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Eggcited for a special visitor

With Easter fast approaching, there were great egg-citement for some of our littlest citizen's this week.

The tradition of an Easter Hat Parade was celebrated at Guyra Preschool on Tuesday with family and

friends witnessing the clever creations and excitement of this special time of year.

Traditionally, an Easter bonnet is any new or fancy hat worn as a Christian headcovering on Easter.

It represents the tail-end

of a tradition of wearing new clothes at Easter, in harmony with the renewal of the year and the promise of spiritual renewal and redemption.

The day wouldn't have been complete without a visit from the Easter bunny

who delivered sweet treats to the children, and posed for some special photos to mark the occasion.

The pre-schoolers also took part in another popular tradition with an Easter egg hunt, another fun way to celebrate the season.

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Local RFS volunteers honoured

The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) New England Zone has celebrated the achievements of veteran volunteers, while welcoming the investment of almost \$750,000 in the New England area with the handover of a new vehicle and the official opening of a new combined station.

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall, representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services David Elliot, joined NSW RFS Assistant Commissioner Rebel Talbert at the ceremony on Sunday, where they inspected the new facility for the New England Logistics and New England Remote Area Fire Team (RAFT) Brigades and thanked volunteers for their ongoing commitment to the New England Zone and the Service.

Mr Marshall said the new \$600,000 station would provide enhanced support to volunteers as well as the brigades and communities they protect.

"This new station, co-located at Armidale Airport will further help members of the Logistics Brigade assist with vehicle movements, brigade station maintenance and the fighting of fires locally," Mr Marshall said.

"We continually see how hard our skilled firefighters and support crews work to keep us safe when bush fires and emergency situations threaten and I offer



New England Zone Manager Steve Mephram, Assistant Commissioner Rebel Talbert, Volunteers David Marshall, James Stewart, Murray Nielsen, Betty Cameron, Derek Marshall and Adam Marshall MP

my sincere thanks and gratitude to all the NSW RFS members for their outstanding efforts."

Assistant Commissioner Talbert said the NSW RFS, working cooperatively with the state and local governments, is committed to providing volunteer firefighters with the equipment, infrastructure and resources they need to carry out the important work of protecting their local communities from fire and a diverse array of incidents.

"I'd like to thank Armidale Regional Council for funding part of the station and I acknowledge

the continuing efforts of all local members who will benefit from this new facility," Assistant Commissioner Talbert said.

"Having the RAFT Brigade also co-located in this new station so close to the airport will be most beneficial, especially with the highly trained members being available for Rapid Aerial Response Team stand-up."

Along with the New England Logistics Brigade receiving a new Category 17 general cargo truck worth \$149,000, Assistant Commissioner Talbert also pre-

sented Long Service Medals and two National Medals to members from the New England Zone in recognition of their ongoing commitment to their local communities.

"The medal recipients have accumulated a total of 449 years of service between them," Assistant Commissioner Talbert said.

"Each volunteer being recognised has demonstrated an exceptional level of commitment to their community and these medals are our proud acknowledgement of their efforts."

Dasha's Easter Trading Hours

Good Friday	Closed
Easter Saturday	7.00am - 12.00noon
Easter Sunday	Closed
Easter Monday	Closed
Tues. & Wednesday	7.00am - 5.30pm
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Friday	7.00am - 5.30pm



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PET OF THE WEEK

Ralph is a stunning 5 month old ginger boy.

He has a short, low maintenance coat and is fully litter trained.

Ralph is playful and has loads of energy. Ralph's mum and siblings have been adopted, and it's now his turn to find a loving home.



His adoption fee of \$120 includes desexing, worming, vaccination, microchipping and flea treatment.

Please call or text:

0423 685 694

or go to the Friends Of Fred Animal Rescue Facebook page for more information

What's HOT

Health benefits for body and mind

GUYRA CUP at Armidale racecourse this Sunday.

DAYLIGHT SAVING over for 6 months.

GUYRA CRICKET CLUB'S family fun day and presentations (pics next week)

AUTUMN colours and cooler weather



Glenda Soraghan and Jan Day enjoy some seated stretching with instructor Sue Croaker

Adapting yoga to suit a range of abilities is having benefits for Sue Croaker's clients at Best Therapies.

