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New shed for Lamb & Potato Festival

A ceremonial turning of the sod last week marked a start on construction of a new undercover performance and dining area for the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival

Funding for the project has come from a \$130,000 grant from the NSW Government.

The permanent, all-weather shed will be constructed behind the Big Lamb, alongside the existing canteen building.

Lamb and Potato Festival President Steve Mephram said the building would slash thousands of dollars and multiple man hours off running the event.

“The shed will replace two marquees which are normally hired each year, at a combined cost of \$6,000,” Mr Mephram said.

“Traditionally the marquees take half-a-day before the festival to put up and another half-



Secretary Julie Gittoes, Adam Marshall MP, ARC Mayor Ian Tiley and President Steve Mephram to turn the first ceremonial sod of soil on the \$130,000 project.

day to pull down, creating additional work for a volunteers who already give up time off their farms to support the 13-day

event.

“The festival runs on the smell of an oily rag each year and so the \$6,000 we save on hiring a marquee will be able to be spent improving other facilities like our kitchen.

“With council approving our development application, I ex-

pect we will have contractors on site in by the second half of this year, with the hope of having the build complete in time for the 2022 festival.”

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall said that each year the Lamb and Potato Festival is a quality showcase of what the Guyra area has to offer and hopefully this new building will support the committee to grow and develop the event into the future.”

“The permanent building will be equipped with roller doors which can be utilised during Guyra’s torrential summer storms or opened during a sweltering January afternoon,” Mr Marshall said.

“It will give patrons a comfortable space to tuck into a famous lamb and gravy roll and enjoy some local country music.

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RURAL RESIDENTIAL LANDHOLDER'S CLIMATE RISK WORKSHOP SERIES: THE FINAL FORUM

During a series of three interactive workshops, we recently asked Rural Residential Landholders to:

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Are you giving your rural lifestyle block the best chance to survive the next fire, flood or drought?

We now invite all rural residential landholders to join us as we present findings and look at possible next steps.

Do you have the knowledge & skills to navigate through it?



Armidale City Bowling Club 5.30 - 7.30 pm Thursday 20 May 2021.

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3.00pm on Friday, 28th May 2021



For further information call:
Mark Atkin: 0455 310 657

Passing of local legend Ted Mulligan

A large crowd is expected to farewell Guyra's oldest citizen Ted Mulligan, who passed away on Thursday at the age of 104. A funeral service will be held at St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church on Monday May 17th, commencing at 2pm.

Ted lived in Guyra all of his life except for the time he spent in the armed forces during the second World War. His great passions were his family, farming, horses, cricket and telling stories.

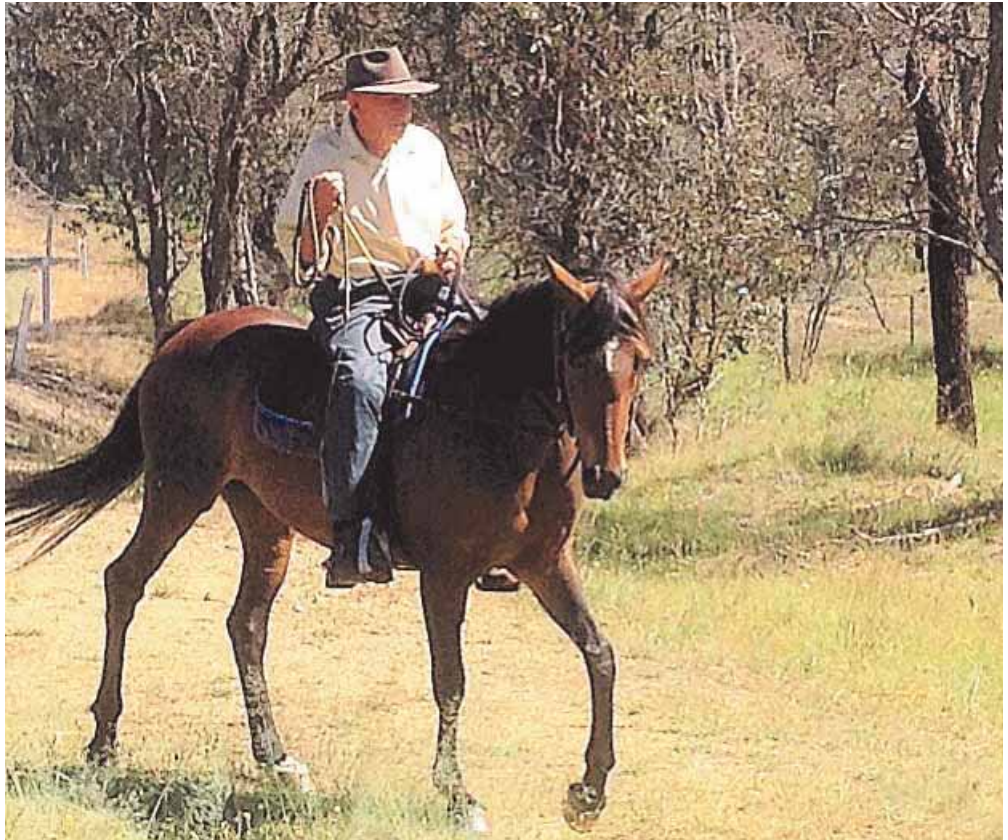
Ted was the last surviving member of his generation of Mulligans, who grew up at "Glenore" west of Guyra. He joined the 12th Light Horse Brigade in 1938, and when the Light Horse Brigade was disbanded Ted enlisted in the Army. He served in Northern Australia and became one of the first six servicemen in Australia to learn to drive tanks. In 1943 Ted transferred to the Small Ships Division where he saw active service in New Guinea and the South Pacific. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and received a total of 10 bravery and service medals.

