



# Guyra Gazette

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## Apprentice kicks off career with CT Electric

Guyra local Ben Reinke has embarked on an exciting new journey with CT Electric, launching his career in the electrical trade through a hands-on apprenticeship. Instead of following the traditional college path, Ben is opting to gain practical experience in the field.

Ben will be working alongside Brad Lane, a seasoned electrician with 22 years of expertise.

Brad's deep knowledge of the trade will provide Ben with invaluable skills and insights that will shape his career for years to come.

Both Brad and his wife Anne are thrilled to welcome Ben to the team and are eager to mentor the next generation of electricians. They are excited to help Ben grow and guide him through his apprenticeship, and say it is incredibly rewarding to be part of shaping the future of the trade.

For Ben, the apprenticeship is the perfect opportunity to learn while



Brad Lane with new apprentice Ben Reinke

earning.

"I've been working with Brad during school holidays to get a better understanding of the electrical trade and see if it's something I'd

enjoy," Ben said. "What I love most is that there's so much to learn, and no two days are ever the same."

As part of a small-town business, Ben will have the opportunity to

work on a variety of projects, gaining hands-on experience across different areas of the trade. Ben's apprenticeship with CT Electric promises a diverse and exciting range of experiences, from farm pump installations to residential electrical work, industrial projects at Costa Glasshouses, and air-conditioning installations.

With the demand for skilled tradespeople on the rise, Ben's decision to pursue this path offers a stable and rewarding career with limitless opportunities. The government is also offering fantastic incentives right now for both apprentices and companies, further supporting young people in making the decision to learn a trade.

His story is a great reminder that the trades offer a viable, dynamic career option—one that allows young people to earn, learn, and grow.

Please join us for the  
**Guyra Show  
Long Lunch**

SATURDAY,  
22ND FEBRUARY 2025  
12PM

Please join us for The Guyra Show Long Lunch. A 2-course meal by Relish Catering with complimentary glass of bubbles on arrival. Drinks available for purchase by Josephine Drinks. Proceeds support the Guyra Show Society. Don't miss it!

TICKETS: \$120

BOOKINGS:

<https://www.123tix.com.au/events/46894/guyra-show-long-lunch-2025>

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# Canteen's Healthy Transformation recognised

Guyra Central's canteen was named runners-up at the prestigious 2024 Jamie Oliver Food Hero Awards, out of more than 1,200 nominations for their category.

The awards recognise people, and initiatives that are creating a better, healthier, happier world for children through food.

The canteen has undergone a transformation over the past five years, thanks to the work of canteen manager Salli Geere and her assistant Louise Wadley.

They undertook an overhaul of the menu in order to meet the Healthy Canteen Guidelines set by the Department of Education, which requires a menu made up of at least 75% healthy options.

But for Salli, sticking to the guidelines wasn't enough—she pushed herself to provide even more variety and healthier choices than required. They have moved away from the pre-packaged and tray-baked foods and now prepare everything fresh.

One of the highlights of the can-



Canteen manager Salli Geere and her assistant Louise Wadley strive to offer healthy food for Guyra Central School students

teen's transformation is the new focus on fresh, prepared-to-order meals. With items such as home-made pizzas, sushi, wraps, and salads, the menu now offers more than just typical canteen fare.

Salli and Louise are also committed to reducing waste, with leftovers repurposed into new meals. There is only a minimal amount of waste which is in turn fed to animals at the school farm.

They're also striving to ensure that their meals cater to various dietary needs.

With fewer volunteers, due in part to the effects of drought, and the lingering impact of COVID-19, running the canteen is not without its challenges.

Despite these setbacks Salli and Louise have continued to push forward with the support of the school community.

On any given day, they may prepare meals for up to 100 students. And while Fridays are still "lunch order day," the canteen is an essential part of the school's daily routine.

The menu has something for everyone, from tandoori chicken wraps and fruit muffins to winter comfort foods like curry and lasagna.

For Salli and Louise, the recognition from the Food Hero Awards is gratifying, but the real reward comes from knowing that their work has made a positive impact on the students.

"Some of the kids rely on the canteen for their primary meal of the day, and it's important to us that it's healthy and nutritious," Salli said.

"The kids have so many more options now, and it's been great to see them embrace these changes.

"In a small country town like Guyra, recognition goes a long way and encourages us to keep trying to promote better eating habits."



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# New management team for Rafters

Guyra locals can expect changes and delicious treats under new management at Rafters.

The building has a new owner and will be managed by Louise and Jackie Miller. They couple has an extensive background in hospitality and have lots of exciting things in store.

A little bit about the ladies who say they are very excited about coming to Guyra and to be running Rafters.

‘We are a married couple and have been working and living on the road now for almost three years, managing hospitality businesses,’ they said.

“Jackie has 25 plus years in

hospitality management, including running large restaurant chains.

