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Country Cup Champions

Guyra Central School's under-13 rugby league team are the Small Schools Country Cup champions.

The Guyra team faced Junee High School in the final at Bathurst's Carrington Park last Wednesday and outplayed their opponents 40-10 to claim the title.

A five-try performance from Oscar Atkin saw him awarded man of the match, but coach Scott Miller was thrilled with the efforts of every player who took the field.

Strong defence was the key for the team who only allowed 10 points to be scored against them.

"The team don't have a lot of size and they were definitely outsized by the opposition," he said.

"But what they lacked in size they made up for in heart."



"It is the first big win for the school in a long time which is great for school and great for the town," he said.

Guyra Central will head back to Dubbo later in the month for a seven-a-side rugby league tournament.

The under 16s and the under 14s will be hoping to bring two more State titles back to the school.



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'Wyldlife' Camp for Guyra Youth

The Young Life Club in Guyra has been meeting in the Anglican Church hall, weekly, on Monday evenings, for most of this year.

Young Life is a mission community of Christ-centred people committed to reaching adolescent youth with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

They work with churches, building relationships with young people by connecting with them in their world.

They also volunteer in schools to encourage and mentor young people and then lead youth clubs, youth camps and more.

Young Life has been running in Armidale for over 30 years, but now have their own established Guyra Club. It is supported by Guyra

churches - the Anglican Church, Church of Freedom, Northwest and the Presbyterian Church.

And now they are going Wyld. In the next school holidays, they are off to 'Wyldlife' camp for school years 5-8 from 30th September to 3rd October at Milson Island. There is also a HSC study camp from 30th September to 6th October at Scott's Head.

To raise money for the young people to go to camp, there is a garage sale being held on the 24th August. The garage sale will take place at the Presbyterian Church in Guyra starting at 9.00 am and will be run by Young Life volunteers.



Skye Fekonia; Rachel Russell (leader) and Jasmine Fekonia

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September start for main street

Two long awaited Guyra projects are set to get underway in the coming months. Work on the main street upgrade and the Mother of Ducks Lagoon will begin in September/October depending on the weather and the finalisation of plans.

Eleven local residents joined council staff last week for a look at plans for both projects. They then toured the main street to see how the plans will be put into action.

The main street upgrade, which was set to start in July 2018, has been on the backburner due to the discovery and subsequent extraction of underground fuel tanks.

Leah Cook (Service Leader Asset Planning and Design) said that work will now be carried out in three stages with the first stage involving the fuel tank remediation and a review of structural awnings now complete.

Ms Cook said that costs to date to undertake these works have been approximately \$600,000, with the majority of expenditure associated with the environmental remediation.

Stage 2, which will see road rehabilitation and reshaping to address cross fall issues between Ollera and Nincoola



Leah Cook (Service Leader Asset Planning and Design) walked residents through the main street upgrade

Streets, is expected to get underway once the weather warms up and will be completed prior to Christmas.

Ms Cook said that in conjunction with road construction activities, council is working closely with Essential Energy around the extraction of the electrical wiring which is currently in the awnings.

The final plan is due in September and funding for the electrical component will be in addition to council's \$2.7m budget. At this stage she said it is unlikely that the wiring will go underground as was

originally planned, due to the fuel tank contamination.

The contamination issue also means that the current footpaths will remain in place, and will instead be resurfaced rather than replaced.

Business owners in the main street will receive an allocation of paint and street beautification works including street furniture, community art and landscaping remain part of the plans.

Ongoing soil monitoring will still be required to continue for a period of time between Nincoola and MacKenzie

Street, with work on this block being postponed until the 2020/21 financial year. This will be the third and final stage of the project.

Work on the Mother of Ducks Lagoon is also set to begin in September, with completion expected before Christmas. This will involve semi formalising the free camping area, associated roadworks and drainage, updated signage, new shelters, tables and BBQ's and replacement or refurbishment of the toilet block.

Drover's Run raises \$250,000 for Rescue Helicopter



Tony and Liz Looker (centre) enjoying the 'Red and Yellow' night

THE 2019 Drover's Run is done and dusted, raising \$250,000 for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service, making sure no one ever pays to be assisted.

