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St Mary of the Angels

Back to r: Grace Linfield, Oskar Laing, Lachlan Cruickshank, Hugo Sisson, Jack Marshall, Mr Matt Frizell, Ted Warner, Chase Floyd, Isobella Hodgens.

Front: Peter Grills, Darcie Campbell, Kobi Wilson, Grace Siddell, Claire Mayled, Charlie Bavea, Jimmy Neill.



Ben Lomond Public School
Jasper Eddy



Black Mountain Public School
Savannah Veall, Abby Wadley
and Lakia Cutmore.



Bald Blair Public School
(above)

Ricky Foster, Ruby Little, Cruz Little, Molly Morgan, Elka Chilcott-Geere, Harriet Ulrick

Guyra Central School
(right)

Back to r: Amy Rose Davidson, Labron Joyce, Sophie Rumbel, Hamish Brown, Luka Massey, Khloe Roberts

Front: Isabelle Fox, Jacob Jones, Zachery Fereday, Brysen Bull, Tahj Morgan, Tenae Tighe



CLASS OF 2031

School's back for 2019



GUYRA CENTRAL SCHOOL YEAR 7 2019

Back l to r: Cooper Wilson, Oscar Atkin, Cooper Brennan, Ty Mulligan, Peter Campbell, Myah Wilson, Annabelle Evans, Jorja Bull, Chyann Groth, Riley King,
Middle: Oliver Flynn, Rocco Brazier, Dylan McGinty, Max Raper, Corby Byers, Maddison Bull, Akashia Brazier, Shahkita Pixton, Takoda-lee Gray
Front: Rogue Stannard, Archie Dowden, Charlie Mitchell, Jonathon Wilson, Declan Hangan, Braden Daly, Riley Melmoth, Jada Alefosio, Millicent Paul, Brooke Grills, Jaymie Donnelly, Trisha Varley, Ella McLeod **Year Advisors:** Ms Wendy Wilson and Mr Derrick Craigie

This week we are celebrating having all of our students back in the school. On Monday we welcomed our new Kindergarten children to their classroom for the first time. These beautiful new students had all been working with their classroom teacher, Mrs Sjaan Mitchell, during week 1 to complete their Best Start Assessments. It was our pleasure to also host a welcome morning tea for the parents of our newest students.

As most of our community would be aware we have had several of our teachers being promoted during Term 4, 2018. We have been very fortunate in attracting extremely credentialed staff into these positions

We welcome our new Deputy Principal, Tim Lloyd and his family to the school. Tim's wife

Melinda has also joined our support class at the school. Mr Lloyd has extended a huge thank you to the students and staff at Guyra Central and the wider Guyra community for the wonderful welcome that his family have received. He said it is great being back in a smaller community, and they are all really looking forward to getting involved and meeting people and getting to know the students and their families.

Good luck to all of our students at the swimming carnivals this week. I hope to catch up with parents at the pool during Wednesday and Thursday.

We congratulate all of our students and staff who accepted nominations for the Australia Day Awards in a range of categories, what a



Mrs Michelle Nicholson (Principal), Mrs Trudy Brown, Morgan Family, Mrs Simone Bull, Ms Josie Hammond, Mr Tim Lloyd (Deputy Principal), Front : Ms Eunice Blair

great event. I would like to extend congratulations and thank you on behalf of Guyra Central School to Armidale Regional Council and the Australia Day committee for the

organisation and success of this wonderful evening and event.

Welcome back everyone.

Michelle Nicholson
Principal

Seniors week

Free Entertainment Day
 Wednesday 13 February
 10.30am to 2pm



Entertainment by
 Peter Denovan and
 Guyra Preschool and Long
 Day Care Centre
 Morning tea and light
 refreshments provided
 Bookings essential on 6770 7127
 or to the Home Support Office

Jodi Ellis is our 2019 Showgirl

Jodi Ellis will represent Guyra in The Land Sydney Royal Showgirl Competition. She was the sole entrant in this year's competition and will go on to the judging of the Zone 4 final at Narrabri on Saturday February 23rd.

The Competition aims to find a young female Ambassador for rural NSW and the agricultural show movement. Jodi was sashed at a reception held at Juneils Cafe on Saturday by Showgirl sponsor Sue Ross, from Sue Ross Real Estate.

Jodi is a lifelong Guyra resident and has had a long association with the Guyra Show where she has worked as a volunteer. She completed her HSC at Guyra Central School in 2014 and works as a Property Manager for Town and Country Real Estate in Armidale.

