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Festival ready for takeoff

The Lamb and Potato 'family' are getting back together this week for the annual festival on the New England Highway in Guyra. Work began on Monday and almost overnight a new village emerged under the shade of the elm trees, ready for the passing traffic as it makes its way to Tamworth for the Country Music Festival.

The Festival started 33 years ago as a caravan parked on the side of the road with a BBQ to cook and promote Lamb. Since then it has continued to grow, and this year will bring a few new events and activities alongside the tried and true.

Taking a break from setup on Tuesday morning, President Steve Mepham said that things were well in hand and everyone is feeling pretty comfortable.

"All the stall holders are rocking in and most of the other programs are in place and it should happen like clockwork," Steve said.

"We are feeling pretty good although we did have a small hiccup in the lead up to the festival with the possibility of no train rides, and we were going to sorely miss the train if it couldn't run. But they are back on track and will be running up and down behind the festival ground which is great news for the community."

"We've had 3 or 4 of our regular stallholders pull out for medical reasons, which is sad but it also gave us the opportunity to bring some new blood into the festival and we are excited about that.

"As for entertainment, this year would have to be the biggest program by far and we were fortunate to get some support financially to enable us to bring some really big stuff to town — we are having three shows a day and some top quality acts performing here in



Above: Setting up on Tuesday Chris Bell, Gordon and Shirley Kelly from Grafton, Mark Werts and Steve Mepham

Right: Gladys Wilson has come out of the shed as the Potato Ambassador and will be out and about around the Festival

town so I hope the locals support these shows."

"We are really excited about the Tom Curtain show on Friday night - his show at Casino last week sold over 800 tickets at \$30 dollars a head and Guyra gets to see it for free thanks to Centacare NENW.

"They have also come on board with activities targeting kids which is one of the most exciting things about this year's festival – we have never had this amount stuff happening for kids including the Simon Mellor concert on January 19th."

With hot weather predicted, Steve expects the big winners this year to be the stalls selling drinks and ice cream. However, you can be assured that if it is hot in Guyra, everywhere else is hotter so the Lamb and Potato Festival is the place to be.

The Festival kicks off on Wednesday January 16th and runs daily until January 28th. A full program of events can be found in the Lamb and Potato Festival guide and you can pick up a copy from a local businesses and in the music tent at the festival. Also check out their facebook page to keep up to date with what is happening.

Brian and Kay team up again

Local artists Brian Irving and Kay Smith are teaming up for their second joint Art Exhibition in Guyra. The exhibition will be open from January 18th to 28th at the Guyra Adult Learning Centre (GALA) and will feature works by both artists as well as their extremely popular collaborative works.

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

It is their joint works, which combine the characteristics of Brian's Aboriginal Art with Kay's realist style, that attracted most attention. Last year many of these works sold on opening night and by the end of the exhibition only one remained.

This result reflects on the popularity of their work and also the support they receive both locally and further afield. Planning began soon after last year and they have some new and exciting works for this time around.

Both Brian and Kay are grateful for the support they have received over the years and are hoping for another strong showing of community support.

Brian says he gets a lot of support from locals and this is one of the reasons for staging the exhibition. Kay also has a lot to thank the local community for, with 90% of her work sold locally.

The combined Art Exhibition will be officially opened by ARC Councillor Brad Widders on Friday 18th January 2019 at 6.30pm at the GALA



centre. The exhibition will be remain open to the public until Monday January 28th. Opening hours will be 9am to

5pm weekdays and 10am until 3pm weekends and public holidays.

Book a bus tour to see the sights

The Guyra and District Chamber of Commerce will run bus tours on the two weekends of the Festival, allowing visitors and local residents to visit and gain a real insight into the operations of fine food production in the area.

Tours will depart at 2pm Saturday and 11am Sunday, with pick up from the Anglican Church, Ollera St. Each tour will last around 2 1/2

hours

Bus trips will cost \$10 and can be pre-booked through the Guyra Adult Learning Association on 6779 2132.



