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Guyra truckie inducted into Transport Wall of Fame

After more than five decades behind the wheel, Guyra's Trevor Tarrant has been recognised nationally for his lifelong commitment to the road transport industry.

Trevor was one of the 2025 inductees into the National Road Transport Museum's Wall of Fame.

The museum is one of Alice Springs' top tourist destinations and the aim of the Wall of Fame is to highlight the contribution that road transport, as an industry, has made to the economic well-being of Australia through the development and ingenuity of Australia's trucking pioneers.

Trevor has been driving trucks for over 53 years and is showing no sign of slowing down. He grew up at Llangothlin surrounded by farming and trucks. His parents, Vena and Herb, established a small transport business with Trevor often right there beside them. Those early years built the values of hard work, resilience and community spirit that still define him today.

By the age of 17, Trevor was already showing his skill and confidence behind the wheel. He famously reversed his father's truck into the narrow drive of the Guyra Police Station when going



Trevor Tarrant on the job (Photo by Alf Wilson)

for his licence. The officer was so impressed that Trevor walked away with the paperwork without even sitting the test.

In 1979, Trevor and his wife Deidre took a big step and bought their first truck, officially starting TC & DA Tarrant Transport. From there the business grew steadily, carting sheep, cattle, wool, hay and even the odd unusual load.

Among the most memorable

was a job transporting a dozen camels from Walcha to Guyra, which proved to be a bumpy ride.

While building up the business, Trevor and Deidre have never forgotten their community. Each year Trevor donates his time and trucks to help at local events, from carting cattle and calves for camp drafts to delivering sheep, cattle and hay for the Guyra Show.

Behind the scenes, Deidre has

been just as vital and she was also honoured as one of the recipients of the Transport Dream Maker Award.

Over the years she's kept the books, managed schedules, answered the phone and often packed her lunch to ride shotgun beside Trevor. Together they've raised three children and are now sharing their love of transport and community with eight grandchildren.



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Educator recognised in National Family Day Care awards

Guyra educator Valerie Hume has been recognised for her dedication to early childhood education, taking out the Tamworth and North West Region Educator Award in the 2025 Excellence in Family Day Care Awards.

The awards celebrate the vital role of family day care, which is the preferred choice of education and care for more than 50,000 Australian families. The program shines a spotlight on educators who not only run their own small businesses but also provide warm, nurturing and educational environments for children in their care.

Valerie, who is registered with Armidale and District Family Day Care, was humbled by the recognition.

"I'm so proud to have been chosen for this award," she said. "To be recognised among so many amazing educators is such an honour.

"Being trusted with the care and education of children during these early years is such a privilege.

"Watching them grow, reach milestones and discover the world is incredible and the bonds I form with the children and their families is definitely one of the best parts of the job."

Family Day Care Australia CEO, Andrew Paterson, praised Valerie's dedication, saying:

"Educators like Valerie demonstrate an incredible level of commitment and care that makes family day care such a valued choice for families. Her work reflects the very best of what family day care has to offer."

Valerie was quick to thank the support network around her, acknowledging the strong community of educators in Guyra, Armidale, Walcha and Glen Innes.

"I feel extremely grateful to be supported by such a wonderful service," she said.

"Our community-based program is rated Meeting the National Standards, which we're all so proud of.

"I also want to give a big shout out to my fellow educators who are always there to support each other."

As a Regional Award Winner, she is now in the running to become a National Finalist for Educator of the Year.

"It's such a fulfilling career," Valerie added. "If anyone is thinking about starting their own family day care service, do it!"



Val Hume



Guyra Anglers Club Inc

John Wilcox Trout Classic

4 & 5 October - Trout season opening
Guyra TroutFest

Opens 12:01am Saturday
Ends 12pm sharp Sunday
Presentation at Malpas Dam 3pm Sunday

Age categories

Jnr up to 18
Opens 18+



Prize categories

Mystery length
Impounded
Creek

Great prizes up for grabs



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Entries are being taken for:

- **Stop Motion Animation workshop** (12-18 years),
- **TroutFest Metal to Masterpiece** (including a novice section),
- **TroutFest Art Competition** in 9 categories including Youth Art and Photography.

