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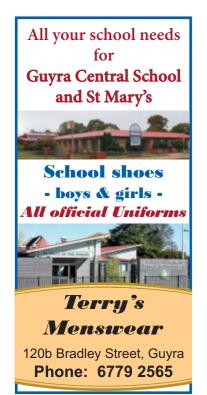
# Evers family bids farewell

Anglican minister Mark Evers, wife Genevieve and their family will depart Guyra for fresh adventures next week, but say they will leave part of themselves behind.

Mark will take up the role of minister at Tumut in the Snowy Mountains, a move that will take him closer to his roots and extended family.

The move comes with some regrets for the family who have been in Guyra since 2013. They quickly became involved in a number of community and sporting organisations, something that Mark recommends to all newcomers.

'Community groups are a great way to get to know people, and become known by the town," Mark said. "Being a part of the community is one of the great advantages of living in a small town where you are a face that is recognised and welcomed, rather than being anonymous."





FOND FAREWELL: Mark, Genevieve, Elizabeth, Ruth, Micah and Hannah Evers are moving on after 6 years

"It also means it will be very hard to leave and have to say goodbye to the Church and the people who have become our friends," Mark said. "Guyra is a fantastic little community and it has been a great place to raise our kids and for them to grow up - we have loved living here and loved and appreciated how the community has welcomed us. "Our youngest child was born while we were here so it will always hold a place in our hearts."

"We are also excited for the move which will take us closer to our extended family in Wagga – it will mean we can visit and be part of their lives which has been difficult being so far away."

The move has come at a busy time over the Christmas New Year period as the family are keen to be established in time for the new school year.

The Church is hopeful a replacement will be here in a few weeks, and the wardens will look after church in the meantime

A farewell service will be held this Sunday January 13th commencing at 9am at St James Anglican Church – everyone is welcome to come along and farewell the Evers family.

# Closing Down SALE

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### **GUYRA EMPORIUM**

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# Voice of rugby in Guyra for Australia Day

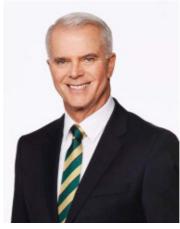
VOICE of rugby' Gordon Bray AM has been named Guyra's 2019 Australia Day Ambassador. Mr Bray will be front and centre at Australia Day events in Guyra, Tingha and Ben Lomond.

Mr Bray is a sports commentator and journalist. He began his career as a Specialist Trainee with ABC Sport in Sydney in 1969. After completing his cadetship he was despatched to Hobart for a four year stint and initially called Aussie Rules.

Towards the end of his Tasmanian posting he won selection in the ABC's team at the Commonwealth Games in

Christchurch and has since covered ten Olympic Games - the first in 1976 as the voungest member of the Combined Australian Television Team. He called the yachting regatta for radio and television and at the start of the Games presented the first ever live colour sports transmission to Australia. Later that year Mr Bray paid his fare to France with the Wallabies and called both rugby internationals live to Australia on ABC Radio.

When ABC colleague Norman May retired from TV rugby commentary in 1980



Sports commentator Gordon Bray will be Guyra's Australia Day Ambassador for 2019

Mr Bray stepped into the role and over the next four decades became known as Australia's 'Voice of Rugby'. He has now called around 450 test matches since 1976.

He is both author and editor of six books on Rugby including best sellers 'From The Ruck' and 'The Australian Rugby Companion'.

Mr Bray is a Member of the Order of Australia for services to sports broadcasting, rugby union and the community. In 2000 he was awarded a Prime Minister's Sports Medal. He is also a past recipient of a Penguin Award for Best Sports Presenter.

# Great music lineup for Festival

A MAJOR feature of the Lamb and Potato Festival is the live music being performed in the Regional Australia Bank Music Tent. This year on each of the 12 days of the Festival there will be three shows. The morning show will run from 1am until midday. There will be a lunch time show from 12.30pm until 2.30pm and an evening show starting at 5pm.

We have some amazing performance lined up. On Saturday January 19th there will be a concert especially for kids. Simon Mellor, the song writer behind Anh Do's popular children's books "What do they do with all the Poo of all the Animals at the Zoo' and "The Big Green Frog in the Toilet', will be playing from 10am until 11am. The kids will absolutely love it. This will be followed by an emerging talent showcase featuring some of the best young performers in the New England area.

