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## NSW Women's Week launch

Guyra CWA Evening Branch was part of history in the making on Monday, being involved in the launch of NSW Women's Week.

They collaborated with Armidale Zonta, Healthwise and Carer's NSW to host the event in Armidale, which included a panel discussion, lunch and access to health checks and local service providers.

NSW Women's Week is a weeklong celebration to honour women and their vast and varied contributions to society. It is an annual week of recognition, this year running from March 4th – 10th, culminating in the global celebration of International Women's Day (IWD) on Friday 8th March.

NSW Minister for Women Jodie Harrison MP, attended the event as the keynote speaker and said that 'one of the great things about NSW Women's Week is the chance to uplift and celebrate women across the state, especially in our rural and regional communities'.

CWA member Mary Hollingworth said that it was the Minister's first visit to Armidale and the day was a tremendous success and great coup for the region.

"The Minister used the event to make the much-anticipated an-



Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall with Guyra Evening CWA members Mary Hollingworth, Chris Gellie, Stefanie Palotta, Linda Kagan, Stephanie Cameron, Jen Perry and Daria Hadley.

nouncement of host of the 2024 Rural Women's Gathering, and launched a history book 'The NSW Rural Women's Network: 30 Years Strong', Mary said.

"The day attracted around 120 guests, who travelled from throughout the north of the state, and included dignitaries Barnaby Joyce MP, Adam Marshall MP, and ARC Mayor Sam Coupland.

"Shannon Bishop from the Office of Women and RWN staff, were also in attendance along with Glenrac, Rural Financial Counselling, Guyra Crafters and many Zontarians, CWA members and high school students.

"Stephanie Cameron from the Guyra CWA Evening Branch was a fabulous master of ceremonies, keeping the proceedings in order,

and she was supported by Daria Hadley as the meet and greet.

"The Minister's address was indeed a highlight inspiring and informing everyone, followed by a fascinating panel discussion, lunchtime music by Goldheist, a frivolous fashion parade and Heathwise health session after lunch."



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# 116th Guyra Show - Horticulture



A Big thank you to all the Exhibitors who made a tremendous effort with turning up with their lovely flowers, especially our new entrants.

Results:

- Champion Dahlia** - Colin and Polly Partridge (Walcha)
- Novice Champion Bloom Dahlia** Jenny Cummins,
- Champion Dahlia Unit** - Colin and Polly Partridge.
- Champion Rose** - Kris Grills,
- Champion Gladioli** - Gina Lockyer.

- Champion Hydrangea** - Lucy Chapman
- Champion Miscellaneous Unit** - Michelle Vowles.
- Champion Decorative Exhibit** - Denise Ramage, who also won the Grand Champion Unit of the Show.

Unfortunately we didn't have any Flowers in the School Section this year - maybe next year.

Thank you also to the wonderful helpers in getting flowers ready.

*Kris Grills  
Head Stewart*

## Vinnies need you

Are you compassionate, caring and love being part of a team? Do you have any specific skills to care? Can You spend or 2 or 3 hours a week to help those in need? Vinnies needs you.

You can make a difference the lives of others in your community, and this will certainly have profound effect on your own life. Volunteering with Vinnies as a member who meets and assists those in need or as a volunteer in our shop to sort or serve may just be for you. Come and have a chat with us.

St Vincent De Paul in Guyra is having an obligation-free information session and morning tea for interested volunteers on the 11th March at the Neighbourhood Cen-

tre in Bradley St at 10am. Come along, meet the team and find out more about what we do or phone Sue on 0490 670 605.

We are hoping to give members of the community the opportunity to serve others in our community who are struggling with poverty and isolation. This takes the form of providing material assistance to members of our community in need in the form of food vouchers, food hampers, support with bills, no interest loans and drought assistance.

Volunteers may also visit isolated members of our community to provide relationship, support and connection. We would love the opportunity to discuss what this collaboration would entail.

