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If you are keen to find out more about caring for the Mother of Ducks Lagoon, register your interest with Southern New England Landcare

Better outcomes for Mother of Ducks

With so much water in our landscape this year, there has been an unprecedented level of interest in Mother of Ducks Lagoon at Guyra. Images are being posted all over local Facebook pages, bearing witness to her beauty and locals have been using her as their allowable excuse to get some refreshing exercise during COVID-19 lockdowns.

The lagoon is fuller than it has been in at least 15 years and Southern New England Landcare and the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service want the community to join them in the formation of a new group to harness the enthusiasm.

Josh Armitage, a Ranger

with NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) is extremely pleased to see the community interest in the lagoon.

"We are keen to improve ecological outcomes associated with Mother of Ducks Lagoon Nature Reserve through community engagement and targeted cooperative actions with the local Guyra community," said Josh.

"The lagoon is important to the local environment because it is a special place right next to town. It is home to a number of rare and threatened bird species and ecological communities.

"NPWS feels that the opportunity to act cooperatively with the community can produce some fantastic outcomes for the community and the lagoon," he said.

NPWS recently contacted Southern New England Landcare, to see if they could form a partnership and work together to get a local interest group formed up.

Karen Zirkler, Executive Officer at Southern New England Landcare said there has been increased interest in the lagoon among community members and that the impetus seems to be present among the community now to facilitate formation of a group.

Do you love having Mother of Ducks on your doorstep? Are you someone who would like to be involved in caring for her? What might this entail?

Why not join Southern New England Landcare and National Parks & Wildlife representatives at an informal gathering lagoon-side and enjoy the spring bounty?

"We'll organise a sausage sizzle and a guest speaker or two, who can tell us some history of the lagoon, and simply get out and enjoy her beauty," said Karen.

If you are keen to find out more, please register your interest with Southern New England Landcare by emailing mail@snelandcare.org.au or calling 02 6772 9123, and watch their eNews or www.snelandcare.org.au for a date coming soon



An ongoing voice for Guyra & the villages

Vote 1
Peter Bailey

Authorised by Sam Notley, 137 Beardy St, Armidale NSW 2350

Local art on display at The Hub

Dot Vickery OAM, purchased a painting by Meryl Zuill titled 'Amy Winehouse' which was donated to the Hub at Guyra recently. Centre Manager Sarah Hunt and Dot were discussing new artists in town and decided to showcase this in the Trout-Fest art exhibitions.

"We were very excited to see our entry had won first prize in the portrait in acrylics category," Sarah said. "A special morning tea was held on Tuesday October 19th to present Meryl with her certificate and for the Hub at Guyra to accept their prize money."

"A lovely display of local artists is now on our wall in the Conference room. Please feel free to come down to The Hub at Guyra and have a look at the precious art and enormous talent we have in our community

Throughout the TroutFest weekend The Hub at Guyra Community Garden was one of the open gardens.



"We had a great turnout, with many visitors for the children's art show and garden display," Sarah said. "Two extra events were on with a local worship group and local artist hand dying workshop. The Hub at Guyra would like to thank everyone involved and appreciates all the support from our Community."



Chilean Needle Grass Field Day

Thursday, 4th November 2021 Guyra Bowling Club Time: 10.00_{am} to 2.00_{pm}

Join us for an informative field day to cover all things related to Chilean Needle Grass, including:

- Tips on how to identify
- How to map weeds on your farm
- Control and management techniques
 - Current and past research trials

Morning tea & lunch will be supplied

RSVP: 2nd November 2021

Phone: 02 6732 3443

Email: glenrac@glenrac.org.au

Speakers and Displays:

Local Land Services, Nutrien Guyra, New England Weeds Authority, Southern New England Landcare & GLENRAC

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Saturday 4 December



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Long Service honoured

On Sunday 24th October St. Columba's Presbyterian Church, Guyra, a crowd of past and present friends honoured its longest serving elder, Mr. Jim Coleman.

