



# Guyra Gazette

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## Burning question for golfers

There is another great Guyra mystery unfolding, which may rival our ghostly past or the still unsolved dam disturbance by a supposed meteorite.

A 'hot spot' has developed over the last couple of weeks near the first tee on the Guyra golf course. First noticed on Sunday April 7th, the ground appears to be burning from underneath. In the last week the area affected has doubled in size and currently covers around 10m x 10m.

The answer lies in the bed of the Mother of Ducks Lagoon, which consists of up to 0.5 metre of peaty soil that lies in a saucer-shaped, basalt-lined depression. Peat has a high carbon content and can burn under low moisture conditions.

The draft plan of management for the Mother of Ducks Nature Reserve details previous incidents including a peat fire in 1901, which burnt for 3 months and a drought from 1917 – 1919 which led to another fire in the peat bed at some time during this period. There are also records of fires burning the peat bed in 1966



Veteran Golfers Herb Wilson and Colin Walls inspect the fire which now covers an area of 10m x 10m

and 1985 and 1986.

National Parks and Wildlife staff inspected the area on Monday. Vice President of the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club, David Wilcox said they could offer no advice on how to stop the fire spreading.

"They are going to look into it but as for stopping it they really don't know," he said.

"It's growing daily so we will have to keep an eye on it. We were worried about the green but it seems to be moving the other way now, so there is no real danger at the moment."

There could be money to be made with suggestions that whiskey production could be a new boom industry for the town. The presence of a good

supply of smoky peat, our highland climate and a ready access to fresh water via the Malpas pipeline has prompted some to suggest a distillery may be the way forward.

The Scots have been doing it for years, maybe it's time for the Guyra Chamber of Commerce to look into the possibilities

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We are closed on:

Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April  
 Easter Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
 ANZAC Day 25<sup>th</sup> April

We are also closed on:  
23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April

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Next Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April  
the Guyra RSL sub-Branch will hold  
services to commemorate ANZAC Day

- 5.45am - Dawn Service, followed by a light breakfast at the Soldiers Memorial Hall.
- 9.00am - Service at the MPS
- 10.00am - Form up at Fourways for the March
- 10.30am - March down Bradley Street
- 11.00am - Main Service at the Soldiers Memorial Hall
- 12.30pm - Lunch at the Bowling Club

After the official wreath-laying, anyone wishing to lay a memorial tribute is invited to do so.

The usual lunch for RSL members and guests will be held at the Bowling & Recreation Club at 12.30pm.

An RSVP is desired for catering purposes to either Martha Weideman on 6779 2347 or Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891.

# Guyra level 3 water restrictions

**Guyra will enter into level 3 water restrictions  
next Tuesday 23 April, 2019.**

Unfortunately water consumption in the town  
has not reduced to the levels needed.

**The current Guyra Dam level is 42%.**

The forecast is for continued below average rainfall.



The following restrictions apply to the use of water supplied through the water reticulation system in the Armidale Regional Council area for the town of Guyra:

## Domestic and commercial

Activity	Level 3 - High
Garden sprinklers and fixed hoses	NO. Aged and disabled only: 15 mins on Sunday & Wednesday
Hand held hoses, drip irrigation for lawns/gardens	NO
Buckets/cans	2 hours only. Not during the heat of the day. 9am - 4pm
Vehicle washing - Hand held hose	Buckets only. Not during the heat of the day. 9am - 4pm
Washing down hard surfaces - high pressure cleaner only	NO
Washing down hard surfaces - hand held hose	NO
Filling private swimming pool	NO
Topping up swimming pool	Buckets only. No fixed hoses.

## Water patrols

Council will be conducting regular water patrols throughout the township of Guyra from Tuesday 23 April, 2019.

Under the Local Government Act 1993, the maximum penalty that may be applied for a breach of imposed water restrictions is \$2,200 for corporations and \$220 for individuals.

## Water saving tips around the home

### In the bathroom

About 40% of all water consumed in the home is used in the bathroom. 3-star rated showerheads use no more than 9 litres of water per minute, while old style showerheads use up to 20 litres per minute. If you shower for six minutes, a water efficient showerhead can save up to 50 litres of water for each shower or up to 20,000 litres of water per person per year. So take shorter showers to save water and money!

### In the laundry

15-20% of all water consumed in the home is used in the laundry. Major appliances and tap ware products carry labels according to their water efficiency. Look out for the WELS (Water Efficiency Labeling and Standards) label - this is displayed on the product or a swing tag.

### Fixing leaks

Water can be wasted around the home due to leaking pipes and dripping taps. Check for leaks and take action now!

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# I Wanna A Jeep wins Guyra Cup

Five-year-old gelding I Wanna Be A Jeep ran home the winner in Sunday's \$32,000 Guyra Cup (1400m) at Armidale.