After the War, Ted returned to Guyra and married Iris Cox on 21 August 1948. They purchased the property "Ellerslie" where they raised their six children.

Ted made a lifelong commitment to the community of Guyra and contributed his time to many organisations. He was patron of the Guyra District Cricket Association, Northern Tablelands Cricket Association, Guyra Show Society, Guyra Pony Club, Zone 13 Pony Club Association and the Guyra Sub Branch of the RSL. His contribution to the community has been recognised with a number of awards, at local, state and national level.

Ted was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the 2006 Queens Birthday Honours List, became the Guyra Citizen of the Year in 2008 and received the Guyra Local Achievement Award in 2014 during NSW Seniors Week.

On his 100th birthday in November 2016 he was given the 'Keys to the Town of Guyra' by Senator John Williams and re-



Ted Mulligan OAM passed away on May 6th

ceived a Papal Blessing from a representative of Pope Francis.

Ted loved cricket and horses and it is fitting that he will be remembered long into the future with naming honours at the Ted Mulligan Oval, the home of cricket in Guyra, and the Ted Mulligan Ring at the Showground, the home of horse events. He was as good a batsman as any to come out of Guyra, still playing cricket in his 60s and continued riding until well into his 90s.

Ted remained active and in good health despite his advancing years and was in his 80s when he retired from full time work. At the age of 91, Ted represented the Australian Light Horse Association at the dedication of a memorial to Australian soldiers at Beersheba, Israel.

At the age of 98, he was diagnosed with

Lymphoma. In typical fashion, Ted fought back and achieved complete remission, becoming one of the oldest patients worldwide to be successfully treated for an aggressive Lymphoma.

Despite slowing down over recent years, his interest in community activities continued and he remained a keen spectator at local cricket matches when weather permitted. His last outing in the community was to attend the Anzac Day service in Guyra on April 25th. Ted passed away in Guyra MPS on Thursday May 6th.

He is survived by his children Lorraine Stone, Ray Mulligan, Lindsay Mulligan, Mary Carrigan and Maureen Epworth. Daughter Dianne Newberry passed away in 2009 and his wife Iris sadly passed away in 2018.

\$10,000 grant for Garden Club

Member for New England, Barnaby Joyce, has congratulated three groups in New England who have each been approved for a grant under the Federal Government's Saluting Their Service Commemorative Grants Program.

"Guyra Garden Club will receive \$10,000 to install plaques at the base of trees in Guyra Memorial Park to commemorate the service and sacrifice of local defence personnel in all wars, conflicts

and peace operations," Mr Joyce said.

Gwydir Shire Council will receive \$5,000 to contribute to costs associated with the annual Bingara Orange Festival that commemorates the service of local personnel who died in the First and Second World Wars.

"A grant of \$8,000 will also be given to the Armidale & District National Servicemen's Association Sub-branch Inc to publish a book outlining the four different

National Service schemes in Australia between 1911 and 1972," Mr Joyce said.

The Saluting Their Service program is an Australian Government initiative that aims to honour the service and sacrifice of Australia's service men and women in wars, conflicts and peace operations, and to promote appreciation and understanding of the role that those who served have played in shaping the nation.

Fire station Open Day

Come and meet your local firefighters and learn about home fire safety at the Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) Open Day on Saturday, May 15th.

Guyra Fire Station will be hosting an event between 10.00am and 2.00pm to showcase FRNSW's broad capabilities.

Children will be able to see a fire truck, whilst the grown-ups will be able to find out more about home fire safety.

FRNSW Station Captain Steven Sole said Open Day was an opportunity to show people that firefighters do so much more than fight fires.

"A large part of our role is to educate the community about home fire safety and that's where Open Day comes in," he said. "This year we are focussing on the importance of having a working smoke alarm in your home.

"Each year, approximately 20 people die in NSW from fires that could have been prevented. Each death is a tragic loss for families, friends and the wider community.

"Additionally, for each fire fatality, there are also hundreds more people who survive a fire but suffer life-changing health consequences.

"Firefighters are committed to reducing the risk of such fires and to protecting the irreplaceable."



Fire Captain Steven Sole and his team are ready to welcome visitors this weekend

FRNSW Station Captain Steven Sole said there is a 10 per cent increase in the number of house fires during the cooler months, with many fires starting in bedrooms and loungerooms due to heaters and electric blankets.

"This year we want to help residents prepare their

homes and in particular, encourage them to check their smoke alarms and have a Home Fire Escape Plan.

FRNSW has developed a Get Ready for Winter checklist - to find out more, visit <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/winter>.



GUYRA MEDICAL CENTRE

wish to advise that

all people over 50 years of age are now eligible to receive the AstraZeneca vaccine to protect against Covid-19.

Please phone 6738 4070 for appointments.

