensible and cowardly act by the governing party in our parliament. The government has moved and passed a motion to suspend the House of Representatives today the 23rd August, 2018.

The only reason for this was not for the benefit of the population of Australia but to resolve purely party divisions.

Anyone who voted for the Liberal or National party should hang their head in shame.

*L J Lawer
Guyra*

Have your say

Email:

news@gala.org.au

Mail: PO Box 170

Fax: 67792069.

Empowering women in agriculture

Women involved in agriculture across the Northern Tablelands have been embracing the opportunity to empower themselves through networks and knowledge courtesy of the highly successful Ladies in Livestock program.

An initiative of Northern Tablelands Local Land Services, the project is designed to educate women by building their technical knowledge and capacity to apply the skills gained through the program to their individual enterprises.

Hands-on practical sessions are delivered each month on topics such as livestock management, pastures, biosecurity, pest control, financial administration, health and safety, and natural resource management.

As part of the program, four groups are operating in Guyra, Tenterfield, Inverell and Walcha. While sessions are open to all women, the aim of the project is to target women making on-farm, technical decisions.

The program is funded through the Australian Government's National Landcare Program, allowing sessions to be held at no cost to participants.

Project Leader, Georgie Oakes, is the Pastures Agronomist with Northern Tablelands Local Land Services. Georgie has been delighted to observe



The next Ladies in Livestock session in Guyra will be held at the Uniting Church Hall on September 12th

the benefits that the Ladies in Livestock project has delivered to participants since its inception in 2016.

"It's exciting to see the passion these women have for the industry. It is inspiring to see women encouraging each other, as well as their willingness to share their industry knowledge and experiences of their own enterprises with others," said Georgie.

Forthcoming sessions will be held at Tenterfield on September 4th, Inverell on September 5th, the CWA Rooms, Uniting

Church Hall, Guyra on September 12th and the Walcha Bowling Club on September 13th.

Topics to be covered at each session include marketing options and opportunities, pest

animal control options and Native Vegetation Act information.

Importantly, the sessions are designed to build confidence and provide women with the opportunity to network and develop new relationships. Many women may be new to the area or have returned on the back of successful careers outside the agricultural sector.

The program is about fostering positive environments. Georgie acknowledges that, given the current conditions, drawing on support through shared experience is highly valuable.

"This is why we are encouraging women to attend. The benefits of participating go far beyond the skills and knowledge gained," Georgie said.

For more information contact Georgie Oakes at Northern Tablelands Local Land Services on 0429 310 264, as well as the Ladies in Livestock Facebook page.

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Kids' fishing workshop

Kids 8-14 years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructors are experienced volunteers and staff from Industry & Investment NSW. The day runs from 10 am-2 pm and involves fishing techniques, bag & size limits, fish handling for catch & release.

COST: \$40 PER CHILD, and includes rod & reel combination, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag — all to take home!

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. Maximum 25 participants.

Mother of Ducks Lagoon, Guyra

29th of September 2018

BOOKING CLOSE: 24th of September 2018

CONTACT: Milan Duwenhogger-Lange
 0458 274 876 (please leave a message)
 milan.duwenhogger@dpi.nsw.gov.au

Part of *Guyra TroutFest* activities

Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

30th August Lesley Credland
31st August Guyra CWA
3rd Sept. Kath Varley
4th Sept. Don & Betty Mayled
5th Sept. Wendy Lockyer

Street Stalls

30th August
Hospital Auxiliary
6th September
Ben Lomond CWA

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,
Ph. 0447 724 536

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 6779 1257

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

See the REAL Machine Gun Preacher

Sam Childers 'The Machine Gun Preacher' will be at Guyra Central School on Tuesday September 11th.

Mr Childers, a former bikie who transformed his life, will share his story of redemption. His incredible story has taken him from a life of violent crime to war torn eastern Africa where he has rescued over 1500 children from rebel armies.

