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New Chapter for Roseville

For more than a century, Roseville has been part of the Guyra landscape. The Georgian-style farmhouse, believed to date back to around 1880, sits amongst established gardens, magnificent old trees and a landscape that has been lovingly developed by its owners over many years.

For the past 15 years, Tony Duke has poured his time, knowledge and passion into the gardens, creating extensive garden beds, orchards, roses, bulbs and mature plantings throughout the property.

Now Roseville is beginning a new chapter.

Tony's daughter Suzy and her partner Jaime Garrick have taken over the property and are looking at ways to share this very special place with others through Roseville Gatherings.

"Roseville Gatherings will be about creating beautiful, meaningful occasions in a setting with history and heart," Suzy said.

"While weddings will certainly be part of what we hope to offer, Roseville is not just about weddings. We are imagining a place for small, intimate celebrations and larger gatherings alike, from birthdays, christenings and anniversaries to long lunches, family celebrations and other special occasions.

"A big part of the vision is to make Roseville Gatherings part of the wider Guyra and New England community. We want to bring people to the region, encourage visitors to discover what our community has to offer and, wherever possible, work with and support local businesses, suppliers, creatives and producers.

"The vision is simple: to create gatherings that feel relaxed, personal and connected to the gardens, the community and the New England countryside.

"There is still plenty to do as we bring this vision to life, but we are excited about what the future holds for Roseville."

In the meantime, visitors will have the opportunity to explore the gardens during the New England Open Garden Trail on Friday 30 October, from 9.30am to 4.30pm at 157 Llangothlin Road, Guyra.

Chris from Bean Travellin will also be onsite throughout the day serving coffee, available for purchase.

Suzy and Jaime look forward to opening the garden gates, welcoming visitors and sharing a little of what they are creating as Roseville begins this next chapter.





Roseville's historic farmhouse and established gardens are set to welcome a new generation of visitors as Suzy Lyons and Jaime Garrick (pictured) develop plans for Roseville Gatherings. The garden will be open to the public on October 30.



How to get involved in the 2027 Guyra Show!

From the pavilion to the show ring, there are plenty of ways to be part of the action at the Guyra Show – and the Guyra Show Society is inviting the community to discover what's on offer at a special information evening this month.

Whether you're a seasoned exhibitor, a young woman considering the Young Woman Competition, a livestock enthusiast or someone keen to lend a hand behind the scenes, the evening is a chance to find out how you can get involved in one of Guyra's much-loved annual events.

The information evening will be held at the Guyra Bowling Club on Wednesday, October 28, from 6.30pm, with light refreshments and plenty of opportunities to ask questions.

With the 2027 Guyra Show set for Friday, February 19, and Saturday, February 20, preparations are already underway, and the Society is keen to welcome new faces, fresh ideas and more community participation.

There's something for everyone, with more than 25 sections to explore, including cattle, prime lambs, wool, shearing, wood chop, horses, cooking, jams and preserves, photography, fine arts, needlework, crafts, school art and LEGO.



The Guyra Show Society is inviting residents to attend an information evening on October 28 and discover the many ways to get involved in the 2027 Guyra Show.

The evening will cover the ins and outs of entering exhibits, membership options, entry fees and important deadlines, helping newcomers understand how to take that first step towards showing off their talents.

Aspiring entrants can also learn more about the Guyra Show Society Young Woman Competition, including what judges look for and the pathway to the Sydney Royal Easter Show state final in 2027.

For livestock producers, the Prime Lamb Show and Sale session will look back at the 2026 results and outline proposed plans and arrangements for 2027.

Membership is another way to support the show, with full or family memberships costing $40, single memberships $30 and youth memberships $10. Members enjoy free admission to the show on both days, along with reduced entry fees in some sections.

Every section relies on volunteers, and the Society is keen to hear from people interested in becoming stewards, helping on show days or contributing their ideas.

The information evening is a great opportunity to meet Society representatives, learn something new and discover how even a small contribution can help keep the Guyra Show thriving for future generations.

Everyone is welcome, including exhibitors, volunteers, families and anyone curious about what goes on behind the scenes. Light refreshments will be available from 6.30pm, with the evening running until approximately 7.30pm.

RSVPs are requested by Friday, October 23, by emailing admin@guyrashow.guyra.net or contacting the GALA Centre at 136 Bradley Street, Guyra, on 02 6779 2132.

The countdown to the 2027 Guyra Show is on – now is the perfect time to get involved!

For more information, visit guyrashow.guyra.net or follow the Guyra Show Society on Facebook and Instagram.

CWA supports young women with scholarships

The Guyra CWA Evening Branch has awarded two $500 scholarships to local Year 11 students, recognising their commitment to further study and future careers in rural Australia.

