

# Guyra Gazette

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## Cold start to bull sale season

Cold, wet weather greeted Richard and Prue Post on Monday, August 1st for their very successful 38th Annual Glenavon Angus on property sale at Outer Bald Blair.

Visitors were treated to slow cooked brisket burgers, barista coffee and a mouth-watering line-up of home cooked treats courtesy of Prue Post and Emma McLennan.

The dismal weather did not dampen a great atmosphere and strong sale, resulting in all 99 Bulls and 100 heifers sold. Whilst many bulls stayed locally, good lines of bulls headed as far afield as northern Queensland and southern Victoria.

The Standout Sire line sought by buyers were sons of Stoney Point Nolte, and the top priced Bull (lot 6 Glenavon R194) sold to AJM Pastoral, Richmond QLD.

Of the 99 Bulls sold, 41 were yearlings which offered buyers access to the latest genetics at a reasonable price on the day.

Elders Guyra, led by Mark, Craig, Paul and Terry managed the sale with Richard making a special note of their outstanding job in his post



sale comments. A special mention was also made of Auctioneer Lincoln McKinlay.

The Glenavon Team sincerely appreciates the support of the local community in their breeding program.

Whilst 2022 saw a reduced bull offering largely due to the impact of the 2019 drought, the Glenavon Team look forward to a much larger line-up of Bulls and Heifers for their next sale on Monday, August 7, 2023.



**Top:** Part of the crowd at Glenavon Angus sale  
**Above:** Prue and Richard Post celebrate their successful Angus bull sale



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Selling 2 x 18-24mo & 34 yearling bulls by  
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# Bridgewater Bull Sale

At Bridgewater Angus we strive to breed bulls with a combination of high EBV indexes and desirable phenotype.

The foundation of our stud breeding herd consists of high indexing cows, which were purchased from both the Wattletop and Ayrvale stud dispersal sales.

Some may think that we have put too high an emphasis on EBVs, well on that score we plead guilty. We believe that Angus EBVs provide an important tool for commercial breeders to make decisions that help ensure profitability.

However, bull structure is also of great importance to us, hence why we employ Rayner Ag to thoroughly assess each of our bulls before they reach the sale ring.

The combination of EBVs and structure within our herd is evident, as our recent on property bull sale sold to a top of \$35,000.

The top priced bull, Hometown BON21S 028 sold to Stratton Livestock and comprises of a calving ease +6.6, birth weight 3.7, 400 day 118, net feed intake +0.11, carcass weight an impressive +108, eye muscle area +10, IMF 3.7 and A-L \$494 which puts him in the top 1% for the breed.

All our stud animals that have been

born in the past 4 years, have sire verification and genomics conducted on them.

We believe and have suggested to the Angus society, that all registered Angus stud animals should have a DNA profile, including parent verification.

This would ensure that a buyer of a given bull has surety that they are buying as is advertised. It astounds me that bull buyers will pay in excess of \$20,000 for bulls that are not sire verified.

Some could say this is playing with fire, especially in regards to heifer bulls, where birthweight and calving ease are very important.

We are currently in the middle of calving our stud and commercial cows, which is of great excitement with some of the new genetics we have recently brought into the herd.

In particular, a bull we bought from Shacorrahdalu Angus Stud from Berremangra NSW. This New Ground son comes with a cracking set of figures. We expect there will be a few yearling sons in our 2023 bull sale.

Once again thanks to our many supporters and new clients this year.

