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### Happy Father's Day

Last Wednesday, St Mary of the Angels held their annual Father's Day Breakfast.

It is so lovely to see Father's, Carer's and Grandfather's enjoying a bacon and egg roll with their children and catching up on all the news around the school.

Pictured left is Maggie, Herb and Molly McKenzie.

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### Council pursues SRV and harmonisation of rates

At last week's ordinary council meeting, Armidale Regional Councillors voted to pursue an application for a Special Rate Variation (SRV) and to advise the Office of Local Government that Council wishes to opt-out of the rate path freeze.

A temporary SRV applied by the former Armidale Dumaresq Council will expire on 30 June 2021 reducing Council's recurrent revenue by \$1.5 million annually unless Armidale Regional Council applies for a new SRV.

Armidale Regional Council Mayor Cr Simon Murray said the loss of revenue from the expiry of the temporary SRV would have a significant impact on current service levels.

"The process involved in applying for an SRV is long and complex and requires significant evaluation of Council's current long term expenditure, modelling and a review of pos-

sible alternate funding options," said Cr Murray.

"The CEO has already introduced a rigorous four-year transformation program to identify improvement in operations and services to the community. The transformation program alone is not enough to maintain or even improve service levels and we must pursue all options including an SRV."

Council's application to opt-

out of the extended rate path freeze allows Council to commence a review of the rating structure as prescribed by the Council Amalgamation Proclamation. Currently there are two rating structures for Armidale Dumaresq and Guyra.

The two structures have different rate contributions by residential, business, farmland and mining ratepayers.

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### Opening Hours

Wednesday & Thursday
2 pm to 5 pm
Friday
12 noon to 5 pm
Saturday & Sunday
10 am to 4 pm



Sophie, Allan and Courtney Spradbrow



Camilla, Stuart & Anna Grills



Trent & Zac Jones



# Dad's Day At St Marys



Craig, Tom and Dave Lockyer



You're invited to come and have a 'Sconversation' with us to celebrate the 2019 CWA Awareness Week

We'll be at Juneils Café, Guyra with FREE cuppas and scones for friends, families and kids to drop in, chat, connect and keep our community strong and resilient

Meet some of your friendly CWA girls to share stories and have a laugh. Matthew from the Rural Adversity Mental Health Program will be coming along to provide practical

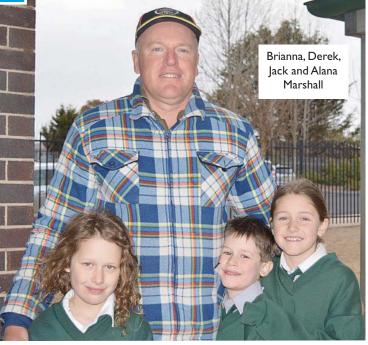
self-care information

WHEN: 3pm-5pm 4th Septembe

COST: FREE

RSVP: Leonie - 0408 207 664 June - 0467 315 915







Mark & Lewis Robinson



Mitchell & George Hope

### New store a welcome addition

In Theresa Varley's native Filipino language 'Mabuhay' means welcome and she is preparing to do just that with the launch of a new Asian grocery store in Guyra.

The idea comes from her own difficulties in sourcing ingredients as a home cook and the growing demand among tomato farm workers from across Asia and the Pacific.

Mabuhay Filipino Store will open its doors to the public on Wednesday September 4th and there has already been keen interest from the community.

Theresa, who was born in the Phillipines, said that the motivation is catering for a demand for the growing community of Asians and Islanders who are in town to work at the Tomato farm.

"I often found it difficult to find some of the ingredients I was after locally and lots of others have told me that they often have to travel to find what they

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The impact of rates harmonisation on ratepayers is also influenced significantly by land valuations determined every three years by the NSW Valuer General. The next land revaluation is due to take effect on Council's rating structure on 1 July 2020.

"This Council's term ends next year in September and I believe it is important that we oversee the program of rates harmonisation under our watch," said Cr Murray.

"This is a difficult and complex process that will have an impact on individual rate assessments as we work towards harmonisation of the former Councils rating structures. How significant that impact is will vary and be influenced by a number of factors."

Any application of an SRV made by Council must include engagement and feedback by the community. Work to harmonise the rating structure will be undertaken in conjunction with extensive communication to ratepayers throughout the process.



Theresa and Terry Varley have stocked the shelves ready to open on Wednesday

want," Theresa said.

"Hopefully having a local outlet will mean people can get what they are after in town. I think there is the demand here and I have already had lots of

people wanting to know when I will open."

Opening hours will be Wednesday and Thursday from 2 pm to 5 pm, Friday from 12 noon to 5 pm, and Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm.