Across the 12 days in the Regional Australia Bank music tent you can see Jazz with the fabulous Ash Hall Trio, 60's pop/rock with Vinnie and the Cuban Missiles, Bluegrass/Country with Fin-



The Earth and Skye Belly Dancing Troupe will be at this year's Festival

ger Pickin' Good, Celtic Music with Tri, the beautiful harmonies of the Graceless and the original songs of Mick and Peter.

Don't miss the country sounds of Jim and Barb O'Neill, the humour of Errol Gray the backyard balladeer and the adult country humour of Slim and Sheila Knacquers. You can also catch Crooked Tree, the Glen Innes Pipe Band, the Guyra Line Dancers and the Belly dance Earth and Sky Troupe.

Peter Denovan is always popular and will do an Irish Evening on Friday January 25th and backing up with the Australia Day Show on the 26th. On the evening of Australia Day don't miss Lily and the Drum, an amazing duo from Adelaide.

With day time performances by Pete Stanley, Bruce Clark, Ruby Campbell, Judith Stott-Surawski, Sean Plunkett, Ian Russell and Rosanna Ruddick, it promises to be a great music experience at this year's Lamb and Potato Festival.

Detailed programmes will be displayed around town and at the Festival site. We want to thank the Regional Australia Bank for its ongoing sponsorship and Armidale Regional Council for its valued support. Without them such a high quality presentation would not be possible.

Ian Russell

# Pharmacists to help vaccination effort

GETTING vaccinated will be as easy as dropping in to your local chemist shop or pharmacy, under changes made by the NSW Government.

From January 1st, trained pharmacists across NSW join GPs and accredited nurse immunisers in being able to give a range of injections, including for measles and whooping cough, to anyone over the age of 16.

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall said that people in the region will now have more choice when it comes to vaccination and that's a great thing.

"We know all too well that at times it can be difficult to access a local GP and those who can often have to wait," Mr Marshall said.

"That's why having the option of seeing a trained pharmacist for your vaccination makes things so much easier and quicker. It is also a public recognition of the professionalism, training and experience of our local pharmacists."

Guyra pharmacist Vu



Guyra Pharmacist Vu Nguyen is hoping to be able to offer vaccinations in store in the near future

Nguyen has welcomed the initiative and believes that pharmacists are more than capable of administering vaccinations.

"Sometimes doctors are very busy and to have a service available without having to make an appointment or wait will be valuable for our customers."

"When you are working and want to have a flu shot it may be more convenient to slip in to the pharmacy in your lunch hour. It will also free up doctors for higher priority services."

Vu said that he hoping to provide vaccinations in the near future and is in the process of getting ready.

"We have to be trained in order to become competent to offer the service and also have a separate area set aside. I'm hoping to be ready before the flu season arrives."

People eligible for free government-funded vaccines including children under five years of age, Aboriginal people, those with chronic illnesses, pregnant women and people over 65, will still need to access these vaccines via their GP, so they can get a health assessment at the same time.

# New deputy for new year



New Deputy Principal for Guyra Central School Tim Lloyd, his wife Melinda and their three children

GUYRA Central School farewelled Deputy Principal Gillian Davis at the end of the 2018 school year. She was appointed deputy principal in 2017 and also served as acting principal for two terms.

Principal Michelle Nicholson paid tribute to Ms Davis who has been appointed as the new Principal at Emmaville Central School for 2019.

"You work tirelessly to ensure that all students get a fair go," Mrs Nicholson said. "Your loyalty and commitment to this school is mammoth, you leave a great legacy and you will be

very missed at the school."

The school also farewelled Ms Sarah Steele who is leaving to take up a new position in Narromine.

Timothy Lloyd has been appointed Deputy Principal at Guyra Central School for 2019. He comes to Guyra from Lithgow High School where he was Head Teacher HSIE.

Mr Lloyd has had experience at executive level across several Central Schools as well as in a secondary setting. He has also had significant experience as a relieving Deputy Principal.

### What's HOT

**SAVING** a Blue Tongue lizard from getting run over in the main street

**STOPPING** traffic to let a family of ducks cross the road

### What's NOT

**CRYING DOG** in Elm St and barking dogs in Stevenson St

**DRIVING** down the highway and seeing a dead rabbit tied to a give way sign

**HAVING** to go back to work

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

Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right.