Sue believes that Yoga is beneficial to all and can help increase flexibility and balance as well as having a healing effect on the body.

The benefits of yoga include an increase in strength and flexibility, increased blood flow, bone health and lymph flow. It can also help those who have difficulty sleeping and can improve posture and allow you to breathe easier. The benefits are not all physical, helping participants to focus, relax and enjoy greater peace of mind.

"You can do yoga at your level, on a mat or in and around a chair for support," Sue said. "The benefits of yoga are interwoven because it helps with all body systems. They are all connected and benefit to one helps another."

She said that those who have been doing yoga like this have found great benefits to their flexibility and balance.

Jan Day participates in yoga classes using a chair and has



Increasing strength is one of the many benefits of yoga.

noticed a lot of changes.

"I can breathe better, walk better, going up and down stairs is easier," Jan said. "My balance and flexibility are better and I feel good."

As well as chair yoga, you can take part in traditional yoga classes, and enjoy mas-

sage and other treatments at Best Therapies, with health fund benefits available for massage.

If you want more information or to find out yoga class times or book an appointment, contact Sue Croaker on 6779 7535 or 0427 365 763.

What's NOT

VANDALISING the new table at the skate park.

TOWN DOGS mauling and killing sheep

QUOTE of the week

If you judge people, you have no time to love them

Mother Teresa

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
2	Tues	6.5	15.4	0
3	Wed	7.2	21.1	0
4	Thurs	6.8	19.6	0
5	Fri	7.1	19.1	0
6	Sat	9.0	21.1	0
7	Sun	9.6	22.9	0
8	Mon	8.0	23.2	0

Rain this week	0mm
April rainfall	0mm
Rainfall YTD	157.4mm
Rainfall last YTD	171.6mm

Probus Notes

Our monthly meeting was held on Monday with a good roll up and Nola Hill gave us a talk. Everyone participated in talking about Guyra in the early days. After morning tea and our meeting, we went up to the Museum for a viewing. The museum is certainly going ahead and is very interesting. Our next meeting is on the 13th May.

Yearly subs of \$30 are now due.

Our Guyra girls who went to Ballina for a 5 day trip trip with Glen Innes Probus Club had a great trip and saw a lot of the area in and around Ballina. They went to the Macadamia Castle, Tea Tree oil plantation, Airway Museum, and coffee planta-

90% yes vote a mandate for change

Rob Lenehan from the Save and Grow Guyra group is questioning how 1072 yes votes from a total of 1206 people be misleading.

It comes in the wake of a Citizen's Initiated Poll held in conjunction with the recent State Election, with ARC Mayor Simon Murray last week expressing doubts at the validity of the poll.

"For Simon Murray and others to make light of the result is an insult to the Guyra community, particularly for the participants of the poll regardless of which way they voted," Mr Lenehan said.

"The poll was an attempt to

give all former Guyra Shire Council residents the opportunity to voice their opinion on a de-merger from Armidale Regional Council and for the return of a Guyra Council."

"One thing that the poll clearly showed was that almost 90% of the residents who bothered to lodge a vote right across the former Guyra electorate are in favour of a de-merger.

"As a ratepayer and business owner based in the Guyra area, I find it extremely disappointing to see former Guyra councillors and others so readily dismiss this democratic expression of opinion by Guyra

citizens.

"One must question their commitment to avoiding amalgamation prior to May 12 2016, when the Guyra community constantly displayed their unanimous opposition to any form of forced amalgamation."

"I encourage the Guyra community to join forces and do everything possible to persuade Government to reverse its decision on destroying the wonderful harmony and community spirit we have all grown to love for many generations."

"Any return to a Guyra controlled council area would, of course, involve Tingha. While

there may have been a desire to leave an Armidale based council, the people were not asked about the possibility of staying with a re-instated Guyra council if a de-merger was successful. The Tingha community clearly showed their support for a Guyra council on election day."

"Our mandate completed on election day gives us as a community the democratic right to demand the necessary changes to be made at parliamentary level to re-instate our Guyra Shire Council as a viable autonomous locally controlled body as we knew it."

Restoring dignity for women in need

Share the Dignity is holding a month-long charity event supporting women who are homeless, escaping domestic violence, or financially disadvantaged by collecting and distributing women's sanitary items.

