

# Guyra Gazette

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## New Year, new beginnings

After 49 years Geoff and Anne Thrift have taken a step back as owners of CT Electrics, opening the way for long-term employee Brad Lane and his wife Anne to take over the long established business. Geoff and Anne felt the time was right to hand over the reins, but will remain involved for the next twelve months to help with the transition.

“There were a few tears shed because it is such a big change, but we are glad to be handing over to a young couple who are committed to both the business and the community,” Anne Thrift said. “Brad has been with us for 21 years, starting as an apprentice straight out of school and it felt natural for him to takeover.”

While Brad grew up in Guyra, wife Anne is a more recent arrival and is originally from Germany. She has been in Australia since 2012 and previously worked as a travel agent in Armidale.

Anne admits she has a lot to learn about power points and

light switches and confesses it might also be a while before she is able to recognise faces and remember nicknames. She said that having the Thrifts there to help out while they learn the ropes will be a big help.

“Anne and Geoff who have put their heart and soul into this business and I’m feeling overwhelmed, excited, exhausted and scared of what this year has in store for us as new business owners,” she said.

“The next couple months will be a challenge, trying to navigate life as a mum and brand new business owner, learning the ropes, but we are excited for what the future holds.”

Brad and Anne will continue to trade as CT Electric, providing electrical services to the Guyra community 7 days a week. They will also continue to help train the next generation of electricians and currently have one full time apprentice and are hoping to take on another in the near future.



Brad Lane with Ruby, Anne Thrift with Nathan, Geoff Thrift and Anne Lane



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Tuesday  
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**INSPECTION FROM 10AM  
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# Life membership for Fay Skinner

The Guyra Branch of Can Assist recently presented long serving member Fay Skinner with her Life Membership certificate. Unfortunately, executive officers from Sydney were unable to attend due to COVID restrictions. Branch member Helen Bearup stepped in to present the award on their behalf.

Fay has held many positions with the Guyra Branch over the years. She was always the first to put her hand up when something needed to be done, and was willing to do anything to help out.

Can Assist were also very fortunate to receive a donation of meat and goods to conduct a gold coin donation sausage sizzle during the Christmas/New Year period.

Thanks to the generosity of Chris Yorke from Been Travelling, Harris Kirk from IGA and Gemma Williams, they



Helen Bearup presented Fay with her certificate

had a very successful three days making much needed

funds to support members of our community.

# 2021

## wettest for 71 years

The rainfall total for 2021 of 1,199.6 mm was 325 mm or 37 per cent higher than the average, and was Guyra's wettest year since 1950 (1257 mm).

Above average rainfall was recorded in seven months of the year with November being the wettest at 185 mm.

### DECEMBER SUMMARY

(Long term average in brackets)

#### Rainfall:

185.2 mm (101 mm)

**Average maximum temp:**  
22.0C (22.8C)

**Average minimum temp:**  
10.6C (10.8C)

**Highest:** 27.5C on the 21st  
Lowest maximum

temp: 16.3C on the 28th

**Lowest:** 6.3C on the 11th

Source: <http://www.weather-armidale.com/guyra.html>

## Guyra Art Exhibition

21st to 24th January 2021

@ the GALA Centre, 136 Bradley Street



Exhibition Open Daily from 10am to 4pm

Painting ~ Sculpture ~ Photography

Opening Night Friday 21st January

~ Session #1 5:00 - 5:45pm ~ ~ Session #2 6:00 - 6:45pm ~

Tickets \$10 available @ GALA or phone / text Anne 0413 595 353

\*\* Numbers are limited please book your tickets early ~ No Door Sales \*\*



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# Induction process begins for new council

A mix of fresh faces and experience on the new Armidale Regional Council met this week for the first of a series of induction workshops.

The eleven councillors who were successful following the December 4th poll were Margaret O'CONNOR (IND), Dorothy ROBINSON (GRN), Debra O'BRIEN (ALP), Sam COUPLAND (IND), Jon GALLETLY (IND), Steven MEPHAM (IND), Todd REDWOOD (IND), Susan MCMICHAEL (ALP), Paul GADDES (IND), Bradley WIDDERS and Paul PACKHAM (IND)

The induction process provides the newly elected representative body with the necessary information to successfully undertake their roles as councillors.

General Manager James Roncon said it can be an overwhelming amount of information for people new to council to digest.

"This was the first opportunity our new council has had to



The newly elected Armidale Regional Council will elect a new Mayor this week

meet and be briefed on their new roles, what to expect, and the challenges and opportunities facing Armidale Regional Council," said Mr Roncon.

