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Festival at capacity in 2024

Rotary Park in Guyra has been transformed overnight as the town prepares for the running of the annual Lamb and Potato Festival.

The site was a hive of activity on Tuesday as stallholders arrived and volunteers put the finishing touches ahead of the opening on Wednesday morning.

President of the Lamb and Potato Festival committee Steve Mepham said they are confident that this year's festival will continue to gain the support of the travelling public on their way to and from Tamworth for the Country Music Festival and returning from summer holidays north and south.

"The festival site is at full capacity with about 40% of those being new this year, so there will be a fair bit of new stuff for visitors to see," Steve said.

"We are ready to kick off on Wednesday morning for breakfast and will continue every day from 7.30am until 7.30pm with hot food from the gazebo.



Committee members Steve Mepham, Gwyneth Pearson, Julie Gittoes and Chris Bellinspecting the newly installed deep fryers in the food gazebo

"There will be music running every day of the festival and the stalls will be open for business. We are expecting visitors from all over, including bus groups from many towns."

"At the end of the day, I hope

that people have a good time, the stallholders are happy and that we make budget to ensure the festival can continue to be held."

Visitors to Guyra will be able to enjoy a range of activities over the twelve days of the festival including daily rides on the rail trike operated by the Guyra and District Historical Society or a visit the CWA Art Exhibition at GALA.

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2024 Australia Day Ambassador

Humanitarian and internationally known best-selling author Michael Crossland will be Armidale's Australia Day Ambassador for 2024.

Crossland has made impact in many arenas and is a sought-after speaker who inspires, entertains, instils perspective, and also offers tools that are valuable personally and professionally.

In his presentation 'The power of perspective', Crossland will share his story of overcoming extreme adversity to achieve incredible outcomes in both his personal and professional life. This story began when he was a young child, defying the odds to survive a rare form of life-threatening cancer, and then emerging as the sole survivor of a terrible cancer drug trial.

He is a businessman, elite athlete, Queens Baton bearer for the Commonwealth Games, and one of Australia's most in-demand keynote speakers. He is a best-selling author across six different countries, has worked with troops in Iraq, pro athletes around the globe, and runs an orphanage and

school in Haiti.

Crossland has previously shared the stage with others including Sir Richard Branson and the Dalai Lama, and a recent video of him has been viewed by more than 88 million people.

The Guyra community will have an opportunity to hear Crossland's story at the Australia Day Awards dinner to be held at the Guyra Bowling Club on January 25th and also at the flag raising ceremonies in Ben Lomond and in Guyra on January 26th.



New England Wedding Showcase

A new event for the region is being planned for February, in support of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service.

The New England Wedding Showcase will be held at the Armidale Showgrounds on Sunday February 4th. The day promises to be a one-stop shop, showcasing some of the best wedding vendors in the New England region.

Event organiser Sam Skinner said that the showcase will be an opportunity for people to engage with a variety of wedding vendors from all over the region, and also to see trends and ideas for their upcoming wedding.

Ms Skinner said that they have gathered some of the best wedding vendors throughout New England, with over 20 vendors confirmed. They include celebrants, venues, photographers, hair stylists, DJ's and more.

"The showcase offers couples the opportunity to connect with multiple



Guyra based photographer Anna Kemph will be one of the vendors at the New England Wedding Showcase

businesses, all in the convenience of one location," Ms Skinner said. "Attendees will be able to find everything they need to bring their dream day to life.

"You can check out our facebook page for more information, where

we will be running business profiles for some of the involved vendors.

"Guyra based photographer Anna Kemph will be one of the vendors. Anna is a wedding and lifestyle photographer with a love for natural photos with an authentic experience. "You can check out some of her amazing on facebook and Instagram, or better still call in to see her at the wedding showcase."

Aside from offering a valuable pool of resources anyone planning a wedding, the event is also raising funds for the Westpac Helicopter Service.