Settling 'Emily Park' Ben Lomond in the 1890's, Jim's father served as an elder, and his mother as organist, at Ben Lomond Presbyterian Church for many years.

Jim himself was ordained an elder of Guyra and Ben Lomond in 1971. He served the church for 50 years, and then, retiring, he moved to Glen Innes where he attends and helps around the church there.

'The word 'presbyterian' means a church ruled by elders,' Rev. Andrew Campbell said; 'and Jim is a great example of commitment to the leadership of the church and faithfulness to his Lord.'



Current and past elders
of Guyra - Ben Lomond
Presbyterian Church.
(L to r): Kevin Archer,
Howard Schaefer, Max Handebo,
David Godlonton, Jim Coleman
and Andrew Campbell. Andrew is
presenting a certificate honouring Jim for 50 years of service.

Film Society screenings

The Guyra Film Society has 12 feature movies, and children's movies, where advertised, in this season. Membership is \$150, payable at the Regional Australia Bank, Guyra.

This entitles members to 12 movies, with one guest for each movie with a gold coin donation. No repeats for that guest, bring another guest. Otherwise, \$10 per movie for extra adults and a gold coin donation for each child per childrens' movie.

Membership entitles holders to gain entry for children and grandchildren, to see all the childrens' movies, at a gold coin donation for each child (repeats) allowed.

The whole family gets treated on Thursday nights,

each fortnight, commencing: Thursday, 4 November 6:30pm: Starting with, 'A Winter's Tale', starring Colin Farrell and Russell Crowe, rated G, suitable for the whole family.

Colin Farrell plays 'Good' against Russell Crowe's 'Evil', plus the Devil's henchmen. Colin Farrell is at his smoulderingly best, fighting off the evil ones' thugs, to rescue a perfect maiden. But, who is she? Mums and daughters, Dads and sons, will be aghast as Farrell battles the Devil and his minions, on a frozen Hudson River, in New York City. 18 November, 6:30pm, 'Bridesmaids', starring Melissa McCarthy, in her best movie to date. Rated MA 15+

Mark Svenson



Expression of Interest

School Learning and Support Officer/s Guyra Central School

Guyra Central School provides a future focused and personalised Kindergarten to Year 12 learning environment that embraces a culture of high expectation, wellbeing and achievement for all. Current enrolment is 300 students. All staff are committed to providing learning experiences focused on improved literacy and numeracy outcomes through the provision of high-quality teaching supported by differentiated professional learning.

Vacancies exist to be a part of the School Learning and Support Officer/s (SLSO/s) team for K-12 at Guyra Central School for 2022. The position will be located at: Guyra Central School, 27 Marne Street, Guyra NSW 2365.

About the Role

School Learning Support Officers provide support for students with identified diverse learning needs, including disability in classrooms and other learning environments, under the direction and supervision of a teacher. This support includes student health and wellbeing activities as required.

Essential Requirements

- A current Working with Children Check is required for this position
- Willingness to complete mandatory training required by the Department of Education relevant to the School Learning Support Officer role.

The successful applicants will be required to work as part of a dynamic learning team. They will be required to provide assistance with school routines, classroom activities and the care and management of students with disability and additional learning and support needs.

Selection criteria

- Ability to work closely with classroom teachers and as part of a team to support students' literacy, numeracy and social skills.
- Awareness of and ability to work with students with a wide range of learning difficulties, additional needs and emotional, physical or intellectual disabilities.
- Ability to build a professional rapport with students with additional needs.
- Effective communication skills.

For further information contact Michelle Nicholson, Principal on (02) 6779 0844 or michelle.nicholson1@det.nsw.edu.au

To apply applicants must submit an Expression of Interest addressing the selection criteria, of no more than 2 A4 pages to:

michelle.nicholson1@det.nsw.edu.au by close of business Friday, 12th November 2021.

