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We can get Guyra back

A meeting to discuss strategies for the reinstatement of an independent Guyra Shire Council attracted around 60 people to the Guyra Bowling Club last Thursday.

As well as locals who are unhappy with the current amalgamated council, local candidates for the upcoming NSW election Country Labor's Debra O'Brien and Shooters, Fishers and Farmers' Rayne Single were also present.

Both of these parties support a plebiscite after the 2019 NSW State election if the current government is not returned.

The meeting was called to see if there was still a willingness within the community to see the forced amalgamation reversed. Four main speakers represented the Save and Grow Guyra Group – Gordon Youman, Rob Lenehan, Beth White and Robert Gordon.

They believe it is not too late to get Guyra Shire back. Gordon Youman said the decision to forcibly amalgamate Guyra Shire with Armidale Dumaresq was based on KPMG report that was not seen by delegates who made the decision.

"It's not right, we know it's not right - there are other small



Gordon Youman and Rob Lenehan led the Save and Grow Guyra meeting

communities across NSW who are in the same boat," Mr Youman said. "They talk to us and we have their support in this fight."

"We've got to get off our bums and fight for this locality, we've got to fight with these people and for these people. That's the long and short of it, there is no evidence that this is working."

"We've got one more chance in March to get Guyra back. Not could, if or might - we can get Guyra back."

"You've seen what happened in Wagga at the recent poll, you saw what happened at Orange and you can see the mess this government is in. The SFF, Greens and Country Labor have all come together on this.

"Come March next year, if there is a change of government it is the best chance we have. But we have to put our hands up now and let them know that we are not happy with the way our town is going."

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Mayor asks what is your plan B?

ARC Mayor Simon Murray attended the Save and Grow Guyra meeting last week and responded to some of the issues that were raised. Cr Murray said that there was quite a bit of misinformation going on about council's finances and the future viability of a demerged Guyra Shire. He challenged those at the meeting to be realistic in their plans and make sure they have all the facts.

"I am worried that you are pushing the line that you want to demerge but you are not looking at plan B, which is what happens if the coalition gets back in," Cr Murray said.

"Tingha is likely to go and Guyra will then have 3500 people, so it would be extremely hard to meet the

infrastructure backlog and to do so you would be looking at a 40-50% rate rise," Cr Murray said.

"I was there when the Shadow Minister offered a plebiscite, but he didn't say he would offer any money to go with deamalgamation. You need to be aware of the facts and realise that you would need a lot of money to be anywhere near sustainable."

"What are you going to do at the next local government elections? Guyra is too small to stand alone unless you are willing to pay extremely high rates. How are you going to run yourselves with 3500 people?"

"You are worried about representation, but are you pushing people to be on council? If

you want decisions made you need to be represented on council."

Responding to criticism over a forecast \$3.8m deficit Cr Murray said that you can't move forward unless you know where you are.

"We have finally identified where we are and now we are working towards a zero deficit," Cr Murray said. "You are not all going to be convinced one way or the other but we are striving for a zero deficit by doing things more efficiently."

"Chances are 50/50 who will win the State election. If the current government are returned, what are you going to do. Are you going to put people up for the council election? I would love to see you do that."



ARC Mayor Simon Murray

We can get Guyra back (cont. from page 1)



Beth White (picture right) has been looking at the demerger process. She said that we are now witnessing things that were predicted prior to the amalgamation and are not that surprised.

"Something we need to look at before we go down this path is to develop strategies about where we see ourselves in this picture," Mrs White said. "As we plan towards this we need to work out how it is going to happen and where we would stand in all of this."

Robert Gordon (left) said we need to get political and that the real problem with local government is that it is being starved of funding and amalgamations do nothing to solve this.

"You asked what we have lost - we have lost our autonomy, we have lost our own pot of money, we've lost elected locals making decisions."



Excellence in leadership

Guyra Central School invited Hunter Davidson as guest of honour for a special Assembly to recognise and celebrate Hunter's excellence in leadership.

Sergeant Ronald Sims, Careers Promotion Team Leader, Army (RAEME) and his team attended the school for the specific purpose of recognising and presenting Hunter with the Australian Defence Force Academy Education Award.