Great prizes presented on Friday 3rd October
6pm at the Lamb and Potato Pavilion.
Email: guyratroutfest@gmail.com
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Juniors at the Gun Club giving back to the community

Lots of school holidays activities at the Library

Locals being recognised on a wider scale

TroutFest just two weeks away - markets, music, fishing, art and more

Scout Hall renovations are complete and doesn't it look great?

JOKE of the week

What did the shark say when he ate the clownfish?
This tastes a little funny.

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
9	Tues	10	17.4	0
10	Wed	7.2	12.9	0
11	Thurs	2.1	7.3	20.0
12	Fri	1.2	14.2	0.6
13	Sat	2.2	15.2	0
14	Sun	2.4	16.1	0
15	Mon	3.9	17.4	0

Rain this week	20.0mm
Sept rainfall	22.0mm
Rainfall YTD	784.6mm
Rainfall last YTD	576.8mm
Ave. rain YTD	620.3mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin,
Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Same Old, Same Old

It was disappointing at the recent Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club AGM that there were not a greater number of members present to find out about what the club had spent over \$2,000,000 on over the past year!

The fact the meeting is on Father's Day, which would restrict people with family commitments, doesn't seem to deter the President, being told it had been that way for eternity.

When I wanted to put a motion that the date get changed all he wanted to do was shout me down and say no motions can come from the meeting to be voted on and it would have to go back to the board!!

There was no "that's a great idea, we want more members input". It was "we will note it for consideration at a Board Meeting".

One wonders if any of the committee actually read their own notice of meeting as it had one of last year's items listed to be discussed, but it had been handled last year, as well as an incorrect date to approve the honorariums for 2020 not 2025, and the amounts were wrong. This was pointed out by a member from the floor who was not at the last meeting!!!

No discussion was entered into as to what the final costs of the units may be, only that they hope to be open in three weeks. We are aware a number of members asked a board member prior to the meeting for an update from the President regarding the units and he stonewalled on progressive cost and expected bills to still come in.

When asked about a contract being awarded to the Vice Presi-

dent's business, without it being made available for all club members to quote on, there was a fair bit of ducking and weaving in saying it had been offered to others. Offered, not advertised, it is hard to know what that actually means

I have checked with other fabricators and they just chuckled back to me when I asked them!!! I pointed out that in our Constitution 8.2 it clearly states that to comply with the Registered Clubs Act no member should have an advantage to make profit from the club above any other member and the job should be advertised publicly for all to quote on!!! Is this fair to all members?

It is also in our club's constitution, as well as Clubs NSW guideline's that financials should be put up on the notice board every quarter so members can see where the money is spent. When I asked why they weren't, I was told one of the secretary managers changed that policy, although our constitution states they should be available to members. When was the constitution changed for a secretary manager to change the reporting to the clubs members?

How do we know, as members, we are getting the best deal when NO parts of this development were put out to open tender!!

Clubs NSW give great guidelines for boards to adhere to when doing these types of developments however it appears this board has ignored these totally.

Through a board member I requested a copy of the minutes of the past eight months board meetings to see what decisions had been made, and which board members made them, and was flatly denied by the President and

club manager.

All we as members want is some transparency in the decisions that are being made and to know our money is spent wisely, giving the best value for our dollars.

There are guidelines from Clubs NSW as to how clubs should be run. I suggest members have a look at these as our club is NOT adhering to these at all.

I feel compelled to air this here, after discussing some of these points with previous board members they say that it is SAME OLD SAME OLD, SECRET SQUIRREL'S BUSINESS.

I wonder how many people have noted we have had two Secretary/Managers come and go, as well as two board members and an office worker in the past few years as they could not work with the established crew.

We need our club pumping along promoting sport as well as Sammi's Bistro not resting on the laurels of the poker machine income.

From the President's report there seems to be no recognition for others in the club, including all the bar staff, the greenkeeper and his helpers, Sammi and his staff at the bistro, as well as the various golf committees and bowls people that all make this club a community asset.

If this is the true recognition that the President and his crew, I feel then maybe it is time for a change where the people drive the club.