*Roger Flower*

## Shacorrahdalu New Ground

Trait	EBV	Acc	Perc
CE Dir	+7.6	62%	12
CE Dtrs	+8.3	55%	5
GL	-4.9	72%	45
BWT	+2.6	75%	18
200	+58	74%	14
400	+109	73%	7
600	+139	74%	10
MCW	+127	72%	12
Milk	+18	67%	39
DTC	-5.2	44%	39
SS	+6.6	70%	1
DOC	-	-	-
NFI-F	+0.48	57%	83
CWT	+81	68%	10
EMA	+12.5	66%	2
RIB	+0.9	70%	24
P8	-0.7	67%	58
RBV	+2.1	67%	5
IMF	+2.0	66%	50
ANGLE	+0.76	68%	8
CLAW	+0.64	68%	12
\$A	\$236	-	14
\$A-L	\$435	-	3

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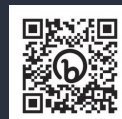
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# Rail Trails Bill passes Parliament

The NSW Government's historic Rail Trails Bill has passed through Parliament, empowering regional communities to convert disused rail corridors into walking and riding tracks.

The Transport Administration Amendment (Rail Trails) Bill 2022 alters the Transport Administration Act 1988 to provide a streamlined process that may enable regional rail trails where and when the community wants them.

Minister for Cities and Active Transport, Rob Stokes said the Bill unlocks opportunities for communities and fixes outdated and onerous legislation that required a change to the Act for each rail trail.

This bill will allow regional councils to transform these spaces into treasured

public places. Projects that are consistent with the Rail Trail Framework and have broad community support will now be able to proceed.

Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, Sam Faraway said an improved process to authorise the use of non-operational rail lines for rail trails and related tourism uses will benefit rural communities and economies, without compromising on biosecurity or ongoing viability.

"The Government's approach makes the process for rail trail development more rigorous and transparent; this is not a green light for all disused rail corridors to become a rail trail," Mr Faraway said.

State-funded pilot projects have proved popular and beneficial — the

first completed rail trail between Tumbarumba and Rosewood saw spend in the local economy increase 20 per cent following its opening in mid-2020.

The \$4.9 million project has had over 15,000 visits so far and welcome economic stimulus from this has flowed to Snowy Valley businesses.

\$7.8 million has been invested in the Northern Rivers Rail Trail, which is expected to create an extra 200 jobs and attract 82,000 visitors each year in and around the Tweed communities of Murwillumbah to Crabbes Creek.

All rail trails would be created under a lease agreement of up to 30 years with the local council. The agreement allows the Minister to terminate the lease should the corridor be required for a future transport use.

## Rally for de-amalgamation

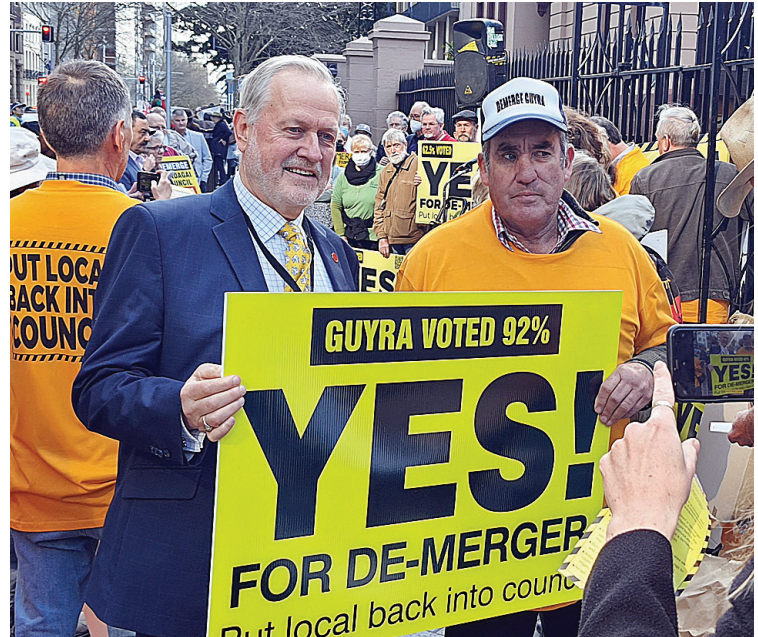
It was an outstanding success with the Sydney Parliament House protest rally for the De-amalgamation of NSW Councils. In attendance and support of the rally were Mayors, Ministers and Members of the Parliament, Councillors and angry rate payers from all parts of the State.