The Australian Defence Force Academy is a College of the University of New South Wales which graduates officers to the Royal Australian Navy, Army and Royal Australian Air Force with degrees in the fields of Arts, Business, Science, Engineering and Technology. Along with Academic studies Navy shipment and Army and

Air Force Cadets are introduced to Military Studies, Fitness Training, Leadership and Management Skills. Cadets accepted to ADFA are paid to study and do not have to pay any HELP Fees and are guaranteed a job on the completion of their degree.

The ADFA Education Award is presented to students who have excelled during the Australian Defence Force recruitment process. These students



Hunter Davidson with parents Shane and Naomi and GCS Principal Mrs Michelle Nicholson

have displayed academic and sporting achievements and have also demonstrated a high level of leadership potential. Recipients of the ADFA Education Award should feel justifiably proud as the selection process is extremely competitive. Award recipients are selected after psychometric and psychological testing, Recruitment Officer Interviews and a Selection Panel Board which each applicant is ranked in their order of merit.

In addition to Hunter receiving his award, Sergeant Ronald Sims presented the

School Captains with a plaque to recognise the support Guyra Central School has given to Hunter to assist him in achieving to the level he has throughout his schooling.

Guyra Central School

Principal, Michelle Nicholson took the opportunity during this celebratory assembly to thank and congratulate Hunter for his significant leadership contribution.

The Principal commended Hunter for his proactive collaboration with the Student Representative Council, his achievements within Guyra Central School and our wider community during his role of School Captain during 2017/2018. A special congratulations was also extended to Hunter's family, who attended the assembly.

The students and staff of Guyra Central School would like to extend their support and well wishes to Hunter Davidson and the entire Year 12 cohort as the lead into their HSC exams. We already miss you all but wish you great this as you start a new chapter of your life.



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Price List

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Come along this *FRIDAY* night

GUYRA MEN'S HEALTH NIGHT

Date: 19th October 2018



Location: Ben Lomond Hall
(1233 Ben Lomond Road, Ben Lomond)
Time: 6pm to late

FREE EVENT!

Partners welcome.

Free return bus travel from Guyra (call to book a seat).

Lucky door prizes, Auction and raffle.

This night will target health; matters such as mental health, depression, prostate cancer and general health and wellbeing.

Guest Speakers and presentations by: Wendell Sailor, Justin Karcher, Rob Anderson, Centacare and Local Health Clinicians.

Dinner supplied.

Bring a mate, grab a coldy via gold coin donation and enjoy the night!

Raffle Prizes: Weekend trip to Sydney for 2 people (REX flights, accommodation at Rydges and 2 tickets to a Randwick race day), 2018 Cronulla Sharks fully signed jersey and dinner for 2 at Armidale Whitebull Hotel.


Auction: 1 framed Wendell Sailor memorabilia picture.

Current Sponsors:
Guyra MPS, NSW Government-Adam Marshall, Cronulla Sharks, Parramatta Eels, North Queensland Cowboys, Regional Express Airlines, Australian Turf Club, Rydges, JM & G George Investments, The Costa Group and The Whitebull Hotel.

FREE BUS

Pick up at the Big Lamb 5.30pm
Returns after event

For further enquiries please contact
Alisa Kennedy 6738 4045 or email
hnelhd-lhegyyra@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au



What's **HOT**

MEN'S HEALTH NIGHT this Friday night at Ben Lomond Hall

RUGBY LEAGUE presentation afternoon at the Sport Complex this Saturday - all welcome

SCHOOL'S BACK - good luck to students sitting their HSC

What's **NOT**

WET WEATHER when you are trying to have a holiday!

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

Be careful when you blindly follow the masses - sometimes the 'm' is silent

Weather WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
9	Tues	7.4	19.6	0
10	Wed	8.3	21.7	0
11	Thurs	6.4	10.4	27.4
12	Fri	5.1	12.9	7.0
13	Sat	6.1	11.9	0.6
14	Sun	7.3	15.0	0
15	Mon	6.8	16.9	0

Rain this week	35.0 mm
Oct. rainfall	55.2 mm
Rainfall YTD	425.4mm
Rainfall last YTD	890.2mm

Having a hoot of a time

Owl door stops were the project undertaken at holiday sewing lesson held last week in Guyra.

The classes are always popular and are even starting to attract out of town visitors.

Amongst the enrolments was Matilda Heagney from Sydney and Linn Rodven from Tasmania.

Both girls were visiting relatives during the school holidays and enjoyed the classes and meeting new friends.

