Guyra Gazette Wednesday August 30, 2017

Education Week celebrations

Students and staff at Guyra Central School celebrated Education Week on Thursday 24th August - 2017's theme was 'I Learn We Learn'.

The celebrations at Guyra Central School began with the annual Education Week assembly, including the presentation of Gold Awards Colleen Pearson and Zac Cannon, A certificate of appreciation was presented by Mrs Aimee Hutton, P&C President to Mrs Marie Jones for her 25 years contribution to the Guyra Central School Canteen.

Education Week
Awards for 2017 were
presented to Colleen
Pearson for Outstanding student
achievement and Mr
Scott Miller for Outstanding achievement by a staff
member and

Michael and Stacey



Guyra Central School Relieving Principal Gillian Davis, High School Captains Hunter Davidson & Alice Stanley and Primary Captains Claire Flynn & Sam Atkin

Kirk were also recognised for Outstanding contribution by a member of the school community.

Relieving Principal Gillian Davis said that Education Week is a time to celebrate the achievements and successes of our students, teachers and support staff across all NSW public schools.

Following the assembly the 'Guyra Gift' was run. Fourteen runners started from various dis-

tances with the first four place getters from each heat then progressing into the Final. Placegetters and winner of this annual race were 3rd place Rogue Stannard, 2nd place Myles Williams and 1st place Sarah Rosten.

The annual Snow Ball followed and this year there was once again a great display of performances showing pride, respect and responsibility including dance routines, singing from individuals and choirs and joke telling.

First place went to Sophie Roberts for her Hip Hop Funk dance routine to Vanilla Ice - Ice Ice Baby. Second place went to Charlie Wilson for her Modern dance performance to Titanium and third place went to Alice Stanley and Zac Cannon for their performance of Chasing Cars, Zac sang and played the piano whilst Alice mesmerized the audience with her dance routine.

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What's HOT

90 YEAR OLD local lady very appreciative of getting her local paper delvered to the front door each week -

LEGACY WEEK - support their street stall this Friday

What's **NOT**

INCONSIDERATE dog owners who allow their dogs to bark all the time especially at night!

BUSINESS OWNERS and employees who park in the main street during the day

BLAMING the wind farm for the windy weather

Submit your Hots and Nots by phone 6779 2132 email news@gala.org.au or drop in to the GALA centre

Weather WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date Day Min Max Rain 22 Tues 2.8 16.1 23 Wed 2.6 16.0 24 Thurs 4.4 15.0 25 Fri 0.2 11.8 26 Sat 0.4 14.4 27 Sun 1.5 12.1 Mon -3.2 10.7 28

Rain this week 0 mm
August rainfall 15.0 mm
Rainfall YTD 747.2mm
Rainfall last YTD 596.8mm

Water treatment plant

Rainfall Registrations to 9am Monday, August 14

Rainfall - 0mm (725mm YTD)
Top Dam 10mm above spillway
Bott. Dam 10mm above spillway
Daily average town consumption
(target 650 kl) 1550.7kl
Water Restrictions - NIL

Happy Day at Bald Blair



The students at Bald Blair Public School have held a Happy Day fundraiser in support of class mate Peta Kerr.

The Year 4 student underwent emergency surgery at the end of last term, after being diagnosed with a brain tumour.

Peta had the tumour removed and she continues to recover in hospital and undergo further treatment.

Year 6 student Zoe Kelly approached the school, wanting to do something to help her friend.

A Happy Day, coinciding with Peta's 10th birthday, was held last Wednesday to show their support and provide a little extra help for the family.

The students were invited to dress in something 'happy' for a day of fun which included games, a BBQ lunch and a disco in the afternoon.

A total of \$915 was raised on the day which will go to support Peta and her family.

Relieving Principal at Bald Blair Deb McIntosh said that she is proud of the students coming together to help their friend.

Ms McIntosh reports that Peta is doing well and expects to be back home in the next couple of weeks.

Have your say...

Open letter to Armidale Regional Council Community

We, the undersigned candidates for the upcoming council election wish to express our concern about an election advertisement, which was published in the Armidale Express on 25 August 2017. The advertisement states "Vote 1 Ian Tiley", and then goes on to recommend also voting for 11 other candidates.

The advertisement does not include the name and address of the person who authorised the advertisement, which is a legal requirement under the electoral regulations, which are designed to ensure transparency and openness in the political process. The advertisement states that "The Armidale

Regional Progress Association" supports Ian Tiley (and the other 11 named candidates). A search revealed that this was registered as a business name on 21 August 2017 by the "family partnership" of John M and Annette R Cassidy.

John Cassidy is a former Chancellor of UNE, who was named by an ICAC investigation as having engaged in "corrupt conduct" in relation to the sale of Tattersalls Hotel (ICAC Report, October 2014) and he is currently a co-owner of Tattersalls Hotel in Armidale, which is being significantly re-developed at this moment. We think that, as the law requires, the voting public should be fully

aware as to who authorised (and presumably paid for) this endorsement.

Equally, we ask Ian Tiley, and the other 11 named candidates if they were aware of, or approved of their names being on this advertisement. We think that the voters of Armidale Regional Council should expect to have full transparency on this matter.

Herman Beyersdorf Gordon Cope Colin Gadd Yvonne Langenberg Jim Maher Susan McMichael Simon Murray Debra O'Brien Margaret O'Connor Peter O'Donohue Dorothy Robinson

Machinery Group receives \$28,549

The Guyra and District Historical Society Machinery Group secured \$28,549 in funding from Armidale Regional Council and the NSW Government's Stronger Communities Grants program. The funding will go towards the revitalisation of Guyra's rail line infrastructure and railway station.

