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Let there be light!



Santa was special guest at the Guyra Christmas Party held on Friday night and arrived on board the fire truck to a rousing welcome from scores of children

Local schools marched down Bradley Street to greet him at the Christmas tree outside the NAB.

They welcomed him with a (very long) rendition of Jingle-Bells and he was kept busy as the children lined up for a few quick words and photographs.

Rotary Club President Hans Hietbrink said that it was a very successful event and they were pleased with turnout of local people.

"It was pleasing to see the size of the crowd and particularly those schools who got into the spirit by dressing up," he said.

"Thank you to all the people who came along, enjoyed the pleasant weather and got into the spirit of the event.

Guyra's Citizen of the Year Dot Vickery, performed one of her last official duties in the role by flicking the switch to light up the tree. She was joined by ARC Mayor Simon Murray for the countdown amid much excitement from children who gathered around.

Closing Down **SALE**

up to **50% off**

**Starts Thursday
13th December**

GUYRA EMPORIUM

144 Bradley Street, Guyra
Ph/fax: 6779 1620
bearchibald@bigpond.com

Davidson Cameron & Co.

would like to invite clients to their

Christmas Drinks & BBQ
at the Guyra Bowling Club
Thursday, 20th December
at 4.00pm

Bowls and Mini Golf
available



**We wish everyone
a very Merry Christmas
and a Happy & Prosperous 2019**



We are currently looking for listings. Call for a free appraisal:
Mark Atkin 0427 794 219
Craig Waters 0427 009 406
Terry Williams 0407 216 688

PHOTOS: Christmas party



Reverse Advent 2018
The Hub at Guyra

**Please donate to The Hub's
Reverse Advent Box**
Toys (new or clean used), toiletries,
grocery items, gift items
Note: please do not wrap your gifts

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Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays

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Fruitful focus as Costa expands

A \$67 million expansion of the Costa Group's glasshouse tomato production at Guyra was celebrated with a ceremonial turning of the first sod last week. The expansion will add another 10 hectares to the company's existing 30-hectare operation, which is already the largest in the southern hemisphere.

Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall joined Costa Group's senior management, Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray, Councillors, fellow parliamentarian and Guyra resident Scot Macdonald and representatives from the University of New England.

General Manager Costa Tomato Category Michael Engelman said that Costa has operations in more than 30 regional and rural communities and Guyra has played a significant part in Costa's success and growth.

Over the past 15 years Costa's have spent in excess of \$100 million on establishing 30 hectares of tomato glasshouses, which now provide employment for 650 people and with this new development will spend a further \$67 million and create another 150 jobs.

Mr Engelman said that they



BREAKING GROUND AT GUYRA: Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray, Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall, Costa Tomato Category General Manager Michael Engelman and Member of the Legislative Council Scot Macdonald.

aim to be actively involved in supporting the social fabric of communities in which they operate and in recent times have become more active in this space in Guyra.

This year they have worked with the Guyra Sports Council to establish the inaugural Community Sports Program, providing funding for sporting organisations. Costa has also worked closely with Guyra Central School, hosting Year

12 students and supporting the kitchen garden program, as well as sponsorship for end of year awards. They have also established a \$16,000 tertiary scholarship over four years to assist a local student entering university.

Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray welcomed the investment and said that council has been part of a team effort to expand protected horticulture in the area.

That includes Council's project to construct a water pipeline from Malpas Dam, to provide water security for the Guyra township and local producers.

The NSW Member for Northern Tablelands, Adam Marshall, announced in June the State Government would provide \$12.38 million to the pipeline project.

"While harvesting of rain water and extensive water recycling have enabled the most recent glasshouse operations at Guyra to be almost entirely water self-sufficient, the pipeline will provide a secure supply during prolonged periods of dry weather," Cr Murray said.

"Costa's expansion is a wonderful example of the horticultural activity expected to flow to the area once that certainly of water supply is in place."

"The additional 150 jobs expected to be created by the expansion will be an incredible economic boost for the Guyra community and the wider region," he said. "The pipeline and protected horticultural production in the region are key components in Council's economic development program. Costa's expansion is evidence that focus in bringing dividends."