It was the biggest-ever trek for the annual fundraiser covering more than 4000 kilometres through the Simpson desert.

The trek went as far afield as Oodnadatta, Birdsville, Inamincka before returning through Lightning Ridge and over the finish line in Tamworth.

One of the highlights of any Drover's Run is the final night, "Red and Yellow

Night" where the teams show their real colours and get to celebrate the outstanding achievements of the previous 15 days.

This year the final fundraising night was spent in Lightning Ridge where the crew banked almost \$10,000 with an auction night at the bowling club.

Guyra's Tony and Liz Looker completed the trek and would like to thank everyone who helped along the way. They raised \$12,494 through a lamb drive, raffles, auctions and individual donations.

What's HOT

MAIN STREET upgrade may finally be getting underway

FOOTY FINALS good luck to the under 12s this weekend

DAFFODILS poking their heads above ground

What's NOT

RURAL Waste Management fee increased from \$25 to \$56.

BREAK IN at the Sporting Complex the night before finals

Athletics talents on show



Back l to r: George Williamson, Tom Lockyer, Daniel Grills, Annabelle Williamson, Nayte Foster, Archie Foster
Front: Anna Grills, Rhiannon Heagney, Shanae Wark, Joseph Reeves, Olive McFarlane, Isabella Hayes, Scarlett Newberry, Hugo Sisson.

On Friday 2nd August, students at St Mary of the Angels participated in their annual School Athletics Carnival.

Students had been busily preparing for these events and were very eager to get started. The day kicked off with the 100m age races with students demonstrating their sprinting and fast running talents. Students then rotated through the field events including Shot Put, Discus, High Jump and Long Jump.

The day offered a fantastic opportunity for students to

showcase their athletics talents and to give all activities a go. A team of students have successfully made it to the next level of representation and will be attending the Diocesan Athletics Carnival in Tamworth this Friday August 23rd. Congratulations to this team and good luck at the next level.

Minor Boy Champion Teo Starr, Runner Up Darcy Sisson

Minor Girl Champion Bella Hayes, Runner Up Scarlett Newberry

Junior Boy Champion Nayte Foster, Runner Up Archie Foster

Junior Girl Champion Annabelle Williamson, Runner Up - Olive McFarlane

11 Year Boy Champion Joseph Reeves, Runner Up Daniel Grills

11 Year Girl Champion Rhiannon Heagney

Senior Boy Champion Tom Lockyer, Runner Up George Williamson

Senior Girl Champion Shanae Wark, Runner Up Anna Grills.

QUOTE of the week
Happiness is an inside job.

Bureau of Meteorology Weather

WATCH

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Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
13	Tues	-2.6	13.1	0
14	Wed	0.8	14.0	0
15	Thurs	1.6	14.3	0
16	Fri	2.1	15.3	0
17	Sat	4.0	16.8	0
18	Sun	2.8	18.8	0
19	Mon	5.4	11.0	0

Rain this week	0mm
Aug rainfall	10.6mm
Rainfall YTD	205.4mm
Rainfall last YTD	286.2mm
Ave. rain to Aug.	565.3mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Have your say.....

The farmer's plight (Poem)

Our farmers face a challenge now, as drought grips the land

And all they ever ask for is just a helping hand

The pastures once lush and green are now all brown and bare

Where the Angus stud cattle grazed on the property at Bald Blair

But the battle must go on now to save his precious stud
 As a fifth generation farmer this life is in is blood

As the farmer's mind drifts back now to the days he can

recall

And glances at the family portrait that's on the homestead wall

They were the battling pioneers and the backbone of this land

But to see total devastation now can all be seen firsthand

With dams that have stopped flowing as no rain falls from the sky

Just a whirling haze of dust clouds swiftly passing by

The working dogs on the farm are truly loyal friends

Following their master every step as the daylight hours descend

The men and women on the farm are our guiding light

So help them all you can to end the farmer's plight

Gladys Wilson

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Mayor's Message

If there's a positive to take from the ongoing drought and water crisis faced by our region, it could be the boost in public interest in Council facilities and operations.

