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Christmas arrives in style



A colourful Christmas Parade marked the start of the annual Christmas Party held in Bradley Street on Friday

The Guyra Christmas party which was held on Friday night attracted a large crowd with an estimated attendance of around 1000 to kick off the festive season.

Organised by the Rotary Club of Guyra and sponsored by Armidale Regional Council, it was chance to celebrate

at a time when drought and bushfires are dominating the thoughts of many.

And while there was a smoky haze blanketing the town, it did not dampen the enthusiasm of local children who participated in the parade and then lined up for a meet and greet with Santa

Claus.

This year he arrived in style in a shiny red convertible and more than 300 children queued up for a chance to meet with the man in red, give him their wish list and receive a small gift.

The culmination of the event was the lighting of the

Christmas Tree with Guyra's citizen of the year Aileen MacDonald, flicking the switch with a little help from local children.

The Christmas Tree will remain in Guyra, outside the Council offices for the remainder of the festive season

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New Year's EVE

See the New Year in with Jacko's Jukebox

Bistro available 6.00pm-8.30pm
book a table on
6779 1005

- Live music this Friday night - 13th Dec
- Raffles on Christmas Eve



Royal Hotel Guyra

122 Bradley Street, Guyra



Left:
Santa was a big drawcard with a neverending queue of youngsters waiting in line

Below left:
Paul, Angus, Jo and Olivia Dullaway

Below:
ARC Mayor Simon Murray, Citizen of the Year Aileen MacDonald and Dot Vickery



Above: There were plenty of food and craft stalls to browse
Right: Jo Cruickshank with Ine and Lulu

Graduation time for Preschool

Nineteen of the Guyra Preschool and Long Day Care Centre's eldest students graduated in style on Friday, 29th November at a special ceremony held at the Guyra Bowling Club. The event showcased the children's adventures through videos and photos taken during their time at the centre.

In a final performance they showed off their singing and dancing talents, entertaining their parents, extended family and friends with an amazing rendition of Baby Shark. For the formal part of the day the graduates all donned caps and gowns and were each presented with a certificate of congratulations along with a framed graduation photo. Armidale Regional Mayor Simon Murray and Business Manager Scot MacDonald attended the ceremony which proved to be an emotional day for both the children and their educators.

Preschool Supervisor Amanda Campbell said that the graduation was a thoughtful and fitting tribute to mark the end of their preschool years.



Nineteen of our littlest citizens enjoyed a special celebration as they graduated from Preschool

"At one point or another there was always a different teary eye or a photo and video being taken to capture this milestone," Amanda said. "The educators are all proud of the kids and know

they are more than ready to take on the world - we have no doubt in their capabilities and determination in facing the next stage of formal schooling."

Community grant for Food Pantry

North West Church in Guyra is among the latest organisations to receive funding under Round 5 of the Australian Government's Stronger Communities Programme (SCP).

Member for New England, Barnaby Joyce, said the organisation will receive \$2,500 to upgrade its kitchen and improve access for Food Bank shoppers.

"Sometimes a cuppa and a chat is the best medicine money can buy, especially during drought," Mr Joyce said.

"This refurbishment will provide a place where people

in Guyra do that in comfort after their grocery shopping."

Run every second Friday out of the North West Church in Guyra every, Food Bank provides affordable grocery items to the local community alongside a friendly cuppa and a chat.

Recent SCP grant recipients in Guyra include the Guyra Show Society - to upgrade its canteen facilities and Guyra Neighbourhood Centre - for a digital equipment upgrade.

The SCP provides grants of between \$2,500 and \$20,000 to community or-

ganisations and local governments for small capital projects that deliver social benefits for local communities.

Under the \$22.65 million Round 5 of the SCP, each federal electorate has received \$150,000 to allocate towards successful projects, with a maximum of 20 projects to be funded per electorate.

Funding of up to \$90.0 million was available under the previous four rounds of the SCP in the 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-18, and 2018-19 financial years.

PET OF THE WEEK



Smudge is an adorable 8 week old kitten. She is full of confidence and fun! Smudge loves cuddles and is very affectionate. She is fully litter trained. Her adoption fee of \$150 includes desexing, vaccination, microchipping, worming and flea treatment.

We currently have many kittens of various ages and colours for adoption. Please get in touch to meet them.

