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Who is the thief?

Vandalism and theft on our railway line has left members of the Heritage Train Group no option but to cancel operations due to safety concerns during the Lamb & Potato Festival.

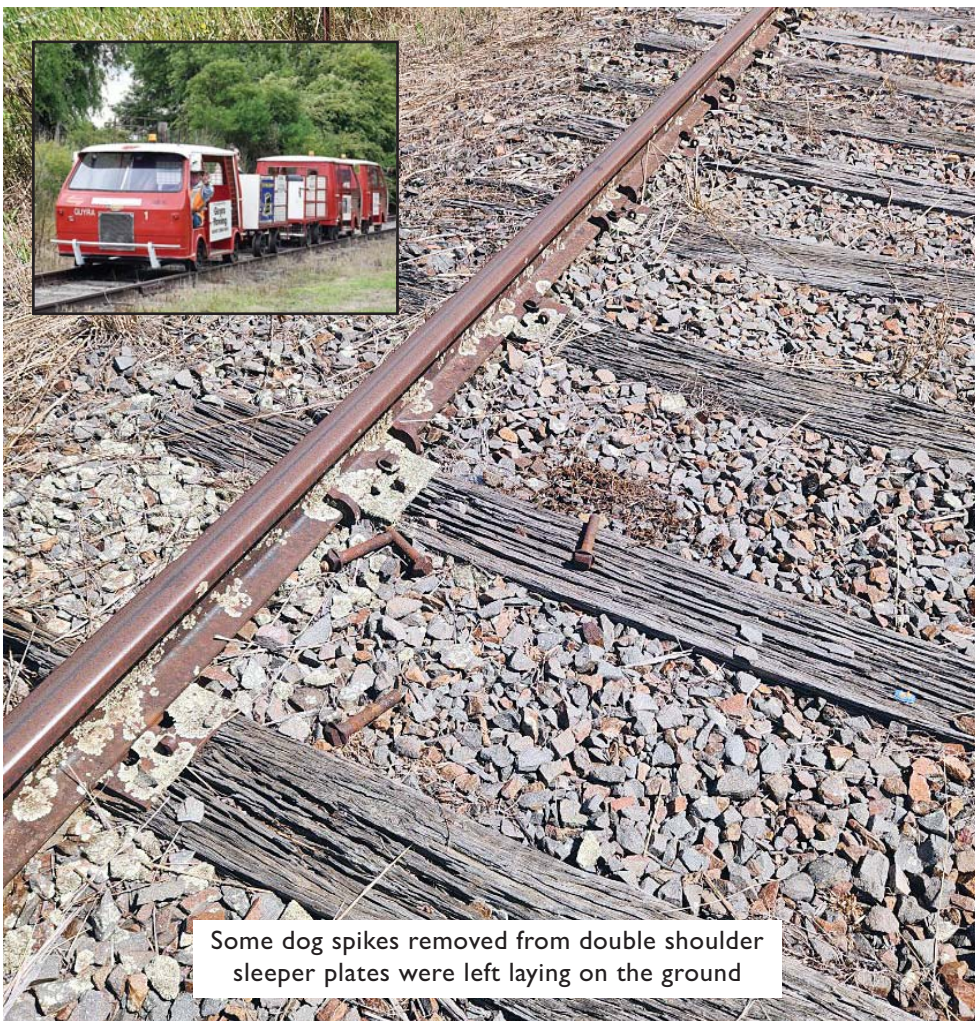
This is very regrettable and the decision leaves the train drivers and members of the Guyra Heritage Train Group very sad, disappointed and, indeed, angry at the senseless nature of the vandalism to the rail infrastructure.

More than 180 dog spikes which hold the rail double shoulder sleeper plate to the sleepers have been removed and stolen. The removal of these spikes can cause the rail line to move while the train is traversing the track and this can cause a derailment.

This selfish action by thoughtless people could result in misalignment of the heritage train whilst on the track causing injury to parents, their children and rail staff.

The rectification of this damage will cost the organisation quite a lot of money and time to find replacement spikes and repair the damage.

Members of the Heritage Train Group apologise for not being able to provide the very popular train trips during this year's festival.



Some dog spikes removed from double shoulder sleeper plates were left laying on the ground

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Fabulous day at January produce swap

Another fabulous day was had by many at the January Produce Swap held in the Guyra Neighbourhood Centre Community Garden last Saturday. The Produce Swap is held on the first Saturday of every month.