# Costa awards funding to community groups

Seven organisations including community and sporting groups and a school will receive funding through the Costa Tomato Exchange Well Grown Community Grants Program for 2024.

State Manager NSW Brett Ryan said there were 40 applications for funding through the program, which this year provided grants across the five categories of: sporting event/activity; community event; community project; school project/initiative; and environmental initiative/activity.

"We were really pleased to see so many applications and it again made the selection process very difficult. We used an independent reviewer to assess the applications to ensure they were each judged fairly according to our criteria," Mr Ryan said.

"Given the large number of ap-

plications from sporting organisations we have decided to split the funding between three organisations, rather than just one."

The recipients for 2024 are:

**School project/initiative:** Kelly's Plains Public School  
**Environmental initiative/activity:** Guyra Neighbourhood Centre

**Community Project:** Young Life Armidale

**Community Event:** Guyra Trout Festival

**Sporting event/activity:** Guyra Shamrock Hockey, Armidale Blues Netball, Duval Dam Buster Trail Run.

"We look forward to seeing the outcomes from these organisations and thank everyone who took the time to complete an application."

## CHANGE LIVES INCLUDING YOURS



**Join our amazing local team!**

*You really do feel as if you are a part of something special, part of something that can do good in the lives of those less fortunate. - Mike - St Vincent de Paul Society volunteer*

**Are you compassionate, caring and love being part of a team?**

**Do you have any specific skills to share?**

**Can you spare 2 to 3 hours a week to help those in need?**

St Vincent de Paul Society (Vinnies) volunteers are passionate about helping those in need throughout the community. Our folk come from diverse backgrounds, experiences and beliefs, and bring a great depth of understanding, expertise and compassion to their service and involvement. Whatever your skill, passion or experience, we can put it to good use for the good of others!

**You're warmly invited to a meet the locals at an obligation-free information evening:**

**10:00am – 11:00am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Neighbourhood Centre, 160 Bradley Street, Guyra.**  
**Contact Sue Adams for details: 0413 013 548**

[www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au) 'Get Involved'

# Planning & contingencies key to stock water systems

Landholders at Ben Lomond tackled on-farm waterway health and improving stock water systems, at a GLENRAC workshop on February 13th.

At the GLENRAC workshop in the Cromarty woolshed, The Pump Shed's Matt Ridley started the discussions with tips on how to plan for installing or upgrading a stock water system.

"As a rule of thumb, it's not too much from my experience to gear to the numbers you will be running, rather than 'oh, this will be enough'," Mr Ridley said.

"In the last drought, in winter stock were using the same amount of water as summer consumption, because of the supplementary feed, including salt."

As well as planning to deliver litres per animal per day, Mr Ridley said graziers should also plan for problems.

"In any system, it's best to have a contingency, especially as there may be a delay in parts delivery for repairs," he said. "You can't afford to have no water at all."

This was backed up by Dave Worsley, a grazier from Nullamanna, one of the landholders taking part in a project with GLENRAC and the Armidale Node of the SQNNSW Innovation Hub, to investigate best practice stock water systems for the local area.

"The biggest problem with my (original) system was no back up, so that when the pump went bang,

everything went bang," Mr Worsley said.

His system now has redundancies, a monitoring system and plans for further infrastructure improvements.

Manager of Winston Park and workshop host Anthony Rosser said as part of the stock water project, he was assessing two possible configurations for an upgraded water system on the Ben Lomond property.

"There's a huge productivity gain to be had there, by installing troughs and keeping cattle out of the dams, and improved water quality and security," he said.

"The other benefit is the protection of our local creeks and streams, allowing our creekbanks to revegetate and stabilise, because there's some quite steep areas where stock do access the water and obviously, it's inevitable there's some sort of erosion occurring and therefore sediment going into the stream."

