

Circulation `1680 P: 6779 2132 E: news@gala.org.au, advertising@gala.org.au www.gala.org.au/guyra-gazette/ Hats on for special visitor

The Guyra Preschool and Long Day Care Centre's annual Easter Hat Parade was another huge success!

Many families joined in on the action and proudly watched their children show off their home made Easter Hats.

Some children were a little hesitant but with the encouragement of their educators made it down the path to collect their participation certificate.

They finished off the morning with a special visit form the Easter Bunny, morning tea and a play in the playground.

The centre staff would like to thank the families for their participation and time to make their children's hats and hope you all have a safe and happy Easter.

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The Easter Bunny hopped in to the centre on Tuesday Morning and was greeted with much egg-citement

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What's **HOT**

DAYLIGHT SAVING ends this weekend - remember to turn your clocks back one hour

EASTER - a bit early this year hope you are ready and the Bunny finds you!

AUTUMN - time to gather the firewood and prepare for winter

What's NOT

FALLING off your bike in front of IGA, ouch!!

KIDS disrupting adult functions. It would be nice to hear the speeches without kids playing noisily and running around

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



Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
20	Tues	15.5	28.5	0
21	Wed	13.0	22.6	0
22	Thurs	11.6	18.7	0
23	Fri	12.0	20.8	0
24	Sat	11.7	22.0	8.0
25	Sun	10.0	24.0	1.4
26	Mon	13.4	21.5	0
Rain this week				.4mm

March rainfall19.8mmRainfall YTD167.0mmRainfall last YTD452.7mm

Water treatment plant

Rainfall Registrations to 9am Monday, March 26th Rainfall 8.5mm (155.5mm YTD) Top Dam 410mm below spillway Bott. Dam 230mm below spillway Daily average town consumption (target 650 kl)1897kl

Water Restrictions Voluntary Community restraint

Help plan TroutFest



TroutFest is more than fishing and the organisers are looking for input from the community

A brainstorming discussion will be held at the Guyra Bowling Club next Tuesday April 3rd at 5.30pm and everyone is invited. If you have an idea for activities, entertainment or how the festival can be improved please come along and have your say.

The festival is about much more than fishing, it's about the whole community. If you have an idea across the arts, hobbies, entertainment, sports action or anything, come along. All committee positions are open and if different groups or individuals organize just one small section of the festival it lightens the organizing load.

The Guyra Hotel Anglers Club are planning the fishing side of things and hope to have activities all weekend over the October long weekend for adults and children. The Fishing Clinic for kids will be held on the Saturday morning this year to coincide with the street markets.

If you are enthusiastic about Guyra or want to promote your area of interest, come along to the Bowling Club next Tuesday at 5.30pm. See you there!

'Memorable' Fish Farm Visit



Kolora monthly bus trip was to 'Moredun Ponds' on the March 15th. As we drove through the areas of Ollera and Tenterden the residents spoke of being in familiar surroundings. At the Ponds the residents enjoyed a relaxed environment as they strolled around the Ponds, watched the Cod feeding and were tempted by the aromas of a sausage sizzle being cooked for lunch. For dessert we indulged in cheesecakes made by Rhonda Youman. A special thanks to all who assisted on the day.

> Lisa Church Activities Officer

Fire damages Vet Clinic

A fire at the Guyra Veterinary Clinic has damaged the front office, however further damage was averted due to the quick actions of a neighbor and passers-by who alerted authorities.

The fire occurred last Thursday night and is believed to have been caused by an electrical fault.

No staff were present at the time and a dog who was staying overnight in the clinic was rescued without injury.

An electrical switchboard located on the front wall of the office appears to have exploded.

Guyra Fire Brigade attended the blaze which was quickly brought under control.

Fire Brigade Captain Graham Williamson said that they initially responded to a 000 call that wires outside the building were arcing.

They were already on their way when the call was up-

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graded to reports that the Vet Clinic was on fire.

Firefighters entered the building with breathing apparatus and the blaze was quickly brought under control.

Captain Williamson said that damage was limited to the office area with damage caused mainly by smoke.

The team at Guyra Vets are grateful that no staff or patients were injured and appreciate offers of assistance.

Friday, however staff maintained emergency services while they waited for insurance assessor to visit.

They are now back up and running from the shed behind the clinic.

Customers are advised that eftpos facilities are currently not available and parecords be tient can't accessed, however the phone lines have been restored and it is business (almost) as usual.