One parent described the classes as 'brilliant' and so important for learning new skills that the children can use throughout their life.

The classes are run and organised by local seamstress Robin Godlonton with a team of helpers.



Brooke Grills, Lucy Campbell, Elizabeth Evers, Micah Evers, Lucy Mendes, Hannah Evers, Matilda Heagney, Linn Rodven, Shelby Heagney



Mary Jamison, Anna Grills, Rose Kliendienst Isabella Goddington, Emma Looker Kate Ward Camilla Grills Matilda Coddington

Fresh seafood in town

This Friday 19th Aussie Ocean's Seafood will open for business at the Cosy Corner, owned by locals Dean & Michelle Mulligan.

They Offer the largest variety of quality Seafood in the New England, specializing in Australian and New

Zealand Seafood. While carrying a quality lines of everyones favourites prawns and fish fillets, special orders can be arranged. Along with Guyra "Aussie Ocean's Seafood" will also be in Inverell, Glen Innes and Armidale.

They offer FREE HOME DELIVERY for orders over \$60 (within Town Limits) Eftpos is available.. Home delivery will be on Friday's only, to order simply make your selection from the order form and call 0427318335.

Mayor's Message

A combination of assistance measures and drought-proofing initiatives will be undertaken by Council through the Federal Government's announced extension of its Drought Communities Program.

Council's list of Drought Community Program initiatives includes improved counselling and support services, upgrades to a key livestock transport route, new water supply infrastructure and provision of bulk free water supplies. They provide a mix of shorter-term support and long-term measures that continue to assist our farming community during the lengthy process of recovering from the impacts of the current drought.

The list was finalised last week by Council's Drought Task Force and will be submitted to the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities for approval.

A \$75 million extension of the Drought Communities Program was announced by the Federal Government in August to tackle the ongoing drought, with up to \$1 million available to each eligible Council.

Details of the extension were provided by the Government last month and Council has identified nine initiatives to utilise its share of the funds:

- a scholarship program for undergraduate rural students at UNE
- a mobile drought support van
- support for expanded rural financial counselling
- support and transportation of potable water supplies
- community outreach and support services
- essential repairs to cattle grids on public roads through rural properties to maintain safe access
- upgrade of Boorolong Road to assist freight truck access
- two water filling stations
- farm assistance through the BackTrack program

The UNE scholarships would take some financial stress off farming families so students can dedicate more time to their studies, rather than helping to run the farm. Similarly, the project with BackTrack would utilise the skills and experience of its members to offer growers assistance on their properties.

The support van and an expansion of existing counselling services would make support more readily available to primary producers and their families.

Two credit card-operated water filling stations, one each in Armidale and Guyra, would provide primary producers with convenient access to water during drought. At other times, the stations would be accessed by water carters and funds from those water sales could be pooled for future drought assistance measures. In addition, bulk supplies of free potable water would be made available to farming families for domestic use.

To further enhance our returns from the funding, Council is also liaising with the Tamworth, Inverell and Uralla councils to discuss how we can work together on some of those assistance initiatives.

For example, can we pool our resources on measures such as the counselling services, so our dollars can provide even more support for farmers suffering mental health issues or requiring financial guidance.

Armidale Regional Council's list of proposed measures combines physical infrastructure with personal assistance to maximise our use of the available funds, to help our community through the current hardship and make sure it is equipped to deal with those inevitable future droughts.

Simon Murray



Fines issued for dumping

Council has taken action to fine a number of people for illegal dumping, following an investigation into rubbish left at a Dale Crescent property.

Penalty Infringement Notices have been issued to people believed to have illegally disposed of waste, amid community concerns about increasing levels of rubbish at the vacant site.

"It is an important time to remind the community that the dumping of waste within bushland is a serious offence," Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray said.

"It can have a number of impacts on people and the environment and offenders can receive spot fines of up to \$8,000. Council is very conscious of how illegal dumping impacts on our community and we will follow up so appropriate action is taken against offenders."

Cr Murray said Council would continue to monitor and investigate illegal dumping within the area. Council has contacted NSW Crown Lands to

look at long-term solutions for the management of the site, which is owned by Land and Housing Corporation Family Community Services.

"Between Council's kerbside waste collection and recycling services, and the free disposal of electrical items and many recyclable materials at its Waste Management Facilities, there is plenty of opportunity for residents to conveniently dispose of their domestic waste," he said.