Lacey Cruickshank and Shilla Remkonkon were presented with their scholarships at the branch's Annual General Meeting, where members celebrated the opportunity to support two outstanding young women from Guyra Central School.

The branch has offered its annual scholarship program since 2020, helping young women pursue careers in agriculture, rural studies, nursing, teaching and other fields that support rural communities.

The $500 scholarships help ease the financial burden of education and career development, with previous recipients using the funds for course fees, accreditations, study trips and essential learning materials.

Applicants are invited to submit a letter outlining their career aspirations and explaining how the funding would assist them in their studies.

This year, the branch received two outstanding applications and, impressed by the quality of both candidates, decided to award two scholarships rather than one.

Scholarship recipients are also encouraged to attend branch meetings, providing an opportunity to learn more about the CWA and connect with community members. Previous recipients have shared their experiences at local and regional Rural Women's Day celebrations, helping inspire other young women to pursue their ambitions.

The AGM also marked a change in the branch's leadership, with Lynda Kagan taking over as President.

Outgoing President Kate Matthews will continue to contribute as Vice President, alongside Jessira Saunders and Jenni Jackson. Wendy Warner has taken on the role of Secretary, while Anne Starr is the new Treasurer.

Members thanked the outgoing executive for their hard work, dedication and commitment to the branch.

With two young women supported through the scholarship program and a new executive team in place, the Guyra CWA Evening Branch is looking forward to another year of community involvement and continuing its support for women and rural communities.



Lacey Cruikshank and Shilla Remkonkon with incoming President Lynda Kagan (centre)



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Armidale Renal

I'm calling on the New South Wales Government to address staffing issues at Armidale Hospital's renal dialysis unit.

The unit does not have sufficient funded shifts to meet current patient demand, which is forcing patients to travel hundreds of kilometres for dialysis.

It can only accommodate six chairs at a time with limited availability on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, and full days Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

That's a significant burden placed on patients and families by the additional travel.

The Government must urgently fund additional doctors at Armidale Hospital and review patient transport and assistance arrangements, to ensure equitable access to dialysis services in the Northern Tablelands.

Guyra TroutFest

I recognise the committee and volunteers behind the annual Guyra TroutFest, a signature Guyra event celebrating the opening of the local Trout fishing season.

I congratulate all those involved for coordinating the many festivities rolled out over five days.

I commend all those involved for their hard work, giving countless hours voluntarily. This event relies on the commitment of volunteers whose efforts make initiatives such as this possible.

Their generosity and dedication contribute greatly to the vibrancy of the local community and deserving of recognition and appreciation.

Whilst celebrating trout fishing, the event shines a light on Guyra, showcasing all that is on offer. Thank you to all, for their outstanding efforts supporting and strengthening the Guyra and districts. Indeed, it is one great country town!

BOCSAR Statistics

While challenges remain, effective and targeted policing has helped address crime rates across the Armidale Regional area.



Member for Northern Tablelands, Brendan Moylan MP

The latest quarterly report from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research showed break and enter offences declined by an impressive 61 per cent and motor vehicle theft fell by 50 per cent. Those are outstanding results and deserve recognition.

However, there was a 22 per cent increase in domestic violence related assault.

That remains a real concern.

What's HOT

Halloween Disco at the Bowlo on Oct. 31st - a chance for the kids to dress up and have some-fun

Guyra RSL Veterans & Families Morning Tea this Wednesday morning 10-12

Mango fundraiser orders due by October 29 - don't delay

What's NOT

Christmas stuff everywhere and it's only October!!

JOKE of the week

Have you heard about the farmer whose wife left him for the tractor salesman?

He got a John Deere letter

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
13	Tues	13.5	17.7	0
14	Wed	8.9	15.6	23.2
15	Thurs	6.3	14.6	0
16	Fri	6.4	11.9	0
17	Sat	6.2	12.9	1.4
18	Sun	5.3	15.4	1.6
19	Mon	7.2	15.4	0

Rainfall this week	26.2mm
Oct. rainfall	36.8mm
Rainfall YTD	419.7mm
Rainfall last YTD	827.0mm
Ave. rain YTD	690.3mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

St Marys welcomes newest recruits



St Mary of the Angels was excited to welcome their transition students for their first day last Friday, 16 October!

"It was wonderful to see our future Kindergarten students begin their journey with us, becoming familiar with the school environment and meeting new friends.

"Our transition program is free for all students enrolling in Kindergarten at St Mary of the Angels for 2027 and runs every Friday of Term 4."

IPART sets rate peg for coming year

The NSW pricing regulator has set the 2027-28 rate peg for each of the 128 NSW councils, with core rate pegs ranging from 3.7% to 5.4%.

