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Dianne Burey named top Citizen

Long-standing community volunteers have been recognised in this year's Australia Day ceremony with Guyra's Dianne Burey taking out Citizen of the Year award for 2022.

Dianne is a stand-out member of the local community and has been recognised for her extensive volunteer work and significant contribution to the community.

Her accomplishments include 22 years as Head Steward - Jams and Preserves for the Guyra Show Society, a 22 year commitment to the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival and 17 years' service to the Guyra Hospital Auxiliary. She has also volunteered countless hours and many years volunteering for Guyra Central School.

Her tireless and selfless ongoing contribution continues to benefit a wide range of



Australia Day Ambassador Narelle Campbell with Citizen of the Year for Guyra Dianne Burey

people within the Guyra community.

Armidale Regional Council Deputy Mayor Todd Redwood was joined by this Aus-

tralia Day Ambassador, Narelle Campbell, General Manager James Roncon and Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall to

present the awards. Ms Campbell's address to the gathering focussed on her love of small communities and the people who pull together for the greater good.

Ms Campbell has worked in the remote Australian Antarctic Territory as a station leader and was a 2015 NSW Australian of the Year Finalist

"Being here, seeing the people who make up this community reminds me of growing up in Wingham," she said.

"It also reminds me of my time as a station leader working in a remote community which is very much like Guyra in many ways.

"I know the value of individuals in a small town who contribute their time and skills to keep the community running."

Other awards winners page 9 >>>

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TIMBER & HARDWARE
WHERE THE TRADIES GO

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New shop offers healthy & sustainable products

The most recent addition to the high street of Guyra is 'Timber and Thyme', a health food and sustainable living shop run by Julia Woods. Julia said that she has often spoken of opening a shop or running a stall, selling sustainable living and local products as well as healthy living items. When the building became available she decided to forge ahead.

"It took the right time and frame of mind to take this big step," Julia said. "My plan is to sell health food, organic and sustainable living products which are free trade as well as local."

While this is her first time running a shop, Julia has 15 years experience as an administration manager at local schools, as well as running the family farm with husband Robert, which she believes has put her in good stead to run this new venture.

"I knew there were similar shops in nearby towns, but not in Guyra, so that is why I felt it was something that would work in our little town," Julia said. "The local community are looking for products that are healthy for us and kind to the planet."

What you will find when you walk through the door is a wide range of organic products, including Moogoo skin care for adults and children and a pet range called Dr Zoo.

Foodwise you will find nuts,



Julia Woods welcomed her first customers last week

seeds and power foods, muesli, herbs, spices, chocolate and honey from the local region.

Also in stock are Greeting cards, Merino/Possum/Bamboo socks, organic bamboo underwear for men and women, all of which are Australian and sustainably made.

To complete the range Julia stocks reusable food bags and water bottles, essential oils and Himalayan salt lamps and much, much more. She is also sourcing new products each

day to add to the collection and hopes to have an organic vegetable range soon.

Since opening the doors last week she said that everyone has been very kind and welcoming, and very supportive.

"People seem to be really pleased that there is now a health food and sustainable living shop which has opened up in the main street adding to the increasing good vibe.

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone

who has encouraged me to go ahead with this venture, who have supported me and given me wonderful advice and suggestions.

"To my dear friends and family, thank you. Special thanks to Robert who has been kind, patient and helpful throughout the whole process, offering guidance when I was spinning around, and to Joe and Trudy who I look up to and have always inspired and encouraged me."

Train rides popular

The Guyra heritage train operating during the school holidays has had good support. When the Lamb & Potato Festival was cancelled they decided to go ahead with the rides and have welcomed visitors from far and wide.

Families stopping on the highway have enjoyed the ride with visitors coming from all over including Kingaroy, Coonabarabran and Tamworth. Locals have also supported the group. They will continue to run until Sunday so if you haven't had a ride yet, head on down.



Vaccination rolls out for 5-11 year olds

The roll out of COVID-19 vaccinations for children aged 5 to 11 year old is underway in Guyra with around 50 vaccines already delivered by the Guyra Medical Centre. Practice Manager Indrani Jeyakumar said that the take up of the vaccines has been good and encourages anyone with children in that age group to ring for an appointment as soon as possible.

“We started vaccinating the 5-11 year olds last week and the response so far is really pleasing,” Indrani said. “With school starting next week it is important that we get as many kids vaccinated as possible and all you have to do is ring us to make an appointment.”