Trained by Port Macquarie-based Jenny Graham and ridden by Ben Looker, he beat the favourite Beauty Best by more than two lengths - with Pippi's Pride third.

The win - the sixth in 26 starts for I Wanna Be A Jeep - was worth \$16,200, taking his career prize money to more \$126,000.

I Wanna Be A Jeep, who also won the Walcha Cup in February, paid \$8.50 for the win.

Armidale Jockey Club Secretary Jim Dedes said they probably had the best field for a long time, and there was a good crowd on hand to witness the races.

Fashions on the field entries were down on expectations, with Guyra's Peta and Grant Waters taking home the title of Best Dressed couple.



**Above:** Guyra Cup winner "I Wanna Be A Jeep" ridden by Ben Looker returning to scale for the 2019 Guyra Cup presentation



**Left:** Greg Mitchell and Rodd Watt from Armidale Jockey Club present the winners trophy

# School sport a winner

It was an exciting game of rugby league to watch at Guyra Central School on Friday April 5th between Guyra Central School's under 15s Rugby League team and a strong Armidale Secondary College team.

Guyra received tremendous support from students, family and friends who were watching the game and it was not until the final minutes of the game that Armidale Secondary College secured their win with their final try defeating Guyra 28-20.

On Wednesday 10th April 2019, the Secondary under 15s Soccer team come together from across years 7-9 to form a strong squad for the Bill Turner Cup knock-out competition against McIntyre High School. With captain, Cooper Brennan in goal in the first half, and a backline of Dante Lloyd, Harris Dullaway, Brendan Williams and Oscar Atkin, the team were under the pump early and found themselves down two-nil before early



**Under 15s Rugby League Above l to r:** Coach Mr Scott Miller, Brodi Campbell, Oscar Atkin, Archie Dowden, Cooper Wilson, Tahmani Landsborough, Tom Lockyer, Mr Peter Presnell **Front:** Neville Stanley, Riley Campbell, Ryan Williams, Max Blyton, Rave Brazier, Jason Mowbray, Joshua Bell

in the game.

The mid-field of Dylan McGinty, Tyler Gibson, Kye Raper and Rocco Brazier took command later in the half and closed down some fierce attack from the McIntyre strikers. Up

front, Robert Sisson and Jake Wilson created chances but the visiting goal-keeper was up to the challenge. Off the bench, Brodi Campbell and Oliver Flynn made a huge difference into the second half where they

spent the bulk of the half camped in front of their goal. As players tired, Riley Campbell and Archie Dowden became utility players around the park. The game finished 2-0 to McIntyre.

## BOWLING MATES

looking after a mate

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY

activities at the Guyra Library

## SPORTING ACTION

around town

## STARGRAZING at Ben

Lomond

## SHOPPING IN GUYRA

when you can

# What's NOT

**PEOPLE** who don't or won't control their vicious dogs

## QUOTE of the week

**Dishonesty is like a boomerang. About the time you think all is well, it hits you in the back of the head**

Bureau of Meteorology

# Weather

## WATCH

Guyra Hospital

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
9	Tues	11.9	23.1	0
10	Wed	7.8	18.6	1.2
11	Thurs	7.1	19.2	0
12	Fri	4.1	19.0	0
13	Sat	7.2	19.7	0
14	Sun	5.9	18.6	0
15	Mon	7.9	17.9	0

Rain this week	1.2mm
April rainfall	1.2mm
Rainfall YTD	158.6mm
Rainfall last YTD	177mm

## Can we get action on rubbish?

Talking to some friends recently, the subject came up about the dump fees and I was amazed at some of the charges we have to pay to take excess stuff to the dump. It makes me so angry because it is so unfair. Over several years now I have written to both councils (Guyra Shire and Armidale Regional Council) and put letters in the paper.

I did get answers when it was Guyra council such as `What a good idea, we will bring it up at a meeting` then nothing heard. Armidale acknowledge receiving my letter and that is it.

I know there is no chance we are going to get a side of the road pick-up like a lot of towns, but my suggestion (which I don't think is so unreasonable) is for the council to give us two vouchers with our rates notice, to allow us to take this stuff to the dump free of charge.

They only have to show us where to dump it and do nothing else. I will try one more time, would love it if some of you would write or maybe just forward my letter to them and see if we can get some action.

*Jan Claridge*

## Social problems in CBD

I would like to comment on the social situation which is apparent in Guyra's main street. We have a large number of young, predominantly male, tomato farm workers who reside in flats in or near

## Have your say

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the CBD and others reside in the general town area.

These fine young people work hard to gain betterment in life and I applaud them. I feel that these young people find themselves thousands of kilometres from home and are rather 'lost' and at a loose end when not at work.