Jodi entered the competition



Tegan Mendes, Jodi Ellis and Sue Ross

because she wants to raise awareness and educate people from non-agricultural backgrounds to help create a better understanding of how their food and fibres are produced. She also wants to foster a more com-

passionate relationship between City and Country populations especially allowing them to understand that farmers are the best conservationists of our native ecosystems.

Representing the local area is

also a repayment for the hard work ethic and resilience she has witnessed growing up in the Guyra community.

In her spare time Jodi enjoys reading, playing hockey, coaching kids sport and training dogs. She is a member of the Rural Fire Service, the Ward's Mistake Progress Association and is on the board of the Guyra Hockey Club.

Her future plans include developing her skills to move into property sales with the eventual goal of opening her own business. She also wants to enter into a partnership with her siblings to assist and expand the family farming enterprise.

The Guyra Show takes place on Friday and Saturday February 22nd and 23rd of February, with entertainment for the whole family including some exciting new attractions.

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111th Guyra Show Friday & Saturday 22 & 23 February, 2019

Official Opening
7.00pm Friday by
Wendell Sailor



Pavilion open
7.30am-8pm Friday
9am-5pm Saturday

NEW Family entertainment on Saturday night
Rooftop Express is a show which combines showmanship, stunts, horses and cattle with the swagger of an Aussie larrikin.



For information:

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LEX WRIGHT For going above and beyond to help with the treatment of ants! If you've got an ant or pest problem, give the pest buster a call!!

COL STANLEY and the team at the bakery for making all the lamb pies during the Festival - great job!

What's **NOT**

WHY is Guyra excluded from having Green organics bins?

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

To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone.

Reba McEntire

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
29	Tues	13.1	26.5	0
30	Wed	14.0	25.6	0
31	Thurs	14.6	26.9	0
01	Fri	16.3	23.9	0
02	Sat	14.8	24.0	0
03	Sun	13.4	24.5	0
04	Mon	10.4	25.7	0

Rain this week	0mm
January rainfall	100.2mm
Rainfall YTD	100.2mm
Rainfall last YTD	91.8 mm

New way forward



The New Renew Armidale Committee Members, Anthony Fox (Front left), Neil Mortimer, Andrew Korsch, Garry Slocombe, Kerrod Gream, Gordon Cope, and Aileen MacDonald

Renew Armidale recently held their AGM to elect the new committee members and help lead direction in revitalising the Armidale and Guyra CBDs. The organisation's aim is to fill the empty shops of Armidale and Guyra and help revive their CBDs.

The organisation is based on Renew Newcastle who have been successfully working with property owners, Council and entrepreneurs to revitalise the CBD of Newcastle.

Renew Armidale President, Aileen MacDonald said that the group is excited to kick-start the new year and is looking forward to working with potential start-ups and new

businesses in having a go, finding an empty space and getting creative.

"This model allows start-ups to test their ideas, have a go without a huge financial outlay and dream big," Aileen said. "We want to provide resources and opportunities to assist creative starts ups to find commercial spaces that will benefit tenants, property owners and the community – it is a win/win for all who become involved.

"The flow on effects are not only in employment, but as has been seen in Newcastle a reduction in crime, graffiti, and vandalism. We're not here to compete with existing busi-

nesses, but collaborate and along the way help participants with new ideas to create a vibrant atmosphere and aid all businesses in our shopping districts."

The organisation is partnering with property owners to help reduce their liabilities and bring in new tenants to create a mutually beneficial arrangement. The group will soon have a temporary office location at 163 Beardy Street Mall. In the first instance opening times will be unreliable. Call 0490 384 185 at any time for more information or to make an appointment. Further details can be found at: <https://renewarmidale.org/>

Unlikely seniors exhibit

A digital exhibition challenging preconceptions about ageing will go on display at Armidale Regional War Memorial Library and the LT Starr Memorial Library Guyra from 13-24 February.

The Art of Ageing exhibition, a NSW Government initiative, celebrates the experiences of older people in regional areas across the State, to create more positive perceptions about ageing and older people in our communities.

A learner driver, a gymnast and ukulele player are among the extraordinary seniors featured in the exhibition, which comprises the work of five pho-

tographers from Wagga Wagga, Taree, Molong, Mudgee and Goulburn.

The NSW Government commissioned this exhibition to promote inclusive communities for all generations.

Its display at the Guyra and Armidale libraries will coincide with the 2019 NSW Seniors Festival.

A physical version of the exhibition is on an extended tour across NSW.

The NSW Seniors Festival and healthy ageing will also be celebrated with Council-supported morning teas in Armidale and Guyra.