When making an appointment, please be aware that you need at least one (1) week between having the flu vax and the Covid vaccination.

Highway safety project starts north of Guyra

Work has begun on a \$1.3 million upgrade project on the New England Highway near Tubbamurra Road. The project will widen the existing road shoulder, install and improve drainage and visibility. New safety barriers will also be added to reduce the severity of head-on and run-off-road crashes.

Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall said that the roadworks are a major investment by the State

Government that will make every journey along this incline on the highway safer.

"The highway is a vital freight link for communities across region, with about 2,660 vehicles using it every day," Mr Marshall said. "These works, being funded through the Safer Roads program, will support about 30 local jobs and provide additional work for about six local suppliers and contractors

"I encourage all traffic, in

particular heavy vehicles, to ensure they heed the 40km/h speed limit which will be in place for the duration of works, keep an eye out for signage and allow an extra five minutes travel time."

Work is being carried out from 6am to 6pm on weekdays and from 7am to 4pm on Saturdays and is expected to take three months, weather permitting.

Traffic is being reduced to one lane, alternating flow,

during work hours, with a reduced speed limit in place for the safety of workers and motorists.

For the latest traffic updates download the Live Traffic NSW App, visit www.livetraffic.com or call 132 701.

For more information about projects on the New England Highway, visit nswroads.work/newengland

OPEN DAY at Fire Station this Saturday - head on down with the kids

COVID vaccinations available to those over 50 from next week

BEER & BBQ Festival in Armidale this weekend

MEETING someone in Guyra who shares a 29th of February birthday with you 😊

What's **NOT**

ROADSIDE LITTERING and dumping of rubbish

QUOTE of the week

Many of life's failures are people who did not realise how close they were to success when they gave up

Thomas Edison

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
4	Tues	5.9	15.8	0
5	Wed	3.7	10.9	12.8
6	Thurs	5.0	13.6	9.4
7	Fri	9.0	15.3	0.6
8	Sat	10.5	18.1	0
9	Sun	8.4	16.1	4.4
10	Mon	6.4	15.4	11.8

Rain this week	39mm
May rainfall	39mm
Rainfall YTD	432.0mm
Rainfall last YTD	446.8mm
Ave. rain to May	395.7mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

It's hard to believe we are already in Week 4 of Term Two. Bald Blair Public School students returned to school on Tuesday 20th April very excited to start the new school term.

We have lots of learning activities planned throughout the term, with all the teachers and support staff very excited about the opportunities on offer for our students.

Our school attended the Finlayson Sports Day at Chandler Public School in April. This was our annual athletics carnival and was hotly contested between other small schools in our area. We also had 10 students represent Bald Blair at the PSSA Zone Cross Country in Armidale on Tuesday 4th May. Isabella Purvis and Taharn Masuk-Purvis have qualified for the regional cross-country in Coolah in June.

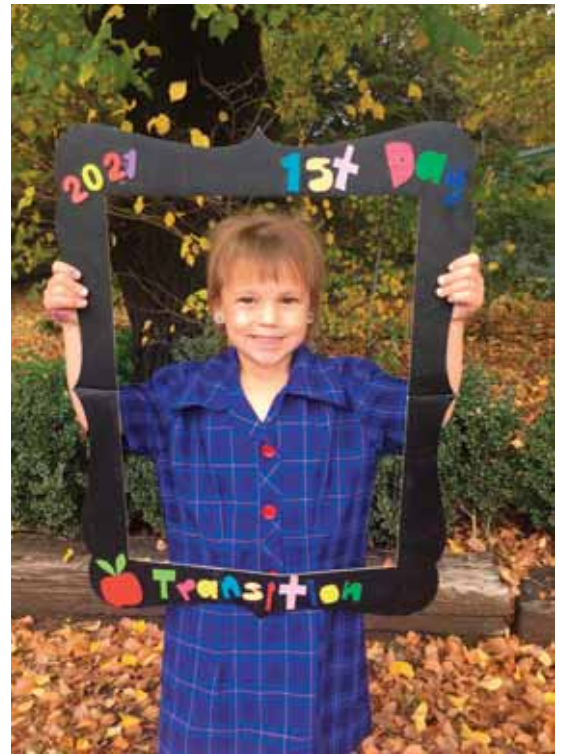
We are continuing our music program with Mrs Tanya Siddell and on Friday we had a visit from the New England Conservatorium of Music. We are also planning an overnight excursion to Thalgarrah Environmental Educa-

tion Centre towards the end of term, with a strong focus on learning about biology and ecosystems. Further details will be sent home to parents as they are finalised.

This week, our Year Three and Year Five students will sit the NAPLAN tests over three days. Good luck to all of our hard-working students.

Last week, we welcomed Sadie MacDougall and Willow Cruickshank to our Transition to Kindergarten program. This week, Jaidee Masuk-Purvis will join our program and we are very much looking forward to seeing their bright, smiling faces. Transition is held every Thursday, with expert early learning teachers providing a comprehensive learning program for our young students. Please contact the school on 6779 1578 if you would like to enrol your child.

Ros Edwards
Principal



Bald Blair Transition students Sadie McDougall and Willow Cruickshank

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Anzac Day at Ben Lomond



Mark Donovan and Michael Mulligan

April 25th dawned resplendent, dressing the crisp autumn glory of coloured street trees on a trimmed landscape, warming from the sharp blue sky, to the friendly chatter, common purpose of commemoration and camaraderie.