Dignity Drives are held each April and August to collect sanitary items for women and girls in crisis. The premise of the collection is very simple: the public are asked to purchase new and unopened packets of sanitary items – pads, tampons, menstrual cups, incontinence aids, etc. – and drop them off at collection points across the country.

Share the Dignity founder Rochelle Courtenay said the organisation, through its biannual Drive helps in some small way to alleviate the undigni-



Donations of women's sanitary items can be dropped into CT Electrics during April

fied situations thousands of women across the country have to endure.

The organisation distributed

over 400,000 sanitary items in 2018, and with the number of Australians experiencing poverty and homelessness on

the rise, it is expected that the demand for their services will be even higher in 2019.

"So many women, every month, have to forfeit sanitary products because they cannot afford them. Many mothers have to choose between buying tampons and feeding their children. Girls miss out on school simply because families cannot afford to buy the basics of necessities," stressed Ms Courtenay.

Guyra resident Anne Lane has got behind the initiative and has set up a collection point at CT Electrics at 101 Bradley Street. Further Collection points can be found in Armidale at the Family Day Care office and the New England Collective in Hannah's Arcade for this area or all over Australia.

Productive and busy term

It has been an extremely productive and busy term for all our students and staff at Black Mountain Public School. Last week we travelled to Bald Blair Public School to compete in our annual cross country event. Congratulations to our senior boys, Wahkeem Patterson and Gabriel Beard, first and second place respectively. Gabriel, Wahkeem and Jake Faint now

progress to represent our school at Zone PSSA Cross Country. On Friday, in keeping with tradition, we welcome family members to help celebrate Easter, sharing a picnic lunch with their children, followed by Easter Craft.

As we head towards the end of term 1 at Black Mountain Public School, we'd like to wish everyone a safe, relaxing holiday

break and a Happy Easter to all.

Students return to school on Tuesday, 30th April 2019. Happy Holidays,

*Mrs Justine Eddy
Relieving Principal
Black Mountain Public
School*

Right:
Gabriel Beard and
Wahkeem Patterson



Meals on Wheels

April 11th Joyce Betts
April 12th Golf Ladies
April 15th Lions Club
April 16th Pamela Carter
April 17th Bob Furze

Street Stalls

April 11th, 12th, 13th Lions
April 18th Ben Lomond CWA
April 26th Wigs for Cancer
May 2nd Anglican Church

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

St Mary's Catholic

Saturday Mass 6pm in Guyra, Sunday 9am, 1st Sunday of month Ben Lomond, 3rd Sunday Wards Mistake, otherwise Guyra 7am Wards Mistake, 9am Guyra Father Steven O'Shea

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

Service Clubs

LIONS CLUB dinner meetings 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm. Ph: Geoff Reeves 6779 1257

ROTARY CLUB dinner meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 6pm for 6.30pm. Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307

I am surprised and disappointed that two former councillors of Guyra Shire have cast doubt on the integrity of the poll taken to ascertain the feelings of Guyra residents to support a demerger of Guyra Shire from the Armidale Regional Council.

If they have evidence of any malpractice, produce it for scrutiny or shut up. Some residents of Guyra would have been away and did not participate in the poll, I was one.

I might point out that if Mr Hietbrink had put as much effort in to the case to stand alone as the Mayor of Uralla Shire did, we would not be in the present situation.

George Ward

In the Guyra Gazette of 3rd April our Mayor Mr Murray was quite outspoken in regard to our group, SAGG, conducting a citizen's initiated poll alongside the NSW election.

I believe that Mr Murray's comments are offensive. He has called into question the integrity of everyone, whom I know are of impeccable character. The poll was conducted under Electoral Commission guidelines and votes placed in sealed ballot boxes. The count was scrutinised by six JP's and placed back into sealed storage.

He may have a point in that not all residents of the former Guyra Shire Council area voted, but as Pre-polling was in the order of 40% how do we collect those votes? However, if the result is applied to all residents, the result still comes back as a resounding majority, 54.3%.

In regard to the Tingha poll,

CONGRATULATIONS TO Dave & Gwen Rainger on the occasion of their 69th Wedding Anniversary.

