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# Frockers flock to Ben Lomond

Memories were dusted off and brought out of the closet and into the open last week at Ben Lomond for a presentation by the award-winning Frock Club.

Frock Club is a community engagement program based in Alstonville which is travelling to drought-affected areas of NSW.

Frock Club's aim to educate and demystify the fashion industry. Presenters Lois Hennes and Ruth Povall were overwhelmed by the support they received with more than 100 people filing into the Ben Lomond Hall for the event.

"It was just amazing to see so many people there," Ruth said. "The crowd was beyond what we could have imagined and the support we received from the community was fantastic."

"The Hall committee couldn't have been more helpful and the involvement of kids from Ben Lomond School was something really special," she said. "

"They modelled vintage clothing which had been reimagined and recreated to simulate earlier styles of clothing and they really stole the show."

Ruth said that fashion is such a universal language and the event was all about understanding how the fashion industry works and sharing stories.

"If you look back at the clothing that our mothers and grandmothers wore they were of much better quality and fit," she said.

"From the 1950s we started to get away from quality and now we have clothes that are manufactured offshore which are much poorer quality and they definitely don't fit as



**STEPPING BACK IN TIME:** Ben Lomond students Bridget Jolly, Lillianna Eddy, Georgette Loeb, Lilli Harris (above) and Jasper Eddy (below)

well."

In part Ruth blames the education system which steers creative students into design, but ignores technical aspects and pattern making.

"Pattern making has been forgotten in our education system and these skills are no longer being taught," she said.

"I could see some of the older women at Ben Lomond nodding in agreement because they can remember a time when clothes used to fit better."

"We are here to give them an idea of how we have got to where we are now and how we can start to turn things around.

"Instead of fast fashion we need to have fewer clothes of

better quality and it would be great if we could get some of the manufacturing back in this country."

She believes there is potential for regional development, connecting young designers to create a network of ruralbased manufacturing which would be a boost to the economies of regional areas.

If you missed Frock Club at Ben Lomond they are looking to return to the area in November with a presentation at Walcha and possibly Uralla.

Find out more by contacting Ruth Povall on 0429 079 364 or check out their facebook page.

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### Flock Club at Ben Lomond

Our Life in Clothes ... By 1770 Britain's Captain Cook claimed the east coast of Australia

### Free tours of Council facilities & major projects

#### 13 - 17 August, 2019

Have you ever wondered what happens after you flush the toilet or when you put your recycling out on the kerbside?

Or do you just want to know more about the services and projects that your Council provides everyday! Join a free tour today and learn about the important work going on behind the scenes that keeps our community functioning.

# Bookings are essential.

Call customer service on

### 1300 136 833

or go to

www.eventbrite.com and search Local Government Tours to register.

#### Tuesday 13 August

Guyra Main Street Upgrade Meet at the Guyra CAB in Bradley Street and join a guided walk-through of the proposed plans with council engineers.

#### Time: 10-11.30am Armidale Waste Management Facility

Join Council staff as you tour our award winning waste management facility including City to Soil and Armidale Recycling Services.

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#### Wednesday 14 August

Armidale Waste Water Treatment Plant

Discover what happens after you flush the toilet and learn about Council's Reuse Farm.

Time: 10-11.30am Meet at: 63 Cafferies Road. Off Waterfall Way east of Armidale

#### Armidale Water Treatment Plant Learn about the water

treatment process and our water supply at this informative tour.

Time: 1-2.30pm Meet at: 2 Edgar Street, Armidale, Cnr of Arundel and Edgar Streets

Malpas Dam to Guyra Pipeline Join a council water engineer as you tour Malpas Dam and the new infrastructure.

**Time:12.30-3pm** Meet at: Guyra Council office on Bradley Street to catch a bus

Please note: For the Water Treatment Plant tour you will need to navigate up stairs.

www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au

Wheelchair access is limited on these tours. Please contact customer service for details.

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New Regional Landfill Tour the new facility currently under construction

**Time: 1-3.30pm** Meet at: Armidale Council Building 135 Rusden Street to catch a bus to the site

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# Well deserved recognition

Last Sunday morning members of the Lamb and Potato Festival met to induct new Festival Patrons for 2020 and beyond. It was also a chance to recognise the commitment of our existing patron Gladys Wilson.

The committee was deeply saddened by the death of our long term patron Frank Presnell earlier this year.

Frank was an original founder of the Festival back in January 1987 and his ongoing involvement over the past 33 years meant that he was greatly respected and held in high regard.

His passing has left a deep sense of loss, but also gratitude for his service over many years.