"A number of councillors

have been returned to their roles and they will be able to assist those that are new to the role. It can be a steep learning curve and take some time to adjust to the mecha-

nisms of council."

The first scheduled council meeting is held on Wednesday January 12th to elect the mayor and deputy mayor.

## No Lamb & Potato Festival

A week after declaring they were 'back in business' (Guyra Gazette Dec. 15th), the Guyra Lamb & Potato Festival committee were forced to make a difficult decision to cancel the festival for the second year in a row.

As news of the rapid rise in the spread of the omicron variant of COVID-19 emerged in the lead up to Christmas, they made the tough call to cancel. Their decision came after over half of the stallholders pulled out within days of the Omicron variant rearing its head in NSW. Combined with the changing rules around entry via the Queensland border and reduced traffic volumes as the Tamworth Country Music festival was being scaled back, they felt it would be difficult to proceed.

They took the view that the escalation in COVID cases posed too much of a risk to the community, the dedicated

volunteers, and the committee's bottom line. Committee President Steve Mepham said that the last thing they wanted to do was host a super-spreader event in Guyra.

Their decision to cancel early has proved to be the right call, especially following last week's decision to postpone the Tamworth Festival until April. Instead, they will focus their energy on ensuring the festival's future and begin planning for 2023.

They had been hoping to use their newly-completed entertainment and dining shed for the first time this year. The building was erected thanks to a \$130,000 State Government Community Partnership Program grant. Instead they will have to be content with a ceremony to officially open the building which will take place on Wednesday January 19th.

## First COVID cases for Guyra

The first COVID-19 cases since the pandemic began, have been recorded in Guyra. The first case for the 2365 postcode area was notified by NSW Health on December 23rd.

Since then a total of 32 cases have been officially recorded, 24 of which remain active.

Cases in the Armidale LGA currently stand at 487 of which 356 are considered active.

There are 24,146 active cases in the HNEH District. 106 active cases are being cared for in hospitals, 9 are in ICU.

### Have you tested positive for COVID-19 on a rapid antigen or PCR test?

You must:

- Self-isolate at home for 7 days from the date you got tested, even if you are fully vaccinated

- Tell the people you live with, any social contacts, and your workplace or school that you have tested positive

Your household contacts

must also self-isolate for 7 days and have a rapid antigen test as soon as possible and again on day 6.

If you are under 65 years of age, have had two doses of COVID-19 vaccine, do not suffer from any chronic health conditions and are not pregnant, you can safely manage COVID-19 at home.

If you develop severe symptoms call Triple Zero (000) and tell the ambulance staff that you have been diagnosed with COVID-19.

You can only leave self-isolation after 7 days if you do not have a sore throat, runny nose, cough or shortness of breath. You do not need to have a negative test to exit isolation.

You will receive an SMS from NSW Health after 7 days, but you do not have to wait for this SMS to leave self-isolation if it has been 7 days since you were tested.

## What's HOT

**SUMMER** arrived in Guyra this week - enjoy it while it lasts

**GUYRA SHOW** coming up in February - start planning you entries now

**ART EXHIBITION** going ahead

## What's NOT

**NO LAMB & SPUDS** or Country Music in January

**LEAVING** your rubbish at Vinnies

**PHONE** scams

## QUOTE of the week

KIND OF IRONIC...

2021 started with a mouse plague and ended with a RAT shortage

Bureau of Meteorology

## Weather

### WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
4	Tues	10.2	22.7	0
5	Wed	14.5	24.0	2.8
6	Thurs	14.0	23.9	0
7	Fri	13.0	23.9	0
8	Sat	15.0	26.0	0
9	Sun	15.8	25.7	0
10	Mon	14.8	26.4	9.4

Rain this week	12.2 mm
Jan. rainfall	12.2mm
Rainfall YTD	mm
Rainfall last YTD	mm
Ave. rain to Jan.	mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

# Australia Day Ambassador

A station leader in the remote Australian Antarctic Territory and former marketing guru will be the guest speaker and Australia Day Ambassador for Armidale Regional Council this year. Narelle Campbell will be special guest at the Guyra Australia Day Awards ceremony which will be held on January 25th, and at the flag raising ceremony which will be held at the Council chambers on January 26th.