A number of our facilities threw open their doors to the public last week, for guided tours to celebrate local government and its role in the community, and an encouraging number of residents seized the opportunity.

Around 150 people participated in at least one of the 17 tours on offer throughout the week, including visits to the Armidale Water Treatment Plant and the Malpas Dam to Guyra Pipeline.

Residents could also join a walk-through of the upcoming Guyra Main Street Upgrade, tour the Armidale Waste Water Treatment Plant and inspect the new regional landfill to witness the rigorous controls and features required for a modern waste facility.

Our total number of participants over the five days more than doubled attendances for tours held in previous years as part of Local Government Week.

The high level of interest shown by tour participants and the positive feedback were also extremely encouraging.

Our facilities and services are provided by skilled and dedicated staff and our tour guide showed off their workplaces with great pride and enthusiasm.

Council highly values close community involvement in the conversations and decision making that affects them. That engagement is most effective when community members are well informed and familiar with Council's roles and services.

These tours are an excellent chance for residents to get a first-hand appreciation of service that they often take for granted as part of their daily lives, but seldom witness behind the scenes.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to come along ... and to the Council tour guides who shared their knowledge and answered many questions.

We have received a considerable number of requests to hold further tours. While 12 months will pass before we know it, and Local Government Week will be here again, we will also look at future tours for specific events on the calendar, such as National Recycling Week and National Water Week.

Our waste facilities at Armidale and Guyra were also focuses of activity last weekend when they provided free mulch to assist households during the ongoing drought. A total of 271 vehicles attended the Armidale Waste Management Facility and more than 540 square metres of free mulch was collected, to help conserve water and give gardens some reprieve during the extended dry spell.

Similarly, 45 vehicles took away 90 square metres of mulch from the Guyra Recycling & Transfer Station.

A number of residents also took the chance to swap their showerheads for water saving alternatives. Visit our website for more information about water savings and the water restrictions in place.



Simon Murray

21st Century Libraries

We want to hear from you

Council want to hear from community members, to help develop a 21st Century Libraries Strategy to make the Armidale region's libraries more vibrant hubs where people can learn, join in group activities or just meet friends.

An online survey is a quick and easy way to provide feedback and participants can go into the running to win movie tickets.

To complete the survey or participate in the online forums visit yoursay.armidale.nsw.gov.au



Local Government Tours

Thank you to all the community members who participated in Council's guided tours of its facilities last week.

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- check your rates or water notice
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Guyra Showerhead Exchange

FREE water-efficient showerheads to save water, energy & money

Offer available until stocks run out

Council is offering Guyra households the opportunity to exchange their old showerhead for a new high quality, water-efficient showerhead for free. Residents can exchange up to two showerheads per household.

How do I take advantage of this offer?

Bring your old showerhead to Council's customer service desk in Guyra for exchange:

- Show a recent water rates notice as proof of your address
- Submit a completed application form – available online at www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au/water-restrictions
- Install and save water!

Council recommends showerheads are removed and attached by a licensed plumber.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 August 2019 at the Armidale Council Chambers, 135 Rusden St, from 4pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings.

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Meals on Wheels

August 22nd St Marys
August 23rd Stephen Adams
August 26th NEM Staff
August 27th Pam Hart
August 28th Guyra CWA

Street Stalls

August 22nd/23rd/24th
Lions Club
August 31st
Steph Cameron (G'Day USA)

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 - 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday of month 11am-12, 1pm-2pm 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

Inspiring ideas shine



Above l to r: Richard Bull, Chair of Local Land Services, Johnelle Stevens, Local Land Services, winning students of the Local Land Services Schools Property Planning Competition from O'Connor Catholic College - Eliza Boland, Jamie Ellis, Samuel Graham, Lucy Barley and Ag Teacher Janet Price, Kirsty White from Bald Blair, Guyra, and kneeling at bottom right Leanne Savage, former Northern Tablelands Local Land Services board member and founder of Leanne Savage Perpetual Shield presented to competition winners.