Newly appointed Festival Patrons Geoff and Bertha Reeves have also put in enormous amount of time and effort into the Festival over many years. They are highly valued and their position as Festival patrons is well deserved and a recognition of their hard work and amazing level of commitment.

They join Gladys Wilson, a great supporter of the Festival and enthusiastic ambassador for the Guyra area with our many visitors. Planning for the 2020 Festival has been underway for some time and the committee are looking forward to a great one next January.



Lamb and Potato Festival President Steve Mepham with newly appointed patrons Geoff and Bertha Reeves

# **Guyra Unites for Major Fundraiser**



The Royal Hotel was bursting at the seams on Saturday night with a total of \$17,100 raised by Guyra United Soccer Club

On Saturday the 3rd August the Guyra United Soccer Club held a major fundraiser 'Old Boys Day' in support of Darryl and Carol Dowden.

The day was a huge success smashing the set goal of \$10,000 with the final amount being raised a massive \$17,100.

We had the best day with beautiful weather and the amount of support and generosity shown by the Guyra community was overwhelming. A special thanks to the Glen Innes club for two amazing nail biting games and for their generous donation to our fundraiser, it was very much appreciated.

Special mention to everyone who donated prizes for our raffles and auctions: Adrian, Jo, David & Betty Cameron, Jamie & Jenette Williamson, Trent Waterhouse, Ramage Engineering, Donald & Leslie Rolff, Scott & Rebecca Tibbs, Darrin Towells, Jason Marriott, Main Hair Design, Costa, Hammond's Plumbing, CT Electric, Damien Berridge, Dasha's Hardware, Ashley White, Carol Brennan, Guyra Country Fresh Hot Bread Shop, Phil Collins, Jamie Mc-Cormack, Guyra Fuels, Aaron & Sam Mendes, Sportspower Armidale, CJ'S Coffee, Grill Monkeys, Jacko's Jukebox, Grant Roberts, Guyra Junior Rugby League, Highland Petfood and Kirk's IGA.

Another massive thank you goes to Terry Williams for being our auctioneer on the night. A special thank you to our major sponsor The Royal Hotel for all their support. A very big thank you to everyone who helped cut and deliver wood.

Once again thank you to everyone who attended the day and donated. Guyra is a small community with a big heart.

> Guyra United Soccer Committee.

Full list of prize winners see page 11>>>>

# What's **HOT** Water a hot topic for ratepayers

**RECYCLABLE** take-away coffee cups and lids at JoJo's

**EDUCATION WEEK** happening in our local public schools - join the celebrations

**SPORTING CLUBS** doing their bit for the community

### What's **NOT**

**FORECAST** for a cold change and a chance of snow this weekend

# **OUOTE** of the week

Don't wait for your ship to come in - row out to meet it. A meeting was held in Guyra last Sunday evening of concerned community members committed to assisting ARC in resolving and planning for the future in relation to the current water crises of both Armidale and Guyra.

With this in mind we decided to ask for the original Guyra Shire Council resolution and agreement documentation with Costa's including the details of the Development Application made to construct and operate a hydroponic tomato farm at Elm Street Guyra. We also asked for details of any subsequent agreements made with Costa's during transition and formation of the now Armidale Regional Council be supplied to our group.

It is essential that this information is made available to the communities and ratepayers of ARC, particularly now that water has to be trucked from Armidale to Guyra to maintain the townships potable water supply. Without this information it is impossible to provide any assistance to the CEO and Mayor, who are obviously struggling to alleviate the present water crises.

The general feeling from the meeting attended by community members and ratepayers, including former councillors from the old Armidale and Guyra councils was one of anger and dissatisfaction. Armidale Regional Council would appear to be protecting the profitability of a mostly foreign owned tomato farm before the town residents and businesses now under Level 5 restrictions.

With the Elm Street farm using an average of 670 kls daily for April and May and a slight reduction in June compared to an average daily usage of 440 kls by the township, one must question councils' current arrangements with the Costa Group and the Mayors' claims that they have reduced consumption of water by 60%, the meter readings are not supporting his claims.

While ARC having recently announced its intention to raise Malpas dam wall, subject to Government funding of course, they are refusing to consider the possibility of increasing the holding capacity of the Guyra dam by raising the No. 2 Guyra dam wall or de-silting (already dowelled to be raised). This would be a quick and cost-effective way of alleviating the pressure on the Malpas dam system once reasonable rain events return. The Guvra dams will have to be filled before Malpas receives any significant runoff. Increasing Malpas wall by 5 metres is most definitely needed but will cost millions and is a long-term project. Adam Marshall MP is showing support for both of these proposals as is the Water Minister, but they are having difficulty getting the message through to Council. Councils appointment of Hydroilex, a consultant hydrology company is commendable and may provide some relief if suitable bores can be installed after exploratory and test drilling which will take some considerable time.