Preschool Easter Hat Parade



Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale Market Report

March 21st - Lamb numbers remained steady at 3660 while sheep declined to 2770. There was a fair supply of well finished trade and heavy weights while restockers were again well catered for with plainer condition light and medium weights.

The usual buyers were in attendance with demand from all sectors solid. Well finished trade weight lambs sold on a firm to slightly dearer market trend, averages improving between \$1 and \$3/head.

The heavy and extra heavy weights also sold to a slightly dearer trend, with the top price equal to the previous week. There was little change in the market for light weight lambs to restockers.

Restockers showed more interest in a few heavier weights with the top price pain in excess of last weeks' top, however more weight was involved. Despite reduced competition from restockers on the lighter condition Merino ewes market trends through the light and medium weight classes were firm to slightly dearer as processors took up the slack.

Skin values also showed a little improvement. There were only quality related price change on the well finished medium and heavy weights.

Lambs

Trade \$110 to \$152 Heavy \$144 to 170 Extra Hvy \$175 to \$200 Lgt Res \$52 to \$62 Md Res. \$68 to \$123

Sheep

Lgt Mer Ewes \$41 to \$100 Md Mer Ewes \$90 to \$120 Hvy XBred ewes to \$130 Mer. Wthrs to \$135

Weekly Wool Market Report

March 23rd - It was a solid rebound for the market this week after suffering a fortnight of losses. Most of last week's falls were regained especially in 19 to 21 micron ranges.

The gains were almost exclusively registered on the first day of sales before some minor downward adjustments occurred on the final selling day. The Aussie dollar took a tumble against the US early in the week leaving the market virtually unchanged in US dollars.36,707 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 4%.

Major buyers included Techwool, Seatech and Fox & Lillie. Next week's national offering has jumped to an expected 47,000 bales with the Sydney



volume almost double this week's offering. Sales will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday this week with the Sydney sale being taken on a road trip.

The Royal Easter Show will once again host the sale in the sheep and wool pavilion where a special facility has been constructed to allow the public to view a live wool sale.

After starting the season strongly the volume of wool offered for the season to date is now only up 2.9% on last season. Next week's sale is the last before the short one week Easter recess.

Greg Andrews





Charity Golf Day

Guyra Golf Course will be the venue when the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service Guyra Volunteer Support Group lands on April 8th for one of the fun sporting days of the year.

A Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service (WRHS) Three Person Ambrose is the event, open to all, members and non-members, golfers and social players, and hackers as well.

It is just \$25 per person to play and that includes the scrumptious lunch and good prizes on offer.

Start time is from 10.30 and you can turn up to play on the day. It's an 18 hole event around the par 72 grass-greened course.

Last year it was held in August but it has been moved forward to April this year while a second two-person ambrose for the WRHS will be held in November.

Kim Newling, support group co-ordinator of the New England and North West division of the WRHS, is delighted and thankful for the efforts of all concerned.

"It is great to see small clubs and towns supporting the WRHS like this," Mrs Newling said. "We want to thank the community, local businesses and Guyra Bowling and Golf Clubs for their support. Also the local support group volunteers who work so hard for us.

"All the money raised at the golf day stays in the New England and North West too and it ensures no one ever has to pay to use the service."

Harmony Day celebrations

On Wednesday March 21st Guyra Central school united as one and celebrated Harmony Day!

In recognition of Harmony day students wore orange or brightly coloured clothing and celebrated with an assembly, followed by a sausage sizzle lunch and cake.

Harmony Day is a day to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, based on the successful integration of migrants into our community. Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values. Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day.

Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.

Thank you to Mrs Justine Eddy for her contribution to the organisation of the event.

Harmony Day Cake

Mrs Justine Eddy, Tahmani Landsborough, Selina Surawski, J ake Wilson and Brendan Landsborough



GUYRA GOLF CLUB | SUNDAY 8 APRIL 2018 | 10.30 START

3 Person Ambrose

Mens, Ladies, Mixed Doubles | \$25 per player includes BBQ lunch Juniors also welcome \$10 per player

Enquiries: Eric Heagney 6779 1293 or the club on 6779 1499 This event is an Authority to Fundraise for the Northern NSW Helicopter Rescue Service Limited ABN: 40 002 852 028. CFN 11992 Freepik.com

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Have a holy - day this Easter!

