

Guyra Central School's Year 12 Class of 2023

Above I to r: Dante Lloyd, Harris Dullaway, James Loeb, Riley Campbell, Ashley Donnelly, Kye Raper, Claire Flynn, Nioka Levy, Kaleb Campbell-Spencer, Ellie Mitchell, Ethan Harris, Patrick Wadley, Tristan Bull, Indianna Gosper, Courtney Ward, Selina Surawski

Guyra Central School farewelled the graduating Year 12 Class of 2023 on Friday September 22nd. The school's Valedictory day started with a traditional 'Year 12 Breakfast' hosted by the year 11 students.

The 'Class of 2023' were then farewelled and graduated during a fitting Valedictory Assembly. Students from years 7-11 spoke on behalf of their year groups about each of the graduating students with one common consensus - that the year 12 cohort were role models to their younger peers.

Year 12 advisor Mr Jeremy Galvin travelled back in time and took the assembly on a journey down memory lane sharing his experience with the leaving students.

As a parting gift, the Class of 2023 gifted cherry trees to the school, which will be planted near recently installed gym equipment. 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 Annabelle Collins.

The finale of the Valedictory was a video featuring each student's journey at Guyra Central School.

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TroutFestArt Show

Above: Norm Williams and Glen Cooper with the Champion Art Work "Hello Cocky' by Judy Smith-Cooper Top left: Photography winner Wal Chapman with Dot Vickery Bottom left: Winner of the drawing category Terrence Boys (centre) with sponsors June and Neil Paine from Juniels

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TroutFest Art Show

TroutFest kicked off on Thursday evening with the official opening of the Art Show. This year's entries came from Tamworth, Armidale, and Glen Innes. Organiser Lynne Chapman said it was pleasing to see quite a lot of Guyra artists entering this year.

The grand champion exhibitor was Black Mountain artist Judy Smith-Cooper with her spectacular "Hello Cocky". The Drawing category was also won by Guyra artist Terrence Boys.

Local Wal Chapman won the photography section with Robyn Gordon highly recommended. The watercolour category was won by regular exhibitor Lynne Corbett and the Acrylic section was won by Glen Innes artist Rebecca Conduit.

There was a great response from the children of the district schools in both the art and the hand written story competitions. First and second prizes in the art went to Lewis Robertson and Oskar Laing from St Mary of the Angels.

Beth White and Belinda Parkinson developed the hand written story for children in the digital age. The "Gone Fishing" theme resulted in lots of humorous and clever stories. First prize went to Dustin Turnham from Bald Blair Public School, with Cooper Turnham from Bald Blair school coming second. Several highly commended awards were given in both competitions. Ebor School won the sculpture section with their array of sparkly fish.

The children's awards were sponsored by Vu and Nu Nguyen from Guyra Pharmacy. Gift bags with fishing gear will be presented to all children who received a highly recommended award when school resumes.

Thank you to the sponsors Sue Ross Real Estate, Royal Hotel, Juneil's cafe, Guyra Pharmacy and the Guyra Lions and Rotary Clubs. Special thanks to Neil and Danielle Fereday from What's Brew'n who generously did the Gin tasting for free at the Art Show opening night.

Over the weekend TroutFest continued with a successful market day held in Bradley street and many other events held throughout Guyra and district to celebrate the opening of the Trout fishing season.

There will be a wrap of festival events in next week's Gazette.

Councillors support Mayor for second term

Councillors have thrown their support behind Mayor Sam Coupland and voted him in to serve a second term as Mayor of Armidale Regional Council. His deputy will again be Cr Todd Redwood.

Mayor Coupland said he is thrilled to be re-elected and he appreciate the support of my fellow councillors.

"Since this term of council began in January 2022 we have made significant strides to put our region on a strong footing," he said.

"Council made the difficult decision last year to set rates appropriately to ensure financial viability, we have shored up our water security with the acquisition of Oaky Dam and the work on raising Malpas Dam wall is in its early stages and expected to be complete by 2026.