Guyra street stall

Organisations wishing to conduct street stalls and appeals in the Bradley Street Stall in Guyra during 2019 are requested to submit written applications to Council by 4pm Tuesday 20 November 2018. Applications can be posted to Armidale Regional Council, PO Box 75A, Armidale, NSW 2350 or emailed to: council@armidale.nsw.gov.au

First and second preferences for days and dates should be stated but it is not guaranteed those dates can be allocated. In an attempt to satisfy all requests, some Thursdays will be allocated, as well as Fridays and Saturdays. Late

applications will be accepted but will not be given preference for allocation dates.

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COUNCIL MEETING

An extraordinary meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 21 November 2018 for the presentation of financial statements. The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 24 October 2018. Both meetings to be held at Armidale Council Chambers, 135 Rusden St from 4pm. Public welcome to attend.

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Meals on Wheels

Oct 18th Michael Austin
Oct 19th R Forbes/D Garniss
Oct 22nd NEM Staff
Oct 23rd Guyra CWA
Oct 24th Noreen Williams

Street Stalls

Oct 26th Hospital Auxiliary
Nov 1st Westpac Helicopter
Nov 2nd Masonic Lodge

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

The Regional Growth Advisory Committee of Armidale Regional Council met in Guyra on Monday with the focus on initiatives that will kick start growth and attract visitors to Guyra.

The committee, which implements council's Economic Development Strategy, is made up of representatives from the Armidale Business Chamber, the Guyra & District Chamber of Commerce, Locals 4 Locals, and members of the community.

They meet regularly to consider ideas to improve the region as a place to live, attract new investment, support businesses, and increase tourism. Councillor Peter Bailey chairs the committee and said he was pleased to be in Guyra to come up with ideas for the town.

Guyra Chamber of Commerce President Hans Hietbrink and Secretary Aileen MacDonald represent Guyra on the committee. At this meeting they were joined by David Mills, Steve Mephram, David Bearup, June Paine and Neil Paine to throw around ideas about how to build and grow Guyra.

After consultation with members of the community, a



Peter Bailey

numbers of ideas were put forward. One of the ideas was a strategy for encouraging intensive horticulture by having a horticulture expo and conference in Guyra. A working committee was formed to progress idea and seek funding to get it off the ground.

Upgrades to the Mother of Ducks Lagoon was also on the agenda. Free camping already attracts visitors and by incorporating a walking track and pathway linking the rest of the town visitors would be encouraged to stay longer and take the time to visit the main street.

Council's Economic Development Officer Greg

Lawrence stressed the need to embrace free camping and said if we don't they will move on to the next town. Beautifying and upgrading signage at the entrances to Guyra as well as the main street upgrade and the importance of festivals were also up for discussion.

Guyra's iconic Lamb & Potato Festival and the Trout Festival are well established and show how important festivals can be in getting people into town. Mr Lawrence said that he has identified these events as something he wants to put resources behind. He also advised that a report will go to council on October 24th following the completion of the business case and feasibility for the New England Rail Trail. The report was commissioned by ARC in conjunction with Glen Severn Council and looks into the costs of building the trail and also ongoing costs and the possible benefits for the area.

Mr Lawrence said that while they are based in Armidale, his team spend a lot of time thinking about how they can help Guyra and the outer regions to grow.

Men's Health Night

The Guyra Men's Health Night is on this Friday October 19th.

Special guest at the event will be Wendell Sailor and there will be a number of guest speakers on the night to provide valuable advice for local men and their partners.

A free bus is available, with collection from the Big Lamb at 5:30pm and returning at the end of the event. RSVP has closed, however organisers say they are more than happy for anyone to come along on the night. However, if you want to catch the bus you will need to call Alisa on 6738 4045 to book a seat.

There will be some great



Wendell Sailor

give away prizes on the night and an awesome raffle as well. Raffle prizes include a week-

end trip to Sydney for 2 people (REX flights, accommodation at Rydges and 2 tickets to a Randwick race day), a 2018 Cronulla Sharks fully signed jersey and dinner for two at Armidale Whitebull Hotel. A framed Wendell Sailor memorabilia picture will also be auctioned.

While the health night will be the main event, Wendell will also be popping down to the Guyra Spuds Club House on Friday afternoon from around 3:15pm - 4:45pm! Come and join in for an afternoon of fun footy and meet a former Australian Rugby League/Ruby Union dual legend player!