A 2019 Seniors Week Awards

ceremony at Armidale City Bowling Club on Wednesday 13 February from 10am will feature morning tea and entertainment by Massiel, Peter & Friends.

Guyra Bowling Club will host an entertainment day on the same day at 10.30am to 2pm, including morning tea and entertainment by Peter Denovan and the Guyra Preschool and Long Day Care Centre.

Bookings are essential by phoning 6770 7127 for the Guyra morning tea and 6772 7087 for the Armidale awards ceremony.

It's official - January hottest on record

If you thought January was a bit hotter than normal, you were right. Figures obtained from the Bureau of Meteorology have confirmed that January 2019 was the hottest on record.

Maximum temperatures for the month averaged 28.7C, making it Guyra's hottest January and hottest month on record from 85 years of available temperature records.

The unusually hot conditions were caused by low pressure troughs lingering over western New South Wales for most of the month drawing hot air into the state from central Australia.

The previous hottest month was January 1929 when temperatures reached or exceeded 28.0C on 19 days, and reached or exceeded 30.0C on seven days.



Lightning strike caught on camera on December 20th, 2018 (Courtesy Stuart Lloyd) taken from his home in Ollera Street.

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January 1939 was also extremely warm with a run of very high maximum temperatures recorded in Guyra, including the highest

maximum on record which was 37.8C on January 15th.

In more recent times, January 2017 was also hotter than average with a new

record set for the average minimum temperature at 14.9C.

JANUARY SUMMARY

(Long term average in brackets)

Rainfall: 100.2 mm (114 mm) on 10 days

Average maximum: 28.7C (23.8C)

Average minimum: 14.3C (12.4C)

Highest maximum: 33.8C on the 19th

Lowest maximum: 24.5C on the 8th

Lowest minimum: 10.7C on the 14th

Sunny days: 19 (15)

Days with thunder: 12 (6)

Source:

<http://www.weatherarmydale.com/guyra.html>



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Landcare coordinators locked in

Landcare groups across the Northern Tablelands will benefit from a \$22.4 million boost to expand the popular and effective Local Landcare Co-ordinator Initiative.

The Local Landcare Co-ordinator Initiative is a highly successful program, bringing together volunteer Landcare groups to deliver better results for landholders, local communities and the environment.

These people, many of whom are farmers in the region, are out there on the ground, getting their hands dirty and taking practical steps to improve the environment for all of us. While Landcare relies heavily on the generosity of volunteers, it can't function effectively without dedicated staff running the day-to-day operations.

This announcement includes almost \$5 million to support Landcare NSW's ongoing sustainability and oversight of the program, ensuring that 60 Local Landcare Co-ordinators, like Sara Schmude in Armidale, can continue their valuable work.

This funding will also allow for an expansion of the scheme, with the introduction of 11 new regional co-ordinators. Landcare NSW has over 60,000 members and 3,000 groups, providing a massive grass-roots movement, which helps to manage our natural resources.

Active and Creative Kids Programs

The \$100 Active and Creative kids programs are up and running for another year. These programs provide a \$100 voucher for parents to use on school children for a range of creative and sporting activities.



Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall, right, with Southern New England Landcare Co-ordinator, Sara Schmude

Each child is eligible for one \$100 voucher in each of the Active and Creative Kids programs each calendar year. This program was designed to help reduce the cost of kids being active and involved in many activities.

So far around the state more than 1 million Active and Creative Kids vouchers have been downloaded since they first went live, and I want to make sure local parents aren't missing out.

Kids should have every opportunity and we want to make sure that their after school activities aren't putting a financial strain on the parents.

Further information can be found at: www.service.nsw.gov.au

NSW Energy Switch

NSW households can now quickly change electricity deals with Service NSW's free Energy Switch service which has the potential to save users up to \$1000 a year on their bills.

Energy Switch uses a customer's latest e-bill to scan the entire retail electricity market, giving them a list of the cheapest three electricity plans available based on their individual usage profile. If a switch is requested, Service NSW will inform the energy provider, taking the leg work out of the process for the customer.

Energy Switch allows people to be able to regularly review their plan as electricity usage and prices fluctuate over time.

Energy Switch can be accessed at: <http://energyswitch.service.nsw.gov.au>

Staff at Service NSW can also aid in using the service.