"Our strategic planning is well advanced to ensure we have a sufficient and appropriate supply of housing as our region grows with more details to be shared with the public next month.

"As a Council we are capitalising on the Renewable Energy Zone and at this meeting have agreed to progress the New England Future Fund to ensure intergenerational benefit from what will be the biggest change to our region since settlement in the 1840's.

"These milestones have only come about because of the foresight of the council group and the dedication of the people who work



here. Whilst we have kicked a number of significant goals there is still plenty to do."

Mayor Coupland said he was committed to serving the interests and needs of the residents of the Armidale region and working collaboratively with community members, local businesses, and other stakeholders to create a prosperous and progressive future for the region.

"I remember a time when our region was thriving. We are in a new era now and face different challenges and are presented with different opportunities but I firmly believe that with sensible decision making and cohesive leadership from our Council, we can once again become the region that other centres aspire to be - a robust economy generating plenty of jobs, quality recreation for all of us and unique experiences to draw the tourists," he said.

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Role models, friends farewelled

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Parents were given the opportunity to contribute to the video and the school heard many messages from their proud families.

Every student's path has been different and they have each learnt in different ways and grown into independent learners.

Some of the students started their educational journey together at Guyra Central School 13 years ago, completing their first and last days of school at Guyra Central School. A number of students completed School Based Apprenticeships or Traineeships, while other students challenged themselves and completed subjects by Distant Education as part of their Higher School Certificate studies.

The school also saw Big Picture graduates for the first time among this year's cohort.

Guyra Central School would like to wish the Year 12 cohort all the best in preparation for their upcoming HSC final exams.

What's HOT

Dasha's will be OPEN this Sunday.

Local man whipper snipping around side streets off the Main Street tidying up for TroutFest.

Voting in the referendum and looking for somewhere that is easy to access? Head to Ben Lomond or Black Mountain and help ensure these polling places stay open.

Time to start thinking about who to nominate for Aus. Day awards. Forms will be available from GALA soon - check next week's Gazette for more details.

QUOTE of the week

There's a fine line between fishing and just standing on the shore like an idiot. Steven Wright

Electricity network maintenance

Essential Energy will soon complete crucial maintenance on the high voltage electricity network which supplies power to Guyra and the surrounding areas including Ben Lomond, Llangothlin and Black Mountain.

Operations Manager Ranges, Paul McWilliam, said the work will minimise the risk of equipment failure and unplanned power outages for customers and help to ensure the ongoing safety and reliability of the power network.

"The works include replacing two high voltage power poles and 50 pole crossarms, along with other necessary network maintenance," Paul said.

To enable Essential Energy crews to complete the work safely, a planned power outage has been scheduled for Sunday, 8 October 2023 from 9.00am until 5.00pm. The planned outage will affect most homes and businesses in Guyra, Backwater, Ben Lomond, Black Mountain, Bald Blair, Brockley, Llangothlin, Mount Mitchell, and the surrounding areas, and affected customers have been notified in advance.

Significant planning has been undertaken to minimise the inconvenience of the outage, including crews coming in from other areas to help complete the work.

"Given the planned outage will affect more than 1,500 homes and businesses, we are bringing in crews from Armidale, Glen Innes, Inverell, Tamworth, Texas, Tenterfield, Walcha and Warialda to help our Guyra crews complete the work in a single planned outage.

"Zone substation technicians will also complete works in the Glen Innes and Guyra zone substations during the outage, to further reduce any inconvenience on these communities," Paul said.

The scheduled works are reliant on suitable weather conditions and may be postponed if the conditions are unfavourable or any unforeseen circumstances arise.

"We appreciate that planned power outages may cause inconvenience for some customers, but they are necessary to ensure the power network remains safe and reliable for the community," Paul said.