Mulligan wants to take on the Nats

Guyra grazier and ex-rodeo champion Ray Mulligan has announced his bid to enter NSW Parliament and fight against the death of small towns.

Mr Mulligan, a long-time National Party member, will be running as an Upper House candidate for the rival Shooters, Fishers and Farmers (SFF) Party.

Mr Mulligan said that the Nationals have totally lost the plot and don't want to do anything for the country. He has nominated forced council amalgamation, declining small-town services and wasteful Sydney spending as his three most important is-

sues.

"They keep taking away services from the bush and I want to fight to win them back," Mr Mulligan said.

Mr Mulligan was born to a farming family in Guyra before moving to Queensland to run an irrigated lucerne hay farm business. The 67-year-old is now back in Guyra, where he owns a share in an earth moving business.

One factor drives his motivation to run more than anything else.

"Guyra and Armidale shires were forcibly merged," Mr Mulligan said. "Already, it's noticeable everything has been taken away from Guyra."



Mr Mulligan said if elected, he will push for de-merger referendums in all regions where the NSW Government forced councils to merge.

"Right now, I fear for the future of Guyra and other small towns," he said. "Businesses

are closing down and the young people all move to bigger cities."

Robert Borsak, SFF Upper House MP, said his chamber is crying out for someone like Ray to give small towns a voice.

"If you look at our Upper House, it's wall to wall Sydney dominated," Mr Borsak said. "It's no wonder all the funding goes to Sydney projects, while rural services get taken away."

"Ray would be a great fighter for regional NSW, with firsthand experience of drought, infrastructure neglect all the problems currently facing the bush."

What's HOT

HAVE YOUR PHOTO TAKEN WITH SANTA at Juniels Cafe Saturday 15th & 22nd December

THANK YOU to the very kind person who brought my garbage bin in. (Kath Taylor)

VINNIES open Sat 9 -12

What's NOT

DISORGANISED raffles

GETTING LOCKED in the pool after a morning swim

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

QUOTE of the week

Do what you can,
With what
you have,
Where you are

Theodore Roosevelt

Weather WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
04	Tues	9.1	23.1	0
05	Wed	11.4	21.4	0
06	Thurs	10.1	19.0	2.6
07	Fri	6.4	20.5	0
08	Sat	7.5	22.8	0
09	Sun	8.1	27.0	0
10	Mon	10.8	27.9	0

Rain this week 2.6mm
 November rainfall 2.6mm
 Rainfall YTD 512.6mm
 Rainfall last YTD 1039.7mm

Fishing survey - have your say

The Guyra Anglers Club wants to know what the community thinks about fishing and related activities. After successful applying for a grant from the Department of Primary Industries Recreational Fishing Trust, they are conducting a survey which will assist them in the formation of a Management Plan.

The information collected will help to support and build recreational fishing in the dams and streams around the Guyra district. Club members feel local fishing is good for our kids, giving them a healthy sporting alternative.

Fishing also has far wider benefits for the general community and can bring valuable tourism dollars to the area. The survey, which you will find in this week's Guyra Gazette, is looking to gauge support and input to help plan for the future.

By filling in the survey and returning the completed form



Trout fishing is a great attraction for the area

you will be helping to formulate a plan to support and build recreational fishing around Guyra. Completed surveys can be returned to boxes located at the Guyra Emporium, GALA Center, or Kirks IGA.

There will be additional

forms at the boxes, so you can fill one in as you pass by, if you choose. We are asking for the community to support our club's efforts in make a plan for the future which will build Guyra as a fishing destination in this area and your help would be much appreciated.

What's in the box

A donation box installed at the Mother of Ducks Lagoon by the Guyra and District Chamber of Commerce continues to receive positive feedback. As well as cash donations from happy campers, notes are often popped in the box. It also highlights the value of the area in encouraging return visits. The camping community have a good network of communication and positive experiences are shared which in turn encourages new visitors to the area as well.