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Last minute reprieve for train rides

Train rides at the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival will go ahead, after receiving a last minute stay of execution. The popular rides were under threat due to compliance issues that led to the withdrawal of support by the Guyra and District Historical Society Machinery Group.

While the rides will go ahead, they will have to cut the journey short as they do have current permission to cross the intersection near the preschool. The compromise was reached late last week.

One person who is happy to see the train take to the tracks is club stalwart Ron Lockyer.

"We've had a bit of a battle trying to get the train to run this year," he said. "But thankyou to a few 'hierarchies' in politics, and with the support of GALA centre, we are able to run for the Lamb and Potato Festival only."

"It is a small win and we are only allowed to go half way to the preschool and back again, but at least we are out here giving rides for



BACK ON TRACK: The Lamb and Potato Railway Station under construction Ron Lockyer Paul, Angus and Harris Dullaway, Peter Hansen, Sam Astle and Ray Martin

the children, otherwise it would be one less thing for children to do."

"The good news is that the rides are half price because we are only going half way," Ron said. "I'm just happy to be out here supplying the rides for the kids and the adults as well we will be running for the festival but it may be a long time before we are running again."

The problem arose due to documentation that didn't meet current requirements of the Rail Safety Authority.

The Guyra and District Historical Society has agreed to take over the operation of the train from the Machinery Group and will begin work as soon as possible to get the train back on track.

For the train to run again all the documentation will require enhancement to bring it up to code, which will hopefully be in place by April.



Dasha's Australia Day Trading

Friday 25th January Saturday 26th January Sunday 27th January Monday 28th January

7.00am - 5.30pm 7.00am - 12.00noon 9.00am - 11.00am

CLOSED

10% off ...

Ladders

◆ Garden ornaments (a whole menagerie including lambs, chickens, rabbits, cats ... and more)



HOME TIMBER & HARDWARE WHERE THE TRADIES GO Dasha's Hardware & Building Supplies
61 Ollera Street, Guyra

Phone: 6779 2444

What's HOT

LAMB AND POTATO FESTIVAL something for everyone to see and do

What's NOT

A DOZEN 30-40 cm trout dead in the new 'fishing' dam on the golf course, a very nice welcome to the camping area.

THE MORON on the motorbike.

CREEPY CRAWLIES coming out of the woodwork

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

"What I say is that, if a man really likes potatoes, he must be a pretty decent sort of fellow."

A.A. Milne

Weather

WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date Day Min Max Rain

8 Tues 12.0 24.5 0

9 Wed 13.2 26.3 0

10 Thurs 13.6 28.0 0

11 Fri 12.9 28.4 0

12 Sat 11.4 30.0 0

Sun 12.7 29.9 2.2

69.4mm

Mon 10.730.6 0

Rain this week
January rainfall
Rainfall YTD
2.2mm
10.0mm
10.0mm

Rainfall last YTD

13

Sewing skills for life

Kids Sewing Class was held last week at GALA with 19 kids attending over two days. They all enjoyed making a pyjama bag which could be a dog or cat. The bags were all made from donated fabrics.

This class they learnt how to put a zipper in the back of the bag and also how to do running stitch.

Tutor Robyn Godlonton said the children handled the hand stitching, which was used for the face as well as stitching felt on for eyes and nose, very well.

"This class we had a few learn a bit more about threading the sewing machine," Robyn said. "Stitching around ears was a good skill to learn how to control the sewing machine as they were curved and those that made cats used a yo yo maker with a button for eyes."

"I would like to thank anyone that has donated fabric, threads, buttons, zippers and donations towards fabric throughout the year, it is much appreciated as the kids do enjoy learning to sew.

These classes would not run as smoothly as they do without the help of Gwen Pearson, Colleen Pearson, Vicki Bell, Caitlin Bell and Tim Bell - a big thank you to all of you.