Other speakers on the day included University of New England aquatic ecology expert Dr Sarah Mika, SQNNSW Drought Hub Armidale Node Manager Lu Hogan, NSW Local Land Services Drought Adoption Officer Matt Champness, and UNE's Jaimi-lee Edwards, who provided an update on a Future Drought Fund project.

GLENRAC CEO Kylie Falconer said all of the speakers on the day faced extensive questioning.



Prue and Sean McGee, Ben Lomond and Jaimi-lee Edwards, UNE

"I think the questions were the proof in the pudding for me. People came with specific questions in mind and asked them all."

Ms Falconer said more than 30 farmers were in the room for the workshop, travelling from Inverell to Walcha, and Guyra to Glen

Innes.

The Drought Resilient Pasture Landscapes Project and the Armidale Node of the SQNNSW Innovation Hub receive funding from the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund.

**Costa Well Grown  
Community Grants Program**

Congratulations to the recipients of our  
Costa Tomato Exchange Well Grown Community Grants  
Program for 2024.


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# What's HOT

# 116th Guyra Show - Horse Events

**Exemplary service** - an efficient response from the teams maintaining our ESSENTIAL service in the wake of a stormy night. Greatly appreciated - and an example to others.

**Guyra pies** getting a mention on ABC News Breakfast Program Tuesday morning

**Volunteering** at Vinnies

# What's NOT

Not enough room for all this weeks news

## QUOTE of the week

*Any fool can criticize, condemn and complain - and most do*  
Benjamin Franklin

### Bureau of Meteorology

## Weather

### WATCH

#### Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
27	Tues	13.1	24.5	0
28	Wed	14.3	24.1	2.6
29	Thurs	15.5	27.2	30.0
1	Fri	16.6	28.9	0
2	Sat	15.8	26.0	6.0
3	Sun	14.6	22.9	4.8
4	Mon	11.6	23.3	0

Rain this week	43.4mm
February rainfall	81.6mm
Rainfall YTD	177.4mm
Rainfall last YTD	242.6mm
Ave. rain to Mar.	299.4 mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology



**Left:**  
Dianne Newberry Memorial trophy for Supreme ridden Hack or Hunter of Guyra show 2024 went to "Kolbeach Cowboy" owned and ridden by Lali Alt from Glen Innes.

**Below:**  
A.J.E Turner Memorial Champion Hack Toby Adams from Inverell.



Champion Local Hack Charlie Ward on Ned



**Below left:**  
Supreme Rider of Guyra Show 2024 Shae Partridge from Walcha

**Below right:**  
Champion Local rider Jessica Taylor, and Reserve Champion Charlie Ward



06/03/2024

# Council News



## Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS)

It's time to have your say on our draft Local Strategic Planning Statement! The Draft LSPS, 'Advancing our region: Toward 50,000,' sets the 20-year land use planning vision for the Region.

Community consultation pop-up session:

**Guyra: 4 pm - 6 pm, Tuesday, 12 March, Guyra Council Chamber, 158 Bradley Street, Guyra**

## Public Exhibitions

**Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) 'Advancing our Region - Towards 50,000'**  
- Closes 19 March, 2024

**Draft East Mall Detailed Concept Design Plans**  
- Closes 31 March

## Council Meetings

The next ordinary council meeting will be held in Armidale from 4pm Wednesday 27 March 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.

## Current Vacancies

- **Heritage Tour Bus Driver**  
**Closes 10 March** - 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.
- **Aerodrome Reporting Officer Lead**  
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- **Airport Reporting Officer**  
**Closes 17 March** - Are you passionate about aviation? Armidale Regional Council (ARC) is currently seeking an experienced ARO to join our dynamic, forward thinking team on a 12-Month Term.

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## Ramble On! Season 2 Episode 1 - Probably the best 4 million bucks we have ever spent

Due to popular demand, we are back with season 2 of Ramble On! Our dedicated council news podcast, led by Mayor Sam Coupand and our own General Manager, James Roncon.