All communities, residents and ratepayers of ARC need to lobby hard to convince council that consultation and listening to their concerns is vitally important for water security into the future.

> Rob Lenehan Guyra/Armidale Regional Ratepayers Association – Water Committee



### WATCH

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Date	Day	Min	Max	Rair
30	Tues	3.0	13.3	0
31	Wed	2.5	11.9	0
1	Thurs	3.6	13.3	0
2	Fri	0.6	14.0	0
3	Sat	0.1	14.0	0
4	Sun	0.4	16.6	0
5	Mon	-0.2	15	

Rain this week	0mm
Aug rainfall	0mm
Rainfall YTD	194.8mm
Rainfall last YTD	273.4mm
Ave. rain to Aug.	565.3mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology Do you often wonder about silly things? I do, so here are a few things I'd like the answer to:

1. Why are Ooshies called Ooshies? Where does the name come from? (I know, that's two questions). I remember 'In My Day' we had some little rubber creatures we collected from cereal boxes that you could put on the end of you pencils, but, they didn't have a name that I can remember.

2. Why do people sit on chairs with their feet under them, or put their feet up on public chairs and tables? Surely as we are so obsessed with "germs" these days, we wouldn't do this.

3. How come the SatNav

takes you on a different route coming and going to the same place? I've drawn diagrams and tried to look at the problem logically, but cannot come up with a reason. Perhaps, as so many of us oldies keep saying, computers do have a mind of their own.

4. Was all the knowledge we learned by rote a waste of time? When I point out to my kids that they really should know what seems to me a basic bit of general knowledge, i.e. the capital city of Iceland, they say that if they need/wanted to know they would Google it.

**5.** Shouldn't White Moth Caterpillars die really early in the season in Guyra? They are

such squishy things; they should freeze and explode instead of eating my cabbages.

6. Is it necessary for shops to put things up so high? Clothes shops seem especially prone to this practice, but even supermarkets make us risk life and limb by the extreme height of their shelves.

7. What's with Costa's beard? Either he cannot trim his beard properly or his facial hair grows really erratically.

And the most important question of all

8. Why am I worrying about any of this stuff? If I 'Need To Know', surely I can ask a 5 year old who will explain it to me OR Google it for me.

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### **Mayor's Message**

Another month has passed without significant rain in the region and while Council is looking at all avenues to protect our town water supplies, the need for all of us to conserve water continues to intensify.

Messages of water conservation have dominated this column in recent months, even though there have been many positive activities by Council and the community that I would rather be writing about.

However, the harsh reality is our town water supplies are running seriously low and, while there has been some reduction in use in the past couple of weeks, it needs to come down further to preserve what we have left. Armidale's consumption has dropped to an average of 200 litres per person per day but we're aiming for a target of 160, based on the experiences of other regions.

At the same time, Council is preparing to extend its hidden leak detection program to Armidale, after the project located 46 leaks in the Guyra town water network, enabling us to make urgent repairs. Most water utilities in Australia are faced with aging infrastructure and leaking pipelines but our quickly diminishing town supplies mean we need to take action now.

Council has also engaged a hydrologist to source ground water that could supplement our supplies. Consultant Hydroilex is four weeks into a 12-week study to find sites that have the right characteristics for sizeable ground water supplies and would be suitable for exploratory drilling.

Hydroilex will present a preliminary report to Council this week, so we can get moving on initial sites and test to see if they have water of sufficient quantity and quality to meet our needs.

It's important to note that any bores found will almost certainly not supply enough to be a complete solution to our water shortages. They will help buy us valuable time but it will be still be essential to conserve water until we get significant rainfall and dam levels are replenished.

While the water restrictions continue to thrust our water supply services into the spotlight, residents have the opportunity to see just how the Armidale Water Treatment Plant works. The facility is part of series of free public tours between Tuesday 13 August and Saturday 17 August.

Free tours will also be conducted at the Armidale Wastewater Treatment Plant, Armidale Waste Management Facility, the new regional landfill, Malpas Dam to Guyra Pipeline and the Guyra Main Street upgrade.

It's a terrific opportunity to see how these multi-million-dollar facilities operate and to witness how ratepayer dollars are put to use for the benefit of the community.