The whole situation of no information to the members and absolutely no transparency with financial decisions has to be questioned by the members.

Please tell me if I am incorrect!

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School Holiday Activity Program October 2025



Guyra Library

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	BOOKING
29 September – 3 October	10am – 5pm	HSC Study Retreat. Quiet space to study Free drinks, snacks and printing available.	For HSC students. No bookings required.
30 September	10.30am 1 hour 48 min	Movie morning, 'Lilo and Stitch' (PG). Popcorn and water supplied.	All welcome. Children under school age MUST be accompanied by an adult. Bookings required.
2 October	10.30am – 11.30am 2.30pm – 3.30pm	LEGO with a TroutFest fishing theme!	All ages. Bookings required.
7 October	10.30am – 11.30am 1.30pm – 2.30pm	Sphero Fun Race your Sphero around our maze or create your own artwork!	All ages. Free for library members (membership is free!). Bookings required.
8 October	10.15am – 4.30pm	Virtual Reality.	Ages 10+ years. Bookings essential (limited spaces).
10 October	10.30am – 12noon	Animated Space Box Craft. Animate your own space themed box.	Preschool aged and under. Bookings required.

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FREE!

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Regional Council

Meals on Wheels

Sept 18	Bec Broughton
Sept 19	Steve Norris
Sept 22	Wendy Laidlaw
Sept 23	James Parker
Sept 24	ARC

Street Stalls

Sept 25,26	Freemasons
Oct. 2	St Marys
Oct 3	Wig Group
Oct 9,10,11	Rotary

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church Vigil Mass 6pm Saturday 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 **Anglicare Chaplain:** Rev. Daniel Hayes (0428 828 852)

St. Columba's Presbyterian Church 9am Sunday followed by morning tea. Ben Lomond, 2pm October 5th **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 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

Service Clubs

LIONS CLUB 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm. Ph: Geoff Reeves 6779 1257 **ROTARY CLUB** 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 6pm at The Blind Chef Ph: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

Locals named as PLC student leaders

PLC Armidale has announced its 2026 Student Leadership Team, with every position filled by a young woman of character from across the region, including Glen Innes local Molly Chard, who has been appointed Head Prefect and Guyra resident Kate Ward, who was appointed Wilkie Guild Captain.

The rigorous process involved nominees writing manifestos, delivering speeches, and participating in interviews with Principal Mrs Nicola Taylor and Head of Senior School Mrs Kate Clynch, before students and staff cast their votes.

Mrs Taylor said Molly is a thoughtful and exceptionally kind student who contributes to the College community with quiet determination and dedication.

"Molly's leadership and co-curricular involvement are extensive, including her roles as both 2025 Dance and Athletics Captain, participation in multiple sports teams, and a role in our 2025 production of Mary Poppins, the musical."

Mrs Clynch said 2026 Wilkie Captain Kate had approached school life with maturity and reliability.

"She contributes positively and works well in group discussions with her peers," Mrs Clynch said.



Kate Ward
(above) and
Molly Chard
(below)



"Her involvement in sporting teams, including Touch Football, Soccer and Indoor Hockey, highlights her commitment to team-

work."

The students will be officially inducted at a College service later this year.

A class act - Year 12 graduates to be celebrated at Council event

Armidale Regional Council (ARC) will honour the achievements of the Year 12 graduating class of 2025 with a special community celebration in Beardy Street Mall on Monday September 22nd.

All Year 12 students from Armidale and Guyra are invited to take part in a ceremonial walk from Central Park to the Beardy Street Mall stage, where they will be presented with a commemorative certificate from the Mayor recognising their hard work and dedication.

ARC Mayor Sam Coupland, said the event was a chance for the community and families to come together and celebrate a significant

milestone in the lives of local young people.

"Graduating Year 12 is a major achievement, and it reflects years of commitment, resilience and personal growth," said Mayor Coupland.

"This ceremony is our way of saying congratulations and letting our young people know how proud we are of them. Whether they're heading into further study, work, or taking time to explore their options or travel, they've reached an important turning point and deserve to be celebrated.