Dave & Gwen were married on 8th April, 1950 at the Methodist Church in Armidale.

Gwen was 17 and Dave 20 at the time and the couple were attended by Kathy and

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the result was better than Council's postal ballot where only "roughly" 50% of the voters replied and a "bit less" than 50% were in favour of retaining their connection to ARC. From the extensive surveys that SAGG have done, these figures may retain some credibility if they are taken in the context of Tingha retaining connection with Armidale. Should they be stand alone with Guyra the result comes out at 90.1%. One has to wonder why the ARC result was so vastly different, yet it is the one they take notice of.

As for the demerger and how it would be done, does Mr. Murray forget that when Premier Gladys Berejiklian capitulated on the amalgamation process of a number of Shires they returned to 'stand alone' status with very little problem. These Shires were all in various stages of amalgamation.

While Mr. Murray says that Uralla will need a huge rate increase to remain viable he overlooks the fact that there is only 38% of their land that is rateable. This is the number used when Guyra had their amalgamation enquiries that were ignored by the Boundaries Commission. In a separate conversation Mr Murray took me to task for saying that commonly mentioned figures

of 30-50% were the likely increase of Guyra's rates should we remain with ARC. In him saying that I was wrong, it leaves the gate open for a greater than 50% rise.

On another issue, I see that two houses owned by council are for sale. These are both a part of the old Guyra Shire. Also, our local Council Depot is mentioned as being relocated to Armidale. Are these a part of asset stripping should Guyra Shire be returned? ARC has already made arrangement to annex Tingha. What is next? What will become of the Council building and the jobs created by it should everything be moved to Armidale?

I believe that the residents of Guyra must take a bigger interest in the workings of the ARC before we lose everything to Armidale and we become a little satellite residential village. Unfortunately, apathy give those groups and people the opportunity to render Guyra a forgotten town while they benefit from the assets. We are starting a Guyra Branch of the ARC Ratepayers Association and would appreciate any potential members who can contact Rob or Belinda Lenehan on phone 67750163 or 0412669373.

The subscription fee is \$10. As this issue is of major importance to Guyra, I ask everyone to share on facebook, post their own comments and write to the Gazette with their own views. We will only get this one opportunity to prevent being steamrolled by a Council whose interests only seem to focus on Armidale.

Ray Mulligan

Celebrating 69 years of marriage

Joe Reeves, who were bridesmaid and groomsman.

They have five children: Kenny, Sue, Gail, Wendy and Judy, 14 grandchildren and approximately 22 great grandchildren.

A big congratulations to Gwen and Dave from all the family.



Guyra still waiting for fast internet

The switch on date for NBN services in Guyra has been pushed backed, with connections now expected to happen towards the end of 2019.

While more than 670 homes and businesses on the outskirts of Guyra can access the nbn™ network over the nbn Fixed Wireless and Sky Muster satellite services, around 600 Guyra homes and businesses who were expecting to get a connection in mid-2019 will have to wait a bit longer.

Amber Dornbusch, Head of nbn Local for NSW and ACT said that it is worth noting the rollout of the nbn™ network is one of the most complex and ambitious initiatives to be undertaken in Australia and they are working hard to roll out the new

network as quickly and efficiently as possible.

“In order to achieve this, we have developed a sequence for the rollout which weighs up factors, including the location of construction resources, existing broadband infrastructure and proximity to nbn infrastructure,” she said.

“While we would like to connect everyone at the same time, the sheer size of the country and the complexity of the build means that this is not possible and we ask the community for its patience as we make the transition from the old to the new network. Ultimately, we are on track to complete the rollout by 2020.”

“The best thing for residents to do is to use the Check Your

Address function on the nbn website to see when their individual property is planned to be eligible to order a retail service over the nbn™ network. If access is not yet available, people can register their email address and we will notify them when they become nbn ready.”

As the region prepares for the arrival of the nbn network, it's important local residents and businesses understand the move to the nbn™ access network is not automatic. Once an area becomes nbn ready, people will need to contact their preferred retailer in order to make the switch.

Most residents and businesses will have an 18-month window to contact their preferred phone or internet provider and connect

to an nbn™ powered plan from the time nbn becomes available in their area. After this, the fixed-line nbn™ access network will replace most existing landline phone and internet services and the copper network will be decommissioned.

