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## Pharmacist speaks out against 60-day dispensing plan

Guyra pharmacist Vu Nguyen has joined a vocal group of pharmacies around the country speaking out against the Federal Government's plan to allow Australians to buy two months' worth of medicine for the price of a single prescription.

Plans announced by the Federal government mean that September 1, general patients will be able to be prescribed medication for 60 days instead of 30 days. Federal Health and Aged Care Minister Mark Butler said at least six million Australians would halve their medicine costs and need fewer visits to the GP and pharmacist to get the medicine they used the most, saving patients more than \$1.6 billion over the next four years.

The move has been condemned by the Pharmacy Guild of Australia, which claims the change will force chemists to reduce their operating hours, cutback on staff and could lead to a reduction in services.

Guyra pharmacist Vu Nguyen believes the reform will have negative impacts on customers' health due to the limited interaction between pharmacists and customers. He is also concerned that local pharmacies will have to absorb the costs due to \$1.6 billion being effectively taken out of the system.

"We are the profession that doesn't charge and there are many ways we can help the government to save money at a time when there is a



Guyra Pharmacist Vu Nguyen holding the petition against the proposed changes.

doctor shortage.

"It is disappointing that the government has not sat down with the sector to look at better options.

"The health system is already under pressure due to the shortage of doctors. Customers who are not able to access doctors are looking to pharmacies to fill the gap.

"In future this may not be able to happen – it will be harder in the future to provide services that are currently free."

Federal Member for New England Barnaby Joyce said he shared the concerns of regional pharmacy operators.

"Pharmacists are medical professionals who are at the coalface of our community," Mr Joyce said.

"They see everyone in the community, often at our darkest hour, and in our poorest of health.

"When I have our community pharmacists in the electorate of New England telling me that a proposed legislative change will in fact do harm, we need to listen.

"They know that some people need to see a pharmacist regularly and to have that human interaction and routine so the consistency with medicine administration is achieved.

"They know that already there is a lot of medical waste, and when medicine is returned to a pharmacy, when people pass away or medicine changes, it is not able to be redispensed and goes into our waste sys-

tems.

"They also know for their business operations that purchasing more for a larger quantity of supply will mean costing more, and for small community pharmacies they will have to make tougher decisions on what they can afford to stock, and this will in turn increase costs for other over the counter medicines.

"All of this combined means one thing for sure, the bigger companies will thrive and the community pharmacies will feel the pinch."

A petition against the proposal is available and customers can help support their local pharmacy by signing in store or online.



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**Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June**

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# Thunderbolt's Cave is worth a visit

*Are you looking for an adventure close to home? If you haven't visited Thunderbolt's Cave, it is relatively easy to access and young kids in particular are fascinated to walk in the footsteps of the notorious bushranger. As part of her work placement with the Gazette, Lilliana Eddy stopped in recently and shares her experience with us.*

Thunderbolt's cave is located within a two-kilometre loop near Black Mountain. You can access the cave off the New England Highway near the service station or further down if you are on your way back from Armidale.

It's a rocky area, while still being a suitable walk for the family. During 1867 and 1878 Captain Thunderbolt, also known as Fredrick Wordsworth Ward, hid in this cave after robbing many places across the New England District.

To get to Thunderbolt's Cave I'd recommend you use the top entrance as it's closer to the car park and easier to access than the bottom one. There is a parking lot close to where the cave is with a table that's nice to have lunch at.

The short walk to Thunderbolt's cave is



mainly downhill, but you'll be able to see where the cave is once you make your way down the hill. I wouldn't recommend taking very small children or seniors to this place as it may be hard for them to access. I went with

my family for the day and we enjoyed the visit. You could dive deep into the history or you could go there for an outing to get out of the house.

*Story & photo by Lilliana Eddy*



## One in six Australians experience hearing loss.

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# Ron Vickress, still volunteering at ninety-seven

After serving in the navy in World War II and working as a teacher for more than three decades, 97-year-old Ron Vickress still derives immense satisfaction from volunteering. Ron, who turns 98 in June, is the oldest Crown land manager volunteer in NSW.

The steadfastness and sense of duty he displayed in the navy can be seen in his tenure over the past 10 years as a volunteer on the board that manages Guyra Soldiers Memorial Hall, which is on a Crown reserve, including a stint as president from 2013 to 2018. He was instrumental in gaining funding and making arrangements to replace the roof and refurbish the kitchen of the 102-year-old hall, one of the oldest in Australia.

