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School's out for the class of 2022



Above I to r: Joseph Ashman, Kelly Daly, Lucinda Mayled, Renae Vanderwolf, Year Advisor Terry Curran, Andrew Pearson, Millie Roberts, Ben Stevens, Braydon Wadley and Michael Looker. **Absent:** Naomi Hartas-Berry and James Loeb

Guyra Central School farewelled the Class of 2022 last week bringing to a close 13 years of schooling for the students who began their education in 2010.

Students, staff and family celebrated the completion of their secondary education on Friday beginning with a traditional breakfast with parents and staff.

The student's successes were later celebrated at a valedictory assembly with the presentation of their portfolio and awards. Special memories of this year's cohort were shared by way of a photo presentation and also via speeches from each of the year groups.

Each year the departing Year 12 students also select a recipient from

years 7-10 to receive the 'Positive Recognition Shield' for their contribution to the school and community.

This year's award went to Jake Tibbs who was presented with the award during the Valedictory Assembly.

As a parting gesture, the Year 12 students also donated \$500 to the Black Dog Institute.

"Guyra Central School are honoured and privileged to have been a part of a 13 year educational journey with these extraordinary young adults."

"May your secondary school graduation be just the beginning of a lifetime of fulfilment and happiness. Strive, not only for greatness, but to be the best version of yourself."

Dasha's October Long Weekend Trading Hours

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Monday, 3rd October

7.00am - 12.00noon

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Guyra War Memorial Hall

Most of the Guyra community would know where the Cenotaph is located! It is in front of the Soldiers' Memorial Hall where crowds gather every ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day to commemorate and honour those who have paid the supreme sacrifice.

What you may not know is that the Hall is a property of Crown Lands. This beautiful hall started its life with first discussions by the community and WWI returned soldiers in 1919, and the opening in 1920. For many years the hall was run and managed by veterans however as the years passed and fewer old soldiers, sailors and airmen were involved, the hall was eventually passed to the Crown and has been managed by "them" ever since. "THEM" is your neighbour, and even you – everyday community members!

The Guyra War Memorial Hall Trust was formed with many RSL and community members managing the hall. We are particularly grateful to Mrs Anne Woods who, for many years, was an active member of the Trust only retiring last year. Over the past few years, the Trust evolved into Guyra War Memorial Hall



The Guyra War Memorial Hall Land Manager (GWMHLM) are seeking new people to assist with managing the Soldier's Memorial Hall

Land Manager (GWMHLM) where its members manage the Hall, operating like a company board of directors.

Every five years all positions are declared vacant, with everyone reapplying for appointment. There are seven voluntary positions on the GWMHLM, and they will all be 'up for grabs' in May 2023. Members of the public can volunteer to participate in the management of Crown land as an appointed board member. Becoming involved in the management of Crown land is a rewarding experience. This would allow you to get involved with our historic war memorial and take care of this asset that is important to our Guyra veterans and community.

We are looking for people from a wide range of backgrounds

with a diversity of skills, expertise, and interests, who are passionate about the management of our Soldier's Memorial Hall and the benefits it provides to the community.

A willingness to work with others as part of a team is a must. You MUST have working knowledge of computers, an email address, and the capacity to be involved in one of the many aspects of the Land Manager – executive positions, grant writing, hall maintenance, etc. Also note that board members need to attend regularly scheduled face-to-face meetings.

We usually meet on Sunday afternoons, but we are holding our 2022 AGM on Wednesday 12 October at 3pm and invite interested community members to come along to the hall and see whether they would be willing to help over the next few months; a 'taste test' so to speak! You can see if you are interested and then apply next year.

Email all enquiries to guyrawarmemorialhall@gmail.com

Chris Hietbrink President/Secretary and Naomi Davidson -Treasurer - GWMHLM





Talk to a local

SNELC welcomes new team member

September saw Southern New England Landcare welcome their newest team member to work on two projects with farmers and graziers across the region.

Aggie (Alexandra) Seiler will be based in Armidale and her work will focus primarily on assisting farmers to build landscape resilience in the face of a changing climate.

