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On Wednesday 23rd St Mary of the Angels students and teachers put in such an impressive effort and commitment in this years 2023 Book Parade. Winners for 2023 were:

Transition - Frazer McLennan, as Paddington Bear, Kindergarten - Stirling Turner, as Captain Underpants, Year 1 - Penny McLennan, as Where's Wally and Sam Sauer, as Moe Wolf from The Bad, Year 2 -Maddie Ellem, as Llama in Pajamas Guys, Year 3 - Chaise Martin, as Bumble Bee, Year 4 - Charlie B, as Daisy Wells from Arsenic for tea and Darcie Campbell as Gangsta Granny, Year 5 - Kirby Nugent, as Grim

Reaper, Year 6 - Charles Drew, as

 Book Week
 St Marsy Fear

Book Week Dress Ups

Black Mountain Public School students celebrated Book Week with their annual parade on Wednesday, 23rd August 2023. This year's theme was 'Read Grow Inspire'. Excited students and teachers paraded and showed off their favourite book characters with some very creative costumes. Teachers also had some very interesting character costumes.

An amazing display of books was available for purchase after the parade and the lucky winners could use their vouchers at the book stall. Thank you to all parents and students for your efforts in once again making this a successful celebration of reading and the joy of books.



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St Marys Book Week Dress Ups





St Marys Transition (left) and Year I (right)



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Treatment Package Deals



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8am-8pm Wednesdays <u>only</u> 142 Bradley Street, Guyra Pop in, call, text or email Sharon 0431 704 322 lashtolip@gmail.com St Marys Year 5 & 6 (above) and Year 2 (below)



TroutFest planning a great long weekend

The organising committee behind the 2023 Guyra TroutFest are putting the finishing touches to what they expect will be a jam packed program of events.

Timed to coincide with the opening of the trout fishing season, the festival will take place over the long weekend from September 29th until October 2nd.

While the festival celebrates the return of the fishing to local streams, it is also an opportunity to celebrate all that is on offer in the Guyra district.

The committee's main aim is to bring increased business into the town and to promote the Guyra area outside of the region as a destination for tourism and fishing.

Community groups are getting behind the event, to ensure that visitors will be able to enjoy a full weekend of activities.

Kicking off early, the Art Show will open on Tuesday the 26th September in the Lamb & Potato Pavil-



Bec and Layla White will perform in Guyra on Saturday September 30th

lion on the highway and the Rotary Club's Book Fair starts on the 29th in the Soldiers Memorial Hall.

Saturday morning will see the town buzzing with the return of markets to Bradley Street, There are already more than 35 stall holders confirmed with local stall holders as well as outside vendors from across the region.

Visitors will be able to delight in associated activities including vintage cars, live music, open gardens, competitions, fishing clinics, tomato farm tours and rides on the heritage train.

Both the Guyra Museum and the Historical Machinery display at the railway station will welcome visitors, while the Neighbourhood Centre will have activities happening in the community garden.

Saturday night will see the return of singer Bec White, accompanied by daughter Layla for a concert at the Australian Poetry Hall of Fame (APOH). Bec is a former Guyra local who performs a huge variety of music across many genres.

Activities continue at the APOH on Sunday with a Poet's breakfast and youth poetry competition.

If you want to see a full list of what is happening, check out the TroutFest facebook page. The organising committee are hoping for fine weather and a great rollup and are encouraging businesses to get in the spirit with window display and fishy themes.

New England District RFS members honoured for service

More than 35 members of the Rural Fire Service (RFS) New England District were recognised for their dedication and achievements at a special ceremony in Armidale on August 5th.

Superintendent Sean McArdle presented 21 Long Service Medals and nine National Emergency Medals at the event, as well as presenting one newly appointed Group Officer and six Deputy Group Officers with their Rank.

Superintendent McArdle said these medals, recognising more than 460 years of combined service, are a proud acknowledgement of the commitment shown by these individuals over the years.

Among members who were recognised for long service tenures were Darren Jenkyn and Ronald Walls of Black Mountain Brigade for their impressive 44 years' service to the RFS."

Superintendent McArdle will also award one posthumous Long Service Medal to Kevin Brennan, who devoted 74 years to volunteering with the Enmore Brigade.

With continuing dry weather the Rural Fire Service (RFS) is urging landholders and property managers to exercise caution and adhere to



rules when conducting burns on their properties.