"The Armidale branch of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Support group is proudly presenting this event and hope that it will become an annual event raising money for this amazing service," Ms Skinner said.

The showcase will run from 10am – 2pm in the Main Pavilion of the Armidale Showgrounds. Tickets are on sale now for \$5 per adult (under 16s are free) and can be purchased online, or at the door on the day.

There will also be exclusive discounts and giveaways, as well as a raffle prize pool worth over \$1000 to be drawn on the day

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What's HOT

Lamb & Potato Festival kicks off today - lots happening over the next couple couple of weeks

Cleaning out junk at the start of the year

Free Pool Day Thursday January 18th

Crepe Myrtles flowering in main street

What's NOT

Vandalism of community projects

Ants in the kitchen, attacking the cat food

QUOTE of the week

"You must take the little potato with the big potato."

~ Irish Potato Proverb

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date Day Min Max Rain

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15 Mon 13.2 24.0 0 Rain this week 6.0mm

January rainfall

Rainfall YTD 15.4mm Rainfall last YTD 61.8mm

15.4mm

Ave. rain to Jan. 118.7 mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Christmas celebration for Costa staff



Costa hosted a Christmas celebration for staff at the Guyra Showground in December 2023. Around 300 people attended the celebrations.

A spoke person for the Costa group said that it was great to

have everyone together again after several years hiatus due to COVID.

"We had a variety of talent performing including local band Mother of Ducks, joined by Costa team member Eloise Ford playing the flute, and several ethnic groups performing.

"End of year awards were presented to 22 high achievers and everyone enjoyed the festivities."



Festival at capacity in 2024

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The Burgess Garage car museum will be open daily while the Guyra Museum will be open on both weekends as well as Australia Day.

Special activities are planned for both weekends. The Antique

Machinery Rally and Swap Meet has moved to the first weekend of the festival and will take place on January 21st and 22nd.

There will also be a mini bike and car show in Rafters car park featuring Harley Davidsons on January 21st.

The second weekend will be a

big weekend which will include the popular Show and Shine in Bradley St, Model Trains in the Presbyterian Church Hall, Military Vehicles and live music both at the festival site and in Bradley St.

The festival runs from January 27th to January 28th.

Guyra Lamb & Potato Festival

Music Program Week One

TIMES	WEDNESDAY JANUARY 17th	THURSDAY JANUARY 18th	FRIDAY JANUARY 19th	SATURDAY JANUARY 20th	SUNDAY JANUARY 21st 10.30am to 11.30am The Barney Street Band 12noon until 2pm Mo McNorrow	
Lunch 12 noon to 2pm	Judith Betts	Errol Gray	Peter & Vicky Denovan 'Moldy Oldies'	Jim & Barb O'Neill Guyra Linedancers		
Evening 5.30pm to 7.30pm	lan Russell	Pete Stanley	Bitz of Buzz	Chilli Jam	The Altones	

Guyra Lamb & Potato Festival

Music Program Week Two

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	Monday January 22nd	Tuesday January 23rd	Wednesday January 24th	Thursday January 25th	Friday January 26th	Saturday January 27th	Sunday January 28th		
Lunch 12 noon to 2pm	JIm & Barb O'Neill	11 to 11.30am Richard Stanley 12 - 2pm Pete Stanley	Bruce Clark	Peter & Vicky Denovan 'Moldy Oldies'	9am Australia Day Ceremony Peter Denovan	* Electric String Orchestra * Glen Innes Pipe Band 12-2pm Whisky Business	11am -12.30pm The Gooeys		
Evening 5.30pm to 7.30pm	Mo McMorrow	lan Russell	Songwriter's Showcase	M.C. and the Squares	Chilli Jam	Vinnie and the Cuban Missiles	Festival Closes		







Meals on Wheels

Jan 18 L&RSkinner Jan 19 Narelle Leven Steve Norris Jan 22 Jan 23 Russell Jan 24 Debbie Schmidt

Street Stalls

No street stalls in January

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, 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: Sunday Service: 10am

Contact: Pastors Linden & Kerrie Pollard 0455 232 073.