This month we had several people who had things to swap including veggies, eggs, dried fruit pouches, home baked focaccia, lavender bags and gifts, plants, worm tea, pony poo and more.

We had lots of people who came for a look a cuppa or to buy the many things on offer. These included local Guyra people, people from surrounding towns including Glencoe and some travelers, who all spoke about being pleasantly surprised at the event.

As always, the Neighbourhood Centre team ensured there were refreshments available, along with the

produce gathered or made from the community garden.

The produce swap aims to give people the opportunity to come together and buy or swap fresh local veggies, plants and other produce.

The swap also aims to support local enterprise, ensure local people who make or gather produce have an opportunity to show their wares, and build possibilities for a small income.

The next Produce Swap is on February 3rd, and we look forward to an ever-increasing number of people with things to swap, sell or visit.

There is no cost to those wanting to set up a swap table or bring items to swap so come and join the fun in February.

Guyra Neighbourhood Centre



Community Grants Program

Expression of Interest Costa Well Grown Community Grants Program

Costa Tomato Exchange is offering a Well Grown Community Grants Program to provide support for community organisations within the Guyra and Armidale regions.

We are inviting not-for-profit community organisations, sporting associations and schools to register their interest for funding support through our 2024 Grants Program.

Applications open Monday, January 22 and will close on Monday, February 19.



Find out more and apply by visiting our website or scan the QR code.

costagroup.com.au/community-grants/



Costa Tomato Exchange is once again offering support for local community organisations through its Well Grown Community Grants Program.

Costa is inviting not-for-profit community organisations, sporting associations and schools to register their interest for the 2024 program.

In 2024 we will be awarding five grants up to a total of \$4000 each, with one grant to be awarded in each of the following category areas:

- * Sporting event/activity which promotes and supports healthy active lifestyles.

- * Community event which is aimed at supporting cultural diversity and/or creating strong community connections.

- * School project/initiative which enhances education or educational opportunities, particularly in the areas of healthy eating; or nutrition; or sustainability.

- * Environmental initiative/activity which promotes the enhancement of our environment.

- * Community organisation project aimed at supporting disadvantaged youth and/or Indigenous youth projects.

Organisations seeking to apply for funding will need to complete the Expression of Interest form and submit it online by 5pm Monday, February 19.

Costa operates 40-hectares of state-of-the-art tomato glasshouses across two sites in Guyra, with a production capacity of circa 20 million kgs per annum. Costa employs more than 700 people across a variety of operational and harvest roles.

Information is available on the Costa website: <https://costagroup.com.au/community-grants/> or email Jessica.Delfos@costagroup.com.au

Festival committee farewells stalwarts



Marc Werts and Steve Mepham



Julie Gittoes, Betty Sheelah and Steve Mepham



Ron Lockyer in one of his favourite places. Without Ron there would not be a train

The Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival committee paid tribute to three outstanding volunteers at last week's annual stallholder dinner.

The dinner is held on the opening night of the festival and serves to renew friendships and welcome new people into the lamb and potato family.

A minute's silence was observed for longstanding committee member, Ron Lockyer who passed away last year.

Ron was involved with the running of the festival for many years including a

period as President.

He was also the driving force behind the operation of the Heritage Train which is an integral part of the festival every year.

The committee also thanked Marc Werts who is stepping down after 18 years of involvement with the festival.

Marc began as a stallholder representative before moving on to the committee and has been the organiser of the stalls during that time. He was presented with a certificate acknowledging the considerable effort he has put in over a long time.

Long-standing stall holder and committee member, Betty Sheelah was presented with life membership and patron badges.

Betty has been an integral part of the event for 33 years and was described as a 'treasure' who will be 'sorely missed'.

While Betty will no longer be involved with the day-to-day running of the Lamb and Potato Festival, she will always be a much valued member of the festival 'family'.

CWA Evening Branch art exhibition

The ladies of Guyra CWA Evening Branch have done it again. For the fourth year they are hosting the annual Art Show during the Lamb and Potato Festival, curating artworks from local creators and those from further afield.

The show opened on Friday, 19th January with an evening of pleasant companionship and conversation, a selection of succulent morsels to tempt the tastebuds (catered by the amazing ladies of the Evening Branch) and immersion in the artistic ambiance of the display.