What's HOT

VACCINATION - 90% -first dose and almost 80% second dose rates

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS - coming up December 4

What's NOT

SHAME on the motorist who killed all four ducklings on the south end of Ryanda St on Saturday morning.

WHY do shop owners or workers think they have the right to park in front of their shops all day every day, when there is plenty of parking elsewhere?

QUOTE of the week

The grass may be greener on the other side of the fence, but you still have to mow it.

Unknown

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
19	Tues	6.4	18.6	0
20	Wed	4.7	18.5	0
21	Thurs	5.8	17.1	1.0
22	Fri	8.8	20.8	0
23	Sat	9.5	25.5	0
24	Sun	9.4	20.2	0
25	Mon	4.4	18.0	0

Rain this week 1.0mm
Oct. rainfall 44.2mm
Rainfall YTD 862.2mm
Rainfall last YTD 740.2mm
Ave. rain to Oct. 687.8mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Guyra Central School News

Big Picture Project

For my area of study in Big Picture this term I am researching Upholstery.

My first challenge was a chair that had some tears in the existing vinyl.

At the beginning I had no clue what I was doing, I honestly thought I wasn't going to achieve my goal, however with a little bit of practice, I gained confidence in the task at hand.

Stage 1 news

This term in CAPA, Stage One has been using a mix of the creative arts mediums to explore three themes. The first theme of friendships has been explored through dance and visual arts. This week we looked at the artist Wassily Kandinsky, who compared painting to making music. We discussed how he used abstract shapes in his art and used this idea to represent friendship. We then transferred work to the Kandinsky Music Lab which

While I was re-upholstering the chair for my project in Big Picture, I was a little frustrated, but I didn't let that stop me from achieving my goal to get it finished.

It was difficult pulling the fabric tight but with help from Mrs Lloyd, we got it to work, with a bit of hard work but in the end in my opinion it was extremely worth it.

I now have a lot more confidence in starting my next project.

By Takoda Gray

transformed the students' art into music. It was an experience the students showed great engagement in, enjoying experimenting with the sounds that are created through a range of shapes and designs.

Stage 1 students have been lucky enough to enjoy the new Fine Motor Skills equipment and new toys for the sensory learning area.

We have been using the wooden blocks to build towers and forts for our army people.



We have had a go at using our new catching and throwing kit that has flying foxes, grip balls, scoop balls and fling-a-majigs. We are practicing our balancing skills on the new balancing equipment. We can't wait to use the scooter boards to play basketball in sport.

Congratulations also to Mia Reed on winning the colouring-In competition run by the Rainbow Room, Mia has won herself a \$50 Gift Voucher to spend in store.

Mrs Robinson





Left: Charlotte Perrett **Above:** Mia Reed Colouring In



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We are creating a community plan for the next 10 years.

What do you want for your community in 2032?
What makes our community great; what do we need to improve?

How to participate

Complete the 'Shape your region' postcard you received in the mail and post for free by 15 Nov 2021. Visit shapeyourregion.com.au or click the QR Code to participate in surveys, \$100 Challenge - Postcards from the Future (kids activity closes 22 Nov 2021).



Listening Post schedule

Wednesday 27 October

Location	Venue	Time
Guyra	Outside IGA - Bradley Street	10am - 12noon

Friday 29 October

Location	Venue	Time
Ben Lomond	Ben Lomond Soldiers Memorial Hall - carpark	10am - 11.30am
Black Mountain	Black Mountain RFS Shed	1pm - 2.30pm

Saturday 6 November

Location	Venue	Time
Guyra	Markets	9am - 12noon

Thursday 11 November

Location	Venue	Time
Guyra - Aboriginal Community BBQ	Volunteer Park - Guyra	12noon - 2pm

COVID RESTRICTIONS - Listening Posts will be held outside where possible (weather permitting). If inside venues are used due to wet weather, masks and proof of vaccination will be required. NOTE: Armidale Central Shopping Centre may require proof of vaccination upon entry.

shapeyourregion.com.au

Christmas card making workshop Come along and make some cards Guyra Library - Saturday 13 November 11am - 12pm Bookings essential - COVID limits apply. Ph 6770 7123.