Since August 1, firefighters across the state have attended more than 600 fires caused by escaped burns. An RFS spokesperson said that while landholders are encouraged to proactively reduce fuel loads on their property, the primary concern should always be safety.

Heavy fines apply for the unsafe use of fire in the landscape or if a fire escapes your property - landholders who fail to notify fire agencies and neighbours face fines of up to \$5,500 and/or 12 months jail while escaped fires attract penalties of up to \$132,000 and/or seven years prison and even more on days of Total Fire Ban.

History has shown that problems occur when people do not adequately supervise fires and an escaped hazard reduction can be very difficult for firefighters to contain.

Fire permits are needed during the Bush Fire Danger Period. They're free and easy to get from your local Fire Control Centre or FRNSW fire station. If you're burning, check conditions and don't light up unless it's safe.

RFS members can provide advice about fire permits, hazard reduction certificates, environmental approvals, weather forecasts and how best to prepare and conduct a burn. You can also find more information on the NSW RFS website at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/safeburning.

What's HOT

Father's Day - check out the catalogues inside this week's Gazette for some great ideas

TroutFest - lots of things being planned

New businesses opening great to see doors opening

What's NOT

Taking a small load of broken cement to Guyra recycle centre, told to take it to Armidale and then on arriving finding it closed

QUOTE of the week

The tallest oak in the forest was once just a little nut that held its ground.

Bureau of Meteorology Weather

WATCH

Guyra	MPS
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Date	Day	Min	Max	Rair
22	Tues	3.0	15.4	0
23	Wed	5.2	16.0	0
24	Thurs	1.1	16.2	0
25	Fri	0.8	17.4	0
26	Sat	2.9	17.8	0
27	Sun	2.2	17.0	0
28	Mon	5.1	16.0	0.8
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Rain this week	0.8mm
August rainfall	17.4mm
Rainfall YTD	544.8mm
Rainfall last YTD	719.0mm
Ave. rain to Aug	562.5mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Estimating Herbage Mass with Drought Resilient Pasture Landscapes

How accurate are our visual estimates of herbage mass? Are you worried about how much feed you have available, as conditions dry?

University of New England pasture coach Jaimi-lee Edwards said that uncertainty about estimating herbage mass (pasture availability) can undermine confidence in the feed budgeting process, and that's not warranted.

"It's normal to feel unsure about estimating herbage mass, especially when there are higher tussocks interspersed with shorter pasture," Jaimi-lee said.

"Using pasture height and estimates of pasture density is a proven method for ensuring those estimates are good enough for feed budgeting purposes."

During the third round of coaching sessions held as part of the Drought Resilient Soils and Landscapes Grants Program, pasture height was measured then cut to ground using a 50cm square quadrat.

On average for the 20 paddocks measured across the New England, there was about 350kg dry matter/ha for every centimetre of

Meals on Wheels

Street Stalls

Service Clubs

LIONS CLUB dinner meetings 1st &

3rd Wednesday of the month at

Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm. Ph: Geoff

ROTARY CLUB dinner meetings 2nd

& 4th Tuesday of the month 6pm for

Ph: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

Steve Norris

D Schmidt

Judy Broad

Guyra CWA

Catholic Women

Rotary

Stuart Broad

Wendy Lockyer

Aug 31

Sept. 1

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Sept. 6

Sept. 1

Sept. 7,8,9

Reeves 6779 1257

6.30pm at Guyra Cafe

Sept. 14

pasture height.

"An average pasture height of 6cm would equate to 2,100kg dry matter/ha of herbage mass," Jaimi-lee explained.

"When measuring pasture height, we don't measure to the very tops of the stems but rather to the average height of the leaves (green or dead)."

Members of the coaching groups enter these numbers, along with information about pasture quality, livestock and climate into their Ag360 accounts (you can create a free account at www.ag360.com.au), which then gives six monthly forecasts of herbage mass.

"These pasture forecasts generated by Ag360 are a complete feed budgeting service done for you," said Jaimi-lee.

For more information on the Drought Resilient Pasture Landscapes contact and upcoming workshops, please visit the Southern New England Landcare website

This project received funding from the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund.

Weekly Wool Market

August 25th - With no sale scheduled in Fremantle the national offering fell to just under 36,000 bales. This relatively small offering was not enough to offset the weakening demand that had prevailed over the past fortnight.