Mrs Aileen Macdonald OAM MLC officially opened the exhibition with kind words about our community and the support the CWA offers to all.



Above l to r: Kate Matthews (President), Anne Starr, Lynda Kagan, Aileen MacDonal OAM MLC

She particularly acknowledged the late Brian Irving, whose artwork has always been part of this annual exhibition. Brian was a local artist and

blessed us with his gentle soul and artworks that speak of connection and community.

Come in and see the wonderful works on display – and for

sale – at the GALA Centre on Bradley Street, Guyra. The Art Show is open from 10am to 4pm daily until (and including) Sunday 28th January.

What's HOT

Good food, great little Show n Shine at Rafters. Pity about the hoons that did their best to ruin it.

Visiting the Museum to see the revamped exhibits

Volunteers who make Guyra such a great community

What's NOT

STEALING community property with potential to derail a train and cause injury or death

QUOTE of the week

Beware of the person who has nothing to lose

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

| Date | Day | Min | Max | Rain |
|------|-------|------|------|------|
| 16 | Tues | 12.2 | 21.1 | 5.0 |
| 17 | Wed | 14.2 | 25.5 | 6.4 |
| 18 | Thurs | 15.8 | 22.8 | 9.0 |
| 19 | Fri | 13.0 | 26.7 | 17.2 |
| 20 | Sat | 14.5 | 27.0 | 0 |
| 21 | Sun | 16.1 | 27.4 | 0 |
| 22 | Mon | 18.3 | 30.9 | 0 |

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|-------------------|----------|
| Rain this week | 37.6mm |
| January rainfall | 53mm |
| Rainfall YTD | 53mm |
| Rainfall last YTD | mm |
| Ave. rain to Jan. | 118.7 mm |

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Getting ready for the Guyra Show

Planning is well under way for the 2024 Guyra Show which will be held on Friday 16th and Saturday 17th February.

The key focus is on family entertainment so that families can enjoy a great day out on a tight budget.

Friday will see school groups attend the show for a range of excursion activities.

A new section for this year's show will be the "Tony Williams Memorial Tractor Display".

Anyone wishing to enter a tractor must have the tractors at the showground by 6pm on Thursday, 15th February.

Judging will take place on Friday 16th and the winners will be announced on Saturday at 1pm.

The sections in the tractor display are:

- Oldest Massey Ferguson,
- Best Presented Massey Ferguson,
- any type of tractor with the Best Story, and
- the Oldest Tractor on

display.

On Saturday 17th February we will have "Griego the Great Roving Magician", Yard Dog Trials, Wood Chop, Horse events with Showjumping making a return to the Show on Friday and Saturday.

On Saturday afternoon we will have Postie Bike Soccer Guyra v. Walcha and Saturday night we have AJ who hails from Armidale playing from 7.30pm to late.

GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY 2024

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Come and visit the Guyra Museum

The building in which the museum is housed has a story to tell on its own. The building was the original Guyra Shire Council Chambers built in 1909 and was used until 1981.

The Guyra Historical Society opened the building as a Museum in 1988, maintaining the first room just as the Council had it set up for their meetings. Pictures line the walls of this room of the town's Founding Fathers as well as Honour Rolls of past Presidents 1907-1981.

The museum collection houses over 4,000 items, some of which are the following:

* When the Fire Brigade was formed in 1929, the appliances used were more manpower than horsepower. The old hose reel was set up on a wagon-type contraption and was pulled by men towards the source of the fire.

* A room that could be described as "Grandma's Kitchen" which is a far cry from today's modern

"kitchenalla", with barely a cord in sight.

The museum also houses a number of rare items and collections some are:

* A rare barbed wire collection dating back to the 1875

* A rare collection of Shearing handpieces that includes an American Cooper dated 1900, a Wolsley No. 3 dated 1904 through to the controversial wide comb in 1983


* An early projector machine from the Arcadia Theatre and a number of glass advertising slides which are extremely rare.


* The rarest in the collection is a washing machine used in the 1880s. The only other known one is at the Sydney Powerhouse Museum.

The museum will be open this coming Friday 26th, Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th from 10am 3pm. On Friday 26th Australia Day morning tea will be served at the Museum from 9.30am.




The revamped Laundry Room at the Museum with an amazing iron collection






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GUYRA LAMB & POTATO FESTIVAL UNDERWAY

I thoroughly enjoyed some time at the 2024 Guyra Lamb & Potato Festival last week.