Narelle Campbell has led four over-winter teams in some of the world's most isolated and hostile conditions. Living and working in temperatures reaching below minus 40 degrees, Narelle was the Station Leader at Mawson in 2008, Casey in 2010, Macquarie Island in 2012 and Davis Station in 2014.

With no fly-in fly-out luxuries, Narelle has worked alongside biologists on the Emperor penguin project, faced blizzards, supported medical evacuations and aircraft recovery incidents, gazed at stunning auroras, boated alongside orcas and minke whales and contributed to the protection of a pristine and fragile wilderness.

Narelle says her 23 years' experience in print media, covering logistics, sales and marketing in senior management roles and degrees in social science and counselling has honed her skills in communication, team building and tenacity to foster a positive and productive environment that contributes to Australian conservation and research



Narelle Campbell

efforts in the frozen continent.

When not working in Antarctica, Narelle spends most of her time spreading the wonder of Antarctica to many community and school groups.

## Have your say.....

### My Dad Clive William Brazier

I didn't speak at my father's funeral so wanted to say a few words on how I remember my dad and share some stories he had shared with me. Hunting was a big part of dad's life as a hobby and also a source of income from kangaroos, foxes and rabbits, mainly for fur.

I have special memories growing up hunting foxes with dad the way he would have with his father, mainly out the eastern side of Guyra. Like the night dad and I went to Trigaire (Warren McCowen's) we had 18 foxes on the back of the jeep by 8.30 when the fog came in heavy and was home by 9pm - times I will cherish forever.

Dad told me a lot of stories about his childhood, like the time his brothers and a mate pushed an old truck into the Aberfoyle river never to be seen again. Times down the Guyra Fawkes National Park, camping, fishing and 4 wheel

driving. Dad's Willy's jeep that he rebuilt had a reputation also known to some of the Guyra lads as being the best 4WD in town - dad did love that old jeep.

Dad was a very gentle, generous man who made sure all his kids had our first vehicles. He rebuilt me a short wheel base land cruiser. He was a good mechanic and a very smart man. There was not a lot he could not do, I can not remember having to take anything to a tradie to fix as dad could always fix anything.

He was a hardworking man who worked at the Guyra truck stop, Guyra Shire and was foreman at the abattoirs where I was lucky enough to spend a couple of years working with him until it closed down. He then spent time doing handyman work like fencing, slashing on his tractor, shed building and many more odd jobs. Dad didn't have to look for work, as work came to him. He was a hard working

man, sure he liked a drink but work always came first.

My dad was not only my father he was my best mate and it didn't matter what wrong I did he never once turned his back on me. If I can turn into half the man and father that my dad was I will be proud.

I am missing you dad and will always love and cherish you.

*Snook (Brett)*

### Thank you Santa

Thank you from myself and also the community in general to Dan McGinty for how amazing he is for what he does as SANTA on the bike.

I know that so many kids love waiting to see Santa and I would love to see Dan personally thanked for what he does.

I know he doesn't do it for the thanks but I think he goes above and beyond to make Christmas something special for all the kids in town.

*Kaycee Cruickshank*

# Plans for Show to be bigger and better this year

The Guyra Show is on the 18th and 19th February 2022 and is shaping up to be bigger and better than ever. While there is some uncertainty with the current escalation of COVID-19, as far as possible organisers say it will be a normal show.

Most of the events will be running, although there may be some changes to judging times in the Pavilion. The 2022 Show will kick off with the annual Lamb Show and Sale sponsored by the Guyra Show Society. The event sees some of the best lambs in the district go through the sale-yards on the Wednesday prior to the Show. The New England Livestock Agents do a fantastic job of selling the livestock and prizes are presented to the best pen of lambs sold.

The feature breed in the cattle section this year will be Shorthorn. Once again, the cattle stewards are working hard to make it one of the best Shorthorn features you will come across. Junior judging for the sheep and cattle is there for the younger competitors from district schools. Horse events are always popular, with ring events and jumping progressing throughout the two days and a tireless band of competitors, workers and judges.

There will be plenty of action around the grounds over the two day including the Poultry section that was well supported last year and the Caged



*Have you started your project for the Farm Waste to Art competition?*

bird display which was exceptional last year will return. You can catch all the action of the Sheep Dog Trials on both Saturday and Sunday or sit back and enjoy the Wood chop on Saturday.

Organisers are looking forward to some great entertainment. Special mention for the local live acts Charlie Fittler and Crooked Tree who have been booked for Friday and Saturday night. On Saturday Aussie FMX are booked in to perform their stunt bike show that was very popular last year. As usual there will be fireworks and the demo derby.