Band Workshop and Learning Kamilaroi Language for Black Mountain students

On Friday, 15th September 2023 the senior class at Black Mountain Public School had the opportunity to participate in a combined school's band workshop at Glen Innes Public School. Students had the opportunity to demonstrate their skills in the instrument they are currently learning to play in music lessons at school. All students represented our school with pride.

On Tuesday, 19th September 2023 Mr Tremane Patterson together with Tanyarli and Dion Patterson joined school students in both classes to teach Kamilaroi language. In their first lesson the students learnt Kamilaroi names for Australian animals and numbers.

> Mrs Justine Eddy Relieving Principal

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Under 6 Orange and White -

Coach: Casey Lennon

This season was filled with lots of fun and learning for the under 6s. This season the under 6s showed off their great skills they had picked up last year and welcomed new team mates to join them for the season. Both teams showed great determination and teamwork when playing on the weekends and showed how hard they had been working at training learning new skills. Throughout the season many of the players continued to improve their soccer skills and working as team as they developed their passing and goal scoring



Under 6 White Nayte Mayled, Willow Cruickshank, Maeve Milmoe, Willow Milmoe, Thomas Chapman Absent: Jaidee Masuk-Purvis

Under 7s Coaches Felicity Williams & Emma McLennan

The Under 7's soccer season has been a remarkable journey filled with excitement, growth, and valuable life lessons. The season was a true testament to friendship, teamwork and sportsmanship, and a love for soccer. This Season the under 7s focused on the fundamentals of soccer with skill development in dribbling, passing, and shooting, with coach Emma McLennan dedicating time to honing their technique. One of the remarkable aspects of the Under 7's soccer season was the way our young team faced each game with unbridled enthusiasm and unwavering determination. Regardless of the opponent or the score, these players showcased incredible spirit and resilience.

As the whistle blew on the Under 7's soccer season, it leaves behind a trail of wonderful memories and lasting impressions. The values of teamwork, sportsmanship, and camaraderie learned during this season will undoubtedly serve them well in their future endeavors. A heartfelt thanks to the dedicated coach Emma and supportive parents, and, most importantly, the young athletes who made this season truly special.



Under 7s Nathan Lane, Thomas Laing, Kayden Williams, Mackenna Cleaver, Jorja Cruickshank, Cooper Williams Absent: Penelope McLennan

skills as well as working together to defend. As the season continued the under 6s showed great sportsmanship and support for both their own team mates and for other teams as well which was fantastic to see.

Although we did need to be reminded of which goal we needed to score in at times the under 6s all had a fantastic season as little Caspers and all improved without a sight.

I had the privilege of coaching both of the under 6 teams this season and I had a fantastic time. I would also like to thank all of the parents who helped me out on weekends with coaching.



Under 6 Orange Axel Lockyer, Jacob Sauer, Vincent Furphy, Stirling Turner, Haidee Hope Absent: Eli Jackson

Guyra Junior Soccer teams Season 2023 wrap up

Under 8s - Coach Rebecca Adams

What a season it has been! My first time coaching has been so rewarding, watching these kids turn into beaut little soccer players with quite a few wins under their belts. It was amazing to see a relatively new group of players start the season and mesh as a team so beautifully.



Under 8s Back I to r:Aidan Chapman, Khaysen Thompson, Brock Adams, Mia Waters, Coach Rebecca Adams Front: Isaac O'Kane, Charles Gordon, Harry McRae, Benji Foster Absent: Harbour Hutton, Ivy-Rose McLennan

Under IOs/IIs - Coach Steve Kliendienst

This season most of these boys were playing one to two years above their age group, which meant they were playing against teams that were bigger, stronger and faster and they were on a larger field.

As the year progressed the boys began passing and understanding more about the game, and I was very pleased to see such improvement in each and every player. The best aspect of this team was the friendships they formed, which made them enjoy every game.

It was a pleasure to coach them and I was proud to see them all show such wonderful sportsmanship. Thank you to all of the parents who travelled and supported this team all year. A special mention and thanks to Derick Marshall who organised the interchange each week.