**For an exclusive look behind the scenes at council, tune in via our ARC YouTube or Spotify today!**



# Community Noticeboard

## Meals on Wheels

Mar 7	H Marchant
Mar 8	Golf Ladies
Mar 11	Lions Club
Mar 12	Russell
Mar 13	Wendy Laidlaw

## Street Stalls

Mar 14	Hospital Aux.
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## 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

## Junior League

Guyra Junior League have started training on a Thursday afternoon at 4:30pm at the Guyra Sporting Complex. All players interested in playing this year are urged to come along to find out what the club has to offer.

The club offers tackle for boys and girls from 5 to 16 and League Tag for girls turning 8 to 16. The committee and coaches will be on hand to answer any questions and help register players through [www.playrugbyleague.com](http://www.playrugbyleague.com)

We look forward to seeing current and new players turn up ready to prepare for the 2024 season. The season opening game will be in Guyra on Saturday 6th April at the Guyra Sporting Complex. All information is available on the Facebook page @guyrajuniorrugbyleague and enquires to Gina Lockyer (President) by phone 0427 332 037.

## Sunday Golf

On Sunday a competitive field took part in the prestigious Guyra 4 ball Open. The club would like to thank the visitors who travelled from away to take part in our event.

Results were:

Gross Winners C Murray and J Izzard from Uralla.

Gross Runners Up Harry Purvis and Steve Kliendienst.

Stableford Winners were the Bundarra Boys S Laton and T Dawson.

Stableford Runners Up were Pat Grills and Peter Jackson.

Nearest the pins were 7th-Dom Hill, 10th-Scott Mendes and 18th-John Izzard.

A big thanks to our 4 ball Open new sponsor Richard Post welcome aboard Richard and thank you for your sponsorship prizes which were awesome.

Next Sunday is an individual Stableford in conjunction with the Monthly Mug.

Happy Golfing

S.K.

## Vets Golf

Last Tuesday was the monthly 4BBB stableford event with 18 players. Roger Grills and Michael Kirk were the winners with 45 points. Runners up on 44 points went to Ian Taylor and Paul Redden.

NTPs went to, on the 7th, Ian Taylor, the 10th Roger grills and the 18th Chris Newberry.

Next Tuesday is our Reg Taylor stroke event and also next Tuesday is the Deepwater open.

If you are interested in going to Deepwater let Wal know and he will book you in.

Drake.

## Ladies' Golf

Last week in Guyra the Ladies played a Graham Betts Round with Wendy Jackson winning with 32 points. Nancy Prisk was the runner up with 30 points. Several of our Ladies also played in the 2-day Glen Innes Ladies Tournament.

The first day we had some good scores but some scores from other clubs won the day. The second day Debbie Heffernan won the B Grade second runner up. Jenni Jackson won a prize for the most accurate drive.

This week is the Keno Qualifier for the Ladies. Next week is a Par medal with Julie Walker as the starter.

Birdie

## Men's Bowls

No good news to report on the Pennant front. The 4s travelled to Moree and after winning two

rinks came home with an 8-2 loss, losing 66-56.

The 7s ventured to Bendemeer, winning 1 rink, losing 9-1, 54-52

This weekend the 4s travel to Barraba for an 11am start. The teams are:

1. Steven sole, Colin Stanley, Robert walls and Anthony Bull.

2. David Wilcox, Robert Moore, Paul Johnson and Murray Bourke.

3. John Mcilwain, John Jackson, Randy Mulligan and Ian Jacobs.

The 7s will travel to Kootingal for an 11am start. The teams are:

1. Scott Campbell, Graham Starr, Tim Ellis and Noah Brennan.

2. Barry Walls, Mallie Walls, Wayne Reeves and Jason Varcoe.

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

Jack

## Cricket

**Under 11s** Guyra 113 defeated Easts 91. Batting Flynn McFarlane 13 ret., Peter Grills 8\*, Angus Sutton 8\*, Oskar Laing 5 ret. Bowling Edward Newberry 2/11, Flynn McFarlane 2/10, Peter Grills 1/7, Chaise Martin 1/11. Guyra are second on the ladder behind Hillgrove Brumbies.