**Oprah Winfrey** 

# Weather WATCH

**Guyra Hospital** Date Day Min Max Rain

Tues 12.9 27.9 0

Wed 11.1 28.0 7.2

Thurs 11.7 29.2 0 Fri 14.7 27.6 0 4

5 Sat 13.4 28.8 0.6

Sun 12.9 28.9 0 6

Mon 12.7 24.6 0

Rain this week January rainfall Rainfall YTD Rainfall last YTD 7.8mm 7.8mm 7.8mm 0.0mm

# Christmas Stocking winner

The Lions Club of Guyra, with the assistance of Stacev Kirk of Kirk's IGA, drew their Christmas Stocking Raffle on Saturday December 15th. The winning ticket belonged to Sam Mendes.

The club would like to thank Kirk's IGA, C.T Electrics and Dasha's Hardware and the community of Guyra and district for their generous support with this raffle.

The funds raised with this raffle will help the club support local charities.

The Lions Club hope that everyone enjoyed a Merry Christmas and wish them all the best for 2019.

> Jim Betts President Guyra Lions Club



Stacey Kirk drew the winning ticket in the Lions Club Christmas stocking raffle

# Have your say.....

#### Country voice needed

May I please have the opportunity to reply to Mr Alan St Clair's criticism of my comments of the NSW Coalition Governments attitude towards the country areas of NSW. The National party being the traditional representatives of regional and rural NSW, I feel, have lost their connection to the country areas and are only supportive of their Liberal Coalition partners who have become very much city centric.

Mr. St Clair threw around some very impressive numbers in support of the Government's expenditure in this region. The first big spend for some years. (The cynic in me says that there is an election close.) While the money allocated to this area is definitely warranted for the ageing and dilapidated infrastructure, about two seconds analysis showed me that this is only a small percentage of the \$2.7 Billion Have your say Emaíl: news@gala.org.au

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that was to be spent on perfectly good Sydney Stadiums. This has been reduced somewhat after the public were very vocal in their criticism of the waste of money. Premier Gladys made the announcement saying listened to the people". Why then Premier, didn't you hear the people, after petitions and delegations, saying that we didn't want Council amalgamations? Mr. St Clair's figures were also a very small percentage of the \$90 Billion 4 year infrastructure plan for NSW. How much of this money will be spent in country NSW?

Also, would Mr. St Clair please give an explanation of Adam Marshall's about face on the Council amalgamation. This is where Adam promised to "Fight to the Death" and "It will never happen on my watch", before abandoning us and taking a portfolio. Does this show support for the community that elected him to represent us? The silence of the National Party was also very obvious when the rural areas were desperate for some form of drought relief. This was eventually forthcoming but the conditions made it virtually unobtainable. Also, too little too late.

These are only some of the issues that have been a concern when considering our Parliamentary representation. I strongly urge a vote for 'The Shooters Fishers and Farmers Party' at the next state election and guarantee that the country voice will be heard.

Ray Mulligan

# HSC results better than average

Students at Guyra Central School continue to have success in the HSC (Higher School Certificate) examinations. During 2018, twelve students successfully completed their HSC.

In the areas of Chemistry, Industrial Technology, PDHPE, Metals and Engineering subjects, students performed better than the state average.

A significant number of students achieved Band 5 results in a range of subjects: Biology, Business Studies, Dance, English Advanced Mathematics Extension 2, Modern History, Music and Visual Arts.

The school continues to offer a variety of subjects and with 20 HSC subjects being offered.



Sara Walls was awarded for Academic Excellence in 2018

#### PET OF THE WEEK



Carol is 12 weeks old. She is a beautiful, playful little kitten and would love to find a caring home.

Carol has a beautiful soft coat and is very affectionate and likes cuddles. She uses her litter tray well and is a very clean and quiet kitten.

Her adoption fee of \$150 includes desexing, worming, first F3 vaccination, microchipping and flea treatment.

If you would like to adopt Carol, please contact us at:

friendsoffredanimalrescue@gmail.com or call/text 0423 685 694



#### **AUTOMATED VEHICLE SOON IN ARMIDALE**

Driverless vehicle technology, in the form of a fully-automated shuttle, will hit the road by the end of this month at the University of New England.

Recently, I was joined by Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray at the University to inspect the shuttle while it was being taken through its paces, mapping the route it will start traveling.

Armidale was one of just two regional centres in NSW, the other being Coffs Harbour, to host an automated vehicle trial.