Seventh-day Adventist Church: Aboomala Street. Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service Contact: Saturday. 11.30am 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

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

ACROSS

- 1. Brawn (4)
- 4. Method (6)
- 7. June's birthstone (5)
- 8. Rave (4)
- 9. Receptacle (6)
- 10. Expert flyer (3)
- 11. Clanger! (6)
- 13. Mend (6)
- 15. Fruit basket (6)
- 17. Bucks Fizz hit, My Never Lies (6)
- 18. Bill of exchange (6)
- 20. Polar region (6)
- 23. Not either (3)
- 24. Protect (6)
- 25. Profit (4)
- 26. Andrew Lloyd Webber musical (5)
- 27. Rotated (6)
- 28. Upsurge (4)

DOWN

- 1. Beginning (5)
- 2. Deadly (5)
- 3. Film starring Liza Minnelli (7)
- 4. Amputate (5)
- 5. A will (9)

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QUICK CROSSWORD

6. Tropical fever (7)

14. Hitler's mistress, ____ Braun (3)

12. Shadows hit, Land

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- 15. Mounted bullfighter (7)
- 16. Australian bird (3)

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- 19. Terminated (5) 21. Tobacco product (5)
- 22. Small boat (5)

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Council News



Public Exhibitions

EOI - Preliminary
Feasibility and
Options Information
- Oaky River Dam
Hydroelectric Energy
Project

Closing date 11 Feburary 2023 10pm

Council Meetings

The next ordinary council meeting will be held in Armidale from 4pm Wednesday 28 February 2023.

The public are welcome to attend a live stream of the meeting from the Guyra Civic Administration Building for any residents willing to watch.

Current Vacancies

Activation and Precincts
Officer - Closes 28 January
The Activation and
Precincts Team focuses
on leading activities that
support active, vibrant and
strong local places.

Multi-Functional Ranger - Closes 28 January
This position is responsible for the administration of the

for the administration of the Companion Animals Act

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Up for Adoption!

This beautiful trio of girls are now up for adoption. They had a tough start being dumped over Christmas but they haven't let that stop their delightful and fun personalities come out. They are tan with white markings and are kelpie cross puppies.

These girls are looking for a forever family to love them!

Interested? Give the friendly staff at our Companion Animal Shelter a call on 6770 3994.



Free Pool Day for upcoming school holiday activities - Thursday 18th Jan



Join us this Thursday for a FREE POOL DAY at the Guyra pool!

Escape the summer heat and make a splash with friends and family at our free pool day! Whether you're a seasoned swimmer or just looking to cool off, everone is welcome.



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Land values increase across Northern Tablelands

The total land value for the Northern Tablelands region has gone against NSW's overall trend and increased, according to the latest land valuations from the NSW Valuer General, Sally Dale.

Published on Monday, January 8, the report details new land values for every parcel of land across NSW as at July 1, 2023.

Each year the NSW Valuer General provides independent and impartial land values for use by the state government and councils for taxing and rating.

Property sales are the most important factor valuers consider when determining land values. The new land values were assessed following analysis of over 58,000 property sales.

Overall, land values decreased across NSW by 1.6 per cent from \$2.85 trillion to \$2.80 trillion in the 12 month period (July 1, 2022 - July 1, 2023).

Despite this, the Northern Tablelands region - comprising of Armidale Regional, Glen Innes Severn, Inverell, Tenterfield, Uralla and Walcha Local Government Areas (LGAs) - increased by 5.9 per cent, from \$18.5 billion to \$20 billion.

Residential land values across the region remained steady at 1.4 per cent, with interest rate rises, inflation and increasing construction costs slowing the market.