"We hope this event becomes a cherished tradition in Armidale - one that brings families, schools and the wider community together

to support and uplift our future leaders."

Students are asked to arrive at Central Park at 3.30pm. The walk will commence at 4pm and will proceed across Rusden Street, past the Council office, through the alleyway between BooBooks and Tattersalls, and into the mall.

A drone will capture an aerial photo of the group before the walk begins, and students are not required to wear school uniforms. Family and friends are welcome to form a guard of honour along the route to the mall stage.

A free barbecue will follow for students to enjoy together and celebrate the completion of their schooling journey.

Joyce celebrates a Century

Former Guyra resident Joyce Ramage has reached an incredible milestone, celebrating her 100th birthday on Sunday, September 7th, with family and friends at Tabeel Aged Care Laidley, Qld.

Born in 1925, Joyce grew up in Narrabri with her parents and siblings. At just 16 years of age, with the world at war, she joined the Land Army learning to drive tractors and trucks, cared for stock, and picked fruit and vegetables - skills that would shape her strong and resilient character.

In 1944 Joyce was posted to Guyra, where she met Allan Ramage, and after a three-year courtship, they married in Newcastle in November 1947. Together they raised six children - Lynn, Geoff, Margaret, Phillip, Diane, and Neil while working side by side and building a life in the Guyra district.

In 1974, with their children grown, Joyce and Allan moved to Wee Jasper, where they spent eight happy years and made many lifelong friends. Retirement later took them to Ipswich, before they settled in Ballina to be closer to family. After 71 years of marriage, Allan passed away, and Joyce eventually moved to Tabeel, where she has been warmly embraced by staff and residents since 2020.

Joyce's family tree now spans six children, 15 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren, a legacy of more than



Joyce celebrated with family Phillip, Diane, Neil, Lynn and Margaret

70 descendants.

Her life has spanned remarkable times and remained independent well into her 90s. To her

family, Joyce is the heart of their story - a woman of strength, resilience, and love, who continues to inspire across generations.



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Police awards

Being a police officer can be both a challenging and rewarding career and some of the stories we heard at the New England Police District medal and awards ceremony three weeks ago were incredibly impactful. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated police serving in our communities.

Leading Senior Constable Helen McMurtrie (rtd) and Constable Samantha Petty (rtd) received Commissioner's Commendation for Courage medals at the awards ceremony. They were recognised for their courage and dedication to duty when shot at in Glen Innes in 2019.

Sergeant Bradley Wood and Senior Constable Steven Ginn also received Region Commander Awards for their dedication and devotion during a signal one broadcast during the 2019 incident.

Thank you for your service and bravery. They were part of a group of 31 police officers (both serving and retired), and staff who were honoured at the awards. There were long service medals and awards, bravery medals and awards presented.

New England and Northern Inland NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards

Earlier this month, big-hearted people from across the region gathered in Armidale for the New England and Northern Inland NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards.

There was a massive contingent from across the region who were nominated across the categories. Well done to each and every one of you for showing dedication to your communities.

There is no doubt volunteers are the glue holding our communities together.

Winners:

- New England-Northern Inland Volunteer of the Year - Kamala Wheeler (Moree).
- New England-Northern Inland Young Volunteer of the Year - Caitlin Blanch (Tamworth).
- New England-Northern Inland Senior Volunteer of the Year - Margaret Lenord (Inverell).



The New England and Northern Inland NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards honoured some of the region's selfless and dedicated volunteers.

- New England-Northern Inland Emergency Volunteer of the Year - Sam Berry (Narrabri).
- New England-Northern Inland Young Volunteer Team of the Year - Ruby Mae's Wish (Barraba).

Bushfire danger period

With the weather warming up and plenty of seasonal growth, this is a reminder fire permits are now required. Guyra has been included in the bushfire danger period. Fire permits can be obtained from the NSW RFS.

Springtime fun and learning these school holidays

A wide range of activities and creative opportunities will be delivered at Armidale Regional Libraries, and in Armidale Mall as part of a diverse program these spring school holidays.

The program will kick off on Monday 29 September at both Armidale and Guyra Libraries.