There will be plenty of food choices ranging from the hotdogs at the sideshows, hot chips from the Lions club and steak and sausages on the BBQ. The canteen will also be operating and there will numerous food vendors operating. If you are looking for some cool refreshment, there is no better place to be than at the bar.

Now is the time to put on your thinking caps for the Farm Waste to Art competition. Individuals, businesses, groups, and kids are invited to create something special to enter. There are great prizes

on offer for the winners.

Kids can join in the fun with a magician booked to entertain the younger generation and for the first time this year we will be running a Scarecrow Competition. There will be two different sections - firstly a static display you can enter your scarecrow in and win a prize or the second thing is you may wish to enter into the Scarecrow Parade. Dress up as a scarecrow and win big prizes!!!

It's not too late to become a member. Join now - details are below.

## *Yes, I/we would like to become a member of the Guyra Show Society*

Name: .....

Address: .....

Phone: ..... Email: .....

Membership: • Family \$30  • Single \$20  • Youth \$10

Please return with payment to: Guyra Show Society,  
136 Bradley Street, GUYRA. NSW 2365

**For more information please call: 6779 2132  
or email: [admin@guyrashow.guyra.net](mailto:admin@guyrashow.guyra.net)**

A direct deposit can be made to:  
A/c Name: Guyra Show Society  
BSB: 932 000  
A/c No.: 780 186  
Reference: Please use your name as the reference

# Community Noticeboard

## Meals on Wheels

January 13 J & Betts  
 January 14 Golf Ladies  
 January 17 Lions Club  
 January 18 Pam Carter  
 January 19 Leesa

## Street Stalls

January No stalls  
 February 4 & 5 Guyra Lodge

## Church Notices

### St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Mass 6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday – Friday 9am  
 Contact: 6779 1036

### 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

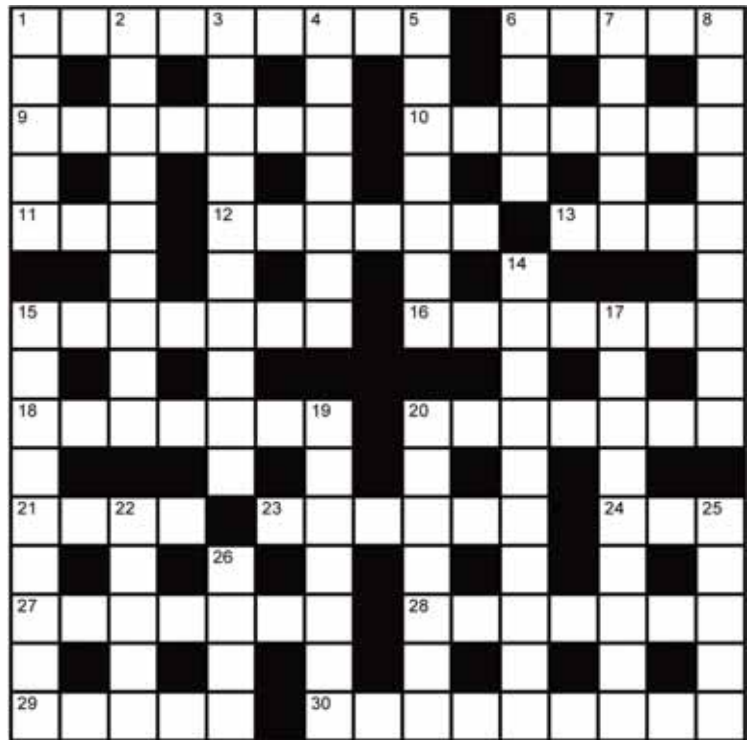
# CROSSWORD

### Across:

- Tidying up or trimming edges
- Uncensored (movie)
- Judder
- TV watchers
- Drag Laboriously
- Chorus of disapproval, public .....
- Margin
- Proportionately (3,4)
- Glittering object
- Boats
- Bumps roughly
- Escape of gas
- Nevertheless (4,2)
- A small ... in a big machine
- Continually (2,3,2)
- Associations of sports clubs
- Family car
- Female emcees

### Down:

- Seedless orange
- Unclear (of meaning)
- Expands on topic
- Lethargy
- Reigns
- Not new
- Belief
- Lacking flavour
- Torrid (romance)
- Cricket buildings
- Putters or irons (4,5)
- Sixth, ... eighth
- Advertising tunes
- Prize
- Brief wind bursts
- Unspoilt paradise