His story starts with being an armed guard for drug dealers and turning his life around in 1998 after almost being killed in a wild brawl. Since then, Sam has built one of the largest orphanages in Southern Sudan, which has fed and housed more than a 1,000 children.

With the orphanage finished, Childers began to lead armed missions to rescue children from the Lord's Resistance Army - which led to villagers calling him 'The Machine Gun Preacher'. Local organizer Dan McGinty said they are encouraging local people to attend the event.

"Sam Childers was a guy with no hope and no future, so



Sam Childer's life story, was captured in 'The Machine Gun Preacher' motion picture

a story like his will be inspiring and encouraging to people - that's what we need in our community," Dan said. "This is something huge for our community and is open to everyone to come along and hear his incredible story and get motivated by listening to him."

"The event will be free, al-

though we will take up a free will offering for the work he does in South Sudan and Northern Uganda at some time after he has spoken - we'd like to think we could help him save some more children."

For more information email dan.mcginity@live.com or sheree.mcginity@bigpond.com

90th birthday for Mavis



Friends gathered at Rafter's recently to help Mavis Ridley celebrate her 90th birthday. Mavis was born on August 23rd, 1928 and is an active member of the Guyra Show Society, acting as head steward for the caged birds, and also organises the annual Dahlia Show each January during the Lamb & Potato Festival

Pictured l to r: Di Crossing, Helen McKemey, Rita Williams, Jane McCowen, Dot Vickery, Joyce Betts, Noreen Williams, Kris Grills, Gillian Bowden
Seated: Fran Webb and Mavis Ridley

Gymnasts excel at GALA Day

Guyra Central School Stage 2 students Rose Kliendienst, Summer Tibbs and Alana Marshall, participated in the 2018 North West Gymnastics Gala day which was held at Armidale City Gymnastics Centre on Monday August 13th.

Rose, Summer and Alana each had a wonderful time competing in this event, each receiving medals for their performances. Rose Kliendienst and Summer received Gold medals for their vault, bars, beam and floor routines along with Alana who received a Silver medal for her Freehand, Ball and Rope Rhythmic gymnastics routines.

Guyra Central School's 'Chess Club' consisting of nine students from both Stage 2 and Stage 3 have been meeting each Tuesday and Friday during this term practising their chess skills.

On Tuesday August 21st this group had the opportunity to



Above: Gymnasts Rose Kliendienst, Summer Tibbs & Alana Marshall
Right: Chess Club, Aukustino Alefosio, Charlie Wilson & Chelsea Walls

participate in the North West and New England Districts Primary Schools One-Day Chess Teams Tournament which was held at St Mary's

School in Armidale. Each of the three Guyra Central School teams played eight games of chess and although the teams did not receive a

place in the competition, each of the students involved spoke of how enjoyable the competition was. Each team displayed great team work, having the opportunity to meet other students with an interest in chess and compete against teams from surrounding schools allowing each of our participants to gain new skills.



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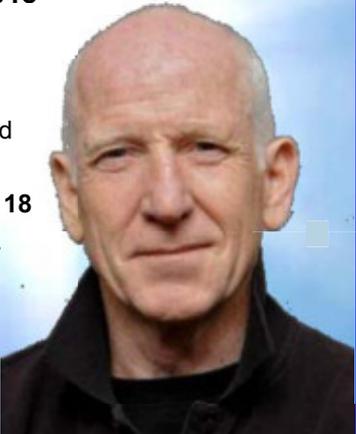
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Life's A Gamble" is an engaging and entertaining look at gambling in all its forms in our society. From two flies up a wall to virtual online casinos; from 2-up to the Melbourne Cup. Like a drug, hope surges through our veins, desire embedded in our DNA, in the flip of a coin, the press of a button, the click of a mouse the dream begins.



