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\$400,000 expansion of 'The Hub' poised to start

Work is set to start on the expansion of Guyra's Neighbourhood Centre, The Hub with Armidale-based modular builder Uniplan commissioned to deliver Stage 1 of the project.

It has been a long wait for the centre with a \$400,000 State Government grant originally announced two years ago. The grant allows for a tripling in size of the centre, enabling it to expand its reach to people in need of critical support and advocacy in the Guyra district.

Stage 1 of the project will see three modules added behind the existing building to provide new office space, community meeting rooms, computer area and store-room. Additional public amenities with disabled access will also be included, and the facility will have a kitchen for the first time.

Demolition works at the rear of the building will take place in June with the new modules expected to be delivered to the site and installed in August.

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall said that it has been a long road to this point for The Hub's Co-ordinator Chris Hietbrink and her hard-working team.

"This Hub is such an important service which connects Guyra's most vulnerable residents with both government



Office Administrator Sonya Shipman, left, Centre Co-ordinator Chris Hietbrink, Adam Marshall MP and President Dot Vickery OAM are looking forward to the expansion works getting underway.

and non-government services," Mr Marshall said.

"I want to thank the community for its patience in waiting for this project to be delivered and I look forward to an official opening in October."

Co-ordinator Chris Hietbrink said the recent drought and disastrous bushfire season had highlighted how important this extension is to the community.

"For the past two years our facilities have been stretched to the absolute limit, with people wedged into every nook-and-cranny while we provided them with emotional-support and

help to apply for government assistance," Mrs Hietbrink said.

"Under our current footprint, it has not been uncommon for every consultation space to be filled, meaning there is no privacy for those in distress who walk in off the street.

"The additional office spaces in the extension will go some way to helping us create a more empathetic work area.

"I'm also very pleased provisions have been included in the new amenities to allow an accessible adult change facility to be installed in the future.

"Currently there is nothing of

this kind between Newcastle and Brisbane, on the New England Highway and I believe Guyra is perfectly situated to offer this service to people in a wheel chair who are having to travel.

"I want the community to know that during construction, The Hub will still be operating from the front of the existing building, and I urge people who need help to still come in.

"We are so close to getting construction underway and I want to thank Adam for everything he has done in supporting us during the process."

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* Approx.

“Microgreens, what’s all the fuss about?”

Last week I touched on ‘microgreens’ and I am going to talk more about them today as I think they really are something we can all grow, and by doing so, help feed our bodies the nutrition we need.

So what are ‘microgreens’? They are nutrient dense young herbs and vegetables raised from seeds in soil. They are planted in small punnets, so take up very little space and with regular sunlight and water can be harvested only a few weeks after planting. And when I say harvested, I mean picking up the punnet and with scissors in hand cutting a few greens onto your meal or into your cooking, it’s that simple. High end restaurants often use them to garnish a dish, as they come in a variety of colours and textures. But it’s not their aesthetic value I’m interested in, microgreens contain digestible vitamins, minerals and phytonutrients that are packed full of nutritional health benefits, they are flavoursome and full of living enzymes.

So how are microgreens different to sprouts? Well sprouts are the fully germinated seed, they’re the ‘babies’ of the plant world, and they germinate by being soaked and rinsed in water, whereas micro greens are the next stage in a plant’s development, kind of like the ‘toddlers’ of the plant world.

Micro greens are harvested when the germinated seeds have developed tiny roots and



Microgreens growing in an old strawberry container



the first true leaves appear. Microgreens can be grown in potting mix, but coir or coco peat, which is an organic by product of coconuts, is the perfect medium to use. It is affordable, environmentally friendly, readily available at your local hardware store and easy to work with. All you need to do is soak it in water for a while prior to planting. The coir will hold the nutrients and not let it leach through the soil, but also drain well.

With Winter on our doorstep what a great way to stay well and keep the colds and flu’s at bay and there are so many seeds to choose from. Anything from beetroot, pea sprouts, basil, radish, kale, spinach, broccoli, celery, coriander, onion, sorrel, cabbage and the list goes on. For those of us who love cooking

with fresh ingredients, you can have basil and coriander at hand when you cannot grow them out in your vegie patch. Broccoli is also a great as there is growing scientific research, telling us that the Sulforaphane compound found in broccoli has miraculous qualities that help boost immunity, help with the prevention of cancer and treat Autism, just to name a few.