Council's CEO Peter Dennis said the project would complete the maintenance work necessary to preserve the railway station building adjacent rail line and surrounding infrastructure. Additionally, it will improve the visual amenity of the area making it more appealing to visitors.

"The heritage listed railway station building is used as a museum - displaying historical railway objects, antique machinery and police memorabilia," Mr Dennis said.

"It is a significant tourist attraction visited by locals and travellers - including those enjoying the rail tours operated by the Group. This grant will provide an opportunity to enhance the physiconstruction conservation of the building and its contents to ensure that it is available to our community for many years to come."



Peter Hanson and Ron Lockyer from the Guyra and District Historical Society with Adam Marshall MP and Armidale Regional Council's Group Leader - Service Delivery Mark Piorkowski

Pre-poll voting underway



Handing out the How to vote cards on Tuesday Aileen Macdonald, Prim Cracknell, Simon Murray and Mary Holton

September 9 is the day set down for the election of the first 11 councillors who will represent the newly established Armidale Regional Council.

Pre-poll voting began on Monday and there have already been a steady stream of voters takin ghte opportunity to vote early in Guyra.

A Meet the Candidate event was held in Guyra last Thursday. Of the 48 candidates who have nominated for the election, 24 were represented.

Around 130 were present at the event, including the

candidates and their supporters.

Former Guyra Shire Mayor Robyn Jackson acted as moderator for the event and each of the candidates was given three minutes to put their case to the audience.

The main issues raised during the Q & A session which followed were Administrator Ian Tiley's candidacy and the perceived dissent and squabbles in the former Armidale council.

A recurring theme was the need for the newly elected council to work together.

Guyra's only LOCALLY OWNED Motor Vehicle Dealership. Support the local who supports our local community!



- Economical 1.8L Motor
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 - Sat Nav. Auto transmission

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2013 MAZDA BT-50 XT 4x4 DUAL CAB

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3.5 TONNE Tow BAR



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Phone: 6772 2241

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Darrin Towells: 0402 226 450 Steve Rediger: 0412 995 373

Sprouted barley creates interest

More than fifty landholders, students and community members convened at Derek and Fiona Smith's property, 'Kenilworth', Guyra on Friday August 25th to inspect the new sprouted barley production shed

The calling question that brought so many interested participants was 'Can sprouted barley enable landholders to increase their herd size, reduce environmental impacts, increase feed (and

Derek and Fiona Smith, from Working with Nature and animal nutritionist Roger Hegarty from the University of New England (UNE) shared their thoughts and experience with local farmers, farming groups, and approximately 15 keen University of New England etudente

Professor Roger Hegarty said that sprouted barley has a high degradation rate, so it is quickly absorbed and digested by the animals.

"The high digestibility of the barley sprouts helps fulfil the protein needs of growing young animals," he said.

Derek Smith discussed his personal experience in the setup and running of this technology.

"We produce five kilograms of sprouted barley for every one kilogram of barley seed used and the whole operation requires about an hour of labour each day," he said. "The technology used to produce sprouted barley 'biscuits' is more than just temperature control."

"It controls the moisture, humidity, amount and intensity of light and the other necessary conditions required for optimal growth.

The Smiths have been using the technology to grow sprouted barley and are very satisfied with the results in terms of profit and reduced labour.

The field day was hosted by Southern New England Landcare Ltd and helped six Rural Science Students fulfil part of their assessment requirements by coordinating the day.

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale Market Report

August 23rd – There was an increase in lamb numbers, almost three times the previous week. The quality of the penning was quite mixed with trade weights making up a large percentage.

There was a good supply of heavy weights although no extra heavy weights were penned. The increased supply saw demand improve with all regular buyers competing.

Market trends were dearer throughout. Well finished trade weights up by \$1 to \$2/head. Heavy weights saw a market that was firm to \$9/head dearer with the lighter end showing little change. Sheep numbers doubled but supplies remain very low.

The penning comprised of mainly light and medium weight shorn sheep. Market trends firm to dearer.

Next sale will be September 6th.

 Trade Lambs
 \$108 to \$132

 Med Lambs
 \$124 to \$140

 Hvy Lambs
 \$142 to \$166

 Lgt Ewes
 \$38 to \$88

 Md Ewes
 \$82 to \$112

 Hvy Ewes
 to \$127



Derek Smith speaks of his experience feeding sprouted barley to pastured egg production hens

Weekly Wool Market Report

August 25th - After last week's record breaking effort the wool market failed to maintain the rage. Most types came under pressure from the opening and continued to slip as the week progressed.

The headline Eastern Market Indicator gave up more than half of last week's rise but still managed to close the week at its second highest level since AWEX began reporting the market over 20 years ago.

Losses on the second day of sales were not as severe as the first with selected types managing to gain a few cents. Merino Skirting's carrying heavier vegetable matter suffered some of the largest falls for the week.

With only the Eastern seaboard selling 32,342 bales

were sold nationally for the week with a relatively high passed in rate of 14%.

Major buyers included Seatech, Aust Merino Exporters and Techwool. National quantities on offer rise to over 40,000 bales the next few weeks, continuing the current season trend of higher weekly offerings than the corresponding period last season.

Forward market prices followed the physical market down but to a lesser extent with most activity focused on short term contracts.

Greg Andrews

Schute Bell Wool



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Books and science in the classroom

On Wednesday the 16th of August, students, staff, parents, grandparents and friends of Black Mountain Public School all enjoyed themselves immensely during our Book Week celebrations.