Large numbers gathered in Macquarie Street outside NSW Parliament House on Tuesday last week in solidarity to fight for their democratic rights and future independence for Demerging of NSW Councils.

Mr Rob Lenahan spoke on behalf of rate payers from the Northern Region and was well greeted and received by all participants including Robert Borsak of the Shooters Fishers Farmers Party.

Whilst a large police presence was on hand for the large crowd, the rally was well organised by Demerge NSW Alliance and received local media attention for the large attendance by rate payers who had travelled to Sydney from all over NSW.

The message was clear and simple from the rally attendees that the merging of NSW councils has been a complete financial failure and therefore will make change for the forthcoming State Election in March 2023 with the backing of past and present politicians, Mayors, councillors and rate payers.



Rob Lenahan (right) at the demerger rally held outside NSW Parliament last week with Robert Borsak MLC

## Gazette Footy Tipping

### Locals Entry Form - Round 24

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

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**The Thinker**

Stealing chooks from people's yards

Bringing home the Championship trophy

Bull sales

Taking your rubbish home and putting it in your own bin

What's **NOT**

Leaving your rubbish at the Return & Earn

Losing an expensive G-shock watch

Not even flooded creeks and numerous detours could deter the Northern Tablelands being represented at the much anticipated 2022 NSW CWA State International Conference celebrating the country of study of Latvia at Dubbo over the weekend.

A capacity crowd of 120 gathered from all parts of NSW lured by the magic of Latvia's Castles, national pride and enviable traditions to meet the Honorary Latvian Consul General Martin Tukene, his wife and community representatives to learn about Latvia.

The Conference was also attended by the CWA 2022 State President Joy Beames, 2021 Past President Judy Houghton, and Associated County Women of the World (ACWW) South Pacific Area President Gail Commens. Past ACWW President Ruth Shanks was the MC ensuring a perfect mix of facts, figures and fun through-out the weekend.

The CWA representatives embraced all aspects of the Conference and will return to their groups and branches with much information to share about Latvia.



Mary Hollingworth with Latvian Consul General Martin Tukene

Mary Hollingworth

## Have your say.....

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### QUOTE of the week

Sometimes I wonder whether the world is being run by smart people who are putting us on, or by imbeciles who really mean it.

Mark Twain

Bureau of Meteorology

## Weather

### WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
9	Tues	-3.3	9.4	0
10	Wed	-0.1	10.8	0
11	Thurs	0.1	12.0	0
12	Fri	5.0	8.5	0
13	Sat	6.2	10.4	15.4
14	Sun	1.1	8.5	1.4
15	Mon	1.1	7.8	0

Rain this week	16.8mm
August rainfall	71.4mm
Rainfall YTD	708.6mm
Rainfall last YTD	710.8mm
Avg rain to Aug.	559.5mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

### Not the time for a rail trail

I see with interest that the Rail Trail bill has passed through both houses of State Parliament so I suppose it is now up to council to see where it will all go to from here.

I only hope they have realized it is not the time for this doomed project. Let's hope they have a good look at the business case for this project as costs have doubled since 2019.

My feeling is they will not and will forge ahead not listening to communities and others that do not want this stupid proposal. Well I suppose they know that they can put the extra costs onto the rate payers.

I challenge Council to come and have a good look at the lay of the land and do a proper feasibility study of this project. I feel this grant money should be spent on more worthwhile and much needed and important projects for every one not just a select few.

Barry Litchfield, Ben Lomond

### Guyra Now and Then

I am one of those people from Sydney that chose to raise my family in Guyra and witnessed how the town operates when it was still on its own autonomy. I was attracted to move and settle in Guyra because the town is a very promising neat town with a low crime rate. What also enticed my family to buy a property in Guyra is the low council rates.