From storytime and craft to lego and music, from movies and virtual reality to computer programming and science, children and young people from across the region should find something to spark their interest!

"Besides a great range of fun and learning activities, both libraries are

offering HSC group study sessions," said Armidale Regional Council Mayor Sam Coupland.

"HSC students have exclusive access to a quiet and comfortable space. They can come and go as they please and take advantage of the free drinks, snacks and printing available, as well as access to Excel HSC Study Guides - all the ingredients for a good study session!"

In addition to the libraries' program, young people can join in to public art workshops at Armidale Art Gallery in the Mall.

Professional artists will work alongside young people aged 12-18 years to create public artworks that

will be installed in Armidale's public spaces during the upcoming Creative Streets Festival.

Jule Jarner will guide workshop participants to create giant dream catchers using yarn, recycled items, and colourful materials. The creations will become part of a large overhead canopy in one of Armidale's laneways.

Mike Terry will work with young people to create their own visual story using collage. Stories will be digitised and projected as part of a series of public art projections during the Creative Streets Festival.

"I'm looking forward to seeing what is created through these free

workshops, and thrilled that young people will be making their mark in our streetscape," Mayor Coupland said.

Council's school holiday program aims to be inclusive, engaging, and fun.

"Our team has worked hard to ensure there's something for children and young people of all ages," he said.

"Activities are not only about entertainment but are a chance to learn and try new things and maybe make some new friends along the way!"

Find out more about school holiday activities on council's website www.armidale.nsw.gov.au

Transition program underway at St Marys

St Mary of the Angels School Transition Program is now underway. The program is designed to support students as they prepare for the next stage of their learning journey, helping them build confidence, form connections, and become familiar with new routines.

Through a series of engaging

activities and classroom experiences, students will have the opportunity to settle in smoothly and feel ready for a successful start to school life.

Staff have enjoyed welcoming the young participants and look forward to seeing them grow within the school community throughout 2025



Rural Market Reports

Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale

September 9th - Agents yarded 5,336 head at Guyra last Tuesday, comprising 3,697 lambs and 1,639 sheep.

The lamb yarding was dominated by 3,138 crossbreds, with heavy lambs making from \$250 to \$430. Trade weights sold between \$230 and \$275, while light trade lambs were back at \$130 to \$180. Lighter lambs generally returned to the trade. Exotic lambs topped at \$388, with heavier well-finished lines attracting premiums. Merino lambs were in limited supply, selling to \$122, with lighter types going back to the paddock.

In the sheep section, Merino ewes reached \$234, averaging \$156, with well-grown, well-covered sheep in solid demand. Lighter ewes went to the trade, with prices ranging from \$140 to \$234. Crossbred ewes sold to a very strong market, making from \$170 to \$310.

Hoggets were also well supported. Heavy Merinos sold to \$284, while

crossbred hoggets matched this figure. Well-finished types fetched top-end prices, with plainer sorts discounted. Exotic hoggets sold to \$310, with well-conditioned sheep making good money.

The wether yarding of 1,123 Merinos sold to strong processor competition. Better lines reached \$180, while plainer trade types slipped back to the paddock.

Rams met very strong demand across all categories, with Merinos topping at \$290 and crossbreds selling to \$300.

The next Guyra sheep and lamb sale will be held on Tuesday 23rd September at 9am.

Armidale Cattle Sale

September 11th - Armidale penned 998 mixed quality cattle an extra 223 head and a typical winter offering. Opportunity restockers operated on light steers and heifers to result in dearer trends for those categories. Weaner steers to background lifted 17c/kg 380c to 605c/kg. Similar heifers dearer

400c to 476c/kg. Light yearling steers to background 28c/kg better 350c to 564c/kg. Medium feeders slipped marginally 418c to 564c/kg and steers over 480kgs to feed selling to 470c/kg. Yearling heifers to 280kgs for backgrounds much dearer 270c to 470c/kg with heifers to 330kgs 322c to 400c/kg. Medium feeders gained 7c/kg 418c to 444c/kg. Grown heifers over 540kgs to process lifted 22c/kg 405c to 410c/kg. Heavy cows 18c to 20c/kg dearer 350c to 415c/kg. Cows to the paddock 382c/kg. Heavy bulls were dearer 360c to 375c/kg.