Mabuhay will stock a wide range of dried, frozen and fresh ingredients including noodles, Asian vegetables, sauces and fish

### LLS here to help

With the unprecedented drought taking its toll across our region, it is more important than ever that we look to our friends, family and outside services for support.

The expertise of the Northern Tablelands Local Land Services team is readily accessible and available in these challenging times and the message to the farming community from Sustainable Agriculture Team Leader Lauren Wilson is loud and clear.

"We are here to help!"

The Northern Tablelands LLS team are well-trained to give advice about feeding options in drought, livestock management, agronomy and animal health. The team is encouraging producers to call on their expertise to assist in making tough decisions.

"We know it is tough out

there and our team is there to help you develop a feeding plan tailored to the type of stock you have and the feed they need," Lauren said. "With the drought so widespread producers are looking at new and unfamiliar feed sources and are unsure about quality. Our team are able to assist you to run the calculations and work out what to feed and how much you need."

Producers are encouraged to take advantage of the free-of-charge, practical feeding advice the Livestock Officers can offer. It includes feed testing, protein and roughage requirements of your specific class of stock. With shortages in feed, particularly roughage, the quality of the feed can vary widely, making feed testing even more important.

Acknowledging the diffi-

culties presented by the current circumstances, additional resources will be made available by Local Land Services as required. The Northern Tablelands Local Land Services team will work with producers in a way that is convenient for them - whether that is through on-farm visits, phone calls or meeting at designated locations.

They can also help farmers fill out drought relief and subsidy forms which can be confusing.

For help and assistance, please don't hesitate to contact any of the Northern Tablelands Local Land Services Offices: Inverell – 02 6720 8300, Glen Innes – 02 6732 8800, Armidale – 02 6770 2000 or Tenterfield – 02 6739 1400.

### What's HOT

**RETURN & EARN** now open at the Bowling Club

### What's NOT

**TAKING** a month to move house.

**RED P PLATE** driver roaring around town.

### WATER SPRINKLERS going on playing fields

LEAVING rubbish behind at the Return & Earn. You are on camera and we know who you are so please take your rubbish with you or face a fine

### **QUOTE** of the week

Life is short.
Smile while
you still
have teeth

### Bureau of Meteorology Weather

### WATCH

#### **Guyra MPS**

Date	Day	Min	Max	Ra
27	Tues	0.4	18.1	0
28	Wed	3.1	17.1	0
29	<b>Thurs</b>	0.1	16.2	0
30	Fri	-0.6	13.9	0
31	Sat	-0.8	16.8	0
01	Sun	-0.2	19.7	0
02	Mon	2.1	11.0	0

Rain this week 0mm
Aug rainfall 10.6mm
Rainfall YTD 205.4mm
Rainfall last YTD 314.0mm
Ave. rain to Sep. 624.4mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

# Planting the seeds for bushfire cooperation



RFS Zone Manager Steve Mepham (centre) with council staff

Bushfire fighting services in the region enlisted some valuable back-up this month, when they provided bushfire awareness training to Armidale Regional Council's heavy vehicle operators.

Every plant operator in Council's roads department completed the training so they are well prepared to help the NSW Rural Fire Service control major fires.

In the event of a significant bush fire, Council is often called upon to provide assistance such as grading fire breaks and access tracks, or carting water to fire fronts.

ARC Mayor Simon Murray

said that training provided by RFS officers is extremely valuable to ensure staff can provide this assistance safety and as effectively as possible.

The training followed an early start to this summer's Bush Fire Danger Period in the Armidale region and surrounding local government

Extremely dry conditions have prompted the NSW Rural Fire Service to start the danger period on 1 August, rather than 1 October, for 10 local government areas in the State.

RFS Zone Manager Steve

Mepham said this week's course also provided training for plant operators from local private companies.

"While the local RFS has a strong team of officers and volunteers, trained back-up from other organisations is extremely welcome as we head into the bushfire danger period," Mr Mepham said.

"The combined effects of the ongoing drought - incredibly dry conditions and a severe shortage of available water – mean this is shaping up to be a long and diabolical bushfire season."

### Have your say.....

I refer to Mr Mulligan's letter in last week's Guyra Gazette re Rural Waste Management Fee.

I too was astounded at this fee on my recent rate notices. Not exactly sure what rural people get for this fee.

If we take household rubbish to the Community Recycling Centre we are charged to dispose of it.

This Rural Waste Management Fee certainly does seem

Have your say:

Email:

news@gala.org.au **Maíl:** PO Box 170 **Fax:** 67792069.

like a fee for no service.

Should we refer this to a Royal commission!! We all know what happened to the banks for charging a fee for no service.

It would be just worthwhile if the ARC had the decency to answer the question as to why rural ratepayers should be subsidizing the urban waste management costs, not just telling us that we should be happy because Armidale rural ratepayers are paying a lot more.