Stay connected

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Ages 10+



on Twitter

'ArmidaleRegional LGA' or

'@ARC2350'.



and on Instagram 'armidaleregionalcouncil'



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Restore and thrive





Meals on Wheels

Oct. 28th L & R Skinner
Oct. 29th Narelle Leven
Nov. 1st Judy Wells
Nov. 2nd Stuart Broad
Nov 3rd Wendy Lockyer

Street Stalls

Oct. 29th & 30th Masonic Lodge Nov. 4th Kolora

Nov. 6th Westpac Helicopter Nove 11, 12,13 Lions Club

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Mass 6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday – Friday 9am Contact: 6779 1667

St. James' Anglican Church 9am Sunday. Doors open from 8:30am. We have plenty of space, all welcome! Contact: Rev. Tim Stevens 6779 1111

St. Columba's Presbyterian Church 9am Sunday followed by morning tea. Contact: Rev. Andrew Campbell 0447 724 536

The Chapel,

66 Llangothin Street: Sunday Service: 10am Contact: 0460 448 864

Seventh-day Adventist Church: Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service 11.30am Saturday Contact: Church Clerk 6779 1587

Uniting Church, 57 Ollera Street: Regular Sunday Serv ice: 9.30am Contact: Nancy Davidson 6779 1366

Service Clubs

LIONS CLUB dinner meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesday 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 at Guyra Cafe Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307

CROSSWORD

Across:

- 1. Interfering or trespassing
- 6. Use loom
- 9. Specialised (market)
- 10. Vehicular flow
- 11. Umpire
- 12. Closed securely
- 13. Bullocks
- 15. Noiselessness
- 16. Strutting walk
- 18. Epic journey
- 20. Strong poison
- 21. Roman garment
- 23. Leave or go away
- 24. Use oars
- 27. Passed into law
- 28. Come in or put in (data)
- 29. Ocean phases
- 30. Person with hidden talents or unlikely winner (4,5)

Down:

- or outer
- 2. Diplomatically or discreetly
- 3. Trepidation or nervousness
- 4. Fill with air
- 5. Accumulates or collects
- 6. Frail or feeble
- 7. Fasten (to)
- 8. Offbeat or unconventional
- 14. Dentures (5,5)

- 15. Most even or least rough
- 17. Electricity creator or back up power machine

12

- 19. Conceded or surrendered
- 20. Non-professional
- 22. Piano, concert or baby
- 25. Inferior or less well
- 26. Cash points (1,1,2)

Down: 1. Inner 2. Tactfully 3. Uneasiness 4. Inflate 5. Gathers 6. Weak 7. Affix 8. Eccentric 14. False teeth 15. Smoothest17. Generator 19. Yielded 20. Amateur 22. Grand 25. Worse 26.

sMTA

Tides 30. Darkhorse

Across: 1. Intruding 6. Weave 9. Wiche 10. Traffic 11. Ref 12. Sealed 13. Odyssey 20. Arsenic 21. Toga 23. Depart 24. Row 27. Enacted 28. Enter 29.

Wordsearch - The Simpsons

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Homer Marge Bart Lisa Krusty Barney Grampa Moe Apu Cletus Mr Burns Otto Nelson Ned Selma Patty Ralph Willie Smithers Lenny Carl



What to Watch

Our armchair critic has new recommendations every week. Happy viewing!

Netflix - Movies

Glass Castle, Black Mass, Man from UNCLE, Faster, Pieces of a Woman, Sentinelle, The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind

Netflix - Series

Sex Education (series 3)

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Talk to a local

Life Membership for Judy Wicks

The annual general meeting of the Guyra Can Assist Branch was held on Tuesday 12th October at the Guyra Bowling Club.