To find out more just google ‘microgreens’ or if you are a keen podcaster, “All the Dirt” podcast has a great episode talking about growing your own food and the many ways you can do it.

*Until next time,
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From the ‘Girl Who Gardens’*



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Minister intervenes in council dispute

On Tuesday, the Minister for Local Government Shelley Hancock issued Armidale Regional Council with a notice of intention to suspend it for three months and appoint an interim administrator.

It follows serious concerns about the council's ability to function properly and effectively following a breakdown of relationships between councillors and key council officers and significant reputational, legal and work, health and safety risks.

The move comes one week after Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall requested the urgent intervention of the Minister to resolve what he described as significant issues of

dysfunction within the leadership of Armidale Regional Council.

Mr Marshall said that he welcomes the Minister's swift and strong action and this notice of intention is hopefully the first step toward sorting out the issues plaguing Armidale Regional Council and putting its focus back where it should be – providing effective and united leadership for the region and delivering for the local community.

"Our region and our communities expect and deserve much better than they've been getting of late from council," Mr Marshall said. "With the Minister's timely action, the ball is now firmly in council's court to step up to the mark or be moved out of the way."

Under the Local Government Act, the Minister is required to provide the council with the opportunity to make any submission before making a final determination on suspension.

The council now has fourteen days to make a submission as to why it should not be suspended and an independent administrator appointed for three months. By law the Minister must consider any submission before making a final decision.

Suspension would apply to the mayor and councillors. It would not affect council staff and daily operations. The interim administrator would perform the functions of the mayor and councillors.

Diners welcomed back in store as restrictions ease

Life is slowly returning to normal as COVID-19 restrictions are being wound back. On Friday May 15th, Cafés and Restaurants were allowed to have up to 10 customers seated in store for the first time since restrictions were imposed in March.

During that period, some hospitality businesses chose to shut down, while others remained serving takeaway only. JoJo's Coffee Shop was one business that remained open throughout and has enjoyed good support from locals.

Owner Julie Johnson said that while she is enjoying having her customers back in store the change is making things a bit more stressful because she is having to juggle her seated customers while keeping track of takeaways and checking numbers. She said it was nice to have a bit of chitter chatter back in the shop.

Juneils Coffee Shop reopened on Monday after taking a six week break. Owners June and Neil Paine said that they have found business is still a bit quiet and that people are a still a bit reluctant to come out. They report that their mornings have been busy, but the rest of the day has been slow.

A number of other restrictions have also been relaxed with outdoor playgrounds, gym equipment and barbeque facilities also allowed to open last Friday. Armidale Regional Council



Graham and Pauline Sutherland from Glen Innes (above) and local Trish Fields (below) were dining in at JoJo's on Tuesday

Mayor Simon Murray said that playgrounds and outdoor facilities are important for the health and wellbeing of children and their families and their reopening to the public will be embraced by community members.

Council is urging community members to remain cautious when using the facilities and to continue adhering to social distancing and restrictions of outdoor gatherings of up to 10 people.

In a further sign that life is returning to normal, students at NSW public schools will return to classrooms full time after weeks of remote learning. Students across NSW will be back in the classroom full-time from next Monday May 25th.



What's HOT

MUM sending us in Queensland the Guyra Gazette every week so we can keep up to date and do mind puzzles.

FOOTY tipping is back

CARAMEL Slices and Florentines baked in store

RESTRICTIONS rolled back and things getting back to normal

What's NOT

MACCA'S rubbish on footpaths around town

QUOTE of the week

Don't be afraid to take big steps. You can't cross a chasm in two small steps.

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
12	Tues	-1.7	15.0	0
13	Wed	3.6	13.2	0
14	Thurs	3.1	14.5	0
15	Fri	3.4	12.8	0
16	Sat	5.0	13.1	0
17	Sun	5.4	13.5	0
18	Mon	5.9	13.8	0

Rain this week	0mm
May. rainfall	18.2mm
Rainfall YTD	446.8mm
Rainfall last YTD	171.6mm
Ave. rain to May	402.9mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

How to reopen your business after Covid-19

With coronavirus restrictions set to easing, it's time to start thinking about how to reopen your business. The pandemic has fundamentally shifted the way many industries function, and 'business as usual' may no longer exist. So even if you aren't able to reopen your business yet, there are plenty of things you can do now to ensure you're prepared when the time comes, such as reviewing your strategy.