More than 65 community members and visitors were welcomed to a significant service of remembrance. Mollie Chard sang 'The Army Hymn' accompanied by Julie Stride. The Ben Lomond year six students shared two poems.

Former Ben Lomond resident Bernie Mackson spoke of a life experienced by Patrick Walsh, fondly known as Paddy, that led to him leaving Australia to live in a 'snake free' New Zealand. It was

there that he enlisted for war. It raises the question what would make him think it might be safer in a war zone than a snake ridden homeland?

Trish and Mark Donovan presented a photograph of the late Colonel Christopher Donovan to add to the War Memorial Hall's Gallery of local men and women who served across the years. Chris was a former hall committee chairman and active community member.

At the conclusion of the commemoration there was an opportunity for many conversations and a chance for many stories to be told at morning tea.

Beth White

Have your say.....

Marvellous what happens in Guyra if everyone pulls their weight

On May 4th, the Guyra Heritage Rail Group had two coaches visit. They visited the Antique Machinery Museum, had some rides on the Rail Train and visited the Historical Museum. Some visitors also went up the street to visit the car museum and shops.

They were treated to a wonderful spread for morn-

ing tea, which they appreciated. This was supported by several museum members, machinery group members and locals. They were served by Narella, Jessica, Bob Furze, Wendy Lockyer, Dulcie Giles and Ray Martin.

Many thanks to Tony Looker for conveying the train from the shed to the railway and returning same to shed. Also to Bev Mitchell, Di Crossing, Linda Kistenmaker and Dot Vickery who

Tree committee calls for input

During the last Armidale Regional Council meeting in April a motion was passed to remove the current nine Maple trees from Bradley Street and replace them with 20 Crepe Myrtles. The reasoning behind is the potential damage to footpath and road that the current trees could do as there are not any root guards in place.

Due to the lack of public consultation from the Armidale Regional Council on the replacement of the maple trees in Bradley Street and the upgrading of the gardens, the Guyra Chamber of Commerce moved to form a "consultative sub-committee" for people to "have your say".

The committee will undertake consultations on the current proposal passed at the

Council meeting in April and is seeking input from local businesses on Bradley Street and local people. The committee is also seeking alternative proposals and input from local businesses, members of the Guyra Garden Club, local horticulturalists and local people.

There will be two opportunities to put forward your views on Tuesday the 18th of May from 11am to 12pm at the Guyra Hub and then a second opportunity from 5:30pm to 6:30pm at the GALA training room.

Committee representatives include James Warren, Bronwyn Grills, David Mills, Sonya Wallbridge and Steve Mephram.

You can also email chamber@guyra.org.au

Free Community Workshop

Armidale Regional Council, as part of its Climate Emergency Program, has funded Sustainable Living Armidale (SLA) to again offer workshops on how to save household energy. SLA is a community volunteer organisation founded a dozen years ago to build community resilience in response to climate change and resource depletion.

SLA has offered numerous workshops related to sustainability. The current workshop will examine how typical households use energy, ways

to physically reduce the need for heating and cooling, and ways to live in your house that will require less energy and save money. How to evaluate appliances will also be included.

The workshop will be held at The Hub (160 Bradley Street) Saturday, on May 22nd from 2:00 – 4:00pm. Workshops are interactive and respond to the questions and circumstances of those who attend. Because of Covid-19, please register: patsasch@gmail.com

Email: news@gala.org.au Mail: PO Box 170

manned the museum and Gary Skinner, Del and Graham Healey, and Don Williams for manning the Antique Machinery Museum. To train drivers and assistants, Peter, Lyn, Sam, Barbara, Ashley, Maureen and Carol.

A big thank you to Guyra Fuels, Kirks IGA, Country Fresh Hot Bread Shop, Lamb and Potato Association, Rapid Clean and the Tomato Farm for their support. To

Scott McGregor from Railway Adventures, Edwards Coaches Armidale who delivered 73 passengers and four crew to Guyra Railway Station on their seven day tour of train rides and other interests.

There will be more of these as soon as we get final approval.

*Ron Lockyer
President
Heritage Rail Group*

Community Noticeboard



Meals on Wheels

May 13 H. Marchant
 May 14 Golf Ladies
 May 17 Ann Hulbert
 May 18 Jan Jordan
 May 19 D & B Mayled

Street Stalls

May 13 Can Assist
 May 14, 15 Rotary/
 Garden Club
 May 20 Anglican Women

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Mass 6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday – Friday 9am
 Contact: 6779 1667

St. James' Anglican Church

9am Sunday. Doors open from 8:30am. We have plenty of space, all welcome!
 Contact: Rev. Tim Stevens 6779 1111

St. Columba's Presbyterian Church

9am Sunday followed by morning tea.
 Contact: Rev. Andrew Campbell 0447 724 536

The Chapel,

66 Llangothin Street:
 Sunday Service: 10am
 Contact: 0460 448 864

Seventh-day Adventist Church:

Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday
 Divine Service 11.30am Saturday
 Contact: Church Clerk 6779 1587

Uniting Church, 57 Ollera Street:

Regular Sunday Service: 9.30am
 Contact: Nancy Davidson 6779 1366

Service Clubs

LIONS CLUB dinner meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesday 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 at Guyra Cafe Ph: Aileen MacDonald 0417 079 307

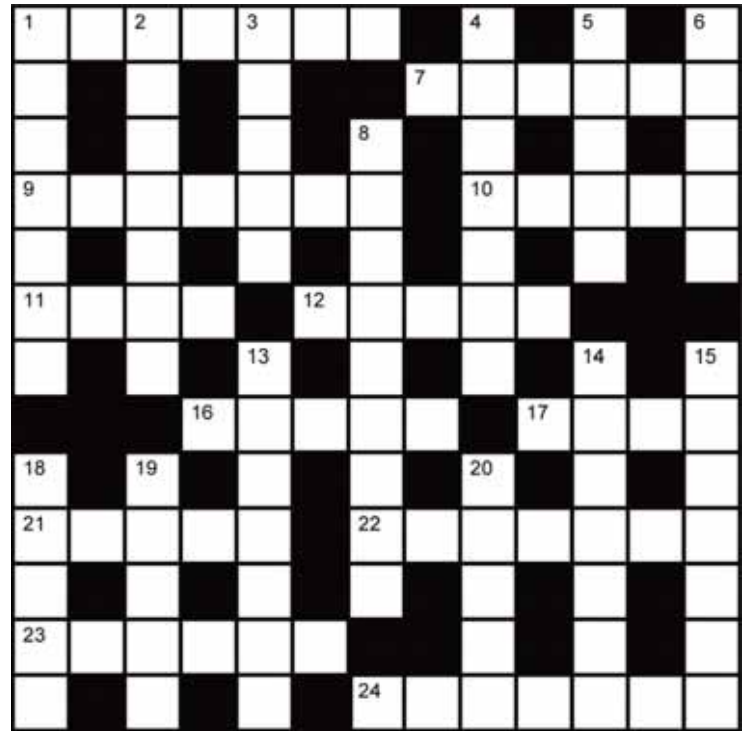
Across

1. Person who counts something
7. Be in charge of a business
9. Person under instruction
10. Singing voice
11. Brewing ingredient derived from grain
12. Tired, exhausted
16. Not at all
17. Sticky stuff
21. Permit
22. Museum official
23. Syndicate formed to restrict competition
24. Pleasant smelling scent

Down

2. On a normal basis
3. The main woody stem of a tree as distinct from its branches and roots
4. Manufacturing plant
5. Sweat room
6. Cheerful and lively
8. The action of mentioning something
13. In the space separating two objects

CROSSWORD



14. Area of high level ground
15. Outdoor area adjoining residence
18. Not plain; decorative or ornamented
19. Blinding light from the sun
20. Formal arrangement of things

Men's Bowls

There were a number of Club Championships played over the weekend, with some extremely close games.

In Handicap Singles, Barry Presnell (-1) played Robert Goodchild (+8). It took Barry 9 ends to make up the Handicap and a further 8 ends to take control of the game. Bob with a little more experience will continue to test his opponents. Barry took the win 31 shots to 17 shots over 24 ends. In the other Handicap Singles game Robert Walls (+1) played Robert Moore (-1). Robert Walls enjoyed a 2 shot advantage. Both players pushed each other only to see Robert Moore break away and by end 15 held a 7 shot advantage. Robert was not about to concede just yet and fought back and by end 28 held a 3 shot lead, again Robert Moore took control leading by 3 shots 29 shots to 26 shots by end 33. Robert Walls again settled winning the next 2 ends and as a result taking out the win 31 shots to 29 shots over 35 ends.

In Open Singles John McIlwain played Steven Sole, this game was always going to be a tight affair this proved to be the case as the lead changed a couple of times. The game threw up a few challenges for both players but only 1 player would emerge the victor and that was John McIlwain 31 shots to 21 shots over 25 ends.

Also play was a Major/Minor Pairs game between the teams of Paul Johnson and David Wilcox who played Dan Kennedy and Grahame Starr. The first half of this game was very even as the scores attested being even on four occasions and only 12 ends were played, however the wheels fell off for David and Paul and by end 21 Dan and Grahame held a healthy lead of 10 shots. David and Paul found form and with an attitude of never say die won the next four ends and wanting 4 shots on the last end to win the game fell agonising short only getting 2 shots, Dan and Grahame breathing a sigh of relief taking the game 24 shots to 23 shots over 25 ends.

Club Championship games set down for Sunday May 16th: Start: 12.00pm. Starter and umpire: David Wilcox. (These games can be played Saturday 15th if agreeable with opponents).

Handicap Singles: Mallie Walls to play Andrew Sparke marker Cameron Peardon, Barry Campbell to play Michael Rusden marker Robert Walls.

Club Pairs: John McIlwain and Anthony Bull to play Scott Campbell and Boyd Stanley.

Open Singles: Col Stanley to play Barry Presnell marker David Wilcox.

The Bowls Bandit

The Big Chill Beer and Barbecue Festival

The inaugural Big Chill Beer and Barbecue Festival will be held this Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 May in Armidale and will host a range of craft breweries, wineries, distilleries, boutique food stalls and vendors, along with a stellar lineup of live entertainment.