Office Bearers for 2021/2022 as elected: President; Wendy Jackson, Treasurer; Lyn Skinner, Secretary; Sue Adams, returned for another year.

A special presentation of Honorary Life Membership was awarded to Judyth (Judy) Wicks for over 30 years support to local Guyra community members. Judy was presented with a certificate, badge and letter from the Can Assist executive, who due to COVID-19 were unable to be present to award the honour. Bill Wicks was also given a badge and certificate. He was given the honour in 2007.



Bill and Judy Wicks with Can Assist President Wendy Jackson

Black Mountain Bird survey

On Monday this week Matt McKenzie from Thalgarrah Environment Centre came to Black Mountain Public school to conduct a survey of birds that we could see in our playground. We talked about why some birds visit our school and why some birds don't. We discovered we have a wide range of larger birds and would like to attract smaller species. As a result, our student leaders will look into purchasing and planting native species of shrubs and plants to see if we can attract smaller bird species and improve the school's biodiversity. He also showed us some baby birds that he is hand-rearing at the moment.

> Mrs Justine Eddy Relieving Principal





Students enjoyed counting the birds in the school's playground

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Walk with soundtrails and unearth the significant stories of the landscape, culture and history of New England High Country's National Parks

The New England High Country (NEHC) tourism group continue to strengthen the destination's nature-based tourism offering with the launch of four new nature Soundtrails in the region's national parks.

Soundtrails are an immersive audio experience delivered through the Soundtrails mobile app, utilising GPS tracking technology to trigger stories on location, connecting listeners emotionally and physically to a place through storytelling.

Deputy Prime Minister and Member for New England, Barnaby Joyce said the four new Soundtrails were made possible thanks to \$230,680 funding from the Regional Tourism Bushfire Recovery Grants, which also include a marketing campaign to promote NEHC Soundtrail experiences and raise awareness of the region.

"These Soundtrails will not only bring visitors to New England, but also provide economic stimulus for our local shops, cafés, pubs and hotels."

"This grant was designed to assist in recovery from the 2019-20 bushfires in our region and will now also provide a boost as we aim to kickstart the local economy post COVID lockdown," Mr Joyce said

Locals and visitors can now experience the four new Soundtrails, including the Wollomombi Falls Soundtrail near Armidale and the Apsley Falls Soundtrail near Walcha, both in Oxley Wild Rivers National Park, along with the Coombadjha Walk Soundtrail in Washpool National Park east of Glen Innes and the Bald Rock National Park Soundtrail north-east of Tenterfield.

To listen to the new national park Soundtrails simply download the Soundtrails app to your smart device (available from the App Store or Google Play), select the Soundtrail you would like to experience, once on location follow the map trail in the app and GPS will track your device, triggering stories as you walk along the trail.

The stories can be listened to remotely by selecting the shaded areas on the map.

National Parks and Wildlife Service officer Mat Makeham said soundtrails are a great addition to the parks, adding another layer to the visitor experience, one which presents opportunity for education in art, science and culture.

The NEHC tourism group have collaborated for almost 10 years and are committed to collectively promoting the NEHC region. The group is staffed by Council marketing, tourism, and events personnel at each of the member Council's including Armidale Regional Council, Glen Innes Severn Council, Inverell Shire Council, Tenterfield Shire Council, Uralla Shire Council and Walcha Council.

Find out more about Soundtrails, visit the NEHC Website: https://www.newenglandhighcountry.com.au/ourstories/soundtrails

Rural Market Reports

Weekly Wool Sales

October 22nd - The current trend of after a down week comes an up week continued however it was the magnitude of the jump in prices that took many by surprise.

Tuesday's opening had prices dearer from the outset and continuing to stay strong throughout the entire day. The Northern Region Indicator closed up 58 cents with 17.5 to 21 micron types all gaining 80 plus cents. Some weakness appeared in the market on Wednesday but was mostly confined to the 17.5 micron and finer types.