**Phone/text Friends of
Fred Animal Rescue:
0423 685 694**

What's HOT

TABLES and chairs at the Christmas Party - a big improvement on last year.

What's NOT

NO Christmas carols at a Christmas event

STALLHOLDERS and council workers driving around barricades to pack up early with small kids still playing on the closed road.

CHRISTMAS TREE turned off and moved in less than one hour after lighting

QUOTE of the week

Better the cottage where one is merry than the palace where one weeps

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
3	Tues	2.3	21.8	0
4	Wed	9.2	24.0	0
5	Thurs	7.8	26.5	0
6	Fri	13.5	28.5	0
7	Sat	12.4	29.0	0
8	Sun	9.5	29.5	0
9	Mon	11.7	30.1	0

Rain this week	0mm
Dec rainfall	4.8mm
Rainfall YTD	276.6mm
Rainfall last YTD	512.6mm
Ave. rain to Dec.	914.5mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Kids get creative

On Wednesday the 27th November, St Mary of the Angels, held their annual Creative arts night.

The night consisted of many and varied performances from whole school choirs, instrumental performances, gymnastics and dance.

Individual classes performed items consisting of singing, dancing, poetry and acting. The night provided great entertainment!

It was extremely enjoyable to watch the students display such confidence and wonderful talent. Their enjoyment and energy was contagious.



Ethan Tribe "The Big Bad Wolf" and Shanae Wark "Little Yellow Riding Hood"

Successful run for Car Club



The Guyra and District Automotive Club Cobweb run was a success on Sunday despite the smoke haze.

After meeting at the NAB carpark we headed off the back way to Black Mountain. Going through the narrow railway under-

pass proved interesting for the huge 1960 Desoto!

We stopped at Black Mountain to enjoy the view before returning via the highway. Arriving back in the carpark, car club members enjoyed coffee and a chat with onlookers.

Man critical following accident

A man remains in a critical condition following a serious motor vehicle collision near Guyra on Friday. Just before 5.30pm on Friday December 6th, emergency services were called to the New England Highway after two cars collided.

Police were told that a Toyota Hilux, travelling north, collided with a Mitsubishi Verada, travelling south on the highway. The Mitsubishi rolled with the 72-year-old driver from Queensland trapped inside the vehicle. He was conveyed to Armidale Hospital in a critical condition and later airlifted to John Hunter Hospital. The driver of the Toyota, a 23-year-old man from Armidale, sustained abdominal injuries and was also taken to Armidale Hospital.

Investigations are continuing and anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or <https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.au>. Information is treated in strict confidence.



Mayor's Message

Wonderful community spirit was well and truly on display last week as large crowds turned out for the Christmas street parties in Armidale and Guyra.

Last Wednesday's

Christmas in the Mall party attracted a record crowd, with people filling Beardy Street Mall and a section of Dangar Street.

Similarly, many of the people in Bradley Street for the Guyra Christmas Party reported it was the town's largest Christmas celebration for some time.

At a time when the region has faced a prolonged battle with drought and now bushfires, it was fantastic to see the sea of children and their families gathered to meet Santa and enjoy themselves.

There was no hint of communities sapped of vitality. Instead, it was a perfect illustration of our region taking the water shortages in its stride – implementing the necessary actions as

required, then putting that all to one side and seizing the opportunity for celebrations.

I hope this will continue as you gather with family and friends for your Christmas and New Year's revelry.

There is no denying this has been a particularly challenging year for the Armidale region and many neighbouring areas.

It started with a bushfire threatening the township of Tingha and continued with the prospect of a very dry year, prompting the implementation of water restrictions for the Guyra and Armidale town water supplies.

As the community responded admirably and significantly reduced its water consumption, we were then hit by a succession of bushfires that threatened population centres and rural properties.

The immediate threat of bushfires has been averted, thanks largely to the amazing work of Rural Fire Service officers and volunteers, and other supporting services.

However, predicted hot and dry conditions for this summer means we will all need to be vigilant during the coming weeks. For residents in rural areas and the outskirts of the population centres, utilise some of that added

leisure time to create or review your bush fire survival plan.

If another emergency does arise, there are plenty of services to stay properly informed, such as the Fire Near Me website and app, the RFS Facebook page and website, the Live Traffic NSW website and Council's Facebook page.