“Louise has 40 plus years as a chef, and has also owned and operated five hospitality businesses.

“We plan on having lots of homemade treats and goodies but most of all we would love to also help and be involved within the community.

“We will have some more information next week about something exciting happening this month (February).

“Please drop in and say hi, have a cuppa with us. See you all soon.”



Louise and Jackie Miller are the new managers at Rafters

## Monthly Church services to resume at Black Mountain

Following the success of the Carols-based Christmas service and heartened by the community’s interest, the Armidale District Baptist Church is pleased to be resuming Services at the Black Mountain Baptist Church. Services will be held on the second Sunday of the month, commencing at 4pm.

The first service is being held this Sunday, 9 February 2025. All are welcomed to join in fellowship for a Service of prayer and singing, followed by a sausage sizzle.



## Nominate an outstanding senior for local achievement awards

People from the Northern Tablelands can recognise an outstanding older person in their community with nominations for the 2025 NSW Seniors Festival Local Achievement Awards now open.

The awards, which are part of the NSW Seniors Festival, celebrate the valuable and important contributions seniors make in their community.

Nominations for Local Achievement Awards can be made by completing the nomination form and returning to the North-

ern Tablelands Armidale or Moree electorate offices.

The form is available online at [brendanmoylan.com.au](http://brendanmoylan.com.au) or collect a printed copy from the Armidale or Moree electorate offices.

Nominations close on 28 February 2025 and recipients will be announced during the NSW Seniors Festival which runs from 3 March 2025 until 16 March 2025.

For more information about NSW Seniors Festival and the Local Achievement Awards, visit [seniorsfestival.nsw.gov.au](http://seniorsfestival.nsw.gov.au)

## Rail trail supporters are ready to assist

Rail Trail supporter group, Friends of the New England Rail Trail (FofNERT), remain hopeful the project will move forward and say they remain committed and ready to assist with advocacy, events, promotion, and volunteer efforts to support the delivery of the New England Rail Trail.

It follows the response from the NSW government to a recent question on the possible return to rail services on Great Northern Rail Line.

The Minister for Jobs and Tourism representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads responded to a question by The Hon Aileen MacDonald OAM MLC saying:

“Transport for NSW does not have any current plans, funding allocations, nor strategic priorities to restore train services on the Great Northern Railway Line north of Armidale.”

FofNERT say there is now no apparent impediment to the New England region moving forward with the construction of the New England Rail Trail.

Greg Wild, Chair of FofNERT, welcomed the news saying he believes it’s now clear that rail services won’t return to the line in the foreseeable future.

“This marks a clear opportunity for the region to repurpose the disused rail corridor into the New England Rail Trail,” Mr Wild said.

“It paves the way for a world-class rail trail that would bring significant economic, tourism, recreational and social benefits to the region,” Wild said.

“The rail trail will honour the legacy of the Great Northern Railway by transforming it into a vibrant community asset, while preserving the corridor for any potential future transport needs.

“This is a once-in-a-generation chance to bring lasting benefits to our region.”

The project has gained support from within the local community, including almost 7,000 signatures on a petition to support the project, and the formation of Friends of New England Rail Trail with over 180 financial members.

# What's HOT

Shout out to the team at Crop Hair Design. Lovely chats, smiling faces and talent that always has you leaving beautiful and confident in your own skin. Such an asset to this town.

Drivers on narrow bush roads who heed "cattle/sheep ahead" signs, and drive slowly to keep drovers, horses, dogs, sheep and cattle safe.

# What's NOT

Fire truck disregarding stock signs & driving past at speed, putting myself, my horse and the cow in danger. The driver was not speeding towards a fire. He was speeding home.

## JOKE of the week

What is it called when it rains chicken and ducks?  
*Fowl weather*

## Bureau of Meteorology Weather

### WATCH

#### Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
28	Tues	16.7	30.6	13.4
29	Wed	15.7	30.3	0
30	Thurs	15.5	28.7	19.4
31	Fri	14.2	25.2	18.0
1	Sat	16.1	22.0	0
2	Sun	12.9	22.5	4.0
3	Mon	13.3	23.8	0

Rain this week	54.8mm
Jan. rainfall	177.2mm
Rainfall YTD	181.2mm
Rainfall last YTD	85.0mm
Ave. rain to Feb.	221.0mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

### ACROSS:

- Chivalrous (7)
- Summon (4)
- Flightless bird (4)
- Cardinal number (5)
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- Information (4)
- Ceremony (6)
- Sporting side (4)
- Reverence (3)
- Sharp pain (4)
- Food store (6)
- Anger (4)
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- Gemstone (4)
- Select group (5)
- New Testament book (4)
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### DOWN:

- Collect (5)
- Cowboy rope (6)
- Order of business (6)
- Instruct (5)
- Cylindrical container (8)
- Soft drink (8)
- Flatten (5)
- International law agency (8)
- Collapsible canopy (8)
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Down: 1. Gather, 2. Lariat, 3. Agenda, 4. Train, 5. Canister, Lemonade, 11. Level, 14. Interpol, 15. Umbrella, 16. Large, 21. Attend, 22. Decide, 23. Rivers, 25. Ember

## Community Noticeboard

### Meals on Wheels

Feb 6	Heather Marchant
Feb 7	L & R Skinner
Feb 10	Kath Barry-Leven
Feb 11	Toni Kirkman
Feb 12	Wendy Laidlaw

### Street Stalls

Feb. 13, 14	Freemasons
Feb. 27	Hospital Aux.
Mar. 6	CWA

### 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

## Church Notices

**St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church** Mass 6pm Saturday from September 7th, 9am Sunday. Week-day 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. Ben Lomond, 2pm first Sunday Feb., April, June  
Contact: Rev. Andrew Campbell 0447 724 536

**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

### The Chapel:

66 Llangothin Street:  
Sunday Service: 10am

Contact: Pastors Linden & Kerrie Pollard 0455 232 073.

**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

**Black Mountain Baptist Church**  
Service 4pm, Sunday 9 February 2025.  
Followed by a sausage sizzle  
Contact: Associate Pastor Peter Holford Armidale District Baptist Church 0414 520 737



# Council News

## Public Exhibitions

### Draft Community Plan 2025-2034

- Closes 10 February, 2024

Search **'Your Say Armidale'** to submit your feedback.

## Council Meetings

Our next scheduled council meeting is 26 February 2025, commencing at 4pm.

All meetings will be held at 4pm in the Armidale Council Chambers unless stated otherwise. The public is welcome to watch live streaming over YouTube, via the link included below, or attend in person.

## Current Vacancies

**Mechanic Fitter** - Closes 16 February  
As a Diesel Mechanic, you'll be keeping our diesel-powered vehicles and equipment in tip-top shape. Your skills will help make sure our plant and fleet run smoothly and safely.

**For more jobs and to apply | Search: Careers at Armidale Regional Council**

## Ask us Anything

If you've got a pressing issue or just want to get the lowdown on the latest from our region join Mayor Sam Coupland and Councillor Eli Imad at The Guyra Cafe on Bradley Street Tuesday 11 February from 8am and 9.30am.

This is a great opportunity to connect with your local leaders and stay informed about upcoming initiatives or just chew the fat and get to know the team over a cup of coffee!

**WHEN:** Tuesday 11 February from 8am to 9.30am

**WHERE:** The Guyra Cafe, Street, Guyra



## Guyra Saleyards update

Work on the Guyra Saleyards recommenced in early January. The remaining existing sheep yards in Guyra were fully demolished before the Christmas break. Construction of the new yards, including ramps, began on 6 January and reached 99%

completion by 17 January, 2025. Civil works, including new roads and swales, also commenced on 6 January, 2025, and are ongoing.

For more updates, search Armidale and Guyra saleyards upgrade on Council's website.

## Water meter reading reminder

Please keep the area around your water meter clear of plants, furniture, and other obstacles. This helps keep our meter readers safe and allows us to provide better service to you.



## Claim the date | Autumn Festival 2025

Save the date for this year's Autumn Festival! The much-anticipated Autumn Festival event, set to celebrate the vibrant community and seasonal changes in Armidale, will take place 5 April 2025.



Stall and float applications are now open, so head over to Council's website and search Autumn festival 2025 to find out more!

## Annual reseeding program continues at Guyra Lions Park

Our Parks team is committed to improving the quality of our playing fields. Last year, we kicked off an ongoing reseeding program, starting with Phill Wheaton Oval & Guyra Lions Park 1. This year, Guyra Lions Park 2 will undergo reseeding for 6 weeks commencing from 8 February to enhance field coverage and condition. This program will see our region's major playing surfaces reseeded on a 3-year rotation.

## Subscribe to Regional Ramble today!

Armidale Regional Council's Mayor, Sam Coupland, is keeping our region in the loop with his new monthly newsletter, Regional Ramble. Simply subscribe by scanning the QR code below to hear all the latest from the Mayor's desk.



# Have Your Say....

## Opinion piece

I read Mr. Joyce's opinion piece as it dawdled through the recent election results in America, how this somehow gives credibility to the National Liberal Coalition pulling out of climate action, the importance of China's economic reactions to America's economic wall building, how Aussies are somehow destined to follow Americans in all things, then onto how values and a vision for a better world for the majority don't mean much in the context of working class Australians struggling to make ends meet, as they scour the domestic wasteland that the major parties have created.

It appears that the Coalition, those who put downward pressure on wages and worker's rights, actively promote class inequality, fight social programs specifically designed to help disadvantaged Australians, and frustrate attempts to design a fairer tax system, implement policy to make their mates rich and the Aussie battler poor, are

now somehow the 'Saviour' of the Australian working class.