When not at work Aggie is finishing her Diploma of Agriculture and working alongside her husband on their family-run cattle grazing enterprise near Guyra.

"Becoming part of the farming community of the New England has been such a wonderful experience," said Aggie.

"We have been bowled over by the warmth of the community and the opportunities to learn and build community through the many workshops and field days offered by Southern New England Landcare and GLENRAC."

"My new role with Southern

New England Landcare is an opportunity for me give back to the local farming community," she said.

Aggie began her studies in a Bachelor of Science at the University of Queensland, studying plant and animal biology, ecology, genetics, and chemistry.

However, she went on to study nursing and later became a Community Nurse working in rural areas across the top end of Australia.

"My community nursing has taken me to some beautiful and remote places across the north of Australia — I've always been drawn to the land and its people," she said.

"My career change into the agricultural sector might seem incongruent, but it's all about health and people... the health of the people starts with the health of the land," she said.

"It's an incredibly exciting time to be in Agriculture," said Aggie.



Aggie (Alexandra) Seiler

Over the next two years, Aggie's activities with the Resilient Pasture Landscapes project will include working with farmers in the region to build skills in climate forecasting for feed budgeting purposes and pasture management, soil testing, farm water supply and water management and using software tools to monitor and track changes over time.

This work is funded through the Future Drought Fund, a project that involves partnerships with University of New England and Southern Queensland and Northern NSW Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub (SQNNSW).

Aggie will also be working in the role of the Malpas Catchment Coordinator, bringing some 'movement to the Malpas' by working with the well-established Malpas Catchment Group.

This work will facilitate ongoing momentum following significant work that group has done to improve water quality outcomes in the greater Malpas Catchment for landholders, and Armidale Regional Council domestic water supplies.

What do you think?

According to the International Energy Agency, nuclear power plants are one of the most cost-effective investment opportunities for low carbon generation.

Nuclear power is the only proven generation technology offering solutions on energy production for Australia's National Electricity Market – security and reliability, affordability, and environmental sustainability.

Nuclear electricity currently provides around a tenth of world electricity needs. It is the second largest source of low carbon electricity after hydro. Today over 447 operable nuclear reactors produce 10.6% of the world's electricity in 31 countries.

The key advantage of nuclear power is that its operation produces no greenhouse gases and no significant emissions of other air pollutants.

It is recognised that power plant construction, waste transportation, and decommissioning does result in emissions. Despite this, however, whole-of-life analysis shows that nuclear power is much more 'greenhouse-friendly' than burning hydrocarbons. For this reason, there have been calls to increase nuclear power generation to help mitigate climate change.

Renewable energy generated by wind or solar does not have the capacity to respond to periods of high electricity demand with "dispatchable power" on calm, cloudy days. Nuclear, it is argued, can idle up or down according to demand.

In Australia, nuclear power is banned by Federal law since a legislative amendment in 1999.

Now the ground may be shifting. People can see that the cost of electricity is escalating. Wind and solar are not capable of producing the reliable base-load power needed.

Support for nuclear power is growing despite a lack of lobbying.

This has fostered a lot of interest in emissions-free small modular reactors, which are about a third of the size of a traditional nuclear power plant. They are factory made and delivered to a site by truck to be installed.

Certainly, there are concerns about the safety of nuclear power generation.

Notwithstanding the highly publicised events at Chernobyl and Fukushima, over the 60 years that nuclear power plants have been operating, they remain among the safest of all generation technologies.

Federal Climate Change and Energy Minister, Chris Bowen, says that the adoption of nuclear energy in Australia "would push up power prices". This is not the case. A report from the OECD's Nuclear Energy Agency analysed more than 180 plants in 22 countries and concludes that: "nuclear energy costs remain in line with the cost of other base load technologies".

Yet our energy minister refuses to allow open debate on nuclear power – insisting that renewables are the cheapest form of power – which they are – only if you don't include all the extra things needed to support it.

We are in the middle of an energy crisis that is affecting most of the world, with soaring gas, coal, and most of all, electricity prices. Now is not the time to stifle debate on a technology for producing electricity that is proven around the world. It is time for Australia to have an honest and rational debate about the use of nuclear energy for generating much needed electricity.