Indrani is also encouraging older residents to book in for their boosters, particularly now that COVID is active in the community. NSW Health figures indicate that there have so far been 110 cases in the community of which 36 remain active. *(Cases reported from PCR testing for the 2365 postcode).*

Since the first cases were reported, both the Medical Centre and the Guyra Pharmacy have been inundated with calls from people who have tested positive or have been waiting for test results.



Guyra GP Dr Jey started administering vaccines for 5-11 year olds last week.

The best advice they can offer is if you are feeling unwell, to phone rather than presenting in person to avoid transmission to other vulnerable people in the community. Telehealth or phone consultations are available and scripts can be sent directly to the pharmacy who will deliver to your home.

Guyra Pharmacy has been kept busy delivering booster vaccinations for those who had their previous shots more than three months ago.

Pharmacist Vu Nguyen said that they are expecting to be able to start vaccinating 5-11 years in the near future and they are just waiting on supplies to arrive.

Vu is also expecting more stock of Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) to start coming through shortly. While he has only limited stock at the moment, he expects availability will be a lot easier over coming weeks.

“We are in the same scenario as all pharmacies across Australia,” Vu said. “There has been high demand and we have struggled to get stock. The important message is that it is still early days and things will get easier as more supplies come through.”

“It is understandable that people are confused about what to do, and my advice is that if you do have symptoms to phone the pharmacy or the Medical Centre rather than presenting in person. That way we can offer advice depending on what your symptoms are.”

“The good news is that a lot of people we have talked to are only having mild symptoms and so far the majority are able to manage at home.”

Vu confirmed he is participating the government program providing free RAT kits for concession card holders, which will be rolled out once adequate supplies are available.



Among the first to get the vaccine were Edward, William, and Aoife Collins (left), Liam and Mia Walsh (centre) and Shiloni Katta (right)

What's HOT

School returns next week

AWESOME fireworks - thank you

2022 calendar produced by Gazette out now

CRICKET T20 finals in Guyra on Aus Day and Reconciliation Match on Friday. Spectators welcome

GONE FISHING DAY on Sunday at Malpas Dam. All welcome

What's NOT

GREY cars that match the colour of the road

FAST FOOD rubbish

QUOTE of the week

Life always offers you a second choice. It's called tomorrow

Bureau of Meteorology Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
18	Tues	16.0	23.9	0
19	Wed	14.9	20.1	30.0
20	Thurs	12.4	17.5	30.8
21	Fri	9.1	18.1	0.6
22	Sat	10.0	19.3	3.0
23	Sun	9.3	21.4	0
24	Mon	9.3	23.7	0

Rain this week	64.4 mm
Jan. rainfall	101.4 mm
Rainfall YTD	101.4mm
Rainfall last YTD	41.2mm
Ave. rain to Jan.	118.1 mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

On Friday 28th January 2022 staff at Guyra Central School will return to school in preparation for the welcoming of students commencing from Tuesday 1st February 2022. This will be a staggered return for students.

On Tuesday 1st February students in Years 1-6, 7, 11 and 12 return, on Wednesday 2nd February Students in Years 8, 9 & 10 return and on Friday 4th February Kindergarten begins.

Guyra Central School Principal Michelle Nicholson has congratulated Year 12 students 2021, and their families, for their great HSC results.

"I believe that most of our students would be very satisfied with their achievements," Mrs Nicholson said. "I must thank Year 12 teachers and the whole Year 12 support network for their ability to go the extra mile under very challenging circumstances.

"Some of our students have already commenced their next stage/chapter and some are currently working and preparing for the commencement of the University and TAFE year, looking to continue with their studies.

Guyra Central School Dux 2021 Cordelia Lloyd has also been acknowledged in the NSW Department of Education High Achievers HSC 2021 list.

"Cordy received High Achievement recognition in Legal Studies and Extension English 1. Only two Central Schools in NSW had students who were acknowledged as High Achievers 2021, Woodenbong and Guyra Central School. When school returns, we will provide information on where our students are heading and a further celebration.

"We will start 2022 with a layered approach to COVID-smart measures that have been developed in partnership with NSW Health to help to minimise transmissions at school. The health and wellbeing of our students and staff remain our priority, and these measures are designed to help



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to keep our school open and our students learning in the classroom.

These key measures include:

- Rapid antigen test (RAT) kits will be provided to all students to help monitor your child's health and minimise transmission of COVID-19 across our school.