The 18-month disconnection window does not apply to those areas covered by an nbn™ Fixed Wireless or Sky Muster™ satellite service. Homes and businesses within these areas have the choice to keep their existing landline phone service over the copper network active, or switch over to a VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) service on the nbn™ access network through a preferred phone and internet provider.

Young scientists inspired for the future

The Guyra Rotary Club are looking for Guyra students to take part in the 2020 National Youth Science Forum (NYSF). It follows the success of two students who took part in the 2019 program in January this year.

The club sponsored Guyra Central School students Bronte Stanley and Madi Morgan who are currently in Year 12 and reaping the benefits of their NYSF journey.

The program is for Year 11 students who are passionate about science and gives them the opportunity to visit some of Australia's leading scientific facilities and talk to some of Australia's top scientists.

Youth Director for Guyra Rotary Briana Merritt said the program enables students to make informed career choices and is also a fantastic opportunity to meet like-minded people and establish professional relationships and life-long friendships.

Applications are now open for students currently studying in year 11 and live in Guyra. Students are invited to apply for the 2020 NYSF Year Program.

Applications close 31 May 2019 and for more information contact the Rotary Club of Guyra or Youth Director Briana Merritt.



Guyra Central School students Madi Morgan and Bronte Stanley attended NYSF in 2019

Fire Appeal funds now available

People affected by the Tingha Plateau fire in February can now access funds through the BEST Fire Appeal. BEST Employment launched the Tingha Plateau Fire Appeal soon after the disaster, and the community rallied, donating to date over \$19,000. Assistance applications can be found at BEST Employment's reception in Campbell Street, Inverell Public Library, Inverell Shire Council, Regional Australia Bank – Inverell, Tingha and Gilgai Public Schools, Anaiwan LALC in Tingha, the BEST Employment website - best.com.au, or via email by request to marketing@best.com.au.

Applications meeting criteria for need and loss will be reviewed by a panel of independent assessors who will contact recipients and allocate available funding.

BEST chief executive officer Penny Alliston Hall said the organisation was glad to help their community by establishing the fire appeal account, giving people a safe place to put their donations to assist those most in need.

The application deadline is 31 May 2019. Forms may be returned by hand or post to BEST Employment, 47 Campbell Street, Inverell 2360, or emailed to marketing@best.com.au.

Donations welcomed at Food pantry

The Guyra Food Pantry at Northwest Church would like to thank everybody that has contributed to the pantry with donations of vegetables, fruit and



eggs over the summer period. It makes a big difference to a lot

of people in our town and community, so thank you.

Men's Bowls

Result of Club Pairs played Saturday March 30th with Col Stanley and David Lyes defeating David Wilcox and John Hamel 19 shots to 15 shots.

Now to the weekend of Pennants - Saturday April 6th the No. 4 Pennants played Armidale City at Armidale and were successful in winning all three rinks making it a 10-point win. The No.7 Pennant team also played Armidale City and were not as successful going down 10 points to nil.

Sunday April 7th saw the No. 4 Pennant team travel to Inverell Sports and were beaten 8 points to 2 points. However, this was sufficient to take a victory overall, amassing 47 ½ points. They now travel to Armidale City this weekend April 13th and 14th for the Zone 3 playoffs, with the winner going through to the State playoffs.

The No. 7 Pennant team played Glen Innes at home on Sunday April 7th and were successful 10 points to nil. This result was also enough for the No. 7's to advance to the Zone 3 playoffs at Uralla this weekend.

Their final score was 40 points.

No. 4 Teams to play at Armidale City Saturday and Sunday 13th & 14th April:

Team 1 Dan Kennedy, John Jackson, Ian Jacobs, Michael Shiner.

Team 2 John McIllwain, David Wilcox, Murray Bourke, Roger Cox

Team 3 Col Stanley, Robert Moore, Barry Presnell, Andrew Sparke

Cars will depart the Club for Armidale at 11.45am Saturday and 7.30am Sunday. Cost of travel will be \$5 per day.