The next lot of classes will be in the July holidays when indoor activities are better for Guyra weather. Thank you to



Back I to r: Lily McFarlane, Isabelle Coddington, Anna Grills, Lucy Campbell, Georgie Mendes, Alanna Verey (carer)



Back I to r: Kimberly Beard, Courtney Beard,
Elizabeth Evers and Sophia Croft
Front: Hannah Evers, Hannah Freeman, Grace Freeman,
Micah Evers and Polly Skipper

all parents that supply morning or afternoon tea for these classes as the kids really enjoy

a break and spend that time talking to each other. The helpers also like a break too.

Have your say.....

Rotary Says Thank You

The Rotary Club of Guyra sincerely thanks all who purchased tickets in our recent Christmas Wheelbarrow raffle and in the 5 Tonne of Firewood raffle. Your support for our raffles is greatly appreciated and provides us with funds that allow us to support the Guyra Community.

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

Maíl: PO Box 170 **Fax:** 67792069.

We congratulate Rhonda Madden who won the Wheelbarrow raffle and Wendy Mulligan who won the Firewood raffle.

Most importantly, the Rotary Club of Guyra extends a big Thank You to all the local businesses and individuals who donated items for the Christmas Wheelbarrow and to Jon Cumming for his generous donation of the firewood.

Hans Hietbrink President – Rotary Club of Guyra

New broom through museum

A core group of dedicated volunteers has been working hard behind the scenes to ensure the Guyra Museum is open in time for the Lamb and Potato Festival. The Museum is currently undergoing renovations which are about halfway complete.

Their hard work will see six of the museum rooms available for showing, allowing visitors to take a journey back in time to see how our pioneers lived.

Each room display is presented in mini themes with the War Room, Music Room, Council Chambers, Kitchen, Laundry and Office ready for viewing.

It has been a mammoth effort from a small group of ladies, with some assistance with the high hanging work, to see the museum ready for visitors. They have been working weekends and some week days to get things back in order following the upheaval of the



Dot Vickery, Belinda Lenehan and Marie Grills put the finishing touches to the Museum kitchen room

renovations.

The museum will be open Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday for the next two weeks from 10am to 3pm and also on Monday 28th January.

Renovations will continue over the coming months with

four more rooms still needing new floors and painting done. An official opening is being planned for later in the year, once work has been completed and more than 3000 items from the Museum's collection are back in place. Plans are in place for the Museum to open on a regular basis, with the limiting factor being the number of volunteers – anyone who is interested in volunteering call in during the festival and put your name down.







Meals on Wheels

Jan 17th Lyn & Richard Skinner Jan 18th Ann Williams Jan 21st Lions Club Jan 22nd Lesley Credland Jan 23rd Guyra CWA

Street Stalls

No street stalls scheduled in January

Feb 7th Can Assist

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

Family fun day

A family fun day which was held at the Recreation Ground last Wednesday was well supported, bringing together service providers and members of the community.

The event was a joint initiative of the Armidale Regional Council Youth & Family and Aboriginal Community Development Services.

Hunter New England Local

Health's Youth Mental Health Project and Violence Prevention and Crime Team were in attendance setting up activities to engage and educate those present.

Armidale Women's Homelessness Support Service, therapists from WAGS the Dog, the Hub at Guyra, and many other organisations were represented.

Interaction with the police was one of the highlights of the day, breaking down negative feeling by talking and participating in mock handcuffing and other activities

Food and drinks were supplied by the Guyra Lions Club. Similar days were held in Armidale and Tingha.



Senior Constable Chris Jordan used handcuffs to engage kids at the family fun day



Marg Wolfenden and Jackson enjoyed a day out



Food and drinks courtesy of the Lions Club

AUSTRALIA DAY IN GUYRA

25 January
Australia Day
Awards Dinner
6.30pm at
Bowling Club

26
January
Ben Lomond
Breakfast
Memorial Hall
at 7am

Tickets:

Adults - \$25 Children under 12 - \$15 Available at Council's Guyra Office January 26
Australia Day
Guyra Flag
Raising
Ceremony
Rotary Park
11am

28January

Movie at the Recreation Ground & fireworks at nightfall



Australia Day Ambassador Gordon Bray AM



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Rural Market Reports

\$6.1 million for local roads

Member for New England, Barnaby Joyce, has announced more than \$47 million in Australian Government funding to help improve local roads in the electorate, including \$6.1 million in Armidale.