Local drivers and pedestrians are likely to encounter the automated shuttle over the next 12 months as it moves from initial testing and mapping on the UNE campus to a loop in the Armidale CBD.

It's exciting to see Armidale at the forefront of this cutting-edge technology that will undoubtedly play a big role in shaping the transport network of the future.

But the automated vehicle trial will also have a direct benefit for Armidale during the trial itself by providing a CBD loop service aimed at helping the elderly and those people with mobility needs.

We expect the public to be able to take a ride

in the shuttle from about late January and we encourage people to get on-board, experience driverless travel and give us their feedback."

The trial brings together the NSW Government's own Smart Innovation Centre with partners Armidale Regional Council, UNE, transport providers Edwards Coaches and



Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall, left, and Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray inspect the inside of the vehicle.

Transdev, insurer QBE and technology companies EasyMile and WSP.

The fully-automated EZ10 vehicle can carry up to 12 passengers and has recently been doing mapping at UNE.

Safety is the highest priority for the project

team. Advisory signage will be in place at all entry points and along the trial route advising road users that they are entering an automated vehicle

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Some drivers may be slowed by traffic management or asked to stop until advised to continue. The vehicle route includes the Queen Elizabeth Drive roundabout entry to UNE.

#### **Key points of the Trial:**

Phase 1: Introduce services at the University of New England transporting students and staff from the residential colleges to the university campus

Phase 2: Introduce a shuttle service for residents around the Armidale CBD area focusing on services for the elderly and those with mobility needs

Phase 3: Expand operations in the CBD area and include regular services to the New England Regional Art Museum (NERAM).

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#### Meals on Wheels

Jan 10th Joyce Betts Jan 11th Golf Ladies Jan 14th Michael Austin Jan 15th Pamela Carter Jan 16th Bob Furze

#### Street Stalls

No street stalls scheduled in January

#### 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

#### St Mary's Catholic

Saturday Mass 6pm in Guyra, Sunday 9am, 1st Sunday of month Ben Lomond, 3rd Sunday Wards Mistake, otherwise Guyra 7am Wards Mistake, 9am Guyra Father Steven O'Shea

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

# \$1,000 scholarships available

Students living in social housing or crisis accommodation can now apply for the 2019 FACS Scholarship Program.

The Scholarship program, which allows students to receive financial assistance from Year 10 up until they complete their tertiary education, provides \$1,000 that can be spent on items to support their education including text books, computers and private tutoring.

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall said that the program was a great opportunity to relieve some of the pressure that low income families face when it comes to the costs of education.

"I know how important education is in providing a better future for our children and giving them every opportunity in life," Mr Marshall said.

"A quality education is the most important gift we can give the next generation, every single child.

"This program is about making the lives of students easier by helping them manage educational expenses so they can complete their studies and succeed."

Students facing disadvantage, such as those who are carers or living with a health problem, will be prioritised for the scholarship.

Mr Marshall said the scholarship would ensure that students who were committed to their studies were not held back by their circumstances.

"I want the best for young people in social housing and we know that with a strong education, many can break the cycle of disadvantage," he said

Applications for the 2019 FACS Scholarship are now open and close on Thursday, 31 January 2019.

For more information, and to apply, visit www.facs.nsw.gov.au/facsscholarships

# Speak up at the Festival

Multiple Golden Guitar winner and horseman extraordinaire Tom Curtain will be performing his Katherine Outback Experience show followed by a live music performance during the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival.

The concert will take place at the Guyra Showground on Friday January 18th starting at 6pm.

Following his passion to live and work in the outback, Tom rolled his swag and headed to the Northern Territory in 2001 to work in the stock camp on a remote cattle station.

Since then he has experienced an industry collapse, reinvented his business, and



Tom Curtain will perform during the Lamb & Potato Festival

ignored all his mates who said he couldn't do it.

It was a simple matter of combining his skills to create the Katherine Outback Experience.

Tom released his chart topping third album 'Territory Time' in November 2017 and went on to win two Golden Guitars at the 2018 Tamworth Country Music Festival and four categories at the Australian Independent Country Music Awards including the prestigious 'Artist of the Year'.

Tom has recently written a song called "Speak Up" for Dolly Everett a local station girl who committed suicide due to bullying, a duet with Sara Storer.