No. 7 teams to play at Uralla

Team 1 Anthony Bull, Paul Johnson, Mallie Walls, Wayne

Reeves

Team 2 Scott Campbell, Chris Kliendienst, Barry Campbell, Boyd Stanley

Team 3 Steven Sole, Cameron Peardon, Robert Walls, Evan Sole

The only change to the above teams to play Sunday is John Hamel will play in Anthony Bull's team instead of Mallie Walls.

Cars will leave the Club for Uralla at 11.30am Saturday and 7.30am Sunday. Cost of travel will be \$7 per day.

Both teams will play commencing 12.45pm Saturday and 9am Sunday.

The Bowls Bandit

Men's golf

After a successful Westpac Rescue Helicopter ambrose last Sunday, this Sunday will be an individual event for the Jones Cracknell and Starr trophy. A 3 person ambrose will be held on Easter Sunday with the TWG sponsored mixed championships on the 27th April. Don't forget the 1st round of the matchplay needs to be played by Easter.

The Albatross

Vets golf

The wind made the day challenging for the 12 players on Tuesday. It was good to welcome Kim Shaw who played very well, we hope to see him as a regular.

The winners with 35 points was shared between Kim Shaw and Col Walls and the best putter was Neal Payne with 27 putts.

The only nearest the pin was Wal Chapman on the 18th.

The next Pennants will be at Walcha on Thursday 2nd May as Glen Innes Pennants has been moved to May 21.

A Vet



Golf Ambrose winners Beau Orchard, Brad Waters and Tony Dittman with WRHS volunteers Elisabeth Wilson and Roy Bennett

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

April 3rd - There was a yarding of 2765 Lambs and 4630 Sheep and increase of 2895 on the previous sale.

The quality of the lambs was very mixed, with a fair supply displaying increased weight. The quality of the light weights suitable to restockers was very mixed. Merino and crossbred hoggets were in greater numbers.

The usual buyers were in attendance, and there was increased re-

stocker competition following rain and the increased supply. Market trends varied through the lambs.

The plainer quality and very light weights to restockers sold to cheaper trends. The better quality restocker lambs suitable to feed sold to a dearer trend. Well finished lambs 20-24kg sold to a cheaper trend, however they were not as affected as the plainer quality and light weights, easing from \$6 to \$7/head.

Whilst there were too few heavy weights from last week to compare, the heavier weights sold strong. Well finished Merino lambs also attracted strong processor competition.

Woolly Merino ewes were well supplied, along with a fair supply of medium and heavy weight crossbred ewes. The woolly Merino ewes again attracted strong competition from both restockers and processors

The market was firm to slightly cheaper. Well finished medium and heavy weight sheep to processors also saw a firm to cheaper market trend, with some weight and quality related change.

REMINDER: There will be no sheep and lamb sale in Guyra on Wednesday April 17th, and no cattle sales in Armidale on April 18th and 24th due to Easter and Anzac Day

Weekly Wool Sales

April 5th - Despite the markets best efforts some small losses were recorded once again this week. The lack of higher yielding, better style wool on offer is impacting on the individual micron price guide quotes, especially for the Merino types. The Crossbred sector is behaving completely differently and once again registered some solid increases. Like last week the Merino Carding indicator suffered the largest fall and has closed the week almost 20% below the corresponding period last season. 32,669 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of

12.8%. Major buyers included Seatech, Tianyu and Techwool. AWTA test data released on Monday is showing a 10.3% reduction in the weight of wool tested nationally for the season to date. This figure is broadly in line with AWEX auction data and the most recent forecast from the Natioal Forecasting Committee. The current retreat in the market has been gradual and orderly over the past six weeks but it does appear to be finding a base with the Fremantle market improving late in the week and forward market prices also lifting.

Armidale Cattle Sale

April 4th - There was a sharp increase in numbers. Large supplies of cows as producers offload core breeders. There was a good supply of vealers and yearling heifers, along with some very good quality heavy feeder steers. Overall, the quality of the young cattle showed great variation. The usual buyers attended and there was increased restocker activity on the plainer condition cows. Once again, there was a live export order for bulls.

The market trend for steer vealers to restockers was cheaper, with some of the price change quality related. However, the overall trend was as much as 30c/kg cheaper. The heifer vealers to both restock and the trade remained close to firm, again with some variation in quality. Medium weight yearling

steers to feed sold to a slightly cheaper trend. A much improved quality penning of heavy yearling feeder steers sold to a dearer trend. Light weight yearling heifers sold to dearer trend. The medium and heavy weights to feed were up to 10c/kg dearer.