Armidale Regional Council's rate peg has been set at 3.9% for the 2027–28 financial year. This marks a return to standard rate-peg incremental increases following a multi-year Special Rate Variation (SRV) period. Armidale Regional Council previously operated under an approved 58.8% cumulative SRV that concluded its final year of implementation in 2025–26 with a 16.66% increase, during which the standard annual rate peg did not apply.

IPART Chair Anthony Wing said the rate peg allows councils to manage changes in service delivery costs, while limiting how much they can increase their total income from rates.

"The rate peg is the maximum percentage by which a council can increase its general income, which is the money each council raises from rates," Mr Wing said.

"The rate peg reflects changes in council operating costs, so that councils can maintain services for their communities. Some councils also receive a population growth factor in addition to the core rate peg, so the total rates income keeps pace with population growth."

Mr Wing said general income makes up about one-third of the income NSW councils receive, on average, with the rest coming from grants, fees, developer contributions and other charges.

"The rate peg doesn't determine how much rates for an individual household or business will increase," he said.

"It is now up to each council to decide whether to increase rates, which categories of rates will rise, and what support to provide to people in need of financial assistance."

Mr Wing said the 2027-28 rate pegs also recognise the ongoing cost of strengthening councils' cybersecurity capability, while balancing the impact on ratepayers.

The cybersecurity adjustment ranges from 0.4% to 1.2%, representing an indicative increase for an average residential ratepayer in 2027-28 of around $6 to $8 per year.

"Councils are accountable for how they use rates income to strengthen their cybersecurity capability," Mr Wing said.

"The Tribunal recognises the cost-of-living pressures facing the community. We encourage any ratepayers facing difficulty paying their rates bill to get in touch with their council for information on concessions and other assistance options."

Neighbourhood Centre AGM a chance to have a voice

The Guyra Neighbourhood Centre is inviting members to come together for its 2026 Annual General Meeting and reflect on the important role the organisation plays in supporting local residents.

More than just a place to access services, the Guyra Neighbourhood Centre (GNC) is a welcoming hub where people can connect with others, seek practical assistance and find support when they need it.

Its weekly community lunch offers a chance to enjoy a home-cooked meal, catch up with familiar faces and make new connections, while food assistance and frozen meals continue to provide valuable help for individuals and families experiencing financial pressure.

The GNC Community Garden is another important part of the Centre's work, bringing people together to grow fresh produce, share gardening knowledge and build friendships.



The Community Garden is an important part of the Neighbourhood Centre's work - volunteers are always welcome

Popular Produce Swap and Sell events encourage residents to exchange, buy and sell surplus produce, plants, flowers, seedlings and handmade items, with the added bonus of a cuppa and a chat.

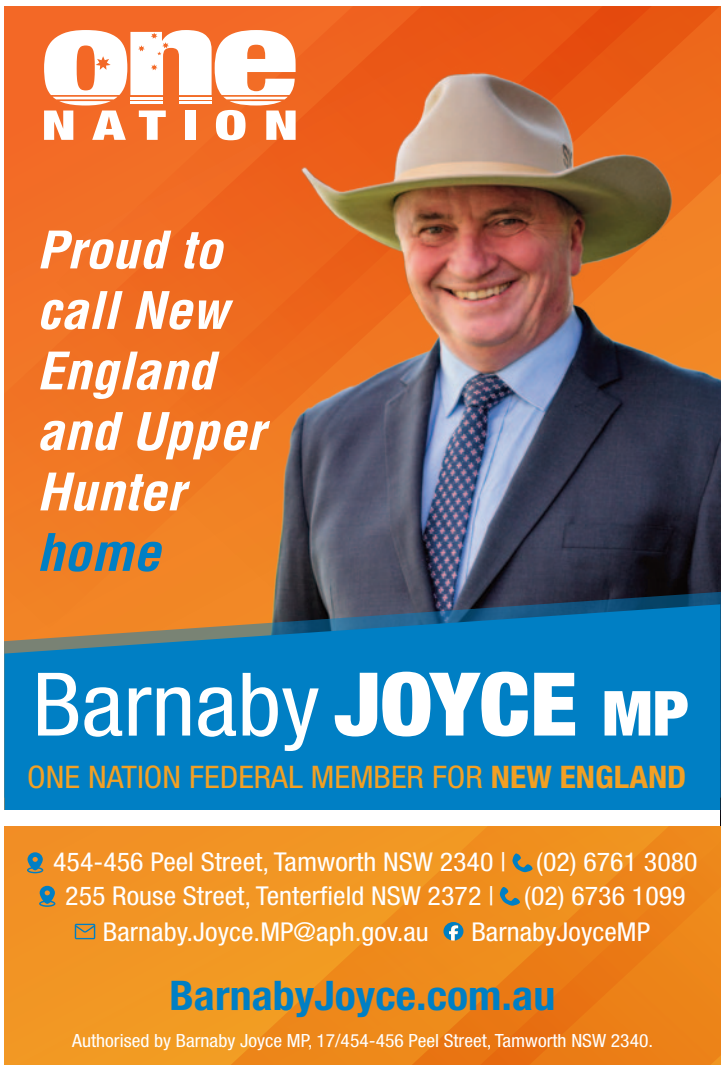
The Centre also provides a local point of contact for Services Australia and Centrelink enquiries, room bookings and connections to housing, alcohol and other drug (AOD) support, and employment services.