Jenni Jackson

### Council News GUYRA

### Mayor's Message

My current term as Mayor has been filled with wonderful highlights and great challenges – and comes to an end in a week.

An extraordinary meeting of Council on Wednesday 11 September will elect the region's mayor for the next 12 months, taking us through to the 2020 local government elections.

Buoyed by what we have achieved during the past two years and the great partnerships we have formed to forge ahead, I plan to throw my hat in the ring for the mayor's role for another 12 months.

While next week's meeting will ultimately decide who holds the position for 2019-2020, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone I've worked with over the past two years and to reflect on the highlights.

The ongoing drought and resulting water restrictions are obviously the most pressing issues confronting us at the moment. Many members of our community are doing a stellar job is response to our water shortages – though our community as a whole still has a way to go – and the Malpas Dam to Guyra Pipeline will be an extremely valuable tool to complement the many actions Council is taking to help protect our town water supplies.

Planning and State Government funding for the pipeline preceded the current drought crisis. But with the pipeline fast tracked and expected to be fully operational by the end of this month, our current circumstances will immediately demonstrate its great value in safeguarding water supplies to households and businesses.

This infrastructure is also an important step in uniting the northern and southern portions of our region as a unified region.

As a resident in the former Guyra Shire Council area, one of my priorities has been ensuring the priorities and actions of Council benefit our region as a whole. That includes the tiny villages scattered throughout the Armidale region and I have been joined by several of the elected members in holding Councillor Cuppas information sessions in numerous smaller centres.

One of our great successes in the past two years has been our combined campaign with Kempsey Shire Council to secure greater attention for Kempsey Road, to assist the small communities that live along this important link to the coast.

A \$977,000 project earlier this year widened and sealed a 2.3km stretch between Oakey River Dam Road and Oakey River Bridge, funded by the Federal Government's Drought Communities Program and \$440,000 through the State Government's Fixing Country Roads program.

Thirteen road safety hotspots along the 'Big Hill' section will now be addressed through a three-year, \$4.67 million program funded through the NSW Fixing Country Roads program.

Country Roads program.

In between, we have resurfaced four kilometres of gravel road along the east-west link and we're continuing to pursue a reclassification of our section road from 'local' to 'regional', to bring it in line with the portion within Kempsey Shire.

Site preparations have begun for the new Armidale Regional Airport business park, which is integral to a proactive push for economic development for the region.

Council's Chief Executive Officer, Susan Law, brought a strong and very welcome emphasis on economic development when she joined us last year and we have been working closely with local business people to unite our efforts and establish an environment in which business can flourish.

A new Regional Development Business Hub, providing a one-stop shop for business to network and receive support, is being establish in the CBD as one the initial outcomes from that cooperative effort.

It is one of the positive ventures in train to help our region realise its incredible potential and I have thoroughly enjoyed leading our talented team of councillors during the past two years.

I look forward to being actively involved as each of the initiatives progress, whether it's a Mayor or in support of whoever assumes the role for the next 12 months.

Simon Murray

### **Australia Day**

An Environmental Citizen of the Year Award was introduced last year for Australia Day celebrations throughout NSW and the category has been formally incorporated into the Armidale regional awards for 2020.

Nominations are now open for all categories for the 2020 Guyra and Armidale Australia Day Awards.

"When people consider who they would like to nominate for Citizen of the Year, young citizen, an outstanding sportsperson or exceptional community event, they can also recognise people doing amazing things for our local environment," Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray said.

"The winners of our local environmental



awards will go into the running to win a statewide prize established by Return and Earn, the NSW container deposit scheme that refunds 10 cents for every eligible drink container returned."

Nominations for all the categories are open until 5pm on Friday 1 November 2019 by visiting the Australia Day page on Council's website and downloading a nomination form. Printed copies are also available from the customer service counters at Council's Armidale and Guyra offices.

Categories include Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Senior Citizen of the Year, Community Service Award, Sportsperson of the Year, Contribution to Sports & Recreation, Art & Culture, Community Event, and Environmental Citizen.



### Author talk at Guyra library

Join author Patsy Kemp as she discusses her memoir, the drover's daughter at Guyra library on Wednesday 18 September from 11am - 12pm.

Patsy shares the highs and lows of growing up as a drover's daughter on the stock routes of NSW and Queensland in 1950s and 1960s, living out of a small truck with a family of nine, six horses, four dogs and 3000 sheep.

### **COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 25 September 2019 at the Guyra Council Chambers, 158 Bradley St, from 4pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE -Wednesday 4 September 2019

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### Meals on Wheels

Sept. 5th Heather Marchant Sept. 6th Lesley Credland Sept. 9th Anne Hulbert Sept. 10th Jan Jordan Sept. 11th John Mitchell

### Street Stalls

September 5th Can Assist Sept. 6th & 7th Masonic Lodge Sept. 12/13/14 Lions Club Sept. 19th 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 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 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 - 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 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

### Celebrating SASS Week

On Friday 30th August Guyra Central School celebrated SASS week with a morning tea.