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

The Competition recognises students for their understanding of core issues like sustainable agricultural production, biosecurity and natural resource management. This year's winners were announced today at an awards presentation at AgQuip by Local Land Services Chair, Richard Bull.

This year, students were particularly tested by the drought conditions, providing a perfect example of the need to develop innovative solutions when facing complex challenges.

Johnelle Stevens, Farm Planner and Regional Agriculture Landcare Facilitator, Northern Tablelands Local Land Services, co-ordinated this year's competition and experienced the immediate benefits students gain through the practical application of their classroom-based knowledge to the paddock.

"The students are learning how to deal with tangible challenges that they may experience when managing sustainable enterprises

in the future. This fosters the growth of practical, real-world skills and encourages the students to look at the entire farming system as a whole," said Johnelle.

"What's really valuable about the competition is that it gets students out of the classroom and offers them a unique opportunity to build on their understanding of land management issues, translating scientific theory into on-farm decisions," she said.

"The innovative ideas presented by the students included everything from advanced fodder storage, to technical solutions employing drones. Some of the concepts are ground-breaking and are truly inspirational," said Johnelle.

This year, students were set the challenge of developing a management plan for the property 'Bald Blair' located at Guyra. Owners Sam and Kirsty White were delighted to host a field day and support the initiative that involved students drawing up management plans to make their enterprise both economically and environmentally sustainable.

"We recognise the importance of providing opportunities for the next generation who will be shaping the agricultural sector in the future. It is terrific to see they

have unfettered thoughts and are not constrained by anything in terms of potential ideas," noted Sam.

"We were encouraged to see the amount of thought that the students put into their management plans. They came up with some fantastic ideas, some of which are novel, some of which are very useful, and we intend to utilise some of them in our business" he said.

The winners of the competition were selected from entries submitted by more than 230 agriculture students who attended the field day at Bald Blair.

2019 Northern Tablelands Local Land Services Schools Property Planning Competition winners:

Perpetual Champion: O'Connor Catholic College - Eliza Boland, Jamie Ellis, Lucy Barley, Samuel Graham

Reserve Champion: Glen Innes High School - Harry Lyn

Highly Commended: The Armidale School - Oliver Kearney, Henry Pitman

Highly Commended: O'Connor Catholic College - Erin Porter, Hain van Eyk, Macey Clarke, Analiese Wark

Encouragement Award: Stanthorpe State High School - Alex Rankin

Malpas pipeline in testing phase

Construction work on the Malpas Dam to Guyra pipeline is almost complete, with testing now being conducted. Early tests have uncovered a few teething problems which Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray said was to be expected.

“There is air getting into the system and we are trying to work out where it is getting in,” Cr Murray said.

“There is also still some electrical work to be completed with the mains supply to both the pumping station and the carbon activated filters at the depot still not connected.”

Generators are being used during the testing phase and a switch on date is still uncertain.

“We are pumping water on and off while we find out just

where the air’s getting in,” he said.

“The tankers are still running every day and will continue until everything is finalised and the mains power is installed.”

Cr Murray also praised the Guyra community for their efforts to cut back on water usage.

“Guyra has responded really well and water use is down around 35%, compared to Armidale where we are having more trouble getting the message through,” he said. “They have only cut back by around 10% so we have more work to do there.”

When the pipeline is switched on he expects water restrictions in Guyra to revert to level 4, however this will only be temporary if substantial rain is not received.



Testing is being conducted on the Malpas Dam pipeline

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sell NBN services, often at a discount, or equipment to you over the phone.

* Scammers may also call people to sign them up to the NBN, get them a better deal or test the speed of their connection. They may ask people to provide personal details such as their name, address, date of birth, and Medicare number or ask for payment through gift cards.

* Scammers calling you during a blackout offering you the ability to stay connected during a blackout for an extra fee.

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Junior soccer

It was a relatively quiet weekend for the last round of home games for Guyra Junior Soccer for this season. The Under 6 Spooks had a forfeit, the Under 7 Jellybeans had the BYE and the Under 8 teams faced each other in a derby match. The Under 9 Jets were the only team to travel to Armidale. Our Under 16s, 14s and 12s all donned black armbands in honour of Darryl Dowden. Our thoughts are with his family at this difficult time.