These services are supported by the efforts of volunteers, community members and local partnerships, helping GNC remain an accessible and welcoming place for people from all walks of life.

The AGM will provide members with an opportunity to hear more about the Centre's ongoing activities and its contribution to the Guyra community. Community members interested in supporting the organisation's work are also encouraged to enquire about membership, which offers an opportunity to stay informed, become involved and have a voice in the Centre's future.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 6pm at the Guyra Neighbourhood Centre, 160 Bradley Street, Guyra. All members are welcome, and RSVPs are encouraged to assist with arrangements.

For further information, to RSVP or to enquire about membership, contact GNC on 02 6779 1635 or 0461 266 523, or email manager@guyranc.org.au.





Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

Oct	22	Amar & Shoba Singh
Oct	23	Narelle Leven
Oct	26	Peter Thomas
Oct	27	Bea Velthuis
Oct	28	ARC

Street Stalls

Oct. 22,23,24	Rotary
October 29, 30	Freemasons
November 5,6,7	Lions
November 12	Hosp. Auxiliary

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church Vigil Mass 6pm Saturday from 3rd Oct. 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:** Beth White Ph 02 67 332 014

The Chapel: 66 Llangothin Street: Sunday Gathering at 10am. Afterwards Morning Tea mingle.
Food Pantry Fridays 9am -12pm
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 0424 761 320 Church Clerk 6779 1587

Uniting Church: 57 Ollera Street: Regular Sunday Service: 9.30am **Contact:** Di Burey 0428 791 742

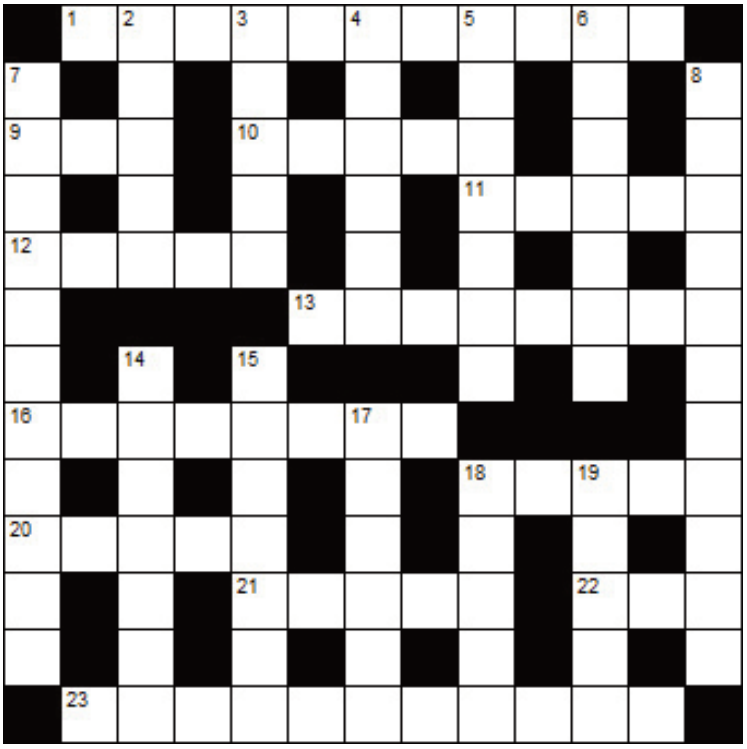
Church of Freedom (Cnr. Boorolong & Nincoola Sts.) Sunday worship: 10am Prayer meeting: Tuesday 6.30pm Bible discussion: Wednesday 6.30pm **Pastors:** Jeff & Sharon Ritchie 0421 847 973 Chaplaincy services: Dan McGinty 0409 399 270

Black Mountain Baptist Church
Service 3pm, second Sunday of the month. **Contact**: Robert Dewhurst Armidale District Baptist Church M. 0409 723 522

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

QUICK CROSSWORD



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10. Microscopic fungus (5)
11. Kind of wheat (5)
12. Metallic compound (5)
13. Temple dedicated to all the gods (8)
16. Wages (8)
18. Fantastic (5)
20. Wild dog of Australia (5)
21. Lukewarm (5)
22. Domestic animal (3)
23. Consequently (11)

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3. Shyly (5)
4. Emotional shock (6)
5. Make obsolete (7)
6. Shocked (7)
7. Alert and thinking cogently (5-6)
8. Show (11)
14. Frenzied (7)
15. Italian dish (7)
17. Took in breath (6)
18. Carrying chair (5)
19. Proceeding from the pope (5)

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Monitoring network gives farmers better insights

GLENRAC's Farming Forecaster project has reached an important milestone, with the first five soil moisture monitoring sites installed and collecting data across the region.