SAS (School Administrative and Support) staff play an important role in the school community and are often the first people you see when you enter a school and are essential to maintaining positive relationships with students, parents and the community.

SAS staff work in school offices, in classrooms and libraries and maintaining and caring for school grounds and buildings. They are often the ones to tend to students when they unwell and they ensure the efficient management of school financial and administration functions



Julia Woods (right) cuts the cake on behalf SASS staff

### NAIDOC Experience



On Wednesday, 28th August all staff and students from Black Mountain Public School travelled to Wattle Ridge for NAIDOC Week Celebrations. It was the most incredible day, experiencing culture, country and history. Students walked the Knucklebone track, experienced Aboriginal rock art, painted boomerangs and our faces and enjoyed a great barbeque lunch.

Thank you to BANBAI EDAC and Rangers for sharing their incredible knowledge and for organising this fantastic educational NAIDOC experience for our students and staff.

Justine Eddy Relieving Principal



## Landholders to muster around climate challenges

Landholders in the Southern New England will soon have an opportunity to participate in four local forums designed to exchange ideas, knowledge and techniques that are more likely to succeed during challenging climatic conditions.

Southern New England Landcare Executive Officer Karen Zirler said the idea is to build awareness, knowledge and skills around priorities including soil health, pasture management, feral animal control, and revegetation initiatives, but with a special focus on the challenges that arise as a result of dealing with these issues in a changing climate.

SNELC will host special guest speakers and deliver in-

teractive workshops that focus on the challenges associated with climate change around each topic. The four events will be delivered over a twoyear period and each will be followed up with an extension publication outlining key outcomes.

"We've begun planning for our first event, which will be a Focus on Ferals Forum to be held this spring," said Karen. "Subsequent events will address climate challenges associated with soil health and hydration, species selection for revegetation success, and grazing management."

Anyone interested in staying informed about the events can subscribe to the Southern New England Landcare eNews at www.snelandcare.org.au.

# Centenary Celebrations for Bald Blair in 2020



Bald Blair Public School will be celebrating their 100 year anniversary on Saturday 31st October, 2020. Friends and family members, past and present are invited to come along and celebrate this milestone.

The school and the P&C would like to invite anyone interested in being part of the organising committee to come

along to our meeting on Wednesday 13th November, 2019 at 6pm at Bald Blair Public School.

Please bring ideas, names of past students and staff members, photos or memorabilia.

Any enquiries can be directed to the school on 6779 1579 or email: baldblair-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au



### Historic legislation to protect farmers' right to farm

New legislation has passed in NSW Parliament which will see farm trespassers face the toughest penalties in Australia, including up to three years jail time.

The Right to Farm Bill has introduced:

- The toughest penalties in Australia for farm trespass, including three years jail time and up to \$22,000 in fines. Currently there is no jail time for farm trespass;
- New offences and aggravating factors for activities such as trespassing as a group, damaging property and releasing livestock and tampering with farm gates and ramps;
- Legal recognition of a farmer's right to farm, shielding them from nuisance complaints, claims and legal action from their neighbours and other third parties.

This Bill addresses increasing attacks on farming families and sends the clearest possible message - enough is enough - if you invade a farm in NSW you will face up to three years behind bars.

If you move next door to a farm and decide you don't like the way it looks or sounds, then you won't have the grounds to take that farmer to court with nuisance claims.

We are telling our farmers we value the work they do and we will protect them and their families from these criminals.

The changes will ensure NSW has the toughest penalties in Australia for farm trespass, including new offences that do not exist in any other State or Territory.

### Game over for deer in the Northern Tablelands

From 6th of September 2019 changes to regulations will come into effect making it easier for landholders to manage the exploding deer population.

Deer have been stripped of the classification of 'game species' meaning now anyone with a firearm licence will be able to eradicate the pest on private land, so long as they have the landholder's permission.

I expect this change will come as a great relief for farmers around Guyra and Glen Innes and who are struggling to manage the pests which are causing extensive damage to fences and pastures.

Removing game status will give landholders more flexibility to manage deer and will bring its classification into line with other feral animals such as wild dogs, foxes, rabbits and pigs.

### 10 million strategy to combat horror summer of fish kills

The NSW Government will take unprecedented action to combat the looming threat of more fish kills this summer, with the creation of a modern day 'Noah's Ark' to save the State's native fish species from ecological disaster.

Unless there is significant rainfall in the next month, the State will almost certainly be in for a horror summer of fish kills.