On the topic of rates, you can now enjoy the convenience of receiving your rates notices and water bills electronically. Council also offers options to pay rates and water bills online.

Switching to eNotices lends a hand to the environment by cutting the amount of paper we use and significantly reduces the cost of sending out the notices, enabling us to redirect the savings to other services to the community.

Visit Council's website to sign up for eNotices, book a spot on one or more of the free local government tours or find out more about the water restrictions.

Simon Murray

#### **Public exhibition** Home Support Services Policy

Council has updated its Home Support Services Policy to comply with the Aged Care Quality Standards which came into effect on July 1 2019, with additional consideration of funding guidelines, regulatory requirements and State and Federal legislation.

The policy governs the Guyra Home Support Services programs operated by Armidale Regional Council and includes: meals, transport, individual social support and group social support.

Council's Ordinary Meeting on 24 July 2019 resolved to put the draft policy on Public Exhibition for a period of 28 days. The document will be on public exhibition from Wednesday 31 July to Wednesday 28 August 2019.

Residents are invited to make submissions by:

- mail to Armidale Regional Council, 75A Rusden Street, Armidale 2350
- email to council@armidale.nsw.gov.au
- dropped off in person to the Armidale or Guyra Offices.

Submissions will be received for 28 days and will close on Wednesday 28 August 2019 at 5pm.

Public submissions will be treated as nonconfidential unless the submitter specifically requests confidentiality. Submitters are also allowed to have their submissions treated as nonconfidential, except for the name of the submitter, or other identifying material.

### nternational Buskers &

The International Buskers & Comedy Festival is returning to Beardy Street Mall on Tuesday 1 October 2019.

Five international street performers will demonstrate their talents from 10am to 2pm.

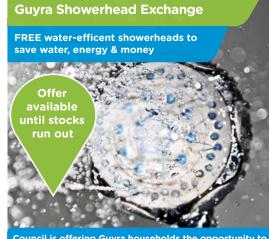
Festivities will also include free kids day activities including face painting, jumping castle, sand wizard and giant inflatables

### eNotices

Enjoy the convenience of receiving and paying your rates and water bills online

To find out how:

- visit the Rates page on our
- website check your rates or water notice
- ask our customer service staff



Council is offering Guyra households the opportunity to exchange their old showerhead for a new high quality, water-efficient showerhead for free. Residents can exchange up to two showerheads per household. How do I take advantage of this offer? Bring your old showerhead to Council's customer service desk in Guyra for exchange:

Submit a completed application form - available online at www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au/water-restrictions

Council recommends showerheads are removed and attached by a licensed plumber.



The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 August 2019 at the Armidale Council Chambers, 135 Rusden St, from 4pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE -**Wednesday 7 August 2019

Authorised by CEO Susan Law, Armidale Regional Council PO Box 75A, 135 Rusden Street, Armidale NSW 2350. Ph: 1300 136 833 Fax: 6772 9275. Email: council@armidale.nsw.gov.au



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### Community **Noticeboard**

#### Meals on Wheels

August 8th Joyce Betts August 9th Golf Ladies August 12th Anne Hulbert August 13th Jan Jordan August 14th John Mitchell

#### Street Stalls

August 15th Masonic Lodge August 16th Machinery Group August 22nd/23rd/24th Lions Club

#### 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 Stephen 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 Eng. Nancy Davidson 6779 1366 Seventh-day Adventist

Saturday from 10am Bible Study, 11am Divine Service. Enguiries: 6779 1587

#### **Northwest Church**

66 Llangothlin St, Sunday

meeting 10am, Thursday 7pm

Food Pantry - 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday of month 11am-12, 1pm-2pm 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 Guvra 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

# Senior Study makeover

During the holidays new furarrived for niture the Senior Study area at Guvra Central School. The arrival of the furniture completes the process of providing an appropriate area for Year 11 and Year 12 students undertaking their non-face to face studies.

The new Senior study area provides a kitchenette with tea/coffee facilities. notice boards, internet access, new study appropriate furniture and an access window to the Careers Adviser, Ms Nield.

The current year 11/12 students spent time with supplier, ABAX Kingfisher, selecting fabrics and designs for the new area. The suppliers were so im-



Senior students are enjoying their new study area

pressed with the results that they sought permission to photograph the completed Guyra Central School Senior Study to use in their new promotional booklets.

Current HSC students are now in their crucial last Term of school and are using the space wiselv.



## Have your say......

#### Malpas Dam upgrade urgent

I note that the Mayor Simon Murray's recent newsletter discusses the lack of rain and the urgent need to reduce our water consumption. The community needs to be also aware that our State Member, Adam Marshall MP, has been actively seeking funding for the dam wall upgrade. Mr Marshall is now confident that this will be forthcoming.