Herein lies the problem - we are seeing these persons (through no fault of their own) congregate at times in the CBD with nothing much to do. This scenario can be a bit off-putting or threatening to some and I know this isn't the intention of the workers.

There's "The Hub" for the youth, but what is there for these workers? In addition, I think the practice of allowing medium/high density accommodation for workers in or near the CBD is a folly. Call me whatever you want, but it is not really appropriate. Take a look at how Narrabri has done things for the miners, with workers barracks available.

I see benefits of the proposed revitalization of the main street being diluted unless some action is taken on this matter.

May I suggest far greater organised activities/sports comps after work and on weekends with some nice

prizes given on the competitions.

I also believe that a purpose-built clubhouse/meeting point is needed somewhere a block or two from the CBD. It could include ample room for a pool/billiards and table tennis table, etc; perhaps a sizeable kitchen/dining area and a media room. Of course it would be strictly drug and alcohol free.

It seems that lately whatever Costa wants, it gets. So let me remind you Costa that these concerns didn't exist prior to your arrival here in Guyra. Therefore, I expect as a concerned Guyra citizen that you will strongly consider this letter and begin to rectify this social problem.

*Peter Heagney*

## From 'Yes' to action

Save and Grow Guyra Group invite you and request that you attend a meeting at the Guyra Bowling Club on Wednesday 24th April 5:45 - 7:00 so that you can Support your recent 'Yes' vote to get Guyra Shire back.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to hear and to meet with Rob Borsack MLC and Leader of the Shooters Fishers and Farmers. Rob will speak on the actions required to progress towards a de-merger in preparation to reinstate Guyra Shire. He will also take questions from the floor.

Arrangements have been made to have the Bistro at the Bowling Club open for your convenience because of the timing of this meeting.

*Save & Grow Guyra*

# STARGRAZING AT BEN LOMOND

A family STAGRAZING event will be held at Ben Lomond on Saturday April 27th. This year's focus is learning to identify some objects in our night sky, such as how to pick the difference between a plane, a satellite, main stars, some planets and

the milky way.

The night will commence around dusk (5pm) at the Ben Lomond Recreation ground and conclude around 8pm. You will need to wear very warm clothing and also bring a camp chair, or groundsheet, blanket, pillow

and water bottle/thermos.

A torch would also be handy, and you can bring binoculars or telescope if you have thme.

Rusty's hot baked potatoes available for sale.

## Mayor's Message

**Armidale's water supply and favourable climate are among its great strengths to provide quality of life and drive economic development in our region.**

As a cancer survivor myself, I felt it was time to give back to cancer research and I wanted to support this organisation which helps so many in our local community. Council's Service Leader – Governance, Nathalie Heaton, also participated on the journey, pedalling over 250 kilometres down the Kempsey Road.

Riders departed from Armidale Servies Club early Thursday morning and took just over two and a half days to complete the distance. I'll admit there were times during the ride when I started to wonder if it would have been easier to simply donate to the cause but taking the challenge and completing the distance is an incredibly rewarding experience.

The ride can be testing at times, particularly trying to conquer steep hills, but the spectacular scenery and the motivation of the cause help spur you on. There is pain - there's no escaping that - but I would definitely do it again.

The logistics in organising Tour de Rocks is unbelievable, with a record list of more than 400 riders participating this year, and the community support for the annual event is astonishing.

Without the support crews, the event simply wouldn't go ahead and it's

a credit to all who keep this event running each year.

Council continues to support Tour de Rocks by waste removal from the campgrounds.

My rest after the opening day was punctuated by a welcome distraction on Thursday evening, when I travelled back to Armidale to open the BMW's 25th GS Safari's (BMW Motorcycle Club tagalong tour) stopover in Armidale's Curtis Park.

This ride was part of Council's partnership with BMW, New England High Country and Hema Maps to promote the region as a destination for motorbike tourism and Curtis Park was transformed into 'BMW central' for the night.

An array of motobikes were on display for the evening and crowds came together to watch stunt rider Lukey Luke perform.

More than 260 participants came to Armidale for the one-night event, injecting approximately \$70,000 into the local economy during the participants' short stay.



Simon Murray

## Road closures

Temporary road closures will occur in Armidale, Guyra and Tingha on Thursday 25 April for Anzac Day activities: on Faulkner and Rusden Streets in Armidale, Ollera and Bradley Streets in Guyra and Ruby Street in Tingha.

## Airport paid parking

**Paid parking will be introduced for the Armidale Regional Airport carpark from 1 May, to improve the availability of parking for airport users and provide a more equitable mix of income for the regional facility.**

Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray said the number of people parking at the airport had steadily increased in recent years and at times was at full capacity despite a major expansion of the space last year.