Nominations are now open for the Jack Vallance Junior Memorial Carnival that was postponed due to the snow. The carnival will now be held on Sunday 1st of September. Please speak to your team coach if you wish to take part in the carnival.

Junior soccer returns to Armidale this weekend with the exception of the Under 7 Smarties who will travel to Walcha. The draw is as follows:

16A Jnr Caspers vs North Red Frogs, Phil Wheaton Oval, 8.30am

14A Ghosts vs TAS White,

Rologas 1, 10.00am

14B Lil Caspers vs East White, Rologas 2, 10.00am

12B Spirits vs DK Warriors, Rologas 1, 11.10am

U10 Cobras vs East Spiders, Rologas 11, 11.00am

U9 Vipers vs DK Arrows, Rologas 14, 11.00am

U9 Jets vs North Rockets, Rologas 15, 10.00am

U8 Jaffas vs DK Saxons, Rologas 16, 11.00am

U8 Skittles vs East Bears, Rologas 16, 10.00am

U7 Jellybeans vs South Seals, NE Sportsground 2, 10.00am

U7 Smarties vs Walcha Girants, Walcha 5, 10.00am

U6 Spooks vs DK Lancers, Rologas 5, 10.00am

Ladies' Golf

On 14th August a field of 14 ladies played for the Par Medal Round.

The winner of the day was Shona Mulligan with a score of +1 with Wendy Jackson as Runner Up.

Nearest the Pin winners were 9th Vicki Reeves, 10th Julie Walker and 18th Karen

Oehlers.

With the first set of the Kirk's Trophy match play completed, the second round is set to begin.

Check the notice board for information on your next match.

Wednesday 28th August is a 4BBB Stroke round with Belinda Lenehan as starter.

Birdie

Men's Golf

Last Sunday saw a good field contest the State ambrose qualifying round. The winners were Michael and Wendy Jackson with 65%. Runners up were Andrew Youman and Mal Gaukroger. Both of these teams qualified to go to the next round.

Nearest to the pins were Debbie Burey on the 7th, Suzanne Towells on the 9th, Mick Jackson on the 10th and Jake Ellis on the 18th. Saturday was the final of the Molly Sole with Leonie Taylor winning, well done Leonie.

Next Sunday will be an 18 hole stableford for a club trophy.

The Albatross.

Vets Golf

Last week three teams from Guyra Vets competed in the New England Vets 4ball competition in Glen Innes.

Most clubs from the Queensland border down to Walcha were represented.

The winning team was from Tenterfield with a score of 45. They will represent the New England in the State championships at Port Macquarie.

The Guyra teams were quite competitive with scores of 39 for Col Walls and Kim Shaw as well as Len Stanley and Don Campbell with Herb Wilson and Wal Chapman on 37.

Despite these 6 players being away in Glen Innes there was still a good roll up to play in the weekly Vets comp. The 8 players competed in an Individual Stableford. The winner was Roger Grills with 38 points and runner up Warren McGowen on 35. The best putters with 28 were Ian Taylor and Warren McGowen.

Nearest the pins went to Pat Grills on the 10th and Chris Newberry the 18th.

A Vet

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

August 7th – There was a yarding of 2430 lambs and 2685 sheep at the Guyra sale. Well finished heavy weight lambs were well supplied, however there were none of the extra heavy weights this fortnight.

There were some very well finished medium and heavy weight Merino lambs, having been supplementary fed. Those lambs without access to crop or

supplementary feed were plainer in condition. The usual buyers participated, however there was little in the way of restocker competition.

Market trends through the lambs were generally cheaper. The quality of the Merino lambs, along with weight increases contributed to higher prices in those classes. The light and medium weight crossbred and Dorper lambs saw

the market trend firm to slightly cheaper. Well finished lambs estimated to weigh 20-26kg cwt experienced the greater of the price declines. Heavy weights sold to a cheaper trend.