During the morning session, the students welcomed a special guest, local author Caroline Tuohey from Armidale. Caroline is an accomplished writer and has written two picture books 'Climb' and Forest Wonder' as well as short stories and bush poetry. Caroline engaged all students from K-6 during her presentation, based on this year's book week theme 'Escape to Everywhere'. Caroline gave our students insight into being a published



author and encouraged them to pursue their writing whenever they can.

The Author Talk was then followed by sharing our favourite books with our grandparents and friends and then by our annual Book Character Parade. Characters included Princess Poppy, Elsa, power rangers, ningas, Darth Vader, Batman, Achilles, Harry Potter and many more.

Black Mountain Public School students have also been engaging in learning across the curriculum that requires them to employ and further develop their skills of problem solving and creative thinking.

Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths were all explored as part of STEM learning challenges. Students in Years 3-6 were challenged to make the longest piece of string possible using only one paper plate and scissors. It was amazing to see how long the students were able to

make their pieces of string through precise and careful cutting.

To celebrate Science Week, students engaged in learning linked closely to this year's theme Future Earth. Future Earth launched in 2015 and is a major 10-year international initiative to advance global sustainability science. This idea was explored by students who engaged in discussion about what sustainability is, why it is important and how students can all help to make our future Earth sustainable. Ideas, such as taking shorter showers and turning off lights, were identified by students as ways they could support the sustainability of Earth. Students also identified how sharing Earth's resources and being kind to one another is important and created posters focused on ideas to make our Future Earth sustainable.

Tanya Siddell & Sally Purvis





Above: Congratulations to Jorja and Felicity
who were able to make the longest piece of string
Above right: Maria reading with her grandmother Right: Mrs Siddell and Jed Egener





Bestech on the move

Dean and Anna Heagney have opened the doors on the next chapter of their successful local business, Bestech.

They have moved to new premises and while there is still work to be done, they are continuing to provide the same range of services to their valued clients.

Bestech began operations in Guyra in 2005, providing repairs and service to livestock scales after Ruddweigh moved their operations to New Zealand.

Charlie and Deb Heagney began the business before handing over the reins to Dean in 2011. Charlie is still part of the team along with Graham Cameron and Anna helps out in the office one day a week.

They recently purchased the shed at 182 Falconer St, and will share the premises with the existing business TWG.

Bestech specialises in sales and service for all electronic weighing systems used in a range of agricultural enterprises.



Dean Heagney at the new premises located at 182 Falconer St.

They can assist with all your weighing systems including lambs, cattle, woolpresses and weighbridges.

If you can't bring it in to the workshop, they will do the repairs on farm.

Dean says that there is no shortage of work for the firm who provide a specialised service that few others can match.

"We get work coming in from right across Australia and also from places like New Zealand and Papua New Guinea," he said.

"There is plenty of work to keep us busy and often we called on to fix things when others have failed."

Bestech also manufacture customized feedout bins and trailers which can be customized to suit your needs. They also sell Grainline augers and can repair electric fence energisers.

Vinnies celebrating Op Shop Week



Vinnies volunteers Audrie Holloway, Maureen Lawlor, Margaret Day with customer Diane Rodgers

As part of National Op Shop Week, Guyra Vinnies will have morning tea on offer all day, free of charge at their Bradley St store.

Op Shop week runs from August 27th to September 2nd and the aim is to boost donations.

More and more Australians are turning to charity Op Shop stores to buy clothes.

Call in to Guyra Vinnies on Wednesday or Friday of this week and share morning tea with the staff or browse their extensive collection of second hand goods.

Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

30 August - Noreen Williams 31 August - Heather Marchant 1 September - Lesley Credland 4 September - Kath Varley 5 Sept. - Don & Betty Mayled

Street Stalls

31st August
Hospital Auxiliary
1st September
Legacy
7th September
Ben Lomond CWA

Church Notices

St James Anglican

Sunday 9am Traditional Service, 10.30am Family Service; 1st Sunday of the month Backwater 2pm, 3rd Sunday of the month Ben Lomond 12.00noon

Rev Mark Evers 6779 1111

St Mary's Catholic

Saturday Mass 6pm in Guyra, Sunday 9am, 1st Sunday of month Ben Lomond, 3rd Sunday Wards Mistake, otherwise Guyra

St Columba's Presbyterian

Guyra Sunday 9.00am 'Ben Lomond Service, first Sunday of even-numbered months, 2.00pm Rev Andrew Campbell, Acting Session Clerk: Jim Coleman 6733 2021

Uniting Church

Regular Sunday Service 9.30am Enq. Nancy Davidson 6779 1366

Seventh-day Adventist

Saturday from 10am Bible Study, 11am Divine Service.

Enquiries: 6779 1587

Northwest Church

66 Llangothlin St, Sunday meeting 10am, Wed 7pm Food Pantry - Fridays 1-3pm.
Tony Stace 0427956772.

Church of Freedom

10 Nincoola Street - Contact: 0421 847 973, Tuesday Prayer 6.30pm, Wed Bible Study 6.30pm Sunday Service 10am

Service Clubs

LIONS CLUB dinner meetings 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm. Ph:Peter King 0412 780 951

ROTARY CLUB dinner meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at Rafters Restaurant, 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307

Council News GUYRA

Public Exhibition

Regional Sports Council Priority List and funding allocations

At its meeting on 23 August 2017 Council resolved the following:

- **b)** That Council endorses the updated Regional Sports Council Priority List and the Sports Council funding allocations to the following projects from the 2017/18 Sports Development Fund:
 - 1) Guyra Recreation Ground Canteen Refurbishment Stage 1 - \$20,000.00
 - **2)** Newling Oval Field Refurbishment \$30,000.00.
- **d)** That Council endorses the Sports Council Small Grant funding applications to:

Greg Blanch - Swimming (\$250) and Mia Emanuel Hockey (\$250) from the 2017/18 small grant fund.