**Will you be at the
New Red Hill this Saturday
to watch the Wombats dig
themselves some nice big holes?
So that the Super Spuds
can plant them!**

**Leaguetag 12.00pm
Spuds v. Wombats 1.30pm**

Go the Super Spuds

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Junior Cricket

Guyra Cricket Club is looking for junior players to form teams in the 10s, 12s and 14s age groups to play in the Armidale competition. Junior cricket will commence on October 20th, however names are needed as soon as possible so that teams can be nominated. The Under 10s and 12s play with some aspects of these games modified, depending on the age group, to encourage maximum participation.

If you have a child who is interested in cricket can you please contact Jason Campbell (Under 14s) on 0428 763 688 or by email Jason.gc@bigpond.com or Simon Brown 0427 665 331 or email sd_ta_brown@aol.com.au

Ladies' golf

On Wednesday 22nd August bracing winds from the South blew over the Guyra Golf Course as we competed in a single Stableford event sponsored by Julie Walker.

Wendy Jackson won the competition, scoring 42 Stableford points, which included a blitzing score on the front nine holes. Meg Simpson was the runner up with 37 points. Nearest the pin on the 18th hole was shot by Vicki Reeves.

On September 5th three teams of golfers will compete in the VW Scrambler at the Inverell Golf course while a single Stableford is set down on the programme at Guyra.

The draw for Kirk's Match Play Trophy is on the board and the first round should be completed by 20th September.

The Phantom

Men's golf

With the rain more important than the golf there was no play again Sunday. Clear conditions are forecast for this week for an 18-hole par for the Captain's Day straight after the Club AGM.

The Albatross.

Men's bowls

Saturday August 25th saw a Semi Final of the Major Singles played. Dan Kennedy played Chris Kliendienst and this turned out to be a close encounter for at least 17 ends. The score was 16 shots all, this was when Dan seemed to come to grips with the weather and green conditions quicker than Chris. Dan strung together the next 8 ends to take victory 31 shots to 16 shots over 25 ends.

Sunday August 26th saw a Club triples played the team of Andrew Sparke, Peter Brodbeck and Col Stanley who played the team of Cameron Peardon, Barry Presnell and Chris Kliendienst. Chris and his team led by end 5 only to have Col and his team gain the upper hand and go on to win 32 shots to 18 shots over 21 ends.

David Wilcox and Ian Jacobs travelled to Sawtell to play in the Major/Minor

Pairs and came away victors. Congratulations to both players.

This weekend will see a number events at the club.

Saturday September 1st. Start: 1.00pm. Starter and Umpire: Robert Walls.

Handicap Singles: Dan Kennedy to play Chris Kliendienst marker Robert Walls.

Sunday September 2nd. The AGM of the Bowling and Recreation Club Ltd to be held at 10.00am this will be followed by the Bowls meeting and Presentation of Winners of Club Championships at 11.00am. There will be a BBQ lunch following the Bowls meeting.

Sunday afternoon will see a Box Draw Pairs competition, a sheet is on the notice board if you want to play. Names are to be in by 12.00pm for a 12.30 start. All welcome and Bowlers to wear their Bowls shirt if you have one. Cost of play \$5.00 per player with \$300.00 prize money to be won.

The Bowls Bandit.

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

August 22nd - There was a reduced penning of lambs, while the sheep supply increased. Well finished trade and heavy weights were in good numbers, although there were no extra heavy weights. Plain quality and condition lambs were well supplied, along with the usual secondary quality lots. There was a very large variation in price through the

lambs, highlighting the variation in quality and condition. The usual buyers attended.

Market trends were generally dearer for the well finished medium weight trade lambs in comparison to the sale 2 weeks ago. The heavy trade lambs experienced little change. Heavy weights showed strong price gains as exporters competed strongly.

There were a couple of pens of grain assisted heavy Merino lambs penned, which made similar prices to the better crossbreds. Conversely, there were quite a few plain condition light weight Merino lambs that were almost unsaleable.

There were dearer trends through the sheep market, with processors competing strongly for

any showing a higher level of finish, up by \$10 to \$20/head. There was some strong restocker competition for the plainer condition Merino sheep. Restockers competed heavily with processors looking to secure requirements, this resulted in those lines also showing significant price improvement.