Stephen Adams MLA

Weekly Wool Market

September 12th - The market has risen again, chalking up its eighth consecutive weekly gain. Even more importantly the gains have been getting slightly stronger over the past month. With the Aussie dollar dearer against the US the lift in the market was even more impressive.

When looked at in US dollars the market registered a 3.6% increase. In

the Northern region a 23 cent jump on the first day of sales was followed up with a further 5 cent gain on the final day.

Almost all individual micron indicators were dearer with the 17 micron indicator gaining a healthy 69 cents. The unbroken recent uptrend has lifted the average bale price by \$120 to \$150. 21 micron and broader Merino types hit a post Covid five and a half year high this week with the 20 micron indicator not far off achieving the same feat. In comparison the 18 and 19 micron indicators sit around 550 and 200 cents away from achieving the same goal.

26,828 bales were sold nationally with just 2.6% of the offering passed in. Major buyers included Techwool, PJ Morris and Endeavour Wool. In similar statistics to last week the largest exporter purchased over 20% of the national Merino fleece offering. Upcoming expected weekly national auction offerings remain at around the 30,000 bale figure.

Schute Bell Wool

Soccer season ends for Juniors

Under 6 Phantoms played the Souths Sonics on Saturday, bringing an end to their first season of soccer. The Phantoms all had a great game and showed just how much they have improved since our first game back in May. We all got to celebrate the season at our presentation day on Sunday, with Ava winning the Best Attacker Award, Alfie the Best Defender, Bryce the Best Kicker, Edmond the Best Runner, Acton the Best Trainer, and Lani taking out both the Best Listener and the Coach's Award. Acton and Ed shared the Players Player Award. Finally, we'd like to thank all of the Phantoms supporters. We've

all had a lot of fun this year and we couldn't have done it without everyone's help! Looking forward to a dominant season in 2026!!

Under 7 Spooks hosted the Norths Lions at Guyra for the last game of the season. And what a game to end on. We were down a player and in a great show of sportsmanship from the Lions, two players subbed a half each for our team. Our team held their own against a really strong team.

Each of our players have had a terrific season. Congratulations to Roy who received coach's award for being a great team mate, trying his best and improving in

skill and confidence each week. Our player's player could have gone to any of our team but after a draw Jack received the award. Congratulations to our team and thank you to Guyra United Soccer Club for a great season.

Under 8 Goosebumps played DK Swords in Guyra in the last game of the season. Guyra had an excellent first half in attack with good passing and shooting at goal only for DK goal keeper making three massive saves. In the second half both teams played well in attack and defence. From the first game to the last game playing on a big field and having a goal keeper you could see mas-

sive improvement after every game. Fantastic seasons Elinor, Haidee, Eli, Vinnie, Thomas and to Orlando who got the coach's award and to Sterling who got player's player.

Under 10s played Norths in Guyra on Saturday to wrap up their season. They have improved so much this year and it was on show Saturday with their passing and teamwork on show against a much older Norths side. The coach's award went to Cooper Williams and the player's player went to Luca Little in a tight race. It's been a pleasure to coach this season hopefully very one had fun.

Thank you

Another soccer season done and dusted! Despite the wet weather and many cancellations, it's been fantastic to see the kids and families show up week after week with smiles and energy.

A huge thank you to our amazing trainer, Emma McLennan, who once again poured her time and passion into coaching the Under 10 Phoenix team – we're so grateful for your dedication year after year.

Thanks also to Mitchell Hope and everyone behind the scenes who coordinate games, plan events, and put so much heart into making the Guyra Soccer Club such a wonderful community.

*From all of us Phoenix
Under 10 parents
a heartfelt thank you*



Rotary



**Guyra Rotary
will hold a Book Fair
over the TroutFest weekend
October 3 to 6
at the Scout Hall**



We need your pre-loved books NOW
**Please drop your books into The GALA Centre
136 Bradley Street, Guyra**

**NOTE: The Scout Hall will be OPEN Thurs. 18th & Sat. 20th
from 10am to 12noon to receive your books**



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MEETING NOTICES

NSW FARMERS (Guyra Branch) meeting Tuesday, 16th September, 7pm at Guyra Bowling Club.