Mr Vickress said he takes pride in maintaining a vital community asset that is used by a range of community groups as well as annual gatherings on Anzac Day and Remembrance Day.

“When you maintain a building



Ron Vickress outside the Soldier's Memorial Hall in Guyra

like the Soldiers Memorial Hall, it's something substantial you can stand and look at, knowing you can hand it on to the next generation,” Ron said.

“There were a lot of servicemen and women from our area and the hall is essential for them and their families. There are a lot of names of the fallen on the roll outside the hall

and they are to be cherished. I want to volunteer as long as I can in memory of those blokes.

“If meetings ever get a bit officious I like to make a lighthearted comment, it relieves the tension and stops the humbug. I enjoy volunteering, I feel I can give something back to my local community.”

Minister for Lands and Property Steve Kamper said Ron Vickress is an incredible example of how people can continue making a valuable contribution to their community at all ages and stages of life.

“Mr Vickress is known for his good humour, kindness and wealth of ideas, including making suggestions for how the board that manages Guyra Soldiers Memorial Hall can apply for funding for maintenance and improvements,” Mr Kamper said.

“Well-informed and quick-witted, he is well known for being encouraging and supportive of his fellow volunteers and is a true inspiration to us all.”

## Uncapped Skymuster Broadband available after successful trial

Rural residents unable to access fibre NBN can now order uncapped satellite broadband services, following a successful trial of NBN Co's new Sky Muster Plus product to boost internet speeds in rural areas.

The new Sky Muster Plus Premium service will provide customers with unmetered data 24 hours a day and faster speeds of up to 100 Mbps. The service responds to increasing demand for more data and faster speeds from satellite users caused by the growing use of video streaming, and people working and studying from home.

The product launch follows a trial over 10,000 Sky Muster Plus customers earlier this year that reported greater user satisfaction when customers could access increased evening speeds and uncapped data.

Communication Minister Michelle Rowland said the improved service was a gamechanger for regional communities.

“Access to fast, reliable and affordable broadband has never been more important.”

“Across the Sky Muster, fixed wireless and fixed-line networks, the Albanese Government is improving the NBN to give Australians access to 21st century communications infrastructure they need and deserve”.

The unmetered service has been enabled by a planned to upgrade NBN Fixed Wireless services that is moving around 120,000 premises from satellite to fixed wireless, freeing up capacity on Sky Muster.

The launch of the new product complements the Federal Government's commitments to improving NBN technologies in regional areas, including by investing \$2.4 billion to expand full-fibre NBN to an additional 1.5 million premises – 660,000 of which will be in regional areas.

Further information about the new product is available at [www.nbn.com.au/skymuster-plus](http://www.nbn.com.au/skymuster-plus).

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## What's HOT

KING'S BIRTHDAY long weekend - name change will take some getting used to!

FRESHLY PAINTED lines on country roads

WOOD RAFFLES come in handy at this time of year

## What's NOT

### QUOTE of the week

“Never underestimate the power of stupid people in large groups.”

George Carlin

### Bureau of Meteorology

## Weather

### WATCH

#### Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
30	Tues	0.1	13.1	0
31	Wed	1.5	15.0	0
1	Thurs	3.2	14.6	0
2	Fri	3.1	17.2	0
3	Sat	6.1	17.0	0
4	Sun	3.9	11.7	0
5	Mon	6.0	10.6	0

Rain this week	0mm
June rainfall	0mm
Rainfall YTD	472.6mm
Rainfall last YTD	540.0mm
Ave. rain YTD	451.4mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

# Guyra Central through to next round in Rugby League State Knockout Competition



**Above, (l to r):** Brax Hutton, Ryan Vidler, Fletcher Gardner, Lincoln Atkin, Will Vidler  
**Middle:** Thomas Ward, Max Lockyer, Lachie Ellis Colley **Front:** Flynn Byers, Willson McElroy

On Wednesday May 31st the Primary Rugby League Football team travelled to Inverell to compete in a GALA Day. Our first game was against Armidale City Public School. Guyra Central School (GCS) had a two try lead before Armidale City Public School scored. At half time GCS were still in the lead but knew that they still had to play at the same intensity to win. At full time the score was 32-24 to GCS. Try scorers for the game - Lincoln Atkin, Beau Wilson, Max Lockyer, Ryan Vidler and Billy Ryan scored two tries.