The application by Zac Ahoy - Boccia (\$250) was declined due to Zac receiving a grant from the Gayinyaga Committee (Meeting held 12 July 2017).

The recommendation was adopted.

Council invites comments on the proposal with a Public Exhibition period commencing from Wednesday 30 August with submissions closing on Wednesday 27 September 2017.

Enquiries may be directed to: Alexandra Piddington, Ph: 1300 136 833 or email council@armidale.nsw.gov.au

File No: A15/6816

Written submissions are invited during the exhibition period and will be accepted until 5.00pm on closing date. Submissions should be addressed to:
Chief Executive Officer, Armidale Regional Council, PO Box 75A, ARMIDALE 2350 or emailed to council@armidale.nsw.gov.au

Proposed road closing Lot 24 Deposited Plan 1001379

Under Section 35 of the Roads Act 1993, notice is given that the Minister for Lands and Forestry will consider the closing of a road in connection with a road closing application proposed by Council.

Council (acting on behalf of the Minister) will receive submissions regarding the proposal. All submissions received will be referred to the Minister's delegate for a decision regarding the proposed road closing.

The road under consideration comprises Council public road known as Lot 24 Deposited Plan 1001379 adjacent to the Armidale Regional Airport and the New England Highway, Armidale. Upon closure of the road Council intends to retain the closed road as operational land.

All interested persons are invited to make submissions concerning the proposal to the Council from Wednesday 30 August to Tuesday 19 September 2017.

Regarding the provisions of the Government Information (Public Access) Act, information contained in such submissions may, at the discretion of Armidale Regional Council and NSW Department of Industry – Lands, be referred to the person(s) who initiated the proposal for appropriate consideration.

Council Ref: A15/6879 - Lot 24 DP 1001379 Enquiries: Mark Wilson Telephone: 1300 136 833



Mondays at 1:30pm

Colouring pencils and colouring books provided or bring your own along Contact the Guyra Library on 6770 7123 to book your place

Guyra Mayors

History project

Previous Guyra Mayors history project – Were you or one of your family a previous mayor or president of Guyra Shire Council? Would you like to contribute a short biography of yourself or family member to the library's history collection? This is an ongoing library project with the projected view to publish photographs and a short biography of our previous mayors onto the ARC website.

Contact the Guyra Library on 6770 7123 or email council@armidale.nsw.gov.au

Council election

Saturday 9 September 2017

The Armidale Regional Council elections are on Saturday, 9 September. It is the first time since the amalgamation that residents have the opportunity to vote for who will represent them on the Council. **Voting is compulsory.**

For more info www.votensw.info

E-NEWS

Want to know what's going on?

Join over 4000 of your fellow community members and subscribe to our e-newsletter! Visit our website to subscribe and keep up to date with all the latest news.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next - Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on the 27 September 2017 in the Armidale office Council Chamber, 135 Rusden Street, Armidale, from 9am.

PUBLIC NOTICE -Wednesday 30 August 2017

Authorised by the CEO Peter Dennis Armidale Regional Council PO Box 75A, 135 Rusden Street, Armidale NSW 2350. Ph: 1300 136 833 Fax: 6772 9275. Email: council@armidale.nsw.gov.au



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Diane Gray

We need to build a region which supports our community needs for now while creating a sustainable legacy for future generations.

To continue the progress of the last 18 months and grow to be so much more, we need change and to be strong together. Let's have a fresh perspective - that is what I will bring to Council as well as a strong ability to work as a team.

Keeping the momentum going, if elected, I will focus on:

- 1. Building a strong community
- 2. Generating new industry & business opportunities.
- 3. Promoting Environmental Sustainability



If elected, I promise to be:

RESPECTFUL - Community First

CONSULTATIVE - Community Engagement. **DECISIVE** - Community Decisions

Authorised by: Matthew Lynch, 14 Erin Court, Armidale NSW 2350

Jack Rapley

- I have been an Armidale resident for more than 20
- I am a business owner.
- I am not a single issue candidate.
- My objective is to attract new business to both Armidale and Guyra.
- My aim is to improve infrastructure in both areas and surrounds, including water supply to Guyra.

Independent Candidate No political affiliation Vote 1 Jack Rapley

Authorised by: Jack Rapley, PO Box 1229, Armidale NSW 2350

I love living here where I fatten cattle, keep bees, work for Quadrant Australia, am a Board member of a not-for-profit employment enterprise, and

volunteer. I bring to Armidale Regional Council a diverse range of skills in budget management, strategic planning, leadership and project management.

Martha Saw

I have the drive to be a part of a dynamic Council which represents our region and will promote Agritourism as an overarching strategy to build roads, business and employment for our region.

Let's do this together!

Authorised by: Martha Saw, 2 Ash Tree Drive, Armidale NSW 2350

Dale Curtis

I have lived and worked in the area for 64 years with management roles in agricultural IT companies.

My passion is for our:

- environment
- community spirit
- youth employment
- business growth
- water supply
- food supply
- housing affordability
- council accountability
- energy production to match consumption
- internet connectivity
- cultural diversity
- education and health
- tourism
- life style

Dam.

Authorised by: Dale Curtis, 2 Cynthia Crescent, Armidale NSW 2350

Maria Hitchcock Independent

My vision...