THIS IS WHAT I THINK. WHAT DO YOU THINK?

The Thinker

What's HOT

Guyra's wonderful pharmacist, so helpful

The Guyra community who generously supports many organisations with their donations

Lifestyle Magazine in town interviewing for upcoming feature on Guyra

Baby ducks on the 9th hole

Baby swans (cygnets) on the Mother of Ducks Lagoon

What's NOT

Speeding cars on the Black Mountain rd

QUOTE of the week

"It's Guyra, it's always cold.

Random traveller stopped for toilet break on highway

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

Guyra MPS Date Day Min Max Rain

20	Tues	0.4	16.0	0
21	Wed	7.1	10.6	0
22	Thurs	8.1	13.8	39
23	Fri	7.4	15.8	6.6
24	Sat	8.3	15.2	7.0
25	Sun	3.1	15.3	4.4
26	Mon	2.4	16.4	0

57.0mm Rain this week September rainfall 112.4mm Rainfall YTD 837.4mm Rainfall last YTD 796.6mm Ave. rain to Sept. 616.4mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Visitor impressed with progress of Guyra Men's Shed

In the last three weeks, we received a visit from Beth Gow. Beth is the Australian Men's Shed Association Shed Support worker for NSW and the ACT. The visit coincided with Men's Shed Week, which ran from September 4th to September 10th.

Beth was very impressed with what we have achieved and what the final revamp will look like. Beth was also impressed by the equipment that we have been fortunate to be able to build up considering the humble start we had. She said that with what we had achieved, and with our future outlook, everything points to a successful shed which will enhance the future of the Men's

Shed. It will also build on our effort in our local area for the benefit of men who wish to become part of the Men's Shed.

As shed supervisor, I would like to extend out thanks for Beth's visit and the morning tea she provided.

> John Jackson Shed Supervisor.

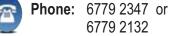


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Man charged after wool bale stolen

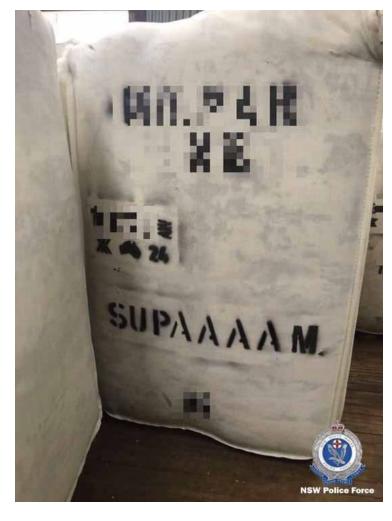
A man will attend court in November, following the investigation into the theft of a wool bale near Guyra.

Police will allege man entered a property on Glen Ross Road, about 3am on Friday September 16th, and stole a bale of wool estimated to be worth \$5000

Officers attached to the New England Police District's Rural Crime Prevention Team were notified and began an investigation. It will be alleged the man then sold the bale to brokers in Inverell.

Following inquiries, a 27-yearold man attended Guyra Police Station about 4pm Friday (23 September 2022), where he was issued with a future court attendance notice for two counts of larceny, destroy or damage property, and recklessly deal with proceeds of crime.

He will appear at Armidale Local Court on Tuesday November 8th.



DID YOU KNOW? Stork reports Weddings Anniversaries Celebrations are published free of charge in the Guyra Gazette Just send your photos and details to us and we will share your news

Bloat Management

I have been getting a lot of enquiries regarding bloat, hope this helps.