United effort brings fire services hub

Unique cooperation between is helping entrench Armidale as a regional epicentre for rural fire protection services.

Armidale Regional Council has worked closely with local NSW RFS heads to help plan and design a new facility for the service's Logistics Brigade. Currently under construction, the \$550,000 complex is Phase 2 of a multimillion-dollar NSW RFS development at Armidale Regional Airport and will house the brigade's vehicles and equipment.

"Council's assistance in creating the designs, getting the necessary approvals and undertaking much of the physical work has been invaluable in bringing the project together," NSW RFS Superintendent Steve Mepham said.

"This is a first in the way the RFS and local government can work together to bring much-needed emergency service facilities for regional communities.

"This new facility, and planned additional stages for the airport site, will provide operational and training support for brigades throughout the New England region and beyond."

Council and RFS officials joined the NSW Member for Northern Tablelands, Adam Marshall, at the site last week to inspect progress on the building's construction



Armidale Regional Council Service Leader – Economic Development & Marketing Greg Lawrence (left), RFS New England District Coordinator Liz Ferris, Council's Chief Executive Officer, Susan Law, the RFS New England Zone Manager, Superintendent Steve Mepham, NSW Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall and Mayor Simon Murray with the plans for the new RFS Logistics Brigade facility under construction.

and to announce the airport site will also include a new winch simulator training facility.

The Remote Area Fire Team (RAFT) Winch Simulator will be one of only four in regional NSW, training RFS personnel to use helicopter winches for rescues or to deliver firefighting crews to sites that are difficult to access.

The Logistics Brigade building, scheduled for completion in November, the

simulator facility and the adjacent airbase constructed during Phase 1 represent a total investment of \$2 million at the Armidale airbase.

"Funding is also being sought for another \$5.7 million to build a new Fire Control Centre at the airbase, on land set aside by Council for the project.

"Council's contribution to this project has been crucial in bringing these facilities to Armidale, to create a fantastic headquarters that will

provide administrative and operational support for our zone's 35 brigades, comprising around 1200 volunteers."

Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray said the RFS provided an essential service for regional NSW and Council strongly supported any facility improvements that assisted the organisation.

"The colocation of these facilities in Armidale to create an RFS hub is also another welcome boost to activity in

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Tenterden Station sells at auction

A well-known Guyra District property has sold under the hammer for \$17 million at a Ray White Rural auction held in Sydney on Friday October 12th. Bidding opened at \$9m rising quickly with 26 bids recorded. Three of the six registered bidders were active during the auction.

The property was bought by Miramar Trust and Riverslea Trust representing two Surat, Qld, farming families. The property was offered by Jim Knox, Avoncliffe, Guyra.

Tenterden comprises of 1501 hectares (3708 acres) of highly developed arable grazing land with the sale price equal to about \$11,326/ha (\$4585/acre).

A real feature of the property is the water provided for livestock. There are nu-



Tenterden Station sold at auction last Friday for \$17 million

merous back up options with water supplied via an extensive reticulation system, irrigation bores, the main water storage dam plus regular dams and creek frontages.

The relatively flat gradient and heavy soils supported by the irrigation licences are considered ideal to cater for a wide range of grazing, cropping, dairy or horticultural production systems.

Tenterden also lends itself to future subdivision with frontage to four public roads.

The marketing of Tenterden Station was handled by Andrew Starr and Bruce Birch from Ray White Rural.

Weekly Wool Sales

The more positive tone towards the back end of sales last week carried over to the opening of this week's market.

The limited selection of broader Merino types led the market up with gains of up to 50 cents. The better style Superfine types were reported as generally unchanged, however the abundance of "hungry fine" tender types on offer continue to be a drag on the individual Superfine micron indicator quotes.

29,709 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 7.4%. Major buyers included Techwool, Seatech & Tianyu with strong support from the rest of the

trade.

The rebound for the medium and broader micron Merino types is no doubt on the back of AWTA's testing data for the September quarter.

Nationally, the weight of wool tested between 21 and 24 microns was showing a staggering 39% decline for the season to date. The National Wool Production Forecasting Committee is meeting a month earlier than planned to review this season's forecast.

Current estimates were for a 5.7% fall in production however as seasonal conditions have not improved it's likely this number will be revised up considerably.