Weekly Wool Sales

August 24th - After last week's record breaking effort the wool market failed to maintain the rage. Most types came under pressure from the opening and continued to slip as the first day of sales progressed. Losses on the second day of sales were not as severe as the first with selected types managing to gain a few cents. The final wash up showed the Northern Region Indicator gave up around one third of last week's spectacular rises but still managed to close the week at its second highest level since AWEX began reporting the market. Currency movements were against us this week with

the indicator only falling a modest 18 cents when looked at in US dollars. 26,499 bales were sold nationally for the week with the passed in rate climbing to 10.8%. Major buyers included Seatech, Lempriere and Fox & Lillie. Discounts widened for lower strength, higher vegetable matter types whilst the better grown types were well sought after. Quantities on offer the coming weeks remain well below the corresponding period last season and look set to average around 35,000 bales per week.

*Greg Andrews
Schute Bell*

Armidale Cattle Sale

August 23rd - Numbers more than doubled in the fortnight. It was a very mixed quality penning, with condition on the plain side for the most part. There were a few better condition young cattle off crop. The increased numbers brought a larger gallery of buyers, which created increased competition.

Market trends through the young cattle were dearer than the sale 2 weeks ago, with restockers showing confidence. They were active on all classes of young cattle. Very plain condition light weight vealer steers returning to the paddock were met with high demand. Light and medium weight yearling steers saw improvements of as much as 15c/kg, under the increased

competition. Lightly muscled yearling heifers also sold to a dearer trend, with a large range in quality accounting for the large price range.

There were no well finished grown steers to quote. The limited supplies of well finished grown heifers suitable to processors sold firm to slightly dearer. There was good improvement in the cow market with increased processor competition. Very plain condition light weight cows were hard to sell, while the medium weight 2 score cows improved by an average of 15c/kg. Well finished heavy weight cows saw a dearer trend of as much as 14c/kg. Heavy bulls attracted greater demand and strong competition, making a dearer trend of as much as 25c/kg.



Gazette Footy Tipping



It's topsy-turvy time on the Locals Leaderboard. Jy is back on top, accompanied by Young Master Darcey and Mailman.

The Shadow had a shocker and has slipped to 2nd place on 218 along with the Red Devils. Chris brings up 3rd place on 216. Eel-be-Right, after a few good weeks, reverted to normal form and appear to be making a run at the wooden spoon.

It could be risky to make a prediction, but it seems that Shona and her team, 232,

have the Celebrity's competition all sewn up and will be the victors.

Beth and Sue are hot on her heels only 4 points behind on 228 points.

The Gazette has proved that they know nothing about football, scoring only 4 points, and are equal with Vu on 220.

Soley had one of his best scores in quite a while, but will still take home the wooden spoon.

Girls 1,104-Boys 1,024. The Girls had a decisive win this week at 52-36.

Kerrie's Tips

Tigers
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Under 12s grand final bound

The under 12s junior rugby league team will play in the grand final, after a convincing win against Glen Innes on the weekend.

After going down in their last game against Glen Innes the boys played with determination and will now have to wait and see who their opponent will be from the final being played this Saturday.

The team finished the regular season with only one defeat and will now have a week's rest before the grand final which will be played in Inverell on September 8th.



UNDER 12S Back l to r: Ryan Williams, Charlie Mitchell, Whakeem Patterson, Jason Campbell, Cooper Wilson, Oscar Atkin, Luke Blyton, Harrison Brazier, Ben Reinke, Brodi Campbell, Riley Campbell, Max Blyton **Front:** Archie Dowden, Rave Brazier



In the other semi-final played at the weekend, the under 10s finished their season with a loss against Moree. This team have played well all season and shown they have the makings of a great team going forward.

A reminder that Junior league will hold their presentation day at the Sporting Complex on September 9th.