Contact my office:

Phone: 02 6772 5552 Fax: 02 6772 5026

Email:

northerntablelands@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Meals on Wheels

February 7th Heather Marchant
February 8th Golf Club Ladies
February 11th Michael Austin
February 12 ARC staff
February 13th John Mitchell

Street Stalls

Feb 7th Masonic Lodge
Feb 14th Can Assist
Feb 15th Machinery Group
Feb 21st Hospital Auxiliary

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
6pm for 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen
MacDonald 0417 079 307

Welcome back to our incredible students and staff here at Black Mountain Public School. All our students have returned from their holidays with great enthusiasm and a true desire for learning all they can.

Students are currently working hard in class and have settled into their respective routines. We are currently focusing on creating art works for the Guyra Show and are enjoying demonstrating our artistic talents. We welcome Gabriel, Francis and Karen Beard back to our school. Welcome to all our new enrolments and their families.

Black Mountain Public School is certainly a place where learning, growth and opportunity never ends. As newly appointed Relieving Principal here at this amazing school, I have witnessed firsthand, the dedication our staff and teachers have that ensures every child is supported and valued in their learning journey. I am proud and excited to be part of such a positive learning environment here at our school and look forward to the year ahead.

I would like to thank our community here at Black Mountain for such a warm welcome and have enjoyed getting to meet many community members recently at the P & C Meeting last year and also at the Lamb and Potato Festival.

Transition to Kindergarten continues every Friday this



Students at Black Mountain are busy preparing artworks for the Guyra Show

year. Should you know of any children turning four this year please encourage them to contact the school to learn more about our program. The program provides children with solid foundations to ensure they will be ready for learning from day one of their formal kindergarten year. Mrs Castle returns this year as our transition co-ordinator.

Next week on Tuesday, 12th February 2019 our school will be participating in our annual swimming carnival at the Guyra Pool. This is a great opportunity for our students to compete with other students across the Snow Gums Learning Alliance and catch up with our friends as well. We hope to see parents and carers there to cheer on our competitors. I

have to say that I'm very impressed with our senior class's competitive spirit to represent our school with confidence and enthusiasm!

This Tuesday, 12th February, 2019 at 5.30 p.m. our school will be hosting a Welcome BBQ. We are looking forward to seeing all our parents and community members to celebrate the learning year ahead and to welcome our newest students and their families.

Black Mountain Public School certainly is a school of the future where students and their learning is at the forefront of every decision and positive student outcomes are the result.

*Mrs Justine Eddy
Relieving Principal*

Have your say.....

Congratulations

The Guyra Gazette is the hottest thing in the whole of New England. It is a delightful publication.

The content is excellent and can't wait until Wednesdays to rush to the newsagent to get my copy as the newsagent doesn't get enough copies of the Gazette.

Have your say

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Congratulations on your 100th edition and may

there be many hundreds more.

Very good wishes to you and keep going. May the Gazette stay hot for years and years.

If I was not going away I would have come up to Guyra on the day with a magnum of champagne to celebrate.

Wishing you all the best.

Pearl Moffatt

Mayor's Message

Communications between Council and the region's Aboriginal communities have entered a new chapter, with the first meetings of an expanded advisory group. The Guyra, Tingha and Armidale communities now have their own committees as part of the Armidale Region Aboriginal Advisory Committee, and each of them met last week to start discussing their local issues.

NAIDOC Week celebrations, connections between the district's Aboriginal and Yazidi residents and the unmarked graves of local Aboriginal people were among the key topics raised during the inaugural meetings of the town subcommittees.

Each of the recommendations at those local meetings will now go to a regional forum in February, where delegates from each subcommittee will consider the ideas for presentation to Council.

The maiden meetings were an exciting step in ensuring an effective flow of information between Council and Aboriginal residents – enabling communities to discuss and analyse issues at a local level while encouraging a regional voice as well.

Council worked closely with the community last year to develop the new structure and best represent all of the amalgamated Armidale Regional Council area, building upon the previous Armidale-based Gayinyaga Aboriginal Advisory Committee.

Attendances at last week's opening round of gatherings was encouraging but Council, led by our Aboriginal Community Development

Officer, Lisa Waters, is keen to see even greater levels of community involvement.

The advisory group is a great opportunity for Aboriginal residents to take their concerns direct to Council.

It will also work with the Aboriginal Community Development Officer to identify and pursue events and other initiatives to celebrate culture and generally strengthen the community. It complements the very active interagency forums that bring together organisations that provide services to local Aboriginal people.

Like the wider Armidale regional community, the Aboriginal communities in the Guyra, Tingha and Armidale district have quite different characteristics. It's likely, therefore, the objectives and priorities of the subcommittees could also be distinctly different, as they seek to address the challenges and capitalise on their strengths of their own communities.