This meant we advanced to the next game against Moree Public School. From Saturday competitions GCS boys knew this game would be tough, and already had a disadvantage with only 12 players. The boys knew that they would need to be strong in defence and not let the quick Moree players in. Moree Public School

scored first, and Guyra went try for try until half time, where the score was 14-14. Guyra Central came out from the break with some hard hits from Ryan Vidler, leading to a head knock, dropping Guyra to 11 players until he was cleared. Guyra Central School continued to go try for try until the last minute where Lincoln Atkin ran the ball and scored in the corner. The buzzer went with the score 28-24 to Guyra Central School. Try scorers for the game were Beau Wilson and Billy Ryan each scored one try. Max Lockyer and Lincoln Atkin both scoring two tries.

All boys played with great sportsmanship shaking hands and cheering for the other team at the end of the game. Winning both games Guyra Central School advance to the next round in Bingara on the 16th June 2023.

Thank you very much to Ainsley Fletcher and Adrian Cameron

for coaching and driving the bus, and Peter Presnell doing some drills at school before the game. Guyra Central School have had several students attend NSW championships this term. Brodi Campbell travelled to Wollongong during week six to participate in the CHSSA NSW Opens Rugby League State Championships and Sammy-Rose Dowden travelled to Sydney to play touch in the PSSA NSW Touch State Championships.

This week Guyra Central School have Ryan Vidler and Brax Hutton playing in the PSSA 11s Rugby League State Championships in Liverpool. Lincoln Atkin will participate in the PSSA Opens Rugby League State Championships. This is a fantastic sporting opportunity for our students. Congratulations Brodi, Sammy-Rose, Brax, Ryan and Lincoln for selection in the North West representative teams.

# Learning opportunity for youth in sheep industry

At Guyra Rotary's fortnightly dinner meeting on Tuesday, May 23rd, Ellie Mitchell, and Brooke Grills gave a presentation on their experience at Rotary Youth in Agriculture (RYAG) Sheep

RYAG Sheep is an initiative of Rotary, and was hosted by the Rotary Club of Walcha. Students from across Rotary district 9660 participated in a four-day camp, during which they were presented with the latest technology and knowledge within the sheep industry.

Ellie and Brooke travelled to Walcha Showground on February 28th where they were welcomed by several branch members and fellow students. Over the next few days, they took part in various, once in a lifetime experiences, including travelling to local merino studs Nerstane and Karori.

They were able to observe their operations including activ-



**Above, l to r:**

Ellie Mitchell, Rotary President Wendy Mulligan and Brooke Grills

ities such as embryo transfer in ewes, analysing the fineness of wool, genetics, worm testing and many more.

Other activities included visiting the local butcher where they observed a lamb being bro-

ken down into its various cuts, dog trials working with sheep, wool judging, fashion shows and all things sheep.

"As a group of people from all different backgrounds and locations we were able to be a

part of all aspects of the sheep industry from meat to wool, to fashion and far beyond," Ellie said.

"The interest and engagement of all students involved was outstanding and the smiles never left our faces. By the end of the week, all the students were friends, and the atmosphere was very positive.

"On behalf of myself and the RYAG students, I wish to thank Rotary for granting me this privilege and for all your hard work in making this happen for me. It is something I will remember for the rest of my life, and I gained so many valuable life skills and so much knowledge from this experience.

"I really am so thankful for my selection in this program and endeavour to recommend and advocate RYAG programs into the future after witnessing firsthand how beneficial they are.

## Reconciliation Week Celebrations at Black Mountain Public School

On Wednesday, May 31st 2023 we celebrated Reconciliation Week at Black Mountain Public School. We started the day with a Smoking Ceremony.

The students planted a Callistemon in our Reconciliation Garden. This was followed by the judging of our colouring competition, cutting the Reconciliation Cake, BBQ lunch that was enjoyed by everyone, and a dance performance by the KUKRA Yulugi crew.

Thank you to our parents and carers who attended and the P&C for cooking the barbeque.

*Mrs Justine Eddy  
Relieving Principal*



# Community Noticeboard

## Meals on Wheels

June 8th Jim Betts  
 June 9th Ladies Golf Club  
 June 12th Lions Club  
 June 13th Narelle Leven  
 June 14th Debbie Schmidt

## Street Stalls

June 8th, 9th Guyra Lodge  
 June 15th, 16th, 17th Lions  
 June 30th 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, followed by morning tea. Doors open from 8:30am. 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:** Pastors Linden & Kerrie Pollard 0455 232 073.