- Steady growth and prosperity
- New businesses, industries and commerce
- Greater employment opportunities, particularly for youth
 - Urban and rural residents given equal consideration
 - Improved communications and community consultation

Growth, **Prosperity** and a Fair Go for all Ratepayers



Authorised by: Maria Hitchcock, 16 Hitchcock Lane, Dumaresq NSW 2350

Herman Beyersdorf

In Local Government I will offer:

- Leadership
- Long experience and expertise in governance
- Honesty and integrity in local government
- Greater openness and transparency
- Responsive to the needs and wishes of the community

I will support the Guyra community by:

- ✓ Retaining Council Chambers and staff in Guyra.
- ✓ Working towards the Malpas water pipeline or other water augmentation.
- ✓ Supporting the further beautification of the Main Street.
- ✓ Continuing Council meetings in Guyra.

Authorised by: Herman Beyersdorf, 99 Arundel Drive, Armidale NSW 2350

Les Davis

Stimulating economic growth and the creation of more job opportunities is the key to the sustainable future of the region.



the Guyra Main Street and Armidale Mall and provide water for Guyra from Malpas

Les has been a local Grazier (25 years), Teacher and School Principal (13 years), Saumarez Homestead Manager (8 years), and on Council Consultative Committees and Strategic Planning workshops (15 years).

Les Davis has the energy, enthusiasm and experience that the Armidale Regional Council needs to ...

MAKE IT HAPPEN

Authorised by: Ronald Lester Davis, 2/20 The Boulevarde, Armidale NSW 2350

The Greens

We support a sustainable future

- Growing sustainably jobs without environmental damage or increased global warming
- Fair & wise use of ratepayers' money
- Attracting Regional Growth & Stronger Communities Funding
- New area committees & Malpas water for Guyra
- · Energy efficiency,



- council & community solar projects, passive-solar housing, major developments close to employment areas
- Improved community well-being & clean air
- Improved community engagement surveys, newsletters, committees, online forums & polls. Authorised by: Dorothy Robinson, 49 Ash Tree Drive, Armidale NSW 2350

Margaret O'Connor's Team of 7

(vote 1 Group B - above the line) offers experience, expertise and diversity.

My track record at Council is for kick-starting growth; eg, the Airport project. I love getting things done. If elected I will work for both Guyra and Armidale.

Our #3 is Adjunct Professor Tony Sorenson (UNE). Tony says hi-tech change means we are in a second industrial revolution.



We need to plan to grow the new industries of this economy; eg, specialist tourism, ag-tech, leisure and aged care.

I'm thrilled to have Tony on my team. Please support us to bring GOOD change.

Authorised by: Margaret O'Connort, 82 Weaver Ridge, Armidale NSW 2350

Meet the Candidates A Guyra Gazette advertising feature

Aileen MacDonald

I am standing for Council because I want to make a difference. For our region I want to see:

- Economic Growth and Development
- Fair services for all rate payers - town and country
- Fresh ideas for our merged council
- Water security for
- The New England Rail Trail
- Agtech Clustering
- Sustainable growth.

If you want to see that change then please support me.

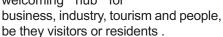
Stronger - Together - United

Authorised by: Aileen MacDonald, 7 Balcony Close, Guyra NSW 2365

Libby Martin

I'm a proud local, through and through and I want to give back to the fabulous Armidale region where I was born and raised.

I believe in its future of being a thriving regional centre and a welcoming hub for



Being part of a united, proactive, progressive Council that works in a positive way for the better of the region and having a 'can do, let's make it happen' attitude is extremely important.

Authorised by: Libby Martin, Akoona, Chandler Road, Armidale NSW 2350

Simon Murray

PUTTING THE *Regional* IN ARMIDALE REGIONAL COUNCIL

I want a new Council that:

- Is efficient & provides quality services (water, roads, sewerage) equally across the
- Will encourage new industry to the region.
- Supports & encourages existing industries.
- Is respectful to the community.
- Is not dominated by party politics.

If elected I will bring:

a diverse range of skills; a desire to unify the regional communities; and prior experience in local government.



Authorised by: Simon Murray 1963 Aberfoyle Road, Aberfoyle NSW 2

Andrew Murat

As a candidate I believe I have the business experience and proven track-record of delivering results to tackle the issues in Council.

We need to review the core functions of Council, how these are delivered to the community, the achievement of greater economic efficiencies and streamline planning and building approvals.



and youth of the community. Economic development and tourism need an

overhaul as they clearly aren't meeting the expectations of the community. We need to immediately accelerate the progress of the industrial land at the airport to attract sustainable business.

The Council is a business; we need to start to treat it like one.

Authorised by: Andrew Murat, 5 Norris Drive, Armidale NSW 2350

Council elections are next week - don't forget to vote!

The Armidale Regional Council election is on Saturday, 9 September.

On that day, Armidale Regional Council is one of 46 councils across NSW going to the polls to decide who will represent them for the next three years.

With election day fast approaching, here's what you need to know:

On election day

- Polling places are open from 8.00am to 6.00pm.
 - Polling places are located at: Armidale City Public School Armidale Town Hall Ben Lomond Public School Ben Venue Public School Black Mountain Public School Chandler Public School Dangarsleigh School of Arts Hall **Drummond Memorial Public School** Ebor Public School Guyra Central School Newling Public School Sydney Town Hall Tingha Public School

More information about the election is available on the NSW Electoral Commission website: www.votensw.info

Early voting options

 Pre-poll voting is available until 6.00pm Friday 8 September. If you can't vote on election day, you can vote early at the following pre-poll venues:

- Armidale Returning Officer's Office, 122 Faulkner Street, Armidale
- Guyra Council Offices, 158 Bradley Street, Guyra
- Sydney Town Hall, 483 George Street,
- People who wish to apply for a postal vote should act now. You can apply online for a postal vote from www.votensw.info
- · Postal vote applications must be received by 5.00pm Monday, 4 September.