The quality and condition of the sheep offering showed a vast difference. Skin values also saw a great range. Demand from processors was strong with all but the plainest condition light weight

sheep. Market trends were firm to dearer through the weight ranges for sheep to processors, while weight increases contributed to some significant price improvement in the heavy weights. The plainest condition shorn sheep struggled to attract any interest. Skin values are supplied by industry and may not reflect wool values should the longer skins be harvested.

Armidale Cattle Sale

August 8th - With no sign of a break in the season, the numbers almost doubled for this sale. All categories were represented in a fair to good quality penning. There were limited supplies of well finished cattle. A feature however was a line of well finished heavy grown steers, not often seen here at this time of year. The usual buyers were in attendance.

Market trends varied through the young cattle, with both breed and quality contributing to some large price differences within some classes. Restocker vealers steers saw a firm to slightly dearer market trend than a fortnight ago. Conversely, the heifer portion were up to 9c/kg cheaper. Light weight yearling steers to restockers and feeders sold to a mostly cheaper trend, however improved quality lots experienced an increase in price. The quality of the

medium weight feeder steers improved, resulting in some strong sales. The plainer quality steers were slightly cheaper. Trends were also cheaper through the yearling heifers to restockers and feeders, with strong reductions for plain quality and least preferred breeds.

There was no market comparison for the well finished heavy grown steers, however they attracted strong competition from processors. Well finished grown heifers sold to a dearer trend, as processors struggled to secure sufficient well finished cattle. Market trends through the cows were cheaper, with the plainer condition lots most affected. Well finished heavy weights sold up to 6c/kg cheaper. There were large numbers of bulls, with heavy weights selling to a dearer trend.

Weekly Wool Sales

August 16th - Despite a large amount of wool withdrawn prior to sale plus a very large passed in rate and the cancellation of wool sales in South Africa the Australian wool market's retreat continued.

The Eastern market indicator recorded its largest single day loss in over a decade on the first day of sales and continued to slide on the final day albeit at a slower pace, resulting in almost a 10% fall for the week.

23,043 bales were sold nationally for the week with the passed in rate at 35.8% being its highest in over 15 years. Major buyers included Tianyu,

PJ Morris and New England Wool. It was around this time last season that the Eastern market indicator peaked at its highest weekly close of 2116 cents, placing today's market at a 27% decline.

The last sharp decline in the market ran from June 2011 to September 2012 where the market lost 35%. It's interesting to note that even with the recent large falls the market remains ahead of that June 2011 peak (EMI chart attached).

One bright spot did emerge in the market this week for wool that was declared as Non Mulesed, with substantial premiums being paid.



Gazette Footy Tipping



Top score this week was 14 points by the Red Devils which brought them into equal 3rd place with the PIA on the Locals Leaderboard, both on 217 points..

GG has been off his game over the last few weeks and has let Jy slip away to a 6 point lead of 227-221.

Bookworm and Hazel are now neck and neck in 4th place on 213 points. Eel-be-Right had another mediocre week and has slipped one place down the ladder.

Publican Mick still leads the Celebrities by 4 points over Pharmacist Vu, 225-221. With three more rounds there's time for this leadership tussle to get interesting!

IGA Ben remains in 3rd place on 217 points and Neil has caught up to Soley, both now on 211 points.

We are amazed at the Gazette's tipping prowess over the last few weeks. They have now overtaken B&L who did have a bit of a shocker last week.

Sue's Tips

- Eels
- Cowboys
- Broncos
- Sharks
- Knights
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- Storm
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- Roosters
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Ben's Tips

- Eels
- Cowboys
- Broncos
- Sharks
- Knights
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- Storm
- Raiders



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- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Sharks
- Tigers
- Roosters
- Storm
- Raiders



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Vu's Tips

- Bulldogs
- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Sharks
- Tigers
- Roosters
- Storm
- Sea Eagles



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Gazette's Tips

- Eels
- Panthers
- Broncos
- Sharks
- Tigers
- Roosters
- Storm
- Raiders



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Mick's Tips

- Eels
- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Sharks
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- Roosters
- Storm
- Raiders



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Home semi final up for grabs



The Guyra United Soccer Club held a minutes silence and wore black armbands in memory of Darryl Dowden

The Caspers were at home on the weekend to a very dangerous TAS side with the Caspers knowing a win would wrap up the minor premiership. The start has been a problem for the boys and this weekend was no different with the Caspers finding it hard to string passes together. It wasn't long before TAS were a goal up after the TAS striker snuck his way through the defence to be one on one with the keeper, leaving Des no chance of saving to give the TAS side a 1-0 lead.