Across: 1. Neatening 6. Uncut 9. Vibrate 10. Viewers 11. Lug 12. Outcry 13. Edge 15. Pro rata 16. Spangle 18. Vessels 20. Jostles 21. Leak 23. Even so 24. Cog 27. On and on 28. Leagues 29. Sedan 30. Hostesses  
 Down: 1. Navel 2. Ambiguous 3. Elabo- rates 4. Inertia 5. Governs 6. Used 7. Creed 8. Tasteless 14. Passionate 15. Pavilions 17. Golf clubs 19. Seventh 20. Jingles 22. Award 25. Gusts 26. Eden

## Sudoku - Easy

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## What to Watch

Our armchair critic has new recommendations every week. Happy viewing!

### Netflix - Movies

- Tenet, Death Race, Maximum Risk, Don't Say a Word Cemetery Junction, Out of Sight, The Power of the Dog

### Netflix - Series

- The Queen's Gambit When They See Us

### ABC Iview

- Accidents Happen

6	9	1	7	8	4	3	5	2
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1	6	4	5	7	3	2	8	9

## DID YOU KNOW?



- Stork reports
- Weddings
- Anniversaries
- Celebrations

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# Australia Day 2022 IN GUYRA

**DINNER**  
Tuesday 25  
January

**Guyra  
Bowling  
Club  
6pm**

**Australia Day  
Ambassador  
Narelle  
Campbell**

**Fireworks  
at 8.30pm**

## AWARD NOMINEES

**Dianne Burey  
Gladys Wilson  
Guyra Veteran Golfers  
Guyra Thursday Tennis Ladies  
Brian Irving & Kay Smith  
Guyra Show Society**

Tickets will be available for purchase at GALA from 17-21 January for \$25. Tickets will NOT be sold on the night.

**A flag raising will also be held on  
Wednesday 26 January at Guyra  
Civic Administration Building at 9am**



**Australia Day**

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

### Stay connected

Armidale Regional Council is on Facebook - the page is named 'Armidale Regional Council'.



on Twitter  
'ArmidaleRegional LGA' or  
'@ARC2350'.



and on Instagram  
'armidaleregionalcouncil'



### PUBLIC NOTICE - Wednesday 12 January 2022

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# 2022 Rain Chart



Property: .....

Date	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	Date	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Date
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<b>Total for Month</b>														
<b>Days Rained</b>														
<b>Cumulative</b>														

### Regenerative Agriculture Specialists

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# Graziers Focus on Chilean Needle Grass

Friday 10th December saw 66 community attend the Guyra Bowling Club for a second workshop in a month focused on Chilean Needle Grass. The workshops have been instigated by a group of landholders in the Black Mountain area, led by local landholder Kristy Youman.

"We received an offer of funding from Northern Tablelands Local Land Services to run the project, and we've onboarded both Southern New England Landcare and GLENRAC to assist us in managing it," said Kristy. "And it's a good thing, because I'm really surprised at how much interest we've got in these two events."

Several speakers addressed participants at the event, including New England Weeds Authority's Trent McIntyre; Vice President of Southern New England Landcare and local landholders Bill Perrottet; and Dan McKemey; Karl Andersson & Max Newsome from Northern Tablelands Local Land Services; and agronomists Paul Harris from Elders and Craig Chapman & Matt Foster from Grazag.

"If you have small patches of Chilean Needle Grass, mark them on your map or GPS the location," was the advice given by Trent McIntyre, Senior Biosecurity Officer.



"Removing the seed head will help remove 85-90% of the seed in the plant, and then spray the plant according to the label rate.

"Remember to return to the area again in September or October every year to monitor and treat that patch again," he said.

Participants were advised to hit small areas hard, maintaining a 10-metre clean buffer around all boundaries to prevent spread into neighboring properties.

Bill Perrottet has a lived experience with

Chilean Needle Grass, having so much that it has to be managed rather than eliminated or controlled.

"Ensure you have a good biosecurity plan, target small patches hard, and for large areas, set stocking just before seed set can help retain feed value," said Bill.

Dan McKemey compared Chilean Needle Grass to a virus we've all heard so much about in recent times.

"Chilean Needle Grass is like the coronavirus – it's spread by us," said Dan.

## Grower's passion for plants, people and the environment

Kerrie Galley, Grower Manager at the Costa Tomato glasshouses in Guyra has a passion for plants, people and the environment.

Growing up in country Victoria, Kerrie began working in produce as a 14-year-old – thinning carrots and picking potatoes at a neighbour's farm in West Gippsland.