'Thank you to the town of Guyra for allowing us to use the Mother of Ducks camping area. We have spent a total of \$110 in your town in one day. You are a very friendly town and we appreciated the effort you have made for the R.V. community.' Sue & Steve (Vic)

'All the change I had, but shall leave more when we return. Thank you very much for use of this lovely spot to camp overnight,' Eunice & Bernie (Cudal NSW)

'Thanks again Guyra. We continue to enjoy the meals at the Bowls Club and your camping area - a good walk into town - we will be back.' Anon

Shop and wrap

The Hub at Guyra is partnering with the Guyra Library to provide a service for school age children, which will allow them to share the true spirit of Christmas. The Hub will throw open its doors on Thursday December 20th to allow young people to choose gifts for parents, family and friends.

The Hub have been running their Reverse Advent program over recent weeks, calling for donations which in turn will be given to those who need a little extra help at this time of year.

Thanks to the generosity of the community they are also able to offer younger members of the community a chance to have a browse and pick something special for mum or dad this Christmas.

They will be open from 10.30am, with snacks available. Once they have chosen their gifts they will be able to call at the library next door to wrap their gifts.

The service is being offered free to allow everyone a chance to participate in the feeling of giving at this special time of year. If you want to find out more call into The Hub or phone 67791635.



A BIG THANK YOU!

**The Rotary Club of Guyra thanks all
who participated in the
Guyra Christmas Party in Bradley Street last Friday evening**

Thank You to the Guyra Community for being there.

Thank You to all the Children for coming to meet Santa.

A special Thank You to those schools and teachers who made the effort to be involved.

Thank You to the Guyra Businesses who provided power to the stalls:

Brisk Trading

Paul Wood

Black Sheep Wool 'n' Wares

Pedal & Grind

Cross Country Taxation

Guyra Country Fresh Hot Bread Shop

Hairy Tales Comb True

Thank You to the Stall Holders who supported the event.

***Thank You to Jacko's Juke Box and Showtime Jumping Castles
for providing entertainment.***

Thank You to the SES and VRA for traffic management.

Thank You to the Guyra Fire & Rescue for delivering Santa.

Special thanks to the Council staff who set up and cleaned up.

***A Big Thank You to Armidale Regional Council
for sponsoring the event.***

***And a Huge Thank You to Santa
for travelling from the North Pole
to be there for the children.***



Rotary



Meals on Wheels

Dec 13 Pamela Hart
Dec 14th Golf Ladies
Dec 17th NEM Staff
Dec 18th Pamela Carter
Dec 19th Lesley Credland

Street Stalls

Dec 13th, 14th, 15th
Rotary Club
Dec 20th, 21st, 22nd
Rotary Club

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
Rev Mark Evers 6779 1111

Carol Services

Tenterden
Sunday 16th December 4pm
Brockley
Saturday 22nd December 2pm

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,
Ph. 0447 724 536

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, Thursday 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

I love this time of the year, it is a time of aspiration and celebration. Our Year 12 students eagerly await bursting to start the next chapter of their lives. Our Year 6 students, having completed their transitional workshops into Secondary are now looking forward to the completion of their Primary education with the celebration of their Year 6 Dinner.

We have a good representation of students from our partnership primary schools attending Guyra Central School 2019, we have created two Year 7 and two Year 8 classes leading into next year to accommodate our rising numbers.

I have been invited to attend the Police and Principals Forum on Wednesday 12th December 2018. During this forum I will be raising the ongoing issues that the young people within the Guyra community are experiencing around social media and inappropriate use of mobile phones. These issues spill into the school during school hours and I would like to start the conversation across the community around appropriate practices in relationship to mobile phone use within the school. During Term 1 we will instigate a collaborative process, including consultation with students, staff, parents and community. We all want our kids to be safe, Police and other agencies will be involved with a social media education program for our students and for the community. Early in Term 1 we will be calling a forum at the school to identify the core concerns.

We have completed our merit selection process to find our new Deputy Principal and are now in a 10 day appeal process. Once we have been given approval, I will be able to announce this to the community. Thank you to our panel for their great work



around this process, it will be very difficult to say goodbye to our current Deputy Principal, Gillian Davis. As you are aware Gillian will take up her new position as the Principal at Emmaville Central School 2019. Gillian will be remembered at Guyra Central School for her friendly and calm disposition, exceptional knowledge and skills and as an advocate for students, equity and excellence for all. Gillian has transformed the operational processes at the school and we wish her all the best in her new role and say thanks for her legacy.