Funding is being provided to all 10 Local Government Areas (LGAs) in the New England under the Federal Government's Roads to Recovery Program. The program supports councils with the ongoing maintenance of Australia's local road infrastructure, facilitating greater access and improved safety, economic and social outcomes.

"This is great news for the

people of Armidale with a \$6.1 million guarantee from the Coalition Government to make sure their roads are up to scratch," Mr Joyce said.

"It is in addition to other major road upgrades we're funding in the area including the new \$3 million airport roundabout on the New England Highway, as well as new bridges at Tenterden, Abington, Hiscox, Maiden Creek, Pipeclay Gully, Station Creek, Wollomombi River and Boundary Creek.

"Roads are among our most important assets here in the New England, and this funding to council will not only help improve safety and efficiency levels for all motorists but contribute to the economic growth of our communities as well."

Councils will receive the following amounts over the 2019?20 to 2023?24 period:

- Tamworth Regional Council \$10.6 million
- Armidale Regional Council \$6.1 million
- Inverell Shire Council \$5.1 million
- Upper Hunter Shire Council \$4.9 million
- Gwydir Shire Council\$4.7 millionTenterfield Shire Council
- \$4.1 million
 Glen Innes Severn Coun-
- cil \$3.4 million
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council \$3.4 million

- Uralla Shire Council \$2.3 million
- Walcha Council \$2.3 million

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Michael McCormack said the Program would provide \$2 billion to local government bodies across Australia from 2019/20 to 2023/24.

The allocations for the New England have been calculated using the proportion of Financial Assistance Grants that each local governing body receives and updated assessments undertaken by local government grants commissions

Guyra Sheep & lamb Sale

January 9th - There was an increase in supply with 6200 lambs and 1870 sheep to welcome sales into the New Year.

The lamb numbers were boosted by the inclusion of in excess of 3,000 new season light weight lambs. These lambs attracted increased restocker competition. There were limited supplies of well-finished lambs suitable to local and export processors. Merino lambs were in fair numbers, attracting both

restocker and processor competition. The quality of the light weight young lambs was attractive to restockers with demand and competition strong. The market in comparison to the pre-Christmas market was also strong, with the quality and good lines factors. The well-finished lambs purchased by local and export processors was solid, with the trend similar to that of the previous sale. Lean Merino lambs attracted restocker com-

petition, while the better lambs were purchased by processors at prices similar to the last sale. Well finished sheep were scarce in a yarding made up mostly by Merino ewes. There were odd pens of crossbred ewes and a couple of pens on light and medium weight Merino wethers. The Merino sheep attracted some restocker competition. Prices also showed little change to the previous sale, with both weight and condition playing a

role in price change.

Lambs

 Store
 \$41 to \$129

 3 score young
 \$125 to \$148

 Hvy young
 \$155 to \$192

 Merino
 \$30 to \$109

 Hvy X bred
 \$172 to \$185

Sheep

Merino ewes \$48 to 69 Xbred ewes \$80 to \$112 Mer wethers \$88 to \$108

Weekly Wool Sales

January 11th - Sales resumed after the annual threeweek recess with strong buyer demand evident upon opening. A build up in stock due to the recess led to 47,500 bales being offered, this is set to increase to 54,000 next week, which would be the largest sale for the season to date. Almost all categories closed the week considerably dearer with 20 to 60 cent rises across the board on the first day of sales in Sydney. Prices did stabilise and even dip a few cents on the final selling day. 44,261 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 7%. Major buyers included Techwool, Seatech and Kathaytex. Concerns around supply appear to be driving exporter demand with AWTA test data released during the recess showing a 12% decline in the weight of wool tested nationally for the first half of the season. This is broadly in line with the November National Wool Production Forecasting Committees update of an expected 10.8% fall in the 2018-19 season. Not surprisingly due to adverse seasonal conditions the volume of wool testing 19.5 micron and finer is actually showing a 8.9% increase compared to last season.