"This is the first time since the amalgamation of Armidale Dumaresq and Guyra Shire council areas that residents have the opportunity to vote for who will represent them," said Chief Executive Officer Peter Dennis.

"A number of community members have put their hand up and nominated to be part of the new 11 member council.

"Residents will now have the opportunity to vote for a new council that will represent our regional community."

A full list of candidates is available on the NSW Electoral Commission website www.votensw.info

Voting is compulsory for everyone enrolled in the council area.

The NSW Electoral Commission is managing the election. For everything you need to know about the election visit the NSW Electoral Commission website at www.votensw.info or call 1300 135 736.

Peter Bailey



I have a long-standing and strong association with Guyra. I want to ensure that Guyra has a strong voice on the new Council.

Authorised by: Jenny Bailey, 54 Gungurru Road, Armidale NSW 2350

Young farm planners awarded at AgQuip

Guyra based agriculture students were among those recognised for their innovation at the 2017 Local Land Services Schools Property Planning Competition awards presentation at AgQuip last week.

The Local Land Services Schools Property Planning Competition gives high school agriculture students firsthand experience in investigating the real-life challenges faced by local farmers.

The Northern Tablelands competition field day attracted over 100 students from eight regional schools to the Turnham family's property 'Waratah' at Guyra in March. Students participated in activities to assess soils, pastures, biosecurity, biodiversity and water quality.

Participating schools sent in their two best property plans for the final judging, which considered improvements to natural resources balanced with a productive, profitable business.

The winning O'Connor Catholic College team featured two Guyra students Brody Hoffman and Charlotte Wade, along with Mitchell Jones and Lachlan Patricks, with support from teacher Janet Price.

They were the Northern Tablelands Region Champion and were awarded the Leanne Savage Perpetual Shield. Fellow O'Connor College classmate, Nicholas Graham, also from Guyra, earned runner-up for the Northern Tablelands Region.



Above I to r: Laiton Turnham from Waratah, Guyra, winning students from O'Connor Catholic College Brody Hoffman, Lachlan Patricks, O'Connor Catholic College Ag teacher Janet Price, Mitchell Jones and Charlotte Wade, NSW Minister for Primary Industries Niall Blair, Sally Strelitz from UNE and Northern Tablelands Local Land Services board member Tim Norton.

Northern Tablelands Local Land Services Senior Land Services Officer -Farm Planning, Kim Deans said it was rewarding to see the students make the connection between a healthy natural resource base and a productive, profitable farm business.

"That's our farm planning course key focus, and that's what we look for in their entries," said Kim. "Winning entries are innovative, but realistic as well. It really does stretch the students to apply farm planning principles to an actual working farm, and it gives them real world skills so it's a valuable thing for them to do."

Northern Tablelands Local Land Services wishes to thank the University of New England, Regional Development Australia - Northern Inland and the NSW Department of Primary Industries Schools Program for their support of the 2017 Schools Property Planning Competition.

Hard work pays off for young gun



Mel Frost

The Guyra branch of the Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (SSAA) is celebrating the achievements of member Mel Frost.

Mel has just returned from shooting for Australia at the World Cup and European championships for Air rifle and Rimfire benchrest. Mel competed in all five disciplines - light air rifle, heavy air rifle, rimfire sporter, light varmint rimfire and heavy varmint rimfire.

Overall there were 300 + competitors from countries all over the world. Her efforts were rewarded with three individual medals in

the junior class.

Club secretary Mark Burgess said that the competition was held over nine days with testing conditions, hard to read winds, and then a heat wave of 40 + degs.

"Mel worked hard and it all paid off," he said. "She won a bronze medal in the rimfire sporter class, a silver medal in the rimfire light varmint and then another bronze medal in the rimfire heavy varmint.

"This placed her 1st in the juniors in the 2 gun aggregate and an aggregate of 23rd outright with seniors and juniors combined."

League season wraps up this weekend

The 2017 junior rugby league season will wrap up this weekend. Guyra will be represented in two grand finals, with the under 10s and the girls league tag teams both making it through. The under 12s were unlucky to miss out, going down in a nail-biter against Inverell in the preliminary final played at Bingara on the weekend. Inverell claimed victory in the last minutes of the game defeating Guyra 20-14.

The under 10s go into the final as favourites, after remaining unbeaten so far this season. They will take on Warialda in the grand final game which will played in Armidale. Club President Gina Lockyer said the team, coached by Grant and Linley Ryan, have dominated the competition and will hopefully pull off the final victory this weekend.

The junior girls League Tag team had a good win 38-6 against Inverell on the weekend and will be hopeful of a repeat performance in the final. They will be up against Tingha who came out on top in their last encounter. It was a close game with Tingha getting the win 20-18 in the game played at Guyra on August



Guyra Under 12s

19. Gina thinks the Guyra girls will get the win, providing they play like they did last week.

While Guyra do not have teams in the 14s and 16s age group, they will be keeping a close eye on the local boys playing in the Glen Innes grand final teams.

Myles Williams and Harry Lockyer will be playing in the under 14s grand final, while Isaiah King, Dylan Sutton and Jack Lockyer will run on with the 16s.

It will be a big weekend for the club who will back up on Sunday for their Presentation Day. The day will kick off at 11am at the Sporting Complex with a free sausage sizzle lunch (drink can be purchased from the canteen) followed by the presentations.



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Pipeline petition building momentum

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The two Gara river dams are falling short – and in drier years, the town faces being placed on tough restrictions or running out of potable water entirely.

Council's engineering crews and water advisory experts have advised that a pipeline is the only option that will meet Guyra's growth over the next three decades – with options like raising the dam costing more, with less storage capacity.