We are busily preparing the school for 2019 as we continue to evaluate and consolidate our work for 2018. I have had the privilege to be reading the academic reports of all of our students in the last few days and I am always inspired by this process and I would like to thank our students and their families for their commitment to education.

Our staff need to be congratulated for their dedication to implementing a range of new syllabuses during 2018. Thank you for stepping up to this challenge and your commitment to our students.

On Thursday, 13th December 2018 commencing at 9.30am in the Bill Wicks Gymnasium, Guyra Central School will be celebrating our Secondary Students' successes for 2018 during our Secondary Celebration Day Assembly.

Our Primary Department will hold their Celebration Assembly on Friday 14th December 2018 in the Bill Wicks Gymnasium commencing at 9.30am, our Primary Celebration Day Assembly will celebrate their many successes throughout 2018 and will also include our Year 6 Graduation and the announcement of our Primary School Captains for 2019. All classes will be involved in performances during the Assembly with each student receiving an award in recognition for their achievements.

All parents and carers are invited to attend the Secondary and Primary Celebration Day Assemblies and share in your child/children's successes during 2018.

Michelle Nicholson
GCS Principal

PET OF THE WEEK



Holly is 7 weeks old. She is a very sweet little kitten and would love to find a home for Christmas.

Holly uses her litter tray well and is a very clean and quiet kitten. Holly has a beautiful soft coat and loves to snuggle for cuddles.

Her adoption fee of \$150 includes desexing, worming, first F3 vaccination, microchipping and flea treatment.

**If you would like to
adopt Holly, please
contact us at:**

friendsoffredanimalrescue@gmail.com
or call/text 0423 685 694

Mayor's Message

Welcome to the last Council News for 2018, as a landmark year for Council comes to an end.

It was the first full year for Armidale Regional Council's inaugural elected Council and effectively took the amalgamation process to a phase of consolidation.

The merger process, bringing together the former Armidale Dumaresq and Guyra Shire councils, is largely complete and the focus has turned to making the most of the possibilities provided by the amalgamation.

The identification and implementation of improved operations and efficiencies will continue into 2019, to put the organisation in a stronger financial position.

The past 12 months also featured a particularly busy capital works program, headed by the \$9.42 million Armidale Regional Airport expansion and upgrade, Guyra's new \$7.5 million Kolara aged care facility and the \$1.06 million Tenterden Bridge.

Hand in hand with the merger, the capital works and planning for future projects has included a high emphasis on expanding infrastructure and services to the Guyra district.

The Malpas Dam to Guyra pipeline, close consultation with the community for the Guyra main street upgrade, an extension of the City to Soil green waste reuse program, an enhanced road maintenance program are among the initiatives being undertaken as a result.

Further details of Council's activities and finances can be viewed in Council's 2017-18 Annual Report, which is available on our website.

With the festive season well and truly upon us, I'd like to wish everyone an enjoyable and safe holiday period.

Armidale's Christmas in the Mall and the Guyra Christmas Party were both wonderful community events, attracting fantastic crowds and really bringing the festive spirit.

It makes me really proud to see Council involved in staging events that mean so much to the community and I thank the Armidale Markets in the Mall and the Rotary Club of Guyra for partnering Council to hold these events.

Armidale's Beardsley Street Mall also came to life last week when it hosted the 2018 Culture Fest, a wonderful initiative of the University of New England to showcase the many cultures represented in our region.

This insight to the tastes, sights and sounds of various nationalities is also a reminder that the summer holiday period means many things to different people.

It's also important to remember the Christmas holiday period can be a difficult time for a lot of people, because of isolation, the loss of a family member or any number of reasons. I encourage everyone to look out for people in their communities and offer support where it might be needed.

This summer's holidays could be a particularly hard time for many families as the effects of the drought continue to bite, despite some very welcome rain in recent weeks.