It's also important that the regional forums will bring together these communities on issues that benefit from a united approach.

The next round of local subcommittees will be held in March and all interested people are invited to attend. See the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People page on www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au for dates and venues.



Simon Murray

Celebrate Seniors Week

The art of healthy ageing will be celebrated with a number of Council-supported Seniors Week activities in the region.

Guyra's L.T. Starr Memorial Library and Armidale Regional War Memorial Library will host an Art of Ageing exhibition from 13 – 24 February. The digital exhibition features images that challenge preconceptions of older people and tells compelling personal stories.

The 2019 Seniors Week Awards ceremony at Armidale City Bowling Club on Wednesday 13 February from 10am will feature morning tea and entertainment by Massiel, Peter & Friends.

Guyra Bowling Club will host an entertainment day on the same day at 10.30am to 2pm, including morning tea and entertainment by Peter Denovan and the Guyra Preschool and Long Day Care Centre. Bookings are essential by phoning 6770 7127.

Sport council nominations

Armidale region residents with a commitment, vision and passion for sport are invited to submit expressions of interest to join an expanded peak sporting body for the region.

Additional members are sought for the new Armidale Regional Sports Council Advisory Committee, with a particular push for Guyra delegates. Nominations are open for past and present competitors and officials and anyone else with an interest in the promotion of local sport.

The regional group replaces two subcommittees for the Armidale and Guyra districts, with some subcommittee members continuing their involvement. The sports councils were established in the 1990s to improve facilities and opportunities for local sportspeople and clubs.

Initiatives to foster local sport include the annual New England Sports Awards and grants for athletes chosen for national and State representative duties.

The regional group's executive will comprise six community representatives, two youth representatives aged 24 or under and two councillors. Councillors Jon Galletly and Brad Widders have been appointed to join retained executive members Steve McMillan, Mike Porter and Jason Campbell.

There is an emphasis on filling a number of the remaining positions with Guyra residents,

so they might comprise around half of the total positions.

Interested people are invited to forward an expression of interest by Friday 1 March to sportscouncil@armidale.nsw.gov.au.

Grants for athletes

Talented athletes from the Armidale region can receive financial assistance to contest high-profile events. Competitors set to represent NSW or Australia between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020 are invited to apply for this year's round of Armidale Regional Sports small grants.

Athletes representing Australia are eligible for a small grant of \$500, while \$250 grants are available for selected athletes competing for NSW. The money can be spent on anything related to the competition, including travel, accommodation and registration fees.

Athletes must be aged between 10 and 35 and reside in the Armidale Regional Council area. Successful applicants can only receive one small grant per financial year.

For more information and application requests, contact Sports Coordinator Amy Biggs at sportscouncil@armidale.nsw.gov.au or on 6770 3869.

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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PROBUS NOTES

Southern New England Landcare is hosting Dr Ron Ehrlich, a Holistic Dentist, to present at their February Member Muster and run a workshop on Saturday 21st February. This seminar and workshop are part of Southern New England Landcare's focus on people care as well as landcare.

The seminar and workshop will explore key drivers of human success in evolution, how these drivers are coming back to bite us in our busy modern lives and constructive ways to manage the resulting challenges.

The seminar is a free event at the Uralla Top Pub on Thursday February 21st starting at 7pm. The workshop "Unstress & Simply Be Well" will run from 10am to 4pm at the Uralla Community Centre, 9 Hill St, Uralla on Saturday February 23rd. Bookings for both can be made via the Southern New England Landcare website.

Dr Ehrlich and colleagues run a Holistic Dental Practice in Sydney. He is the author of the book "A Life Less Stressed: the five pillars of health and wellness" and runs a podcast series "Un-

stress" where he interviews experts about a range of subjects relating to human, animal and planetary health. Some of the many topics covered in the podcast series include gut health, epigenetics, ethical food choices, low-toxicity living, issues relating to chemical sensitivity, chronic-fatigue syndrome and compassion in medicine, resilient cities, regenerative agriculture and holistic dentistry as it relates to human evolution and big picture ecology.

More information at www.snelandcare.org.au or by calling 02 6772 9123.

Our next meeting is on Monday, 11th February at 10.00am. New members would be most welcome to attend at the Bowling Club.

At 12.00noon on Monday we will go to the Library for a 50 minute movie on the Art of Ageing. Please try and attend this movie after the meeting.