I've set up a petition on my website: adammarshall.com.au/petition



Abercrombie Street's cycleway will get a 348m extension that will link the CBD with the hospital.

and hard copy petitions are available at my Armidale office (175 Rusden Street), the former Guyra Shire Council office (158 Bradley Street) and several businesses in the CBD.

Improving Guyra's cycleways

Cyclists and pedestrians in Guyra will soon have a greatly extended pathway network, with a new 348 metre shared footpath and cycleway soon to be

built along Abercrombie Street.

Following community consultation with cycling groups in town, the shared pathway will run from Sole Street, past the MPS and finally meet up with the recently completed cycleway section by the park. This will link up the town centre, Kolara aged care facility and the MPS for the first time – making it easier than ever to leave the car keys at home.

The NSW Government and Armidale Regional Council have both contributed \$29,500 to the project, and construction works are expected to begin in the next few months.

Contact my office:

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Last load

Last Friday, the local community of Ben Lomond gathered at the Ben Lomond War Memorial Hall to watch the arrival of the final wind turbine components for White Rock Wind Farm.

The tower component was the last of seven hundred loads that have been transported to White Rock Wind Farm. Transportation of the wind turbine components via the New England Highway commenced in December last year, with access to southern areas of the site over recent months made via the Ben Lomond Rd.

John Gardner, Vice President of Program of Goldwind said the event was organised to thank the local community for their support of the project and show first-hand the size and scale of the turbines being installed at the wind farm.

"We really appreciate the patience and understanding of



the communities along the delivery route, in particular the community of Ben Lomond who experienced the inconvenience of slow moving wide loads which no doubt had an impact on the daily routines of many in the community over the last three months," Mr Gardner said.

Construction of White Rock Wind Farm commenced in May 2016. More than three quarters of the wind turbines have now been installed. Construction work is now focussed on installation of the remaining wind turbines and associated commissioning work, as well as rehabilitation of the site area.

is a key project milestone. In early July, the first turbines were connected to TransGrid's network and started producing electricity," Mr Gardner added.

'The arrival of the final load

"This means that the wind farm is already producing renewable energy. More turbines are being commissioned each week and we are progressing well towards the project becoming fully operational by the end of the year."

Once fully operational, the 175 MW White Rock Wind Farm will produce sufficient clean renewable energy to power approximately 75,000 homes, more than all the houses in the New England area.

Education Week Celebrations



Left:

Gold Awards winners Colleen Pearson and Zac Cannon

Right:

Snowball winners Charlie Wilson, Alice Stanley, Zac Cannon and Sophie Roberts

Below left:

Guyra Gift (I to r) 3rd Rogue Stannard, 2nd Myles Williams and 1st Sarah Rosten

Below right:

Wishy Washy Dancers







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Gazette Footy Tipping

Maybe those birthday celebrations went on a tad too long as Mailman lost the plot a little and is now joined at the top of the Locals Leaderboard by PHJ on 236.

Next in line are Men's Shed and Young Darcey (who has jumped from 4th spot) on 230. Perhaps Young Darcey's trip to northern tropical Queensland to watch a game of footy has spurred him on to greater heights!

The Ref and John are equal in third place on 228. Hazel has been doing well and is next on 224. Eel-be-Right have left their run a bit too late, but did very well last week. The Saint and Carmel are sharing the Wooden Spoon position.

The status quo remains for the Celebrities and it looks like they are in their final positions. Prizes next week!

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Men's Bowls

Sunday August 27th saw two games played. Firstly the Final of the Handicap Singles, this game was played between Cameron Peardon and Robert Moore. Robert had to give Cameron eight start. Cameron scored a 3 on the first end but that was where the score for Cameron stayed. By the seventh end Robert had caught up scoring slowly and now the start meant nothing. Cameron scored on the next seven ends opening the score once more. The score was at this stage 15 shots to two shots to Cameron but once again Robert closed to within four shots over the next five ends, from then on the scores remained close and by end 34 only three shots separated the two players 27 shots to 24 shots in favour of Cameron. Both players could now see the finishing line but Cameron managed to string five ends together and ran out victor 31 shots to 24 shots over 38 ends.

Congratulations Cameron on being Handicap Singles Champion for 2017 season.

The other game was a Semi Final Major/Minor Three Bowl Pairs. John Jackson and Geoff Reeves played Steven Sole and Robert Walls. Steven and Robert opened a lead early and no matter what John and Geoff did it was not enough and Steven and Robert went on to take a victory 30 shots to 13 over 25 ends.

Club Championships set down for this Saturday September 2nd. Start 12.00pm. Starter and Umpire: David Wilcox.

Semi Final Club Triples: John Jackson, Geoff Reeves, Wayne Reeves to play David Wilcox, Murray Bourke, Paul Johnson.

Club Championships set down for Sunday September 3rd. Start after the AGM Bowls Meeting.

Semi Final Major/Minor Three Bowl Pairs.

Starter and Umpire: Paul Johnson.

Dan Kennedy and Graham Starr to play David Wilcox and Paul Johnson.

Members of the Bowling and Recreation Club Ltd; are reminded that the AGM will be held Sunday September 3rd commencing at 10.00am. Following the Club AGM the Bowls AGM will be held at 11.30am after which there will be a Boxed Pairs game for any bowlers or non-bowlers wishing to take part. A sheet is on the notice board to place names on it for those wishing to play, entries close at 12.00pm.

The Bowls Bandit.