Community solidarity and support are among the great strengths of our region and I trust people will bind together to bring an enjoyable holiday period for everyone.



Simon Murray

New museum hours

Armidale Folk Museum is changing its opening hours from this Monday to encourage more lunchtime visitors.

The new hours, 11am to 2pm seven days a week, will make it easier for people to drop into the museum during their lunch break or stop by while shopping in the mall.

The museum, on the corner of Rusden Street and Faulkner Street, has been operating since 1933 to enable residents and visitors to connect with the region's history.

In addition to its permanent collection, the museum is currently exhibiting memorabilia from local events surrounding the signing of the Armistice ending World War I on 11 November 1918.

Photographs of local peace parades and jubilation sit alongside clothing that shows how the Great War changed fashion.

The exhibition continues until 3 February

2019, with a short break from 24 December to 2 January while the museum closes for the Christmas Period.

Office closures

Council's Guyra office will close early this Thursday (13 December) so Guyra staff can attend the organisation's staff Christmas Party. The office will close at 3.30pm, with financial transactions available until 3pm.

Guyra Library will also close at 3.30pm. The Armidale office will remain open until 4pm, with financial transactions available until 3.30pm.

Council's offices and cultural facilities will then be closed during the festive period, from Christmas Day to 2 January.

Armidale Folk Museum, Armidale War Memorial Library and Guyra Library will be closed on those days. Monckton Aquatic Centre and Council's

recycling and waste facilities will only be closed on Christmas Day, while the Guyra pool will close on Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

Road closures

Bradley Street in Guyra will be closed between Nicola Street and Moore Street on Saturday 19 January 2019, from 6.30am to 3.30pm, for a children's events day as part of the Guyra Lamb & Potato Festival.

The additional events day for children is a response to requests from business operators for more Lamb & Potato Festival activities in the main street.

Bradley Street will also be closed between Ollera Street and Mackenzie Street on Saturday 26 January between 6.30am and 3.30pm, for the festival's Show & Shine car event.

A 40kph zone will be in place for the section of New England Highway in Guyra from 16 January to 27 January 2019.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 12 December 2018 at the Armidale Council Chambers, 135 Rusden St, from 4pm. Public welcome to attend.

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Volunteers touch lives of others



ABOVE: Back l to r, Michael Austin, Geoff Reeves, Heather Marchant, Paul Kliendienst, Julie Gittoes, Noreen Williams, Wendy Lockyer, Margaret Grills and Aimee Hutton (ARC Interim Program Leader Community Services)

Middle: Toni Kirkman (Interim Coordinator for HSS), Joyce Betts, Jenny Rogers, Leslie Credland

Sitting: Narelle Heagney, Irene Bultitude, John Mitchell and Evelyn Ramage

RIGHT: Dot Vickery and Martha Weiderman with ARC Mayor Simon Murray



Everybody's life is touched and enhanced by the contributions of volunteers, and they can provide a lifeline for people in need, drive events that bring fun and colour, and generally raise the quality of life for communities throughout Australia.

International Volunteer Day (IVD) recognises volunteers worldwide – with a special focus on local community volunteers who contribute to making their communities more resilient against natural disasters, economic stresses and political shocks. The campaign theme this year is 'Volunteers build Resilient Communities'

Many local volunteers were honoured at a presentation ceremony and brunch at Armidale Town Hall last Wednesday and also at a volunteer morning tea at Juniels on Tuesday.

Members of the Guyra

Historical Society attended the Armidale morning tea where they were presented with certificates of appreciation. Dot Vickery, Dorothy Lockyer and Martha Weiderman have worked long hours this year as the Historical Museum undergoes renovations.

Volunteers from Guyra Home Support Services and the Guyra Library were recognised at a morning tea held in Guyra on Tuesday. These volunteers ensure that vital services can continue to operate in the community. Home Support Services has 108 volunteers across the Guyra and Tingha area.

Volunteer work includes delivering meals on wheels, Nicholii House helpers and transport drivers.