Similarly, it's important residents continue to be vigilant in minimising our water use during the Christmas – New Year period, to preserve our remaining dam supplies. The arrival of house guests, holiday feasts and scorching summer days all bring added challenges in water conservation.

Households will soon receive the summer issue of our Water Wise newsletter, which includes tips on save water while enjoying the festival holidays.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Kick back and enjoy your precious time with family and friends. Let's set our sights on a prosperous 2020, equipped with all we have learnt and the added strength we have obtained, individually and as a community, from the challenges of 2019.

Simon Murray



Armidale Region celebrates Christmas

Armidale and Guyra residents turned out in large numbers for Christmas festivities last week.

Many filled Beardy Street Mall to see Santa and his reindeers Rudolf and Dasher at Christmas in the Mall on Wednesday.

A record number of stall holders also registered for this year's event. Thanks to Rotary AM for organising the stalls for the evening.

The fun continued on Friday night in Bradley Street, Guyra when many turned out to receive their gifts and get a photo with Santa. Thanks to the Rotary Club of Guyra for a well organised street party and all the people who came along to join in on the fun.



Skool's Out Pool Party

Saturday 21 December

Save the date for our Skool's Out Pool Party on Saturday 21 December at Armidale Monckton Aquatic Centre.

Everyone is invited to join us from 6pm for a movie, inflatables, great food and more.

Further details are coming soon so keep an eye on Council's social media pages for all the details.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 December 2019 at the Guyra Council Chambers, 158 Bradley St, from 3pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Wednesday 11 December 2019

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Meals on Wheels

Dec 12th Joyce Betts
Dec 13th Golf Ladies
Dec 16th Lions Club
Dec. 17th Pamela Carter
Dec. 18th Ann Hulbert

Street Stalls

Dec. 12th Masonic Lodge
Dec. 13th & 14th Rotary
Dec 19th & 20th
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

World's best practice for proposed Guyra abattoir

Three years after a group of New England business people formed a company to formally advance their plans to establish a meat processing facility in the Armidale-Guyra region, the group has now self-funded the development of an advanced concept design, feasibility study and development application for an industrial subdivision. They have also secured a 71-hectare site of undeveloped industrial zoned land just off the New England Highway outside of Guyra.

The company behind the project is New England Innovation & Development Pty Ltd (NEID Pty Ltd) and the directors are Rob Taber, Kathy Padgen, Christine Perrott and Shane Voigt from Armidale, Tamworth solicitor Michael McHugh and Guyra farmer, land owner and developer Geoffrey Bell.

Their proposal is centred around establishing a multi-species meat processing facility to provide a localised custom toll processing for the large pool of premium quality livestock produced in the surrounding region. Peter Bullock from Bullock Solutions, a private consultancy working with the project, said that the opportunity the developers have identified is to provide local access to toll processing capacity while also developing pre-

mium branded New England products for domestic and overseas markets.

New England Innovation & Development Pty Ltd has secured a site which neighbours the location of the former Guyra abattoir, which operated on and off from the 1960s through to the 1990s. In addition to the multi-species abattoir it plans to build an additional industrial subdivision incorporating 31 industrial lots, which the proponents envisage becoming a future hub for food and agricultural businesses. As of September 2019, the development application for this subdivision is at an advanced stage.

According to current plans the abattoir would in its first year be able to process 2000 sheep per day and 250 cattle per day simultaneously on dedicated, segregated chains, with longer term plans to double those numbers through an additional shift and a future proofed design.

The proposal also includes the potential for a solar farm for renewable energy creation which may be used either to support the power needs of the abattoir, the industrial subdivision or local existing businesses.

Mr Bullock said the proposal is designed to incorporate world's best practice in auto-

mated processing and livestock handling, which, combined with reduced transport requirements for local livestock, would position the new facility as a leader in both animal welfare and meat-eating quality.

He said independent feasibility studies funded by the directors of NEID Pty Ltd were supportive of the economic feasibility of the plan and the economic benefits it would bring to the New England region.

The facility would initially run one shift per day for 224 days per year and employ 222 staff. The proponents are in the process of completing development applications for local Council approvals and are developing applications for State approvals. Construction costs are anticipated to be between AUS \$70-\$87 million, with annual operating costs of \$28.6 million.