He has been speaking with both his State Government Deputy Premier John Barilaro as well as the Deputy Prime Minister Michael McCormack regarding the need for this upgrade and has received their strong support. Mr Marshall has advised that what is now

required to get this upgrade off the ground is for the "council to complete the work required to deliver the plans for this project so that he can get on with the job of securing the funds and get cracking on the project". We know that council does not have the funding to undertake this significant project but currently governments do.

The good news is that Council has been very active and to this end has now completed the high level design for work on Malpas Dam. Mayor Simon Murray has indicated council is now moving onto detailed design. Should funding being forthcoming and Mr Marshall expects it will be, then council anticipates having tenders out by the end of this year. This is

very good news indeed!

If like-minded citizens are also concerned that we may run out of water in either this drought [hopefully not] or some future drought, then please support our council in this project. Once it rains the urgency will be dissipated and Governments will spend the money elsewhere. The urgency to achieve this is right now.

Alan St Clair Black Mountain

Have your say: Emaíl: news@gala.org.au Maíl: PO Box 170 Fax: 67792069.

# Guyra well represented

Guyra branch of the NSW Farmers was well represented at the recent State Conference in in Sydney by branch chair Callan Schaefer, Mike Mulligan and Jenni Jackson.

Many issues were discussed and voted on. Guyra's motion re sharing the costs of NLIS tags across the supply chain was defeated whilst their motion on combining a review into the wool levy and Sheepmeat levy was sent to committee for further work.

An urgency motion regarding the compulsory use of pain relief in the mulesing process was debated and passed.

Minister for Agriculture Adam Marshall addressed the conference and was there for two days to network with the delegates and committee chairs which was well received.

The theme of the conference was Healthy Farms, Healthy Businesses and Healthy Farmers.

As a consequence NSW Farmers are putting a team in this



Guyra farmers Callan Schaefer, Jenni Jackson and Mike Mulligan at the NSW Farmer's State Conference in Sydney

weekend's City2Surf and supporting the charity RUOK.

President James Jackson and CEO Pete Arkle have been in training and plan on running the distance.

Mike Mulligan and Jenni Jackson will join the team as walkers.

# DRY JULY

Guyra has seen its driest July for 17 years with a total of just 7.6 mm. It was the driest July since 2002 (3.8 mm).

With just 37.4mm recorded in the April to July period it was the driest consecutive four month period on record (from I28 years of complete rainfall records).

It was also warmer than average, with Guyra recording the warmest July day temperatures for 26 years. The daily maximum temperatures averaged I3.I degrees for July which was the highest since I993 (I3.2C). There were no daily record breaking extremes, but overall temperatures were much higher than the July long term average.

#### JULY SUMMARY

(Long term average in brackets) Rainfall: 7.6 mm (59 mm) Ave. max. temp: I3.IC (I0.4C) Average min. temp: 0.9C (0.4C) Highest: I6.0C on the Ist Lowest max: 7.6C on the I4th Lowest: -5.0C on the I7th Frosts: 22 (I8) Sunny days: I8 (I5) Days with thunder: 0 (0.3) Days with snow: 0 (2) Source http://www.weatherarmidale.com/guyra.html

Adam Marshall MP

Member FOR NORTHERN TABLELANDS

Image: Construction of the construct

# Farm invaders and vegan vigilantes face toughest penalties in the nation

At the end of last month I was pleased to announce as NSW Minister for Agriculture the toughest penalties for farm invaders and vegan vigilantes in the country.

Under the NSW Biosecurity Act a new offence has been created which will see those who illegally trespass on farms, creating biosecurity risks, handed an immediate on-the-spot fine of \$1,000 and further fines up to \$220,000 per person and \$440,000 for corporations.

The new penalties will kick in from 1st August 2019 and are the first stage of a broader suite of measures being developed by the State government to protect NSW farmers' right to farm.

These protections are long overdue because our farmers are busy enough battling drought and producing our State's food and fibre without putting up with these added pressures.

Under the changes to the Biosecurity Regulation 2017, it will become mandatory for site visitors to comply with a Biosecurity Management Plan.

Anyone who enters a designated biosecurity area without permission and without complying with the plan's requirements may be guilty of an offence under the Biosecurity Act 2015, and subject to the new, harsher penalties.

To access the new offence, farmers will need to have a biosecurity plan in place and appropriate signage. Farmers are encouraged to contact the Department of Primary Industries or their Local Land Services office for more information.