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

January 30th - Lamb numbers increased, while the sheep yarding held steady. There was a good quality penning of new season lambs, while old lambs were limited in supply. The majority of the young lambs were in good enough condition to suit both domestic and export markets. There were limited numbers to

suit restockers. Merino lambs were also in reduced numbers. The usual processors were in attendance, while there was reduced competition from restockers in both the sheep and lamb markets.

There were varying trends through the lamb market, with quality variations affecting some price change. Well fin-

ished young lambs to both domestic and export markets sold to dearer trends. The lighter weight 3 score trade lambs were up to \$9/head dearer.

The heavier weights to both destinations were also dearer. Young crossbred lambs to restockers sold to cheaper trends, with the overall quality below that of the previous

week. Restocker Merino lambs sold to cheaper trends, with those to processors also showing a small change.

The reduced restocker competition had little effect on the market for light weight Merino ewes. Medium and heavy weight sheep to processors sold on a firm to dearer market trend.

Weekly Wool Sales

February 1st - It was a very stable week for the Australian wool market with the Eastern Market Indicator continuing its gradual run up post recess. Some small pockets of weakness were evident especially part tender, higher vegetable matter types.

The Crossbred sector was the standout performer with the 28 micron indicator almost 10% dearer for the week. 38,830 bales were sold nationally with a passed in rate of 7.2%. Major buyers included Seatech, Techwool and PJ Morris. When looked at in US dollars the market jumped 32 cents as the Aussie dollar gained

almost 1.5 cents against the US dollar during the week.

AWTA test data released today is showing a 12% decline in the weight of wool tested nationally for the season to date. AWEX figures for the same period are showing a 17.3% decline in the volume of first hand bales offered for sale.

Next week's national offering increases to just over 40,000 bales before dropping back to an expected 30,000 bales for the following two weeks. The forward market traded on increased volumes this week with almost all the activity being in the first half of this year.

Armidale Cattle Sale

January 31st - There was an increase in numbers, with large numbers of yearlings, particularly heifers penned. Vealers normally held for longer were also in fair supply. There were forced selloffs in the yearlings, with both property sale and a lack of feed cited as reasons. There were limited supplies of well finished cattle and they were mainly cows. Overall, the quality of the offering showed a great variation, while the condition of the young cattle was on the lean side. The usual buyers attended and there was increased restocker and feedlot competition.

Market trends varied through the young cattle. A number of factors affected price change, namely quality, breed and the ability to procure straight lines of well bred cattle. Light weight steer vealers to restockers sold to cheaper trends where breed was a factor. The heavier weight steers to restockers saw a significant

price improvement, with quality and breed influencing that change. Increased competition saw the heifer vealers to the paddock sell firm to dearer, those to the trade sold to a cheaper trend. Quality and breed were factors in price change for yearling steers to restock and feed in a market trend that otherwise saw little change. There were premiums for straight lines over mixed breed pens. Very strong restocker demand and increased feeder competition saw yearling heifers in all weight classes sell to dearer trends of 6c to 30c/kg. The restocker heifers and light weight feeders experienced the best of the price change.

The few well finished heavy grown steers to processors sold on a firm to cheaper market trend. There was further improvement in the cow market, up 10c to 12c/kg, with an improvement in quality in some cases. Heavy bulls sold to a dearer trend.

Sports lovers needed for advisory body

Guyra residents with a vision and passion for sport are invited to submit expressions of interest to join the Armidale Regional Sports Council Advisory Committee.

Nominations are open for past and present competitors, officials and anyone else with an interest in fostering local sport.

Over recent years Jason Campbell and Jess Sisson have represented Guyra's sporting interests, liaising with council and maintaining a wish list of projects for the community.

During their time a number of projects were funded including the installation of a PA System and fence at the Lions Park Sporting Complex and new sight screens at the Recreation ground. Jess Sisson has decided to take a step back due to family commitments and the search is on for new people to come forward to advocate for local sporting groups.

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New sight screens were one of the items funded for Guyra's sporting community

with some subcommittee members continuing their involvement.

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Mike Porter and Jason Campbell.

There is an emphasis on filling a number of the remaining positions with Guyra residents, so they might comprise around half of the total positions.

Anyone interested in being part of the committee is invited to forward an expression of interest to sportscouncil@armidale.nsw.gov.au by Friday 1

March.

If you would like more information about what the role entails you can contact Jason Campbell 0428 763 688 or by email to jcampbell@armidale.nsw.gov.au

The expanded executive will be in place for the remaining term of Armidale Regional Council and will be up for re-election in September 2021.