Before reopening, ensure you have clear processes and policies in place to resume trading safely. Consider:

- how to set up your place of business to enable social distancing
- changes you should make to your employee roster, for example, minimising the number of staff working together
- changes you should make

to your operations, for example, reducing trading hours

- changes to your policy on hygiene practices, for example, directing employees to wash their hands with soap and sanitise at regular intervals
- changes to your cleaning policy, for example, frequently disinfecting communal surfaces like tables and chairs
- how to train and supervise employees on new policies and procedures.

If your business has been closed for an extended period, chances are your supply chain has come to a grinding halt. Depending on your industry, it could be wise to start stocking up on non-perishable supplies. Remember that it might take time for your sales to pick up – so keep orders conservative until you have a better picture of customer demand.

Also, stock up on supplies you'll need to protect your employees and customers, such as soap and cleaning products, face masks, gloves and other personal protective equipment (PPE).

The reality is we don't know what might happen after the restrictions are lifted, and the path to long-term control of COVID-19 is not yet clear. If we see a second wave of infections in Australia, it's possible restrictions might be put back in place.

Although the future is still uncertain right now, being flexible can help you adapt quickly while remaining as cost-effective as possible to the evolving situation. Planning and staying prepared while operating leanly will be key to prevailing, no matter what's around the corner.

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Council 'Soap Opera'

I wonder what the heads in NSW State Government are thinking as they sit back and watch the soap opera of the Armidale Regional Council (ARC) roll on.

Just to refresh everyone's memory, this was the merging of two Councils that we had to have. I saw an article somewhere the other day where Adam Marshall was alarmed by the behaviour of the ARC Councillors. Had he kept his word to his constituents, we may not have had this lot in office carrying on like a lot of spoilt brats. When people, publicly display this behaviour, is it any wonder that much of society is out of control. Where do we go from here?

I believe, if the State Government want to rebuild their credibility in this matter, their only option is to return our FUNCTIONAL Guyra Shire Council and

until they do, dismiss the ARC and appoint an administrator. For a long time, the Guyra Shire Council was one of the better performed Councils in NSW until they were 'strongly advised' to invest surplus funds overseas. When these funds were lost and the State Govt. started 'cost shifting', Guyra did not recover. The impost of an extra \$1 million per year in cost shifting from the Government was insurmountable. However, the amalgamation and numerous grants have cost the Govt far more than the small amount that it would have taken to keep FUNCTIONAL Councils going. The State Government, in their arrogance, seem to be hell bent on pressing ahead with this current situation despite all the evidence to the contrary. In the last week the community has been advised that we will be getting a new Pre-school. While I believe

this is necessary and overdue, where will the ARC get their share of the funding from? Maybe it will be like the main street project and be abandoned when it is half completed. Maybe it will be like the Council term up until now. That is putting rates on everything that moves until they can lift the General Rate to what will be an unbearably level.

Please support our group that has been working tirelessly to regain our Shire and return some form of sanity to our Council when it eventually is returned to us. I firmly believe this will happen. Just your presence at a meeting is very much appreciated.

I would like to thank Mr. Gordon Youman and Mr. David Bearup for their letters to the 'Gazette' last week and I believe their thoughts reflect those of most Guyra and many Armidale people.

Ray Mulligan.

Mayor welcomes additional assistance

Armidale Regional Council Mayor Simon Murray said that he welcomes all constructive input to maintain the effective operations of the organisation and its good governance, Councillor Murray acknowledged actions last week by the NSW Member for Northern Tablelands, Adam Marshall, who sought the involvement of the Office of Local Government (OLG) to resolve divisions between some councillors and a subsequent challenge to the tenure of the Chief Executive Officer, Susan Law.

“Our organisation has also previously sought input from the OLG as we work to address that factional division between councillors, however I

challenge the suggestion that Council is not an effectively functioning body,” Cr Murray said. “It’s continuing to deliver on service to the community and key projects, as our effective local management of the COVID-19 crisis, numerous measures to assist businesses impacted by the pandemic and recent announcements such as our Kempsey Road repairs and new Guyra preschool will testify.

“Similarly, our CEO continues to display ongoing leadership that earned her an ‘above average’ rating for her most recent performance review by the full panel of councillors,” he said. “The focus of Ms Law and Council staff continues to be the effective delivery of

service and projects and the fiscal health of the organisation. It should be the same for all the councillors, which is why Council has also involved the Land and Environment Court.”