- 1. Ensure vaccine programme is up to date.
- 2. Vaccinate 5 in 1 every 6 weeks during high risk periods.
- 3. Ensure cattle have access to bloat oil, roughage/dry lick, bloat blocks 7 days prior to entry into high risk paddocks.
- 4. Do not run cattle into high risk paddocks.
- 5. Do not move cattle into high risk paddocks early in the morning or late in the afternoon.
- 6. Ensure cattle are full before entry into high risk paddocks.
- 7. Ensure there is at ALL times in high risk paddocks:
 - Bloat oil in troughs
 - Roughage/dry lick
 - Vaccination programme up to date and treated every 6 weeks
 - Cattle are monitored daily for behaviour and signs of bloat.
- 8. When handling cattle in yards during high risk periods ensure the following:
 - · Bloat oil in yard troughs
 - Roughage available in yards
 - Cattle are not in yards for extended periods of time
 - Cattle are full before they are put into high risk paddocks
 - Do not run cattle into high risk paddocks
 - Avoid moving cattle into high risk paddocks early in the morning or late in the afternoon.



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Rural Market Reports

Weekly Wool Report

September 23rd - The market continued to come under pressure this week. The Northern region indictor fell 10 cents on Tuesday followed by a further 13 cent loss on Wednesday.

The larger of the falls once again occurred in the 18 micron and finer types however losses were recorded in all micron categories. The Eastern market indicator closed the week under 1300 cents for the first time since April 2021.

30,726 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 13.4%. Major buyers included Tianyu, Techwool & Sequoia. The Australian

wool production forecasting committee released its updated report this week. Production is set to continue to rise in the 2022/23 season by an estimated 4.9%. This is on top of the 10% increase in the 2021/22 season. With total production estimated for the current season at 340 million kilos greasy it would be a return to levels not seen since the 2017/18 season.

Next week's sale is currently rostered for just under 32,000 bales and will be the smallest for the season to date. Selling days change to Wednesday and Thursday to cater for public holidays.

October Friday 7th to Sunday 9th

Friday:

- * Art Expo opens 10am. 2 locations GALA & Burgess's Garage
- * Rotary Club Book Fair —RSL Hall 10am-4pm
- * Tasting Soiree [cheese, gin, trout, tomatoes] GALA Friday 5.30pm Bookings at GALA
- * Street decorations, window displays —Bradley St.
- * Bush Dance with Big Hairy Bush Band —Australian Poetry Hall of Fame 6pm
- * Guyra Anglers Club John Wilcox Classic. Registrations SmartSheet /0429 856 769

Saturday:

- * Markets at the Bowling Club indoors and car park 9am-3pm
- * Lapidary Display at the Market 9am-3pm
- * Children's Art workshops 10am-1pm Saturday indoor markets. Register on email \$5/child
- * Rotary Club Book Fair RSL Hall 10am-4pm
- Locally made fishing flies and fishing equipment sales at the markets
- * Children's Fishing 10th Dam Golf Course Parental supervision required
- * Open Gardens—10am-4pm. Maps with program at the markets & Art Expo
- * Costa's Tomato Glass House Tours 10am and 2pm. Bus Bookings essential at Burgess's Garage \$10/head
- * Guyra District Automotive Club Car Display,
- * Antique Machinery & Tools Display —Railway Station, 10am-4pm
- * Art Expo— GALA & Burgess's Garage look for the signs 10am-4pm
- * Street decorations, window displays —Bradley Street
- * Train/trike rides from the Central Carpark Bradley St. 10am-4pm, Saturday & Sunday
- * Fish Pebble Painting for kids at Markets 10am -1pm
- * Children's games, **Virtual Reality** (Sat only), Art & Writing Competition at Guyra Library, 10am -1pm, Saturday and Sunday
- Two children's fishing raffles worth over \$600 -- drawn Sunday

Program subject to change.

Sunday:

- * Angler's Club Fishing Classic continues
- * Poets Breakfast/Fishy tales& jokes -Australian Poetry Hall of Fame, Bradley St.