The festival is on until 28 January and has something for everyone, especially the iconic and scrumptious lamb and gravy rolls!

It's one of the best festivals anywhere in our region. There is plenty of entertainment for everyone, lots of food vans, stalls, bush poets' performances, and an art exhibition.

It is a great opportunity to head over to Guyra and enjoy the atmosphere.

SNOWGUM SCHOOL LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON

It was an absolute pleasure to attend the 13th annual Snow Gum Alliance leadership luncheon, at The Cottage Restaurant in Armidale, late last year.

I enjoyed speaking with and taking questions from captains, leaders and staff from Guyra Central School alongside other

small schools in the region.

Small schools are great schools and they have helped develop some outstanding, mature and thoughtful young leaders, most of whom will be embarking on their first year of high school shortly.

With the calibre of these young leaders, the future of our region is in very safe hands!

APPLICATIONS REOPENED TO STUDY A BACHELOR OF NURSING 2024

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in studying a Bachelor of Nursing in 2024, applications have re-opened for a short period of time as there is still a limited number of places left in the course for Trimester 1, 2024.

All applicants should apply online direct to UNE.

Applications can only remain open while there are still places.

You can apply by following this link: <https://une.uac.edu.au/une/>



It was a pleasure to attend the 13th annual Snow Gum Alliance leadership luncheon with captains, leaders and staff from Guyra Central School alongside other small schools in the region

If you have any questions, the UNE Future Students Team is available to help on 1800 818 865, Monday-Friday, 8.30am-5pm.

Contact my office:
Phone: 02 6772 5552 or Email:
northerntablelands@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

Jan 25 Sue Adams
 Jan 26 Steve Adams
 Jan 29 Toni Kirkman
 Jan 30 ARC staff
 Jan 31 H Marchant

Street Stalls

No street stalls in January

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: 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

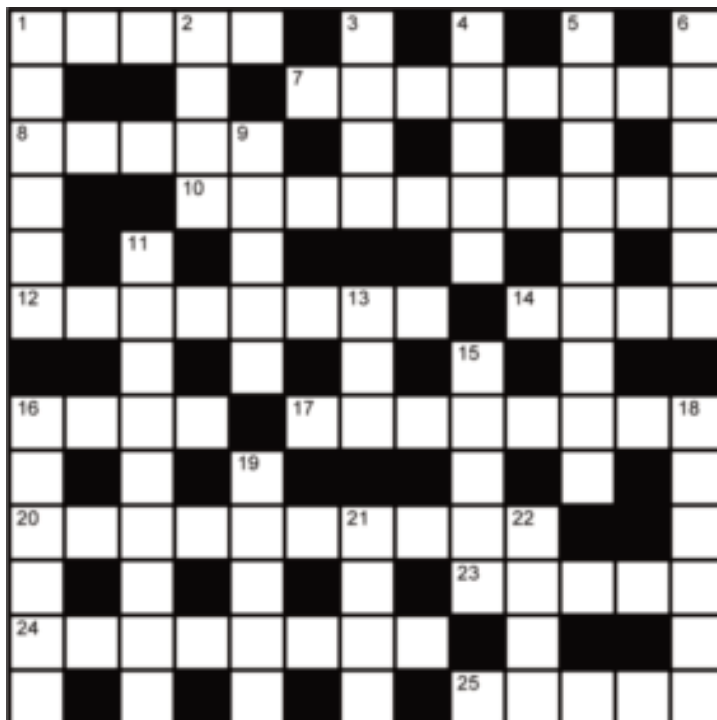
ACROSS

- State of development (5)
- Indefatigable (8)
- Snooker star, _____ Thorburn (5)
- Dad's Army actor (6,4)
- Ghost-buster? (8)
- Halt (4)
- Chinese dynasty (4)
- Congregated (8)
- Temperature regulator (10)
- Belief in God (5)
- Wealth (8)
- TV sitcom, ___ the Twain (5)