Armidale (0.4 per cent), Inverell (0.6 per cent) and Uralla (0.2 per cent) all remained steady, while Tenterfield (2.4 per cent), Glen

Innes (6.3 per cent) and Walcha (15.2 per cent) all saw larger increases.

The report noted the increases in Glen Innes occurred given its relative affordability.

Commercial land values across the Northern Tablelands region also remained steady at 0.2 per cent, as supply was met by demand across all districts.

Individually, each area remained steady - Armidale (0.1 per cent), Glen Innes (0.8 per cent), Uralla (0.4 per cent), Inverell (0 per cent) and Walcha (-0.9 per cent).

Industrial land values across the region experienced a slight increase of 4.1 per cent.

Armidale (-0.4 per cent), Glen Innes (0.6 per cent), Uralla (0.0 per cent) and Walcha (1.8) all remained steady, while Inverell (20.1 per cent) saw the strongest increase.

The report noted Inverell's local economy continuing to strengthen, with many employers expanding operations and creating employment opportunities, as the reason for this increase.

In addition, the strength of the town's industry has prompted increased demand from both owner occupiers and investors, with the limited supply of vacant land driving further market movement.

Rural land values across the region experienced a moderate increase of 7.2 per cent.

Glen Innes (-2.1 per cent) experienced a decrease and Armidale (1.6 per cent) remained steady, while values in Inverell (15.1 per cent), Tenterfield (3.3 per

cent), Uralla (8.2 per cent) and Walcha (16.3 per cent) all increased.

The strongest increases were experienced in Walcha and Inverell with the market showing a preference for quality grazing and cultivation properties driven by stronger returns in these markets.

Overall in NSW residential land values decreased by 3.8 per cent, commercial land values increased by 6.4 per cent, industrial land values increased by 9.6 per cent and rural land values increased by 6.0 per cent.

In the 'Other' category - a range of land uses, generally comprising of a small numbers of properties which tend to follow the trends of other surrounding land values - were relatively stable across the state, decreasing by 0.7 per cent.

In rural regions across the state, NSW Valuer General, Sally Dale, said residential land values increased, with continued interest from purchasers seeking affordable housing options within close proximity to regional centres.

She added that commercial land values in regional NSW increased, with most areas experiencing good demand for commercial property, often underpinned by population growth, infrastructure, or other local development projects, and a continuing strong rural sector.

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"Industrial land values in regional NSW increased strongly. These increases were experienced across most areas and driven by high demand due to growing population bases, limited supply and the continued strength of the rural sector.

"Rural land values in regional NSW increased ... rural residential properties generally followed the residential market with a slight increase, whereas genuine rural properties continued to benefit from long term confidence in the rural sector, with a significant number of purchases being existing land holders looking to expand their farming operations."

The new land values will be used by Revenue NSW to calculate land tax for the 2024 land tax year for landowners that are subject to land tax.

Land values are one of the factors used by councils to calculate rates, with councils receiving new land values for rating at least every three years.

All councils are currently using July 1, 2022 land values for rating. They will use July 1, 2025 land values for rating from July 2026.

Land values are one factor used by councils to calculate rates. When land values are used by councils to set rates, the Valuer General sends landholders a Notice of Valuation to advise the new land value to be used for rating.

Rural Market Reports

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

January 9th - 3,569 head were yarded this week in Guyra for the first Sheep & Lamb Sale of 2024. Top price \$235 average per head \$96.05.

Ewes Averaged \$50.35 and topped at \$80. Hoggets averaged \$61.04 and topped at \$80. Lambs averaged \$129.55 and topped at \$235. Grown sheep averaged \$58.59 and topped at \$70. Wethers averaged \$59.66 and topped at \$70.

Please note, the operational decision has been made to change

the scheduled sale day and time of the Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sales.

Effective immediately weekly sales will be held on Tuesday commencing at 9.00am at the Guyra Saleyards.