Last week the court issued a temporary injunction which prevented an extraordinary meeting of Council, which had been called by some councillors to consider terminating the CEO’s contract. Cr Murray said the decision to involve the Court was taken to protect Council from liability created by any (potentially) unlawful decision with respect to the removal of the CEO and that the deference to legal adjudication and involvement of Council’s Governance staff to make that

happen has been completely appropriate.

In the meantime, he said Council operations will continue unchanged and that no councillors are restrained from conducting the ordinary business of Council.

“They are able to vote, and conduct normal Council business, other than determining the CEO’s employment, until that matter is decided by the Land and Environment Court,” he said. “I will do everything in my power to steady the ship and ensure we continue to put the community’s interests first and set a path to recovery and prosperity in the future.”

Rail trail decision unchanged



The future of the Great Northern Rail Line is still being debated

A rescission motion has failed to gain adequate support to overturn a motion in support of the establishment the New England Rail Trail. In February, Armidale Regional Council voted in favour of allocating \$25,000 towards a business plan for the rail trail which would connect Armidale and Glen Innes.

Following that meeting Councillors Debra O’Brien, Margaret O’Connor and Dorothy Robinson lodged a rescission motion. The tabling of this motion was delayed due to council cancelling face to

face meetings in March, and further delayed when it was deferred at their first online meeting on April 22nd.

Despite considerable debate at last week’s extraordinary meeting, the original decision will stand, with seven councillors voting against the rescission motion and only Councillors O’Brien and O’Connor voting in favour. Councillors Dorothy Robinson and Brad Widders left the online meeting so did not participate in the vote.

The original decision by Armidale Regional Council

was to support the declassification of the rail corridor allowing for the construction of a rail trail and allocate a maximum of \$25,000 to further develop existing business plans for the project.

They also agreed to seek advice on funding streams from State and Federal governments for the trail’s development and to implement a governance structure which would include Armidale Regional Council, Glen Innes Shire Council and the New England Rail Trail as a minority member.

Storytime moves online

In celebration of National Simultaneous Storytime, Emma Watkins from The Wiggles will be reading ‘Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas’ on Wednesday May 27th.

Guyra Library usually participates in this initiative, however this year the event will be hosted online. To participate, you can tune into Story Box Library from 11am to read the story with Emma.

National Simultaneous Storytime is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously all around Australia and New Zealand.

Waste turned into art

At this time of year schools are normally involved in the Waste to Art competition. Of course, this is just one of the events that has been cancelled due to COVID-19 but Kindergarten at St Mary of the Angels have gone ahead and created artworks from rubbish and have had a lot of fun in the process.

They held an exhibition in the school library and invited students to come and vote for the most creative sculpture. The people's choice winners were Rylan Wilson and Milla McFarlane. Well done Rylan and Milla and well done to all of the very resourceful and imaginative Kindergarten children!

Thank you to the families that sent in their recycling for the children to use.



Top, I to r:

Millie Neill, Amaly Adams
Amaral, Ned Newberry,
Boston Starr, Jacob Dinh

Middle

Matthew Sauer, Chaise
Martin, Vancara Lockyer

Bottom

Milla McFarlane,
Miles Furphy, Rylan Wilson,
Jayde Cox, Eliza Wesley

Footy Tipping Returns

As all footy "tragnics" would know, the NRL will resume the football season from next Thursday, 28th May.

With our footy tipping competitions, we

can now start again where we left off way back in March. Below is the Round 3 draw for our Locals to now carefully consider and submit your tips to the

Gazette by 4.00pm next Wednesday.

We will send Round 3 to our Celebrities next Monday to submit their tips for publication next week.



Gazette Footy Tipping

Eel-be-Right	24	Sarbear	20
Chris Morley	24	The Red V	18
From the Desk	24	Nightwatchman	18
GG	24	Elva Brazier	18
Bulldog	22	WKAD	16
Terrible Twosome	20	Rock 3	16
The 3 Bunnies	20	Old Chook	14
Jy Starr	20	Famous Five	14
Red Devils	20	Dason	14
Hazel	20		

Locals Entry Form - Round 3

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on Wednesday, 27th May

Name:

Phone:

Broncos	vs	Eels
Cowboys	vs	Titans
Roosters	vs	Rabbits
Warriors	vs	Dragons
Sharks	vs	Tigers
Storm	vs	Raiders
Panthers	vs	Knights
Sea Eagles	vs	Bulldogs

Community webinars on groundwater network

Two public webinars are being held to give community members the latest information about the Ground Water Supply Network being developed in the Guyra district.