DOWN

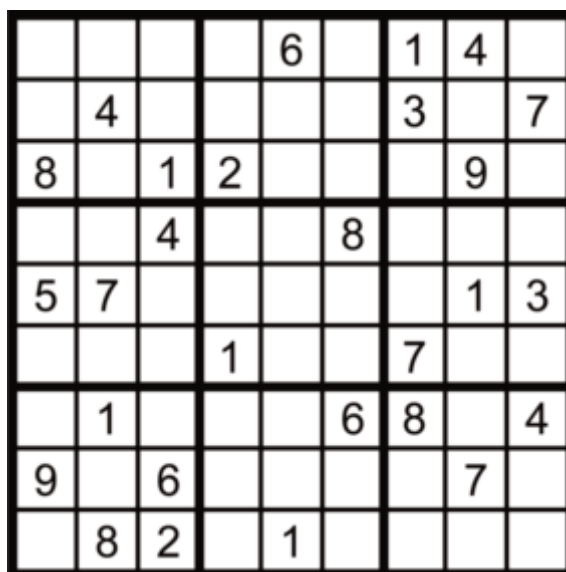
- Preserve in vinegar (6)
- Couch (4)
- Aspiration (4)
- Model, ___ Hall (5)
- News gatherers (9)
- At rest (6)

QUICK CROSSWORD

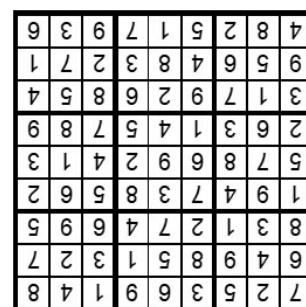


- Dress (5)
- Plentiful (9)
- Water mass (3)
- Bundle of hay (5)
- Head nurse (6)
- One of Santa's reindeer (6)
- Signal colour (5)
- Foot cover (4)
- Ribbon (4)

SUDOKU - Hard



ACROSS: 1. Phase7, Tireless8, Cliff10, Arthur Lowe12, Exorcist14, Stop16, Ming17, Gathered 20, Thermostat 23, Faith 24, Opulence 25, Never
DOWN: 1. Pickle 2. Sofa 3. Wish 4. Jerry 5. Reporters 6. Asleep 9. Frock 11. Boun-teous 13. Sea 15. Sheaf 16. Matron 18. Dasher 19. Amber 21. Sock 22. Tape



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Who will be our 2024 Citizen of the Year?

Wendy Mulligan, David Kanaley and Sharon Bowles
(Joint Project Managers of the Guyra Memorial Park)

Their joint vision in 2020 to develop a Guyra Memorial Park, honouring Guyra men and women who served in WWI and WWII, would fulfil a 1951 Guyra Shire Council resolution and also pro-

vide a welcoming and attractive space for visitors and citizens of Guyra.

Their identification of and successful applications to appropriate Federal funding bodies for the 3 elements of the project – Memorial Avenue of Trees (Wendy Mulligan), Commemorative Stones (Sharon Bowles) and the Mandala Garden (David Kanaley).

Community interest generated, the number of organisations who wished to be involved and contribute to the project and the number of attendees at the opening of the Guyra Memorial Park on Remembrance Day 2023 is testament to the joint success of Wendy, David and Sharon in creating a truly community facility of which Guyra can be very proud.



Robin Godlonton

Robin is one of the Head Stewards at the Guyra Show in the Needlework Section, helping set up before, during and after the show. She also donates many encouragement awards for the junior section.

Over a number of years Robin has conducted sewing classes during some of the school holidays.

This entails a lot of organisation and all the children take home what they have made over the few days.

Robin is a key organiser for the craft group during the Lamb & Potato Festival.

She also plays a supportive role to the Guyra SES, supplying food when required and is on the catering committee for the Presbyterian Church.

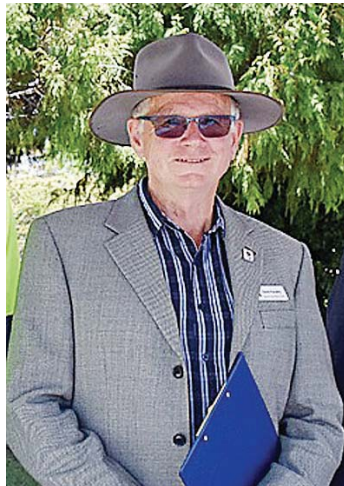
Robin is also on the Trout Festival committee and helps deliver some of the Guyra Gazettes.



David Kanaley

(individual nomination)

It is 7 years since David Kanaley came to live in Guyra. He is currently President of Guyra Rotary, has been Treasurer of the Garden Club, Grant Application Officer



for the Chamber of Commerce, case worker for St Vincent de Paul and Guyra Choir member.