The score almost doubled five minutes later when the defence was opened up again but luckily Des was at his best to keep the Caspers in touch. This seemed to kick start the boys and for the final 20 minutes of the half I believe they played the best they had all year, totally dominating the TAS side and an equalizer came through some great build up for B.J Kliendienst to calmly put away a brilliant piece of play taking the half time score 1-1.

The boys were frustrated with themselves for their efforts early, but knew if they came out playing the way they finished the first half they could come away with the points. This wasn't to be, with the boys once again struggling to string passes together. Frustration was setting in and the deadlock was broken when a ball came free in the box for a TAS player to put the goal away and the Caspers were once again chasing a result.

The boys tried hard, maybe too hard sometimes, to level the game but it finally came with seven minutes left when Corby found a small space to lock up the score at 2-2 and make an exciting finish for the game. They pushed hard but could not find the winner and 2-2 was the final score.

Points have gone behind closed doors for the final two games. The Caspers will have to look at the start of their games after conceding the first goal in

their past three matches and they will be tested big time this weekend when they travel to Inverell with plenty on the line.

The winner of this match will host the major semi-final the following weekend so the boys need to prepare well and iron out the kinks which I'm sure they can do.

On a sadder note the Caspers would like to send their deepest sympathy to the Dowden family after the passing of Darryl on Friday. The boys wore armbands in respect for the family and grandson Harrison showed great character to actually play and his involvement was inspirational, I'm sure Darryl would have been proud. Caspers hearts go out to the Dowden family at this time.

Second grade

It was a must win game for Guyra seconds on the weekend to keep their finals hopes alive. The game started fast but Guyra kept pace with TAS as both teams kept the pressure on

each other. A couple of good saves from Matt Simpson and awesome defensive efforts from the back line kept the game at nil all at the end of the first half.

Guyra came out hard and put the pressure right back on TAS with the halves linking well with forwards. This allowed Rheece Handebo to put a brilliant ball through to Scott Miller to open the scoring up for Guyra. With a finals spot on the line they kept the pressure on and another breakthrough come off the foot of Blake Handebo after a brilliant play from Scotty and Rheece.

Guyra with a 2-0 lead dug in and the backs and halves showed real grit and determination to finish the game keeping TAS scoreless. Points this week couldn't be given with no one player standing out as all the team lifted and played their best game all year. Guyra goes to Inverell in a must win in the last game of the season to secure fourth spot and make the finals.

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Locals Entry Form - Round 24

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on **Wednesday 28th August**

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Cowboys	vs	Bulldogs
Warriors	vs	Rabbits
Broncos	vs	Eels
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DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICES

DOWDEN; DARRYL GEOFFREY 16th August 2019

Of Sandon Street, Guyra.
Dearly loved husband of Leonie. Loving father & father-in-law of Tracey & Wayne Stace, Geoffrey & Louise, Cindy and loved grandfather of their families.

Aged 64 years

Funeral Service held at St James Anglican Church Guyra on Tuesday, 20th August 2019 and Interment followed in the Guyra Lawn Cemetery.



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CAMERON; MARGARET JOAN 10th August 2019

Of "East Gowrie" Tenterden.
Dearly loved wife of Robert "Bob" (dec'd). Loving mother and mother-in-law of David & Betty, Judy & Cameron Lisle, Robyn & Richard Gordon and loved grandmother and great-grandmother of their families.

Aged 91 years

Memorial Service of Thanksgiving to be held at St Colomba's Presbyterian Church Guyra, today Wednesday, 21st August 2019 commencing at 2:00pm.