A midday session will be held on Thursday May 21st, followed by an evening session on Monday May 25th to give Guyra community members an update and the chance to ask questions about the bore network, which is being established as part of measures to increase the region's water security.

Each forum will include a question and answer session to help ensure the webinar addresses particular community queries or concerns. The webinar will be independently facilitated by Southern New England Landcare Executive Officer Karen Zirkler.

Topics covered by the 90-minute webinar will include:

- construction of the eight supply bores and the underground piping and pumping



Izzeard Park is one of the bore sites

network that will link them to the Guyra Water Treatment Plant

- measures to avoid interfering with the supplies of other groundwater users
- how the network will be used to provide increased re-

gional water security

- how the groundwater supply could contribute to the secure yield needed to get approval for enhancements to the Malpas Dam wall

Community members will be able to submit questions dur-

ing the webinar or before each session. The webinar will also be available to view online afterwards."

Visit Council's Your Say Armidale website to register or submit a question before 5pm on Wednesday May 20th.

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

May 13, 2020 - There was a reduced penning of both sheep and lambs with 1,250 lambs and 795 grown sheep.

The quality of the lambs was mostly good with heavy and extra heavy weights well supplied. There were several lines of well-bred 2nd cross lambs avail-

able to restockers. The regular buyers were in attendance.

Market trends for restocker lambs were mostly firm on the better quality lines. The secondary quality and plainer condition lambs showed some improvement. Trends were also dearer on lambs to process.

The majority of the well finished lambs were in the heavy and extra heavy weight classes with restockers purchasing most of the light and medium weight crossbreds.

There were limited supplies of light weights purchased by the trade. Dearer trends for the

most part through the sheep to process with some weight and quality related price improvement.

The quality of the Restocker Merino sheep was down with this accounting for the reduction in price.

Next sale May 27th

Armidale Cattle Sale

May 14, 2020 - The numbers increased to their highest level for quite sometime, with a yarding of 1015.

There was a good supply of heavy weight cows with young cattle also well supplied. The quality of the offering was mixed, while there were plenty of well finished cattle to suit processor requirements. There was strong restocker support with feedlots and processors also very active.

The strong demand from restockers continued with vealers selling to dearer trends. The light and medium weights improving by as much 20c to 40c/kg. The light weight heifer portion improving by a greater margin.

Medium and heavy weight yearling steers to restock and feed mostly sold to cheaper trends. Odd quality related price improvement.

Well finished trade yearling heifers sold to dearer trends as did the feeder heifers. Heavy grown steers to process sold to dearer trends with the heifer portion also showing strong gains. Quality and increased competition were factors.

There was little change in the medium weight cows. Heavy weights sold to dearer trends of as much as 18c/kg under increased competition and an improvement in quality. Heavy weight bulls sold to dearer trends.

Weekly Wool Sales

May 15, 2020 - Tuesday's one-day Northern region sale witnessed the first rally in the market in over a month.

It was the finer better style Merino types that led the market higher whilst the Crossbred and Carding sectors continued to head South.

Not all these rises could be maintained on the second day of sales with the Southern region market giving up some ground however the market still managed an overall increase for the week.

21,315 bales were sold nationally with the improved market providing a lower passed in rate of 8.8%. Major buyers in-

cluded Tianyu, Techwool and PJ Morris. The overall market has seen a 44% reduction since the highpoint in August 2018.

A look back over the past 20 years shows similar falls from high to low with low points in April 1996 (36% drop), October 1998 (40% drop), December 2005 (47% drop) and September 2012 (35% drop).