Weekly Wool Market

January 12th - The wool market returned this week after the Christmas recess with buyers generally optimistic of a positive opening. Throughout the recess period we were hearing reports of good enquiry coming from overseas mills, particularly from

China which transitioned into new business being done. A large offering of 51,000 bales provided ample opportunity for buyers to start to fill these orders. The opening days selling began as expected, with gains being seen across all micron categories. As the week progressed, lots containing more favourable results and style maintained these new levels. This was not the case however with higher VM, poorer style lots which saw prices ease as the week progressed. This is highlighted when you look at the movements in the individual micron indicators with some being quoted up and some down. This is more an indication of where the balance lies in the quality spread of these indicators. The quality of this week's offering contained a wide range of types. In basic terms the market was dearer on the better types and easier on the lower poorer types. The more positive sentiment seen in the Wool Market prior to Christmas remains. Some brighter economic reports out of key wool consuming countries has helped in lifting this confidence.

Schute Bell Wool

Have Your Say

Dear community

We wish to update you as ratepayers and community members with an extraordinary announcement.

NSW Parliament will present a BILL to the members of the Parliament with the support of Dr Amanda Cohn GREENS and 65% of the parliament backbenchers in support of a Plebiscite to remove the powers of merged NSW Councils and to Demerge for the independent management and financial control of your Council that you lost from the Baird Government now recognised as a NSW financial disaster and leaving ratepayers in disarray.

The first session of NSW Parliament 2024 will take place next month for the right to vote back our independently operated councils

Demerge NSW Alliance (DNA) will also be conducting a Public rally soon in Macquarie Street Sydney to represent ratepayers of

Guyra and all of NSW ratepayers for a Democratic Demerger and Separation of councils and to ensure we have an ACT of Parliament Law passed for our compulsory right to vote on the is a historic moment for getting back our councils. MORE TO COME STAY TUNED TO THE GUYRA GAZETTE.

Save and Grow Guyra will keep you informed on all progress with the Guyra Gazette and your local TV media outlets who are informed and following the outcomes of this historical moment.

WARNING YOUR TOWN IS UNDER THREAT FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS.

Please see the document: DA NAME: DA-215-2023 on council's website.

Other issues threatening the town of Guyra will be Town Water contamination, Environmental issues, Harmful Sewerage, Sewerage Engineering issues, Mother of Ducks Contamination, Water Supply Issues, No Off Street parking, Economic and Social issues including increase of crime rates and straining our local services. No Green Space is provided on the DA link provided.

Currently, the mass property investment from Chinese investment has caused a housing crisis which has forced developers to look elsewhere for profits. Soon your regional towns will be overdeveloped for rate revenues by councils and the yesteryear of beautiful landscapes, charm and beauty will be lost in our towns.

Progress and development can be done sensibly. But all ARC Councillors must be informed by their General Manager.

Save and Grow Guyra Rob Lenehan Chairman 0412 669 373 saveandgrowguyra@gmail.com

Sport defibrillator program now open

The NSW State Government's Local Sport Defibrillator Program is now open for applications.

The program provides up to \$3,000 to eligible sporting organisations, for the purchase of Automated External Defibrillators and associated equipment.

This life saving equipment may mean the difference between life and death, as an individual who suffers sudden cardiac arrest outside of a hospital will only have a 1 in 10 chance of survival.

Applications are now open and will close once funding is exhausted or at 1pm on 23 February 2024.

For further information and to apply, visit www.sport.nsw.gov.au/grants/local-sport-defibrillator-grant-program

Guyra 2023 weather summary

2023 RAINFALL:

845.4 mm, 33 mm lower than the average.