A fact sheet issued in September 2019 supporting the proposal says it is anticipated the project will be funded through a combination of seed funding, venture capital, private equity and debt funding, with shares distributed by negotiation where appropriate. Early stage discussions are now underway with the investment community.

Bus service to make detour to Ben Lomond

BEN LOMOND locals will benefit from a new daily coach transport trial starting just in time for Christmas. The pre-existing Tenterfield to Armidale daily return coach service will now call into Ben Lomond, ensuring the community had access to public transport.

Starting this week, passengers will be able to board at Ben Lomond and travel to Armidale, before potentially catching another service onto Sydney.

Member for Northern Table-

lands Adam Marshall said it was now over to the community to determine if the trial would become a permanent fixture.

"This new service will initially commence on a trial basis, allowing the Government to make changes in response to feedback and improve connections to better service the community," he said.

"We have had great success with earlier coach trials and look forward to seeing customers get on board and show

their support for this one.

"When it comes to these services it really is a numbers game and the more people we have utilising the route, the more likely it is it will continue."

The new service will start from this Wednesday, December 11th, and will be delivered and operated by NSW Train-Link.

People can book tickets on these services at www.transportnsw.info/regional or by phoning 13 22 32.



A BIG THANK YOU!

The Rotary Club of Guyra thanks all
who participated in the
Guyra Community Christmas Party
in Bradley Street last Friday evening

Thank You to the Guyra Community for being there.

Thank You to all the Children for coming to meet Santa.

Thank You to the Schools and Teachers who were involved.

Thank You to the Guyra Businesses who provided power to the stalls:

Juneils
Paul Wood
Brisk Trading
High on Bikes
Guyra Pharmacy
Cross Country Taxation
Guyra Country Fresh Hot Bread Shop

Thank You to the SES and VRA for traffic management.

Thank You to the Stall Holders who supported the event.

Thank You to Jacko's Juke Box for providing entertainment.

Special thanks to the Council staff who set up and cleaned up.

Thank You to Councillor Peter Bailey for his presence and presents.

A Big Thank You to Armidale Regional Council
for sponsoring the event.

And a Huge Thank You to Santa
for travelling from the North Pole
to be there for the children.



New airport bore supports aerial firefighting

Rural Fire Service aerial activities in the area will be provided with water from a new bore established at Armidale Regional Airport, removing a potential need to source water from town water supplies.

The bore came on line last week, as part of test drilling to locate possible aquifers in an around Armidale and Guyra to supplement the town water supplies. Its activation came as water supplies in a regional airport dam were exhausted by weeks of aerial firefighting flights to control bushfires throughout the region.

The 114-metre-deep bore has been fitted with a pump that can extract water at 18,000 litres per hour. The bore can operate for a maximum of 16

hours per day, providing up to 288,000 litres during that time.

ARC Mayor Simon Murray said that this ensures there will be enough to fill the RFS tank at the airport, which has a capacity of 172,000 litres

“We knew from previous drilling that the site would provide sufficient water, so it was a good option to provide a quick source of fight fighting water once it became evident the dam they were using could run dry.

“Unfortunately, the arrival of equipment for the bore was delayed by road closures because of the bushfires. However, we’ve still been able to keep the water supply up for RFS activities.”



ARC Deputy Mayor Lib Martin, General Manager - Businesses Scot MacDonald, Mayor Simon Murray, NSW Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall and the Rural Fire Service New England District Manager, Superintendent Steve Mepham.

Vinnies does not need your rubbish

Volunteers who work at Vinnies devote their time to raising funds to help disadvantaged people in our town.

So it is often with disappointment that they arrive to find that people have dumped their rubbish and items that cannot be used outside the store.

While they welcome donations of good, clean second hand clothing and household goods, they are asking for people to think twice before dumping their damaged goods and rubbish.

If you can drive to Vinnies, you can drive to the tip and dispose of your rubbish in a

responsible manner.

They also discourage people from helping themselves and scattering donated items left outside the store and in the bins. At least one person was recently observed “bin-diving” into the clothes bin.

If you are looking for a bargain, why not wait until the store opens so the ladies can help you out.

The donated goods are picked up each Tuesday and taken to Armidale where they are sorted and then resold at reasonable prices.

And save them the trouble of cleaning up your mess by disposing of the rubbish where it belongs.



Vinnies volunteers are often greeted by a huge mess outside the store when they arrive

Local Guyra 2020 Calendar available NOW!