Under I0s/IIs

Back I to r: Coach Steve Kliendienst, Cruz Little, Oskar Laing, Hugh Kliendienst, Noah Chapman, Miles Furphy, Jack Marshall Front Hamish Brown, Ricky-Jay Foster, James Neill, Peter Grills, Chaise Martin, Matthew Sauer



Guyra Junior Soccer teams Season 2023 wrap up



Under 12s –Coach Mitchell Hope

It has been a pleasure to coach the under 12s this year. For many of them it was their first taste at competitive soccer, for others they had done it all before. The season started slow as the players coming up from the under 10s got to realize how big the new field was.

As we trained more together and worked on our passing skills the field didn't seem as big anymore, the ball was doing more of the work. The teams we faced got more competitive too throughout the year. If we got an early season win over a specific team that didn't mean it was going to be easy to repeat in the later rounds.

The main competition for the Guyra side in the division was the DK Axes and the TAS side. All three of these teams would go on to play in the finals. Guyra were extremely happy to finish the season second on the ladder and I was happy as a coach to see the effort the team put into the semi-final game against TAS. This game saw them knocked out of the competition, however it was the best game they had played all year.

Under 12s Back I to r: Coach Mitchell Hope, Taharn Masuk-Purvis, Alex McKemey, Noah Brennan, Connor Montague, Ryan Waters, Lewis Robertson **Middle**: Toby Cussen, Charles Drew, Elle Bavea, Khloe Martin, Fergus Rosser, Rachael Jackson, Zac Raper **Front:** George Hope and Lachlan Ellis Colley

Guyra 16s

Coach Michael Colvin This team was made up of under 14s playing up a grade and the rest being 16s.They had a difficult start to the season with their first game being a bit of a flogging.

As the season went on, they gained some more players and a couple of good goal keepers in Toby Handebo and Rocco Brazier. From then on they were a lot more competitive through the season, but were unable to get a win.

Jack Soraghan should get a special mention for the effort he puts in during the game. The kids always held their heads high and played for the full game and were always great to train with.



Under 16s

Back I to r Aidan Brown, Lincoln Brown, Jake Tibbs, Rocco Brazier, Ollie Flynn, Toby Handebo, Front I to r Leah Varcoe, Archie Jackson, Kate Okane, Archie Colvin, Jack Soraghan, Claire Flynn, coach Michael Colvin Absent: Leigha Mcelroy, Owen McCann, Cooper Reeves, Blake Raper, Joseph Reeves, Liam McCann



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Street Stalls

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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, followed by morning tea. Doors open from 8:30am. All welcome! Contact Rev. Tim Stevens 6779 1111

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The Chapel:

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10.00am Saturday Divine Service Saturday. 11.30am Contact: Minister Luke Reeves 0410 761 320 Church Clerk 6779 1587

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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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- 5. Stitched (4)
- 7. Talon (4)
- 8. Metal pin (5)
- 9. Frozen (4)
- 10. Donations to the poor (4)
- 12. Maths sign (4)
- 13. Dilly-dally (6)
- 17. US Mormon state (4)
- 18. Playing card (3)
- 19. Modelling material (4) 20. Beatrix _____ children's
- author (6)
- 24. Medieval instrument (4)
- 26. Fraction (4) 27. Sharp taste (4)
- 28. Young bird (5)
- 29. Port on Humberside (4)
- 30. Touched (4)
- 31. Ratify (7)

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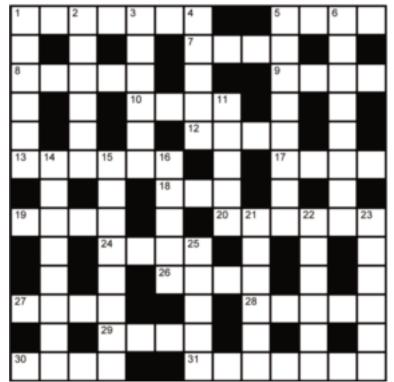
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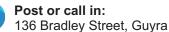
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Council News GUYRA

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held in Armidale from 4pm on Wednesday 25 October 2023.