Crossbred types remained relatively unchanged

throughout the week and continue to make up the largest percentage of passed in and reoffered wool with prices for these types sitting 20 to 40% below the corresponding period last season.

The weekly rise was the largest in 10 months and pushed prices back up to the top of the range they have traded in over the past three months. 31,252 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 5.6%.

Major buyers included Tianyu, Techwool and Endeavour Wool. On the back of the positive result this week the volume of next week's sale has risen above 45,000 bales.

Schute Bell Wool



Fantastic NAPLAN results for St Marys

Congratulations to St Mary of the Angels students for their fantastic NAPLAN results for 2021.St Marys sits well above the National Minimum Standards across all NAPLAN examinations.

100% of Year 3 students achieved Above National Minimum Standards in Writing, Reading, Grammar and Punctuation. 93% of Year 3 and Year 5 students achieved Above National Minimum Standards in Numeracy.

Of special note is Olive McFarlane, who scored in the top 10 performing students in the Armidale Diocese in NAPLAN Numeracy for 2021. What a remarkable achievement, well done Olive.



Olive McFarlane and Acting Principal Mrs Jessica Scully

COVID-19 Vaccination rates pass 90%

The number of adults in the Northern Tablelands who have been vaccinated has passed 90 per cent. Statistics for COVID-19 vaccinations show that for those aged 15 or older 90.4 per cent have now received at least one vaccination shot.

In the Armidale LGA almost 89 per cent have received the first shot, and 77.3 per cent have received the second. Two new cases of COVID-19 were announced in Armidale on Monday and sewage testing has shown traces of the virus in a number of towns across the region including Guyra.

Overall, across the region 78.6 per cent of those aged 15 and over have now received both doses of the vaccine, and Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall said the high rates were a tribute to many people.

"I think these numbers are incredible," Mr Marshall said. "Huge thanks to the community for turning out in droves, but also to our hard-

Northern Tablelands COVID-19 vaccination rates

Week ending 24 October 2021

		rs & over ccinated	% increase on previous week		
LGA	1st dose	2 nd dose	1st dose	2 nd dose	
Armidale Regional	88.7	77.3	2.3	5.5	
Glen Innes Severn	93.5	81.5	1.9	3.8	
Gwydir	89.3	76.7	1.7	10.0	
Inverell	90.3	73.0	2.9	6.7	
Moree Plains	85.6	73.9	1.8	3.7	
Uralla	>95.0	89.0	1.2	12.2	
Average	90.4	78.6	2.0	7.0	

working GPs, pharmacists, the people at UNE Medical Centre, Armajun Aboriginal Health Service, the local councils, everyone's played their part in making this happen."

"The vaccination is the best defence we have against covid (because) we're living with it now, we're not locking down, we're not hiding from it," Mr Marshall said.

"We are learning to adapt,

and live our lives alongside covid."

From next Monday there will no longer be any restrictions on travel within NSW, with almost 85 per cent of the state fully vaccinated.

Once December begins masks will no longer be needed as all the remaining restrictions are removed.

"We'll be joining the ranks of other parts of the world, where we're fully vaccinated and there's no turning back," Mr Marshall said.

"We will still have cases, but because we're vaccinated it reduces the number of people who get really sick and have to be hospitalised, and the number of people who perish at the hands of this terrible virus."

The vaccination figures from NSW Health were made public on Monday.

Men's Bowls

Last Sunday the final of the major-minor pairs was played between Robert Moore and Cameron Peardon versus Dan Kennedy and Graham Starr. After an even start Dan and Graham pulled away in the final half to win 26 - 15.