These changes have the endorsement of the NSW Farmers Association and other farm lobby groups and I look forward to working with them into the future to stamp out this behaviour.

### Insuring Guyra's farmers against drought

With no end to the dry in sight, I have started working with Deputy Premier John Barilaro to spearhead a campaign to establish a nation-wide income protection scheme which safeguards farmers from the financial impacts of future droughts.

Already \$2 million has been set aside by the State to partner with the National Farmers Federation to develop a scheme for all farmers, no matter if they are croppers, graziers or horticulturalists.

This is something that has been called for by the agricultural sector for a very long time but so far insurance products have largely been constrained to individual production sectors within the industry.

I'm proud of the \$1.8 billion drought package the NSW Government currently has on the table, but my big fear is that whoever is in government when the next drought hits, will not be in the same financial position as this government and able provide the same level of support.

Contact my office: Phone: 02 6772 5552 Fax: 02 6772 5026 Email: northerntablelands@parliament.nsw.gov.au

# Success on the sporting field

It has been a busy period for school sport with Guyra Central School students competing in a number of different fields.

On Friday July 26th, three students travelled to Eastern Creek to compete in the PSSA and CHSSA NSW State Cross Championships. Country Parker Campbell and Lincoln Atkin both competed in the PSSA 8/9 year old event, while secondary student Archie Dowden competed in the CHSSA 13 year old event. Each of students completed the event mid-field and should extremely proud of their successes in Cross Country for 2019.

On Wednesday July 24th, the new school bus took its first journey transporting the under 13s Rugby League team to Coonabarabran to play Gulargambone in the semi-finals round of the Country Cup State Championships.

Working as a team and with exceptional sportsmanship, the team defeated Gulargambone 54-8 and will now travel



Guyra Central School Under 13s Rugby League team defeated Gulargambone and will compete in the finals of the Country Cup State Championships

to Dubbo to compete in the finals of the Country Cup State Championships.

On Friday August 2nd a large team of athletes travelled to Tamworth to compete in the Regional North West athletics carnival. Twelve students have now made it through to State level, which

is the largest athletic group to go through to compete in the State Carnival for many years.

The following students will travel to Olympic Park in September. Ellie Mitchell - Long jump, triple jump, high jump, Tahmani Landsborough -200m, high jump, 800m, Cooper Wilson - shot put, 100m, relay, Oscar Atkin -200m, 100m, relay, Jake Wilson – 400m, high jump, Archie Dowden – 100m, relay, Riley Campbell - relay, 100m, Harrison Dowden - 400m, Shanae Bull - relay, Akashia Brazier relay, Brooke Grills - relay, Jaymie Donnelly – relay.



Linclon Atkin, Archie Dowden and Parker Campbell at the Cross Country Championships

## **Education Week celebrations**

Well done to all students represented Black who Mountain Public School last week at the PSSA Zone Athletics.

Jake Faint came second in the discus event. Congratulations Jake for demonstrating great skill and for representing our school with pride.

This week we are looking forward to celebrating our annual Highland Fling with our Snow Gums Alliance of Small Schools.

Mr Hobbs and Mr Cavanagh, our Directors of Educational Leadership, will be our honoured guests.

After the award ceremony, students will be participating in a range of creative art activities such as music technology and creating songs, dance and STEM workshops. Our P & C will be running a bbg lunch.

**Relieving Principal** Justine Eddy

Ellile Mitchell (left) and Holly Parker (right)



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# Caspers sneak home against Glen Innes

Caspers took to the field against old foes Glen Innes in front of a large and vocal Guyra crowd on Saturday. The boys were out to impress and started off proceedings well, knocking the ball around well and totally dominating possession but finding it tough to finish off the Glen Innes side who were playing a lot of players back in defence to repel the Caspers attack.

This was how the game ran for 25 minutes until a lack of talk in defence cost the Caspers big time when the Glen Innes striker got through on goal to open up the scoring and toned down the huge Casper crowd. Despite this the Caspers were still pushing forward and dominating and were rewarded just before half time when some slick play saw B.J Kliendienst slot home a well-constructed goal.

Half time talk was upbeat and the boys knew they had to pick up the speed of the game to tire their opponents out of the game. The second half was dominated by the boys, but they were struggling to find the polished finish at the end of their plays. I think the boys were trying so hard to win in front of their huge crowd on such a big day that they were just struggling to finish Glen Innes off. To give the opposition credit they were incredibly hard to break down.