The public are welcome to attend a live streaming of the meeting at the Guyra Civic Administration Building for any residents wishing to watch.

Current Vacancies

Administration Officer - People and Culture - Closes 7 October

Council is seeking an highly motivated, admin superstar to join our People and Culture Team for a 12 month term.

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Guyra Pool opens with a splash



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Guyra CAB footpath replacement

Due to a number of safety concerns with the Eastern side footpath at the Guyra Civic Administration Building, we will be replacing it with a concrete structure that will be more suited to provide a safe, non-slip surface.

What to expect: Work will commence on 12 October for approximately two days with weather permitting.

Access: You can still gain access to the Guyra CAB and Library through the rear entrance to the building while construction commences. The Guyra Library will remain closed on Saturday. Please note, wheelchair access will not be available during construction



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Midweek Golf

Looks like a great start to the midweek golf on Monday 9th October. Each week you need to play between Monday morning and 5pm Sunday afternoon.

We already have eight teams booked in and three of these are new teams.

Don't forget you must have your team of six in by next Friday. They do not have to be Golf Members but do need to be a social member of the Guyra Bowling & Recreation Club.

Juniors, beginners and everyone else welcome.

Email through your team to: leonie@gala.org.au or drop the names into the club.

Playing score cards will be available from the bar when you pay to play each week and there will be an update on your handicap each week. Rules available at the club.

Middy

Ladies' Golf

Last week 10 of our Ladies played in the NEDGA 4BBB in Armidale.

Pip White and Wendy George won the Veterans 4BBB runners up trophy.

Karen Oehlers and Debbie Heffernan won the Best 9 holes 1-9.

Julie Walker and Leonie Taylor won the Best 9 holes 10-18.

This week is a Par Medal. Next week is the Guyra Welding Works 4BBB Championship. 27 holes with a 9am start. Karen Oehlers is the starter.

Birdie

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday ,the monthly 4 Ball was cancelled and an Individual Stableford played due to the small number of players.

Six players travelled to Inverell to compete in the NEVGA 4 Ball comp. This only left 6 to play at home.

The winner at Guyra was Neil Paine with a score of 38 followed by Len Stanley on 35.

Nearest the pins went to Neil on the 10th and Warren McCowen on the 18th. The best putter on the day was also Neil.

Of the six players that went to Inverell, Herb Wilson and Wal Chapman had the best score from the Guyra teams with a score of 42. An Inverell team won the day with 45.



Wendy George (left) and Pip White were winners of the Veterans 4BBB runners up trophy

Men's Bowls

Rural Market Reports

No games were played over the long weekend.

On Saturday, 7th October at 12 o'clock in Major Singles Col Stanley will play Scott Campbell with Dan Kennedy to mark, in handicap singles Geoff Reeves will play Shane Brennan with Noah Brennan to mark and Roger Cox will play Anthony Bull with Barry Presnell marking.

On Sunday, 8th October at 12 o'clock the final of the open singles will be played between Robert Moore and David Wilcox with John Jackson to mark.

Jack.

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale September 27th

Total Yarding: 1550 (-4785) Sheep Yarding: 1000 (-1490) Lamb Yarding: 550 (-3295)

A very small sale as some producers withheld stock in the knowledge that not all processors would be attending.

It was a very mixed quality penning of lambs tending to the plainer side. There were few well finished lambs to suit processors. Plainer condition and light weight lambs made up the bulk of the offering with several pens of new seasons.

Varying market trends where the low numbers also played a role in both negative and positive price change. Trends were generally cheaper. There were a couple of brighter spots with a pen of well finished young lambs dearer.

The well finished old lambs in the heavier weight classes also saw some improvement. There were a couple of lines of young Merino sheep included in the numbers. They sold quite well in the circumstances with restockers taking advantage of the weaker market. Odd pens of sheep to processors were a little brighter with the balance not so much.