DECEMBER SUMMARY

(Long term average in brackets)

Rainfall: 125.4 mm (101 mm)

on 12 days Average maximum temp:

25.5C (22.7C) Average minimum temp:

Average minimum temp: 12.1C (10.8C)

Highest max: 31.0C on the 7th

Lowest max: 17.8C

on the 20th

Lowest min: 8.5C on the 12th

Frosts: 0 (0.2) Sunny days: 18 (15) Days with thunder: 10 (8)

Other significant weather news for the year included:

DRIEST SEPTEMBER ON RECORD

The rainfall total of 2.0

mm was the lowest on record from 135 years of records. The previous lowest was 5.1 mm in 1925. T

WARMEST SEPTEMBER FOR 10 YEARS

The average maximum temperature of 19.1C was the highest for the month of September since 2013 (19.3C).

WARMEST AUGUST FOR 14 YEARS

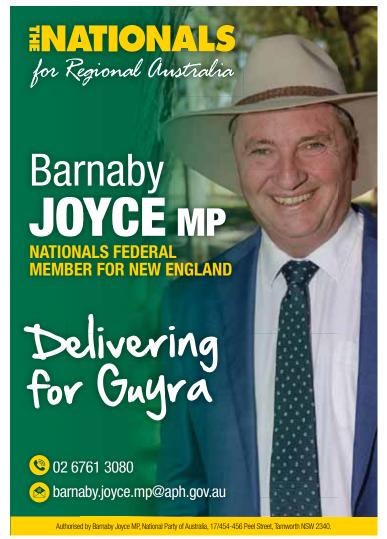
The average maximum temperature of 15.3C was the highest for the month of August since 2009 16.2C).

WARMEST JULY DAY FOR 7 YEARS

30th July - The maximum temperature of 17.9C was the highest for July since 19th July 2016 when it reached 18.7C which was also the highest on record for July.

Source:

https://www.weatherarmidale.com/guyra.html



Classifieds Tradies & Services

AUSTRALIA DAY DINNER

TICKETS for Guyra's Australia Day Awards Dinner are available at GALA. Cost: \$25 per person. The dinner will be held on Thursday, 25th January at the Bowling Club.

AUSTRALIA DAY PROGRAM

THURSDAY, 25th JANUARY 6.30pm

Awards Dinner at the Bowling Club FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY 7.00am

Breakfast and Flag Raising at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall 9.00am

Flag Raising at the Lamb & Potato Festival 9.30am

Morning tea at the Guyra Historical Museum

HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Guyra Historical Museum will be open during the Lamb & Potato Festival

Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st 10am - 3pmFriday 26th Australia Day Morning tea 9.30am

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th 10am - 3pm

DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICES

HEAGNEY; GARY ADAM 7th January 2024 of Sandon Street, Guyra

Beloved son of Gary & Lynne. Loving brother of Adam. Loved nephew and cousin of his family.

Aged 42 years

A graveside funeral service to be held at the Guyra Lawn cemetery Wednesday, 17th January 2024 commencing at 2pm.



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FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry at The Chapel 66 Llangothlin Street, Guyra **OPEN on FRIDAY 9am-12pm**

Contact: 0455 232 073

TRAIN DRIVERS WANTED

Would you like to drive a train?

Our Guyra Heritage Train needs more drivers.

> No licence required. Full training provided.

Call GALA on 6779 2132

POULTRY FOR SALE

LAYER PULLETS, 20 weeks, all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, 16th February. Call Jim 0428 194 105.

MEETING NOTICES

GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY meeting Wednesday, 31st January at 7pm. Secretary's office Guyra Showground. New members welcome.

CLAIM THE DATE

THURSDAY, 25th JANUARY:

Australia Day Awards Dinner at the Bowling Club, 6.30pm. Tickets \$25. Bookings at The GALA Centre.

FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY:

Morning tea at the Guyra Historical Museum from 9.30am. Come along for an Aussie cuppa and check out the new exhibits. All welcome.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY. 16th & 17th FEBRUARY:

Roll up for the 116th Guyra Show featuring Griego the Great Roving Magician, Speed Shear, Woodchop, cattle & horse events, Zone Junior Judging ... and much more!