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Sarah thanks community ahead of tour



Sarah Rosten is counting down the days until she departs for Europe

As Sarah Rosten prepares to embark on a soccer tour of United Kingdom and France in January, she would like to thank the community who have supported her fundraising efforts.

Her final fundraising event held at Ben Lomond on November 23rd was a great success and she would like to thank everyone who donated items for the auction and raffle and also those who helped before, during, and after the event.

Also a big thank you to Martin Oakes and Charlie Fittler who entertained the crowd and Myles Williams who was the auctioneer on the night.

The support received was greatly appreciated with the final total raised on the night being just over \$5500.

Sarah was offered a position on the tour following some impressive performances at the NSW Combined High Schools girls' championships which were held in July.

She will join 27 other girls from around the state on the tour where they will take on various schools and clubs, watch Premier League matches, and tour a Premier League stadium.

Sarah said that the money raised will be a big help when in Europe. As her departure date gets closer she is looking forward to the experience of travelling and playing against different teams, but not so much the change from a hot summer in Australia to the cold of a European winter.

Weekly Wool Sales

More downward pressure was applied to the wool market this week with the Eastern Market Indicator falling below 1500 cents for the first time since early September. The quality of the offering deteriorated coming off the back of last week's designated Superfine sale, resulting in the finer micron categories coming under the most pressure. Losses were recorded over both selling days however were not as severe on the final day. The Merino Carding sector was the only area of the market to manage a small gain. The national passed in rate jumped to over 20% as grower resistance to the falling market increased. This resulted in just over 30,000 bales being sold for the week. Major buyers included Techwool, PJ Morris and Fox & Lillie. Next week's expected national offering has grown in size and is almost 10,000 bales greater than what had been expected only week ago. Based on the fall in the market over the past three weeks it would be surprising to see 48,451 bales materialise in next week's sale but with only two selling weeks left prior to the Christmas break it may be being viewed as an opportunity to reduce risk before the annual three week recess.

Lady Bowlers boost for Can Assist



Guyra Bowling Ladies, presented a cheque for \$355 to the Guyra Branch of Can Assist. The funds came from the recent Come and Try Bowls day.

Pictured l to r: Can Assist Treasurer Lyn Skinner, Ladies Bowls President Laurel Betts, Sue Adams (Can Assist), Jenny O'Neil (Lady Bowlers) and Joyce Betts (Can Assist)

Super Spuds

A stunning turn-out at training last week all-but confirmed the Super Spuds will field an under 18s team for the first time in about a decade when the 2020 season kicks off.

Almost 40 players got stuck in at pre-season training on Thursday and of those more than half were under 18s players.

There were also a few senior men's players and women's leaguetag players in attendance, but they were outdone by the enthusiastic youngsters.

This week training will start at 6.15pm on Thursday at the Sports Complex.

The club's sponsorship drive is also in full swing. Any business owners who would like their brand to feature on the team uniform need to contact the club as soon as possible via email at gyrarugbyleague@gmail.com or through the committee.

Grant Robertson

Hockey

Guyra Shamrock Hockey Club would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Jenette Williamson for her dedication and enthusiasm towards the Juniors these past

years. We wish both Jenette, Jamie, Annie and George all the best for their future endeavours in Lismore.

In February 2020 Guyra Shamrock Hockey Club will be running a four-week indoor hockey competition at the Guyra Community Hall as an introduction to the 2020 outdoor season. We plan to run a skills clinic with Greg Doolan from Hockey NSW in conjunction with a registration afternoon at the beginning of February. For junior's expression of interest please contact Prue Post 0424 623 836 and for senior's expression of interest please contact Tim Youman 0412 220 268.

Our AGM will be held at 7pm, 4th February 2020 at the Royal Hotel. All welcome and all committee positions will be open.

Prue Post

Ladies' Golf

Last week a field of 13 ladies played for Karen Oehlers' trophy in the final of the Par Medal Playoff Trophy with Wendy Jackson coming out as the winner with +3. The Runner Up was Wendy George with +1.

Nearest the Pin Winners were Donna White on the 7th

and also the 18th Hole, Karen Oehlers on the 9th and Wendy Jackson on the 10th hole.

This week is a Stableford with Anita Murray as the sponsor as well as the starter. Wednesday Night is also the Ladies Presentation Night.