No result available for Under 13s.

**First and third grade** games were washed out for the second week running.

This weekend Guyra firsts will play City UNE at Lambert Park in the final round of the competition and third grade will play an elimination final against Easts at Harris Park.

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# 116th Guyra Show - Cattle

The feature breed at this year's Guyra Show Cattle section was Red Poll. All up there were 190 entries across all breeds.

The cattle committee also played host the Zone 13 junior judging which attracted 120 entrants from across the region. Judges were Graham Hopf and Ben Crowley.

The Ron Looker Memorial Bull Calcutta which was held on the Friday night of the Show raised \$4700, half of which was donated to the Guyra CWA Evening Branch.

Local stud breeders Ben and Leanne Rumbel from Supple Whiteface took out the overall Supreme Exhibit of the 2024 Guyra Show. T

hey also won Junior Champion Hereford Bull, Senior Champion Hereford Bull, Grand Champion Hereford bull, Supreme Hereford Exhibit Junior Interbreed Champion, Champion Interbreed and Best local exhibit.

Full list of winners see Guyra Show -Cattle Section (Facebook)



Supreme Exhibit of the 2024 Guyra Show Supple TNT Ben Rumbel (second from left) presented by Sponsor Rod Ramage (Ramage Engineering)



 **Ram Sale Date Change**

**Tablelands Dohne Ram Sale**  
Sale | Tuesday 19th March 1pm  
at the Guyra Showgrounds

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**Above right:**  
Beef Cattle Judging  
1st - Patrick Wright 2nd - Tom Graham  
3rd - Stirling Wheatley  
Encourage award - Grace Newcombe  
Encourage award - Briella Borchardt  
Bottom left: Grand Champion Red Poll Female Kookabookra Stella

**Above left:**  
Guyra Show Junior Herdsman G & S Morgan Trophy Tom Beaumont

# Unlocking Profit Potential for Beef Producers!

The new and improved BredWell FedWell workshop is creating quite a stir with producers around Australia and now beef producers on the Northern Tablelands have the opportunity to take part.

The Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) workshop focusses on profit drivers to show how the combination of good genetics and nutrition can have a positive impact on your bottom line.

To do this, BredWell FedWell helps producers apply the outcomes of the most up to date genetics and nutrition research to their businesses by looking at each stage of the annual production cycle in detail.

The interactive, on-farm workshop will be held at 'Bald Blair', Guyra, hosted by Sam and Kirsty White of Bald Blair Angus and delivered by Nancy Crawshaw of Angus Australia on March 22nd.

Sam and Kirsty are excited to invite producers to their property for the one-day workshop.

"A highlight of the day is that participants have the opportunity to compare bulls in the yards with

and without BREEDPLAN Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs) and consider what this might mean for their own business. Not only does this illustrate the power of genetics and EBVs but other activities also show the important role nutrition plays in unlocking this potential," Sam said.

Producers can then take what they learn and apply this directly to their own enterprises. During the workshop, attendees also examine their own feed supply and demand and critically consider their approaches to feeding to maximise their genetic investment.

The redeveloped, highly visual and easy to follow workshop is achieving unprecedented reviews from attendees around Australia, rating it 9 out of 10 for satisfaction and value, and 98% of people indicate they'd recommend it to other producers. Now is the time for Northern Tableland producers to share in the action.

*To find out more and register, visit: [www.mla.com.au/bredwellfedwell](http://www.mla.com.au/bredwellfedwell)*

# Save & Grow Guyra seeking support and members

Media reports on Local Government Minister Hoening's visit last week to Snowy Valley and Wagga councils to discuss de-mergers is quite bewildering, especially after his hatchet job on the Local Government legislation in recent weeks.