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CRICKET SCOREBOARD February 2nd, 2019

2nd Grade
Guyra def. by TAS

TAS Innings
7/220 OFF 45 OVERS

Guyra Bowling:

Justin McKay 4 for 55, Heath Dowsett 0 for 41, Dan Stace 1 for 33, Corey Torrens 0 for 25, Peter Presnell 0 for 28, Craig Connors 0 for 28, Jake Brazier 2 for 6

Guyra Innings

Pete Presnell.....2
Troy Martin.....58
Matt Simpson.....10
Charlie Keen.....4
Heath Dowsett.....0
Corey Torrens.....48
Jake Brazier.....0
Taylor Brennan.....4
Craig Connors.....0
Dan Stace.....not out.....1
Justin McKay.....8
Extras.....19
Total.....154
Overs.....36

3rd Grade (T20)
Guyra defeated Easts

Guyra Innings

Les Perrett.....16
Graham Cameron.....3
Adrian Cameron.....25
Peter Ahoy.....0
DJ Patterson.....54
Simon Brown.....not out.....8
Ryan Walker.....DNB
Billy Youman.....DNB
Tim Brazier.....DNB
Cody Patterson.....DNB
Steve McElroy.....DNB
Extras.....17
Total.....4/123 (cc)

Overs20

Easts Innings
6/119 off 20 overs

Guyra Bowling:

Cody Patterson 0 for 32, Billy Youman 3 for 18, Les Perrett 0 for 33, Ryan Walker 2 for 14, DJ Patterson 1 for 15

Britt makes history for Spudettes

Britt Youman will make history on at least two counts this year.

She will become Guyra's first female coach when she leads the Spudettes in the women's leaguetag competition this season.

Having played for Guyra for many years and captaining the team last season, she will take on the captain-coach's job for the first time.

Britt played in both of Guyra's premiership-winning teams in 2010 and 2011 as a young member of the team and has been heavily involved in the club's off-field activities in recent years.

She will juggle her coaching duties with the secretary role this year.

She will also play for the Group 19 women's tackle representative team in Tamworth this Saturday against

Groups 4 and 21 in the Greater Northern Championships.

It is the first time women's tackle teams will compete at that level.

The Super Spuds men's team will begin training this Thursday from 6pm at the Sports Complex under new coach Luke Hutton.

All new and returning players are encouraged to attend.

The club has also announced a major sponsorship deal with leading security company Blueforce.

Other sponsors will be announced in the coming weeks, but the club would welcome any other local businesses who would like to contribute to keeping rugby league in Guyra alive and well.



Britt Youman will coach the Spudettes in 2019

Bowls

There were two games played over the weekend. In open pairs M Shiner and K Jones defeated C Pearson and M Bourke 31-11. In open singles Dan Kennedy defeated Roger Cox 31-24.

Matches set down for this Saturday February 9th.

Club Pairs 1pm start. M Walls and I Jacobs vs D Kennedy and B Walls

Open Singles B Presnell vs R Walls Marker D Wilcox

Handicap Singles M Swain vs A Sparke Marker G Reeves

Pennant teams have been picked.

No 4s - Team 1: D Kennedy, C Kliendienst, I Jacobs, M Shiner. **Team 2:** C Stanley, J Jackson, R Moore, A Sparke, **Team 3:** J McIlwain, D Wilcox, M Bourke, R Cox. Manager J Hamel

No 7s - Team 1: S Campbell, B Stanley, B Campbell, D Lyes. **Team 2:** B Presnell, A Bull, P Johnson, M Walls. **Team 3:** S Sole, C Peardon, K Jones, R Walls. **Reserves:** W Reeves, J Hamel.

Please note these players will be playing half of the games to qualify. There will be a roll up on Thursday 28th February 6.30pm.

Vice President

Women's Golf

We played a Stableford competition on 30th January. Donna White won the day on 38 Stableford points after playing a superb round of golf. Donna hit nearest the pin on the 7th green. Karen Oehlers was runner up on 37 points.

On Wednesday 6th we will play a Par Event. Jenny Rogers is the starter. On the 13th February a Stableford competition is on the programme for the Black Mountain Nursery Trophy Day. This will also be the first round of the Graham Betts qualifiers. Planning is well underway for our Open Day 4BBB event on 27th February. We expect to welcome many players from the New England District.

The Phantom

Men's golf

In the midweek last week three teams all had 62 points - Full House, Hillbillies and Sultans of Swing. The individual honours went to B Mitchell with 20 points. Sunday's competition was won by S Mendes with L Stanley. Runner up nearest to the pins were S Mendes on the

7th, and B Simpson on the 10th and 18th.