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SHEELAH; ERIC ROY 17th August 2019

Of Shambrook Avenue, Armidale.
Dearly loved husband of Laurel (dec'd) and formerly Betty. Loving father and father-in-law of Colleen, Mark, Kim & Craig Stapley, Allan & Hannah, Daniel & Christine and loved grandfather and great-grandfather of their families. Loved stepfather of Maree & Kenny.

Aged 87 years

Graveside Funeral to be held at the Guyra Lawn Cemetery on Monday, 26th August commencing at 12:00pm.



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SKIPPER; RICHARD BRUCE 1935 - 2019

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Under 12 Super Spuds grand final bound

Guyra's under 12 rugby league team will be the only team representing the club in this weekend's grand finals. They will take on the Warialda Wombats at Ashford.

Despite a home ground advantage, and their best efforts, the Junior Leagueta team and the under 14s have bowed out

of the competition.

In the preliminary finals played in Guyra on Saturday the girls were first cab off the rank and although they didn't get the win they played with heart and determination and never gave up, going down 34-10 in the game against Inverell.

The under 14s put on a strong perform-

ance in front of their home crowd, but injuries and lack of numbers saw them fall short of Inverell 26-18.

Guyra players Harry Lockyer, Bailey Wilson and Myles Williams will also be playing in a grand final match as part of the Glen Innes under 16 side against the Inverell Hawks.



Back l to r: Luke Blyton (coach), Shakel Irving-Frost, Ryan Williams, Max Blyton, Riley Melmeth, Cooper Wilson, Rave Brazier, Will Knox, Lachlan Clark, Dean Heagney (coach) **Front:** Ethan Tribe, Jye McKellar, Tristan Cooper, Tommy Mitchell, Tommy Ryan, Darcey Heagney, Billy Lockyer, Brendan Landsborough, Sam Surawski, Robert Naiden

Ethan Tribe -Position: Wing **Favorite team:** Cowboys
Ethan's first year of football, never misses training, one of the teams most improved players

Ryan Williams Position: Centre/ Fullback **Favorite team:** Storm
Ryan is Mr Reliable in the backs and loves to get into some open space

Lachlan Clark Position: Front row **Favorite team:** Cowboys
Lachlan is a hard running forward who gives his all every week

Sam Surawski Position: Wing/Utility **Favorite team:** Roosters
Sam just loves his football and is always ready for a hit up

Darcey Heagney Position: Five eight **Favorite team:** Sharks
Darcey is one of the hardest workers on the field, you won't see a tackle this kid isn't part of.

Tommy Mitchell Position: Utility back **Favorite team:** Storm
Tommy has backed up from the under 10s to help out this year. He gives his all every time he is on the field

Max Blyton Position: Second row/utility **Favorite team:** Cowboys
Max loves to run the ball hard and has a bit of footwork as well

Jye McKellar Position: Wing/center **Favorite team:** Rabbitohs
Jye enjoys some open space and works hard for his team

Brendan Landsborough Position: Halfback **Favorite team:** Dragons
Brendan is exciting to watch, a great ball player, never backs down

Shakel Irving-Frost Position: Wing/center **Favorite team:** Knights
Shakel runs hard and loves to get the ball in the open

Rave Brazier Position: Second row **Favorite team:** Cowboys
Rave is a wrecking ball in attack and defence

Riley Melmeth Position: Lock **Favorite team:** Knights
Riley is a true work horse always gives 100% for his team

Billy Lockyer Position: Utility back **Favorite team:** Sharks
Billy has backed up from the under 10s this year and is a great team player

Tommy Ryan Position: Hooker **Favorite team:** Raiders
Tommy can tackle anything, loves a sneaky run from dummy half

Cooper Wilson Position: Front row **Favorite team:** Raiders
Cooper leads from the front. He runs hard and tackles harder

Robert Naiden Position: Utility back
Robert can play anywhere in the backs and always works hard

Will Knox Position: Second row/center **Favorite team:** Raiders
Will runs hard runs straight and always gives his best

Tristan Cooper Position: Wing
Tristan is not afraid of anything and loves getting involved