I suppose you have plans for Easter.

A few days off, time to catch up. Family coming, or going camping. There's food to be bought; Hot Cross buns and Easter Eggs to buy, and for children, the Easter Bunny. A great holiday!

But Easter is more, much more than that.

It's about a dead man, who walked. Yes, a man who died, as our substitute, for us, instead of us, so that we can be forgiven, right with God, His friends, by His grace, and ready for heaven.

And to prove that that's possible, to make it possible, the dead man walked. In a very real historical event, Jesus came alive again. Larger than life. And now He rules as Master of God's world.

Sure there are lots of nice things about Easter that we enjoy. And I hope you'll enjoy

the holiday!

But more than anything I pray that Easter will be the day that you can say that by the death of Jesus my sins are forgiven, I'm right with God, ready for heaven, and I'm going to be with Jesus in glory. Have a holy - day this

Easter!

Andrew Campbell St. Columba's Presbyterian Church

Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

28th March Noreen Williams 29th March Pamela Carter 30th March Guyra CWA 2nd April Kath Varley 3rd April Don & Betty Mayled 4th April Wendy Lockyer Street Stalls

29th March Ben Lomond CWA 6th April Masonic Lodge 13th April Guyra CWA

Church Notices

St James Anglican

Sunday 9am Morning Service, 1st Sunday of the month Backwater 2pm, 3rd Sunday of the month Ben Lomond 11.30am

EASTER 9am Good Friday 9am Easter Sunday 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

EASTER 9am Good Friday

Rev Andrew Campbell, Acting Session Clerk: Jim Coleman 6733 2021

Uniting Church

Regular Sunday Service 9.30am Eng. 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, Thursday 7pm

EASTER Sunday 10am BBQ Lunch aftewards Food Pantry Closed Good Friday 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

The day that changed the world

Without Easter Sunday. then Jesus didn't die on the cross for our sins, he just one of thousands of Jews the romans crucified during their occupation.

Without Easter Sunday, Jesus is a liar. All through his ministry, Jesus said he would be killed in Jerusalem and three days later rise again. If he didn't actually rise from the dead, if his body is still in the tomb, we can't trust anything he said.

Without Easter Sunday, Jesus is not our Lord and Saviour. If Jesus couldn't even save himself from death, then there is no possible way for him to save anyone else. Not in this life, and definitely not in the life to come.

Easter Sunday is the day that changed the world.

On Easter Sunday, Jesus,

the man who was crucified. dead and buried in the tomb, rose to life again, and walked out of the tomb. Death could not hold him, Jesus has conquered death and dealt with our sin, once and for all. He has broken it's power, and will save all who call on him.

A few days after he rose from the dead, Jesus was walking along the road with a couple of his disciples, and he says to them,

"This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day,

and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. (Luke 24:44 - 47)

Now that he has risen victorious of the grave, it's in the name of JESUS, that repentance and forgiveness will be preached. There is no other name, under heaven and earth, by which we can be saved. Because there is no one else who has conquered sin and death, who has risen from the dead, never to die again.

That's why Easter Sunday has always been the most holy day in the Christian calendar.

That's why Easter Sunday is the most important day in the

history of the world. **Rev. Mark Evers** St James Anglican

Drivers urged to slow down and take responsibility this Easter

More than one life lost for every day this year, has prompted NSW Police to take an unorthodox approach to road safety in the lead up to the Easter long-weekend this year.

NSW Police have launched the Easter long weekend road safety campaign, along with a proactive campaign aimed at ensuring motorists, passengers and pedestrians consider how their decisions impact other road users.

For more than 20 years, dou-

ble-demerits and an increased police presence have been an effective deterrent in reducing road trauma during public holiday periods.

But with people continuing to die on our roads in avoidable circumstances, police are stepping up their efforts.

The Easter Long-Weekend traffic operation – begins just after midnight on Thursday (29 March 2018) and concludes at 11.59pm on Monday 2 April 2018.

NSW Police have already

begun Operation Merret, an unorthodox and proactive approach to road policing, aimed at educating and empowering the public to make the right decisions on our roads.

During Operation Merret and throughout the Easter period, you will see more police on the roads, not only targeting motorists for dangerous behaviours, but educating drivers on safe behaviour and encouraging those who are doing the right thing through positive reinforcement.

School leaders make an impact

Black Mountain Public School has welcomed eight students to Kindergarten: Latai, Saxon, Flyn, Toby, Tyleek, Mikyla, Takai, Seth.