Next weekend will see the start of the championships. A grade will cut off at 10, B Grade will be 11-17, with C Grade being 18 and above. The course is in the best condition it's been in for months so see you on Saturday.

If you need to play early on Saturday you can organise markers and play, the club will open at 10am. These events aren't possible without sponsors, thanks must go to Country Fresh Bakery, Fourways Garage, Guyra Smash Repairs, Kirk's IGA and Guyra Fuels.

The Albatross

Vets golf

Guyra Vets came second to the host club Armidale in the first Pennant's game for the season. 232 points for Guyra was well positioned behind Armidale's 257. Uralla and Walcha came next with 217 and 218 respectfully, ahead of Glen Innes with 163.

Guyra's best players were David Bearup and Ken Fuller with 35 points, followed by Terry

Varley 34, and Neil Paine and Ron Starr on 33. 11 out of our 26 players made over 30.

As usual the Armidale greens in great condition sorted most of us out.

Thanks to all the players for their support and to Armidale Vets who ran a great day.

Our next Pennants game will be at Uralla on the 28th of February.

On the 5th February 14 Vets played Stroke towards the Reg Taylor trophy. The overall winner was Ian Taylor on 80, the net winner on 66 was Don Campbell. The best putter on the day Doug Archibald with 26 putts.

Nearest the pins were Paul Redden on the 10th and Wal Chapman the 18th.

A reminder that Glen Innes open is on Tuesday 19th February.

Pennants at Uralla is on Thursday 28th February.

Guyra Vets Open will be the 4th and 5th March. Please let Nancy know as soon as possible if you can play.

A Vet



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Thank you

Phil and Lisa Church would like to thank the Guyra community for their support and friendship over the past 19 years. We have loved being a part of the Guyra community.



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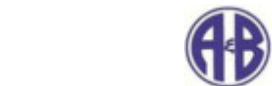
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Meeting date:

Tuesday, 12th February
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New year, new shirts for juniors

Saturday morning saw the Guyra under 12 cricket team meet Walcha half way in Armidale. Captain for the match was Brendon Landsborough. The boys were keen to get started after nearly two months off for the school holidays.

Guyra batted first with Jared Frost and Tom Lockyer taking to the crease. Jared was Guyra's top scorer on 35 not out, also not out was Brendon Landsborough on 18 and Aidan Brown on 7. Tynan Bull 16, Angus Dullaway 15 and Cameron Frost 9 provided much needed runs to bring Guyra's innings total to 6/144.

Unfortunately for Walcha they were a couple of players down, however this didn't dampen their enthusiasm or sportsmanship. Brendon Landsborough showed his skill as a bowler collecting two wickets. Brendon also took a great catch from a Tom Lockyer delivery.

Jack Soraghan showed outstanding fielding as he chased down balls and saved boundaries. Jack sent two Walcha players back to the sideline with a great caught/bowled and a run out. Jared Frost was also successful in getting a run out.

Tynan Bull's fielding was on point, saving numerous boundaries and narrowly missing a catch. Lincoln Brown



The Under 12s team would like to thank the club and sponsors for providing them with match shirts. They wore them for the first time on Saturday and they looked great.

Back l to r: Tom Lockyer and Angus Dullaway

Front: Lincoln Brown, Jack Soraghan, Aidan Brown, Cameron Frost and Jared Frost.

continues to be a solid and consistent bowler keeping the opposition's run rate down.

Walcha finished their innings on 6/75.

The boys were happy to get the win. Guyra will travel back to Armidale to play Ex Services at Newling Oval this Saturday.

The under 14s were also more than happy to get the win. Playing on their home ground at the Sporting Complex they got off to shaky start losing their first wicket with just 3 on the scorecard.

This could have been a bad omen, however it brought Brodi Campbell in to join opener Josh Bell. The pair must have had some practice over the holidays as they were in fine form.

A partnership of 113 for the second wicket steered Guyra to a solid total of 5/142 off their allocated overs. Josh hit his way to 41 before being bowled, while Brodi retired at 50 not out. Andrew Pearson also chipped in with a handy 17 not out.

In reply Hillgrove managed to bat out their overs but fell short in the run chase, thanks to some handy bowling and good fielding from the Guyra boys.

They finished 8 down for 111, losing their opener to a runout and with Malekai Landsborough (2 for 1) and Ty Mulligan (2 for 22) the best of the bowlers. Brodi Campbell, Harrison Brazier, and Josh Bell got a wicket each.

Next week the 14s will take on Hillgrove Brumbies at Newling in Armidale.

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