Back then, even if you are a stranger in town, every local will greet you with a beautiful smile. You will see locals on their favourite "hangout".

There are a lot of cafes open. When you are feeling a bit famished, all you need to do is drive in the main drag to get meals at a very affordable price. You will never get hungry as there would always be places to find decent food.

Whenever I see potholes on the road, it doesn't worry me. As I know within two weeks or less, it would be filled with bitumen to prevent

vent damage to my vehicle and safer driving.

We have the Guyra local Library always open. I whinge about the \$8 fee that I need to pay whenever I go to the recycling centre, as I said to myself I am already paying for the garbage fee in council rates but the garbage truck is not driving our way due to proximity.

I remember the talk about the Council Amalgamation of Guyra and Armidale, during that time I thought, it would be good for Guyra as it might open up a lot of business opportunities in town.

At present, it is a bit saddening as there are a lot of small businesses closing. I now pay \$18 for the garbage disposal at CRC aside from paying the hefty garbage levy on my rates imposed by the council. I would be lucky if I would find a cafe open on a Sunday. But most of the time, I have to drive down to Armidale or Inverell to get a "fast food meal".

From there, I cannot blame myself for comparing when Guyra was still an independent council, it may not be perfect but, the Guyra people are a number one priority.

Now....will there still be more businesses to open? Will there be an opportunity for Guyra residents or they will be forced to find jobs somewhere and make this town die slowly?

I wonder daily if there is any bright future for the region with outlandish rate hikes and the possibility of home owners already under pressure forced to sell their homes when they are no longer sustainable with council rate increases.

Where is the guarantee under the local government act that now struggling GUYRA rate payers will not be forced to sell their asset in order to recuperate funds for the financially struggling council?

Please bring back our independent council to prevent a GUYRA GHOST TOWN.

Guyra Resident



# Community Noticeboard

## Meals on Wheels

No Meals on Wheels for drivers to deliver until further notice

## Street Stalls

Aug 18-20 Lions  
Aug 25 CWA  
Sept 1 Can Assist

## 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  
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**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: Di Burey 0428 791 742

**Church of Freedom**  
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## 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 at Guyra Cafe Ph: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

## Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping

Round 22 of NRL footy was a week of high scoring matches and upsets. The Roosters, Storm and Rabbitohs all had strong wins over tough opposition, whilst the Broncos, Sharks and Raiders won their matches against the lower ranking teams on the table.

As for the upsets this week, the Titans put some points on the board against the woeful Manly Sea Eagles and the Warriors won at home against a lack lustre Bulldogs team.

In the tipping side of things, Sharky skips clear by 6 points on the Locals Leaderboard over the Red Devils, who are closely being stalked by Mother and The 3 Bunnies, coming with their finals rush.

In the Celebrities tipping, Soley is rock solid at the top, with Magic Martha from the Gazette still within striking distance. Sarah from Elders is in a distant third and will need to get her skates on, with only three rounds of tipping until the finals get under way.

Good luck in round 23.  
**The Greenblooded Reporter**

### Sue's Tips

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Sharks  
Roosters  
Dragons  
Raiders



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### Cody's Tips

Panthers  
Cowboys  
Storm  
Eels  
Sharks  
Roosters  
Dragons  
Raiders



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Monday to Thursday:  
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Saturday: 7.30am to 12pm

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**Score: 222**

### Vu's Tips

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Dragons  
Knights



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### Sarah's Tips

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## Rural Market Reports

### Weekly Wool Market

Australian wool sales resumed this week after the annual three week recess.

Historically the first sale back after this midyear recess results in a back log of wool waiting to be sold. This generally creates one of the larger offerings of the season.

In excess of 60,000 bales were expected to be offered this week but with downward pressure placed on the market upon opening almost 4,000 bales were withdrawn from sale.

This is the fourth year in a row that the market has opened after the July recess on a soft tone.

The average drop in the Eastern Market

Indicator for this first sale back over the past four years has been 98 cents.