Evelyn Ramage is one of the longest serving volunteers clocking up 32 years at Nicholii House, just behind fellow volunteer Lyn Skinner with 33 years who

was unable to attend the morning tea. Meals on Wheels has been operating for 38 years, with some of the original drivers still active.

Members of the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival

committee received special recognition for the work they undertake to ensure the January Festival is a success.

A morning tea for Tingha volunteers will be held next week.

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the
hub
at guyra

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New venture for local business

Better known for their plumbing expertise, Raymie and Kristy Hammond have decided to add a new element to their business. They have started selling outdoor clothing, hunting and shooting equipment. As a family they have been involved in these activities for a long time and saw the need for an outlet in town.

Operating as Khammo, they had their first outing at the Christmas party on Friday and were pleasantly surprised with the response. The new outlet is located in the front of Hammond's Plumbing in Ollera St. They already have a range of Spika clothing in store as well as gun safes and hunting requisites. They are hoping to expand the range with fishing gear in the near future.

"We saw a gap in the market because this is some of the stuff we were often looking for," Kristy said. "Good quality Gun safes can be hard to come by and there are lots of products that we think people are looking for."

"I was pleasantly surprised



Khammo is a new business venture for Kristy Hammond and the team at Hammond's Plumbing.

by the amount of interest we had on Friday because I went along just to get the word out there about what we are doing," she said. "I

didn't really expect to make any sales but the response was great."

They currently stock Spika gear and will soon be stock-

ing Girls with Guns and Full Drawn Addiction clothing too. They are also willing to source other products if there is demand.



Christmas Stocking Fillers for the kids



Buy 30 Sideshow Alley tickets for \$25 to use at the 2019 Guyra Show available at The GALA Centre 136 Bradley Street

The Guyra Show will be held on 22nd & 23rd February 2019 For information call 6779 2132

Windfarm winfall

White Rock Wind Farm will be supporting 24 projects in the inaugural round of its annual \$175,000 Community Fund.

The aim of the Community Fund is to financially support initiatives and projects that enrich and enhance the local community to the White Rock Wind Farm.

Representative from the White Rock Wind Farm project owner, Brian Hall – Deputy General Manager for CECEP, said that quality of applications was outstanding. "We were very impressed by the applications put forward from a diverse range of community groups and are extremely pleased to announce 24 projects will be receiving funding in this inaugural round," Mr Hall said.

"These projects are diverse in nature - from supporting an art competition, to replacing the windows at the Ben Lomond War Memorial Hall, to assisting the P&C at Glen Innes Public School and many, many more local initiatives."

"We would like to thank all applicants for taking the time to apply and forward to reviewing many more applications over the life span of the Fund and continuing to contribute to the local community to the White Rock Wind Farm for many years to come."

Applicants that were unsuccessful in the inaugural round are welcome to reapply in the future. Applications for the 2019 funding round will open in March 2019.

Probus does Christmas

Our Christmas dinner was held this week and was a great success. The club looked lovely with flowers, balloons and decorations supplied by Maurie Rohrsheim.

Tony Bush was our guest speaker and Beverly Handebo played piano for our Christmas Carols.

Don Williams thanked everyone for their help in making the day so good. The Probus Club wishes everyone a happy Festive Season.

Our next Probus meeting is on 8th January at the Bowling Club at 10am. New members would be most welcome.



Audrey Hollaway and Shirley Reeves



Shan Blomfield and Moya Carter



Hazel and Ferdi Foetschl



Helen Gaukroger and Wendy Newton



Marg Day and Judy Jackson

Vets golf

Only 11 players competed in a par counting putts on December 4th. The stroke winner was Ian Taylor with 79 and the net winner on 69 was Neil Paine. Nearest the pins were Colin Walls on the 7th, Neil Paine the 10th, and on the 18th Greg Burgess.

On Tuesday December 11th, 19 Vets played a 4 Ball Best Ball Stableford event. We wel-

comed John Faint - who grew up in Guyra and his wife, Robyn from Hallidays Point.

The winners, with a great score of 51 points, were Herb Wilson and Jim Betts on a countback from Greg Burgess and Phil Devlin.