Armidale Cattle Sale

January 10th - There was a small reduction in numbers from the last sale before the Christmas break. All categories were represented. The quality of the offering was mixed, while condition varied from plain to very good. There was a fair supply of early vealers, while yearlings were also well supplied. The usual processors and feedlotters were in place, however the extra competition from before Christmas did not return. Restockers were active through all categories. Market trends varied through the young cattle. Vealer steers returning to the paddock remained close to firm, however there was a quality related price change. There were no heifers from the previous sale to make a comparison. Yearling steers to restock and feed

sold to cheaper trends, the medium and heavy feeders were affected by the reduced competition, while the continued dry weather and the opportunity to buy younger steers affected the light weights. There were cheaper trends also through the yearling heifers, however the feeders held up reasonably well. Heavy grown steers sold to dearer trends with some returning to the paddock. There was improvement by as much 20c/kg with increased competition. Well finished grown heifers also sold to dearer trends, while feeders with 2 or more teeth experienced strong gains. With the full complement of processors back in the market for cows, that trend was also dearer than the previous sale. Heavy bulls were as much as 10c/kg dearer.

Car Club ready to shine

The Guyra Automotive Club are preparing for their biggest event of the year, with preparations well in hand for the Show and Shine which takes place on Australia Day January 26th.

They are looking to top last year's display when more than 150 cars lined Bradley St, creating a spectacle of vintage and collectible cars for the public to enjoy and envy.

They are hopeful of attracting up to 200 cars this year and have made room to accommodate them by extending the road closure from the Ollera St intersection to Mackenzie St.

The event attracts car enthusiasts from a wide area including Newcastle in the south and Brisbane to the north.

Event coordinator John



Chaffey said that they are expecting lots of exhibitors, including Hot Rods for the first time in a few years.

"Last year the street was packed and this year we have more room so the cars can spread out and we can fit more in," he said. "People come a long way to participate and also to view the cars and talk to the owners which is great for the town."

The Guyra Automotive

Club has around 25-30 members, plus associates, and meet once a month. They start planning for this event from 6 months out and while similar events are held in Armidale and Tenterfield they think Guyra has something special to offer.

"It's brilliant to see the street come alive with colour and people and we really like to give something back to the community as well. We are giving out coffee vouchers to all the entrants to encourage them to visit local cafes and hopefully spend a bit of their own money as well."

Entries will start arriving from around 7.30 and the cars will remain on public display until the trophy presentations which will be held at 1.30pm.





Bowls Report

There were three games of Club Championships played over the weekend. Firstly in Club Triples: Dan Kennedy, Greg Mitchell and Graham Starr played Mallie Walls, Ian Jacobs and Robert Walls. The game was an even tussle by end 7, where the score read 10 shots to 9 shots in favour of Mallie and his team. It was about this end that hostilities had a reversal with Dan and his team gradually drawing ahead and, despite a dogged comeback by Mallie and his team, Dan managed to hang on and go on to victory 22 shots to 18 shots over 21 ends.

In Open Singles Col Stanley played Steven Sole. Steven shot out to a handy lead and looked a winner but Col had other ideas and by end 25 had drawn level at 19 shots all. Col never let up and finally closed out the game 31 shots to 27 shots over 37 ends.

The final game was also an Open Singles match up between Roger Cox and John Hamel. John started off winning the first 3 ends, Roger replied winning the next 2 ends and from then on both players went end for end and as a result John held the lead 15 shots to 8 shots. It wasn't until the 28th end that Roger managed to take the lead, this he held and went on to take victory 31 shots to 22 ends over 31 ends.

This weekend will see The Top of The Range Fours carnival played. There has been 32 teams enter this event and if you would like to witness bowls at its best then come to the Guyra Bowling Club, take in the atmosphere and enjoy what the Club has to offer.

The Bowls will be played over two days Saturday January 19th and Sunday January 20th.