Located at Emmaville, Deepwater, Glen Innes, Glencoe and Oakwood near Inverell, the sites provide farmers with access to valuable information about soil moisture, rainfall and pasture growth to support more informed farm management decisions.

Installed in the first half of September 2026, each site incorporates an 80cm-deep capacitor soil moisture probe, a rainfall gauge and a GrassGro pasture model.

The technology brings together on-ground measurements and pasture modelling to give farmers a clearer picture of seasonal conditions and how their pastures are responding.

By making this information available through the Farming Forecaster dashboard, farmers can use local data to support decisions around grazing management, pasture growth and forward planning.

The availability of this information is expected to give farmers greater confidence in their decision-making, with timely, local insights helping them respond to changing conditions sooner than was previously possible.

Importantly, farmers do not need to host a soil moisture probe or weather station to benefit from the technology. The information is available for the broader farming community to access, making the project a valuable resource for farmers throughout the region.

Training to help farmers make the most of the data To help farmers understand and apply the information, GLENRAC will host a free Farming Forecaster training event on Wednesday 11 November, from 10am to 12.30pm, at the Glen Innes Showgrounds Tearooms.

The session will be presented by Phil Graham of Graham Advisory, and Farming Forecaster committee member.

Farmers will learn how to access the Farming Forecaster dashboard, read and interpret soil moisture, rainfall and weather data, and apply the information to grazing management, pasture growth and farm planning decisions.

The session will include a break to observe Remembrance Day.

All farmers are welcome, including those who are not hosting a monitoring site. The training is an opportunity to learn how to access and use the technology, understand what the data means for individual farming operations, and make better use of the information available.

GLENRAC Project Manager Eliza James said the installation of the first five sites was an exciting step towards giving farmers access to more timely, local information to support their businesses.

"Having access to reliable soil moisture, rainfall and pasture information can make a real difference to the confidence farmers have in their decisions.

"Farming Forecaster gives farmers another tool to help them understand what is happening across their properties and make more informed decisions about grazing, pasture management and planning.

"While five farmers are hosting the initial sites, the benefits of this technology extend well beyond those properties. We encourage farmers from across the region to come along to the training, learn how to use the dashboard and see how the information could be useful in their own businesses."



Five Farming Forecaster sites now operational across the region, with training event to help farmers put the data to work.

The five sites were installed by Porosity Ag, with Farming Forecaster hosting the data platform.

The project has been supported by the NSW Government through the Landcare Enabling Program Phase 3 Innovations and Partnerships Grant Program.

For further information or to register for the training, contact GLENRAC Project Manager Eliza James at eliza.james@glenrac.org.au or on 6732 3443.

New England Community College

The New England Community College GALA Centre *Services*

Along with our courses, we offer a range of other services to the Guyra Community. These include:

- Printing, Laminating & Photocopying
- Resume help
- Tech Support
- NSW Train Link Tickets
- Justice of the Peace (by appointment)
- LPA Assistance
- Home to the Guyra Gazette
- Venue Hire
- Secretary Services

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136 Bradley Street, Guyra

President's report - CWA Evening Branch

It's often said, if you want something done you ask a busy person – looking around at the women in our branch we are business owners, community members, volunteers, mothers, wives, daughters, aunties, grandmothers & sisters, supporting our networks wherever possible – often wearing more than one hat at once! And we have all chosen to be part of this organisation, and this branch. When starting the CWA in 1922, founder Grace Munro said that the movement must be run for women and by women – and we are doing exactly that & much more.

As I sit and reflect on the last 3 years as President of this branch, it is humbling to look back on the achievements we have made.

Guyra Goodness, this little idea Jessira brought to a meeting about sharing some of our recipes. This little idea has gone through a second print run, within 6 months of the book being released, and the sequel is well underway with photos & production happening during October.