"Many of them are using it as free parking while carpooling and doing business elsewhere. They are locking up a large number of parks for most of the day and often making it difficult for airport users to find a park," he said.

"Parking fees will also ensure airport users, including a large number of patrons from outside the Armidale region, help contribute towards the cost of operating and maintaining our first-class regional airport.

"The fees have been set at a level that keeps parking affordable, while improving availability of parking spaces for airport users and helping to share the cost of operating and maintaining

our first-class regional airport."

Armidale Regional Airport is the only NSW regional airport with regular passenger services that does not have paid parking.

Cr Murray said: "Council's decision last year to introduce paid parking, bringing Armidale Regional Airport in line with other facilities in NSW, is just one of the ways we are looking to strengthen the airport's financial position and enable necessary investment in coming years to maintain and potentially improve service levels and facilities.

"In the past, local ratepayers have shouldered much of the cost of maintenance and upgrades at the airport and we think there is a fairer way to share the load," he said.

"Armidale Regional Airport provides valuable services and economic benefits for our region and the neighbouring areas and that should be better reflected in how income is generated to operate and improve the facility. A high-quality airport is an invaluable asset for a region but they come at a considerable cost and operating expenses at Armidale Regional Airport have exceeded its income by about half a million dollars in recent years."

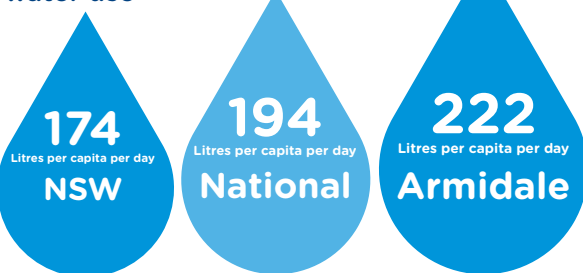
## Work together to save water

The Guyra dam continues to fall, current level is 42%.

Let's work together to reduce our water consumption. It's the little things we do in our homes and gardens that make a big difference. Water the garden (no sprinklers) early in the morning before 10am and after 5pm. Take shorter showers

Save water  
It's for everyone

### Breakdown of average residential water use



Armidale's Annual Residential Water Consumption in Comparison with State and National Level

## COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 24 April 2019 at the Armidale Council Chambers, 135 Rusden St, from 4pm. Public welcome to attend.

## PUBLIC NOTICE - Wednesday 17 April 2019

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# Community Noticeboard

## Meals on Wheels

April 18th L & R Skinner  
April 19th Ann Williams  
April 22nd Easter Monday  
April 23rd Lesley Credland  
April 24th Guyra CWA

## Street Stalls

April 18th Ben Lomond CWA  
April 26th Wigs for Cancer  
May 2nd Anglican Church  
May 3rd & 4th Masonic Lodge

## 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 Stephen 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

## Easter is more than a day off

Looking forward to an Easter break? Perhaps you're one of the lucky ones who, with Anzac Day, can take 10 days off. Spare a thought for the farmers looking at the weather, wanting nothing but steady rain for Easter.

I suppose that nearly everyone has plans for Easter.

Family coming, or going camping. There is food to be bought; perhaps an Easter bonnet to be made. No doubt lots of chocolate too. There will be Easter Eggs to buy, and children look forward to the Easter Bunny.

All of those things are nice, and no doubt we'll enjoy them.

But Easter is more, much more than that. It's more wonderful, much more wonderful than those traditions and events.

It's about a dead man, walking. Yes, a dead man, a man who died, as our substitute, in our place, 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 this year will be a holy-day. It will be the day that you can say that by the death of Jesus my sins are forgiven, and I'm going to be with Jesus in glory!

*Andrew Campbell  
St. Columba's  
Presbyterian Church*

## Jesus makes the difference

For most of us we are daily bombarded with loads of information in the things we watch, hear and read. At times we are left wondering how credible it is and whether we are getting the facts or are being fed some line they want us to hear or believe. Even friends on Facebook can paint a picture that

life is all rosy when in fact we know differently.

As we think about the events of Easter, I like the integrity Doctor Luke uses in the bible when compiling the information for us about the death and resurrection of Jesus, using words such as 'eye-witnesses', 'carefully investigated', 'an orderly account' and 'many convincing proofs.' We can believe what he has written to be true.

Luke tells of Jesus' crucifixion on a cruel Roman cross, not for any wrong he had done but for our wrongs. He was the substitute in our place. He took the punishment for us, so that we all, as many as come to faith in Him, can be forgiven from the guilt of our past, no matter what it is.

God was motivated by the great love he has for each of us. We are told that "God demonstrated his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us." His love is beyond our brain's capacity to understand.