The Bowls Bandit

Men's golf

A good field contested the Simpson Earthmoving stable-ford on Sunday with Mick Jackson winning from Pat Grills. Mick also won the final of the matchplay against Len Stanley in a close contest. Nearest to the pins were S Kliendienst on the 7th, M Jackson on the 10th and B

Simpson on the 18th. Next Sunday will be an individual par for a club trophy.

The midweek commenced this week with Full House recording 68 points. The individual honours were shared by M Kirk and P Mulligan with 19 points.

The AlbatrossWomen's Golf
The keenest golfers competed in a 4BBB Multiple on
9th January when the thermometer reached 30 degrees
Celsius. Wendy Jackson and
Karen Oehlers were the winners with a fantastic score of
79 points while Jenni Jackson
and Vicki Reeves were runners
up on 78 points. Jenny Rogers
hit nearest the pin on the 7th
hole.

On Wednesday 16th January we have planned a Bring a Friend to golf Ambrose competition which sounds like a good idea. Set down on the Programme for 23rd January is a Stableford competition. The starter is Jenny Rogers. Come along for a game of golf at 9:30 on Wednesday mornings if you would like to learn a new sport and have a bit of fun.

The Phantom

CRICKET SCOREBOARD January 12th, 2019

1st Grade Guyra def. Ex Services

Guyra Innings

Troy Martin	. т т
Shane Wolfenden	7
BJ Cameron	.55
Matt Finlay	.53
D Landsborough	.68
Ben Jackson	.26
Mitchell Woods	.14
Matt Jackson	0
Charlie Whitenot out	.33
Tyson Burey	5
Jake Ellisnot out	.12
Extras	.22
Total9/3	306
Overs45	

Ex Services innings 114 off 34 overs

Guyra Bowling:

Mitch Woods 1 for 19, Tyson Burey 3 for 25, Charlie White 0 for 17, Jake Ellis 1 for 9, Matt Jackson 1 for 25, Matt Finlay 2 for 16

2nd Grade Guyra defeated by Easts

Guyra Innings

Peter Presnell	11
Craig Lockyer	0
Matt Simpson	5
Graham Cameron	2
Corey Torrens	8
Heath Dowsett	12
Taylor Brennan	5
Jake Brazier	8
Keiran Wicksnot out	10
Justin McKay	0
Extras	12
Total	.84
Overs22.3	

East Innings 9/86 off 21.3

Guyra Bowling:

Justin McKay 5 for 15, Keiran Wicks 0 for 8, Corey Torrens 1 for 14, Peter Presnell 0 for 33, Heath Dowsett 1 for 13, Jake Brazier 2 for 0

3rd Grade (T20) Guyra def City

Guyra Innings

City Innings 7/105 off 20 overs

Guyra Bowling:

Simon Brown 0 for 8, Cody Patterson 0 for 22, DJ Patterson 1 for 17, Billy Youman 2 for 25, Les Perrett 0 for 20, Ryan Walker 4 for 12.

Active kids vouchers

The State Government's popular Active Kids program is now open for 2019 after an enormously successful first year, which saw families save more than \$54 million in children's sport, fitness and recreation activities across NSW.

Across the Northern Tablelands 5,417 of the \$100 vouchers were redeemed last year (a saving of \$541,700), helping to make sport more accessible for families and helping to reduce childhood obesity.

Active Kids contributes \$100 for every child towards the cost of sports registration, membership expenses and fees for physical activities such as swimming, rugby league, soccer, AFL, dance lessons and little athletics.

"The government has made it a priority to reduce childhood overweight and obesity rates in NSW and now with Active Kids we have 40 per cent of all school-enrolled children in Northern Tablelands enjoying the benefits of exercise.

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall said that it is clear that the first year of the program has been a huge success.

"I want to see even more families take advantage of the vouchers and enrol their children in sport in 2019," Mr Marshall said.

"The Active Kids program is just one of the ways the NSW Government is easing cost of living pressures on families. We also have our \$100 Creative Kids vouchers, cheaper Green Slips, free and half priced car rego for toll road users."