Find me online:

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The NSW Government will immediately embark on a \$10 million fish rescue and restocking program to protect native fish species. This includes:

- An unprecedented breeding program, utilising government and private hatcheries, to ensure the longterm sustainability of the iconic Murray Cod and other native species, such as Trout Cod and Golden Perch;
- Artificial aeration, oxygenation and chemical treatments to support water quality and fish survival across river systems;
- Extra dedicated fish teams to conduct rescue operations during fish kill events;
- A \$5 million expansion of the Department of Primary Industries' flagship Fisheries Hatchery and Research Centre in Narrandera, as well as other facilities, which will house many of the rescued fish; and
- The State's largest restocking program in history of rescued and bred native fish once normal water conditions return.

Contact my office:

Phone: 02 6772 5552 Fax: 02 6772 5026 Email:

northerntablelands@parliament.nsw.gov.au

### Two more State titles for Guyra Central

On August 27th the Guyra Central School secondary under 16 years touch football team travelled to Dubbo to participate in the Central Schools Under 16 years Touch Football - Knock out finals. They successfully qualified for this event by winning the preliminary Gala Day held in Inverell in term 2.

They played five games of touch football against other qualifying Central Schools from across New South Wales, and were undefeated on the day to claim the Central Schools-NSW Knockout title.

It was the second state title that Guyra Central School has claimed in a matter of weeks following the success of the under 13 team in the small schools Country Cup. Alistair Connors was named player of the day for the carnival.

Guyra Central School continued their winning streak by taking out a third state title when the Under 16 boys took out the State Title for



TOUCH CHAMPIONS Back I to r: Michael Looker, Jake Wilson, Billy Youman, Joshua, Bell, Matthew Sisson, Mrs Nadine Youman, Harrison Dowden, Alistair Connors Front: Archie Dowden, Oscar Atkin, Malekah Landsborough, Brodi Campbell, Tom Lockyer

the Secondary Central Schools Rugby League 7s Knockout Competition.

Attending the second of three carnivals held in Dubbo, they played four games against other qualifying Central Schools from around New South Wales.

They finished the day undefeated to win the competition, with Billy Youman named player of the day.

The under 13 boys also took part in the Rugby League 7s State Championships playing a total of four games and finished in 3rd place.

The students looked fantastic in new rugby league outfits which were purchased by the Parents and Citizens Association.

### Men's Bowls

In the Handicap Singles played on the weekend Roger Cox defeated John Hamel 31-12 and Dan Kennedy defeated Robert Walls 31-23. In Major/Minor pairs Steven Sole and Robert Walls defeated Scott Campbell and Barry Campbell 36-17.

Matches set down for Saturday September 6th, 12 pm start.

Final Handicap Singles Dan Kennedy vs Roger Cox (Marker S Campbell)

Bowls presentation and meeting will be held on Sunday September 15th starting at 11am, followed by Social Pairs.

David Wilcox

#### Women's Bowls

Another year has passed, my first as President. I have enjoyed the challenge and I could not have done it without Bertha's support, guidance and help. Thank you Bertha for organising cards etc. and all the jobs you do during the year,

Thanks you to the match committee for their patience and support and thank you to Jenny for taking on the job of publicity officer — well done. Thank you Dot for selling raffle tickets and also all our members who helped with morning teas, bringing food, selling raffle tickets and whatever needed to be done during the year, your wonderful help is much appreciated.

Our year has been busy travelling to other clubs, playing in President's Days, District games etc. Our President' Day was very successful with 28 teams, great support from our district clubs as well as clubs from other districts and by all reports everyone had an enjoyable day.

We hosted the District Pennant playoffs at Guyra in May. The two days went off very well and congratulations to the winners and good luck at the next level.

Welcome to two new bowlers Jill McEwen and Cheryl O'Neill and also welcome back Betty Wilson, it is good to see you back on the green. I hope you all enjoy playing bowls, we now have nine bowling ladies.

The Guyra women's bowlers purchased shades for the greens and a defibrillator, we could not have done this without the help of Betty-anne to secure two grants – thank you. Women's Bowls Guyra contributed the remainder of the funds. We also purchased a thermometer/hygrometer (measures heat and humidity) to enable controlling body to monitor heat on the greens to all allow safe conditions to play bowls.

Congratulations to the ladies who played in the District games. We were runners up in Triples (Laurel, Dot and Wendy) and in the singles (Laurel). Well done ladies and also to the other ladies who played in the district games, thank you.

Thank you to Betty-anne and bar staff, Cameron, David, Donna and staff and anyone else who helped us during the year. We wish Betty-anne all the best and hope she returns to good health soon.

Thank you and good bowling everyone. Following the AGM, Laurel Betts was returned as President, Bertha Reeves as Secretary/Treasurer and Jenny O'Neill as Publicity Officer.

