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Council releases new strategic plan

Armidale Regional Council (ARC) has released a new strategic plan to boost population and grow the Armidale Region over the next 20 years.

The plan, known as Toward 50,000, is on public exhibition until Tuesday March 19th and identifies new employment precincts to deliver Council's aspirational target to attract 4,000 jobs to our region by 2040 as well as areas to accommodate new housing for an increased regional population of 10,000.

ARC Mayor Cr Sam Coupland said that for too long the Armidale region has suffered from a low population, missing out on much needed government infrastructure and public amenities.

"Toward 50,000 is a solid plan to make our region an attractive place to live, work and play. People move to regional towns where there are quality jobs, so we expand our economic base considerably to become a magnet for families to move here," Mayor Coupland said.

"This plan identifies priority areas for controlled environment



Mayor Sam Coupland briefing Local Member Adam Marshall on Council's plan to grow the Armidale Region over the next 20 years.

horticulture, renewable energy industries and manufacturing which can help drive the growth of our region over the next 20 years.

"Towards 50,000 is underpinned by a region building water security package which includes the raising of the Malpas dam wall to the maximum of 6.5 metres and the connection of Oaky River dam

to Council's water network.

"Increasing the secure water supply in our region from 2,430 megalitres per annum (MLpa) to about 8,000MLpa will allow expansion of our engine industries to drive the growth of our region and support a population beyond 50,000.

"The action to solve the region's

water security problems started on day one for Council. At our first Council Meeting in January 2022, my fellow Councillors and I set an aspirational target to grow jobs in our region by 4,000 by 2040, however, it became clear to us that without water security all other efforts to grow would be futile.

"We secured funding to raise Malpas Dam in June 2022 and we agreed to purchase Oaky River dam from Essential Energy in December 2022. Now that we've got the foundations in place we can step confidently forward and shape our own future – this is what we are going to do."

"The success of Toward 50,000 will be dependent on the community getting behind it. We encourage everyone to spend time reviewing it and making submissions."

Submissions can be made via hard copy at one of Council's offices (135 Rusden Street, Armidale, 158 Bradley Street, Guyra), in electronic format via email, or by completing the survey online at yoursay.armidale.nsw.gov.au

EQUIPMENT

- Tipper
- 20T excavator with 3D GPS and tilt hitch with log grab and various buckets
- 15T zero swing excavator with blade & log grab with various buckets

- Compact Track Loader with grader blade attachment with auto & 5T vibrating roller, 4inl bucket.

EARTHWORKS

Agricultural, Civil, Commercial and Residential.

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Shearers pitch in, in time of need

Recently our family experienced the tragic loss of my brother, Kayne Wells (a familiar face in many Guyra shearing sheds).

During the 10 day search to find closure, my wife and I were in need of some cross-bred lambs to be shorn to prevent flystrike.

One phone call to our good friend and shearing contractor, Jeremy Newberry late on a Friday night, led to the entire Guyra Silvershears committee arriving the next day to lend a helping hand.

Our single stand shearing shed was soon converted into a 4 stand shed with about 20 very generous and considerate volunteers. Needless to say

there was wool flying everywhere and our 130 lambs were shorn in no time. Such a wonderful example of the Guyra community standing together in unity to help those in need.

Words cannot begin to express how grateful we are for the genuine kindness shown to us. The generosity shown by these amazing blokes gave our family great comfort to know how much love and support we have.

We are truly blessed to have such beautiful people in our lives. Thank you to each and every one of you who turned up to help us out.

*Many thanks,
Jake & Casey Chard*



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Equip her for a life of significance

Tour the Campus with our Principal
Thursday, 22 February

plcarmidale.nsw.edu.au



Tips and tricks for budding bakers

Guyra Evening CWA has two representatives on the NSW Land Committee Committee(Christine Gellie and Mary Hollingworth) who have clocked up over 5000ks already in 2024 promoting the perennially popular CWA Land Cookery Competition throughout NSW.

Christine attended the “How to baking tips day” recently in Mudgee, while Mary travelled to the south of NSW to host a similar day with enthusiastic members at Yenda.

Last Sunday they hosted another morning at Guyra to share tips and tricks for budding and seasoned bakers entering the cooking competition at the local Shows especially Guyra this weekend and CWA Group Conference on Tuesday March 12th in Glen Innes.