This week's 45 cent decline was not helped by currency movements during the recess period with the Aussie dollar climbing 4.7% against the US. This actually resulted in a 12 rise in the market for the week in US dollars.

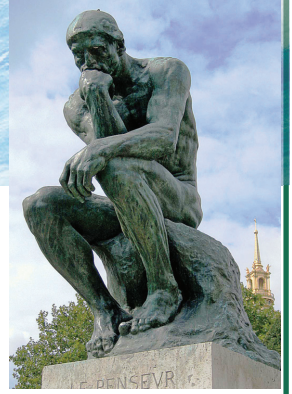
43,110 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 22.1%.

Major buyers included Tianyu, Techwool and Endeavour Wool.

The market did appear to stabilise late in the week with the Southern region the only centre selling on the final day, reporting small gains in some individual micron categories.



# What do you think?



According to the Prime Minister, the Government wishes to alter the Australian Constitution through a referendum to create a Voice which appears to be a new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander only advisory body in Federal Parliament.

This is designed to consult Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples on decisions that affect them and place these decisions before parliament. I consider that there are several concerns with this concept.

First, it implies that Aboriginal people are not consulted. It appears that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are probably the most consulted people in Australia viz:

- There is a Minister for Indigenous Australians.
- The Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council.
- 11 federal MPs who identify as Aboriginal.
- More than 30 Aboriginal Land Councils.
- A Council of Peaks representing the 70 top Aboriginal organisations.
- More than 2,700 Aboriginal corporations.
- And additionally, at present, land under Aboriginal Native Title amounts to 49.3% in area of the Australian continent with further land claims to be assessed.

All these bodies provide advice to the Government on matters relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues.

Second, the referendum question does not explain the structure of the Voice or how it will operate. We don't know what this Voice will be or what powers it will have. Its powers

will be decided after we have voted.

Then it will be too late. The government of the day can make the Voice anything it wants and legislate it any powers it likes.

Third, changing the Constitution so that Aboriginal people get more political rights than other Australians will do nothing to unite indigenous and non-indigenous Australians. If anything, it will further divide indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

Will this be the death of "one man one vote" or to put it more clearly: "the death of democracy"?

Fourth, the Voice, a race based referendum, will no doubt do nothing to deliver practical outcomes for outback Aboriginal communities. It is folly to suggest that creating an Aboriginal Voice to parliament will in itself fix Aboriginal disadvantage.

And fifth, those who agree with my sentiments will be reluctant to speak out for fear that they will be intimidated and silenced because they dare to express a view that differs from the Woke virtue signalling of the political left. They will be the silent majority who may very well vote NO at the referendum.

THIS IS WHAT I THINK.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ... OR DON'T YOU CARE?

If you feel strongly about this issue reply through the Guyra Gazette.

*The Thinker*

## School News



### Celebrating Education Week at Bald Blair Public School

Our School celebrated Education week with an Assembly acknowledging the achievements of our students, the contribution of our school community and the dedication and achievement of our fabulous teachers.

Education is about the future and to celebrate this our students came dressed as their future self. We have a range of Futures at our school ... farmers, shearers, doctors, vets, soldiers, a gymnast, ballerina, olympic dressage rider, a principal, roadworker, artists, a YouTuber, RSPCA Officer, an eye doctor, a princess, a stock & station agent, a professional soccer player (Manchester United!), a real estate agent, a zoo

keeper, diesel mechanic, a farrier, country singer, a pilot and even the Orange Hulk.

Visit by NECOM for New England Sings:

Bald Blair Public School has been fortunate to be invited to join the New England Sings program run through the New England Conservatorium of Music.

New England Sings is a biennial mass choral event featuring over 800 students from around the New England and North West region.

Renowned composer/conductor, Paul Jarman has conducted rehearsals at our school along with members of NECOM. Students will come together for a performance on 23 October 2022 in Armidale.