The Speak Up Tour incorporates visiting schools and communities along the way to raise awareness in relation to bullying and mental health in the bush while incorporating horses, working dogs and music.

# Fishing survey closes soon

Time is running out to complete the Guyra Anglers Club survey which was circulated in the Gazette prior to Christmas. If you haven't completed the survey you have until Friday January 11th to get it in.

The Anglers Club are grateful for those who have already completed the survey and

wish to thank the community for their support.

The information collected will help to support and build recreational fishing in the dams and streams around the Guyra district. By filling in the survey and returning the completed form you will be helping to formulate a plan to support and build recreational fishing around Guyra. Completed surveys can be returned to boxes located at the Guyra Emporium, GALA Centre or Kirks IGA. If you have lost the original survey form, additional forms are available at the boxes.

# Council News GUYRA

### Mayor's Message

Welcome to a new year and our first issue of Council News for 2019. I hope you've had an enjoyable time with family and friends and had time for some relaxation before we embark on what's set to be a busy start to the year.

Attention in our region now turns to Australia Day and the celebrations being held in a number of our centres.

Guyra, Ben Lomond, Tingha and Armidale will all host Australia Day award ceremonies and accompanying community celebrations, including visits and presentations by some wonderful Australia Day Ambassadors.

A multiple Paralympics medallist, swimmer Tiffany Thomas Kane, and leading commentator Gordon Bray, known as the voice of rugby, have been confirmed as our ambassadors. Gordon will join me at events in Guyra, Tingha and Ben Lomond on Saturday 26 January, while Tiffany will be our special guest at the Australia Day Awards and citizenship ceremony in Armidale.

Both have achieved remarkable things in the sporting world and their presentations will be among the highlights of a series of events being held over a period of four days

Activities begin with the Guyra Awards Dinner on Friday 25 January, at the town's bowling and recreation club from 6.30pm Tickets are available from the Council's Guyra office until Friday 18 January.

A busy Saturday then kicks off with an Australia Day breakfast at Ben Lomond from 7am, with everyone invited to head to the memorial hall for some good Aussie tucker.

The spotlight turns to Armidale's Central Park at 10am for the city's Australia Day Awards and a citizenship ceremony in which 26 people will take the vow to become new citizens. Note the new venue, weather permitting.

A busy schedule throughout the region means there will not be community activities in Armidale's Curtis and Civic Park this year.

Rotary Park in Guyra will host a flag raising ceremony at 11am, while a family barbecue, movie and fireworks will be

held in Tingha's sport and recreation grounds from 6.30pm.

The weekend of events will wrap up with a family barbecue, movie and fireworks at the Guyra Sport & Recreation Grounds on Monday 28 January at 6.30pm. Both the Tingha and Guyra family barbecues will feature family-friendly movie Sherlock Gnomes at dusk, followed by fireworks displays by well-known local pyrotechnician Holysmoke. There are many locations, times and activities to enable all residents to celebrate our wonderful country, its enviable lifestyle and what it means to be Australian.

Preparations are also well underway for the New England Festival in March, previously known as the Autumn Festival. A schedule for the revamped community celebration is taking shape, including the traditional street parade and much loved pipe bands, and can be viewed on Council's website.

Simon Murray

#### Inflatable pool fencing

The growing popularity of inflatable swimming pools at homes in the Armidale region has prompted a warning about the need for suitable pool fencing.

Any inflatable pool with a depth of 30 centimetres or more must be contained within secure and certified pool fencing, to reduce the risk of child drownings, Council's Service Leader – Sustainability & Development, Ambrose Hallman, said.

These pools are subject to the same fencing laws as any other backyard swimming pool constructed after 2010 and property owners are encouraged to contact Council for advice.

"The region's cool weather for much of the year means the prevalence of permanent swimming pools is lower than many parts of Australia," Mr Hallman said. "However, inflatable pools are a popular option during the height of summer and larger inflatable varieties are now available from a number of local retailers."

For further information, visit the Your Property page of Council's website, phone 1300

136833 or visit Council's Armidale or Guyra offices.

#### Name the dragon

The children's section at Armidale Regional War Memorial Library has been further enlivened by a new mural created by local artists David Allan and Fiona McDonald during the festive period.

A competition has now been launched inviting residents to name the dragon at the centre of the 15-metre-long mural along the children's section's main wall.

Entries for the Name our Dragon competition will be open until 15 February.