Prices declined upon opening on Tuesday and continued down during the course of the two day sales. The Merino fleece sector came under the most pressure with individual micron indictors dropping between 30-110 cents.

Heavier vegetable matter types remain prevalent with only 37% of this week's Merino fleece offering containing less than 1% vegetable matter.

30,536 bales were sold nationally for the week with the passed in rate climbing to 15.3%. Major buyers included Tianyu, Techwool & PJ Morris. The Eastern market indicator closed the week just 1 cent higher than its previous low in June.

If we disregard the Covid induced lows in August to October 2020 then the Eastern market indicator hasn't traded at these levels since April 2015. The expected national offering next week climbs to over 48,000 bales with the Western region returning to a weekly sale roster.

The season to date national offering has fallen 27,500 bales behind last season.

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels CatholicChurchMass 6pm Saturday and9am Sunday.Weekday Mass Mon-day-Friday9amContact:67791036

St. James' Anglican Church 9am Sunday, followed by morning tea. Doors open from 8:30am. 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:SundayService:10amContact:Pastors Linden & KerriePollard0455232073.

Seventh-day Adventist Church: Aboomala Street._Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service 11.30am Saturday. Contact: Minister Luke Reeves 0410 761 320 Church Clerk 6779 1587

Uniting Church: 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: Dan McGinty 0409 399 270

Celebrating 175 years of Public Education

Last week Guyra Central School celebrated Book Week and Education Week. On Tuesday August 22nd students dressed up as their favourite characters and participated in our Book Week Parade.

This year's Education Week theme is '175 years of public education in NSW' and focuses on learning from our past, celebrating our achievements and embracing the future with confidence.

Guyra Central School celebrated 175 years of Public Education in NSW with an official Education Week Assembly on Friday August 25th. During the Education Week Assembly students, staff and the school community were given the opportunity to watch the Big Picture Education videos based on the Big Picture students Toby Handebo, Dante Lloyd and Lily Eddy and their journey in Big Picture Education.

Each year Guyra Central School present four recipients with a Certificate of Recognition for their contribution to education at Guyra Central School. Certificate of recognition recipients are:

Annablle Collins (Year 9) for com-

mitment to her own education, showing diligence and enthusiasm for learning.

Billy Ryan (Year 6) for being a conscientious student who works hard to improve his learning.

Tremane Patterson (Community) for being instrumental in the establishment of Guyra's Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and for his commitment to strengthen relationships by making connections between the school and the community.

Louise Dowden - (Staff) for her exceptional organisation of school events.

Congratulations to Brooke Grills (Captain), Jada Alefosio (Captain), Trisha Varley (Vice Captain) and Max Raper (Vice Captain) who were announced as Guyra Central Schools School Captains for 2024.

Following our Education week Assembly, Guyra Central School held 'The Guyra Gift' and annual Education Week Tradition. Guyra Central Schools 1996 Year 11 Sport and Recreation class were the innovators of the 100m handicapped race which involves K-12 students, staff and community



Grandparents Day

Guyra Central School celebrated our Grandparents on Friday 8th August, inviting our Grandparents to attend the Grandparents Day Assembly and Morning Tea. Stage I and Stage 3 performed for our Grandparents during the Assembly before our Grandparents were given the opportunity to spend time with our students at a very special morning tea. Thank you to all Grandparents who attended and made the morning special. Pictured: Brax Hutton (Stage 3), Ryan Vidler (Stage 3),

Mrs Meg Simpson, Airlie Vidler (Stage 2), Ashton Hutton (Stage 2)



Community Winner **Tremane Patterson**



Guyra gift - Aidan Brown (Year 8), Kodah McKellar (Stage 2), Scott Tibbs (Year 10)



Ariella Galindo (Stage 2) Book Week - Alice in Wonderland

Gazette Footy Tipping

Birdie	263	Angol	241
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Shiba Inu Phantom	259	The Raider	241
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Red Devil	251	Garden Gurus	219
The Iggman	249	Dip Stick	207
The 3 Bunnies	247	Farmer Joe	167
Bulldog	243		

This week is the last round of our footy tipping competition. Birdie remains in top spot, but the Phantom could still take the 1st place spoils! Here is the NRL ladder for you to keep tabs on this week's matches - especially for the final 8.