WINNING WITH WEANERS

LIFTING THE LIFETIME PERFORMANCE OF YOUNG MERINO SHEEP



WORKSHOP INVITATION

When: Thursday, 25th October 2018
Time: 9.00am to 2.30pm
Venue: Armidale City Bowling Club
92-96 Dumaresq St. Armidale
Presenter: Megan Rogers, SheepSMART
Cost: \$75 per person. This includes lunch & morning tea and all workshop materials.
To find out more and register, visit:
<https://sheepconnectnsw.com.au/events/348/>

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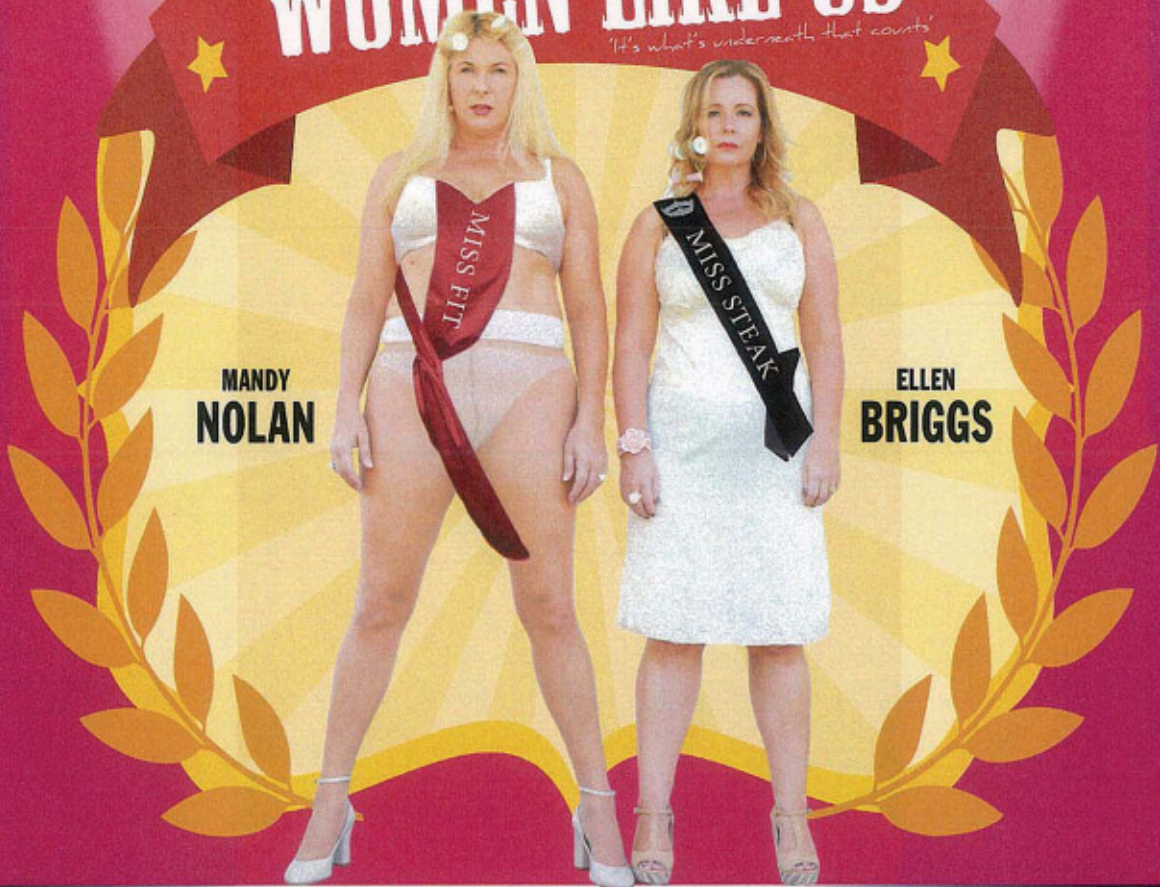


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W O M E N L I K E U S . C O M . A U

Men's bowls

Before I get into this week's report I have an apology to make, in last week's report I reported the Club Fours would be played on November 14th. This should have read November 4th. Players involved in the Club Fours please note.

Saturday October 13th saw the Semi Final of the Major/Minor Pairs played, Chris Kliendienst and Peter Brodbeck played Steven Sole and Robert Walls. This was a game played in good spirit. The game was a close encounter and could have been a win to either team as the scores by end 20 testified they were separated by only two shots. It was at this stage Chris and Peter gained the upper hand and went on to win the game 24 shots to 19 shots over 25 ends.