Another “How to day” is in the planning at Armidale in April and is open to everyone. The Land Cookery Committee are committed



Christine Gellie (seated) and Mary Hollingworth (wearing apron) at last weeks cooking day in Guyra

ted to promoting baking throughout the CWA competitions along with assisting stewarding and judging at CWA group confer-

ences and on the local Show Circuit. There’s many more km’s on the radar for these volunteers with Mary heading to Junee and

Wagga for CWA Group Competitions. Any queries or questions can be directed to Mary 0429345255.

116TH GUYRA SHOW

PROGRAM AND ENTERTAINMENT

Wednesday

8.30 am - 4.00pm Pavilion open to receive exhibit entries

Thursday

8.30am - 10.30 am Pavilion open to receive exhibit entries
 11am Judging of Needlework, Knitting and Crochet section
 11am Judging of Craft section

Friday

7.30 – 9am Pavilion open to receive entries
 9am -12noon Judging of Items in the pavilion
 9.30am Horse events start
 10am Junior Sheep Judging
 Junior Wool Judging
 12.00noon Pavilion open to the public
 2pm Junior Cattle Judging
 2pm Australian Stock horse
 3pm Junior Cattle Paraders
 5pm All Breeds Heifer Show
 7pm Official Opening
 7.20pm Bull Calcutta at the Cattle sheds
 8.00pm Pavilion closed.
 8.00pm Men’s Cake Champion Presentation
 9pm Live Music by ElectricPostman
 Bar & BBQ open until late - both nights

Saturday

8am Yard Dog Trials start 8am
 8am Horse events
 8.30am Beef Cattle Judging
 9am Pavilion open (until 5pm)
 9am Caged Birds
 10am Wood Chopping
 10am Poultry Show and Judging
 1.30pm Lolly Cannon
 3.30pm Lolly Cannon
 4.30pm Grand Parade
 4.30pm Lolly Cannon
 5pm The Great Lamb Muster (for Children)
 5pm Pavilion Closed to the public
 6-7.30pm Postie Bike Soccer
 8.15pm Fireworks
 8.45pm Demolition Derby
 Live Music By AJ Until Late
 Bar and B.BQ open until late
 From 9.am to 5.pm Friday & Saturday Griego The Great Roving Magician will be roaming the Guyra Showgrounds performing his magic tricks











Show Schedules
 now available at
 The GALA Centre, 136 Bradley Street, Guyra
 & at the Secretary’s Office at the Showground

Guyra Show Society
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For information about the Guyra Show
 Ph: 02 6779 2132
 E: admin@guyrashow.guyra.net
 www.guyrashow.guyra.net

What's HOT

Showtime - lots happening so head on up to the Showground this Friday and Saturday

COSTA grants - applications close Feb. 19th

Valentines Day - not too late to give the gift of love to someone special

Swimming carnivals - competing and having fun

What's NOT

Continued confusion over new bin collection times

QUOTE of the week

Rock bottom will teach you things mountain tops never could.

Bureau of Meteorology Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
5	Tues	12.3	27.4	0
6	Wed	14.6	21.2	0
7	Thurs	12.9	20.6	0
8	Fri	11.1	26.5	0.8
9	Sat	14.1	23.1	1.0
10	Sun	12.9	23.5	3.0
11	Mon	12.9	23.0	0.8

Rain this week	5.6mm
February rainfall	5.6mm
Rainfall YTD	90.6mm
Rainfall last YTD	179.4mm
Ave. rain to Feb.	222.3 mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Have Your Say

Democracy - Gone??

With Labor's recent amendments to the Local Government Act – Section 218CC - where State Government will not be funding any council de-mergers of forcibly amalgamated councils, whether the de-merger is supported by the new amalgamated council or not, would seem that all is lost.

The S&GG submission already in the hands of the Minister MP Hoenig deals with the application for a new council area under Section 215 of the Act which is still in (untampered) place.

Local member Adam Marshall still supports our proposal and will be pushing for it to be considered by the Boundaries Commission via referral by the Minister under the Act.

The new current amendments to Section 218CC, now known as 218CD of the Act are directed at removing and destroying any chance of forcibly amalgamated council communities gaining a de-merger.

The forthcoming Amanda Cohn MLC Bill, yet to be

debated, will give former Local Government areas such as our beloved Guyra Shire the opportunity to vote in favour of the formation of a new council area based in Guyra via a controlled AEC plebiscite.