CLAIM THE DATE

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Xmas lights winners

The Christmas lights competition organised by the Guyra and Community Progress Association (G&CPA) has proved successful in encouraging residents to light up their homes.

The G&CPA has extended thanks to everyone who put in so much effort and time into their displays and entered the competition.

The judge for the competition was ARC Deputy Mayor, Todd Redwood and family. They had a tough time deciding on the winners. The winners of the Guyra Christmas lights Competition were announced on December 19th.

1st Prize - 15 Neilsen Street, Guyra, 2nd Prize - 1 Coventry Street, Guyra, 3rd Prize - 6 White Street, Guyra, 4th Prize -9 Youman Street, Guyra.

The competition looks set to become an annual event and will be held again in 2024.



Cricketers looking for community support

Guyra Cricket Club is one of three organisation vying for support in the Greater New England funding program in January. They are hoping to get the community behind them in order to take out the \$2000 top prize.

To get behind them you need to register your votes online at www.greater.com.au/greaternewe ngland.

In previous funding rounds Guyra residents helped both the senior and junior rugby league clubs over the line and it would be great to see Guyra do the same for the cricketers as well.

You can vote once every 24 hours, and it is also possible to vote again if you use a different device such as your phone. Please vote as often as you can and encourage all your contacts to do the same.

The T20 competition has resumed after the Christmas break.

1st grade Guyra 8/137 defeated Ex Services 7/117. Batting Joey

Ryan 10, Ben Jackson 30, Michael Purvis 27, and Charlie White 34*. Bowling Charlie White 2/15, Mitch Woods 1/23, Joey Ryan 3/11 and Michael Purvis 1/12.

Guyra will play City/UNE this Saturday in the final round of the T20 competition with the final to be played at the Armidale Sportsground on Australia.

2nd grade Guyra 8/102 were defeated by Ex Services 7/105. Batting Troy Martin 15, Lucas Tait 12, Aidan Purvis 32*. Bowling Maurice Blair 3/15, Lucas Tait 1/13, Aidan Purvis 2/8. Les Perrett 1/26.

This weekend Guyra will be up against Walcha/Uralla in the final round.

3rd grade Guyra 10/57 were defeated by Ex Services 2/59. Batting Tom Lockyer 12, Tim Foster 8, Mavric Foster 12*. Bowling Hugo Brazier 2/13.

Guyra is set to play Walcha/Uralla in the final round.



Vets Golf

Last Tuesday we played a stableford event with 14 players participating. Col Walls scored 38 points to come in the winner closely followed by Pat Grills with 37 points and runner up. The best putters were Wal Chapman and Neil Paine with 27 putts and the NTPs went to Don Hill and Herb Wilson.

Next Tuesday the 23rd we will bring our 4BBB TROPHY day forward a week with the first round of the pennants getting underway on the last Tuesday with Armidale being the hosts. If you can play in this please let Wal Know as soon as you can.

Pennants scoring will be done a little differently this year with the winning club getting 10 points, the runner up 8 points etc, right down to 2 points for the club coming in 5th spot. It would be great to get off to a good start.

Drake

Midweek golf

Happy New Year and good golfing everyone. First week back

and about half the players put their card in. Looks like we have a few people on holiday.

Best individual score this week goes to our junior players Beau Wilson 24 points and Noah Brennan 23 points. Congratulations boys. Next highest was another junior, Archie Dowden with 22 points. Also on 22 points were Pip White, Robert Moore, Richard Burey, Peter Mulligan, Aaron Mendes.

Highest team score goes to Baldersleigh Bashers on 81 then Tee Em Up on 80 with Double Aarons on 77 points.

It's great to see everyone on the course and well done to the new players whose handicaps have gradually been going down.

Next week I have some golf balls to hand out to the best ten scores for the week. Courtesy of Darrin and Suzanne Towells at New England Autos. Check near the card box to see if your name is on a package.

Don't forget preferred lies on the green. Have a great week.

Middy