Death for Jesus on the cross was not the end, He rose to life again on the third day. The tomb was empty! Jesus, after he came back to life again was seen by over five hundred witnesses. Death was not the end for him and it is by no means the end for us either. The Easter message brings good news of forgiveness, peace, hope and joy, and a knowing I am loved, to those who believe in Him.

Why don't you take the time this Easter to investigate the claims of Jesus in Luke's writings, of this amazing, historically undeniable person that walked the face of this earth long ago, and who is still transforming people's lives today. Jesus is the one that makes the difference.

You are very welcome to join us at Northwest Church (66 Llangothlin St) on Sunday at 10am. Lunch to follow.

*Tony Stace  
North West Church*

## What does Easter mean?

Easter long weekend! A time to spend with family and friends. But often it's a time that can be filled with anxiety

and stress, unfulfilled expectations and added demands. It can be a confusing time; a weekend filled with sporting and entertainment events, indeed anything that will keep us from reflecting upon its origins. We see ads showing bunny rabbits and chocolate eggs and "Hot Cross Easter Buns". These items have come to represent the commercial aspects of Easter but they do not clearly portray the original reason for Easter at all!

So what does Easter mean? It is a Christian festival celebrating and remembering the time when God's Messiah, the Lord Jesus, was executed on a Roman cross at a place called Calvary some two thousand years ago. But why remember this one man, for many people were executed on dreaded Roman crosses? What's so special about this one man that we should still remember his life and especially His death?

Jesus is the son of God, the Creator of Heaven and earth; he is the God/Man who came to earth to live the sinless life that we could not live. And he died on that Roman cross as the perfect sacrifice to pay the penalty for our rebellion against our Creator. Easter is an opportunity that we have to think about our lives, our relationships and, ultimately, our death. It's a time to hear about the eternal hope that is available to all who acknowledge that they have not lived a perfect life, and who accept the free gift of grace and forgiveness offered through Jesus.

If you want to hear more about this "Good News", there will be a 9.00 am service on Good Friday and a morning service at 9.00 am on Easter 'Resurrection' Sunday at the Anglican Church, 79 Malpas Street, Guyra. All are welcome.

*Dick Ferguson  
St James Anglican Church*

### Catholic Easter Services:

Paschal Triduum - Holy Thursday 6pm. Good Friday Mass 3pm Vigil - Easter Saturday 6pm Easter Sunday Mass 9am

*Father Stephen O'Shea  
St Mary's Catholic Church*

# Cricket wraps up season 2018/19



First grade presented by Jason Campbell  
 Matt Finlay (Players' player, Batting aggregate and Batting average)  
 Mitch Woods (Bowling aggregate and bowling average)



Under 12s presented by Coach  
 Simon Brown Jared Frost (Batting  
 aggregate), Brendan Landsborough  
 (Batting average, Bowling aggregate  
 and Bowling average)



Club person of the Year Simon  
 Brown presenting Under 12 awards  
 Jason Mowbray (Improvement), Jack  
 Soraghan (Most Consistent) and  
 Aidan Brown (Coaches award)



Second grade presented by Craig Lockyer  
 Heath Dowsett (Bowling aggregate), Troy Martin (Batting average)  
 Corey Torrens (Players' player and Batting aggregate )  
 Absent: Maurie Blair (Bowling average)



Under 14s presented by Heath Dowsett and Jason Campbell  
 Brodi Campbell (Batting average and aggregate, Bowling average)  
 Brendan Williams (Bowling aggregate)



Third grade presented by Simon Brown  
 Ryan Walker (Bowling aggregate), Les Perrett (batting aggregate and  
 batting average), Cody Patterson (Bowling average)  
 Absent; Billy Youman (Player's player)



The girls teams joined in the action for the family fun day  
 Alyssa Waters, Rebecca Williams, Steph Cameron, Nicole Cameron,  
 Trudi Brown and Jo Cameron

# Clear skies for Cross Country

On Friday 5th April, St Mary of the Angels held their annual cross country. The skies were clear and the children were keen to give it their best shot. A squad of students will now begin training for the Diocesan Cross country to be held in Barraba on Friday 17th May. Congratulations to the following students who were age champions and runner ups:

- 5 Years Boy Champion Jimmy Neill
- 6 Years Boy Champion Flynn McFarlane Runner Up Thomas Bradford
- 7 Years Boy Champion Kayne Brennan Runner Up Teo Starr
- 8 Years Boy Champion Archie Foster, Runner Up Sam Reeves
- 9 Years Boy Champion Edward Grills Runner Up Noah Brennan
- 10 Years Boy Champion Nayte Foster Runner Up George Bradford
- 11 Years Boy Champion Joseph Reeves Runner Up Ethan Tribe
- 12 Years Boy Champion George Williamson Runner Up Tom Lockyer
- 6 Years Girl Champion Darcie Campbell Runner Up Claire Mayled
- 7 Years Girl Champion Scarlett Newberry Runner Up Isabella Hayes
- 8 Years Girl Champion Olive McFarlane Runner Up Ellie Bavea