**Seventh-day Adventist Church:** Aboomala Street. Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service 11.30am Saturday. **Contact:** Minister Luke Reeves 0410 761 320 Church Clerk 6779 1587

**Uniting Church:** 57 Ollera Street: Regular Sunday Service: 9.30am  
**Contact:** Di Burey 0428 791 742

**Church of Freedom** (Cnr. Boorolong & Nincoola Sts.) Sunday worship: 10am Prayer meeting: Tuesday 6.30pm Bible discussion: Wednesday 6.30pm Pastors: Jeff & Sharon Ritchie 0421 847 973 Chaplaincy services: Dave Brown 0419 539 372, Dan McGinty 0409 399 270

## 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: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

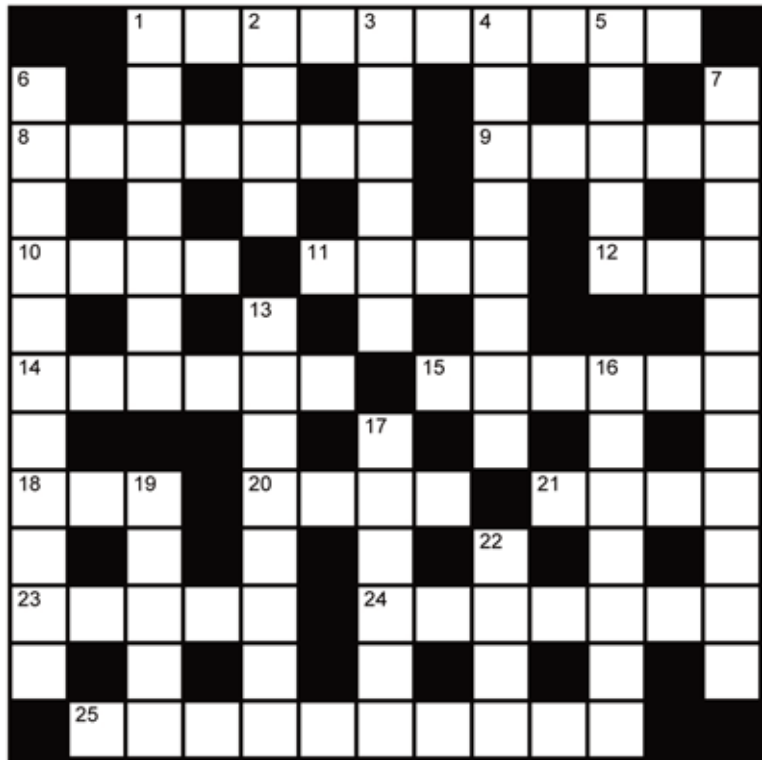
## ACROSS

1. Unwieldy (10)
8. Ill-will (7)
9. Long seat (5)
10. Blunder (4)
11. Work permit (4)
12. Rocky peak (3)
14. Severe food shortage (6)
15. Pink-eyed animal (6)
18. Informal word denoting affection (3)
20. Cheer up (4)
21. Land measure (4)
23. Composer of the *Enigma Variations* (5)
24. Dustin Hoffman film of 1982 (7)
25. School principal (10)

## DOWN

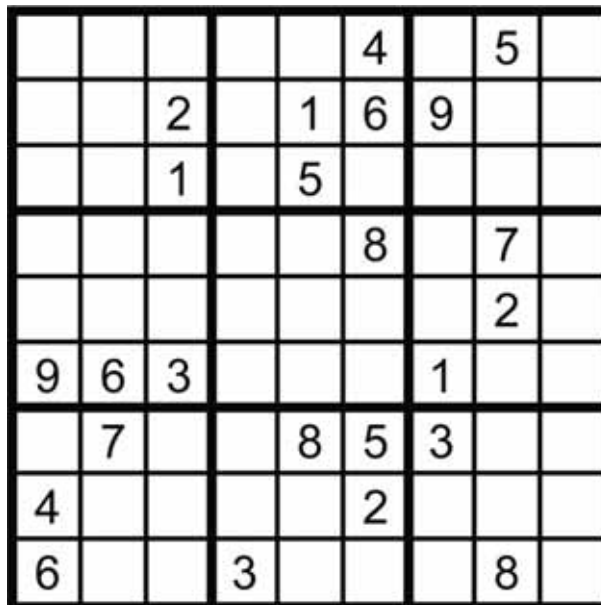
1. Ratify (7)
2. Feeling (4)
3. Listen in! (6)
4. Friendly (8)
5. Shed skin (5)