Parents can register for the Active Kids program again in 2019 by registering online to receive their \$100 voucher to go towards membership expenses and fees.

The program will run until 2021 and parents are able to claim \$100 per enrolled school child per year.

There are 9,600 approved Active Kids providers across NSW. For more information and to register for a voucher, visit: www.sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids

MEETINGS

GUYRA SHOW meeting on Wednesday 6th February 7pm at Secretary office at Guyra Show ground new members welcome

LIVESTOCK

GLENELLA WHITE SUFFOLKS

Rams Available Now

Ready to work. From \$500 Call Mitchell Woods 6779 2355



PRELIMINARY NOTICE

WYCOMBE ANNUAL ON PROPERTY **RAM SALE**

35th Annual Ram & 1st X Ewe Sale

Tuesday, 12 February 2019

80 Poll Dorset Rams 20 Border Leicester Rams 800 1st X Ewes - 2017 drop

Contact the selling Agents:

ARMITAGE & BUCKLEY 6772 1255

Luke Heagney - 0459 044 447 Jai Moar - 0409 582 390

Vendor: Andrew Coddington 0421 860 066

West Lynne Merino Stud Glenburnie Merino Stud **ANNUAL SALE**

On offer: 40 Flock Rams including 5 Poll Rams

Thursday, 31st January 2019 **Uralla Showgrounds** commencing at 11.30am

Contact:

Richard & Robyn Gordon 6775 5736 or 0427 755 736 Paul & Sally Pittman: 0429 260 600 or the selling agents, AWN Livestock



PUBLIC NOTICES

GUYRA SHOW schedules available from the GALA Centre 136 Bradley St Guvra.

PHOTOGRAPHY ENTRIES for the Guvra Show close on Wednesday. 13th February. Entries may be left at the GALA Centre or posted to Guyra Show Society, P.O. Box 37 Guyra.

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

VINNIES reopens this week. Open this Saturday January 19th from 9am until

GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM will be OPEN during the Lamb & Potato Festival on Wednesdays, Saturdays & Sundays. Enquiries 6779 2132 ART EXHIBITION by Brian Irving and Kay Smith at GALA from this Saturday, 19th to 28th January.

COURSES

Forklift Course at GALA

21st, 22nd & 25th January Places still available Contact: 6779 2132 to book in.

RAFFLE RESULTS

ROTARY CHRISTMAS WHEELBAR-ROW raffle won by Rhonda Madden. Firewood won by Wendy Mulligan. Thank to Guyra businesses and all who supported us.

LIVESTOCK

Coolibah Simmentals & Charolais offer ...



2 x 15 month Polled Charolais Bulls Al sired by Free Lunch, Trait leader for Birth Weight, 200, 400, 600 day weights. +17.7 for calving ease. Quiet, paddock raised on grass only.

1 x 15 month Polled Simmental Bull Al sired by Polled Worldwide 14W. Quiet, paddock raised, great genetics, milk, temperament, moderate calving, polled with great carcass strength. Paddock raised on grass only.

> \$2,000 plus GST each **Phone Sandy on 6779 7665**

GARAGE SALE

190 FALCONER STREET, 19th - 27th January, 9am - 4pm. Washing machine FL, office chair, linen, giftware, household items, crockery and more.

TRADES &SERVICES

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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 Guyra Show. Special family attractions and entertainment.

Veteran golfers brave the heat



Twenty players braved the heat to play 4BBB stableford on Tuesday.

The winners with an extraordinary score of 54 was Len Stanley and Don Camp bell. Runners up with 45 were Pat Grills and Bruce Nicholls on a count back.

Nearest the pins were Terry Mulligan on the 7th, Len Stanley on the 10th and D John the 18th

Next Monday the Vets are rostered on the Lamb And Potato starting at 8am. All hands are welcome.

Numbers for the first Pen-

nants at Armidale on the 29th are being taken now so if you want to play let Nancy or Wal Chapman on 0488755735 know by next Tuesday.

A Vet