Anyone interested in playing bowls contact the Guyra Bowling Club on 6779 1499 or Bertha Reeves 6779 1257. You will be most welcome - bowls is played on Tuesdays but games can be organised on any day that you are interested.

Laurel Betts



### **Gazette Footy Tipping**



























Congratulations are in order for the 3 Bunnies who achieved a perfect score this week. However, what happened to Eel-be-Right who only managed 4 points! Must have been all that driving.

Jy seems to be in an unassailable position on the Locals Leaderboard, being 6 points ahead of GG: 247-241. The PIA has cemented himself into 3rd place on 239, but watch out for our little Red Devils and the 3 Bunnies who are just 2 points behind on 237.

In our Celebrities competition, Pharmacist Vu has extended his lead to 4 points over Publican Mick: 249-245.

IGA Ben is in 3rd place on 235 but this is held by only 2 points from Neil who is on 233 points. The question this week is: can the Gazette overtake Soley? There is also only 2 points separation 225-223.

The big game this week is Sharks v. Tigers to see who makes it into the top 8. Next week our winners will be announced.

### Sue's Tips Roosters Sea Eagles Storm Raiders **Broncos**

**Dragons** 

Knights

West Tigers



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Great coffee

Score: 209

### Soley's Tips

Rabbits Eels Storm Raiders Bulldogs

**Dragons Tigers** 

Knights



Your Rural Taxation Specialists

98 Bradley Street, Guyra e: csole@soletaxation.com.au

p: 6779 1267

Score: 225

### **Neil's Tips**

Roosters Eels Storm Raiders **Bulldogs Dragons Tigers** 

**Panthers** 



Breakfast Meals Snacks ... Cakes allat 102 Bradley St Tuneils Guyra Cafe

0467 315 915

Score: 233

### Ben's Tips

Rabbitohs Eels Storm

Raiders Bulldogs

**Titians** 

**Tigers** Knights

This week's specials: **Avocados** \$1.80 each

Easy carve Lamb Leg Roast - \$16/kg Tooheys New 24

Stubbies - 2 for \$92 6779 1555

Score: 235

### B-&-L's Tips

Roosters Eels Storm Raiders **Broncos Titans Sharks Panthers** 



### **Fourways Service Centre**

Maxxis Tyres & other leading brands Mechanical repairs Log book servicing Rego inspections



87-89 Bradley Street 6779 1284

Score: 215

### **Vu's Tips**

Roosters Eels Storm Raiders Bulldogs

Dragons **Tigers** 

Knights



Spring can bring on a whole range of hayfever concerns.

Ask your pharmacist about symptom relief today

106 Bradley Street, Guyra 6779 1192

**Pharmacist Advice** 



Score: 249

### **Gazette's Tips**

Roosters Eels Storm Raiders **Bulldogs Dragons Tigers** 

Knights



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Score: 223

### Mick's Tips

Rabbits Sea Eagles Storm. Raiders

Bulldogs Titans Sharks

**Panthers** 



 A & J Vietnamese Restaurant - Open

**Meat Tray Raffles** Fri and Sat evening

### Guyra Hotel

Your Family Friendly Hotel 88 Bradley Street, Guyra

6779 1018

Score: 245

### **Busy weekend for Junior Soccer**

This weekend was a busy one for Junior Soccer. Our 14B Lil Caspers and 16A Jnr Caspers played their final games for the season. The 12B Spirits and the 14A Ghosts cemented their places in the semi-finals and we wish them luck this Saturday 7th of September. The 12B Spirits and the Under 9 Vipers also took part in the Jack Vallance Memorial Carnival on Sunday and a great day was had by the players and their families.

The rest of our Junior teams, Under 6s – Under 10s, will play their final games at the Rologas fields in Armidale this Saturday. The final round is a fun way to finish the season. A jumping castle will be at the fields from 8.00am for the young players and their siblings. The 1st Grade Senior Team will be playing in Guyra at 3.00pm on Saturday so please come and support our players in their finals if you can.

12B Spirits were the only team to play at home on the weekend, taking on East Green in their final round before the semi-finals. The team played extremely well with great defence keeping the score low. Guyra made some great attempts at goal but failed to find the net. East Green scored a goal in each half with a final score of 2-0. A big thank you to Mick Purvis for stepping in as referee this week.



Under 12 Spirits with coaches Jo and Paul Dullaway

Ten of our Spirits backed up again on Sunday taking part in the Jack Vallance Memorial Carnival in Armidale. With beautiful weather, a very enthusiastic team and great support from families, the day was destined to be enjoyable. The Spirits played in Pool A against leading teams from Armidale (Souths A's and Armidale City A's) and Inverell. Despite being a player down the Spirits were very competitive, winning 2 out of their six games and coming 3rd in Pool A.