This butchering of the Act means that the Bill can now be described as an anti-de-merger Bill. With further amendments coming from opposition MP's and MLC members gaining support in both Houses of Parliament, there is a distinct possibility that Labor will back themselves into a corner where they will have to make necessary changes to facilitate our democratic right to control our own destiny at Local Government level.

DON'T FORGET THE S&GG MEETING Thursday 22 February 2024 at the Guyra Bowling & Recreation Club at 6.00pm.

Rob Lenehan
S&GG Chairman

In our time 2024

The world is again in crisis both economically and politically.

Widespread talk is always the best guide to a community in extreme turmoil and sadness.

The wrong decision is always when we don't do or say what we feel would be best.

From today, talk to everyone around you and encourage them to attend the demerger meeting at the Guyra Bowling & Recreation Club on the 22nd of February.

Brian Milton

Say no

8 bucks a schooner, wind turbines in our face
Once a beautiful democracy, Now a stampeding disgrace

Obeying orders from foreign lands?

Funnelling our resources into their hands?

As we've never voted these things in

Have we really got a ballot box

Or just a sugar coated bin.

Say NO to 250 metre high wind turbines


Richard Stanley

Ram Sale Dates 2024




Palana Poll Dorset Ram Sale
Sale | 28th February 1.30pm

Yasloc Poll Dorset Ram Sale
Sale | 1st March 2pm

Tablelands Dohne Ram Sale
Sale | 5th March 1pm



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2024

GUYRA SHOW

16TH & 17TH FEBRUARY 2024



FEATURING:

- GRIEGO The Great Roving Magician
- All Pavillion Events + Lego & Models
- Horse Jumping & Ring Events
- Zone Judging Events
- Showgirl Competition
- Cattle Competition & Bull Calcutta
- Yard Dog Trials
- Men's Cake Competition
- Demolition derby
- Postie Bike Soccer
- Fireworks
- Wood chopping
- Music by ElectricPostman Friday Night
- Live Music by AJ Night Saturday Night
- Bar open until late - both nights



Show Schedules & Information available at the GALA Centre, 136 Bradley Street, Guyra

CONTACT US

Phone: 02 6779 2132 or 02 6779 1093

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Meals on Wheels

Feb 15 JH Marchant
Feb 16 L & R Skinner
Feb 19 Steve Norris
Feb 20 Russell
Feb 21 Debbie Schmidt

Street Stalls

Mar 14 Hospital Aux.

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

Welcome to our Transition Class for 2024. Our new students have had a great start to learning with their transition leader Mrs Sapphire Roller. Last week, students enjoyed choir with the K-2 students and then explored their classroom before producing wonderful cooking items and participating in numeracy activities.

At Black Mountain Public School, transition students learn through creative play and hands on learning activities, following the Early Years Learning Framework, to prepare them for Kindergarten, the following year.

Each Friday transition students participate in activities with our K-2 Echidna's class as well as other school activities such as assemblies and cultural events. The wellbeing and care of all our students is our highest priority. Ensuring a smooth



transition to Kindergarten means a great start to school.

If you have a child who is four years of age or turning four and would like to know more about our transition program,

please contact the school on 02 6775 0192 to speak to our experienced teaching team.

*Mrs Justine Eddy
Relieving Principal*

Changes for Jobs Australia Enterprises

Jobs Australia Enterprises (JAE) has withdrawn as a provider from the Workforce Australia program, administered by the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR), resulting in the closure of a number of JAE Workforce Australia services sites.

A spokesperson for Jobs Australia said that at this stage the Guyra office will remain open – albeit on a part time basis. They will continue to service Disability Employment Services (DES) clients, as well as operating our PALM and General Labour Hire business units from their Guyra location.

JAE say that they will continue to provide phone services and appropriate supports for all customers and will work with the department to ensure a smooth transition to a new provider.

In a statement posted to their facebook page in late January they said that:


“Despite our best efforts, as a small single region provider, the continuing negative financial impact, which the Workforce Australia program has placed on our organisation has made our position untenable.


“If you are currently serviced by Jobs Australia Enterprises


under the Workforce Australia Program, the department will advise you of your new provider in the coming weeks.

“Our commitment to supporting individuals with disabilities through the Disability Employment Services (DES) program will continue.