GUYRA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AGM Saturday, 27th September, 10.30am at the Museum.

ROTARY BOOK FAIR

The Scout Hall will be open **this Thursday, 18th September & Saturday, 20th September from 10am to 12noon**

to receive donations of books for Rotary's Book Fair.

Or, you can drop your books off at GALA during business hours.

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RETURN THANKS

Lorna June BRAZIER

1st September 2025

We would like to extend our sincere thanks for the kindness, condolences, cards and support from the wonderful Guyra Community.

A special thank you to Lorna's carers over the years, Dr Jey and the wonderful caring staff at the Guyra Hospital.

Thank you also to Piddingtons for your professional work, and for making this process a little easier.

Bernie Brazier & family

IN MEMORIAM

Anita Dawn TIBBS

23.4.1937 – 22.9.2024

A year ago today our hearts were broken. Now we hold our memories so precious and so dear

'Til we meet again and we can hold you near

We will always love you and miss you heaps.

Love Sharyn, Narella, Helen & families

MEETING NOTICE

GUYRA LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL NOTICE OF ORDINARY/ MEMBERS MEETING

Date: Thursday 25th September 2025

Time: 5.30 pm

Venue: 187 Falconer Street Guyra 2365

Agenda

1. Meeting opened
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of previous Members Meeting
4. Financial Report
5. New Memberships
6. Board Remuneration Approval
7. General Business

Authorised by: Antoni Patterson
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FRIDAY, 3rd OCTOBER

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SATURDAY, 25th OCTOBER

Guyra Community Services Dinner
6pm at Guyra Recreation and Bowling Club. Hosted by the Guyra and Community Progress Association

FRIDAY, 31st OCTOBER

6pm **Aussie Bush Dance** and Line Dance Night with Swamp Dawkins tickets:

<https://www.trybooking.com/DDZYT>

SUNDAY, 9th NOVEMBER

GUYRA CUP at Armidale Racecourse

FRIDAY, 5th DECEMBER

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Caspers grand final hopes end with shoot out and sudden death

With a grand final spot on the line, Guyra United's 3rd grade travelled to Inverell on Saturday. The team came in full of confidence and started strong in what turned out to be a tight, back-and-forth contest.

Guyra struck first in the 14th minute, with Sujit finding the net from a penalty kick cross delivered by Charlie. They held that 1-0 lead for the next 40 minutes, but momentum shifted when a rough call saw a Guyra player sent off, leaving the side down to ten men.

Despite the setback, Guyra started the second half well, but Inverell equalised in the 60th minute. With tired legs starting to show, Guyra turned to the bench for fresh energy, though the score remained locked at 1-1 when the full-time whistle blew.

Extra time brought another 30 minutes of hard-fought football. Guyra dug deep, with the backs holding strong and turning away multiple Inverell attacks, but fatigue and cramping limited their push forward. After 120 minutes, the score was still level, sending the match to a penalty shootout.

Things looked promising when Damien saved Inverell's first attempt, but the shootout reached 4-4 before moving into sudden death. Eventually, Inverell saved a Guyra shot to claim the win, ending the season for the 3rd grade side.

It was a gutsy performance from Guyra, who battled for big minutes a man short and showed exactly what it means to be a Casper.

Guyra Anglers Club GoneFishing Day

Guyra Anglers Club, together with Squadron Energy and OzFish Unlimited, are proud to host GoneFishing Day at Malpas Dam on Sunday, October 5th.

The day will include a Redfin Roundup Competition (Under 18s) which kicks off at 8am, followed by a Youth Fishing Clinic at 10am and the John Wilcox Trout Classic running from 12:01am Saturday, October 4th (see flyer or Facebook for details). Presentations will be held at 3pm.

Enjoy a fantastic day of fishing, fun, and knowledge sharing, with a Sissons Meat BBQ lunch (cash only) available on the day.