The majority of the heavy grown steers went to feed pens, with breed and increased competition accounting for much of the price improvement. With the large number of cows on offer, market trends were cheaper. The well finished cows met weaker demand to show a cheaper trend of 30c/kg and more in places. The increased restocker competition saw the plainer condition cows less affected, some sales remaining firm. The bull market was cheaper for a lessor quality penning.



Gazette Footy Tipping



Ben must be onto something in the fresh fruit at IGA. A great score of 12 points has brought him to the top spot along with Mick at the pub, both now on 40 points.

June, who is into fresh vegetables with Neil's carrot cake, also had a good tipping week. June, Soley and Vu all share 2nd place on 36 points.

Can B-&-L bring a rabbit out of the hat this week to improve their standing on the Celebrities Leaderboard?

The 3PS were the highest scorers in the Locals this week with 14 points to bring them into equal 2nd place along with The 3 Bunnies, Nightwatchman and Book-worm.

The PIA improved his position with 12 points to join 3rd place with GG, Red Devils and Bulldog.

So far this season Eel-be-Right has been in consistently good form and remains top of the Locals Leaderboard along with Pete on 44 points.

Sue's Tips

Broncos
Panthers
Storm
Rabbits
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Roosters
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Score: 34

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Score: 36

June's Tips

Tigers
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Thirds back with a big win over Easts

After sitting out of the competition for the past two years Caspers 3rd grade have made a great start to their 2019 campaign notching up a big win over East Armidale on Saturday.

Captain William (wok) Roberts said it was good to see all the boys together again along with some new faces and thinks the Casper's will have a pretty big season this year in all three grades.

Coach Mendes said that he's well-tuned 3rd grade side got off to a great start on Saturday and controlled most of the game though the middle with the veteran Jack Kliendienst showing no signs of rust and playing a very im-

portant roll through the middle, along with Hayden Raper, and Jas Lennon locking up the back line and only conceding one late goal in the second half.

Mendes also said it was great to see the new boys Tully Jackson and Benny Macormack fit into the side so well along with Dean Mitchell, Mark (I'll run all day) Robinson, Steven (Blue) Wilson, and Timmy (the rock) Ellis also making a return after a long stint off.

Guyra started off the scoring with a penalty shot to Adam Brennan followed by a cracking shot from one of the best strikers Guyra has ever seen in Adam Mendes. A

short time later Vu rattled the back of the net with a great strike of his own making the score 3-nil at half time.

After some words of encouragement from coach Mendes and captain Roberts the boys hit the ground running in the second half. Rex Brennan was out of retirement and showing his speed up front until he's body couldn't cope with his speed anymore and broke down snapping his achilles tendon which forced him back into retirement forever. Not a good injury to have and we wish him all the best in his recovery and his new role as manager of the 3rd grade

side. Late in the second half Guyra had a goal put on them against the run of play to make the score 3-1 but, not to be out classed, coach Mendes took it upon himself to put the game to bed with a cracking left foot strike that left the keeper no chance of saving making the score 4-1 and a late consolation goal to Adam Brennan made the final score Guyra 5 East Armidale 1.

Points this week went to Tully Jackson 3, Hayden Raper 2, Benny Macormack 1. This weekend Saturday 13th April Guyra third grade take on Armidale City West in Armidale at 3 o'clock.

Casper the friendly ghost.

Ladies' Golf Championships

Karen Oehlers is the 2019 Club Champion at Guyra after completing the second round of 27 holes, on Wednesday 3rd April, with a final total of 260 gross. Karen played superb golf. Donna White played an outstanding final nine holes (personal best), to complete the Championship as runner-up; just one stroke behind Karen on 261 gross.

Jenny Rogers is the B Grade Champion after winning a nail-biting play off against Debbie Burey. Both players had fin-

ished equal, after 54 holes of play, on 297 gross and therefore had to continue on for a five holes play-off.

Joyce Betts continued her purple patch to win the C Grade Championship on 319. Shona Mulligan was runner-up on 330. Donna White won the 27 holes net trophy while Kerry Bull won the 18 holes net trophy on 71 net.