Also played were two games of Open Singles: firstly Cameron Peardon played Barry Walls. Cameron shot out to an early lead one that he

never relinquished even though Barry closed to within only one shot on a couple of occasions, both players played hard but only one player can win and on this outing it was Cameron who was the eventual winner 31 shots to 23 shots over 38 ends. The other game was between John Jackson and Geoff Reeves, by end three all was even but things soon took a turn (for the worst for John) as Geoff took a strangle hold on the game streaking away to a 19 shot to 4 shot lead by end 14. With Geoff only wanting 12 shots and John 27 shots all looked lost for John. All bowlers know if you stay in the game long enough the tide sometimes turns and for John this was the case, he set about closing the gap and by end 25 scores were even, John kept his head and went on to take victory 31 shots to 25 shots over 33 ends. During this game a remark from the adjacent rink was "I didn't know the Club had Senior Singles as a Club Championship this

year". All said in jest.

Sunday October 14th saw two games of Club Triples played. David Wilcox, Murray Bourke and Paul Johnson played Phil Kliendienst, Mallie Walls and Robert Walls. This game bought out the best in both teams, with the scores being even by end 10. Phil and his team then strung together four ends in a row opening what proved to be a winning lead. Phil and his team ran out victors 23 shot to 16 shots over 21 ends. The other game was between Dan Kennedy, Greg Mitchell and Graham Starr who played Roger Cox, Peter Brodbeck and Andrew Sparke. Dan and his team were in command from the outset and never at any stage and never let Roger and his team settle into the game. Dan and his team went on to take a win 28 shots to 12 shots over 21 ends.

To games boarded for this weekend:

Saturday October 20th: Start: 1.00pm. Starter and umpire: Robert Walls.

Junior Cricket

Guyra has nominated teams in both Under 12's and 14's for this year's Armidale District Competition. With eight teams nominated in both grades it promises to be a very competitive season. The first game will be played this weekend and all players are requested to attend training at the cricket nets this Thursday at 4.00pm.

There are still a few numbers needed for the Under 14's, and it is not too late to sign up. Contact Simon Brown on 0427 665 131 or Jason Campbell 0428 7636 88.

Men's golf

The damp weather on Sunday didn't deter the good field of golfers playing in the Brian Lennon Memorial Day the winners were Dan Lennon and Mick Purvis with Tim Ellis and Steve Wilson runner up. The individual winner was Mick Purvis showing he's lost nothing after an eight year lay-off. Mick Kirk was runner up. 1st nine winners were Andy Lennon and Jack Kliendienst, 2nd nine went to Chris Newberry and Len Stanley. Nearest to the pins were Warren Mc-

Cowen on the 7th, Mick Purvis on the 10th, and Steve Wilson on

the 18th. BJ Kliendienst claimed the long drive.

Next Sunday will be the Dougie Waters Memorial 4 Ball stableford with the following Sunday being the Sole Taxation Guyra Open. The wet weather has extended the 1st round of the midweek to include this week.

The Albatross

Super Spuds

After a hugely successful year on the field, the Super Spuds will honour their best this Saturday and want the town to come out and help celebrate again.

The club's player presentations will be held at the sports complex from 12 noon on Saturday with family-friendly activities, a barbecue and the dishing out of awards all on the agenda.

The best players from the premiership-winning men's squad and the women's league-tag team will receive prizes in a range of categories, while the club will make a special presentation to the members of the

winning men's team.

It is also a chance to thank sponsors, volunteers and supporters from around the district.

All members of the Guyra community are invited to the lunchtime event and are encouraged to bring the kids for a fun afternoon and a sausage from the barbie (BYO drinks).

It is the last official event for the year, except for the club's annual general meeting, which will be held on Thursday, November 8 from 6pm at the ground.

That is the beginning of preparations for the 2019 season, which the club hopes will be even better.

Grant Robertson

Vet's golf

The Guyra Golf Presentation Night was held at the Club on Saturday night. It was a successful evening, being well-attended by our golfers.

Thank you Betty Anne for organising the delicious meal.

Ian Taylor won the major trophies, winning The Reg Taylor Shield with a stroke score of 79 and The Veteran Player of the Year with 58 points.