*Principal Ros Edwards*

### Transition Program at Black Mountain Public School

The Transition Class at Black Mountain Public School has welcomed another two students and are enjoying another great term of learning with their transition leader Mrs Sapphire Roller.

Each week students learn a new

alphabet letter and sound. Students learn to count through creative play and hands on learning activities.

Last week the students explored the letter M, painted a rocket to go to the moon and counted backwards from 10 for blast off.

They participated in choir practice with the K-2 class and enjoyed cooked food for Heat Up Friday.

If you have a child who is four or turning four and you would like to know more about this great program, please do not hesitate to contact the school. It runs every Friday throughout the year.

*Mrs Justine Eddy  
Relieving Principal*





# Sports Shorts

## Ladies Golf

No golf was played last week as carts are still not allowed on the wet course.

This week is a Stableford. Next week is a Golf NSW Medal Round with a Stroke and Putting competition. Suzanne Towells is the starter and sponsor.

## Birdie

## Men's Bowls

In arguably the game of the week last Sunday, Mathew Simpson in his first competition game took on the veteran Wayne Reeves. In minor singles, Mathew showed no mercy winning 31-20.

The 1st round of pennants were played on Saturday with the number 3s travelling to Armidale Ex Services, the results not coming in Guyra's favour with the team going down 55-54 after 63 ends for a 9-1 loss.

The 4s played Glen Innes in Guyra and after 63 ends they were beaten 56-54 for a 9-1 loss.

The number 3s travel to Armidale city this Saturday. The teams are: (1) Steven Sole, Col Stanley, Robert Walls and Roger Cox. (2) Michael Shiner, David Wilcox, Cameron Peardon and Anthony Bull. (3) John McIlwain, Boyd Stanley, John Jackson and Murray Bourke.

The 4s will travel to Uralla and the teams are: (1) Scott Campbell, Barry Presnell, Tim Ellis and Logan Beechey. (2) Barry Walls, Wayne Reeves, Shane Brennan and Randy Mulligan. (3) Mallie Walls, Barry Campbell, Geoff Reeves and Evan Sole.

The bus will be leaving the club at 11:00am. If bowlers could be there at 10:50am would be great.

Social bowls will be played on Sunday at 12:00 o'clock

Jack



# Classifieds Trades & Services

## POULTRY FOR SALE

**LAYER PULLETS**, 20 weeks, all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> August. Call Jim 0428 194 105

## FOR RENT

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## MEETINGS

**GUYRA CENTRAL SCHOOL P&C** meeting Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 6.00pm at the school. All welcome. Any questions or suggestions please call Richard Post 0404 454 143

**BEN LOMOND LANDCARE** Group Inc AGM will be held at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 at 7:00pm.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**GUYRA NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE** change of business hours from 19<sup>th</sup> August 2022: Mon-Thurs 9am-2pm.

**OPEN MEETINGS TO FORM** the Guyra Branch of the Combined Pensioners and Superannuants Association of NSW (CPSA) will be held at Guyra Neighbourhood Centre, 147 Bradley Street at 11am Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August and at 4pm on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Further details please email houhynym@yahoo.com or text 0407457382.

## HISTORICAL SEXUAL ABUSE

### "WITNESSES SOUGHT"

Stacks Goudkamp act for a number of survivors who were sexually abused when they were children by **Father David Joseph Perrett** when he was a priest in the **Catholic Diocese of Armidale, NSW.**

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## IN MEMORIAM

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*June, Greg & all your loving family*

## DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICES

**JONES; TERRY RAYMOND "TED"**  
3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022  
Aged 68 years

Late of O'Donnell Avenue, Guyra. Dearly loved father of Rick, much loved Pop and Brother.

Relatives and friends are respectfully informed that a graveside funeral service will be held for Ted at the Guyra Cemetery, commencing at 11:00am on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> August.