“We also remain dedicated to assisting communities through our philanthropic community-based projects, as well as continuing to operate our commercial units, inclusive of PALM (Pacific Australia Labour Mobility), General Labour Hire and Employment Mediation Services.”

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Council News



Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement now on public exhibition!

The Draft LSPS was released last week and showcases the framework for future land use planning decisions and the management of growth.

Public Exhibitions

Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) 'Advancing our Region - Towards 50,000'

Have your say online or find us at the next Guyra markets!

Scan the QR to find out more:



Closing Date: 19/03/2024

Current Vacancies

- **Heritage Tour Bus Driver**
Closes 25 January - Are you deeply connected to the rich history and heritage of Armidale? We are seeking passionate individual's to join our team as Heritage Tour Bus Drivers.

[Apply Now](#) | [Search: Careers at Armidale Regional Council](#)

Council Meetings

The next ordinary council meeting will be held in Armidale from 4pm Wednesday 28 February 2024.

The public are welcome to attend a live stream of the meeting from the Guyra Civic Administration Building for any residents willing to watch.

Has your bin day changed?

Armidale Regional Council has teamed up with JR Richards to provide our community with top quality waste collection services to ensure an efficient and timely bin collection for you each and every week.

Please note that some households and businesses may now have different collection days. Head over to the ARC website and search **Waste & Recycling Collection** to check out our interactive waste collection map to see which day we collect at your address!



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Armidale Region

Empowering girls to reach their potential

For more than 136 years, Presbyterian Ladies' College (PLC) Armidale has provided an encouraging and empowering environment for girls to reach their potential and lead meaningful lives and you are invited to tour the campus with current principal, Mrs Nicola Taylor, on Thursday, February 22.

HSC results demonstrate the College's academic advantage - it regularly has a higher percentage of its HSC cohort on the NESA Distinguished Achievers list than any other school in Armidale.

The spacious grounds and gardens of the 17-hectare property and the bright and airy classrooms provide an ideal place for young women to complete their academic journey in a tranquil, nurturing, Christian environment.

The College's capacity was intentionally designed to ensure an environment of close connection where girls are individually known and nurtured. Class sizes allow students to receive one-on-one instruction from teaching staff, and the phenomenal average student-to-teacher ratio across the school is six to one, allowing for bespoke learning plans.

A visit to the MySchool website shows PLC Armidale consistently scores above the national average in all areas of NAPLAN testing - the strongest results of any school in the region.

Principal Nicola Taylor said students educated in an all-girls environment are more confident about asking questions, particu-



Students with PLC Armidale Science Teacher Mrs Kate Fittler enjoying the bespoke learning offered at the Colleg

larly in mathematics and science.

"When girls become the focal point, there is greater opportunity for engagement and achievement," Mrs Taylor said.

"Our students have higher occupational aspirations, which are fostered throughout their school career; they have higher participation rates in activities such as sport and PE, and they develop a greater sense of connectedness.

"And our Explore Serve Journey (ESJ) experiential learning program focuses on the growth

and transformation of the individual in context with the community of learners around them. During Stage 5, it ramps up the time, experiences and challenges needed to touch hearts and minds."

Boarders are well catered for at PLC Armidale from Year 5. There is a mix of full, weekly and casual boarding, with each girl given her own room within a room to decorate in whichever style she chooses.

And they enjoy the many co-curricular opportunities on offer,

including joining one of the most productive and successful school cattle teams in the region.

For three years running, PLC Armidale has been chosen to prepare and lead the Schute Bell Victor Chang charity steers at the Sydney Royal Show.

The College offers tours at any time but is holding a Principal's Tour and Afternoon tea on Thursday, February 22 and is currently accepting applications for 2025 scholarships.

Rural Market Reports

Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

February 6th - 4121 head were yarded last week. Top price \$218, average per head \$87.56.

	Average	Top
Ewes	\$61.66	\$98
Hoggets	\$33.87	\$88
Lambs	\$110.41	\$218
Rams	\$25.40	\$80
Ram Lambs	N/A	N/A
Sheep	\$64.58	\$100
Wethers	\$55.50	\$62

Weekly Wool Market

February 9th - The market continued to decline for the fourth consecutive week. The Northern region indicator lost 4 cents on both selling days and like last week signs of a firming market were evident on the final day.