We have made a name for ourselves within the community as the Catering Queens - I saw a meme recently that said, 'Don't go to any trouble – a sentence that have never stopped a country woman putting out enough food for 14 people'. It is in our innate nature to nurture and provide and this is evident in our catering abilities. Over the last 12 months this has been on show at the New England Garden Festival, the Northern Tablelands Cookery & Handicrafts day, the Menopause awareness event, the Council event at the Bowling Club, The screening of the 'Just a Farmer' to name a few! Each time we pause briefly and ask each other, do you think we're going to have enough – and time after time, goodie bags are made up at the end of each event and shared amongst the masses once more.

Our branch has supported the community by providing $500 grants to local not-for profit groups. We are in our 3rd year of doing this, which will result in $7500 being given directly back to the community. Our catering funds are a large portion of this achievement.

The past 12 months have been jam packed with activities, and I'm bound to miss something!

As part of the New England Garden festival, as provided health bento boxes – the sun was shining and the snack boxes were well received by the crowds.

For our Christmas Event, we held a biscuit decorating stall at the Guyra Christmas Markets, and then on the Sunday, we had a BBQ at the Mother of Ducks lagoon and were led in painting a Black Cockatoo – which later formed a fabulous display at our Art Exhibition. There are quite a number of creative people with hidden talents in our branch.

In January, Lynda put on her art curators hat, and along with her band of helpers put on another colourful art exhibition. Held in line with the Lamb & Potato festival, some of our ladies also did a shift in the canteen with the Day Branch Members. A great chance to meet some fellow CWA ladies, and also be part of an amazing community event.

The Annual Guyra Show in February saw members scattered about the showground for the entirety of the show. For the inaugural 'in-house' CWA competition we entered 5 sections in the pavilion. Was great to see the involvement, and the 'winner winner chicken dinner' trophies being handed out. But one of the main talking points from the show, was the show canteen. Julie Anne & Lynda took hold of these reins and ran with it. A well oiled machine, and support from various members of our branch and the community, saw the show canteen with constant lines. Well done ladies – those hamburgers were fantastic!

Hosting the Northern Tablelands Cooking & Handicrafts day in March, Jacqui & Cindy ensured all entries were collected and presented. A great day out – raving reviews on the soups and catering in general and a number of members winning their sections and having items chosen to go on to State Conference.

Our resident psychologist Marni organised the Menopause event for women, with 100 in attendance. The hall was buzzing and the attendees left enlightened, informed and well-fed. A fantastic free event for women across our region, with access to various experts.

A dozen members marched as part of the Community in the local Guyra ANZAC Day March. We also served toasted sandwiches & ANZAC biscuits following the Dawn Service – thanks to those who assisted and to Christine who made the wreath for us to lay.

Throughout the year, with help of the various officers, we have enjoyed tasting the cookery competition entries, we farewelled Jacqui in March who moved to be closer to family, and we wish her well in her new branch. Sarah encouraged us all to review a book and write a poem – and the Cultural Book has again gone around the membership and been filled with adventures, holidays, event summaries. Beth taught us all about wattle seed and the acacias that we have around our area.

Being a member of a volunteer organisation such as this is always a rewarding experience. The monthly catch ups, the friendships made & the lessons learnt are something that I treasure. A huge thank you to my fellow executives for their support & counsel – Anne, Lynda, Julie-Anne & Jessira.

And lastly, a genuine heart felt thank you to the membership for making this branch was it is – a fun, joyous, bunch of ladies where ideas are welcome and everyone feels supported and celebrated.

Kate Matthews



Closures to affect passengers travelling by train

Guyra residents travelling by train from Armidale will need to plan ahead, with Armidale and Uralla railway stations set to close for six weeks while upgrades are carried out ahead of the arrival of the new Regional Rail fleet.

Transport for NSW will close both stations from Wednesday, October 21, until Wednesday, December 2, 2026, with train services scheduled to resume on Thursday, December 3.

During the closure, replacement buses will operate between Armidale and Tamworth stations, following the existing train timetable.

Guyra passengers who normally travel by bus to Armidale to connect with train services may need to allow extra time for their journeys and check their travel arrangements before leaving home.

Passengers requiring accessible transport or additional travel assistance can contact NSW TrainLink on 13 22 32 to make arrangements.

The temporary closures are part of rail infrastructure upgrades to prepare Armidale and Uralla stations for the new Regional Rail fleet.

Travellers are encouraged to check their connections and allow additional time when planning trips during the closure period.

Adoption day seeks to find forever homes for Greyhounds

Greyhounds looking for their forever homes will be the stars of an adoption day at The Welder's Dog Brewery in Armidale next month.

Greyhounds As Pets NSW (GAP NSW), a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to helping greyhounds find loving homes, will host the event on Saturday, November 7, giving locals the chance to meet the dogs and learn more about adopting one.

Running from noon to 3pm, the event will welcome prospective adopters and anyone curious about what life with a greyhound is like.