**Back l to r:** Rhiannon Heagney, Ethan Tribe, Shanae Wark, Anna Grills, Joseph Reeves, Tom Lockyer, George Williamson, Edward Grills, George Bradford, Archie Foster, **Middle:** Nayte Foster, Tom Bradford, Jimmy Neill, Darcie Campbell, Claire Mayled, Annabelle Williamson, Olive McFarlane, Lily McFarlane, Alana Marshall **Front:** Teo Starr, Isabella Hayes, Kayne Brennan, Scarlett Newberry and Flynn McFarlane.

- 9 Years Girl Champion Alana Marshall Runner Up Camilla Grills
- 10 Years Girl Champion Lily McFarlane Runner Up Annabelle Williamson

- 11 Years Girl Champion Rhiannon Heagney
- 12 Years Girl Champion Shanae Wark Runner Up Anna Grills

## Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

**April 10th** - There was yarding of 2075 lambs and 3540 sheep at the Guyra saleyards, down 1780 on the previous week. The quality of the lambs was fair to good with a good selection to suit both restockers and processors. There was an improvement in quality through the lambs to restockers with increased demand. The usual processors were in attendance and

there was strong competition from and increased number of restocker orders. The market for restocker lambs was dearer with the heavier weights up to \$7/head better. The good quality lighter weights to restockers experienced greater improvement. Well finished lambs to process in all weight classes sold on a firm to slightly cheaper trend with some quality related change.

The secondary quality lambs to processors saw little but quality related change with the strong restocker demand underpinning the market. There was a good supply of longer wool Merino sheep along with some well finished crossbred ewes. Restockers were active on the plainer condition longer wool Merino ewes. Processors were competing strongly on

all classes of sheep with strong premiums for well finished lines. The market showed dearer trends throughout, with the well finished heavy weights up to \$8/head dearer. Plainer condition longer wool Merinos to processors experienced strong gains. There was a large supply of longer wool Merino rams, they sold to a significantly dearer trend.

## Weekly Wool Sales

**April 12th** - The slow and steady downtrend continued this week even with the relatively small national offering of 37,500 bales. AWEX report that this week's offering in the Northern region was the smallest they have on record dating back to 1995. The current trend of Merino prices tracking backwards and Cross-bred prices gaining ground also continued this week. Particularly in the Southern region with the 28 micron indicator reaching a new record high. 33,793 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 10%. Major buyers included

Seatech, Tianyu and Tech-wool. Forward market trading remains very light on with prices available until the end of this season not far off the current physical level. Hopefully this is good indication that the physical market will soon end its seven week downtrend. Next week's sales will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday with the Northern region sale once again being held in the sheep and wool pavilion of the Sydney Royal Easter Show. This has proven to be very successful over the past few years giving the general public an opportunity to view a live wool auction.

## Armidale Cattle Sale

**April 11th** - There was a reduction in numbers despite a two-week layoff due to public holidays. All categories with the exception of grown steers were well represented. The quality and condition of the offering was very mixed, tending towards plain. Well finished cattle were scarce. Most of the usual buyers attended. There was reduced feedlot competition on yearling heifers, but increased restocker competition for cows. Market trends varied through the young cattle. Plainer quality and condition vealers to restockers were significantly cheaper, with quality contributing to some substantial price decreases. The good quality steer vealers to restock sold firm to slightly dearer. A single heavy vealer steers destined for the show circuit was a standout sale. Heifer vealers to processors attracted limited interest to

show a much cheaper trend. A small number suitable to a local butcher were as much as 16c/kg dearer. Medium and heavy weight yearling steers to restock and feed sold to a slightly dearer trend. There was some breed and quality related price change. The reduced competition for feeder heifers resulted in significantly cheaper trends for those suitable. The cow market experienced cheaper trends, despite the increased restocker competition. The majority of the offering were 1 and 2 scores, with the plainest condition lots failing to attract much demand. The few well finished cows saw a cheaper trend of 6c/kg, with the exception of a single cow. The bull market saw a dearer trends, with a strong live export order in place. The plainer quality and condition bulls showed the greatest improvement.





# Gazette Footy Tipping



Two of our Celebrities have reached the half century - Ben and Mick. So some very high totals can be expected by the end of the season. (Note an adjustment in Mick's score due to a counting error last week.)

Vu and June are hot on their heels, just two points behind on 48. In third place we have main street neighbours, Sue and Soley on 44 points.

Now, the less said about the tipping skills at the Gazette, the better. Hopeless, springs to mind!