- Wearing of surgical masks indoors is required for all staff and students in Year 7 and above and strongly recommended for all primary students. Masks will be provided by the school if required.

- Only fully vaccinated visitors essential to delivering and supporting learning or wellbeing can come on a school site.

- Two parents or carers are allowed to accompany their child into school on their first day of Kindergarten or Year 7 or students starting at a new school.

- Students will be kept in their year groups on school grounds, with staggered drop-off and pick-ups, break times, playground and canteen access to minimise the spread of COVID-19 across cohorts.

- We will continue to use

good hygiene, enhanced cleaning, good air flow and ventilation in learning spaces, as well as physical distancing practices.

"While this is not going to be a normal start to the school year, we know that being together in the classroom is the most effective way for students to learn and grow. Your child's relationship with their teacher is important, but as we manage potential disruptions to staffing due to COVID-19, they may get to meet more teachers than usual.

"Our Guyra Central School executive are currently formulating a COVID safe plan to implement our 2022 commencement and the distribution of the RAT tests. We will be in daily communication with our parents/carers and relevant organisations leading into the time when our students commence their first day at school."

Please don't hesitate to contact the school with further questions. Staff will be answering phones commencing Friday 28th January 2022.

Have your say

I was not surprised at the criticism of the Guyra cemetery in your paper. It is in a shocking mess, a disgrace to the community.

This has happened throughout the Shire since the amalgamation. Even the Armidale Regional Council was disciplined by the Minister for Local Government.

At Christmas time, I visited the Ollera Cemetery. It was in immaculate condition – a delight to visit. Bob Burey I understand organises the care.

The Guyra cemetery is disgusting to visit where as Ollera cemetery is a delight and pleasure to visit. Congratulations Bob and your supporters.

George Ward

Learn how to arrange flowers

The Guyra Show is just over three weeks away, and now is the time to start thinking about your entries. If gardening is your thing, a little help is at hand to ensure your blooms are presented at their best.

A flower arrangement workshop will be held at The Hub on Wednesday February 2nd. The workshop follows requests to Guyra Show judges from people requesting assistance to learn the intricacies of flower arranging.

Dot Vickery OAM will lead the three-hour workshop. She is an experienced judge with more than 30 years experience at local shows.

The workshop will take place from 10am to 1pm with a light luncheon included. The cost will be \$5 to cover the luncheon and participants

will need to bring their own flowers and containers.

The Community Garden at The Hub is also blooming with plenty of fresh produce available to the general public. The produce is available for anyone that wants to pick their own. They are looking for helpers to assist with planting, maintaining or assisting in any way. Call into The Hub to find out how you can help. You will find a new Street Library has been installed in the garden, which will be stocked up with books this week.

There has been some undesirable activity in the garden which has been reported to local police. The community is being asked to keep an eye on the garden to ensure that everyone can continue to enjoy the space.



Learn the secrets of champion blooms at next week's workshop at The Hub



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New Lamb and Potato Festival all-weather shed

It will be a pleasure to celebrate with the Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival committee this Thursday to officially open the \$130,000 new all-weather shed at the Big Lamb.

This project has been one positive to occur during the COVID-19 pandemic, which has seen the major local event postponed twice.

The festival received a State Government Community Building Partnership grant in 2019, allowing the construction of a diverse dining and performance space in the shape of an impressive 10 metre by 18 metre shed with lockable roller doors.

With room for a stage and seating for 60 people the building will have a huge benefit, ensuring visitors to

the festival are able to take in all the sights and sounds of the event, even in inclement weather.

While it is disappointing this year's festival was cancelled, I am confident the passion of the committee and the new building will see it back bigger and better in 2023.

2022 Regional Seniors Travel Card

Eligible Guyra seniors can now apply for the 2022 NSW Regional Seniors Travel Card, which will see them receive \$250 to help with everyday travel costs.

Applicants will receive a \$250 pre-paid Visa card that can be used for fuel, taxis, pre-booked NSW TrainLink Regional trains and coaches, and select community transport services.

The eligibility criteria is extensive, and includes those who have reached Aged Pension age and receive one of a number of State and Commonwealth age, disability, carer or war veterans payments.

With the latest COVID-19 health advice, seniors are strongly advised to apply online with Service NSW or call 13 77 88, rather than visit a service centre.