Angus Dullaway was outstanding in goals, even winning the respect (and cheers) of the opposing teams. Ryan Saunders played well in defence until tak-

ing a hit to the face in Round 4. A big thank you to Stevie McElroy for filling in for Ryan for the rest of the day. Leigha McElrov continues to be fearless in defence and covered a lot of territory throughout the day. Neville Stanley has improved with each game this season and had a great day in the back line. Jason Mowbray and Daniel Grills maintained the play in the centre taking some great runs and passing with even greater accuracy. George Williamson and Jake Tibbs were as reliable as always on the wings, drawing the ball out and taking a shot when possible. Our strikers Cooper Reeves (carrying an injury) and Jack Soraghan maintained their pace and energy throughout the day and were rewarded with 5 goals, 3 to Cooper and 2 to Jack.

At the end of the day there were two very proud coaches and ten tired but happy players. Congratulations to the Inverell FC Aces (Coached by former Casper Rod Douglas) who went on to face the winner of Pool B and took home the winner's medals for the 12's Division. A big thank you to all of the families who took part on Sunday, especially the dad's celebrating Father's Day. A great day was had by all.

### The draw for this weekend is as follows:

**Semi Final: 14A Ghosts** vs TAS White, Rologas 1, 10.00am

**Semi Final**: 12B Spirits vs DK Warriors, Rologas 12, 11.30am

**U10 Cobras** vs Armidale City Blue, Rologas 11, 11.00am

**U9 Vipers** vs TAS, Rologas 16, 10.00am

U9 Jets vs South Starfish, Rologas 14, 10.00am U8 Jaffas vs DK Axes, Rolo-

gas 15, 11.00am

U8 Skittles vs DK Blades,

Rologas 14, 11.00am **U7 Jellybeans** vs DK Hurricanes, Rologas 8, 9.00am

**U7 Smartie** vs, DK Thunderbolts, Rologas 4, 9.00am

**U6 Spooks** vs East Ninjas, Rologas 5, 10.00am

### Tennis

The Guyra Tennis Club is looking for interested tennis players to come and have a social hit on Thursday 5th September 2019 at 6pm.

Come and play for free on the night and receive a free sausage sandwich. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Sally Purvis for catering purposes on 0456 921 280.

We are wanting to start a Mixed Tennis Night competition after the school holidays. If you are interested in playing in the mixed tennis competition but can't attend on the night, please message Sally Purvis to register your interest.

Sally Purvis

#### **Junior Cricket**

An information afternoon for

all players interested in playing junior cricket for Guyra this year will be held on Thursday September 5th. Guyra is looking to field teams in under 10, under 12 and under 14 age groups in the Armidale District junior competition this year.

Please come along to the Recreation Ground cricket nets from 4.30pm. For more information, phone Jason Campbell 0428 763 688 or Simon Brown 0427 665 131.

As an introduction to the game we are also hoping to runJunior Blasters (5-7yrs) and Master Blasters (7-10yrs) programs this year.

They will be run at Guyra Central School on a weekday afternoon and will commence in October.

### Ladies' Golf

A field of 12 ladies played on the 28th August, competing in a

4BBB Stroke event. The winners of the day were Joyce Betts and Wendy Jackson with a fine score of 67 Nett. Nearest the Pins winners were 7th Vicki Reeves, 9th Wendy George and on the 18th was Kath Varley.

This week, two teams are competing in the VW Scramble at Inverell. On Wednesday 11th September we will compete in a Stableford competition, while other ladies will play in the 4BBB at Warialda's Open Day. Also, it's time to submit your entries for the New England District Golf Association (NEDGA) 4BBB/Veteran's 4BBB event at Inverell on 25th September.

Birdie

#### Men's Golf

Last Sunday a good field contested the Landmark stroke which was won by Pat Grills with 67 Nett and Ian Taylor was runner up. The monthly mug was also won by Patrick.

Nearest to the pins were Ian Taylor on the 7th, Barry Simpson on the 10th and Michael Jackson on the 18th. Next Sunday will be a three person ambrose sponsored by the Regional Australia Bank. Due to the continuing dry conditions golfers are now permitted to use a tee when taking a preferred lie.

The Albatross

#### Vets Golf

A good turnout of 15 players competed in a Four ball Stableford Multiple on August 27th.

The winning team with 84 was Pat and Roger Grills with runners up Col Walls and Wal Chapman on 79. Nearest the pins were Len Stanley on the 7th and Chris Newberry on the 18th.

The Vets AGM will be held on September 10 after golf at 2pm so please consider taking on a small roll.