Just like the current fall in the market external factors were at play in most of the previous falls. A 40% fall is the average of these 5 price reduction events. The current 44% fall whilst not welcome by any stretch of the imagination, is not unusual given the ongoing global uncertainty

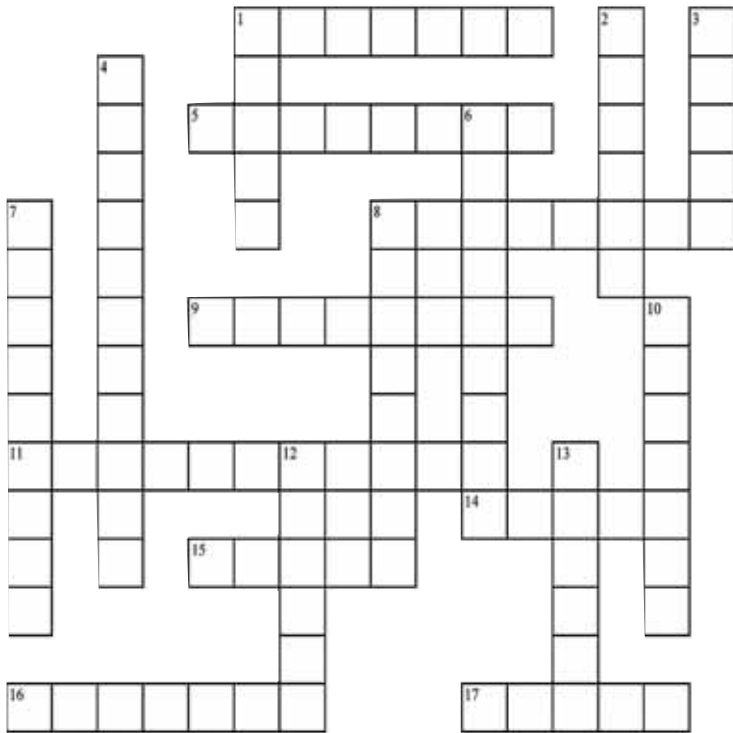
CROSSWORD CLUES

Across

1. Fred Ward, _____ Thunderbolt
5. Hereford Stud
8. Paid to take fleece off sheep
9. December event organised by Rotary
11. Farmstay at Ben Lomond (6,5)
14. Car Club event, Show & _____
15. Current Citizen of the Year (surname)
16. Old Convent _____
17. Builder of kitchens (surname)

2. Church in Llangothlin St, The _____
3. Popular breed of cattle (black)
4. Tingha's favourite playground
6. Sue Croaker is BEST at this
7. Laneway connects Baldersleigh & Guyra Rds
8. _____ & Combs
10. Popular Restaurant (now closed)
12. Lamb & Potato Ambassador _____ Wilson
13. Season celebrated with Fair at Ben Lomond

HINT: LOCAL KNOWLEDGE



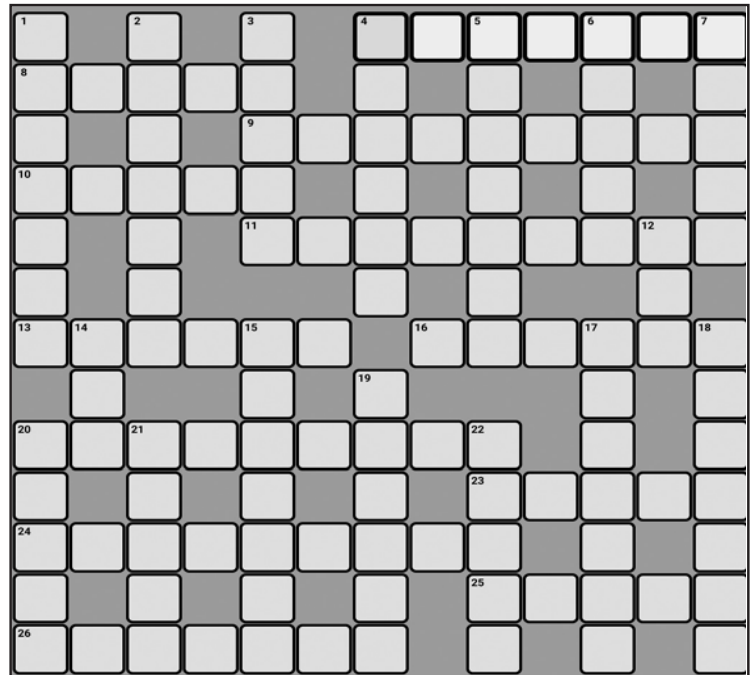
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WORDSEARCH - Mathematics

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 SINE
 SOLVE
 SYMBOL
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 THIRTY
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CROSSWORD CLUES

Across

4. Giving off fumes of combustion
8. Give a speech
9. Pseudonym of an actor (5,4)
10. Official examination of accounts or financial records
11. Fast vehicle for travelling on water
13. Convene
16. A short advertising promo
20. Inedible mushroom
23. Be in accord
24. Tactful fibs
25. Air cavity in the skull
26. Look up to