Next week is a Par Event with Pip White as the starter. On the 1st of December Joyce Betts and Wendy Jackson travelled to Walcha to play in the Walcha Ladies Open. There was a large field of 62 players Wendy won the Longest Drive of the day.

Birdie

Men's Golf

No golf last Sunday, might be because of a big day on Saturday when the men narrowly defeated the ladies in the annual matchplay competition.

Next Sunday will be an 18 hole stableford for a club trophy. In pennant news the new date for the competition is the 19th of January, anyone available can put their name on the notice board, all green fees already paid will be carried over.

Next Saturday will be Bruce's Bash a par 3 event over 14 holes beginning at 2pm.

The Albatross.

Mid Week Golf

Heaps of players for the double points week. Certainly boosted the pointscores. Extra points for all team playing went to Full House, No Shankers, Sultans of Swing and Charged up. Best score for the week went to Belinda Williamson 25, Tom Burey 24 and Leonie Taylor 23. This is the last week we play before the Christmas break. We start up again on January 13th

Vets Golf.

A very small group of Vets played the monthly Reg Taylor stroke event last week. The day started out quite cold and breezy but finished a much better day.

The winner with a score of 80 was Ian Taylor. The net winner Jim Betts had a good day scoring 68 net and 41 stableford points. The best putter with 27 putts was Len Stanley and the nearest the pins went to Ian Taylor on the 10th and Chris Newberry the 18th.

This week and next we will be competing for hams and turkeys. We hope to see more players before the Christmas break.

A Vet



Above left: Ladies Triples winners Laverne Apthorpe, Elfie Brunner and Pam McFayden (Armidale Ex Services) with Ladies President Laurel Betts

Above: Cameron Peardon with the winners of the Scweppes Pairs Mick Pennell (Armidale Ex Services) and Col Stanley (Guyra)



Left: Mixed Triples winners Russell Johns, Pauline Johns and Dianne Richter (Armidale Ex Services) with Cameron Peardon & Bertha Reeves



PET CARER

Are you going away for holidays or even a weekend? Need your animals looked after in their own home while you are away? Please call me on 6779 2450

LOST

SET OF KEYS on an R2D2 key ring. Great sentimental value. Reward offered. Lost between South Guyra and Guyra town area. Phone 0407 583 170

BLUE ENAMEL DROP EARRING lost in Bradley Street on Friday evening at the street Christmas Party. Great sentimental value. Phone 6779 7528

CHRISTMAS CLOSING

GUYRA NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE (the Hub at Guyra) will be closed from 19th December to 14th January, 2020. Sorry for any inconvenience

Vinnies Shop

Last day: Friday 20th December, 2019
2.00pm

Opening: Tuesday 14th January, 2020
10.00am to 2.00pm

Care & Support Conference

Close: Wednesday 18th December, 2019
4.00pm

Opening; 15th January, 2020 at 2.00pm

Thank you for your support over 2019.
Have a Happy & Healthy Christmas
& New Year.

Margaret & volunteers
Sue & volunteers

RAFFLE RESULTS

GARDEN CLUB Christmas raffle: 1st Trish Lindeman (voucher Black Mtn Nursery), 2nd Tony Duke (voucher Old Convent Gardens), 3rd Anne Thackway (bottle wine/metal stand). Thanks to all who supported us.

CLAIM THE DATE

SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER at 7.30pm
Combined Churches Carols at St. Columba's Presbyterian Church.

CLAIM THE DATE

For your event
or function

Phone: 6779 2132

IN MEMORIAM

MALCOLM "CHINNY" REEVES

10.1.1962 - 8.12.2017

Chin, you left us so suddenly.
Your love is still our guide
and though we cannot see you,
you're always by our side.

*Mum, Kay & Phill, Wayne & Tricia,
Greg & families*



JOY ANNETTE

McLEOD

20.12.2007

BRYAN JOSEPH

McLEOD

9.12.2018

A silent thought, a secret tear,
Keeps your memory ever dear
God took you home, it was his will,
But in our hearts, you live still.
Loving you and missing you
every single day
Mum and Dad/Nan and Pop.