They have all joined the junior class, busting to get through the gates every morning to have fun with their peers and learn all that they can.

The school also appoints seven leaders to the role of Year 6 School Leader. Students lead the first assembly for the year modelling skills of organisation in their preparation and execution of the event. Students were presented with their badges at our assembly, with their parents pinning their badges on them. As part of the formal proceedings, students shared with their peers and parents what they see as the characteristics of effective leaders and the qualities they believe are important in making sure they carry out their roles to the best of their ability.

Every leader is keen to leave their stamp on Black Mountain Public School, showing enthusiasm to really make an impact.

Principal Belinda Baker



School leaders Patrick Faint, Corbi Byers, Timothy Bell, Riley King, Jorja Bull, Felicity Bailey, Maria Kuchlmayr



Black Mountain Public School Kindergarten 2018

Having a blast at Step Day

On Thursday 15th March, St Mary's students went to O'Connor for the first step day for Year 6.

When we got to O'Connor we met the teachers and principal and then split into some groups. Each group got to learn about some of the subjects that high school students learn about when they go to O'Connor. The activities that we got to participate in were cooking smores, sewing bookmarks, playing PE, coding robots and practising drama and music skills using icebreaker games.

In cooking we had to learn how to make smores. They were made with two biscuits, marshmallow and chocolate. We got to make them and then eat them. They were delicious. In sport we played modified volleyball and some running games. We had a good time playing sport because it was fun getting to play with other students from different schools.

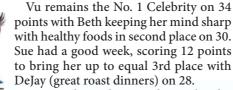
For textiles, we learnt how to use a sewing machine and had to practise sewing in lines and curves. We then got to make a bookmark which we could use in our reading books. We also played some icebreaker games. These were very fun games and we liked playing the O'Connor mixtape and charades. The last activity that we worked on was coding robots called spheros. We worked with partners to control our sphero from an iPad to play a game of sphero soccer against other student's spheros. It was difficult to score a goal in this game but was a lot of fun learning how to code a robot.

It was a blast going to O'-Connor and we can't wait to go again in Term 3.

By Year 6, 2018



Gazette Footy Tipping



Next we have Shona at the Bank, who should be good with numbers, on 26. However, our other numbers person, Soley, is pacing himself steadily at the rear of the field on 16. There were wide ranging changes in the Locals Leaderboard this week, but Moose Knuckle remains at the top on 30 points.

Bulldog scored well to be in second place on 28 and is followed by seven Locals on 26 points.

Next we have three Locals on 24 points and another three on 22. Rooster Rascal is by himself on 20 and Eel-be-Right now has company to share the wooden spoon on 18 points. Girls 128 - Boys 120.



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Rugby Union star visits local school



Mahalia Murphy with Kiarna Landsborough

Students in year 7-10 at Guyra Central School were provided with the chance to meet and speak to one of Australia's leading female Rugby Union players Mahalia Murphy last week.

Mahalia visited the school to speak to students about the adversity she faced when beginning her playing career and some of the opportunities that has resulted from her career in Rugby Union.

The primary purpose for the visit was to try and encourage young children in the country to start playing Rugby Union.

As a result of her visit there are many eager students wishing to learn the rules

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and attempt to play a new sport, especially the number of girls wishing to play is very pleasing to see.

All students were then able to get up close and ask her many questions and get a quick photo with the Rugby star.

Alistair Connors travelled to Inverell on Tuesday 13th March with the Armidale zone touch football side to compete for a position on the North West under 15's touch football side.

Alistair was successful in securing a position on the team and will travel to Mudgee to participate in the two day state carnival in May.



Alistair Connors

Kootingal by the same score and also were defeated by Armidale City 10 points to nil, as a result Guyra are now out of the running for State Honours. Well played Guyra for completing their commitments.

There will be no Club Championships this weekend as a result of the Easter Weekend.

For any further information please contact the Bowling Club during working hours.

The Bowls Bandit

Lamb Run

On Friday 23rd March, twenty players competed in the 9 hole Lamb Run on the Guyra Golf Course as a pre curser to the Top of the Range Golf Carnival. Winners of the trays of lamb were D. Burey, K. Oehlers, J. Walker, S. Mendes, J. Cumming, W. Chapman and P. White. Nearest the pin on the 7th went to J. Ellis and on the 9th to K. Oehlers.