We did say that Nightwatchman was the man to watch in the Locals competition. He has joined Eel-be-Right (who, despite last season's efforts, is maintaining very good form) and Pete at the top of Leaderboard on 54 points.

There are now five in 2nd place on 52 points with The PIA, scoring a surprising 12 points, joining the group. Jy will be the "sleeper" of this competition. He is making steady progress and is now in 3rd place along with the Red Devils and Bulldog.

## Sue's Tips

- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Storm
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## Ben's Tips

- Sharks
- Rabbitohs
- Storm
- Warriors
- Dragons
- Knights
- Raiders
- Eels



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- Roosters
- Warriors
- Dragons
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- Rabbits
- Storm
- Warriors
- Dragons
- Knights
- Raiders
- Tigers



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## Gazette's Tips

- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Storm
- Warriors
- Sea Eagles
- Titans
- Raiders
- Tigers



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## Mick's Tips

- Sharks
- Rabbits
- Storm
- Cowboys
- Dragons
- Titans
- Raiders
- Eels



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## Hockey

Guyra Shamrocks took out a very hard fought 3-2 win against Ex Servies on Sunday. The Guyra supporters, all two of them, were enthralled with the end to end game. Guyra were missing several of their C grade regulars because of heartlage and distinct lack of commitment. The boys eventually started using their sticks rather than their feet to create some enterprising attack in the second half. Lyndon Smith was outstanding again up front scoring two great goals. The boys are looking forward to the week off for Easter. A grade men and women had a bye this week.

**Tegan Mendes**

## Ladies' Golf

Belinda Lenehan played a scintillating round of golf on Wednesday 10th April to win the Stableford competition with 44 points. Karen Oehlers was the runner up on 39 points. Nearest the pins were shot by Vicki Reeves (7th), Vicki Reeves and Jenny Rogers equidistant (9th), Belinda Lenehan (10th) and Karen Oehlers (18th).

The first round of the Pennants match-play, for the Southern New England Zone, was closely contested on Monday at Armidale Golf Course. Guyra won their

matches against Walcha while Armidale had a victory over Guyra. Guyra will host the second round of match play on 18th May.

Future golfing events on the calendar are the Stroke competition on 24th April sponsored by Julie Walker and a 4BBB Multiple on 1st May.

**The Phantom**

## Men's Golf

Last Sunday the individual stableford was won by Tim Moffatt with Bruce Coppock runner up. Nearest to the pin on the 7th was Len Stanley. This Easter Sunday a 3 person ambrose will be played so if you're looking for something to do organise a team and support your club. Don't forget Saturday the 27th are the mixed championships.

**The Albatross.**

## Men's bowls

Saturday April 13th saw the No.4 Pennant travel to Armidale City where they played North Tamworth. Unfortunately they were unsuccessful going down 71 shots to 50 shots, 9 ½ Points to ½ Point. The No.4 Pennant team again returned to Armidale City Sunday morning April 14th where they played Inverell RSM and again they came up short going down 66 shots to 63 shots, 9 Points to 1 Point. This result finished

their quest to continue on to the State playoffs. However the team can hold their heads high for putting in a whole hearted effort throughout the Pennant season.

The No 7 Pennant team travelled to Uralla Saturday April 13th where they played Gunnedah. Gunnedah had won their game in the morning so they were coming into this game on a high. This did not sway the Guyra Team in their endeavour to qualify for the State playoffs. Guyra put paid to Gunnedah's run defeating them 68 points to 47 points. Result 10 points to nil winning all three rinks.

Team 1: led by Scott Campbell won their game 24 shots to 18 shots

Team 2: Led by Steven Sole won their game 23 shots to 13 shots

Team 3: led by Anthony Bull won their game 21 shots to 16 shots.

Sunday morning April 14th saw the No 7 Pennant team return to Uralla to play West Tamworth. West Tamworth were defeated Saturday but the Guyra boys were not going into this game complacent, just the opposite they were aware that West Tamworth could quite easily bounce back. The Guyra boys put their heads down and put the result beyond doubt coming away with a victory 81 shots to 54 shots. Result

10 points to nil winning all three rinks.

Teams 1: Led by Scott Campbell won their game 24 points to 22 points

Team 2: Led by Steven Sole won their game 23 points to 21 points

Team 3: Led by Anthony Bull won their game 34 points to 11 points.

Congratulations to the No 7 Pennant qualifying for the State Playoffs. This will be played at Nelson's Bay over the weekend of July 26th, 27th and 28th.

There will be no Club Championships played this weekend (Easter weekend)

**The Bowls Bandit.**

## Vets golf

After a cool start 16 Vets enjoyed playing a 4 Ball Best Ball. The winners were Phil Devlin and Greg Burgess with a score of 42 and the runners-up were Len Stanley and Custard Mulligan and John and Nancy Prisk with 41 points.