Is this a feel-good token gesture or a genuine attempt to assist struggling amalgamated councils wanting a de-merger?

Either way, it could be seen as encouraging that Labor, at the very least, are being drawn into debate on the dreadful debacle created by former coalition governments failed Fit for the Future reform package.

While ever the current State Government is deliberating on the vital issue of councils across NSW the Guyra community with S&GG

need to be vigilant and ready for any changes that may come about.

So come to the meeting at the Guyra Bowling & Recreation Club tonight (March 6th) 6.00pm.

The S&GG organised meeting will be dealing with the possible extension of its advocacy to include representation of the Guyra areas rate payers into the future. Any other issues at council level will be welcome and open for discussion.

The S&GG now incorporated are looking for membership – only \$10.00pa at present. There will be membership forms and more information available at the meeting. For further information please ring Gordon Youman 0467 202 648 or Rob Lenehan 0412 669 373.

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## Rural Market Reports

### Guyra Sheep & Lamb Sale

No market report available for last week. The 2024 New England Livestock Agents Guyra Lamb Show & Sale will be held at the Guyra Saleyards on Tuesday March 12th. The sale commences at 9am with show judging prior to the sale. Entries are a minimum of 20 head per pen and entries close Monday 11th March 2024

For all bookings & enquiries contact your preferred Agent.

Show categories are:

- \* Export Lambs – Champion Pen
  - \* Export Lambs - Reserve Champion Pen
  - \* Trade Weight Lambs – Champion Pen
  - \* Trade Weight Lambs - Reserve Champion Pen
- Pen
- \* Grand Champion Pen of Lambs
  - \* Export Class 55kg+
  - \* Trade Weight Class 45-54kg

### Armidale Cattle Sale

**February 29th** - Total Yarding: 1230 (-370)).

A further reduction in numbers. Vealers and light weight yearlings were well supplied along with some very good cows.

Overall the quality of the offering was good albeit mixed for breed. Condition was fair to

good with all buyers able to operate. There was strong breed specific demand from local restockers which resulted in steers under 330kg selling to dearer trends and posting strong gains.

There was also some breed related improvement in the heifer weaners. Medium and heavy weight yearling steers to restock and feed sold on a dearer market than a fortnight ago whilst showing some quality related price change in places.

Medium and heavy weight yearling heifers sold to a slightly dearer trend. Well finished heavy grown steers to process sold to a slightly cheaper trend with some weight and quality related price change.

The best of the heavy weight grown heifers sold to a slightly dearer trend. There was strong demand for cows with restockers active on those lighter in condition. Well finished heavy weights attracted strong processor competition with trends as much as 15c/kg dearer than a fortnight ago. Heavy bulls sold on a firm to slightly cheaper trend.

### Weekly Wool Market

**March 1st** - Tuesdays opening of the market began promisingly. By the close of the day

individual micron indicators between 17 to 19.5 were 5 to 16 cents dearer with a low passed in rate.

The momentum didn't flow onto the second day of sales delivering a mixed result but once again there was an extremely low passed in rate, indicating a well-supported, solid market.

The Northern region indicator finished the week unchanged with the Eastern market indicator climbing the barest of margins. Both indicators remain bang on their average weekly closing levels for the first 8 months of the 23/24 season.

35,669 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 6.5%. Major buyers included Techwool, PJ Morris and Endeavour Wool.

Total bales offered for the season to date has fallen broadly into line with last season after being 66,000 bales in front before the Christmas recess.

This is also in line with the AWTA test data released today which is showing just a 0.5% increase in the weight of wool tested nationally for the first 8 months of the season. The national offering over the next fortnight looks set to remain around the 40,000 bale mark.





# Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping

A big welcome to all our tipsters, both Locals and Celebrities, for our 2024 footy tipping competition.

We especially welcome two new Celebrities joining the fray this year: Michelle & Joey of Rafters Restaurant and Mal Moffatt of M&J Groundspreading.