David has opened his garden twice in support of Troutfest.

For the past 3 years been Project Director for Guyra Garden



Club's Memorial Park & Mandala Garden. He has steered this project from beginning to end and the Guyra community will reap the rewards of his efforts now and into the future.

ument in Memorial Park.

Sharon's efforts in searching through military records was a huge undertaking, making sure all who died were recognised. Descendants of many of these servicemen still reside in the district and is a visible record of Guyra's citi-

zens who died for their country.

This project included working with the manufacturers of the monument.

Sharon is a member of the Guyra Historical Society where her researching skills are put to good use.

Sharon Bowles

(individual nomination)

Sharon is a very active member of the Guyra Garden Club and was responsible for researching the Guyra and district citizens names who paid the supreme sacrifice in World Wars I and II, for the mon-



Margaret Grills

Margaret has a history of going above and beyond in services to individuals and community. She has been a volunteer at Guyra MPS for the last 11 years.

Many successful activities conducted through diversional Therapy are thanks to the efforts and support of Margaret.

On Margaret's volunteer day, she is known to arrive with morning tea she has prepared for the residents. She is also involved with the home cooked lunches and BBQ breakfasts twice a month for the residents.

Margaret is also part of a knitting group that donates to charity and

previously volunteered at Kolora. Margaret has a great relationship with the residents and staff and is loved and respected by all.

Barbara and John Ross

Barbara & John kindly open up their home for open gardens during festivals in Guyra. The couple moved into Guyra 7-8 years ago and are very community minded. They voluntarily weed and care for public and town gardens

John and Barbara were recently witnessed planting new gardens around the Council building in hot, sunny weather. It would have been hard work.

They are very active members of the Guyra Garden Club and the Guyra and Community Progress Association. They are supportive of other community events including Troutfest, Rotary Carnival, and the



RSL. They are a very friendly couple who always say hello to people in the street, even if they do not know their names.

Out and About at the Festival



Above: The VRA are always here to help

Below: Antique Machinery Rally

Below right: A great music program has been organised

Below: Dining out at the Festival
Don't miss out on a great Lamb Meal!



Rural Market Reports

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

January 16th – There was a total yarding on 6583 head at the Guyra saleyards.

| | Ave | Top |
|-----------|---------|-------|
| Ewes | \$60.17 | \$100 |
| Hogget | \$59.96 | \$100 |
| Lambs | 112.34 | 230 |
| Rams | \$19.52 | \$25 |
| Ram lambs | \$53.53 | \$80 |
| Sheep | \$72.25 | \$90 |
| Wethers | \$67.21 | \$92 |

Next Sale Tuesday 23rd January 2024 - commencing 9am

Armidale Cattle Sale

January 18th – Yarding 1090 (-610)

Following good rain over the 6 week layoff between sales the numbers were well down. The first of the weaners were penned along with a good supply of yearlings and cows. Quite a few at the heavier end of the weight classes.

The quality of the offering was generally good with the majority of the cattle presenting in good condition. There was a full field of buyers in attendance including some extra orders. Demand for young cattle

was very strong through all classes and categories.

Restockers and feedlots competed strongly on the medium and heavy weight young cattle while restockers showed a confidence in the market going forward by bidding strongly on the lighter weights. All young cattle sold to dearer trends with most showings significant improvement. The yearling heifers posted some of the greater increases. Processors also competed strongly for the well finished grown cattle with both the steers and heifers showing strong improvement.

There was increased competition from feedlotters on suitable lines. It was a very good quality penning of well finished cows with the market much dearer and in line with what's been happening elsewhere. There was increased competition from processors on bulls with substantially dearer prices achieved.

Weekly Wool Market

January 19th -

A large offering of close to 50,000 bales were offered this week.

The quality of the offering was again varied and whilst prices retracted on all types, the greater falls were certainly on the poorer types.

With the lower Australian dollar retreating by close to two cents since last week, it could be expected that this would be a benefit to the market. Exporters and traders look as much for stability in currency markets as much as they do for a lower currency.

Sometimes as currency is falling, it can encourage them to wait until the currency stabilises at the new level before they cover their currency. This can impact their buying patterns and you may not necessarily see the benefit of a falling currency in the market straight away.