David Bearup had the best Stableford score with 38 points. Neil Paine was nearest the pin on the 7th, John Prisk the 10th and Phil Devlin on the 18th.

On Thursday, 2nd of May we will be playing a Pennants game in Walcha. Please let Nancy know if you are able to play. On May 21st Glen Innes will be hosting the last Pennants game for the year.

**The vet**

## Gazette Footy Tipping

### Locals Entry Form - Round 7

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

Eel-be-Right	54	Bulldog	50
Pete Collins	54	Jy Starr	50
Nightwatchman	54	Elva Brazier	46
The 3 Bunnies	52	Hazel	46
Bookworm	52	Fire Breather	44
3 PS	52	Phantom	44
GG	52	Chris Morley	44
The PIA	52	Old Chook	42
Red Devils	50	My Name Jeff	32

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I would like to thank everyone for all the condolences offered from friends, neighbours and family.  
 Also a big thank you to the Central School staff for everything. It was all really appreciated.  
*Jess Gooley & family*

## MEETINGS

**TENTERDEN Rural Fire Service AGM**  
 Thursday, 2nd May, 5.00pm at the Tenterden Fire Station.  
**WARDS MISTAKE Rural Fire Brigade AGM**  
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# Two from two for Caspers

The Caspers first grade side took the dreaded trip north to take on arch rivals Glen Innes Highlanders on the weekend. The boys were very upbeat after a hard fought win in their first game, but were without a couple of their first start players. Coach Corby had to make a couple of late changes to his starting line-up but he was very confident that he had the depth to not affect the team.

The start of the game was a little bit sloppy with the Caspers finding it hard to string passes together, but 20 minutes into the game a cross was put into the Highlanders box and Corby calmly slotted a header away from the Glen keeper. Celebrations were short lived when 5 minutes later a cross from the Highlanders managed to dribble over the line



Guyra United first grade side

with the Caspers failing to clear the trouble. The score remained 1-1 until halftime.

The Caspers were full of talk at the break and went out with a game plan to hopefully rattle the Highlanders. Whatever was said

must have worked wonders with the Caspers totally dominating possession and started to look very sharp with the ball. Early in the second half a wonder strike from Vanuatuan striker Charles rattled the back of

the net from outside the box.

This seemed to open the flood gates as Charles went on to score four goals in total and also another goal to Corby to make the final score 6-1 to a very happy Caspers side.

With no surprise Charles received the 3 points for a magic game with Will Archibald solid as a rock at the back collecting 2 and a couple of the young brigade B.J Cameron and Ben Lennon getting 1 each excelling in the game.

The Soccer has a weekend off with the Easter weekend and return the week after with a home game against South Armidale so we urge people to come along and support your local Casper side who are looking very sharp.

**HAPPY EASTER TO ALL  
FROM THE CASPERS**

## Slow start and injuries hamper lower grades

The Caspers Second grade side started slowly and weren't able to get going till late in the first half, going into half time 1 nil down. The second half was a better start but an accidental hand ball in the box resulted in a dot shot that got Glen right on top. Guyra had two chances to score but couldn't finish them off with Glen scoring twice more to end the game 4/0.

Fitness was a key issue that needs to be worked on and will come as they play more games together. Points this week went to Matt Simpson 3 and with Carly Harman, Brett little and Blake Handebo all sharing 1.

It's been a tough couple of weeks for the 3rd grade troops, battling injuries and it's good thing they have plenty of reserves fresh and ready to go. Two weeks off over Easter should give the boys a bit of time to get over a few of the strains and pains. It was a bit of an up and down 90 minutes for the side who seemed to con-

trol most of the first half but just couldn't convert. They welcomed Mal (I've got knees like an eighty-year-old) Gaukroger back into the soccer community on the weekend and was one of the best on ground. Micheal (clapper) Wilson made his return between the post for the Casper's pulling off some brilliant saves before retiring with a muscular strain.

Jake Brazier and Jack Moonie made their debuts for the Casper's getting through a stack of work up front and out wide and a big welcome back to Rodney Wark who got through a mountain of work in the backs.

Going into half time with the score locked at nil all, it was time for that inspirational speech from coach Mendes to try and get the boys and girls fired up for the second half. Guyra started off the second half well knocking the ball around and putting plenty of pressure on the Armidale city keeper, narrowly missing a



few one on one chances, only to have two quick goals scored against the run of play. They found ourselves behind for the rest of the game with that being the final score Armidale City 2 Guyra 0.

A big thanks to all our supporters that came to watch

also a big thanks to Maddie (Roberts) Morgan for helping out and having a great game.

Third grade have the next two weeks off over Easter and first and seconds will be back on the park with only a one-week spell.

*The friendly ghost*