Because of the two matches in Las Vegas on Sunday and the rest of Round 1 commencing on Thursday, everyone is starting with 4 points for the Sunday games.

Prizes for the Celebrities are: 1st half page ad, 2nd and 3rd a quarter page ad and we'll think of something for the last place

wooden spooner.

At the time of going to press, we have 10 entries for the Locals competition, all having a wide variety of interesting *noms de plume*.

Prizes for our Locals are: 1st \$100.00, 2nd \$50.00 and wooden spoon \$20.00.

Let the games begin!

**The deadline for Celebrity tips is no later than 10.00am on Tuesdays so that we can meet our print deadline.**

## Sue's Tips

Knights  
Warriors  
Panthers  
Bulldogs  
Titans  
Dolphins



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## Vu's Tips

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# Classifieds Trades & Services

## LIONS SENIORS OUTING

The Lions Club of Guyra is holding their Seniors Mystery Trip on Sunday 24th March and invite senior citizens of Guyra and district to submit names to Jim Betts 6779 1460 by Friday, 15th March.

The trip will leave the RSL Hall Guyra at 9.00am.

## GUYRA VINNIES

### Join our amazing local team at Guyra Vinnies!

Are you compassionate, caring and love being part of a team?

Do you have any specific skills to share?

Can you spare 2 to 3 hours a week to help those in need?

**You're warmly invited to a 'meet the locals' obligation free information session:**

10am - 11am

on Monday, 11th March at the Neighbourhood Centre, 160 Bradley Street, Guyra

Contact Sue Adams:  
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## RAM SALES

**Rams available**

Contact:

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## FOOD PANTRY

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## CLAIM THE DATE

**WEDNESDAY 27th March 7pm**

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**SUNDAY 26th May, 2024**

**Combined Service Clubs Lunch** hosted by Guyra Evening CWA branch at the Ben Lomond Hall.

## IN MEMORIAM

**NORMAN WILLIAM WILSON**

**24.2.1933 - 9.3.2019**

To Heaven you went

In Heaven you roam

In our hearts you're always home.

*Loved & Missed by Betty & Family*

## RETURN THANKS

**DONALD STANLEY COX**

The family of the late Donald Stanley Cox would like to thank everyone who sent cards, flowers, food and messages of condolences.

A special thanks to Dr. Jey, Dr. Anitha and all the staff of the MPS.

Please accept this as our personal thanks.

## PROBUS NOTES

Next Monday, 11th March is our Annual General Meeting commencing at 10am at the Bowling Club. Any new members would be most welcome.

After the meeting we will go to the Library for a movie. All welcome.

*Judy Jackson*

## POULTRY FOR SALE

**LAYER PULLETS**, 20 weeks, all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, **22nd March**. Call Jim 0428 194 105.

## COURSES

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Thursday, 11th April

**Provide Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA)**

Tuesday, 16th April

**Provide Responsible Gambling Services (RCG)**

Wednesday, 17th April

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# St Marys Swim Champions



St Marys Age Champions and Runners Up!

**Back 1 tor:** Hugo S, Edward N, Peter G, Indi R, Catie F, Bella H, Christopher W, Flynn M, Darcy S  
**Front:** Charlotte B, Amelia N, Lulu C, Elinor H

St Mary of the Angels held their Swimming Carnival on Friday February 9th. It was a fantastic day filled with speedy swimming, supportive cheers and wonderful sportsmanship.

All students should be con-

gratulated for their outstanding efforts on the day.

On Friday the 1st of March, Darcy S, Hugo S, Christopher W, Scarlett N, Darcie C, Charlotte B, Bella H, Amelia N and Flynn M travelled to Gunnedah

to represent our school at the Diocesan Swimming Carnival.

All of our students swam extremely well on the day even with temperatures reaching to 40+ degree's!

Flynn M placed second in 11 year boys Backstroke and has been invited to represent the diocese at the upcoming Polding Swimming Carnival in Sydney.