The State Government has committed \$246 million to continue the program until the end of 2023, as well as expand the eligibility to include seniors who are carers and those with disabilities.

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Rural land values increase by 18.7 per cent

The NSW Valuer General, Dr David Parker, has published land values for the Northern Tablelands region, and rural property in the Armidale Region (which includes Guyra) has increased by 18.7 per cent.

The recovery in the local economy following a prolonged period of drought contributed to these increases together with strengthening demand in the surrounding residential and rural sectors.

Overall, residential land values in the region increased moderately at 8 per cent.

There were strong increases experienced in Glen Innes Severn (13.9 per cent) and Tenterfield (17.5 per cent), with a slight increase experienced in Uralla (4.6 per cent).

These increases were attributed to strengthening demand, particularly from first home buyers and city-based purchasers seeking to relocate to

regional areas.

Commercial land values in the region increased slightly at 2 per cent, which was consistent across the region's local government areas, with the exception of Walcha (11.1 per cent) which experienced strong increases attributed to the strengthening demand in the surrounding residential and rural sectors upon which the commercial market relies.

Industrial land values in the region increased moderately overall at 6.4 per cent. Glen Innes Severn saw a slight increase of 2.2 per cent. In contrast, Armidale Regional and Uralla (0.3 per cent) remained steady.

Rural land values in the region recorded an overall increase of 16.3 per cent. Strong increases were experienced in Armidale Regional, Glen Innes Severn (23.4 per cent), Inverell (10.4 per cent), Tenterfield (22.9

per cent) and Walcha (12.5 per cent), while moderate increases were experienced in Uralla (9.8 per cent).

These increases are attributed to continued favourable seasonal conditions, historically low interest rates, good commodity prices and strong demand.

Dr Parker said property sales are the most important factor valuers consider when determining land values.

The land values reflect the value of land only, as at July 1, 2021 and across the Northern Tablelands region, there has been a substantial increase since 2020.

The total land value for the Northern Tablelands region increased by 14.2 per cent between 1 July 2020 and 1 July 2021 from \$11 billion to \$12.5 billion.

CRICKET SCOREBOARD January 22nd, 2022

1st Grade T20 Guyra defeated Easts

Easts Innings
79 off 19.2 overs

Guyra Bowling:
JMitch Woods 1/8, Jake Ellis 2/21, Tyson Burey 1/13, Heath Dowsett 1/17, Joey Ryan 3/17, Andrew Pearson 1/3

Guyra Innings

Grant Ryan	not out	26
Mitch Woods		0
Charlie White		21
Joey Ryan		13
DJ Patterson		0
Ossie Kinnear	not out	4
Jake Ellis		dnb
Tyson Burey		dnb
Andrew Pearson		dnb
Kyle Mongta		dnb
Matt Simpson		dnb
Extras		20
Total		4/84

Overs: 18.2

2nd grade Guyra defeated by Ex Services

Ex Services Innings
5/144 (cc)

Guyra Bowling:
Aidan Purvis 1/18, Steve McElroy 1/15 Brandon Landsborough 1/18, DJ Laing 1/33

Guyra Innings

B Landsborough	23
David Laing	0
Les Perrett	2
Aidan Purvis	8
Mick Purvis	0
Adrian Cameron	1
Cooper Brennan	1
Graham Cameron	1
Lucas Tait	5
Steve McElroy	19
Braydon Wadley	dnb
Extras	8
Total	9/69

Overs: 20



The CWA team (above) and artist Brian Irving (right)

OUT & ABOUT CWA ART SHOW

Tech help for seniors at Armidale Regional Libraries



Free sessions available at Armidale Guyra Libraries. Call the library to register or visit <https://youngster.co/>

Senior residents will have the opportunity to learn all things digital as Armidale Regional Libraries partner with youngster.co to bring tech help to seniors.

Tech help will launch in both Armidale and Guyra libraries from February, enabling seniors to work with younger members of the community to gain assistance navigating devices and the online world.

Tech help will be available every Friday afternoon and Saturday morning at Armidale Library and every Saturday

morning in Guyra Library starting 25 February 2022.

Seniors can seek assistance with mobile phones, tablets or computers, using apps, and accessing websites. Each one-on-one session is 30 minutes and bookings can be made online at <https://youngster.co> or by calling your Armidale or Guyra libraries.

Tech help for seniors at Armidale Regional Libraries is supported by Tech Savvy Seniors, a NSW Government partnership with Telstra, the State library of NSW and Edwards Coaches.