UNDER 10S

Back l to r:

Sam Surwaski, Hugo Brazier, George Mackenzie, Mick Wilson, Darcey Heagney, Tommy Mitchell, Dean Heagney, Ethan Wilson, Shakel Irving-Frost, Lachlan Clark, Parker Campbell, Nayte Foster, Billy Lockyer

Front:

Thomas Brazier, Mavric Foster



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This week is the last round of our footy tipping competition. It will be interesting to see who comes out on top. Here is the NRL ladder for you to keep tabs on this week's matches.

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SPUDS GO FOR GLORY!!!



Standing l to r: Alipate Kaufana, Tremane Patterson, Jayden Field, Tom Cleaver, Dan Vidler, Adam Mendes, Brock Laybutt, James Deaves, Chris Wilson, Beau Orchard. **Kneeling:** Jack Mooney, Ben Vidler, Brock Simpkins, Randy Mulligan, Corey Torrens, Anthony Dittman, Liva Sili, DJ Patterson. **Seated:** Filimone Aho. **Absent:** Rod Bull, Brendan Crichlow

Guyra will face old foe Warialda in the Group 19 Second Division men's grand final at the New Red Hill this Saturday.

The Super Spuds are aiming for their first men's premiership since 2006 in their first home grand final since 2010.

After finishing second in the regular season, the Spuds rolled Uralla in the major semi

final and will face a Wombats team that also beat Uralla to make the season decider.

The Spuds have beaten Warialda in both encounters this season, but Warialda has upset Guyra in big games before and will provide a typically physical challenge.

The first game of the day sees Uralla take on Walcha in the women's leaguetag grand

final from 12 noon with the men's game to follow at about 1.30pm.

A huge crowd is expected and the club hopes Guyra locals will outnumber the away fans.

Gates will open at 10.30am. Entry is \$10 for adults and \$5 for pensioners. The bar and canteen will be open.

The club has set a challenge

for local shops and businesses to show their support for the Spuds in the lead-up to the big game.

The best decorated business will win a club sponsorship for the 2019 season.

Visit Guyra Super Spuds on Facebook for updates during the week.

SUPER SPUDS SQUAD FOR GRAND FINAL 2018

Beau Orchard
Position: Fullback
Games: 12
Tries: 2
Points: 8

Brock Laybutt
Position: Wing
Games: 12
Tries: 9
Points: 36

Ben Vidler
Position: Hooker
Games: 14
Tries: 9
Points: 146

Randy Mulligan
Position: Lock
Games: 10
Tries: 2
Points: 8

Filimone Aho
Position: Forward
Games: 7
Tries: 0
Points: 0

DJ Patterson
Position: Wing
Games: 11
Tries: 7
Points: 28

Corey Torrens
Position: Five-eighth
Games: 5
Tries: 7
Points: 28

Tremane Patterson
Position: Prop
Games: 8
Tries: 0
Points: 0

Jack Mooney
Position: Utility forward
Games: 13
Tries: 1
Points: 4

Brock Simpkins
Position: Utility
Games: 11
Tries: 0
Points: 0

Jayden Field
Position: Centre
Games: 13
Tries: 12
Points: 48

Anthony Dittman
Position: Halfback
Games: 14
Tries: 4
Points: 26

Liva Sili
Position: Second row
Games: 12
Tries: 4
Points: 16

Alipate Kaufana
Position: Centre/wing
Games: 13
Tries: 5
Points: 20

James Deaves
Position: Backrower
Games: 6
Tries: 0
Points: 0

Rodney Bull
Position: Centre
Games: 10
Tries: 3
Points: 12

Tom Cleaver
Position: Prop
Games: 8
Tries: 1
Points: 4

Dan Vidler (capt)
Position: Second row
Games: 9
Tries: 13
Points: 52

Adam Mendes
Position: Utility
Games: 8
Tries: 0
Points: 0

Brendan Crichlow
Position: Prop
Games: 5
Tries: 0
Points: 0