Drop into the library to see the spectacular mural and submit an entry. Entry forms are also available at the Guyra library and suggested names can be submitted online at yoursay. armidale.nsw.gov.au/library-mural.

A shortlist of three proposed names will be chosen and will be put to a popular vote by the community. The winning name will be announced during a children's story time at the library on Tuesday 12 March from 10.30am.

Everyone who enters will have the chance to

win a random draw prize. For further details, visit yoursay.armidale.nsw.gov.au/library-mural or contact the library on 6770 3636.

#### **Road closures**

Armidale's Canambe Street will be closed from 7am to 6pm on 25, 26 and 27 January for the annual Armidale Campdraft.

The road will be closed between Dumaresq and Kirkwood Street and will be reopened each evening for normal traffic flow.

A road closure of Bradley Street in Guyra, between Nincola Street and Moore Street on Saturday 19 January 2019 has been cancelled. The closure was proposed to allow for children's events as part of the Guyra Lamb & Potato Festival but is now no longer necessary. A closure in Bradley Street will go ahead on Saturday 26 January. It will be closed between Ollera Street and Mackenzie Street from 6.30am and 3.30pm for the festival's Show & Shine car event.

A 40kph zone will be in place for the section of New England Highway in Guyra from 16 January to 27 January 2019.

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 27 February 2019 at the Guyra Council Chambers, 158 Bradley St, from 4pm. Public welcome to attend.

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# PHOTOS: Term 5 at Guyra Central

Students from years 7 to 10 at Guyra Central School were given the opportunity to explore new and interesting activities during the last week of the 2018 school year.

Ms Clea Townsend coordinated the activities during Term 5, with students able to choose from a varied program

of activities.

Beginning with a rewards day at Green Valley Farm, for students who met standards of attendance and good behaviour, Term 5 was a chance to learn new skills.

"The kids love it and really get involved." Ms Townsend said

"It lets them explore activities that are new and exciting and is a great way to finish off the school year."

Activities included the Great Guyra Bakeoff, bike riding, Christmas craft, handbag & jewellery making, movie appreciation, clay work, origami and board games. A Hunger Games inspired challenge was a popular choice, with students put through their paces in a series of challenges.

A group of students also took up the challenge of becoming rock stars learning to play and then perform in three days.



SCHOOL OF ROCK: Kye Walls, Ms Leigh Stewart, Mrs Nadine Youman, Dylan Bull, Tyler Gibson, Ms Sarah Steele and Jamie Loeb







WORKING WITH CLAY: Felicity Campbell, Colleen Pearson and Jasmine Fekonia





FUN CHALLENGES: Hunger games (left) and the Great Guyra Bakeoff (right)

# AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS DINNER

Friday
25 January
2019
6.30pm

Guyra
Bowling
and
Recreation
Club



## **Nominees**

Jan Day
Gwyneth Pearson
Heather Starr
Martha Weiderman
Bronte Stanley

Robert Woods, Ian Heagney, Ross Heagney, Andrew White, Bruce Turner, Trevor Tarrant- Guyra Campdraft

Guyra Senior Rugby League Guyra Fishing Club Jason Campbell & Luke Blyton Show and Shine - Guyra Automotive Club Guyra Cra t Grou

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## **Nominees**

Aileen MacDonald

Men's Health night - New England Health
and Advisory Committee
Guyra Community Garden
Jim & Joyce Betts

National Australia Bank Staff - Guyra
Oscar Atkin
Archie Dowden
Braydon Cameron (B.J)

Guyra U12's Grand Fina Wn n ne a
Fletcher Richard on
Kathleen Lorraine Var ey
Kay Smith & Brian Irving