Want to know what's on?

Subscribe to our weekly What's On mailing list to keep up to date with all of the exciting events happening across the region this week.

Visit www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au to subscribe or to submit your community event.

Do you have a pet?

All companion animals must be:

- **Registered from six months of age**
- **Microchipped and identified**

Council Rangers are qualified identifiers and can microchip your animals by appointment. Call the Rangers on 1300 136 833.

You can register your pet at any Council office within NSW by simply taking your identification paperwork in. There are reduced fees for de-sexed animals, you will need to show the de-sexed certificate from your vet for the exemption.



COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Thursday 27 January in Armidale from 4pm. Attendees should ensure they adhere to the Public Health Order when attending a Council meeting.

The public are welcome to watch the live streaming over YouTube, Council's website or Facebook page.



Spend your Summer holidays at Guyra Swimming Pool!

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'



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WORLD WETLANDS DAY

at Mother of Ducks Lagoon

8 am - 10 am Wednesday 2nd February

Mother of Ducks Lagoon Picnic Area, McKie Parkway, Guyra

COME ALONG TO HEAR ABOUT THE SPECIAL BIRDS THAT LIVE AT MOTHER OF DUCKS LAGOON AND DO SOME BIRD WATCHING!

With ornithologist
Dr Stephen Debus, UNE

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Art and Culture Award: Brian Irving and Kay Smith – Brian (Aboriginal Artist Elder) and Kay are local Guyra artists who last year collaborated together to produce the beautiful murals depicting Guyra's iconic landmark, the Mother Of Ducks Lagoon, displayed on the toilet block in the main street of Guyra.

Both Brian and Kay are very generous in the Guyra community, teaching students in the surrounding schools art for many years.

Rural Market Reports

Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale

January 19th - There was a sharp increase in lamb numbers with the inclusion of a large supply of light weight young lambs. There was a total yarding of 3750, with 3400 lambs and 350 grown sheep. There were limited supplies of well finished lambs to suit processors. This, a reflection of a season just too good to finish lambs. Plainer condition Merino lambs were in fair numbers with restockers active. There was good restocker support, while all the regular processors attended. There were varying trends in the market for lambs to restockers. The plainest condition and lightest weights sold to dearer trends. Those carrying a little more condition sold firm to slightly cheaper. The increased supply and a bit more variation in quality playing a role. The limited supply of well finished lambs to suit processors re-

sulted in slightly dearer trends with quality also a factor in price change. The majority of the plainer condition Merino lambs sold to restockers. Cheaper trends were evident for the most part in the sheep market, with processor demand somewhat subdued. Restockers were active on the plainer condition Merino ewes being Spring shorn.

Armidale Cattle Sale

January 20th – 178 cattle were on offer at this week's sale. The low numbers a reflection of the outstanding season being experienced, negating the need to offload livestock early. All categories had a representation with quality fair to good. Condition was also good for the most part.

There was a restricted presence of processors and feedlotters with local restockers active. The increased supply of vealers sold strongly with all going to re-

stocker orders. Medium weight yearling steers sold on a firm to cheaper market trend with quality a factor in price change.

There were a few heavy weight yearling steers that attracted restocker competition only. They also sold strongly taking breed and quality into account. Limited supplies of yearling heifers sold on a firm to cheaper trend. The lack of processor competition resulted in cheaper trends through all categories of grown cattle. The heavy weight cows only slightly cheaper.

Weekly Wool Sales

January 21st - At first glance the wool market this week seemed to hold its' own with a slight increase across all types on the first day of sale, while on the second there was a modest decrease in the 19micron and broader categories. This enabled the market to record an overall increase for the S29 series.

However, upon closer analysis there were large price movements across micron and type sectors. Superfine merino wool finer than 17.5 were 40 to 70cents dearer, 17.7 to 18.5-micron wool were about 10 cents dearer and the broader types 19 over dropped between 10 to 20cents, and the gains we experienced in the crossbred types last week quickly evaporated losing 20 to 30 with the broader end being most affected.

The merino skirting and carding market also performed well with increases of between 10 and 40 cents depending on micron and style. The passed-in rate of 8.5 % was in large part driven by the crossbred types with up to 23 percent of all crossbred failing to meet growers' expectations, adding more quantity to the ever increasing number of bales of crossbred wools in brokers stores.