Nearest the pins were awarded to Ian Taylor on the 7th, Greg Burgess on the 10th and Paul Redden was closest to the pin for his second shot

on the 18th.

Next week we will play another 4 Ball event with special Christmas trophies.

Thank you Len Archer for sponsoring a very successful game on Saturday, in honour of Bruce Thomson. We all enjoyed the 14 hole 3 par event.

These are the dates for our Pennants games next year. We'll need to have another wonderful team of Vets in 2019

and maintain our exceptional golf so that we can retain the trophy.

Tuesday,	29th	January
ARMIDALE		
Thursday,	28th	February
URALLA		
Tuesday,	26th	March
GUYRA		
Thursday,	18th	April
GLEN INNES		
Thursday,	10th	May
WALCHA		



Classifieds **Tradies** & Services

FUNERAL NOTICE

McLEOD; Brian Joseph 9th December 2018

Of Moredun St, Guyra.
Dearly loved husband of Joy (dec'd). Loving father & father-in-law of Christine McLeod & Lance Kilner, Anne & Terry Rayner, Denise & Rod Ramage and loved grandfather & great-grandfather of their families.

Aged 83 years

Funeral Service to be held at St James Anglican Church, Guyra on Friday, 14th December 2018 commencing at 2:00pm, followed by interment at the Guyra Lawn Cemetery.



Phone: 6772 2288

IN MEMORIAM



JOAN MARIE McELROY
6.10.1927 - 16.12.2017
Your presence we miss
Your memory we treasure
Loving you always
Forgetting you never
Barry, June, Greg "Pup"



In loving memory of
ANDREW BULL
23.10.2001 - 14.12.2014

The day you went away
They say that time's a healer
But as the time goes on
I seem to find it just as hard
To face the fact you've gone
And today it's the anniversary
of the day you went away
And I'm standing here at your graveside
and believe me when I say
You'll never be forgotten
And every year I'll shed a tear
But it's only because I love you
And wish you were still here

Love always
Mum, Par, Maria, Dylan & family

RAFFLE RESULT

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY Christmas raffle won by Deb Heagney. Thanks to everyone who supported us.

ENGAGEMENT

All because two people fell in love ...



Stephen & Sharyn Holt
and



Sam & Mirna Boustani
wish to announce
the engagement of
Thomas to Joelle
With all our love

FOR SALE

Ramage Engineering
cattle crush, vet gates
and side gates, good
used condition, only
selling due to upgrade. Asking \$2500.
Contact Fred 02 67791216



CLAIM THE DATE

SUNDAY 16TH DECEMBER Combined Churches Choir St Mary's Church.

MONDAY 17TH DECEMBER, Ben Lomond Memorial Hall.

NEW: SATURDAY 15TH AND SATURDAY 22ND DECEMBER SANTA PHOTOS at Juneils. 5x7 print \$10. 10am to 12noon. Bring the kids!!!

FOR RENT

OFFICE: fully furnished in Bradley Street for rent on sole or shared basis. Inspection invited. 0412 856 679

TRADES & SERVICES

HUTTON'S CARPET CLEANING

Deep carpet cleaning
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Applications are invited for a talented and enthusiastic person to join our team as Executive Support & Project Officer (full-time).

As the successful candidate for this role, you will have a high level of interpersonal skills and the ability to work with a wide range of internal and external stakeholders. The successful candidate will look for continuous improvement opportunities and ways to innovate our organisation.

You will also possess exemplary time management skills and assist the Executive Officer with the day to day management of our organisation, including confidential, finance and HR matters.

Other key skills and attributes include:

- excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- being flexible and adaptive to changing circumstances;
- exceptional team work skills.

In the first instance, for details regarding this position, please contact the Executive Officer:

Phone: 02 6779 2132

Email: admin@gala.org.au

Applications close on: Friday, 14th December 2018



Junior cricket

Saturday morning saw Guyra's under 12s travel to Armidale to take on Hillgrove. The two teams first met in round one which saw the win go to Hillgrove. Match captain, Tynan Bull, arrived keen and ready to go, sending the boys out to bat.