A big thank you to our local sponsors Khammo, Dasha's, Deano's Smoked Trout, FourWays Service Centre, and Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club for their ongoing support.

Keep an eye out in the Gazette and on Facebook for registration details.

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday, the 9th, we had a great field of 19 players. Four of our ladies joined us, as the Wednesday weather forecast wasn't looking good and sure enough, it rained all day. The girls made the most of it though, with Kerry Bull taking the win and Wendy George runner-up. Wendy also claimed NTP on the 7th, while Nancy Prisk was closest on the 9th. Kerry shared the putting honours with Dave Bearup. We look forward to the next time this happens so we can try to get our revenge!

At the end of the month, Golf Link as we know it will disappear, with Golf Connect taking over. Wendy and Wal are working with Betty-Anne to get everything sorted, while I tag along pretending I know what I'm doing. Please bear with us during the changeover, hopefully it all goes smoothly.

Next week (23rd) will be our 4BBB Trophy Day, followed by a 2-Person Ambrose on the 30th.

Drake

Ladies' Golf

No golf was played last week because of the wet weather. This week is a Stroke and Putting Competition.

Next week is the Canadian Foursomes Championship and Associates Cup. Generously sponsored by Neil and June Paine. There will be a draw for partners on the day.

Birdie

Men's Bowls

Results from the weekend R. Mulligan (31) defeated A. Sparke (19).

Upcoming Matches – Saturday 20th, 12pm

Club Major Singles Final: C. Stanley vs D. Wilcox (Marker: R. Walls)

Open Singles:

R. Moore vs R. Cox (Marker: D. Kennedy)

Handicap Singles:

R. Mulligan vs M. Simpson

Pennant nomination sheet is now on the board. Any players interested are asked to place their names before 15th October. Play will commence in March 2026.

Cricket

The 2025/26 cricket season is fast approaching with senior cricket commencing at this stage on the October 18th and juniors on October 25th.

Registrations are open for both the senior and junior competitions and are accessible through the Playhq system.

At this stage Guyra Cricket Club are looking to field teams in 3rd grade and in the Under 13s comps.

All past and future interested players could you please contact either Craig Lockyer 0427 013 312 (Seniors/Juniors) or Troy Martin 0438 232 990 (U13s) to help us prepare.

Junior shooters raise thousands for Can Assist

An initiative led by the junior members of the Guyra Gun Club has resulted in an outstanding fundraising effort for Can Assist, with more than \$8,500 donated following a special event last Sunday.

The day combined a club shoot with a popular “come-try-me” session, attracting strong community support. A highlight of proceedings was the spirited auction of four donated items, including a one-of-a-kind mailbox crafted by David Troost and John Davis, which drew enthusiastic bidding.

The club extended special thanks to David Troost, Ray and Kristy Hammond, Robert Reeves, and Leanne Rumbel for contributing quality items to the auction. Their generosity played a key role in the day’s success.

Junior Liaison Officer, Charlie Ward, coordinated the event, with support from local businesses and individuals who donated raffle prizes. Club members also turned



out in force, providing a standout morning tea and lunch for members and guests.

The Guyra Gun Club praised the efforts of its junior shooters for their leadership and community spirit, with the funds raised going directly to assist local families through Can Assist.

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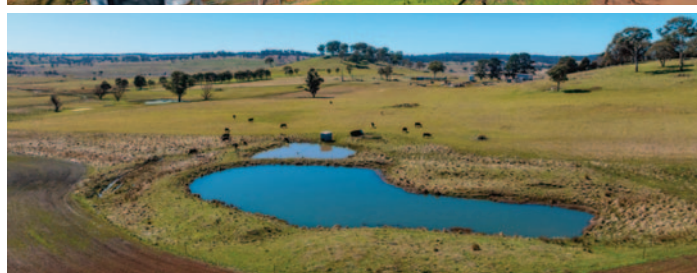
Junior Members, Jodie Henshall, Charlie Ward, Cohen Wright, Toby Handebo, Wendy Jackson and Dean Rumbel.

Below:

John Davis, Craig Wright, the new owner of a special mailbox, Charlie Ward and David Troost following the auction.



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