Visitors will be able to spend time with the dogs, give them a pat and chat with the GAP NSW team about their individual personalities and what is involved in adoption.

The relaxed afternoon aims to help people discover whether a greyhound could be a suitable addition to their household, while giving the dogs an opportunity to meet potential new families.

Whether ready to adopt or simply interested in learning more about the breed, community members are encouraged to come along.

For further details and to register through the Dogalogue, visit Greyhounds As Pets NSW – Armidale Adoption Day.



Classifieds Tradies & Services

POULTRY FOR SALE

LAYER PULLETS, 20 weeks, Isa & all breeds, delivered to Guyra on **Friday 23rd October.** Call Jim 0428 194 105.

MEETING NOTICES

GUYRA NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE AGM Tuesday, November 10, 6pm at 160 Bradley Street, Guyra. All members are welcome.

GUYRA RUGBY LEAGUE AGM Monday, November 2nd, Guyra Hotel from 6.30pm. All positions vacant. Anyone interested in joining the committee or contributing to the club is encouraged to attend. Enquiries to secretary via email at *guyrarugbyleague@gmail.com.*

Guyra RSL Veterans & Families
Morning Tea - 10am-12pm
this Wednesday morning
at the Soldiers' Memorial Hall

FOOD PANTRY

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

COURSES AT NECC

Prepare to Work Safely in the Construction Industry - White Card
(Armidale)
Monday, 26th October

Cert. IV in Training & Assessment (Armidale/Online)
Wednesday, 11th November

First Aid (Guyra)
Thursday, 12th November

Upcoming Courses
Call for more info.
Guyra, Glen Innes & Armidale

Certificate III in **Business**
Certificate II in **Workplace Skills**

Bookings essential at
New England Community College
(RTO#90145)
Phone: 6779 2132
E: admin@gala.org.au

FUNERAL NOTICE

McLEAN; ANDREW GEORGE "EGG"
12.09.1953 - 16.10.2026
Of Guyra

Loving father and father-in-law of Natasha, Tamika & Ben, George & Natalia, James & Emi, and Matthew & Ashleigh.

Adored Grandpa of Connor, Olivia, Brooklyn, Tyson, Jordan, Anastasia, Milana, George, Mila, Billie & Hugh and Great-Grandpa of Grayson.

Aged 73 years

A Funeral service will be held at St. James Anglican Church, Guyra on Monday, 26th October 2026 commencing at 12pm, followed by commital at Piddington's Funeral Home and Crematorium.

Piddingtons
Funeral Directors & Monumental Craftsmen
ARMIDALE · WALCHA · GUYRA · URALLA

PUBLIC NOTICE

2026 Guyra Mango Fundraiser
PRE - ORDER NOW
Orders close 29th october
$29/tray (7kg)
We've requested delivery for either week of 30th November or 7th December.
CASH ON PICK UP
To order online - scan QR Code or In person - at the Guyra Adra Op Shop

MEETING ROOM FOR HIRE

Conference/Meeting Room available for hire

- Reasonable rates
- Zoom meetings arranged
- Smart Board or Data Projector
- Catering arranged on request
- Air conditioned

For your function or meeting

Contact: The GALA Centre
Ph: 6779 2132
E: admin@gala.org.au

CLAIM THE DATE

3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
Guyra SnowFest Inc,
Monthly meeting 3pm, Royal Hotel

WEDNESDAY, 28th OCTOBER
Information evening with the Guyra Show Society
6.30pm Guyra Bowling Club
Volunteering, exhibiting and more
RSVP 6779 2132 by Friday 23/10

SUNDAY, 8th NOVEMBER
Guyra Cup at Armidale Racecourse.

SATURDAY, 5th DECEMBER
Fiori Musicali present "Gloriana"
3.00pm at the
Australian Poetry Hall of Fame.

FRIDAY, 4th DECEMBER
Guyra Rotary Christmas Carnival
in conjunction with
Armidale Regional Council
Markets, food stalls, Rotary BBQ, raffles, entertainment
SANTA will be there

SATURDAY, 5th DECEMBER
Black Mountain Baptist Church Christmas BBQ & Service
BBQ commences at 6:00pm
Service to commence at 7:30pm

FRIDAY, 11th DECEMBER
Closing Date for Australia Day nominations
Forms available from GALA or Armidale Regional Council or online at:
https://www.armidale.nsw.gov.au/Our-region/Events/Council-events/Australia-Day

SUNDAY, 13th DECEMBER
Brockley Church
Service at 2.30pm

SUNDAY 13TH DECEMBER
at 7:30pm
The **Guyra Community Choir** invite you all to join with them for a celebration of christmas carols at the **Guyra Presbyterian Church** in Tenterden St

MONDAY, 14TH DECEMBER
at 7:30pm
The **Guyra Community Choir** invite you all to join with them for a celebration of christmas carols at the **Ben Lomond War Memorial Hall**

WEDNESDAY - SUNDAY
13th - 24th JANUARY 2027
Lamb & Potato Festival

9th - 11th JULY 2027
Guyra SnowFest

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

Council surveying transport network

Armidale Regional Council has begun a region-wide survey of its transport network, gathering detailed condition information to support maintenance planning, asset renewal and future infrastructure investment.