Hear our guest celebrity poet Paddy O'Brien 9.30am-12 noon

- * Markets and Car Boot Sale Bowling Club Car Park and Indoors 9am-3pm
- Costa's Tomato Glass House Tour 10am. Bus Bookings essential at Burgess's Garage \$10/head
- * Children's fishing at 10th dam Golf Course Parental supervision required
- * Art Expo GALA & Burgess's Garage 10am-3pm
- * Open Gardens —maps at Markets and Art venues 10am-3pm
- * Rotary Club Book Fair RSL Hall 10am-3pm
- * Antique Machinery & Tools Display —Railway Station, 10am-4pm
- * Prize Presentations for kid's Art, Angler's Club Fishing Classic, Produce Trail and raffles drawn. Guyra Bowling Club Sunday 4pm
- * Grand Finale Concert Sunday 5.30pm-8.30pm

 Charlie Fittler supported by Sean Plunkett

 Guyra Bowling Club

Enjoy some time out in Guyra

Check Facebook guyratroutfest for all updates or phone 0488 755 736

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June & Neil Paine Juneils, Vu Nguyen Guyra Pharmacy, Costas well grown, Mary & Tony Walls, Robyn & Bryan Jackson, Milani Trout Cottages, Uncle Billy's Retreat, Dunmore Trout Waters, What's Brewn, Deano's Spring Trout, Kirk's IGA, Michelle & Simon Murray, Khammo, 2AD, Georges Buses, David Bearup, Lions and Rotary, Guyra Anglers, W Warner



Meals on Wheels

Sept. 29 Wendy Laidlaw
Sept. 30 Debbie Schmidt
October 3 Judy Broad
October 4 Stuart Broad
October 5 Wendy Lockyer

Street Stalls

September 29 Hosp. Auxiliary Settember 30 Guyra CWA

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church Mass 6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday – Friday 9am Contact: 6779 1036

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: Contact Pastors Linden & Kerrie Pollard 0455 232 073.

Seventh-day Adventist Church:

Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service 11.30am Saturday Contact: Church Clerk 6779 1587

<u>Uniting Church:</u> 57 Ollera Street: Regular Sunday Service: 9.30am Contact: Di Burey 0428 791 742

Church of Freedom (Cnr. Boorolong & Nincoola Sts.) Sunday worship: 10am Prayer meeting: Tuesday 6.30pm Bible discussion: Wednesday 6.30pm Pastors: Jeff & Sharon Ritchie 0421 847 973 Chaplaincy services: Dave Brown 0419 539 372, Dan McGinty 0409 399 270

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: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

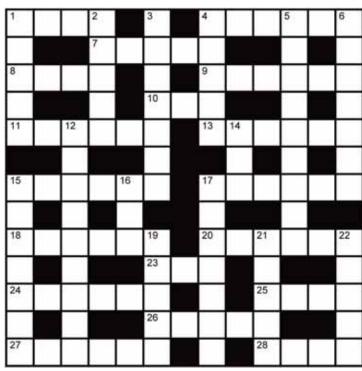
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- 23. Goblin (3)
- 24. Actress,____ de Havilland(6)
- 25. Sharp-tasting (4)
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- 2. Pulsate (5)
- 3. House-breaker (7)
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- 12. Shooting-star (9)
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Across: 1. Shot, 4. Shorts, 7. Haunt, 8. Roar, 9. Avenue, 10. Gem, 11. Gambol, 13. Pelvis, 15. Batter, 17. Sexton, 18. Chorus, 20. Rudder, 23. Elf, 24. Olivia, 25. Acid, 26. Macaw, 27. Freely, 28. Neon.

What to Watch

Our armchair critic has new recommendations every week.
All movies have ratings of M and over - happy viewing!!!

Netflix Movies

Matrix

Love me Instead

Wish You

Beckett

The Assistant

Set it Up

Bad Moms

Secretary

Ones I didn't like

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Netflix Series

Mr Mercedes

Ragnarok

Ones I didn't like

Restless

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Interesting facts - snakes

Not all snakes lay eggs

You might have learned in school that reptiles are different from mammals because they lay eggs. While we like to classify and categorize everything around us, nature has its own rules. While approximately 70% of snakes lay eggs, others don't. Snakes living in especially colder climates have live births because the eggs wouldn't survive outside.

Snakes are "solar-powered"

Reptiles sometimes get labelled 'cold-blooded' but this is incorrect as their blood isn't actually cold. The accurate term is ectothermic, meaning their body temperature is variable and regulated by external sources. Unlike mammals and birds that are able to internally regulate their body temperature, reptiles need to use sources of heat, like the sun, to warm up.