"Like many country kids I didn't watch television and was always outside. After school and on the weekends, I was working on the farm, riding my pony to work. From then on, I have always been very connected with growing fresh produce and working outside," she said.

After finishing school Kerrie spent two years working in Canada and the United States, as a green grocer in Vancouver, Canada, and then as an intern on an organic farm in the US. On her return to Australia, she started working with tomato grower Flavorite in Warragul, Victoria.

"I started with them before they built any glasshouses. When I started we were growing in sawdust bags under plastic. The business kept growing and I was given more challenges and opportunities," Kerrie said.

"I travelled overseas three times with the company looking at new innovation and technology and absorbing that back into the business."

She also completed a Master of Business



Administration, helping her become more focused on training and development of teams.

After 18 years with Flavorite, Kerrie was looking for a new challenge and moved to South Australia, growing tomatoes, mini cucumbers, and capsicums.

"It was really good to learn about working in a new climate, where the growing conditions were up to 45 degrees outside."

Kerrie then took a year off to write a book, which is still in progress, before moving to Guyra to take up a position as

Grower Manager.

Passionate about the environment and the wilderness, Kerrie said her novel was a literary adventure about protecting endangered species.

"I wanted to be back in the country and coming to Guyra it really feels like home. The Northern Tablelands is a beautiful region with lots of National Parks.

"I am so happy to be back growing. There are lots of challenges, but I feel really proud of what we do. We are feeding the population, but we are doing it smarter using less water and less resources.

"Across the company we are facing the challenges together. Our farming future is going to be different and you need a good team behind you."

As for what makes tomato growing special Kerrie said it was the combination of working with plants and people.

"Everyday is different, it's very dynamic and rewarding. I have 350,000 plants in my care and my team's care. We are kind of the coach, and the plants are the athletes, and we are trying to keep them fit and strong.

"It's rewarding because we are doing something that is so essential. It's intellectual, it's physical (walking up to 10 kilometres a day), it's very social and then you get the nature. I love all of that and feel very fortunate."

## CRICKET SCOREBOARD December 18, 2021

2nd grade Guyra defeated Ex Services		3rd grade Guyra defeated City/UNE	
<b>Guyra Innings</b>		<b>City/UNE Innings</b>	
Pete Collins	14	41 off 12.4 overs	
Ossie Kinnear	4	<b>Guyra Bowling:</b>	
B Landsborough	46	Tim Foster 3/11	
Taylor Brennan	9	Simon Brown 3/4 (inc. hat-trick)	
Andrew Pearson	26	Brendan Landsborough 2/4	
Cooper Collins	0	Mick Purvis 1/4	
Les Perrett	15	<b>Guyra Innings</b>	
Cody Patterson	19	Mick Purvis	11
Al Boney	0	Cooper Brennan	1
Jake Ellis	1	Lincoln Brown	0
Travis Patterson	not out 1	Craig Lockyer	0
Extras	27	Cody Campbell	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>9/158 (cc)</b>	Rave Brazier	0
		B Landsborough	1
<b>Overs:</b> 20.0		Aiden Purvis	dnb
		Lucas Tait	dnb
<b>Ex Services Innings</b>		Tim Foster	dnb
110 off 19 overs		Simon Brown	dnb
		Extras	15
<b>Guyra Bowling:</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>6/42</b>
Jake Ellis 3/13			
Andrew Pearson 1/12			
Al Boney 2/19			

**Overs:** 10.3

## CRICKET SCOREBOARD January 8, 2022

2nd grade Guyra defeated City UNE		3rd grade Guyra defeated by Hillgrove	
<b>City/UNE Innings</b>		<b>Hillgrove Innings</b>	
9/153 off 20 overs		8/113 (cc) off 20 overs	
<b>Guyra Bowling:</b>		<b>Guyra Bowling:</b>	
Cody Patterson 3/37 Heath		Tim Foster 1/14, Mick Purvis	
Dowsett 2/22, Kyle Mongta		1/16, Cooper Brennan 1/17,	
1/15, Ossie Kinnear 1/18,		Tom Lockyer 1/16,	
Brandon Landsborough 1/9		Lincoln Brown 3/10	
<b>Guyra Innings</b>		<b>Guyra Innings</b>	
Pete Collins	0	Craig Lockyer	14
B Landsborough	61	Jack Lockyer	24
Kyle Mongta	5	Mick Purvis	40
Ossie Kinnear	38	Jim Lenehan	3
Billy Youman	31	Tim Foster	0
Matt Simpson	not out 8	Cody Clarke	3
Cody Patterson	dnb	Pete Ahoy	6
Taylor Brennan	dnb	Simon Brown	5
Heath Dowsett	dnb	Cooper Brennan	0
Les Perrett	dnb	Lincoln Brown	1
Cooper Collins	dnb	Tom Lockyer	not out 0
Extras	11	Extras	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>4/154</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>106</b>