## QUICK CROSSWORD

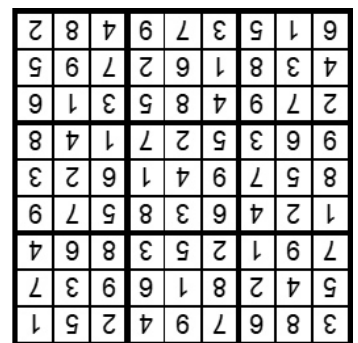


6. Dejected (11)
7. Temperature gauge (11)
13. Motivated (8)
16. Cutting-tooth (7)
17. Singer, \_\_\_ Franklin (6)
19. Prevailing fashion (5)
22. Young horse (4)

## SUDOKU - Medium



**Across:** 1. Cumberstone, 8. Rancour, 9. Fame, 15. Albino, 18. Luv, 20. Perk, 21. Acre, 23. Elgar, 24. Toostie, 25. Headmaster  
**Down:** 1. Confirm, 2. Mood, 3. Earwig, 4. Sociable, 5. Moulty, 6. Crestfallen, 7. Thermometer, 13. Inspired, 16. Incisor, 17. Aretha, 19. Vogue, 22. Colt



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# Community Choices \$250k funding pool now open

Essential Energy's fifth Community Choices Program has opened for nominations, with community groups encouraged to nominate their chance to win part of a \$250k funding pool.

Essential Energy Community Relations Manager, Bronya Pressler, said Essential Energy is proud to support grassroot organisations across 95% of NSW, and parts of southern QLD through the Community Choices program.

"The Community Choices program is open to registered charities, not-for-profit and community groups such as

CWAs, community halls, community centres, school P&Cs and sporting clubs with full criteria available on the Essential Energy website.

"This year we have increased funding to a total of \$250,000 to be shared between eligible groups across 20 zones in our network footprint. This means \$5,000 is now available to groups that get the most votes in their region, with the amounts for second and third place also increasing to \$3,500 and \$2,750 respectively," Bronya said.

Groups from small communi-

ties with populations less than 10,000 will also again be able to nominate and get their community voting to help them access \$1,250 funding for the group with the most votes.

"Anyone can nominate a group to allow them to take part in the community-led voting for a share of the \$250,000. Once verified, the group can rally their supporters to vote for them from Monday, 3 July," said Bronya.

"We know there are many organisations across our footprint who have done it tough these past few years – with natural

disasters and COVID all impacting on their ability to raise invaluable funds – so we're asking the community to choose a cause that counts and nominate them by Monday, 26 June."

Nominations are open through to 5pm on 26 June 2023. Community voting opens Monday, 3 July and closes Monday, 17 July 2023 at 5pm AEST.

You can find out more at [essentialenergy.com.au/choices](http://essentialenergy.com.au/choices) to learn more or register to make a nomination.

## Guyra Evening CWA member goes global

Guyra Evening CWA made history last week, being represented for the first time at the 30th tri-annual Associated Country Women of the World Conference in Kuala Lumpur.

Member Mary Hollingworth had the incredible opportunity of joining 460 women from throughout the world representing 65 countries to participate

in the remarkable five days of debate, motions, reports and importantly networking.

It's remarkable to know that the issues women face in Guyra, such as access to health care education, transport and communication, are the very same the world over.

While the highlights are numerous, a stand out was a for-

mal dinner at the Royal Palace. The many delights of the wonderful Guyra community have now been shared with women from Iceland to Kenya, Canada, Trinidad to name just a few.

**Right:** Mary Hollingworth at the Royal Palace



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# Ingrid in Mexico - May update

I believe this has been my biggest month yet and I set off on my biggest adventure since arrival, travelling to Puerto Vallarta.

My 'roommate' was Ink, a girl from Thailand. Everyone else arrived and got ready. Then began the chaos of 40 international students all wearing brightly coloured, noisy blazers being marched through a high end resort while all speaking an assortment of languages and arguing over flags.