Buyers are reporting enquiry still coming in at reasonable levels and competition in the sale room remained solid throughout the week. The larger players were more active, particularly on low VM sounder types.

With close to 100,000 bales being offered since Christmas it is not unexpected to see the market under some pressure. A smaller offering next week should hopefully add some stability back into the market.

An open to letter to our community

Alex Manners, Chief Officer Assets and Services at Armidale Regional Council gives an important update about Guyra's water supply

Dear Guyra community,
I understand that you may be experiencing changed water quality and am writing to share some information and plans that I hope will provide reassurance.

As the weather warmed over summer, and with low rainfall in the catchment serving the Guyra dams, water quality in Guyra suffered. This was especially noticeable in late December.

Water treatment is guided by the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (ADWG), and in New South Wales (NSW) it is regulated by the New South Wales Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW), as well as New South Wales Public Health (NSWPH).

Council works closely with those agencies to ensure water meets standards and that risks to the public from consumption of water are within acceptable limits.

Algal blooms in dams are a common phenomenon that is experienced by water supplies across New South Wales and Australia.

As temperatures started to rise at the end of 2023, Guyra water treatment operators prepared for the water quality changes caused by algal blooms, which can affect both taste and odour. All preparations were in line with the guidelines and support from both DCCEEW and NSWPH.

One of the challenges facing local operators is the age, design and condition of the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) in Guyra which was constructed in the 1980s. The WTP requires operators to manually adjust the treatment process based on water quality being received

from the Guyra dams. (There is no automated response as at updated facilities in other areas).

Unfortunately, the existing treatment process allowed for water with higher than usual taste and odour to enter the water reticulation system.

While the water quality was within NSWPU and ADWG limits and safe to drink, we understand that Guyra residents were impacted.

To address this impact, local staff worked (within the limitations of the WTP) to reduce the taste and odour of the water received from the dam. Staff also worked to remove the taste and odour from the network through an ongoing flushing program to expel any residual water with taste and odour as quickly as possible.

What next?

Armidale Regional Council has a program to design and complete Treatment Automation works which will improve the ease for treatment operators, reduce the workload and eliminate the historical manual design and components of water treatment at the Guyra plant.

While the former Guyra Shire Council did not have the opportunity or resources to update the plant, we are pleased that this work will soon be done.

The planning and preparation for these works has been an ongoing project for approximately 18 months and is expected to run for at least two years before fully complete.

Please be aware that whilst these works are being undertaken, the challenges in treating water at the Guyra WTP will remain.

To report an issue, or for more information, please contact Council on 1300 136 833 (24 Hours) or by email: council@armidale.nsw.gov.au

Regards
Alex Manners
Chief Officer Assets and Services



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AUSTRALIA DAY PROGRAM

THURSDAY, 25th JANUARY

6.30pm

Awards Dinner

at the Bowling Club

FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY

7.00am

Breakfast and Flag Raising at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall

9.00am

Flag Raising at the Lamb & Potato Festival

9.30am

Morning tea at the Guyra Historical Museum

POULTRY FOR SALE

LAYER PULLETS, 20 weeks, all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, 16th February. Call Jim 0428 194 105.

MEETING NOTICES

GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY meeting Wednesday, 31st January at 7pm. Secretary's office Guyra Showground. New members welcome.

RAM SALES

Rams available

Contact:

Mitchell Woods - 6779 2355

Glenella White Suffolks

HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Guyra Historical Museum will be open during the Lamb & Potato Festival

Friday 26th

Australia Day Morning tea 9.30am

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th

10am - 3pm

RETURN THANKS

COLIN JAMES VARLEY

Colin passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by family, on 21st December.

The family would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who sent flowers, cards, messages, called and dropped in food. Your generosity and kindness is overwhelming.

We would like to also sincerely thank Piddingtons, who went above and beyond with such kindness and empathy.

To Father Damien Locke, Dr Baker, Dr Jey and the Palliative Care team of Nicole, Marilyn and Rebecca, your support through this sad time was truly appreciated. A special thank you to Tracy for everything you did that lightened the load.

Please take this as a personal thank you from Kath, Jeanette & David, Diane & Ian, Robert & Rhonda, Terry & Theresa, Chris & Allie and Gail.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry at The Chapel
66 Llangothlin Street, Guyra

OPEN this THURSDAY

9am-12pm

We will be closed this Friday

Contact: 0455 232 073

CLAIM THE DATE

THURSDAY, 25th JANUARY:

Australia Day Awards Dinner at the Bowling Club, 6.30pm. Tickets \$25. Bookings at The GALA Centre.

FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY:

Morning tea at the Guyra Historical Museum from 9.30am. Come along for an Aussie cuppa and check out the new exhibits. All welcome.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY,

16th & 17th FEBRUARY:

Roll up for the 116th Guyra Show featuring Griego the Great Roving Magician, Speed Shear, Woodchop, cattle & horse events, Zone Junior Judging ... and much more!

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Golf reports

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday the 16th we played a stableford plus putts. Neil Paine played like a champion and was rewarded for his consistency with 37 points and the win.

Runner up with 36 points was Ian Taylor on a count-back to Phil Devlin.

The putts was won by Phil with Ian getting NTP on the 18th and also the 10th. John Prisk got the 7th.

Next Tuesday is the first round of the pennants with Armidale club the hosts.

The grass is pretty much growing behind the mower at the moment and it is a struggle for Shane to keep it mowed. He's making a valiant effort though and the course is playing pretty well.

Pat and myself have been helping out a bit

here and there but if there's anyone out there that would like to do some tidying up with a whipper snipper, Shane would be very appreciative.

Ladies' Golf

Last week the ladies played a Par Medal. Thank you to Debbie Heffernan for your generous sponsorship.

Kerry Bull was the winner on a countback from Debbie Heffernan. Leonie Taylor was the runner up. Nearest the pin winners were Debbie Heffernan on the 9th hole. Kerry Bull on the 18th hole.

This week is a Stableford. Next week is the 1st Golf NSW Medal Round. Leonie Taylor is the sponsor and starter.

Drake

Midweek Golf

Hope everyone got their golf in between the storms last week.

Highest individual score for the week went to Brett Mayled with 26 points. Coming in with 24 points were Ron Starr, Archie Dowden and Leonie Taylor. Then on 22 were Dan Lennon, Deb Heffernan and Ian Taylor. With 21 points we have Heidi Wilson, Ian Brown and Neil Paine.

Team score for the week went to Pitch Purrfects with 85 points, followed by Sultans of Swing and Baldersleigh Bashers on 81 points.

Reminder to put your score cards in by 5pm on Sunday. Otherwise you will miss out on recording your scores for the week.

Birdie

Middy

Ram Sale Dates 2024

Armidale Housed Merino Ram Show and Sale

Show | 6th February 1pm
Sale | 7th February 10.30am

Lambpro Primeline Ram Sale - A+ only

Sale | 7th February 12pm

Pollambi Performance Ram Sale

Sale | 9th February 2pm

Alfoxtton Merino Ram Sale

Sale | 12 February 1pm

Palana Poll Dorset Ram Sale

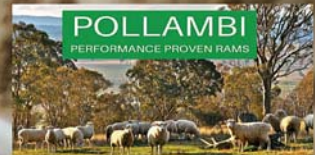
Sale | 21st February 1.30pm

Yasloc Poll Dorset Ram Sale

Sale | 1st March 2pm

Tablelands Dohne Ram Sale

Sale | 5th March 1pm



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Top of the Range Fours Carnival

Two games of pairs were played on the 13th January with Anthony Bull and Ian Jacobs defeating Steven Sole and Robert Walls. In the second game, Shane and Noah Brennan defeated Geoff and Wayne Reeves.

Last weekend, the Top of the Range Fours carnival was run and won with 100 bowlers playing and having travelled from all parts of the state.

The winners were Richard Latta, B Smith, David Leader and Tom Burley.

Runners-up were Mick Pennell, Paul Bullen, Lindsay McIntyre and Colin Stanley.

Third place went to Justin Bullen, Peter Doyle, Gavin Latham and Graham Bourke.

Fourth place went to M Williams, T Coombes, L Smith and A Russell from Barraba.

Jack.



Bowls Carnival winners, l to r:
Tom Burley, B. Smith, David Leader
and Richard Latta



Bowls Carnival runners-up, l to r:
Mick Pennell, Colin Stanley,
Lindsay McIntyre and Paul Bullen

Australia Day & Weekend Trading Hours

Friday: **CLOSED** • Saturday: 7.00am - 12.00noon • Sunday: 9.00am - 11.00am



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- 3rd: Sam Sisson

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