The Phantom

G G	azette	Footy IIp	ping
Moose Knuckle	e 30	Nightwatchman	24
Bulldog	28	Chris Morley	24
Jy Starr	26	Turkey Girl	22
Red Devils	26	Bookworm	22
Uncle Grandpa	ır 26	Elva Brazier	22
The Shadow	26	Rooster Rascal	20
Mailman	26	Men's Shed	18

Hazel	26	Wanwan	
Darcey Heagney	26	Eel-be-Right	
Shelby Heagney	24	-	

Locals Entry Form - Round 5

Tips must be submitted by 11.00am on Tuesday, 3 April

Name: .			
Phone:	Raiders Sharks Dragons Tigers Warriors Knights Titans	VS VS VS VS VS VS VS VS VS	Bulldogs Roosters Rabbits Storm Cowboys Broncos Sea Eagles
	Eels	VS	Panthers

Ladies' Golf

On Wednesday 21st March we played a Stableford competition for Belinda Lenehan's Trophy Day. Wendy Jackson scored 39 Stableford points to win on a count back from Jenny Rogers.

Julie Walker won nearest the pin on the 10th hole.

The first round of the Championships will be played over 27 holes on Wednesday 4th April in conjunction the 3rd NSW Medal. Please note the earlier starting time of 9:00 am. The starter is Karen Oehlers. The Phantom

Men's Bowls

There is not much to report on this week. As I said in last week's report Guvra travelled to Armidale City to complete their final three rounds of No2 Pennants. I can report that Guyra defeated South Tamworth 9 points to 1 point. However they were defeated by

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Ben Lomond Village Winter Fair will be held on 2nd June 2018

 Stalls available to any organisation or individual (\$20)

- Car boot sale 11am-4pm (\$10)
- BBQ lunch and evening meal available
 - Fireworks when dark
 - Everyone welcome

Fundraiser for Catholic Parish Please contact:

Anne Thrift - 67791273 Sarah Harding - 0432 060 897 Jeanette Bush - 0422 262 341

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FUNERAL NOTICE

WILLIAMS, Noel James "Nokie" 20th March 2018

Aged 88 years; late of Ollera Street, Guyra.

Dearly loved husband of Shirley, much loved father and father-in-law of Debbie & Steven, adored grandfather of Braden & Karlee.

Horder Family Funerals

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CLAIM THE DATE

APRIL 15th Cup Guyra at Armidale Racecourse.

NEW JUNE 2nd Winter Fair Ben Lomond Village, stalls available to organisations or individuals. Fundraiser for Catholic Parish. Contact Anne Thrift 6779 1463.

JUNE 6TH TO 10TH Hospital Auxiliary Book Fair Wednesday to Sunday. Donations welcome contact Deb Heagney 0427 791 672

3rd **NOVEMBER** St James Anglican Church Fete



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Top of the Range Golf Carnival

The inaugural Guyra Top of the Range Golf Carnival on the 24th and 25th of March 2018 was an outstanding success. Competitors travelled from Armidale, Delungra, Emmaville, Foster-Tuncurry, Glen Innes, Uralla and Walcha to build the field of 111 over the three days.

The event was the brain child of Wendy Jackson who thanked the generosity of the following sponsors: Costa Group, Opal Cove Resort, TWM Armidale, Kelly's Transport, M and J Moffatt Ground Spreading Ray White Rural Guyra and Armidale, Williamson's Earthmoving, Jackson Pastoral Company,



Darren and Suzanne Towells won the mixed division of the 4BBB Stableford event

Rabobank Armidale, NAB Agribusiness Armidale and the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club.

Golf Professional, Steve, from the House of Golf in Coffs Harbour brought ample supplies for players to browse and purchase over the weekend. The golf gear raffle was won by Shona Mulligan.

Congratulations to all; especially winners of the 36 hole individual Stableford event over the two days: - men's Richard Burey on a count back with 78 points and ladies' winner Pip White on 78 points.

Additional Guyra Top of the Range Carnival Results:

Men's division winner Richard

Burey with the Ladies' division

winner Pip White.

Saturday's winners

Ladies' 4BBB par Event - Julie Walker & Wendy Jackson +6. 4BBB Scratch Winners -

Karen Oehlers & Vicki Reeves Men 4BBB par Event - Do-

minic & Don Hill +13 4BBB Scratch Winners - Anthony Dittman & Matt Lyes.