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New England Community College - Executive Officer Report 2021-2022

It is my privilege to present the Guyra Adult Learning Association 40th annual report for 2021-2022.

Guyra Adult Learning Association (Gala) began trading in 1981 through a range of courses to improve self, such as literacy, arts and craft courses and vocational opportunities with computing and the internet.

Our identity and acceptance as the local adult and community education provider has developed over many years. The College is independent, and most importantly, community owned. We primarily receive support from New South Wales government through the Department of Education and Training Services and are accountable to the Government and community we serve. Importantly we would not be as successful as we are without the many partnerships we have with local organisations.

As an independent communitybased training organisation, one of our challenges is to be responsive to community needs, provide affordable local training and education, and be flexible and proactive in our offerings. We work with Government, industry, community, and students to define needs, shape and deliver skill-enhancing programs for communities, local business, youth and seniors. We lower barriers to engagement by offering programs including employability/work skills, literacy numeracy, and digital literacy support.

GALA partners with the NSW Department of Education and Training Services NSW to deliver affordable funded training to rural and regional students across various demographics.

The NSW Government has provided significant education funding for recovery of rural and regional regions through both Smart and Skilled fee-free training (Skilled for Recovery) in identified vocational areas, and the ACE Program. This support has assisted in making training available, enabling the upgrade of infrastructure, and ensuring safe training environments could be created.

For accredited training, our building blocks are units of competency, offered as single units, skillsets or part of full qualifications creating a wide variety of learning options and industry engagement pathways.

Over the last few years, the col-

lege has been subject to the same environmental challenges as other regional communities, including fire, drought, flood and the Covid mayhem.

2021-22 we enrolled 2060.students who completed 3331. units of competency

The enrolments cover the Guyra, Uralla, Walcha, Dorrigo, Glen Innes, Bundarra, Ashford, and Armidale areas. A breakdown of these enrolments has shown that the greatest demand still is for courses that enable participants to comply with workplace regulations, First Aid enrolments numbered 591 and Full Qualification enrolments and completions were 32. 515 of students attending the VET courses were funded under the ACE Program (Community Service Obligation). We also delivered 56 enrolments funded by the Tech Savvy for Seniors Program which were non-VET. The outcome by student demographic is that 34% of our students are between the age of 30 to 49 years, 16% are aged between 50 and 60 and only 14% are aged 20 to 24 years and 60% of our students are female.

During 2021- 22 we formed a partnership with Regional Industry Education Partnership to deliver funded white card training within schools in our area. To date we have delivered this training to 95 students from the following schools O'Connor, Guyra, Uralla, Ashford. This training will continue until the end of 2022.

During the period we have struggled to find suitable ongoing trainers for many of our courses. I believe this being we can only employ them for part time.

I have continued to attend the Guyra and District Chamber of Commerce meetings. Since COVID came on board I have been able to attend many meetings in Sydney Via Zoom. The information from these meetings are invaluable. To attend these one-day meetings on a regular basis in the past for a small organisation was out of the question just on a cost basis.

I extend my thanks to the Guyra Men's Shed volunteers Dave and Peter and the Men's Shed Supervisor John Jackson. Under John's Supervisor the Men's Shed has grown from a dream to the valued organisation that it is to today. As well as Janelle and Martha for their time and effort that they put into producing the Guyra Gazette and to Des who comes in at 4.30am to get the Gazette ready to be distributed thought-out Guyra and District. And to Helen one of our great volunteers who help with the Guyra Gazette

The GALA Centre continues to be the Country link ticketing agency for State Rail and the Secretary for the Guyra Show Society. The Centre continues to offer many other services to the Guyra Community.

The Guyra Centre is now used by many third-party organizations including CWA, The Tomato Farm,

the Local Chamber of Commerce, and Job Active Agents, Aboriginal Land Council. These organizations rent rooms on a regular basis to hold meetings, have exhibitions, to interview Job Seekers, to hold induction workshop for the seasonal overseas workers who are entering the workforce at the local tomato farm, and update their workers on new policies in their workplace.