Final Major/Minor Pairs: Robert Moore and Cameron Peardon to play Chris Kliendienst and Peter Brodbeck.

Open Singles: Ken Jones to play M Swain marker Scott Swain. Barry Presnell to play Wayne Reeves marker Robert Walls. Mallie Walls to play Dan Kennedy marker Steven Sole.

There will be no Club Championships boarded for October 27th/28th. Due to The visit by Sawtell Travelling Bowlers. There is a sheet on the notice board for those men bowlers wishing to take part in this visit. The Club would like at least 30 male bowlers to take part, The first game is Saturday afternoon October 27th start 12.30pm. Also bowlers required for Sunday morning October 28th play to commence 10.00am.

For Further information or to put your name on the Sawtell visit sheet please contact the Bowling Club during working hours.

The Bowls Bandit.

Colin Walls had the best nett score for the year with 65 points and the Individual Stableford winners were Terry Varley and Nancy Prisk with 43 points.

John Prisk, Ian Taylor, and Terry Varley won the putting competition with 24 putts.

The 4 Ball Best Ball winners were Ken Fuller and Terry Varley - Ian Taylor and Paul Redden with 46 points.

Nearest the Pins were won by Doug Archibald - 4 times on the 7th, Nancy Prisk - 3 times on the 9th, Neil Paine - 3 times on the 10th and Wal Chapman, Ian Taylor and Roger Grills were nearest the pin on the 18th 4 times.

On Tuesday 17 Vets played a 4 Ball Best Ball. The winners with a great score of 45. were Donald Campbell and Phil Devlin. The runners-up were Jim Betts and Colin Walls - Herb Wilson and Wal Chapman with 41 points.

Nearest the pins went to Ian Taylor on the 7th and the 10th and Terry Varley was closest to the pin on the 18th.

The annual Vets fees of \$10 are due now.

The Vet



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MEETINGS

GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY meeting Wednesday 31st October at the GALA Centre 7pm. New members welcome.

GARAGE SALE

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TUESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER CAN ASSIST Melbourne Cup Fashion Parade & luncheon

SATURDAY 3RD NOVEMBER St James Anglican Church Fete

FRIDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER Ladies Night Out with "Women Like Us" comedy duo, \$25 ticket at Guyra Community Hall, 6.00pm for 6.30pm. 3 course dinner with fun, food and laughs with a healthy focus co-ordinated by Healthwise. Contact Christine 0429 046 691 or Letecia 0458 669 462

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Lady golfers tee off for Breast Cancer

We looked pretty in pink on 10th October, when we teed off at a fundraising day for Breast Cancer Trials - an event close to the hearts of many members and their families. We competed in a 4BBB Multiple as well as an Individual Stableford. A fundraising initiative of Breast Cancer Trials, Tee Off supports clinical trials research to help every person affected by breast cancer to get the treatment they need to survive.

The day was sponsored by Wendy George who played a precision round of golf to win the individual competition with 41 Stableford points. Wendy George and

Donna White won the 4BBB multiple with 82 points. Vicki Reeves won nearest the pin on the 9th hole.

Thanks to the members of the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club for demonstrating their continued support by donating the green fees to Breast Cancer Trials.

Breast Cancer Trials is a group of world-leading breast cancer doctors and researchers based in Australia and New Zealand committed to finding better treatments and prevention for people affected by breast cancer through clinical trials research.

The Phantom



Back: Vicki Reeves, Donna White, Wendy George, Nancy Prisk
Centre: Pip White, Jenny Rogers, Belinda Lenehan, Julie Walker (left right out!)
Front: Karen Oehlers, Meg Simpson, Kath Varley, Joyce Betts

TONGAN FOOTY FEVER

The anticipation for the first-ever meeting between the might of Australia and the emerging power of Tonga is palpable.

There is plenty of local support for Tonga with tomato farm workers showing their colours around town.

The game takes place on Saturday October 20th starting at 5.45pm.



TONGAN PRIDE ON SHOW IN GUYRA THIS WEEK

Come along and help Guyra Rugby League celebrate a very successful year



We would like to say Thank You to the community, our sponsors and volunteers for your support during the year

12noon this Saturday, 20th October at the Guyra Rugby League Complex

Enjoy a fun family day out (just a gold coin donation)

There will be a BBQ and a jumping castle for the kids

Players Presentations will also be held during the afternoon