No incidents occurred during our walk and we eventually made it to the opening night of the conference. They rang their bell, welcomed everybody, shared some events that had occurred throughout the year, introduced some special guests and then we had our parade to show off our blazers and flags.

The next two days we spent lazing around the hotel, eating a lot, shopping at the plaza or swimming at the beach/pools. Our final night we attended the closing of the conference and were served very fancy tuna entrees and the first roast dinner I have had since I left Australia, so I was in love.

Afterwards we headed to dance at the resorts live music night. Around 7AM, 40 or so teenagers were packed onto a barely big enough bus (with broken air conditioning and a single emergency toilet) to endure 15 almost non-stop hours of driving. With everyone miraculously still alive when



we arrived in Toluca at 1AM on Monday .

Wednesday the 10th was Dia de la Madres (Mother's Day) so we all headed to Mexico City.

We had quesadillas for breakfast on the way and spent the majority of our day at the Museo De Cera. The easiest way to describe it, is to tell you

to imagine Questacon, Madame Tussauds and Green Valley opened a shared business so please do that.

My favourite display was the replicas of medieval torture chambers with wax figures all bloodied and with anguished facial expressions representing victims in the buildings base-

ment. Afterwards we moved to the Questacon/Green Valley portion of the museum called Ripley's House of Oddities.

Later in the month I had great fun when I went bowling/shopping with my friends and started attending Axel's volleyball matches on the weekends. It is good just to be outside somewhere with real grass that actually grows itself.

While I haven't attended as much school as usual I have really enjoyed it and my language has come far enough that I can actively participate in some classes. My favourites are human & health and ethics, even though I thought it was only a subject in American movies at first. I have fallen in love with the school canteen's chicken chilaquiles and begun talking to new people to practise my Spanish.

This month they also announced that the second lot of Spanish classes I had the chance of attending twice have been shut down. It does just make me a little prouder of myself though, as a good part of the other students had twice-weekly classes for 6 months and have lived here for 9 or 10 months still don't speak the language.

I am not sure what I will have to write home about next month but I hope you enjoyed hearing all about my May in Mexico and that all is well in Australia.

*By Ingrid Grace Chilcott-Geere*

## Gazette Footy Tipping

The Panther	133	The 3 Bunnies	119
The Iggman	133	Dip Stick	115
Johnny Bravo	131	Angel	115
Birdie	131	Farmer Joe	113
Red Devil	127	The Red V	113
The Champ	125	Braydon W.	113
DW	125	The Raider	113
3PPP	123	Elva	109
Smooch	123	Thorpie	99
Bulldog	121	Garden Gurus	97
Shiba Inu Phantom	121		

### Locals Entry Form - Round 16

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

Name: .....

Phone: .....

Cowboys	vs	Panthers
Knights	vs	Roosters
Eels	vs	Sea Eagles
Tigers	vs	Storm
Sharks	vs	Bulldogs

Byes: Broncos, Dolphins, Dragons, Rabbitohs, Raiders, Titans, Warriors





# Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping

NRL round 14 kicked off with the annual State of Origin grudge match, where once again the Queensland Maroons showed too much ticker and just kept turning up for each other to get the win over the Blues 26-18.

Friday saw the Tigers and Raiders go head to head at Campbelltown, where the Raiders were very lucky to win 20-19 in a flip flop affair.

Saturday saw the Warriors at home demolish the Dolphins 30-6, the Rabbits beat the Titans 46-18 and the Broncos getting home late over the Sharks 20-12.

The Roosters and Bulldogs kicked off Sunday footy with an end to end match, where the Roosters got the winning field goal to win by 25-24.

The Cowboys hit their straps at home to convincingly beat the Storm 45-20 and the Panthers snuck home over the Dragons 26-18, picking up some injuries, which may hamper their premiership chances.

Lots of injuries after the Origin and round 14, so good luck tipsters. Happy Tipping!