I acknowledge and thanks to the Management Committee and my ever-growing team of Co-Ordinator's and Staff for your willingness to 'fight the good fight' for each individual we seek to assist. It is remarkable how often we hear from students or family members about the changes for them and their appreciation of what you as staff do to help.

Our Armidale office continues to grow under the salesmanship of Ray Burgess. The office at Glen is manned by the enthusiast Julie Waters.

I extend my thanks to our qualified and professional trainers assist our students who enrolled in accredited training to successfully complete their courses.

Most importantly, we thank our community, individuals and business alike, for your ongoing support. As always, we will continue to strive to meet your needs in a flexible friendly and efficient manner.

I see further expansion of our unique educational pathways, by delivering educational opportunities for people with a disability, early school leaves and our newly formed partnership with the Guyra Central School Big Picture and the Regional Industry Education Partnership, Guyra Tomato Farm and the Seasonal Workers Pacific Labour scheme. On that note we have applied for funding from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade this applicant was in partnership with Tamworth and Northern Inland Community College.

2021-22 has been another year of 'highs' and 'lows' as we continued to navigate through ongoing challenges that Covid has left behind. But on the positive side, we approached each challenge with resilience, utilizing our experience and remaining focused on our goals and vision to position us for another successful year and one which I am proud to have led.

Dorothy Lockyer. Executive Officer



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Monday, 17th October

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TROUTFEST

COSTA'S **TOMATO GLASSHOUSE TOURS**

Saturday, 8th October 10am & 2pm

Sunday, 9th October - 10am only



Bookings essential at **Burgess Garage** \$10 per person

MEETINGS

CWA GUYRA EVENING Branch AGM Wednesday 5th October, 6pm at the GALA Centre meeting room. General Meeting & dinner will follow. New members welcome, more information phone/text Anne 0413 595 353

GUYRA NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 11th October at 5.30pm in the Guyra Neighbourhood Centre conference rooms, 160 Bradley Street Guyra. All positions vacant.

GUYRA UNITED SOCCER CLUB will be holding their AGM on Wednesday, 12th October 2022, 6pm at the Royal Hotel. All positions vacant! Positions to fill are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Junior Convener, Canteen Manager and General Committee.

GUYRA WAR MEMORIAL Hall Crown Land Manager AGM will be held 3pm Wednesday 12th October 2022 at the Soldiers' Memorial Hall.

MEETING ROOM FOR HIRE

Conference/Meeting Room available for hire Contact:

The GALA Centre 136 Bradley Street, Guyra Ph: 6779 2132

E: admin@gala.org.au

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry at The Chapel 66 Llangothlin Street, Guyra

OPEN

10am - 12pm and 1.00pm - 2.30pm. 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday of the month. Contact: 0455 232 073

CLAIM THE DATE

SUNDAY, 6th NOVEMBER:

Guyra Cup at Armidale Racecourse. TUESDAY, 13th DECEMBER:

Guyra Hospital Auxiliary Carols by Candlelight.

MEN'S SHED

Guyra Men's Shed is looking for new members

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Guyra lady golfers had a successdul day at Warialda Above I to r: Debbie Heffernan, Leonie Taylor, Nancy Prisk, Wendy Jackson, Jenny Rogers and Pip White

Ladies' Golf

Last week a few ladies played in the Warialda Open. The Guyra girls had a highly successful day.

Jenny Rogers and Pip White were the winners with 44 points. Wendy Jackson and Nancy Prisk won the first consolation prize with 40 points. Leonie Taylor and Debbie Heffernan won the front nine score. We also came home with several raffle wins as well.

This week is a 4BBB Stableford. Next week is a Par Medal. Debbie Burey is the starter and the sponsor.

Birdie

Vets Golf

Seven Vets enjoyed the everimproving course last Tuesday. The greens are in great shape considering the weather, much better than some other courses in our district. Rain continues to make golf difficult for all courses with other Clubs banning carts all together.