Congratulations to our Champions as well as the 17 competitors for their esprit de corps.

The Phantom



CLUB CHAMPIONS: Joyce Betts (C Grade), Karen Oehlers (A Grade) and Jenny Rogers (B Grade)

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RAFFLE RESULTS

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY street stall raffle winner: Kevin Harman Thanks everyone for your continued support.
GUYRA CRICKET CLUB cricket bat raffle won by Tanya Tearle. Thank you to Ramshead Cricket Bats for donating the bat and to all who supported us.

DEATH NOTICE

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Of Ollera Street, formerly of Ingleburn. Loving mother of Kendahl, Chennai, Jack and Chelsea. Sister of Leonie, William, Dianne, Jason (dec'd).

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Fondly remembered by her many Guyra friends.
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RETURN THANKS

Judy Floyd, John Bush and Family would like to thank relatives and friends for your phone calls, cards and messages of sympathy following the death of our mother, Margaret Bush.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of **JEANETTE AGNES MAYLED** Passed away 11.4.2017

It's hard to believe two years have passed. As days have passed, the memories and sadness continues on for our much loved mother, grandmother, mother-in-law and darling wife. Sadly missed, never forgotten.

Rest in peace.

From your loving husband
Tony and all your family

LOST

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Caspers start season with a win

The Caspers 1st Grade took to the field on Saturday with a few new faces to take on Armidale Ex-Servies Blue. From the kick off the Caspers started the game very well knocking the ball around nicely, but their opposition were just as complete in their possession of the ball and were proving to be a handful in attack. Although the Caspers may have just held the upper hand in the first half the score remained 0-0.

The boys were very upbeat at half time and believed that if they stayed patient they could gain the upper hand in the second half. After the break the Armidale side came out with the same passion and were probably gaining the ascendancy in attack. To the Caspers credit they stuck to their guns and began using their pace out wide with Harrison Dowden and Tyson Burey to break down their defence.

With 12 minutes gone in the second half a cross was put into the goal box and with Ex-Servies failing to clear the ball Coach Corby Kliendienst calmly slotted the ball passed the keepers out stretched hands to open the Caspers account for 2019.

The score looked like it was



Matt Simpson and BJ Cameron in action for the Caspers 1st grade side

short lived when a brilliant diving save by Des Walls from a penalty fell to the feet of a Servies player who put the ball away only to find that their player was off-side.

This seemed to spark the Caspers to life and a beautiful through ball for Corby found him one on one with the keeper. Corby calmly got around the keeper only to be taken down illegally, the keeper received his marching orders and the reserve keeper pulled off a massive save from a B J Kliendienst direct.

The Caspers were now on top with the Servies team re-

duced to 10 men. With 10 minutes to go the Caspers received a penalty outside the box. Steve, B J and Corby Kliendienst decided to relive an old penalty play and it worked perfectly with B J Kliendienst finding himself in space and leaving the keeper no chance to give the Caspers a 2-0 victory.

The boys know they have a lot of work to do but are very excited to see how far they can take their season.

Des Walls was awesome at the back and received the 3 points with S.K getting 2 and Harrison Dowden playing a

solid game out wide to receive 1.

It was good to see a few of the past players return to add some experience to the boys and I believe as the season goes on the two BJs in the midfield will be a force to be reckoned with, and also the young strikers learning a lot from the skills of Corby.

The Caspers have no time to relax as they travel to one of their away hoodoo teams in Glen Innes who will be very solid, and the boys will have to rise to another level.

Guyra United Second Grade had a hard first game against a very strong opposition with the only point scored being a penalty goal.

With that being said all the younger players stepped up and held their own against the bigger and more experienced team of Armidale City Westside.

The team will only get better as the season goes on. The final score Guyra 0, Armidale City Westside 1.

Point this week went to Cordy Lloyd 3, Eunice Blair 2, Sarah Rosten 1.

This weekend Saturday 13th April Guyra second grade take on Glen Innes Highlanders in Glen Innes at 1 o'clock.

Guyra Cup Sunday April 14

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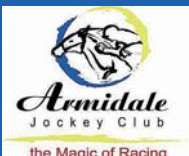
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