The decline in prices since returning from the Christmas recess has moved the market indicators back into the familiar holding pattern that we have seen since June. This week's closing levels are almost identical to the opening week of the 2023/24 season however they are above the seasonal average.

A larger than average withdrawal and passed in rate resulted in 34,995 bales being sold nationally for the week. Major buyers included PJ Morris, Techwool & Endeavour Wool. AWTA test data for the season to date is showing greater than a 10% increase in the weight of wool tested below 18.5 micron compared to just a 2.8% increase in total production. This offers some explanation to the slight underperformance of the Superfine types.

Over 90,000 additional bales have been sold for the season to date compared to last season with the total sold for the current period the highest in over 5 years.

MLC rises to celebrate Country Shows

Transcript of speech delivered by Guyra-based MLC Aileen MacDonald OAM last week

I rise to celebrate the return of Country Shows.

While Sydneysiders look forward to the Royal Easter Show each year, it is the country shows which truly showcase the virtues of regional and rural NSW.

Where I live in Guyra in Northern NSW our show is coming up on the 16th and 17th of February celebrating its 116th anniversary.

February is certainly the month for country shows around the state. Within the next two weeks we will see shows in: Glen Innes, Dunedoo, Cobargo, Nowra, Henty, Crookwell, Oberon, Bega, Gundagai, Kangaroo Valley, Gulgong, Maitland and Ashford.

What better way to showcase how rural and regional NSW is the life blood of the state when it comes to bountiful produce.

Country shows are an ingrained part of Australian society, with the first one held in Hobart in 1822, then Sydney the following year and



spreading to 580 regional shows throughout the country.

I love the annual show in Guyra.

One of the highlights is the long lunch which includes cooking displays using local produce, and our famous men's cake cooking and decoration competition.

It's a hoot. Already the local's social media is flooded with baking and decorating content in the lead up to the event.

The men who enter the event are

fiercely competitive with a 'take no prisoners' attitude and we love it.

I tend to believe that for these blokes it's a form of therapy. It's great that they have an opportunity to embrace a softer side with the talk in pubs, clubs and saleyards turning to frosting, buttercream and how to achieve the fluffiest sponge cake!

The reality is these country shows and this competition in particular highlights a healthy creative outlet

and the chance for the community to come together and celebrate all the reasons why we choose to live a rural lifestyle.

I would like to place on the record that the continuation of these country shows is thanks to the tireless efforts of many selfless volunteers.

They are great community events for all, young and old alike.

In short, it's a great time to let your hair down, unwind and take your mind off the farm for a few days and celebrate all things agricultural.

It's a time when one can enjoy friendships and participate in a myriad of events and competitions: from shearing to show jumping, wool, photography, art and craft, flowers, the wood chop, working dogs, cattle, poultry, goats, pigs, vegetables, pickles and jams, and the usual entertainment.

I encourage everyone to embrace their local country show this year.

A day at the show is a great day out and goes to show – that you can have your cake and eat it too!

Aileen MacDonald OAM MLC



Find me online:
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Authorised by Adam Marshall, Member for Northern Tablelands. Funded using parliamentary entitlements, January 2024

DEMANDING ACTION TO STOP LOCAL COURT REVOLVING DOOR OF OFFENDERS

I used a speech in State Parliament last week to deliver a scathing assessment of the performance of a local court Magistrate and to call for urgent action by the Chief Magistrate of NSW and the Attorney General to ensure that Magistrates receive stronger support to better meet community expectations.

I referred specifically to the actions of the Magistrate serving the Moree and Inverell local court circuit, and the continued 'limp wristed' response to serious offenders repeatedly put before the local courts.

My call for action doubled down on a speech I made in Parliament last year, following a spike in crime across the Moree Plains and Inverell local government areas.

I am incredibly frustrated to be standing here, singing the same song almost a full year later and still the Magistrate in Inverell and Moree continues to treat serial offend-



ers with kid gloves.

My first statement of the 2023 Parliamentary sitting year touched on the rising tide of juvenile crime in our communities, especially Moree and Inverell.

I spoke back then about the tireless efforts of the New England Police and some supporting authorities in doing their very best to hold back that tide.

I also highlighted that despite those efforts - the local judiciary seem to poke holes through the blue wall - allowing a backflow of emboldened juvenile offenders back out into the community, time and again.