The over 18's event will also host the world-renowned sanctioned cook-off competitions run by the Steak Cookoff Association and the Australasian Barbecue Alliance, and will include categories such as Anything Lamb, Pork Ribs,

Steak, Beef and Dessert.

A weekend pass is \$25, while a single Sunday day pass is \$15 and can be purchased via the Big Chill website.

The Big Chill Beer and Barbecue Festival was made possible by an \$80,000 grant from the NSW Government's Bushfire Community Resilience and Economic Recovery Fund.

For more information and a program of events, visit www.bigchill.com.au.



\$65,000 in community grants available

The region's community groups have the opportunity to apply for grants of up to \$5,000 to support community resilience programs following the Black Summer bushfires, with Northern Tablelands MP Adam Marshall and Mayor Ian Tiley launching the one-off funding program.

Applications for the community grants program close Monday, 31 May 2021.

e-NEWS

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Join over 4000 of your fellow community members and subscribe to our e-newsletter.

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Women urged to sign up for candidates forum

The NSW branch of the Australian Local Government Women's Association is conducting a forum for women considering running as a candidate in the upcoming Local Government elections.

The session will run from 10am on Saturday 22 May in the Armidale Council Chambers.

Women from all walks of life are being encouraged to put their hand up for election to help ensure local councils are representative of the communities they serve.

If you can't make the women's only session, candidate briefings are also being held on 1 and 2 July.

For more information about the upcoming Local Government elections this September, visit armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au.



COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 May 2021 at the Armidale Council Chambers, 135 Rusden Street from 4pm. Please see Council's website if you would like to register to attend.

Work to begin on new shed for festival

Armidale Regional Council Mayor Ian Tiley was joined by Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall last week to turn the first sod of soil at the site of the new Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival shed.

The \$130,000 all-weather shed will provide the festival with an undercover performance and dining area, and will mean the festival can go ahead in rain, hail or shine.

The State Government funded project is due to be complete in time for next year's festival.



Koala Management Strategy on public exhibition

The draft Koala Management Strategy Policy is on public exhibition until Monday 31 May 2021.

The strategy identifies key koala habitats on public and private land, and what can be done to protect the species and their habitats within the Armidale Local Government Area moving forward. The plan outlines threats, and how critical parcels of land can be preserved to allow for population growth and recovery. It also recommends management strategies for planning frameworks.

Visit yoursay.armidale.nsw.gov.au to view the document and send in a submission.



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and on Instagram 'armidaleregionalcouncil'



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Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

May 5th - A total yarding of 1500, with a greatly reduced penning of 500 sheep and 1000 lambs.

The quality of the lambs was only fair with limited numbers suitable to processors. The majority were best suited to further finishing. There was reduced processor competition, while restocker orders were limited.

There were varying trends through the lamb market with the lighter weight restocker lambs selling to cheaper trends. The heavier weights experienced little change, attracting greater interest. 3 score trade lambs 18-20kg dressed sold to a dearer trend of as much as

\$5/head, attracting both restocker and processor competition.

The limited supply of well finished heavier lambs sold to cheaper trends also. The quality and condition of the limited offering of sheep was very mixed. There was reduced competition throughout. Less restocker competition on Spring shorn Merino ewes resulted in cheaper trends. That was also the case for the plainer condition Merino wethers.

Despite the reduced processor competition the well finished sheep to process were dearer with skin values contributing.

Armidale Cattle Sale

May 6th - There was a yarding of 933 down by 167 on previous sale. There was a very good quality yarding of weaner cattle in particular steers heading back to the paddock to grow out.

Restockers offered strong competition leaving the feeder buyers operating on a reduced basis. The regular exporters were present to see varying trends in the cow market with the heavy 4 score cows selling to a slightly dearer market.

Annual drafts of very well bred steer weaners were on offer selling to considerably dearer trends. Light calves, in particular, estimated at 220 to 230 kg selling to a top of 752c/kg. The heavier drafts also sold to a dearer trend improving some 14c/kg.

Weaner heifers attracted strong

demand from restockers with a large draft of 60 head making to 610c/kg. Light and medium weight steers sold to dearer trends. The better drafts of feeder cattle did sell to a dearer trend, however, the secondary quality types saw averages reduce considerably. Yearling heifers sold to similar trends with secondary types causing averages to fall. Heifers to processors varied with medium weights dearer and the heavy weights firm. Very heavy steers to process were cheaper as were the heifer portion retreating some 7 to 10c/kg. A limited number of cows saw the heavy 4 score types sell to a dearer market. The heavy 3 score cows sold marginally cheaper. Heavy Cows with excessive cover were back 15c/kg. Bulls were 10c/kg dearer on previous markets.

Weekly Wool Sales

May 7th - Most of last week's gains were eroded over the space of both selling days with almost every micron category registering declines. By the close of sales most indicators were level with the market quote of a fortnight ago.

Sheer weight of numbers being offered may finally have influenced this week's outcome with AWEX reporting that it has been 13 years since the Northern region offering for the corresponding fortnight has been as large. The trend continues next week with over 54,000 bales rostered for sale nationally. This is more than double that of the corresponding week last season.