Gazette Footy Tipping

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The Locals have finished their footy tipping this week, good luck for the final round. Here is the Premiership Ladder so you can keep tabs on the top 8 teams:

Storm	42	Dragons	28
Roosters	36	Raiders	26
Broncos	34	Rabbitohs	22
Eels	34	Bulldogs	22
Sharks	32	Warriors	18
Panthers	30	Titans	18
Cowboys	30	Wests Tigers	16
Sea Eagles	30	Knights	14





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MEETING NOTICE

GUYRA SSAA will be holding their AGM on Sunday, 10th September at 9:30am, at the Loch Abba shooting range. All members are invited and those wanting to join are welcome to attend - for all enquiries please contact Burgess (Secretary) Mark mark.alan.burgess@gmail.com

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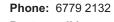
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Taylor win Reg Taylor Shield

On Tuesday August 22nd twelve Vets played an Individual Stableford Event. The weather was very pleasant for golf with a gentle breeze, instead of the strong winds we have been experiencing.

The winner was Nancy Prisk with 43 points. Wal Chapman was the runner-up with a score of 35 on a countback from Chris Newberry and John Prisk. Nearest the pins were awarded to Nancy on the 9th, Chris the 10th and Wal Chapman on the 18th. Nancy won the putting with 27 putts.

After the game the Vets elected David Bearup as President and Nancy Prisk as the secretary.

Next week we will play an Individual Stableford, counting putts.

On Tuesday, September 5th Rosemary Porter and some Armidale Veteran golfers are sponsoring a 4BBB Stableford in memory of Rosemary's husband, Bill. There will be a shotgun start at 9.30. Green fees are \$21 each. If you would like to play, find a partner and contact Nancy Prisk-67791057 or 0438791057.

The annual Golf Presentation Night was held on Saturday at the Club. Thank you to everyone who organised such a successful evening. The following Vets were our prize winners for this year.

Congratulations to Terry Varley as he was voted this year's Veteran Club Person of the Year.

Ian Taylor won the Reg Taylor Shield with a scratch score of 80. The runners-up were Paul Redden and John Prisk with 87.

Paul Redden won the Individual Stableford with 43 points, followed by Pattie Hill with 42.

Warren McCowen was our



lan Taylor, Kath Taylor and John Prisk

best putter with 22 putts.

Pattie Hill and Meg Simpson won the 4BBB with 48 and the runners-up were Herb Wlison and Wal Chap-

man, both with 46 points.
Congratulations to all our prize winners

The Vet

Men's golf

Sunday saw a successful Captains day 4BBB with the winners being R Grills and J Prisk runners up were C Newberry and D Hill. Nearest to the pins were M Gaukroger on the 7th and B Stanley on the 18th and the long drive on the 16th was D Hill.

Next Sunday will be an 18 hole stroke for the Landmark trophy as well as the September monthly mug. The 10th of September will be the 4BBB championships played in conjunction with the Burgess Garage stroke. A grade will be 16 and under B grade 17 and over.

The matchplay draw is on the notice board with all players entered (apologies to Frank).1st round to be played by 24th September.

Saturday night saw a successful presentation night with the results being A Grade champion Dom Hill, B Grade Cameron Peardon, C Grade Pat Grills. Pat also took out the Bruce Thomson shield, the Molly Sole winner was Karen Oehlers, the mug of the year went to Chris Newberry, the Charlie Brander Shield going to



Belinda Lenehan, Vicki Reeves and Karen Oehlers

Warren McCowen.

Mixed champions were Ben Vidler and Karen Oehlers , Ian Taylor took out the Reg Taylor Shield . The matchplay winner was David Lyes narrowly defeating Scott Mendes .The ladies champions were A Grade Karen

Oehlers B Grade Belinda Lenehan. Lastly the club AGM is on 3rd September so if you want a say in your clubs future be there at 9:30 AM.

The Albatross.

Women's golf

Meg Simpson played an 18 holes round of excellent golf last Wednesday to win the Par Medal Round with +1. Joyce Betts was runner up, following a strong second nine holes, finishing with the card all square. The May Mitchell Memorial Match Play round continued when Karen Oehlers won a match against Wendy George at the 20th hole.

The Armidale Singles event, postponed from a rainy day in June, is set down for 6th September and the New England District Golf Association's 4BBB Veteran's playoff will be played at Warialda on 13th September. We wish the best of luck to qualifiers Wendy Jackson and Joyce Betts, as well Karen Oehlers and Pip White. Several teams will compete in the Holden Scramble at Inverell on 20th September.

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Sarah off to Nationals

Sarah Williams has been selected to participate at the Special Olympics National games to be held in Adelaide in April 2018. Sarah will be competing in Ten Pin bowling, and will be one of seven athletes going from the North West New England Club.

"Last weekend we went to Rutherford for a State carnival and I received a 2nd in my singles and 1st in doubles," Sarah said. "I am so excited and cannot wait this will be such a wonderful experience for us all."

Sarah be fundraising in Guyra and Armidale and any funds raised are pooled and then distributed amongst all the athletes. Any help would be appreciated and the money will be going towards flights, accommodation, transport and uniforms for the team.



Caspers headed for semifinal showdown against TAS

The Guyra Caspers first and second grade teams have secured their spots in this weekend's major semi-final after both teams defeated Demon Knights on Saturday afternoon.

The second grade team had their first win over DK all year with a convincing 3-1 win. Rheece Handebo scored two goals and Tom Smith scored 1.

In the first grade game, the Guyra side put on a dominant display with five second half goals to win 6 nil. BJ

Cameron bagged a double with Henk Bus, Tom Smith, Ben Lennon and Matt Simpson all scoring 1 each.

This Saturday both first and second grade teams take on TAS in Armidale for a spot in the Grand Final. Second grade kicking off a 1pm and first grade at 3pm.

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