*Order Family Funerals*

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**WESTBROOK; FREDERICK (GEORGE)**  
of **Black Mountain NSW**  
Aged 78 years

Passed away peacefully with his beloved Elizabeth by his side on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

Beloved son of Fred & Amy (dec.), brother of Colette (dec.) and much loved uncle of Marcus.

Dearly loved and so sadly missed.

Relatives and Friends are invited to a memorial for George on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August, commencing with a scattering of ashes ceremony in his Black Mountain Road gardens at 2:15pm, followed by a gathering at the Guyra Bowling Club.

All correspondence to 805 Black Mountain Road, Black Mountain NSW 2365.

## CLAIM THE DATE

**TUESDAY, 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER:** Guyra Hospital Auxiliary **Carols by Candlelight**.  
**SATURDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER:** **Can Assist Trivia Night**. 6.30 for 7pm, Guyra Bowling Club. \$100 per table (max. 10 people), hot finger food \$30 per platter. Lucky door prize, raffles. Bookings essential 0400 322 642

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# Guyra Central School brings home State Title

Guyra Central School's under-16 Rugby League Team have taken out the NSWRL Small Schools State Championships for the second time, defeating the tough Cootamundra High School 30-20.

The under-16 team (coached by Malcolm Gaukroger and Jason Allwood) secured their position in the State final after defeating Tenterfield High School in the preliminary finals 42-4 late in Term 2.

Our Under-16s team (coached by Jeremy Galvin) set off to the familiar Bathurst Carington Park on Tuesday 9th August 2022. Many of the players had already experienced success after becoming the Under-13 NSWRL Small Schools State Champions in 2019 and were looking forward to facing Cootamundra in the finals on Wednesday.

It was an exciting game to witness with Guyra Central School dominating the first half. Although Cootamundra were first to cross the try line, Guyra Central hit back with a try each from Archie Dowden and Oscar Atkin, finishing the first half of the game 10-4.

Guyra Central went into the second half just as hard in defence. Archie Dowden and Oscar Atkin each found the try line again and Rave Brazier's hard work paid off, making several line breaks and finally crossed the line adding another 4 points to the score.

Cootamundra High School hit back crossing the line several times to bring the score board to 26-20. Team Captain, Brodi Campbell kept Guyra Central's



**Back Row L-R:** - Adrian Cameron, Harry Purvis, Aiden Purvis, Rave Brazier, Oscar Atkin, Blake Phillips, Corbi Byers, Jason Mowbray, Riley Melmoth, Mr Jeremy Galvin (Coach)  
**Front Row:** Treigh Bonser-Karhu, Brodi Campbell, Archie Dowden, Cooper Brennan, Darcey Heagney

spirits high with his positive on field talk and, with only minutes left on the clock, Jason Mowbray sealed Guyra Central's win crossing the line with a final try securing the title of NSWRL Small Schools State Champions for Guyra Central School.

Congratulations to Archie Dowden who was named Man of the Match.

Oscar Atkin and Archie Dowden both spoke highly of their teammates' performances; they both agreed that their younger players rose to the occasion:

"Darcey Heagney was outstanding in defence, Jason Mowbray and Harry Purvis worked hard all game. Cooper Brennan stepped up and took some big hard runs. We all played well, we all did our jobs on the field. There was not one

player who should be disappointed in their performance. We appreciate Mr Galvin, Mr Goodwin-Hill and Adrian for stepping in and coaching our team for the finals. Everything Mr Galvin, Mr Goodwin-Hill and Adrian said was positive. It really helped us win the game!"

Guyra Central School would like to take this opportunity to congratulate each of our under-16 students on this amazing achievement.

Additionally, we would like to acknowledge Mrs Linley Ryan, Mr Jeremy Galvin, Mr Angus Goodwin-Hill, Mr Adrian Cameron, Mrs Louise Dowden, Mr Malcolm Gaukroger and Mr Jason Allwood for their hard work and commitment to get our students to the NSWRL Small Schools Championships.

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