*The Green Blooded Reporter*

## Sue's Tips

- Titans
- Warriors
- Dolphins
- Rabbitohs
- Broncos
- Roosters
- Storm
- Eels



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## Soley's Tips

- Titans
- Raiders
- Sea Eagles
- Rabbits
- Broncos
- Panthers
- Storm
- Eels



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## BLS' Tips

- Titans
- Raiders
- Sea Eagles
- Rabbits
- Broncos
- Roosters
- Storm
- Eels



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## Oscar's Tips

- Tigers
- Raiders
- Sea Eagles
- Rabbitohs
- Broncos
- Roosters
- Storm
- Eels



### This week's Specials:

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**Score: 129**

## Cody's Tips

- Titans
- Warriors
- Sea Eagles
- Rabbits
- Broncos
- Roosters
- Storm
- Eels



### Opening Hours:

Monday to Thursday:  
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Friday: 7.30am to 5.30pm

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## DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICE

**DOYLE; RAELENE JOY**  
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of "Loch End" Baldersleigh Road, Guyra

Loved mother & mother-in-law of Adam & Fiona, Rebecca, Daniel & Stacey and James.

Loved grandmother of Ben, Addison, Caitlin, Connor, Jake, Evie and Grace.

Loved sister & sister-in-law of Sharaan & Grant Robinson and Alanna Hillsley.

Aged 66 years

Funeral service to be held at Piddingtons Funeral home, Uralla Road Armidale on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023 commencing at 10am.



## DROVERS RUN

**LIZ & TONY LOOKER** are again participating in this year's Drover's Run to raise funds for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter. You can help support Liz & Tony at this website:  
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## CLAIM THE DATE

### SATURDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> AUGUST:

Guyra SNOW BALL hosted by Guyra & Community Progress Assoc. Tickets \$85pp includes 3 course meal. More information Donna Davidson 0427 792 748.

### OCTOBER LONG WEEKEND:

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## Vets golf

Fifteen players tee'd off last Tuesday the 30th for our 4BBB trophy day and also to qualify for the district championships to be played in Inverell on the 26th of September. Because we had an odd number Terry Varley played as a swinger partnering Don Hill as well as Ray Sweeney. Tex had a blinder apparently scoring 41 points on his own and in doing so came in the winner partnering Don with 44 points and also runner up partnering Ray with 43 points. Tex also picked up the nearest pin on the 7th with Scott Mendes getting it on the 18th. Congratulations to all the winners and also the three qualify-

ing teams for Inverell. They are, Terry Varley, Ray Sweeney, Wal Chapman and Herb Wilson along with Ian Taylor and Paul Redden. Next Tuesday is a Stableford event plus putting comp. The weather has been very kind to us this year. Let's enjoy it while it lasts.

*Drake.*

## Men's Bowls

Four teams played in this year's Club 4s competition on Sunday in the 1st game Robert Moore, Anthony Bull, Geoff Reeves and Shane Brennan were too strong for Dan Kennedy, Randy Mulligan, Greg Mitchell and Graham Starr, winning 22-15.

In the other game John Jackson, Robert Walls, Paul Johnson and Murray Bourke defeated Scott Campbell, David Wilcox, Barry Presnell and Barry Campbell 21-15. The final was played in the afternoon with John Jackson's team weathering a Fitz fightback winning 22-21.

There is one game of major singles on Saturday the 10th at 12pm with Dan Kennedy to play Barry Walls with David Wilcox to mark.

The nomination sheet is on the board for the 2023 bowls entries, closing June 25th. There will be a Bowls meeting and presentation on Sunday June 19th at 10am. Outstanding prizemoney for last year's

events will be presented and a new match committee and selectors will be elected.

*Jack*

## Ladies' Golf

Last week the Ladies played the 5th Graham Betts Round with a Stableford. The winner with a very impressive 43 points was Leonie Taylor.

Runner up with another great score was Belinda Lenehan. Belinda also won the Nearest the pin shots on the 9th, 10th, and 18th holes.

This week is a Par Medal. Next week is the 6th Graham Betts Round. Jenni Jackson is the starter as well as sponsor.

*Birdie*

## Rural Market Reports

### Weekly Wool Sales

**June 2nd-** Signs of a halt in the recent slide of prices emerged this week. Tuesday's early market report indicated that the downturn was continuing but as the day progressed, the market firmed with the Northern region Indicator dipping 7 cents.

The firming trend continued on Wednesday with the indicator gaining 4 cents. In a positive sign for next week's opening, gains in the Western region, which sells after the Eastern seaboard has closed were even stronger.

The Western region indicator jumped 29 cents for the week on the back of those strong gains. 35,417 bales were sold nationally for the week with the passed in rate of 11.7% dropping back close to the seasonal average.