Armidale Cattle Sale September 28th

Total Yarding: 1730 (+670)

There was an increased penning as the poor seasonal conditions continue. There was a large supply of light weight young cattle. There were a few well finished grown cattle including cows. The balance of the cattle saw quality very mixed with condition on the plainer end of the spectrum. There were a few new faces in the buying group replacing some absentees in the regular group.

The young cattle saw demand generally weaker with the mixed nature of the offering playing a role. Trends were mostly cheaper with some large falls. These falls were exacerbated by the longer gap between sales. The exception to the cheaper trends were the lightly muscled light weight yearling heifers that attracted strong restocker competition.

They saw a breed related improvement and a dearer market trend. The market was no better on the grown cattle with a limited supply of well finished grown steers and heifers selling to a much cheaper trend. The cow market followed suit recording some of the largest price falls of the day.

Weekly Wool Market September 29th

Sales commenced in the Northern region on Wednesday this week with prices being guided by last week's softer Fremantle close.

Nearly all types lost ground throughout the day, with the exception being the 17 micron and Merino Carding indicators that remained unchanged. A 10 cent fall in the Northern region indicator was reported.

Thursday's sale was a mixed result with further falls being offset by small increases in selected individual micron indicators. This left the Northern region indicator at minus 15 cents for the week.

Unlike last week, the Fremantle market closed on a positive tone and if the current trend of the Western region setting the mood for the opening of the Eastern seaboard continues next week, then prices could be expected to be slightly dearer.

The market remains range bound with the month of September showing just 21 cents between the high and low point of the Eastern market indicator. This is also very similar when viewed in US Dollars.

34,822 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 10%. Major buyers included Techwool, Endeavour Wool and Tianyu.

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POULTRY FOR SALE

LAYER PULLETS, 20 weeks, all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, 6th October. Call Jim 0428 194 105.

RAFFLE RESULTS

GUYRA UNITED SOCCER CLUB 100 Club: 1st Tony Cussen, 2nd Anne Lane, 3rd Nathan Lane. Thanks to everyone who supported our Canteen.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY raffle won by Rita Williams. Thanks to all for your support. GUYRA ROTARY CLUB fishing and camping equipment won by Del Healey (redonated), redraw won by Wade Beard. Thanks to all who supported us.

MEETINGS

CAN ASSIST Annual Branch Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 17th October at 3.00pm at the Bowling Club.

GUYRA UNITED SOCCER CLUB AGM will be held at our major sponsor, the Royal Hotel at 6.30pm on Wednesday, 25th October. We hope to see some new faces!

COURSES

Tech Savvy **Seniors Program & Certificate courses**

Enrolments now open for:

- Certificate I in General Education for Adults
 - Certificate II in Workplace Skills
- Certificate III in Business

Combined Food Safety Supervisors Levels 1 & 2 Tuesday 24th October

> **Prepare and Serve Espresso Coffee** Wednesday 25th October

Bookings essential at

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

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

DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICES

HAMMOND; ETHEL EILEEN 27th September 2023

Passed away peacefully at the Grange Care Community, Coffs Harbour, formerly of Toormina and Guyra

Dearly loved wife of Fat (Harold) dec'd. Loving mother and mother-in-law of Ray & Gay (dec'd), Don & Robin, Lynette & John Grills, Narelle & Keith Havcraft.

Adored grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great grandmother of their children.

Aged 99 years

Funeral Service to be held at St James Anglican Church, Guyra on Friday, 6th October 2023 at 11.30am, followed by interment at the Guyra Lawn Cemetery.



PROBUS NOTES

Our next meeting is next Monday, 9th October at 10am at the Guyra Bowling Club. After the meeting, at 12 o'clock, we will

have a movie at the Council Chambers.

All and any new members are welcome to attend the meeting or the movie.