Broncos	42	Roosters	30
Panthers	40	Eels	28
Warriors	38	Sea Eagles	27
Storm	36	Titans	22
Knights	33	Dolphins	22
Sharks	32	Bulldogs	20
Raiders	32	Dragons	16
Rabbits	30	Tigers	14
Cowboys	30		

Soccer

This past weekend seen the final normal rounds for all competitive grades in soccer, with the finals to start this weekend. Guyra second grade played their last game in Armidale against East Armidale. The first half was a close contest with the side looking to finish their season on a high. At the end of the first half the score was 3-2 in favour of East Armidale, the second half talk from the East side sparked them into action and Guyra couldn't maintain their momentum with Easts running out 10-3 winners. Guyra's goals came from Jack Soraghan and Ollie Flynn.

The first grade side had second spot cemented before the round started and were looking for practice from the DK side, unfortunately for Guyra they forfeited and no game was played. This weekend will see the team go to Inverell to play in the major final against a team that has won in their last two meetings.

A reminder that junior games continue as normal for grade under 6 to under 10s for the next 3 weeks. However, the Under 16s side have finished their season and the improvement in the year has been huge. The Under 12 side this weekend will play in the minor semi final for a chance to face to the winner of the DK and TAS the following week.

Casper

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday August 22nd we played a Stableford event and Putting competition.

John Prisk cleaned up firing on all cylinders. John had 38 points to win the golf, 25 Putts to win the Putting comp and NTP on both the 7th and 10th. Congratulations John, great golfing. Len Stanley was back after being off the course for a while and came in the runner up with 35 points. The other NTP on the 18th was won by Chris Newberry.

Next week there will be no golf as we will be coring the greens, weather permitting. On Monday September 4th our greenkeeper Shane would very much appreciate of as many helpers as possible, whether they be vets, ladies or weekend golfers, to help out with this mammoth task. Hopefully it will be all finished in a couple of days so you if you can help out, please turn up Monday morning bright and early and lend us a hand.

Ladies' Golf

Last week the Ladies played in very trying windy conditions. Suzanne Towells was the sponsor for a Stroke and Putting Competition. The winner was Belinda Lenehan with 73 Nett. Belinda also won the putting competition with 29 putts. Runner up for the day was Jenni Jackson with 76 Nett. Nearest the pin winners were, Jenny Rogers on the 9th hole. Debbie Heffernan on the 18th hole.

This week is a 4BBB Stableford

and NSW Bowl. Next week is a Par Medal. Nancy Prisk is the starter and sponsor. Next Sunday the Guyra Ladies are hosting the Graham Betts Final with visitors from local clubs participating. Good luck to all!

Birdie

Men's Bowls

Two games of minor singles were played on Saturday. Shane Brennan was too strong for Geoff Reeves winning 31-18 and Tim Ellis defeated Noah Brennan 31-24.

Games set down for this Saturday the 2nd of September at 12 o'clock are:

In club triples David Wilcox, Murray Bourke and Paul Johnson will play Barry Presnell, Cameron Peardon and Jason Varcoe. Robert Walls, Mallie Walls and Tim Ellis will take on Steven Sole, Scott Campbell and Barry Campbell. In major/minor pairs Anthony Bull and Ian Jacobs will play Barry Walls and Wayne Reeves.

Jack

Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping

NRL Round 26 kicked off with the Eels and Panthers, where the Eels produced a massive upset which could have implications on the Panthers' minor Premiership chances. The Eels stunned the Panthers with a 32–18 win and left them battered and bruised, leaving some key players injured.

Friday footy kicked off with the in-form Warriors at home to the Dragons, where the Warriors asserted their dominance and gave the crowd something to cheer about, with a strong 18–6 win over the Dragons. The Cowboys then did a number on the struggling Dolphins to go on and record a 34–10 win.

Super Saturday saw the Storm record a convincing 37–16 win at home over the Titans. The Roosters then had a 32–8 win over the Tigers. The Raiders produced a much more competitive performance at home to the Broncos, where the Broncos got the upper hand late to record a 29–18 win.

Sunday footy had the Bulldogs at home to Manly, where Manly were far too strong and went on to record a 42–24 win over a lacklustre Dogs outfit. Then the match of the round that could have huge implications for teams wishing to sneak into the top 8, the Knights at home to the Sharks, where the Knights held their great form and went on to record a 32–6 win.