40,303 bales were sold nationally for the week with the fall in the market pushing the passed in rate up to 15.3%. Major buyers included Tianyu, Techwool & Endeavour Wool. In a positive, forward market prices especially for the finer microns continued to trade at a premium to this week's auction close on maturities as far out as mid 2022.

AWTA test data released on Monday is showing a slight increase of 1% in the weight of wool tested for the season to date. The Australian Wool Production Forecasting Committee is now expecting a 2.1% increase in national production for the 2020/21 season.

Final Forum - Climate Risk Workshop Series

During April and May 2021, Southern New England Landcare and Sustainable Living Armidale coordinated three interactive pilot workshops for rural residential landholders in the Guyra & Black Mountain, Dumaresq & Invergowrie and Kelly's Plains & Dangarsleigh areas around Armidale.

The workshops explored

- Communities' and personal experiences of climate risks in the light of recent drought, fire and flood

- Potential future responses at both a property and community level and

- Barriers to those potential responses.

Annette Kilarr, Project Officer, reflects that connection with neighbours on topics related to climate change readiness was a strong positive benefit for many of the participants.

During this final forum, to be held Thursday 20th May from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Armidale Bowling Club, we invite all residents in the

Armidale and Guyra Regional Council area who live on a rural property to attend.

The purpose is to provide feedback to workshop participants and the wider community about the project's findings, to further connect with neighbours on topics related to climate change readiness, and to learn how we can better navigate the next fire, flood or drought.

This project is funded and supported by Armidale Regional Council who are looking forward to the preliminary outcomes and the identification of possible next steps in this process.

We look forward to your attendance and an opportunity to continue the conversation, and thank the project's participants for their contributions. Finger food and light refreshments will be provided free of charge.

Tickets essential for catering please book online at snelandcare.org.au/event/rural-lifestyle-landholders-climate-risk-workshop-final-forum

Have your say on local strategic plans

Landholders across the state can now have their say on Local Strategic Plans developed by Local Land Services, with all 11 regional plans on exhibition until early June.

Local Strategic Plans are the blueprints for individual Local Land Services regions, outlining the way core services will be delivered to address regional issues and priorities.

All 11 Local Strategic Plans are currently on public exhibition, and can be viewed and downloaded via the 'Have Your Say' platform, www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/lls-plans.

Using the platform, feedback

can be provided until Sunday, 6 June 2021 by filling out a quick online survey or uploading a formal written submission.

The local plans set a vision for the next five years and will support the delivery of the State Strategic Plan 2020-30.

Landholders can contact their closest Local Land Services office or call 1300 795 299 if they have questions or need assistance to submit their feedback. More information about Local Strategic Plans is available on the Local Land Services website, www.lls.nsw.gov.au.



Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping



The Red V, with a score of 14, has taken top spot on the Locals Leaderboard ahead of the Nightwatchman 108-106 points.

Red Devils and The Star reside in 3rd place on 102 with Eel-be-Right not paying attention and slipping to 4th place.

The middle of the field has tightened into a bunch with just 10 points (5 games) separating them and Farmer Joe is still in the paddock.

There has been quite a shuffling of the deck chairs amongst the Celebrities this week. Harry and Soley are out in front on 108 and 100 points, respectively.

Vu and Harry scored 14 points and the Gazette was really off the game, scoring only 6 points.

Georgie is in 3rd place on 96, followed by Cody on 94 with Vu, Sue and the Gazette on 92 and B&L on 86 points.

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Georgie's Tips

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Score: 96

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Guyra were holding their own ground all over the park and really stamped their authority on the game right from the start of the second half. Spreading the ball from right to left and back again really stretched the Souths defence. They could not hold on any longer, and goal machine Normie thumped one home in the top right corner. This goal really pricked up the Guyra attack and Guyra's second goal started right in the backs and went through almost everyone on the Casper's. Yet again Normie calmly worked his magic to round the keeper and so delicately tapped the ball over the line and pretty sure it didn't even hit the back of the net. Guyra 2-1 up.

Solid defence was in order for the rest of the game with the midfield in Jake and BJ really controlling everything. Nick and Ben in the backs never showed the opposition anything available. This win has kept Guyra on top of the table. Come and watch this team if you have some spare time. They really are playing some exceptional soccer at the moment and will only get better with time.

Third Grade had a very close game against second on the ladder East Armidale with the final score 5 - 4 Guyra getting the win and remaining on top of the table. Goals scored were Rexly Tasso 3, Keegan James 1 and Hudson Felani 1.

Old boys run out of steam

The over 35's took on Westside once again in Armidale and



Casper's goal machine
Norman Miniti

began the game brilliantly totally controlling the possession. They were rewarded in the 20th minute with a well rehearsed goal to Adam Litherland. That goal was quickly followed by a great strike by Adam Raper, sorry by Hayden Mendes to take the score to 2-0 at half time.

The boys were hurting at half time and as the second half went along Westside were getting back into the game with the Caspers falling like ten pins.

Westside scored two quick goals, but the Casper men held on for a hard fought draw 2-2.

Although disappointed the Caspers still had energy to blast out a few tunes on the bus on the way back up the hill to keep all the passengers wiggling.

Junior Soccer

Under 10s - The Phantoms took on the TAS side in their first home game for the season. TAS played well early with some good play forward and were unlucky to score with a good shot that struck the crossbar.