Australia Day Ambassador Gordon Bray AM Rugby Commentator



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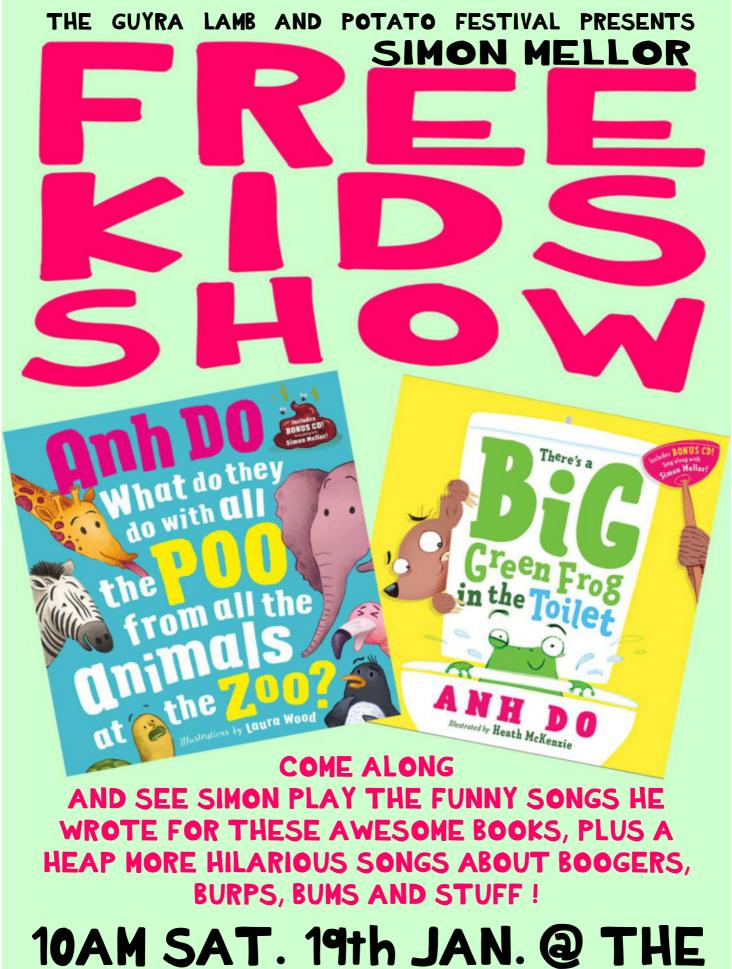
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#### **RETURN THANKS**

#### Greg Simpson

I have been known to say: "My little town is not my little town anymore". Oh Boy! Have I got to retract those words!

My beautiful, caring little town is certainly alive and well. Its heart and soul are where they have always been beating away and ready to be called on when needed.

I needed you with the illness and the passing of Greg and you all came with your love and support. I cannot thank you all individually but you know who you are. Thank you.

To all my wonderful family and friends - Thank you.

I wouldn't want to live anywhere else. Meg Simpson

#### **LIVESTOCK**



will offer

### **40 Merino Rams**

**On Property** "MORAY", GUYRA NSW Tuesday, January 22nd, 2019 Inspection at 10am Sale starts 11.30am

Sale by Helmsman Auction System at Moray woolshed

8913 Guyra Rd, Guyra, NSW Contact:

James Stewart 6779 4215 Todd Clark 0428 248 427 Graham Andrews 0400 342 227

#### **CLAIM THE DATE**

JANUARY 16th to 27th: Lamb & Potato Festival. Lots of fun for all the family!

JANUARY 26th: Ben Lomond Australia Day Breakfast 7.00am at the Memorial Hall. Guest is Gordon Bray. \$10. Phone Dorothy 6733 2117.

FEBRUARY 22nd & 23rd: Annual Guvra Show. Special family attractions and entertainment.

#### **RAFFLE RESULTS**

LIONS CLUB OF GUYRA Christmas stocking raffle won by Sam Mendes. Thanks to all for your support

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

THE FOOD PANTRY re-opens on January 18th, 2019.

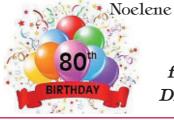
**GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM will** be OPEN during the Lamb & Potato Festival on Wednesdays, Saturdays & Sundays. Enquiries 6779 2132

#### **Guyra Anglers Club**

would like to thank everyone for participating in our Community Survey.

This Friday, 11th January is the closing day for surveys. Drop your survey into one of the boxes located at: Guyra Emporium, GALA or Kirk's IGA.

Happy 80th Birthday



from Digger

#### **COURSES**

#### **Upcoming GALA courses** Guvra:

RSA - 14th January RCG - 15th January Forklift Course 21st, 22nd & 25th January

Glen Innes:

Food Safety Supervisor - 17th January Coffee - 18th January

Places still available for all these courses.

Contact: 6779 2132 to book in.

### Probus Notes

Our first meeting for this year is next Monday, 14th January at the Bowling Club starting at 10am.

Anyone interested in joining our club please come along to this meeting. You would be most welcome.