Judy Jackson

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry at The Chapel 66 Llangothlin Street, Guyra **OPEN on FRIDAY** 9am-12pm Contact: 0455 232 073

CLAIM THE DATE

SATURDAY, 11th NOVEMBER: Official Opening of the GUYRA MEMORIAL PARK including BBQ, memorial avenue of trees, memorial plaques, mandala garden and rotunda will take place following the RSL Remembrance Day service. Everyone welcome.

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Wednesday October 4, 2023

A big year of football for Guyra boy

Eli McGinty has had a big year of representative soccer and there is plenty more to come for this Guyra boy.

2023 started with Eli being invited to tour London and Paris win Wanderers Australia. He then trialled for a goalkeeping position with the Northern Inland Academy of Sport Football Club (NIAS FC) in Tamworth and was selected to play for both the Under 13s and 14s sides.

The NIAS FC teams are made up of skilled players from across the region from Glen Innes, Inverell, Narrabri, Armidale and Tamworth. Each week Eli played two games, with home games played in Tamworth and away games in Newcastle.

They were up against some very skilled city teams, which meant travelling a lot of kilometres to attend games as well as training sessions.

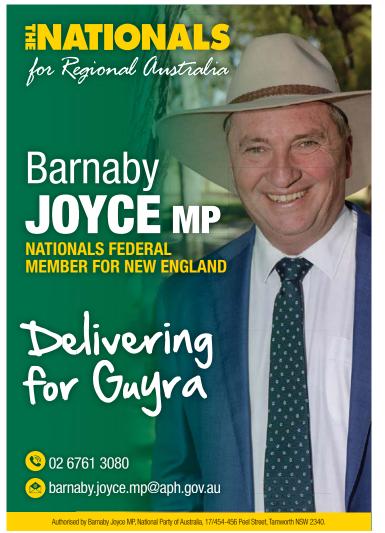
Proud father Dan McGinty said that the season was one of the biggest yet with the competition being a massive 28 weeks, plus



Guyra's Eli McGinty (in green) celebrating a win in the Under 13s Northern NSW Football Premier Youth League Grand Final

pre-season and Plate/Cup competitions in the mix.

"Eli did suffer a massive set back during the season at about



week 9, with a knee injury," Dan said.

"This was disappointing, but also showed Eli's determination to get back into the teams. He spent the next 7-8 weeks recovering, working on his injury and still supporting his teams from the sidelines and at training sessions."

"Upon his return he slotted straight back into the teams, also gaining a spot in the Northern football division of the talented sports player program.

"Every two weeks he would get together with other athletes from Newcastle and Tamworth and receive specialised training and support with both the 13s and 14s, who both went to the grand finals as minor premiers."

Not many people get to play in two grand finals in the one year, however Eli took it in his stride helping the under 13s to a 3-2 over West Wallsend, with the under 14s losing 3-2 to the same club.

At the NIAS FC awards night held on September 23rd Eli was presented with two awards - most improved player and most dedicated.

Last week he took part in the Joeys Mini World Cup tournament which was held in Inverell and is preparing for his trip to Paris and London with Wanders Australia. The team will depart on November 30th for 18



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days of touring and will play up to two games a day against local clubs, and attend training sessions with a few of the major professional teams in both London and Paris.

Eli and his team had a great time over in Inverell at the Rale Rastic Joeys Mini World Cup, making it to the Grand Final against the Touring team from Germany. Unfortunately they could not get over this team, and came home with the runners up trophy.

As part of this tournament over the week, there were talent selectors looking at the skills these young players bought to the field. 16 players are to be selected to represent Australia on a tour of Germany next year in June.

Eli was successful in capturing the attention of the talent scouts and has been named one of the 16 to join the touring team. So many achievements this young man has had in 12 months of playing football.

Eli would like to thank the community of Guyra for their support of helping him raise the funds for his tour via the go fund me page. He said that he has had his mind blown by what he has seen in the way of skills he has had to compete against, and what he has achieved and is looking forward to the coming years.