*Christine, Anne, Denise
and families*

PUBLIC NOTICES

GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM

OPEN on Sundays 11am to 3pm.
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Combined Churches Carols Guyra

St. Columba's
Presbyterian Church



7.30pm

Sunday, 15th December

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The Guyra Food Pantry (at Northwest Church)

WILL BE OPEN

on

20th December

The shop opens from 11am - 12pm
and then again 1pm - 3pm

Just a reminder that farmers
are welcome, they just need to bring
their ABN with them.

For everybody else, a concession card
from Centrelink is required.



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Carnival over for another year

Well the 30th Guyra Annual Bowls Carnival has come to a conclusion for another year. The Carnival started on Tuesday December 3rd with the Women's Open Triples. There were 16 teams that played and after two Rounds the winners were Lav-erne Apthorpe, Elfie Brunner and Pam McFayden (Armidale Ex Services) with two wins + 37 points. Runners Up were Barb Cullen, Rhonda Burrell and Gwen Davidson (Kootingal) with two wins + 27 points. The Mystery Prize went to: J Rizzi, J Sly and J Cross (Walcha)

Wednesday December 4th, saw the Mixed Triples played, with 16 teams that venturing onto the greens

After two rounds of 16 ends the winners were Russell Johns, Pauline Johns and Dianne Richter (Armidale Ex Services) with 2 wins + 40 points. Runners Up were Phil Ross, Belinda Emerson and Brian Thomas (Inverell Sports) with 2 wins + 9 points. The Mystery Prize went to: Jenny O'Neil, Ken Jones and Jill McEwen.

Thursday December 5th saw 32 teams step onto the greens to play the first three rounds of the Schweppes Pairs. After the three rounds five teams were going into Friday December 6th with three wins.

After another two rounds it came down to the best four teams to play the Semi Final.



Bowling Club President Cameron Peardon and Kayla Hutton from Regional Australia Bank with the winners of the Triples, Scott Hamilton, Russell Berghoffer and Joe Bell from Inverell Sports

They were Dan Kennedy and Chris Kliendienst with 5 wins + 55 points. Anthony Bull and Robert Walls with 4 wins + 55 points, Col Stanley and Mick Pennell with 4 wins + 56 points, Mick Ashford and Ken Jones with 4 wins +50 points.

Winners of the Semi Final were: Mick Ashford and Ken Jones. Col Stanley and Mick Pennell with Col Stanley (Guyra) and Mick Pennell (Armidale Ex Services) the eventual winners.

Saturday December 7th saw 32 teams play the first two rounds of the Regional Australia

Bank Triples, with the third round played on Sunday.

The competition was separated into eight sections of four teams and after three rounds of play the eight Quarter Finalists were determined.

They were: Steve Clark and team (Mona Vale), Col Stanley and team (Composite team), Scott Hamilton and team (Inverell Sports), Craig O'Toole and team (Kootingal), Jade Barlow and team (Composite team), Stewart McLeod and team (Mona Vale), Rod Hummelstead and team (Mona Vale) and Adam Ross and team (Compos-

ite team).

The semi Finalists were Col Stanley, Scott Hamilton, Jade Barlow and Adam Ross. Scott Hamilton and Jade Barlow and teams went on to play each other in the final and the eventual winners were Scott Hamilton, Russell Berghofer and Joe Bell (Inverell Sports) with Jade Barlow, Scott Dodd (Inverell Sports) and Steve Matheson runners up

I would like to thank the sponsors: Schweppes, Regional Australia Bank, BCIB Bowling Club Insurance Brokers, Aristocrat, Hotel Liquor Wholesalers, Jacobs Creek, Tooheys, Asahi, Grant Burge Wine, Stanley's Hot Bread Shop, Geoff and Bertha Reeves, Barry and Helen Presnell, David Wilcox.

Without Sponsors the carnival would not run and be the success that it is.

I would like to thank all the people behind the scenes that make this Carnival the success that it is, if I start to name these people I am sure to forget someone, so I will thank all those involved.

A reminder to all bowlers the Brian Vickery Ham Day will be held on Sunday December 15th. Names to be in by 12.00pm for a 12.30pm start. Bowlers are asked to wear a bowls shirt if you have one.

The Bowls Bandit

Ripe for a Reno



Located in South Guyra on a flat elevated 1012 m2 block this weatherboard home has great bones and would make the perfect investment or first home. If you are looking for a summer project then this could fit the bill, with new floor coverings and a paint job this house will shine.

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