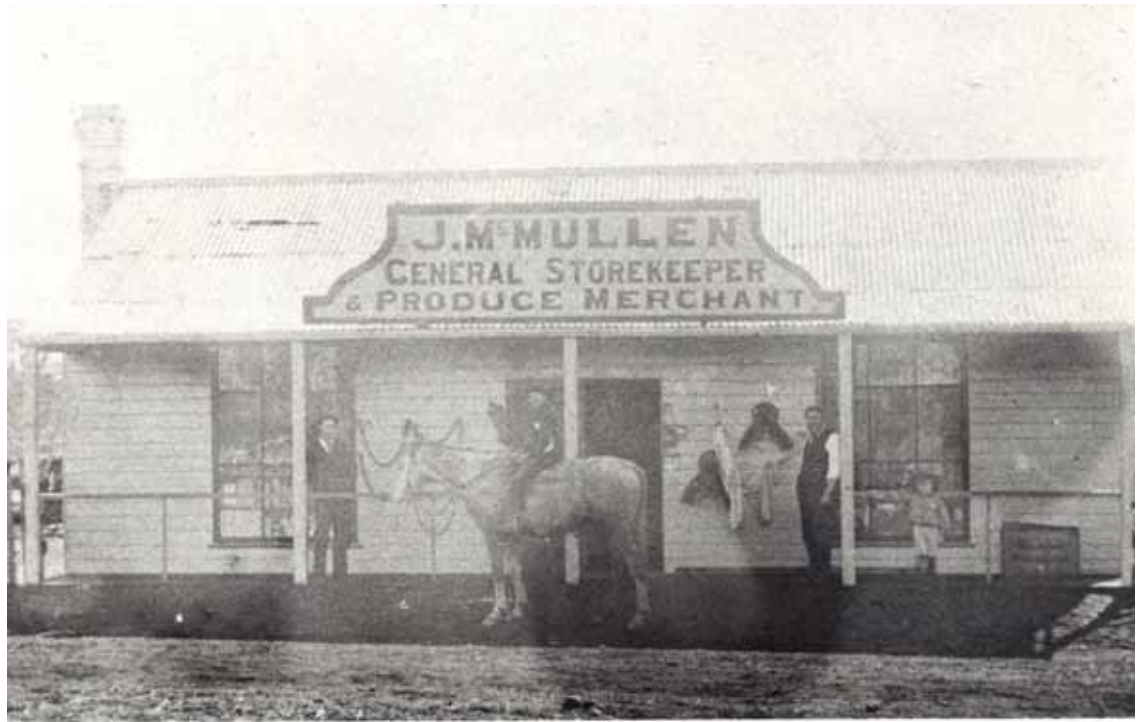
Down

1. In the direction of

2. Auditory membrane of middle ear
3. Takes a break
4. Afraid
5. Not at the planned or expected time
6. American state
7. Magnificent
12. Alcoholic beverage
14. Vehicle from another world (inits)
15. Morally offensive, rude
17. Highest female voice
18. Go backwards
19. Relating to the former USSR
20. Structure taller than its diameter
21. Farewell amigo
22. Noosed rope

FROM THE ARCHIVES - McMullen's Store

J.M. McMullen store was located in Ollera Street North Guyra. Joseph McMullen came to the Guyra District in the 1890's and was engaged in various occupations associated with the land. Subsequently in about 1896 he established a store-keeping business in Ollera Street, North Guyra. (about where the Guyra Fire shed is situated). Disposing of the business, about 1910 he took on a Hotel business at Bundarra. Selling that Hotel he then purchased a store-keeping business at Walcha Road and after sometime sold out and went into an hotel at Walcha. Then in 1914 he returned to Guyra again going into the store-keeping business which he conducted until he retired in 1930.



Do you have photos or information about businesses that have operated in Guyra previously? Please contact Dorothy Lockyer admin@gala.org.au or drop into the GALA Centre

JOKES of the WEEK

- **Definition of Irony** - When the Year Of The Rat starts with a plague.
- **2020** is a unique leap year. It has 29 days in February, 300 days in March and 10 years in April.
- **Chuck Norris** has been exposed to the Coronavirus.
- **I think** it is great that people are finally starting to drink water, wipe their ass and wash their hands.
- **I sneezed** in the bank today, it was the most attention I have received from the staff in the last 10 years.