As it was then, as it is now - the decisions made by the Magistrate simply does not meet the expectations of the community they serve.

I believe that as a direct result of that soft approach, crime and especially crimes committed by juvenile offenders - many of them no strangers to local police and the court - continue to increase.

Sadly, those emboldened offenders are now taking along with them a new generation of feral children who have learned they can run amok with little or no consequence.

I'll continue to push for reform and speak up on behalf of the community to secure the changes we need to keep us safe.

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



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POULTRY FOR SALE

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

MEETING NOTICE

GUYRA SHAMROCK HOCKEY CLUB AGM followed by a General Meeting to be held Tuesday, 20th February 6.30pm at the Royal Hotel, Guyra. All positions will be declared vacant and we welcome anyone interested in being a part of this great club.

RAFFLE RESULTS

CWA GUYRA raffle winner was Jan Day. Thank you to all who supported us.

CWA EVENING BRANCH Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation raffle 1st Fire Pit Winner - Joanne, 2nd Family Hamper - Craig Lockyer, 3rd Brisk and Crop Goody Bag - Heather Starr. People's Choice award at the Art Show was Eleanor Lyons with Merino Ram. "Guess the Picture" answer was the swift-footed shore crab - Jypsi Hooper closest guess and won a CWA Tea Towel.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry at The Chapel
66 Llangothlin Street, Guyra
OPEN this FRIDAY 9am-12pm
Contact: 0455 232 073

HISTORICAL MUSEUM

GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM is open by appointment. Enquiries to 6779 2132 during business hours.

GUYRA SHOW

Tony Williams Memorial Tractor Display:

Entries to be at the Showground by 6pm on Thursday, 15th February
Woodchop

Saturday from 10am
Shearing

Saturday from 9am
Bull Calcutta

7.20pm at the Cattle Sheds

See you at the Show

CLAIM THE DATE

WEDNESDAY 27th March 7pm

World class blues guitarist **Gwyn Ashton** on his "mojosoul" album launch tour plays the **Australian Poetry Hall of Fame**. Tickets from \$20 at the box office or on-line <https://www.trybooking.com/CPHMA>

SUNDAY 26th May, 2024

Combined Services Lunch hosted by Guyra Evening CWA branch at the Ben Lomond Hall

RAM SALES

Rams available

Contact:

Mitchell Woods - 6779 2355

Glenella White Suffolks

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FRIDAY & SATURDAY,
16th & 17th FEBRUARY:

Roll up for the **116th GUYRA SHOW** featuring Griego the Great Roving Magician, Woodchop, cattle & horse events, Zone Junior Judging ... and much more!

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For your event
or function

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Pool Comp.

Getting down to business end now and competition is close.

Results for Round 7:

Raiders snuck home against the Queenslanders, the battle of the spoon saw Dragons defeat Bulldogs, Manly were a no show against Roosters, Knights upset the Sharks and Eels punished the Knights.

Points table:

Raiders	18	+49
Roosters	13.5	+55
Eels	11.5	+9
Manly	11.5	-41
Tigers	9	+11
Sharks	9	+2
Knights	9	-19
Qlder's	8.5	-27
Dragons	7	-30
Bulldogs	6	-9

This week's games are:

Wednesday 6pm-Bulldogs v Raiders, Thursday 6pm-Queenslanders v Sharks, Saturday 5pm-Knights v Tigers, Sunday 2pm-Roosters v Eels, Sunday 4pm Dragons v Manly.

One round left after this week and then Finals day on the 2nd of March with all teams playing kicking off at 2pm keep this date free.

S.K.

Cricket

Under 11 Guyra 107 defeated by TAS Thunder 131. Batting Flynn McFarlane 14 ret., Angus Sutton 9, Rylan Wilson 10*, Oskar Laing 10 ret., Matthew Sauer 10*. Bowling Peter Grills 2/10, Chaise Martin 1/5.

Under 13 Guyra 5/159 defeated Walcha/Uralla 5/63. Batting Christopher Welsh 37*, Tyler Cameron 84, Thomas Ward 28*. Bowling Thomas Ward 2/8, Tyler Cameron 1/6, Sam Reeves 2/3

1st grade Guyra 10/82 defeated by Hillgrove 5/83. Batting Michael Purvis 22, Charlie White 15. Bowling Charlie White 3/27, Aidan Purvis 1/3, Heath Dowsett 1/25.