Mixed - John & Robyn Faint +8

Sunday's Winners Ladies' 4BBB Stableford -Donna White & Debbie Burey 50 pts

4BBB Scratch Winners - Pip White & Julie Walker

Men 4BBB Stableford - Dominic Hill & Terry Mulligan 48 pts

4BBB Scratch Winners -Richard Burey & Ian Taylor

Donna White and Debbie Burey won the ladies' 4BBB Stableford

Mixed Winners - Darren & Suzanne Towells 48 pts

Runners Up in 4BBB Par -Men - Saturday were Anthony Dittman & Matt Lyes

Scratch were Tim Ellis & Reg Walls

Ladies - Pip White & Jenni Jackson

Scratch winners Vicki Reeves & Karen Oehlers

Runners Up in 4BBB Stableford - Men - Tim Ellis & Reg Walls

Scratch were Richard Burey & Ian Taylor

Ladies - Julie Presnell & Rose Baumer

Scratch winners Pip White & Julie Walker on a countback.



Robyn & John Faint (Foster Tuncurry) carded a +8 to win the mixed Par event.

Bright future for young cricketers

With no Guyra under 10s or 12s in the Armidale District Cricket competition, a few of our players ventured down the hill to play for Ex Services Junior Cricket Club.

In the 10s we had Henry Youman and Tynan Bull play in the new system for up and coming cricketers. According to their coach at presentation they all performed well and most importantly improved over the season.

Tom Lockyer and Brodie Campbell played for Ex Services Blue in the 12s while Jack Lockyer played for Ex Services Maroon in the same age group. All three showed great sportsmanship and skills over the season.

Brodie was awarded both



Brodie Campbell, Tom Lockyer and Jack Lockyer

batting average and aggregate for the Blue side. Jack was fortunate enough to be part of the grand final winning side of the Under 12 competition on Saturday. Brodie and Jack, alongside Black Mountain local Will Friend, were also selected in the Armidale District under 12 representative side. This side were runners up in the final of the Northern Inland Competition which comprises sides from Tamworth, Gunnedah, Moree, Narrabri, Inverell and Armidale.

As part of the representative season they also played in a week long carnival in Lismore playing against other rep sides from Brisbane, Coastal regions and Sydney.

Even though all the above players were playing down the hill they can all be proud of their efforts and showing what Guyra boys can do. The future is looking bright for Guyra seniors.

Craig Lockyer

Gazette Sport Plenty to cheer about in first outing

The Potato-Pie Challenge lived up to the old Guyra-Armidale rivalry last Friday night when the Super Spuds took to the field for the first time in 2018.

The opening exchanges of the men's game were brutal as the Spuds threw everything at the Rams and gave a healthy home crowd plenty to cheer about.

A young Armidale player suffered a bad knock in the second set of the match and had to be taken away by ambulance as a precaution and it caused a long delay in the game.

When play resumed captain-coach Dan Vidler crashed over for Guyra's first score and the early physical onslaught seemed to be paying dividends.

However, the Rams enjoyed almost constant possession and eventually hit back right on halftime with a try from a kick.

It remained 4-all well into the shortened second half as cold and slippery conditions made it tough going for both sides.

DJ Patterson broke the deadlock with a try in the left



: Natalie Hammond was one of Guyra's best on Friday night and has also been selected in the Group 19 team.

corner and Tony Dittman landed the goal to put the Spuds up 10-4.

A controversial end to the game saw the Spuds reduced to 11 men as Filimone Aho and Vidler were sent off.

Luckily, the Rams couldn't take advantage and Guyra hung on.

In all, 22 players took the field in sky blue and will be better for the hit-out.

Earlier the Spudettes also ran out some rust with a good performance in the leaguetag trial.

Armidale led 6-nil but Nicole Dixon and Taylor Waters scored great tries to provide a 12-6 lead for the home side.

The Rams scored first in the second half but still trailed by two.

It went down to the wire, but Armidale managed to score two late tries to win 20-12.

Several players were play-

ing their first ever game of leaguetag and the performance gives Guyra every reason for confidence ahead of the Group 19 Second Division season, which starts when the Spuds and Spudettes face Tenterfield in two weeks.

In another boost for the club, Natalie Hammond has been selected in the Group 19 leaguetag representative team after starring in trials at Inverell on Sunday.