Judy Jackson

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# **Gazette Sport**

#### Men's golf

Sunday the 22nd December saw the W J Pearson ham and turkey day with the winner being J Leeds and B Coppock runner up. Nearest to the pins were S Sole on the 7th with B Simpson taking the 10th and 18th.

Boxing Day saw 60 golfers contest a two person ambrose. The Nett winners were S and L Brazier with S and B J Kliendienst runners up. Gross winners were D and J Burey with C and J Kliendienst runner up. Nearest to the pins were J Leeds on the 7th, W Jackson on the 9th, I Taylor on the 10th and B Stanley on the 18th.

Last Sunday was the Donnas Bistro sponsored stableford and monthly mug. Tim Ellis was victorious with Ben Vidler runner up. Nearest to the pins were S Sole on the 7th and 10th with B Simpson on the 18th.

Next Sunday will be an 18 hole stableford for Simpson's Earthmoving trophy.

The Albatross

#### Ladies' golf

On Wednesday 2nd January, Pip White began 2019 with a sizzling round of golf to win the Stroke competition with a 75 net. Karen Oehlers was runner up, after a count back and took only 28 putts to tie with Nancy Prisk in the putting competition.

Jenny Rogers hit the green on the 7th hole to win nearest the pin. Each player carried the new edition of the Rules of Golf to apply the new rulings, established by the Royal and Ancient (R & A) in conjunction with the United States Golf Association (USGA)

Set down on the Programme for Wednesday 9th January is a 4BBB Multiple and the starter is Donna White.

The Phantom.

#### Men's bowls

Well we have seen out another year and begin a new one, with that Bowls set down for this weekend:

Sunday January 13th. Start:

1.00pm. Starter and Umpire: David Wilcox.

Club Triples: Dan Kennedy, Greg Mitchell and Graham Starr to play Mallie Walls, Robert Walls and partner.

Open Singles: Col Stanley to play Steven Sole marker David Wilcox.

Roger Cox to play John Hamel marker Barry Presnell.

Bowlers please note that there is an Australia Day Bowls set down for Saturday January 26th. Interested bowlers are asked to enter their names on the sheet provided. The game will be a Box Draw Pairs, names to be on the sheet by 11.30am for a 12.30pm start. Entry fee will be \$10. Prize for the winners will be half a dressed lamb.

For any more information interested persons are asked to contact the Bowling Club on 6779 1499 during working hours. So come on bowlers come down and enjoy a game of bowls at your friendly club.

The Bowls Bandit

#### Vets golf

Tuesday was a very pleasant day for golf and 18 Vets played a stroke event for The Reg Taylor Shield.

The stroke winner was Ian Taylor with a score of 82 on a countback

from John Prisk. The nett winner, with 67 strokes was David Bearup.

Nearest the pins were won by David Bearup on the 7th, Nancy Prisk the

9th, John Prisk was closest to the pin on the 10th and Wal Chapman had the best second shot on the 18th.

The best putters of the day were David Bearup and John Prisk with 25 putts.

Our first Pennants game will be held in Armidale on Tuesday, 29th January. That's only 3 weeks away! Please let Nancy know if you are able to play and if you need to hire a buggy or have a seat in a buggy.

The Vet

#### Lamb and Potato Festival 2019 MUSIC PROGRAMME Week One WED 16 THURS 17 **SUN 20** TIME **FRI 18 SAT 19** Glen Innes **Judith** Pipe Band Stott-10:00am lan Bruce Simon Mellor Russell Clark Surawski Kid's Show 12:00pm The Simon Mellor Kid's 12:30pm to Show (10am) and **Emerging** 2:30pm **Emerging Talent** Talent Crooked Showcase (11:15am) Showcase 12:30pm -Tree & Rosanna Errol Pete will be taking place at Bellydance Jim & Barb 1:30pm Ruddick Gray Stanley Earth and Sky the main stage. O'Neill Troupe (not Bradley St) Rhonda The Glen Innes Pipe **Brookes** 6pm-9pm **Band will entertain** 5:00pm -Crooked Mick and 6pm-8:30pm 6pm-9pm Ash Hall on the Festival site Tom Curtain Crooked Tree & 7:00pm Tree Pete Trio Speak Up Tour Vinnie and the Stallholder Showground Cuban Missiles Jazz Night Dinner Performances daily throughout January in the Regional Australia Bank tent