Thirty minutes in it took some individual brilliance from Corby Kliendienst who received the ball just outside the box and quickly noticed that the keeper was out of his goals just enough for him to chip a ball over very cheekily to give the Caspers a 2-1 lead.

This was how it remained until full time with the Caspers totally relieved that they could sneak away with the points on such a big occasion.

3 points went to Corby Kliendienst who played his best game to date giving the Glen defence headaches every time he came at them, B.J Cameron getting 2 dominating all the aerial challenges and working tirelessly in defence and attack and B.J Kliendienst getting 1 with his solid as always game.

The boys are away to South Armidale this weekend and hope some of the crowd can come along again to support.

Thanks to everyone who came along and supported our fundraising day for Darryl and Carol Dowden, Saturday really shows that even though a lot of people are struggling through the drought we are still a caring and sincere community who will band together and help each other in times of need, this is not just the Soccer family but the whole GUYRA family that offered support and it is something that everyone should be very proud of, I know that I am.

So once again thanks to every single person that assisted on such a special day.

#### Second grade

A big day at Guyra for 2nd grade at the Old Boys Day. Guyra started strong showing great ball control and passes linking well between the midfield and forwards and allowing early opportunities that were unlucky not to find the net.

The backs showed solid efforts again with the game going to halftime nil all. Guyra

to Chris Newberry, don't know what happened on the other 15 holes. Next Sunday will be an 18 hole stableford for a Club trophy to be followed by the final of the Molly Sole on the 17th. The 18th will be the qualifying round for the state 2 person ambrose championships.

#### The Albatross

#### Molly Sole Medal

The final of the Mollie Sole medal will be held on Saturday August 17th. Hit off is 12noon sharp.

Qualifiers are: Meg Simpson, Wendy George, Suzanne Towells, Chris Newberry, Belinda Lenehan, Pattie Hill, Leonie Taylor, Peter Taylor, Vicki Reeves, Karen Oehlers, Scott Mendes, Terry Mulligan, John Prisk, Paul Redden, Ian Taylor, Neil Paine, Darrin Towells, Pat Grills, Debbie Burey, Donna White, Warren came out strong in the second half dominating the possession but were unlucky to still not find the net before Glen finally broke the backs to score with only 10 minutes to go.

Guyra didn't give up and fought back to be rewarded a penalty outside of the box, which Rheece Handebo found the net to finish the game with a 1-1 draw.

Massive efforts from the whole team made picking the points hard this week, with the 3 points going to Blake Handebo, 2 points to Rheece Handebo and Carly Harman and Maddi Morgan both earning 1

#### Third grade

Guyra third grade took on Armidale City Westside 3 at home last weekend. It was a very tight game the whole way with the final score finishing at 1 all. The only goal scored was by the coach Adam Mendes.

Points this week went to Timmy Ellis 3, Logan Beechey 2 and Mal Gaukroger got 1. Guyra 3rds are away on Saturday the 10th August at Harris Park to take on Armidale City West Side 1 the game starts at 1pm.

McCowen, Nancy Prisk, Wendy Jackson, Richard Burey, Shona Mulligan, Dom Hill, Bruce Coppock, Jenny Rogers, Pip White, Jenny Jackson, Michael Kirk, Kerry Bull



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#### Bowls report

In Handicap singles Dan Kennedy defeated Mal Walls 31-6. Roger Cox defeated Barry Presnell 31-7.

Matches set down for August 11th Handicap singles 12pm start

R Cox to play A Sparke marker D Kennedy

Nomination sheets now on the board for the 2019-20 Championships

David Wilcox

#### Ladies' Golf

We had a great turnout of 17 ladies play last week it was lovely to see so many familiar faces returning to golf. The event was the qualifying round for the NSW 2 Person Ambrose.

The winners were Vicki Reeves and Karen Oehlers winning on a countback from Wendy George and Jenny Rogers. Vicki and Karen now will go onto the Regional Qualifying Final later on in the year.

Nearest the Pin Winners were 7th Jenny Rogers and on the 9th Shona Mulligan

Next week several ladies are travelling out to Delungra to play in the Delungra Open 4BBB.

In Guyra on the 7th August there will be a Stableford Event with Meg Simpson as starter

On Sunday we have ladies playing in the Graham Betts Final in Armidale

#### Good luck to all. Men's Golf

Last Sunday's C T Electrics sponsored stroke and monthly mug final was well contested with the winner being Warren McCowen with a Nett 70, Len Stanley was runner up. The three nearest to the pins went

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Congratulations to all our raffle winners Sandy Morgan, Willie Jones, Kath Lawson, Charlee Lawson, Deb Merritt, Gina Lockyer, Karen Faint, Taylor Brennan, Carl Walker, Randy Mulligan, Michael Purvis, Michael Wilson, Anna Heagney, Carol Brennan, Wayne Mendes, Jason Campbell, Brett Little, Eunice Blair, David Wilson, Pete Handebo, Stephen Brazier, Archie Colvin, Desie Walls, Cath Richardson, Geoff Reeves, John Young, Deb Stewart and Phil Collins.