Contribution to Sports and Recreation: Thursday Tennis Ladies – These amazing ladies have been playing tennis for around 35 years. Every Thursday, they can be seen enjoying the sport of tennis. What a wonderful example they are to the community, demonstrating you are never too old to get out and exercise, especially to the many school children who see the ladies playing as they walk or drive past the tennis courts on their way to school.



Community Services Award: Gladys Wilson – Gladys is a wonderful supporter of the Guyra Community. She volunteers every day during the Lamb and Potato Festival, as well as in the weeks leading up to the event. Additionally Gladys volunteers her time at the Poetry Hall of Fame and she is quite a talented poet. Gladys supports all the Guyra tourist events such as Guyra Trout Fest, Rotary Carnival and the Peony Festival.



Sportsperson of the Year: Veteran Golfers – In 2021 the Guyra Veteran Golfers won the district pennants with a nail biting finish by one point from Walcha. The district competition comprises teams from Glen Innes, Armidale, Walcha and Guyra who battle it out to be the number one pennants team. The competition is held over several rounds with each town playing host. The commitment and dedication of the players ensures a friendly rivalry within the team and brings out the best in gamesmanship.

Community Event of the Year: Guyra Show Society – The 2021 the Guyra Show was a tremendous success. The Guyra Show Society overcame many hurdles, due to COVID restrictions and with the exception of only a few sections, the show was able to run as near to normal as possible. The support from the local community was incredible. Crowd numbers were the best in years and exhibits were of the usual high standard. The event brought town and country together in a relaxed atmosphere.



Australia

by Gladys Wilson

We live in this wonderful country
that's divided by land and sea
Where our ANZACs fought for freedom
to keep us all safe and free
With this ever growing nation of
ours there is so much to share
Let's all stand together as proud
Australians to show we really care

The rugged landscape of the bushland
with peacefully flowing rivers and streams
Our beautiful scenic view of the historic
Blue Mountains is the envy
of one's dreams
Still all of nature's creations,
nothing can compare
To the everlasting eucalyptus
and sweet smelling scent of wattle
that drifts in the evening air

Even with good intentions
many still like to brag
About our precious icon,
the good old Aussie flag
We should all be thankful in this
life as there is peace forever more
With our villains and bushrangers
of long ago that have now vanished
from our shore

The kangaroo and emu, koala,
our cockatoo
And the red glow of the setting
sun that hangs over Uluru
Please raise our hands to salute our
country that's ever so rich and rare
Now come on mate, let's celebrate
and Advance Australia fair.



Classifieds Trades & Services

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MAIN STREET PREMISES: full, part-time or shared basis. Phone David Bearup 0412 856 679.

MEETINGS

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

POULTRY FOR SALE

LAYER PULLETS, 20 weeks, all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, 18th February. Call Jim 0428 194 105

FLOWER ARRANGING

Flower Arranging Workshop
Wednesday, 2nd February
10.00am to 1.00pm
at The Hub

Learn the intricacies of flower show arrangement. You will need to bring flowers and a bottle for each flower.

\$5 - includes light lunch

Details & bookings contact
The Hub on 6779 1635

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CLAIM THE DATE

SATURDAY 2nd APRIL, 2022 Bald Blair Public School Centenary Celebrations

CLAIM THE DATE

For your event
or function

Phone: 6779 2132

GUYRA SHOW PHOTOGRAPHY



PHOTOGRAPHY ENTRIES for this year's Guyra Show must be submitted to The GALA Centre by 4.30pm on Wednesday, 9th February.

RAM SALES



WYCOMBE ANNUAL ON PROPERTY RAM SALE

38th ANNUAL RAM & 1st X EWE SALE

TUESDAY, 22 February 2022

90 POLL DORSET RAMS
(70 Rising 2yo, 20 Ram Lambs)
30 BORDER LEICESTER RAMS
(Rising 2yo)
350 1st X EWES - 2020 DROP

Inspections from 12.00pm
Auction from 2.00pm

Contact the selling Agents:
ARMITAGE & BUCKLEY
6772 1255

Luke Heagney - 0459 044 447
Tom Piddington - 0429 525 797

Vendor: Andrew Coddington
0421 860 066

GUYRA ANGLERS CLUB

Gone Fishing Day

Sunday, 30th January
8.30am to 4.00pm
at Malpas Dam



Guyra Anglers Club aims to have an action packed day at Malpas Dam targeting Bass, Trout and Redfin.