The Vets played an Individual stableford counting putts. David Bearup had a blinder and is sure to lose some shots. He had no problem with the wet course scoring 39 points. He also enjoyed the greens, only having 27 putts. I'm sure this will bring him back next week.

Chris Newberry also had a good day coming runner up with 36 points and nearest the pins on both the 7th and 18th holes. The other nearest the pin on the 10th went to Tex Varley.

This Tuesday three teams will be travelling to Inverell to play in the New England 4 Ball. Walcha is running their Open Stableford on October 14, let me know if you would like to play. Let's hope we are in a fine run of weather.

Don't forget our AGM next Tuesday the 4th.

A Vet



Bowlers off to State playoffs

Last weekend the Guyra number 3s pennant team travelled to Tamworth to compete in the zone playoffs. On Saturday, Guyra took

on Manilla, winning two of the three games for a 64-56 win. In the afternoon game Moree also beat Manilla, leaving Sunday's game the decider. With both teams desperate for the win, Guyra had two wins and a draw winning 62-48.

This result means Guyra will

travel to Dubbo for the state playoffs in November congratulations to all players.

Jack



Above I to r: Randy Mulligan, Colin Stanley, Murray Bourke, John Jackson, Tapper Walls, Robert Moore, lan Jacobs, Anthony Bull, David Wilcox, John McIllwain, Steven Sole and Michael Shiner.

Shamrocks wraps up season 2022

Guyra Shamrock Hockey Club would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the committee members for a wonderful 2022 winter competition. Guyra continues to maintain a strong membership managing to field an U8's, U11's, 2nd Grade Women's, 3rd Grade Women's, A grade Men's & 2 B Grade Men's teams. It was extremely exciting to welcome so many new members to the game of hockey across all fields. Our Junior teams showed huge improvement throughout the season with the U8's being dominant each Saturday and even stepping up to help the U11 when needed. Our U11's showed that playing as a team & practicing our passing created wonderful outcomes. The play of the season came when the ball was passed beautifully the length of the field to maintain possession and Henry Evans (usually our goalie) positioned himself to

score. Special mention also goes to the following Junior members Jimmie Neal, Millie Neal, Jaydea Cox, Elsie Post, Rose Gordon, Callie Cameron, Poppy Post, Brianna Marshall & Tyler Cameron, all these members competed in their first hockey carnival in Tamworth during the season, stepping up to play full field and even some indoor games. It has been a pleasure to watch everyone develop and enjoy hockey.

Senior Women's had a great season even if at times there was hockey played by some members back to back, we all know who they were.... Occasionally we felt we played our best with no subs or only fielding 9-10 players which helped to confuse our opponents!! But when we did all come together we were a force to be reckoned with and the diversity in skill was impressive to watch. This was especially evident with the 2nd Grade team nar-

rowly missing out on finals and coming 5th. Well done to the ladies who played hockey for the first time ever this year and those ladies who even went on to play Master's, amazing effort. It was wonderful to see so many new members of Guyra Shamrock Hockey Club and we look forward to playing together again in 2023.

Guyra Shamrocks Mens fielded three full teams this year, two teams in B grade and one team in A Grade. This made Guyra Hockey Club one of the largest contributors to the Hockey New England Men's Competition. It was great to see new faces, many playing for the first time and able to be competitive. One of the B Grade made the semi-finals but was unfortunately knocked in the first round. A Grade made it to the grand final and narrowly missed out going down 2-1.

Guyra Shamrocks also would

like to recognise our team members who have and are participating in representative hockey beyond the local competition.

The comradery and sportsmanship of all teams have created a great environment with the club looking forward to seeing new players for next year.

A huge thank you to all our sponsors whose contribution to Guyra Shamrock Hockey Club has allowed for much-needed equipment, playing shirts, and a reduction in membership fees over the past few years. We look forward to working with you in 2023.

Thank you to our sponsors Costa, Brown & Krippner, Sportspower, Glenavon Angus, Highland Pet Food, Brisk Trading, Lenehan Contract Services, Dennis Behrend Asbestos Removal, Jackson Pastoral Co, and the Royal Hotel.

Prue Post