Lollipop guessing competition winner was Connor Montague and runner up was Rose Kliendienst

#### **CLAIM THE DATE**

SATURDAY 7th SEPTEMBER BUSH DANCE at Ben Lomond Hall. Dinner. Dancing, featuring the Big Hairy Bush Dance Band. Tickets available soon. Hosted by Guyra CWA Evening Branch.

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Locals Entry Form - Round 22 Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August

# Massive weekend for Guyra Soccer



What an amazing display of community spirit, pride and sportsmanship by the Guyra United Soccer Club on Saturday. The weather was perfect, the canteen was up and running, the coffee was brewing (thanks to Chris from CJ's Coffee Co.) and the morning saw the fields full of excited children and their families.

All 12 Junior teams wore their brand new jerseys this week creating a sea of bright orange, black and white (plus grey goalie shirts). A massive thank you to our jersey sponsors DRT Logistics, Simpsons Earthmoving & Repairs, S.A. & R.A. Tibbs, Highland Petfood and Tuckeroo Macadamias for making this possible. A big thank you also to Paul Schmude and his team at Armidale Sportspower for overseeing the production of the jerseys.

All teams from the our Under 6's to the Senior 1st Grade will now be identified by the one jersey design with the only difference being the junior and senior sponsors. The new club hoodies and shirts also arrived this week adding to the colourful display on the grounds.

The refurbished canteen was certainly put to the test with home and away teams keen to support our Old Boys fundraiser by purchasing food (including cupcakes) and drinks, taking tickets in our raffle and 100 Club and entering the lollipop guessing competition (donated by Dasha's Hardware). There were 73 lollipops in the tin with 1st prize going to Connor Montague and 2nd prize going to Rose Kliendienst. Congratulations and thank you to everyone for supporting our fundraiser.

The action returns to Armidale this week with an away round before returning to Guyra for our last home round the following week. There are also 5 junior teams taking part in the Jack Vallance Memorial Carnival in Armidale this Sunday so it will be another big weekend for our juniors.

**Under 6 Spooks** - The Spooks hunger for the ball saw a great game again this week against TAS with 7 goals added to the team's impressive total for the season.

Under 7 Jellybeans - It was fantastic to see the team in their new jerseys this week. Our special guest coach this week was Cooper, Lachie E-C's older brother. Cooper ran with the team during the first half. It has been wonderful having our guest coaches step in each week.

**Under 12 Spirits** - The Spirits took to the field this week against the leading team in their division, confident of a better result than their previous encounter. The team started strongly with even play across the field. A high ball over the keeper's head saw DK take the lead and they maintained the score at 1 - 0 until half time. Great persist-

ence from the Spirits created an opening for Harry Purvis to score a brilliant goal, levelling the score 1-1. The even match continued until just before full time when DK received a lucky break with the ball hitting the post and rebounding at their feet for a clear second shot. The final score at full time was a very respectable 2-1 to DK. All players were pleased with this result and look forward to the next time they meet.

#### The draw for this Saturday 10th August is as follows:

16A Jnr Caspers vs North Redmen, Phil Wheaton Oval, 8.30am

**14A Ghosts** vs TAS Blue, Harris Park 1, 10.00am **14B Lil Caspers** vs South Sea Eagles, NE Sportsground, 10.00am

**12B Spirits** vs East Green, Rologas 1, 11.10am

**U10 Cobras** vs DK Daggers, Rologas 11, 10.00am

**U9 Vipers** vs DK White Knights, Rologas 16, 10.00am

**U9 Jets** vs DK Waldorf, Rologas 15, 9.00am

**U8 Jaffas** vs East Bears, Harris Park 5, 11.00am

**U8 Skittles** vs Armidale City Blue, Harris Park 4, 10.00am

**U7 Jellybeans** vs North Roosters, Rologas 3, 10.00am

**U7 Smarties** vs North Avengers, Rologas 6, 10.00am

**U6 Spooks** vs Armidale City Navy, Harris Park 6, 11.00am



Under 7 Jellybeans guest coach Cooper with his little brother and Jellybeans player Lachie.

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