**Overs:** 18.4 overs

**Overs:** 19.5 overs

## Rural Market Reports

### Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale

**December 15th** - The last sale for the year saw numbers greatly reduced with 1350 lambs and 340 sheep yarded. Lamb quality was fair to good, with a few pens of well finished new seasons.

Restockers were well catered for with Merino lambs and a number of pens of light weight young lambs. There was reduced processor competition, while competition from restockers was below the previous sale.

Market trends varied through the young lambs with breed a factor in the cheaper prices for those to restockers. The lightest of those lambs were saw a dearer trend. There was little change in the medium weight young lambs to processors. The heavy weight young lambs to process remained firm with some quality related price change only.

With buyers showing a prefer-

ence for new season lambs the old lambs sold to cheaper trends. There were insufficient grown sheep for a market quote, however the low numbers brought about quality variations with most classes showing an improvement in averages.

### Armidale Cattle Sale

**December 16th** - It was a very small offering to finalise sales for the year with a yarding of 289, down 328 on the previous sale. The quality of the penning was quite mixed with a good supply of well finished grown heifers a feature. Light weight young cattle also well represented.

Restricted processor and feedlot participation, however restockers were active on the light weight cattle. Market trends were significantly dearer through the young cattle. Restockers looking to fill paddocks in front of a 3 week break.

Medium and heavy weight yearlings to restock and feed also posted strong gains. A small number of heavy grown steers to process sold substantially cheaper under restricted competition. Well finished grown heifers to process were also cheaper.

The grown heifers to feed sold to a much dearer trend with the quality of the cattle contributing to strong price improvement. Cows were cheaper, while the bull market saw the largest price fall for the day with limited competition. Market reporter, James Armitage

### Weekly Wool sales

**December 17th** - The last sale before the annual three week recess managed to hold onto most of the gains seen over the previous four selling weeks. The Eastern Market Indicator has averaged 1333 cents for the 2021 calendar year, recording a 296 cent spread between the top and bottom

weekly closing levels and only 109 cents difference in prices over the past six months.

This compares to a whopping 751 cent difference between the high and low point for the 2020 calendar year. This week's closing level is 25 cents above the average for the year with the market seemingly having found a short term happy medium. 35,265 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 13.7%.

Major buyers included Techwool, PJ Morris and Endeavour Wool. Current AWTA test data is showing a 9.7% increase in the number of bales tested nationally for the season to date. This increase appears to be artificially held back by rain delays in shearings in November and December. AWEX auction data over the same period is showing a near 22% increase in the number of bales offered for sale. Sales recommence the week of the 10th of January.



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## SLASHER WANTED

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## MEETINGS

**GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY** meeting Thursday, 3rd February at 7pm in the Secretary's office.

## RAFFLE RESULT

**ROTARY CHRISTMAS BARROW** won by Linda Ellis. Thank you to all who supported us.

## MEETING ROOM FOR HIRE

### Conference/Meeting Room available for hire

#### Contact:

The GALA Centre  
136 Bradley Street, Guyra  
Ph: 6779 2132  
E: [admin@gala.org.au](mailto:admin@gala.org.au)

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**SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL, 2022** Bald Blair Public School Centenary Celebrations

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## DEATH NOTICES

### MCKAY; SHIRLEY "FAY" 18.7.1933 - 2.1.2022

of Falconer Street, Guyra. Dearly loved Aunt to many nieces & nephews.

Aged 88 years

Graveside Funeral was held at the Guyra Lawn Cemetery on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022.



Ph: 6772 2288

### BEESEY; MARIE MAY 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2022

At Kolora Homes, formerly of Llangothlin Street, Guyra.

Dearly beloved wife of John (dec'd).

Loving mother and mother-in-law of Bruce & Jan, Gary (dec'd), loved grandmother of Ben & Felisa, Robert and loved great-grandmother of Cleo.

Aged 93 years

Funeral Service held at St James Anglican Church, Guyra on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022 and the Interment followed at the Guyra Lawn Cemetery.