Social bowls will again be tried on Saturday at 5pm. Sunday's club games are as follows:

In the club triples Robert Moore, Boyd Stanley and partner will play Tapper Walls, Mallie Walls and Tim Ellis . A game of handicap singles between Col Stanley and Dan Kennedy will be played with David Wilcox to mark. Both games are due to start at 1pm with Robert Walls to start.

Jack

Rugby League

Guyra rugby league turns 100 in 2022 and that's why now, more than ever, the sen-

ior club needs people to get involved.

The annual general meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd November at the Royal Hotel from 6.30pm.

In addition to electing an executive and committee, the club would like to gauge interest in organising centenary events for next year, including a possible reunion.

Anyone who would like to be involved in the club or the centenary celebrations should attend the AGM, but can also get in contact via email guyrarugbyleague@gmail.co m or via the Facebook page if unable to attend.

Cricket

The start of the 2021/22 Cricket season has been pushed back a week with the competition for both seniors and juniors now set to start on November 6.

All players interested in playing for Guyra this year are

invited to come along to the cricket nets at the Ted Mulligan Oval this Thursday October 28th from 4pm to 5pm to register their interest.

Guyra Cricket Club has entered three junior and three senior teams in the Armidale District Competition.

Contact for information Juniors - Graham Cameron 0415 872 685 or Simon Brown 0427 665 131. Teams will be entered in Under 11s, 13s and 15s. A reminder that both boys and girls can register for junior teams.

Seniors Charlie White 0428 318 127. Teams are being entered in 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade. Registrations are open now at playcricket.com.au

Please note that public health orders currently in place require anyone over 16 to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

Midweek Golf

Great start for midweek golf. Out of the 60 players registered 55 put in score cards. Fantastic.

Leading the scoreboard is Nuts and Jugs with 77 points. Coming up second is Full House on 73 points.

Individual leader went to Lisa Ellis with 22 points. On 21 points we had Pat Grills and Sheree Clarke. Heaps of 19 and 20 point scores.

Welcome to the new golfers. Hope you enjoy the challenge.

As for the Birdie challenge – 1 woman and 7 men got birdies this week.

Can everyone please remember to put their names and team name on the scorecard please. (on the back would be ok) This week with a couple of the cards it was a lucky guess who they were.

Also, as this is a stableford event, we need the amount of strokes and points scored.

Happy golfing everyone.

Middy

Increase in needs-based funding for schools

NORTHERN Tablelands MP Adam Marshall has announced a 6 per cent increase, an additional \$1.96 million, in needs-based recurrent funding for Northern Tablelands public schools in 2022.

In total, the 59 Northern Tablelands public schools will receive \$28.9 million in needs based equity funding next year.

Mr Marshall said this additional support was a result of the NSW Government being the first to sign up to and fully fund the Gonski education agreement, which will deliver \$6.4 billion in additional funding to NSW students over six years.

Since Gonski was introduced in NSW, the needs-based funding allocation model had seen annual recurrent funding for the 59 Northern Tablelands public schools increase by \$17.6 million.

Mr Marshall said the announcement built on those in-

School	2022 RAM funding \$'s	Increase from 2021 \$'s	Increase 2013 To 2022 \$'s
Bald Blair Public School	68,723	9,882	50,636
Ben Lomond Public School	49,816	7,060	25,414
Black Mountain Public School	127,989	12,598	99,351
Ebor Public School	83,640	3,804	58,891
Guyra Central School	1,138,060	97,459	961,288
Tingha Public School	307,664	-4,746	54,763

creases and he was confident school communities and principals would be delighted at the prospect of planning the use of their additional funds.

"The core of the state government's Local Schools, Local Decisions reforms is to put decision-making about students and school communities with the people who know them best – the principals, school staff and par-

ents," he said.

"The distribution of funds on a needs basis under the RAM gives them exactly that opportunity.

"Many schools in the Northern Tablelands electorate will see additional benefits in areas such as literacy and numeracy support, teachers' professional development and community engagement."