Junior Fishing Clinic at 10am
Delivered by qualified and passionate fishers.

Prizes, BBQ lunch & drinks
Free for the kids,
gold coin donation for adults.

Share in the fun & register at:
<https://ozfish.org.au/event/gone-fishing-day-malpas-dam/>

Covid measures will be in place.

Contact Grant on 0429 856 769
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Gone Fishing Day

Guyra Anglers Club Inc will hold a free Gone Fishing Day is on Sunday January 30th. The day is all about celebrating all that they love about fishing and what it gives to the local Guyra community.

Along with support from Oz-Fish Unlimited Northern Tablelands Chapter, CWP Renewables & Sapphire Wind Farm, and BCF Armidale, Guyra Anglers Club aims to have an action packed day at Malpas Dam targeting Bass, Trout and Redfin.

All Redfin (a feral fish) caught on the day must be humanely dispatched and will be utilised positively in being returned to nature as fertilizer for local farmers – a beneficial outcome for both the water and land environments.

The day commences at 8:30am and runs until 4pm. Kids can take part in a junior fishing clinic at 10am delivered by qualified and passionate fishers, learn hints and tips and all about responsible fishing.

There will be prizes on the day - including biggest Bass, Trout and Redfin, along with a prize for the most Redfin per person.

A tasty BBQ lunch & drinks (free for the kids, gold coin donation for adults) will be available. Want to share in the fun, go to <https://ozfish.org.au/event/gone-fishingday-malpas-dam/> to register (preferred) however walk ups on the day at Malpas Dam are welcome. COVID measures will be adhered to for a safe and fantastic fishing day.

Guyra Anglers Club would like also to take this chance to give their heartfelt thanks to Khammo, Dasha's Hardware, Campbells Butchery and the Guyra Hotel, for their continuing support of our proactive local club through our regular raffles and AGM prizes.

Want to know more? Contact Grant on 0429856769 or email guyraanglers@gmail.com

Reconciliation Cricket Match

The Guyra Aboriginal Lands

Council, in conjunction with the Guyra Cricket Club, will be hosting a reconciliation Twenty/20 cricket match at the Guyra Turf (Ted Mulligan Oval) on Friday January 28th. This game was originally set down for December, however had to be cancelled due to rain.

The Mate versus Mate Trophy is up for grabs as team mates become opponents. The game will kick off at 4.30pm and will feature all local cricketers.

With the forecast looking much better this time around, the scene is set for some entertaining cricket. Spectators are welcome and the community is invited to come along to witness the action.

A sausage sizzle will operate with proceeds going to a nominated charity.

Vets Golf

Last week 18th January, we played an Individual Stableford. The winner on the day was nearly the rain which caused some retirements but the hardy

played on.

Ian Taylor with 36 points won the day from Dave Bearup on 35. Nearest the pins went to Neil Paine on the 7th, Dave Bearup the 10th and Chris Newbery the 18th. Chris was also the best putter with 28 putts.

Tomorrow the 27th January a good field of 26 players will be travelling to Glen Innes to compete in the first round of the Pennants. Let's hope the weather holds off. Good luck to all.

A Vet

Ladies' Golf

Last week there was no golf played because of the wet conditions.

This week is the Australia Day Bring a Friend Day.

Next week is a Par Medal with Jenny Rogers as the starter.

Several ladies are travelling to Glen Innes to play in the Vets Pennants this week.

Good luck to all.

Birdie

Elders Armidale & Guyra Upcoming Ram Sale Dates 2022

Wednesday 2nd Feb | 10.30am | Armidale Housed Ram Sale

Monday 7th Feb | 1pm | Alfoxton Merino Ram Sale

Friday 11th Feb | 2pm | Pollambi Performance Ram Sale

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Friday 4th March | 2pm | Yasloc Ram Sale



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Top of the Range Fours

Last weekend the very successful Top of the Range Fours carnival was played. Bowlers from all over the state travelled to Guyra for the carnival, which was a great success. After five games the winners were Mick Pennell, Paul

Bullen, Lindsay McIntyre and Col Stanley. Runners up were Paul Johnson, Reg Davidson, Robert Walls and Wayne Reeves.

No matches are set down for this weekend so the greens can recover.



Right:

Winners Mick Pennell, Col Stanley, Lindsay McIntyre, Paul Bullen

Above:

Runners up Wayne Reeves, Reg Davidson, Robert Walls, Paul Johnson



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