Round 27 is the last round for teams to make their move into the finals and I am sure there will be teams holding their breath and relying on this week's results to figure in the top 8. Good luck Tipsters and fans going into the Finals.

The Green Blooded Reporter



Drake.

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E: admin@gala.org.au

COURSES

RSA & RCG Courses in Armidale Tues. & Wed. 5th & 6th September

> CHEESE MAKING Course in Armidale Sunday 10th September

WHITE CARD Courses in Armidale Monday 11th September

Bookings essential at

New England Community College (RTO#90145) 136 Bradley Street, Guyra

Phone: 6779 2132 or enrol online: www.gala.org.au

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear son and brother, LINDSAY GRAHAM KNOX 23.1.1975 - 3.9.2019

Four years have passed since you left us. It doesn't seem that long, But you will still be in our hearts, thoughts and prayers always. Sadly missed *Mum, Dad and Trish & Gary* Rest in peace

DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICES

MEEHAN; GEOFFREY MICHAEL 23rd August 2023 At Toormina, formerly of Wards Mistake, Guyra

Dearly loved son of Stella & Jim Meehan (both dec'd).

Much loved brother of Harry Meehan (dec'd) and Ina Williams (dec'd).

Loved uncle of Catherine Lean, David Williams & Erica Ulrick and great uncle to their familes.

A graveside funeral service to be held at the Guyra Lawn Cemetery on Monday, 4th September 2023 commencing at 10:00am.



CLAIM THE DATE

OCTOBER LONG WEEKEND:

Rotary Club of Guyra will hold a **BOOK FAIR** at the Soldiers Memorial Hall from 29th September to 2nd October.

TROUTFEST will be held 29th September to 2nd October. Markets in the main street, photography competition, kids' fishing clinic and more.

CLAIM THE DATE For your event or function Phone: 6779 2132 advertising@gala.org.au

MISSING

Tigzy missing from Tenterden St.



Tigzy has been missing since 9th August. He is a much loved family cat and is microchipped. Any info, please call 0407 543 034

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Spudettes Group 19 Plate Champions

The Spudettes are the Group 19 leaguetag plate champions and the Guyra club also picked up its club championship trophy on Sunday.

The season came to an end with success on the field thanks to the Spudettes beating Walcha/Uralla 14-4 in the plate grand final at Bellevue Oval in Armidale.

Ash Richardson scored almost immediately to get Guyra in front early. Walcha/Uralla hit back before halftime to make it 4-all at the break.

It took a kick and an in-goal scramble but Jamiah Jarrett put the Spudettes back in front in the second half with a try out wide.

Kayla Kim-Moran then split the defence and passed to Kyiesha Landsborough who beat several defenders on her way to the line.

Amanda Brooks converted the try and Guyra was up 14-4 with not long to play. The strong Guyra defence held on in the dying minutes and the win was complete.

Kiarna Landsborough was named player of the grand final after a big game in attack and defence.

The plate competition is a new concept that allowed teams that missed the top four to contest a second division or reserve grade trophy.



The Spudettes celebrate winning the Group 19 Leaguetag Plate grand final. Standing I to r: Taylor Waters, Kayla Kim-Moran, Kelly Widders, Lorissa Wilson, Shaynia Duncan, Selina Surawski, Ashleigh Richardson, Corinne Tait, Astashia Marr, Jamiah Jarrett, Rachel Coles, Ellie Mitchell and Peter Presnell. Kneeling: Amanda Brooks, Sharnae Smith, Macey Clarke, Ryla Munro-Cutmore, Talia Landsborough. Sitting: Kyiesha Landsborough, Kiarna Landsborough.

The club also collected the club championship trophy – the 11th time Guyra has won this trophy since the inception of Group 19 in 1980.

Despite missing out on a grand final appearance, some A grade and under 18s players also won some trophies on grand final day.

In A grade Billy Youman (rookie of the year), Mark Walker (leading try-scorer) and Alistiar Connors (leading point-scorer) picked up trophies, while Oscar Atkin was the leading point-scorer in the U18s and took home the honour of best and fairest for the season. The club presentation night is up next, on Saturday September 9 at the bowling club from 6.30pm.

Tickets are \$35 and are available from the bowling club, Fourways or by contacting the committee.

Details of the annual general meeting will also be announced soon.