The assessment will cover approximately 787.3 kilometres of sealed local and regional roads, 1,084 kilometres of unsealed roads, 105.9 kilometres of footpaths and cycleways, and 289.7 kilometres of kerb and channel across the local government area.

The survey will provide Council with an up-to-date picture of the condition of transport assets across the region, helping to identify maintenance priorities, inform future works programs and support long-term asset management planning.

To undertake the assessment, Council has engaged engineering and asset management specialist SHEPHERD, which will use its RACAS® road intelligence technology to capture and analyse network condition data.

Residents may notice survey vehicles operating on sealed and unsealed roads throughout the region, as well as team members using camera-equipped electric bikes on footpaths and cycleways. The technology captures high-resolution imagery linked to location, date and time, creating a detailed visual record of the network.

For sealed roads, the assessment combines imagery, road roughness measurements and artificial intelligence-assisted defect detection with engineering review to provide detailed condition information. The data collected will help Council better understand the performance and condition of its transport assets and support evidence-based decision making.

Council staff will be able to access the information through the RACAS® Hub, an online platform that displays imagery alongside mapped condition data. The system allows staff to investigate issues, assess maintenance needs and track changes in asset condition over time.

The findings will also support Council's transport asset revaluation processes and long-term financial planning. In addition, the dated imagery will provide a valuable record of existing infrastructure conditions, helping inform assessments following future natural disasters.

The survey is expected to be completed with minimal disruption to road users and residents.



TRADES & SERVICES







Guyra

Carpet Cleaning

Steve Mepham

0404 485 585





Rugby League

Guyra Rugby League is calling for interested community members to get involved as the club prepares for the 2027 season.

The club's Annual General Meeting will be held at the Guyra Hotel on Monday, November 2, from 6.30pm, with all positions to be vacated and a new committee and executive elected for 2027.

Anyone interested in joining the committee or contributing to the club is encouraged to attend and help shape the future of local rugby league.

Expressions of interest are also open for coaching positions across all grades for the 2027 season.

Those interested in a coaching role are asked to contact the club by email before Sunday, November 1.

For AGM enquiries, contact the secretary, or to express interest in coaching, email guyrarugbyleague@gmail.com.

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday was to wet for golf so we had a game Thursday instead. Col Walls scored 36 points in the stableford event to come in the winner. Robert Moore had 33 which secured him the runner up prize. Robert was also the best putter with 30. NTPs went to Col on the 7th and Wal Chapman on the 18th. Next week is our 4BBB Stableford.

Drake

Ladies' Golf

Success again for Wendy Jackson and Jenny Rogers taking out the Guyra Welding Works 4BBB Championships. This pair defended their title in a tight tussle with 54 points over 27 holes. Three teams were on 53 points with Pip White and Deb Heffernan being declared runners up on a countback.

NTP's: 7th Shona Mulligan, 9th Leonie Taylor, 10th Wendy George and 18th Suzanne Towells.

A few teams are competing in the Walcha Open 4BBB this Saturday.\ Next Week is our Annual Tee off for Breast Cancer event sponsored by Wendy George, get the pink gear out for the Flag event.

Birdie



Wendy Jackson and Jenny Rogers won the Guyra Welding Works 4BBBB championship

Men's Bowls

Results from the weekend.

C. Kliendienst and R. Walls (23) defeated N. Brennan and G. Starr (15).

C. Kliendienst and R. Walls (27) defeated C. Peardon and M. Bourke (8).

R. Moore (25) defeated B. Walls (13).

Open Singles matches set down for this weekend.

Saturday, October 24, at 1pm.

• R. Walls v W. Reeves - marker: B. Walls

• J. McIlwain v R. Mulligan - marker: R. Moore

• J. Jackson v R. Cox - marker: D. Kennedy

Sunday, October 25, at 1pm.

• A. Bull v J. Varco - marker: D. Wilcox

All singles games will now be played to 25 up, in line with Bowls NSW rules.

New Set Play Pairs Competition

A new set play pairs competition will commence on Wednesday, November 4, with games starting at 6pm.

All teams will play against each other over approximately four weeks. Partners will be allocated through a box draw.