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GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM is open this Saturday 10am-2pm. Bookings for tours welcome. Call 6779 2132 during business hours.

MEETINGS

GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY meeting this evening, Wednesday 27th October 7pm at the show ground.

THE HUB at Guyra will hold their AGM on Tuesday, 9th November 2021 at 5.30pm at The Hub.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry at The Chapel

We are OPEN as usual

10am - 12pm and 1.00pm - 2.30pm.

1st, 3rd & 5th Friday of the month.

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FRIDAY 3RD DECEMBER, 2021: Rotary Christmas Carnival in Bradley Street from 4pm. Santa will visit with presents for the kids, market and food stalls, music and fun for all.

SATURDAY 2ND APRIL, 2022 Bald Blair **Public School Centenary Celebrations**

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The world has lost a true gentleman. To Rita and David, our thoughts are with you. Donald, Jan and Greg Williams

DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICES

CARTAN; Nona Mavis 22nd October 2021

Of Kolora.

Formerly of Prisk Street, Guyra. Dearly loved wife of Vic (dec'd). Loving mother of Paul (dec'd), Maureen, Robyn (dec'd), Helen, Vicki and loving mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother of their families.

Aged 90 years

Funeral Service to be held at St Colomba's Presbyterian Church Guyra, Thursday 28th October 2021 commencing at 10:00am followed by interment at Guyra Lawn Cemetery.



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WILLIAMS; HAROLD JOHN "HARRY" 19th October 2021

Of "Raeburn" Guyra. Dearly loved husband of Rita. Loving father and father-In-law of David & Felicity and loved grandfather of Cooper, Kayden & Liam.

Loved son of Kath & Clyde (both dec'd). A much loved brother, brother-In-law and uncle of their families.

Aged 75 years

Funeral Service was held at Piddington's Crematorium Chapel on Monday 25th October 2021.



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Men's Golf

Last Sunday a good field played for a club voucher and the monthly mug, the winner with 34 points on a countback was Steven Sole with Chris Newberry runner up . Nearest to the pins were Barry Simpson on the 7th, Mal Gaukroger on the 10th, and Chris Newberry on the 18th.

Next Sunday the Guyra Open will be played and is sponsored by the Guyra Pharmacy, who always put on a good array of prizes. There will be three grades up for grabs and an overall scratch and Nett prizes. Tee off is from 10am and \$25 entry fee.

The Albatross

Ladies' Golf

Last week the Ladies played a Par Medal Round. The winner was Shona Mulligan. Belinda Lenehan was the runner up. Nearest the Pin Winners were Pip White and Julie Walker on the 7th hole, Vicki Reeves and Donna White on the 9th hole.

This week is the Guyra Welding Works 4BBB Championship. Next week is the Guyra Golf Ladies Annual Golf Trip.

Birdie

Vets Golf

Last week saw plenty of golf for the Veterans.On Tuesday, nine players competed in an individual stableford counting putts. The winner was Pat Grills with a score of 37, closely followed by Dave Bearup on 36. The best putter was Ian Taylor with 24 putts.

Nearest the pins went to Jon Cumming on the 7th and Chris Newberry the 9th. It will be good to play the whole 18 holes again this week with the back 9 now open.

Also on that same day, four players travelled to Armidale for their Vets Open. It was a good day of golf with Phil Devlin top scoring for the Guyra team with 32 points. Although the course was in excellent condition, scoring was not high with more than half the players scoring below 30 points.

The other game played last week was the Walcha Vets Open on Friday. It was great to see eight players travel down there to compete including our newer Vet Scott Mendes. Again our best player was Phil Devlin who is on fire at the moment. Phil came Runner Up for B Grade on a count back with a score of 36 points. The sand greens did not put him off.

With the new card machine being installed this week we will see some changes with the starting of matches. The start will be from the Club like it used to be and members are asked to be patient until we get fluent with the operation.

A Vet





Mick Shiner in action on the golf course



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