Opening the batting was Tom Lockyer and Angus Dullaway. The boys had to work hard for their runs and unfortunately a number were dismissed either for a duck or only two runs. Emery Levy showed great promise clobbering a ball to the outfield which unfortunately was swiftly caught. The team is looking forward to seeing what he is capable of in the new year. Brendon Landsborough (11) was unfortunate to be run out due to poor communication. Top scoring batsman was Tynan Bull (22 not out) with Jack Soraghan (8) also not out. Guyra finished their innings on 8/82.

Hillgrove players were very keen to get batting and also found the need to work hard for their runs. Cameron Frost and George

Bradford led the charge for Guyra's bowlers as they both took two wickets. Lincoln Brown and Tynan Bull were able to add a wicket each to the scoreboard. Brendon Landsborough not only showed off his safe hands making three catches but also his athleticism in their accompanying back-flips. Unfortunately for Guyra, Hillgrove was able to reach their target of 83 with two wickets in hand, taking the victory for the day.

The game was not without controversy as the Hillgrove coach insisted on scoring using an app on his phone whilst umpiring the game. This leaves the opposition, in this instance Guyra, scoring alone from the sideline without anyone to confer with or compare notes. It also means the sideline scorer has to constantly call out to the opposition to ask who is bowling or batting, which can sometimes take a few balls to receive an answer. As such there are slight differences in the scores at the end of the match. Hopefully this will be rectified and Hill-

grove will have someone scoring from the sideline, as per the rules, when Guyra meets them again in round 15.

Coach, Simon Brown, wishes all the boys and their families a Merry Christmas and safe New Year. Our next game is not until the 2nd of February in Armidale against Walcha.

Stumpy

Men's Bowls

Sunday December 9th saw 24 Bowlers play in the Bowling Club Social Ham Day. With 12 teams the afternoon was enjoyed by all. After 3 rounds of 8 ends the best four teams were determined, the four teams were whittled down to 2 teams after a further 5 ends of bowls.

These two teams played off over 5 ends and the eventual winners were Phil Kliendienst and David Pixton. Runners up were David Lyes and Matthew Jackson, both teams taking home a ham each.

Club Championship games set down for Saturday December 15th: Start: 1.00pm. Starter and Umpire: David Wilcox.

Open Singles: Steven Sole to play Col Stanley marker David Wilcox.

Robert Walls to play Barry Presnell marker Roger Cox.

Reminder to all Bowlers: Sunday December 16th will see the Brian Vickery Ham Day. A nomination sheet is on the notice board and any Bowler or Social member are eligible to play so if you would like to participate then place your name on the sheet by 11.00am for a 12.00pm start. Cost to play will be \$10.00 per player. Club shirts to worn if possible.

The Bowls Bandit

Ladies' Golf

A Par Medal competition was played on Joyce Betts' Trophy Day the 5th December. Vicki Reeves put together a superb round of golf to score +5 as well as two accurate shots into the 18th green to win nearest the pin. Joyce was the runner up on +3 and she was winner of the Par Medal Play Off.

The ladies are the odds on favourites to defeat the men in the Match Play event on Saturday 15th December. Shona Mulligan is sponsor on Wednesday 19th for the 4BBB Aggregate Stableford competition and the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club will sponsor a 2 person Ambrose on Boxing Day.

The Phantom

Men's Golf

Saturday's event was the annual Bruce's Bash in memory of Bruce Thomson. The scratch winners were Bob Burey and Andrew Youman, with Len Archer and Stephen Brazier runners up. Sunday's club event was taken out by Steven Sole with Roger Grills runner up. Nearest to the pins were Jake Ellis on the 7th and 10th and Steven Sole on the 18th. Next Sunday will be an 18 hole stableford for W J Pearson's trophy.

In midweek news, the team of the week were the thistle chippers with 68 points. The individual honours went to R Dugdale with 20 points. On Saturday the 15th the men verses ladies matchplay is being contested.

The Albatross

Guyra Rugby League

is seeking applications for the roles of:

- men's coach
- women's leaguetag coach
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Applications must be submitted in writing to:

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by 31st December, 2018 or contact:

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