The Phantoms picked up a penalty and Kayne Brennan slotted it past the keeper with a nice strike. The Phantoms settled down and Kayne quickly scored his second goal shortly before the half time break.

TAS came out strong in the second half and they scored two quick goals before Ruby Soraghan made a strong break for goal and calmly placed it in the back of the net. TAS had several attempts to score but some strong defence from the Phantoms saw them come away with the win. Final score 3-2.

Other results in juniors were **:16 Junior Caspers** had a loss 5 - 2 against South Armidale, Guyra goals were scored by Emily Lockyer 1 and Kye Raper 1.

14 Ghosts had a 2 all draw, Goals were scored by Harry Purvis 1 and Jack Soraghan 1.

12 Spirits had a 4 - 0 loss.

Ladies' Golf

Last week no golf was played because of the wet conditions. This week is the 4th Graham Betts Round Stableford. Next week is a Stroke and Putting Competition along with the 4th Golf NSW Medal and Mabel McKenzie Brooch. Julie Walker is the starter and sponsor for the day.

Birdie

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday the Vets played the next round for the Reg Taylor shield. The winner with a stroke score of 91 was Neil Payne. The nett winner was David Bearup with a nett 34.

The best putters with 26 putts were Herb Wilson and Neil Payne. The only nearest the pin was on the 18th taken out by Don Campbell.

Tomorrow we travel to Glen Innes to compete in the final round of the Pennants. We go in neck a neck with Walcha so let's hope we have some good scores.

A Vet

Secondary Cross Country

Boys - 12 years 1st Archie Jackson, 13 years 1st Jack Soraghan, 2nd, Darcy Grills, 3rd Darcy Heagney, 4th, Tristan Cooper, 5th Harry Purvis, 6th Ethan Tribe. 14 years 1st Toby Handebo, 2nd Lincoln Brown, 3rd Jake Tibbs, 4th Rave Brazier, 5th Brendan Landsborough, 6th Tino Alefosio 15 years 1st Archie Dowden, 2nd Max Raper, 3rd Patrick Wadley, 4th Dylan Bull. 16 years 1st Joseph Ashman, 2nd Harris Dullaway, 3rd Dante Lloyd, 17 years 1st Brendan Williams

Girls - 12 years 1st Piper Kempton, 2nd Emma Looker, 13 years 1st Hayley Clarke, 2nd Sophie Roberts, 3rd Georgina Griffiths, 4th Shakira Beechey, 14 years 1st Brooke Grills, 2nd Annabelle Collins, 15 years 1st Jada Alefosio, 2nd Maddi Bull, 16 years 1st Selina Surawski.

The top six students are eligible to participate in the North West Cross Country to be held at Coolah on June 10th.

NRL Gazette Footy Tipping

The Red V	108	The 3 Stooges	90
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The Star	102	Old Chook	88
Eel-be-Right	98	GG	88
4nonga	96	Hazel	86
Smooch	96	Elva Brazier	86
Lucy's Choice	96	The Intern	86
Bulldog	94	The Swimmer	84
Good Guess	94	Farmer Joe	58

Locals Entry Form - Round 11

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on **Wednesday 19th May**

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Warriors	vs	Tigers
Sharks	vs	Dragons
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Close games at home

Guyra could have easily come away with two wins from its first home game day of the season, but had to cop two close losses on the chin instead.

A late try to teenage man of the match Liam Whitehill wasn't enough to get the Super Spuds home as Narwan held on 34-32. It was Whitehill's second four-pointer for the day as he impressed at five-eighth in his first starting game in A grade.

Narwan led 18-6 at one stage with Bryce Johnson scoring Guyra's try, but James Williamson's try cut the margin to six at halftime.

Despite good tries to Beau Orchard and Russell Burnham to go with Whitehill's pair, the Eels remained out of reach.

Guyra's best were Whitehill, James Deaves, Williamson and Dan Clyde-Smith.

On a promising note, the teen brigade of Whitehill, Jack Armatage, Dylan Sutton and debutants Bailey Wilson and Taylor Brennan all stood tall in the top grade.



Liam Whitehill had a blinder in his first starting game.

In the leaguetag, the Spudettes raced to a 16-4 half-time lead thanks to tries to Bea Roberts, Sharnie Cullen and Ellen Dunger and conversions to Britt Youman and Rhylee Adams.

It all fell apart in the second half, however, as Narwan ran in

four tries to win it 24-16.

Taylor Waters, Roberts and youngsters Holly Peters and Pheobie Kennedy were among Guyra's best.

Both teams make the trip up to Ashford this Saturday, chasing their first wins of the season.

Caspers top of the table

After a week off Guyra came up against second on the table South Armidale in strangely warm and very humid conditions. Guyra started the game very slow and steady and a highly dubious call from the referee in the first 15 minutes gave the Scorpions a direct penalty. Des chose the wrong way in the goals and Souths were on the board 1-0.

Raid after raid on Guyra came to a halt with all backs playing their hand in this - well done fellas!! Guyra enjoyed the last 20 minutes of the half with majority of the ball and were extremely unlucky not to get one or either two goals on the tiring Souths outfit.

Change of sides and this seemed very much in the favour of the Caspers. Wonderful ball control and passing was exhibited in the first stanza of the second half.

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