A Vet

#### STOCK FEED

COTTON SEED Available in small amounts ex Guyra Shed - By the ute load or delivery available by the spreader load. Ph 0427 102 630

OATS AND HAY available for sale and delivery. Call 0429 456 269

### **FIREWOOD**

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### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

GUYRA HISTORICAL **MUSEUM** closed for renovations. Enquiries or GROUP BOOKINGS: 6779 2132.

FOOD PANTRY continues to operate out of NorthWest Church, (66 Langlothlin Street) on the 1st 3rd and 5th Friday of each month from 11am-12noon, and then from 1pm-3pm.

### **FOR RENT**

MAIN STREET SHOP, furnished. Short or long term, reasonable rent. Contact D. Bearup 0412 856 679

STORAGE SHEDS brick, 9x3, high security, Contact Davidson Cameron 6779 1777

### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

GUYRA CRICKET CLUB is calling for expressions of interest in MAJOR SPONSORSHIP for the 2019/2020 cricket season. Please submit in writing by email to guyracricket@gmail.com or mail to the Secretary c/- 8913 Guyra Rd, Guyra 2365. Enquiries: Adrian Cameron 0427 351 059 or James Stewart 6779 4215. Applications close Friday September, 6th, 2019.

#### **DEATH NOTICE**

### **BULL**; **DUDLEY JAMES 30<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

At Guyra Hospital; of Moore Street, Guvra.

Loved son of Olga & Kevin (both dec'd). Dearly loved father of Meshelle. Anne, Tony and loving Pa to his grandchildren & great-grandchildren. A loved brother, brother-In-law, uncle & greatuncle.

### Aged 72 years

Private family Cremation held on Monday, 2nd September 2019.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.



**Piddington's AFDA** 6772 2288

### **CLAIM THE DATE**

SUNDAY 6th OCTOBER Car Boot sale at TroutFest 9am-12pm, \$10/car. \$15/car & trailer. Bookings guyratroutfest@amail.com.

SUNDAY 20th OCTOBER Lomond Fashion Parade at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall. Enquiries 0429 332 094.

SATURDAY 2nd NOVEMBER St James Anglican Church Fete

TUESDAY 5th NOVEMBER Can Assist Melbourne Cup Lunch and Fashion Parade.

### **CLAIM THE DATE**

For your event or function Phone: 6779 2132

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### **Gazette Footy Tipping**

Jy Starr	247	Eel-be-Right	215
GG	241	3 PS	215
The PIA	239	Elva Brazier	215
Red Devils	237	Chris Morley	213
The 3 Bunnies	237	Fire Breather	209
Bulldog	233	Nightwatchman	207
Bookworm	231	Old Chook	207
Hazel	231	My Name Jeff	189
Phantom	217		

This week is the last round of our footy tipping competition.

There's room for manoeuvre in the minor placings. Here is the NRL ladder for you to keep tabs on this week's

matches - especially Sharks v. Tigers for the final 8.						
	Storm	40	Tigers	24		
	Roosters	36	Knights	22		
	Raiders	32	Panthers	22		
	Rabbits	32	Cowboys	20		
	Sea Eagles	30	Bulldogs	20		
	Eels	28	Warriors	19		
	Broncos	25	Dragons	16		
	Sharks	24	Titans	10		

### Home final for Caspers

The Caspers travelled to Inverell for the second week in a row with a Grand Final spot up for the winner. They needed a good start and in the early exchanges were completely dominating the Inverell side. This continued for the first 20 minutes until the Guyra boys were awarded a penalty coming out of defence which somehow was overturned by the linesman who was 30 metres away. From this Ben Lennon received a yellow card and Inverell scored what Guyra believed was an undeserved goal with the goal scorer bowing to the linesman in thanks.

This seemed to inspire the Caspers who got back into attack and were all over their opponents until a challenge at the back saw Ben Lennon receive his second yellow card and he was ejected from the game leaving just 10 men for the rest of the game.

Despite this the boys held



Caspers first grade will be hoping to secure on grand final spot this weekend

their heads and went to the break 1-0 down. They got their composure back at half time and were keen to keep up their attack and come away with the points.

The second half was solid but the Casper's went down another goal 30 minutes into the second half. To their credit they stuck it out until the end but were unable to crack a goal and although the boys lost, they lost no supporters and did themselves proud.

So, the Casper's are at home this Saturday at 3pm hosting the talented TAS team, with a Grand Final game for the winners and end of season to the loser. With it all on the line the Casper's would love to have a big home crowd to cheer them on.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE

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Northern Tablelands Local Land Services Livestock Officers will be available to answer all your feed and nutrition enquiries pre and post lambing and calving.

Feeding advice will be tailored to your farm business. We can also help you fill out drought relief assistance forms.

Call in to Rafters Cafe, New England Highway, Guyra, anytime between 10am-4pm on 16 September 2019.





For more information contact Tahnee Manton: 0438 600 473