Major buyers included Tianyu, Techwool & Endeavour Wool with the top 4 purchasing almost 55% of the national Merino fleece offering. Next week's expected national offering will be smallest since November due to the Western region not selling.

AWTA test data released on Thursday shows a large increase of 21.4% in the weight of wool tested nationally in May. This has pushed the seasonal increase in the Australian clip to 3.7%.

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To learn more about the New England REZ, visit our website at [energyco.nsw.gov.au/ne-rez](http://energyco.nsw.gov.au/ne-rez).

# Narwan prove too strong for Guyra

The Super Spuds' recent up and down form struck again as they fell short against Narwan on Saturday, but the league tag and under 18s games ended with better results.

Guyra scored first through Mark Walker, but the Eels then went back to back to lead 12-4.

Corey Torrens put Walker away for his second to close the gap, but the next period of the match was all Narwan with two more tries to make it 22-10 and then another just after halftime to push it out to 28-10.

Suddenly the Spuds found themselves in unfamiliar territory and having to fight back.

It started with a try to Hayden Strong and continued when Dylan Sutton stepped his way over.

Strong scored his second to cut the score to 28-24, but Guyra's chance to snatch the lead came unstuck and it was Narwan that posted the next points.

Alistiar Connors scored late to get it back to 34-30, but it was too



Brodie Campbell takes on the Narwan defence in the U18s game

late for a match-winner and that's how it stayed. Beau Orchard was Guyra's best and fairest with Jayden French (2) and Dylan Sutton (1) gaining the other points. The Spuds are still on top of the table but it is now getting crowded up

there.

Earlier, the Spudettes fought out a four-point win of their own to move into third place.

Kiarna Landsborough scored both of Guyra's tries, one in each half, to help the Spudettes to a 10-

6 win – their third in a row. Kayla Kim-Moran (3), Ash Richardson (2) and Sharnae Smith (1) scored the club points.

The under 18s game also went Guyra's way, but more convincingly.

After Narwan stunned the young Spuds to lead 10-4, following an early try to Malekai Landsborough, Archie Dowden, Tom Lockyer and Ben Reinke posted tries to get Guyra back on top at 20-10 at the break. Oscar Atkin was first to score after halftime, Archie Dowden added his second, Robert Sisson found the line and Atkin ran in his second to complete a dominant second half and five Guyra a 42-10 win. The front row combo of Angus Brazier (3), Rowdy Laidlaw (2) and Archie Dowden shared the club points.

The Spuds get the long weekend off and then host Warialda on June 17. On that day the club will be selling \$5 doubles on State of Origin II with a chance to win \$500.

# Souths tough opposition for Caspers

It was a beautiful afternoon on Saturday when Guyra played host to two grades of South Armidale. Second Grade kicked off with a bit of back and forth between the sides in the early going, Souths were first to score, which was followed with a goal from Guyra shortly after.

At the half time break it was anyone's game at 3 - 2 to South Armidale. There was good pressure from both sides in the second half, but a couple of mistakes and tough calls seen Guyra go down 5 - 3.

The second game of the afternoon saw Guyra's first grade face a

more competitive team than the previous week. It was a good chance for the side to work and build momentum for the upcoming rounds.

The first half saw a number of goals from Guyra as well as some missed opportunities going to the break at 7-0. After the break it was more of the same with Guyra's defenders turning souths away on many occasions, with both sides getting-tired and tension on the rise between players the second half drew to a close at 12 - 0 to Guyra. The club and teams appreciate the

turnout of supports to the local games.

The junior soccer saw teams in Guyra, with the exception of the under 7s who travelled to Armidale to face Walcha. Under 16's continue to improve every week and aren't too far off their first win, however this week they went down to a strong Souths outfit. The under 12 side faced off against DK and came away with a 3 - 2 win. With the boost of new players, the under 8s had a good run and although official score isn't taken Guyra managed the win.

Sunday came and so did the return of the Jack Vallance carnival in Armidale, Guyra sent down a 10's, 7's and a 6's team.

All the teams competed in 6 or 7 games depending on age against local and teams travelling from as far away as Quirindi. All the Guyra teams competed hard and came away with mixed results for the day with wins across all divisions.

A huge thankyou goes to the parents who braved the cold conditions so the kids could enjoy the day of soccer.



Guyra sent down a 10's, 7's and a 6's team to the Jack Vallance carnival in Armidale on the weekend