Names revealed



Back l to r: Raynor Culla, Greg Mitchell, Ted Davidson, Gary Stevens, Marj Bell. **Front:** Beryl Bennett, Judy Jackson, Leone Hill, Heather Lockyer Beverly Reeves, Lyn Holy. **Absent:** Michele Woodward and Meryl Clark **Teacher J.R Whiteford (Head master)**

A BIG BLAZE MR MCMULLEN'S STORE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Guyra Argus June 1903.

Our hitherto quiet little town was thrown into a state of wild excitement on Monday evening shortly after 8pm., when the alarm of "fire" was raised, and in a short time the whole of the inhabitants were making their way to the scene.

The fire which is a mystery, broke out in the drapery department, and in less time it takes to write, that part of the building was enveloped in flames. Many willing hands were soon at work endeavouring to stay the progress of the flames, and aided by the calmness of the night had the satisfaction of beating the fire before it left the main building, thus saving Mr Burling bakery, which at one period was thought to be as good as raised (sic) to the ground;

had there been any wind, there would have been nothing to save it, also Mr Tom Sole store and residence.

Although Mr McMullen succeeded in saving a portion of his stock he is a heavy loser (sic) as the building and stock valued at over £3,000 and was only covered by £1,600 insurance. Fortunately the books were recovered but there was a considerable amount of money which was destroyed.

Great sympathy is expressed for our townsman in his sad misfortune. He had only recently unpacked his extensive winter stock, which was equal to anything in New England. The reflection of the blaze was seen as far as four miles from town. This is the only fire that has occurred in Guyra, and we hope it will be the last.



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Guyra Crossword 13-5-2020

Across: 1. Backwater, 5. Dorothy, 8. Banbai, 9. St Clair, 11. Sole, 14. Hammonds, 15. Pool, 16. Holysmoke, 18. Godlonton

Down: 2. Wittig, 3. Tennis, 4. Mitchell, 6. Ruddweigh, 7. Wattleridge, 10. Llangothlin, 11. SES, 12. Boorolong, 13. Railway, 17. Show

Crossword 13-5-2020

Across: 1. Familiar, 5. Flat, 8. Recycled, 10. Digital, 11. Start, 12. Efficient, 15. Encourage, 18. Nurse, 19. Problem, 11. Revision, 23. Turn, 24. Interest

Down: 1. Forest, 2. Mechanic 3. Locate, 4. Aged, 6. Lost, 7. Tablet, 9. Diving, 13. Farmer, 14. Exercise, 15. Expect, 16. Engine, 17. Peanut, 20. Over, 21. Mean,

WHERE'S GAZZA

Find **Gazza** in this week's edition of the Gazette. Our friendly cockatoo appears three times. There are no prizes just put your detective hats on and enjoy the hunt.



DEATH NOTICE

HEAGNEY; ERIC JOHN 15th May 2020

Of Lackey Street, Guyra.
 Dearly loved father of Ruth, Patrick, Frances and loved father-in-law, grandfather and great-grandfather of their families. Loving brother of Betty Heagney.

Aged 87 years

Private family cremation service to be held.



Piddington's AFDA 6772 2288

CHURCH SERVICES

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Services resume this weekend at Guyra with limited numbers.

You MUST PHONE to book.

Fr. Stephen O'Shea - 6779 1036

Saturday, 23rd May 6.00pm
 Sunday, 24th May 9.00am
 Sunday, 24th May 11.00am

PUBLIC NOTICES

JIGSAW PUZZLE EXCHANGE now operating at Burgess Garage. Bring in your puzzles to exchange for new ones.

GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM will be CLOSED until further notice. Enquiries: 6779 2132.

CLAIM THE DATE

SUNDAY, 8th NOVEMBER: Guyra Cup (note postponement from 19th April).

CLAIM THE DATE
For your event or function
Phone: 6779 2132

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Under 8 Titans (above)

Harry Reeves, Taylor Brennan, Will Cox, BJ Cameron, Lucas Atkin, Ben Lennon and Ella Atkin

Under 6 Possums (above left)

Steph Cameron, Cyan McLauchlan, Bailey King, Alliyah Johnson and Hunter Wareing

Rugby Union Under 15 Reps

Jock Waters and Jake Brazier



Turboheat is a ducted fluing system

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