3rd grade Guyra 7/45

defeated TAS 9/41. Batting Nayte Foster 11, Tremane Patterson 11*, Dan Mitchell 10*. Bowling Mavric Foster 2/6, Maurice Blair 3/11, Cooper

Brennan 2/2, Tim Foster 1/5. This week 1sts will play City/UNE in Guyra, and 3rds have the bye.

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Ladies' Golf

Last week the ladies played the 1st Graham Betts Round. Christine Gellie sponsored the day. The winner with 37 points was Debbie Heffernan. Shona Mulligan was the runner up with 35 points. Nearest the pin winners were Wendy Jackson on the 7th and 9th holes. Debbie Heffernan on the 18th hole.

This week is a Par Medal. Next week is the Guyra Ladies Open Day sponsored by New England Autos and Dick Burey Country Kitchens. It's always a big day with many visitors from the region participating. Good luck to all!

Birdie

Men's Bowls

One game of Major/Minor pairs were played on Saturday, with Paul Johnson and David Wilcox defeating Shane and Noah Brennan by 1 shot.

Two games are set down for Saturday the 17th February:

At 12 o'clock in handicap singles Jason Varcoe will play John

Jackson with Robert Walls to mark, and in the final of the major singles Robert Moore will play Dan Kennedy with Anthony Bull to mark.

The Pennant teams have been selected. The 4s team to travel to Moree on the 2nd of March to play at 11am are:

(1) Steven Sole, Colin Stanley, Robert Walls and Anthony Bull

(2) John Mcilwain, John Jackson, Randy Mulligan and Ian Jacobs.

(3) David Wilcox, Robert Moore, Boyd Stanley and Murray Bourke.

The 7s team to travel to Bendemeer on Saturday 2nd March for a 1pm start are:

(1) Chris Kliendienst, Scott Campbell, Tim Ellis and Mathew Simpson

(2) Barry Walls, Mallie Walls, Wayne Reeves and Jason Varcoe

(3) Cameron Peardon, Roger Cox, Shane Brennan and Barry Presnell.

A practice game has been organised for the 24th February at 12:15pm

Jack

Men's Golf

A good field took to the course for the Guy Warskitt Memorial on the weekend. It also bought in some new golfers and it was good to see Baz, Grant and Maurice joining in and enjoying the day.

Winners for the day were Dean Moore and Steven Wilson. These two men played well individually so in a team's event they were unbeatable with 47 points, Dean shooting 1 under par and Steven shooting 1 over par, congrats to the two on a great score.

Runners Up were Brett Little and Harry Purvis with 46 points. Front 9 winners were Peter Jackson and back 9 winners were Mick and Wayne Purvis. Nearest the Pin 7th J Varcoe 10th Dean Moore and 18th S Wilson.

Congrats to all the winners and all the players for making it a great day. Next weekend is a 4 ball Medley event hope to see you there.

Happy Golfing

S.K.

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday the 6th we had 19 starters for the Reg Taylor stroke event. Ian Taylor shot a brilliant score of 75, which is just a couple over par for the 18 holes. Congratulations Ian on a great win. Ray Sweeney also had a great round to come in the nett winner.

Ian was also the best putter with just 26 putts and also picked up NTP on the 18th. Len Stanley got

the 7th, Don Hill the 10th and Nancy Prisk on the 9th. We welcomed two visitors in Greg and Russell from Glen Innes and Armidale clubs respectively.

Next Tuesday is a stableford and on Thursday the 22nd is the Glen Innes open. If you are interested in going to Glen, let Wal know and he will book you in.

Guyra Vets two open days are on the 4th and 5th of March. These two days follow on from the Club's 4BBB OPEN on the 3rd March, so should be three big days of golf.

Drake

Midweek Golf

Results for this week are: Individual winner on 24 points Boyd Stanley. Lots of others on 23 points – Belinda Williamson, Deb Heffernan, Robert Moore, Ray Sweeney, Peter Mulligan, Aaron Mendes, Tim Brazier. Lots of scores over the 20 mark. Well done everyone.

Team score went to Double Aarons with 87 points, then we have Shire Sharks on 85 and coming in third with 83 were Pitch Purfects.

So you still have time to get in some great scores and I'll have a few more golf balls next week to hand out. Courtesy of New England Auto's – Darren and Suzanne Towells.

Middy

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