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## RETURN THANKS

### CLIVE BRAZIER 27.7.1949 - 15.12.2001

Clive's partner, Gisela would like to thank the paramedics for the huge effort and care given to Clive. I would also like to personally thank Wayne Mendes, Brett and Tara for first responding.

Also thank you to everyone who has supported me through this sad time.

### RAY EDWARD MARTIN 8.2.1944 - 26.10.2021

Thank you to all of the medical, nursing and support staff at Guyra MPS for the amazing care provided to Ray.

Thank you to all of Ray's friends that have been a part of his life for many years; we adored hearing stories about the friendships Ray had with his mates.

Thank you to the amazing community of Guyra for providing us support during this time, in particular the Garrett family and Ray's long time neighbours Meg Simpson, and Peter and Narelle Wall.

*Raymond, Katy and Savannah  
James and Susan*

## TRAIN RIDES

### Guyra's Heritage Train



will be operating from 10am on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> January for the rest of the school holidays

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## Ladies' Golf

Welcome to a brand New Year from the lady golfers. Last week we played the First Round of the Graham Betts. Jenny Rogers was the winner with 34 points on a countback from Pip White.

Nearest the pin winners were Leonie Taylor on the 9th hole, Karen Oehlers on the 10th hole and Wendy Jackson on the 18th hole.

This week is a Par Medal sponsored by Debbie Heffernan. Next week is the First round of the NSW Medal and a Putting competition. Leonie Taylor is the Sponsor and Donna White is the starter.

### Birdie

## Men's golf

On Sunday a good field contested an 18 hole stroke for the Donna's Bistro trophy. Also played was the monthly mug for January and the playoff for the yearly mug for 2021.

The winner of the day was Steven Sole who claimed all three prizes with a 72 Nett. Runner up for the day was Tim Ellis. Nearest to the pins were Tim Ellis on the 7th, Steven Sole on the 10th and Darrin Towells

on the 18th. Chris Newberry and Pat Grills claimed the ball comp.

Next Sunday Golfers will travel to Inverell to contest the NEDGA Pennants that were postponed from December. Any-one available should contact Richard Burey.

### The Albatross

## Midweek golf

Midweek recommences on Monday 17th January 2022. Handicaps on the noticeboard at the Guyra Bowling club this week.

Final scores for the teams at Christmas put Baldersleigh Bashers in the lead. Congratulations. Top scores before Christmas went to Bob Burey and Harry Purvis with 24 points, next was Mick Kirk on 23 and Derek Smith 22.

Up to 45 birdies registered in the birdie competition – only two ladies have had birdies so far.

Good luck to everyone for the New Year.

### Middy

## Men's Bowls

One game of triples was played last weekend with David Wilcox, Murray Bourke and Paul Johnson up against Dan Kennedy, Greg Mitchell and Graham Starr. The teams were neck and neck all the way, but after 21 ends David's team were victorious 25 - 23.

Games set down for this weekend are on Saturday, with two games of club pairs set down.

Mallie Walls and Logan Beechey will do battle with Steven Sole and Robert Walls. Scott Campbell and Boyd Stanley will play Geoff Reeves and Wayne Reeves, with a 12 o'clock start.

Sunday at 12 pm the final of the triples will get under way, with David Wilcox, Murray Bourke and Paul Johnson taking on the formidable team of Michael Shiner, Col Stanley and Andrew Sparke.

On the weekend of the 22nd and 23rd the Top of the Range fours will be played, so if you would like a share of the \$5800 prize money there are still a couple of spots available, contact the clubs if you are keen.

### Jack

## December 18th, 2021 1st Grade Guyra defeated by TAS (T20)

### TAS Innings

5/130 off 20 overs

### Guyra Bowling:

Kyle Mongta 1/21  
Mitchell Woods 1/17  
Ben Jackson 1/20  
Heath Dowsett 1/22

### Guyra Innings

Mitchell Woods	0
Grant Ryan	21
Matt Jackson	6
Joey Ryan	11
Ben Jackson	10
Charlie White	41
Matt Simpson	3
DJ Patterson	11
Tyson Burey	0
Kyle Mongta	0
Heath Dowsett	not out 1
Extras	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>

Overs: 19.3

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### Auction

Date Tuesday 15th February, 11am  
Venue Guyra Bowling Club  
Inspection by appointment  
Mark Atkin 0455 310 657  
mark.atkin@elders.com.au  
Craig Waters 0448 389 025  
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