## Bald Blair shines at PSSA Zone Swimming

Bald Blair students Taharn Masuk-Purvis, Alby McKemey, Jaylee Burns, Dustin Turnham and Maeve Milmoie represented Bald Blair at the recent PSSA Zone Swimming Championships in Armidale.

The team swam incredibly well and displayed outstanding sportsmanship throughout the day. The relay team, consisting of Taharn, Alby, Jaylee and Dustin, won the small schools

relay and Dustin also placed third in his individual 50m freestyle race.

The relay team and Dustin will now go through to the PSSA North-West Regional Championships on the 12th of March. Congratulations team Bald Blair and good luck at the North-West event.

*Ros Edwards  
Principal*



Relay team - Alby, Jaylee, Taharn and Dustin

## Gazette Footy Tipping

Birdie	4	<p>Note that you all start with 4 points for the games in Las Vegas on Sunday</p> <p><i>*We have room for more Locals.*</i></p> <p><b>Tips for Round 1</b>  <b>MUST be submitted to the Gazette office by 4pm today</b></p>
Happy Gilmore	4	
Lounge Lizard	4	
Farmer Joe	4	
Dip Stick	4	
Bulldog	4	
Timmy the Tiger	4	
Crazy Cat Lady	4	
Garden Gurus	4	
Mountain Mist	4	

### Locals Entry Form - Round 2

*Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March*

**Name:** .....

**Phone:** .....

Broncos	vs	Rabbits
Sharks	vs	Bulldogs
Panthers	vs	Eels
Raiders	vs	Tigers
Cowboys	vs	Knights
Storm	vs	Warriors
Sea Eagles	vs	Roosters
Dolphins	vs	Dragons

Bye:  
Titans

# President's Day for women bowlers

On Tuesday 27th February, Guyra Womens' Bowls held our annual Day for President Laurel Betts. A wonderful day was enjoyed by many teams from the region, including Inverell, Uralla, Walcha, Bendemeer, Bingara, Delungra, Glen Inness, two teams from Armidale, and the District team, with apologies from Katingal, Vacey McIntyre, Betty Charter, and Phyllis Dade. One game of 16 ends were played, followed with a very enjoyable lunch from our new chefs, Gerry and Sando.

The overall winners from the day were Laverne Apthorpe, Elfie Brunner, Pam McFadyen from the Armidale Ex-Services Bowls Club with Jill Ewen, Dot Jackson and Colleen Gooley coming runners up. Both Guyra teams had wins on the day, with Laurel Betts, Leis Gordon and Jenny O'Neill having a close win over the District Team.



**Above l to r:** President Laurel Betts with overall runners up Jill McEwen, Colleen Wright and Dottie Jackson

**Absent:** Bertie Reeves, Jenny O'Neill and Leis Gordon.

Many thanks to Vu from the Guyra Chemist for the donation of a lovely prize, and to Costas Tomato Farm for a punnet of cherry tomatoes for each player.

Womens' Bowls are held

every Tuesday currently at 10am if anyone is interested in joining. All new players are very much welcomed!

*Leis Gordon*

# Pool comp goes down to last ball

On Saturday all teams competed on finals day with the Bulldogs smashing an understrength Queensland side, Tigers proved too strong for the Knights, and Sharks were too good for the Dragons.

In the qualifier the Eels overpowered the Roosters for the right to take on the Raiders in the final. The final was hotly contested and it came down to the black ball in the final game which was won by the Raiders.

Congrats to the Raiders players of Randy, Cooper, P.J, Shane and John and the rest of the team through the year.

A great day was had by all so thanks to everyone who competed and made this comp so fun.

Finishing places were 10th-Manly 9th-Queenslanders 8th-Bulldogs 7th-Knights 6th-Tigers 5th-Dragons 4th-Sharks 3rd-Roosters 2nd-Eels and the Premiers Raiders.  
**S.K.**



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