Since the Coalition has dropped the climate ball, and the Teals have deftly scooped it up to score a major percentage of historically Coalition voters, the Nationals/Libs, instead of learning their lesson, seem to be looking to delude that growing group of Australian voters who are usually ignored by politicians, but who decide elections, the working class. Trump pulled that card too.

The Yanks were silly enough to fall for it. Will the Aussie battler be as shortsighted and uninformed as to believe that an increasingly authoritarian party with a history of fleecing working people will rescue them this time? I don't think Australians are that gullible. Time will tell. Of course, Barnaby's victory in the New England is secure. After all he has the main requisite: A cowboy hat.

*Peter Egner*

## Thankyou

I would like to thank the Health community for their support to me when I had a medical episode on Thursday at the Guyra Cemetery. Unfortunately I had fainted when I was attending Ray Marshall's funeral.

There are a number of people that I would like to thank for taking care of me pending the arrival of the ambulance. Initially, to several nurses in attendance at the funeral who ensured that I was in good hands, to Wayne Mendes who was by my side during my fainting spell and who then offered to drive my car home. The proficient Ambulance staff who promptly arrived and transported me to Guyra Hospital having firstly ensured that I was stable and providing the initial medical examination. On arrival at Guyra Hospital the efficient staff took me into their care and after having undertaken thorough tests ensured that I was able to go home once Dr Baker had checked me over and agreed for me to leave.

I am recounting this experience

to say how fortunate we Guyra residents are to have such caring people amongst us who are willing to provide whatever help is needed to ensure that appropriate first aide was available to whomever required it. The health message from this is to ensure that we take sufficient fluids to ensure adequate hydration, especially during the warmer weather.

*Alan St Clair*

## Gratitude

The Guyra Evening CWA extend such gratitude to our community for the success of the annual Art Show. The opening night was a wonderful celebration of artistic talent enjoyed by happy guests.

While the support and success during the week long exhibition was tremendous, we remain so thankful for the ongoing generosity to all our activities. With grateful thanks.

*Mary Hollingworth  
Guyra Evening CWA*

## Rural Market Reports

### Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale

**January 28th** - A brighter market with a few less numbers yarded.

Lambs - The best on offer made up to \$250. Trade lambs made up to \$200 Best of the new season stores made from \$90 to \$136

Mutton - Medium weight crossbreds made from \$80 to \$120. There was a big run of merino sheep on offer. Medium weights made from \$65 to \$85 and lighter weights made from \$30 to \$50

### Armidale Cattle Sale

**January 30th** - Total yarding 1540, a reduction in supply by 600 head. The quality and condition of the offering was generally not as good as the previous sale. The exception

being some very good heavy weight cows.

There were limited numbers of well finished cattle to suit processors. Processor demand was weaker and there were less participants. The usual feedlot orders were in place along with some extra competition.

The quality of the young cattle was a major factor in the significant price changes that were mainly in the negative. Market trends through the young cattle to restock and feed were generally cheaper. There were however isolated sales in both the steers and the heifers that held up reasonably well.

There were odd pens of grown steers and heifers suitable to feed that also held up close to levels of the last sale. Generally however market trends were cheaper. Limited availability and a lack of compe-

tion saw well finished grown steers and heifers to process much cheaper.

Significantly cheaper trends through the cow market with limited processor competition. Heavy bulls were also much cheaper.

### Weekly Wool Market

**January 31st** - Sales were held on a Tuesday/Thursday format this week to allow for Wednesday's Chinese New Year holiday. A large fall in the size of the national offering was not enough to drive the market much higher.

Small single digit gains were made over both selling days with the rise in the overall market almost mirroring the change in currency conversion between the Aussie dollar and the US.

The crossbred sector was the

standout with the 28 micron indicator climbing almost 10% for the week and 25% dearer than the corresponding sale last season.

The headline market indicators managed to just set a new seasonal high with all types 20 micron and broader trading at 18 month highs.

31,479 bales were sold nationally with a passed in rate of 5.9%. Major buyers included Endeavour Wool, Techwool and PJ Morris with an even spread of purchases across the top 4. In a positive for next week the Fremantle market closed stronger than the Eastern seaboard.

Quantities on offer look set to rise to around 40,000 bales per week over the next fortnight which is on par with last season.

What's not on par is the 176,000 fewer bales offered for the season to date.





# Classifieds Trades & Services

## POULTRY FOR SALE

**LAYER PULLETS**, 20 weeks, all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, **27th February**. Call Jim 0428 194 105.

## HISTORICAL MUSEUM

**GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM** is open by appointment. Enquiries to 6779 2132 (business hours).

## GUYRA SHOW

### Photography entries

close on Wednesday 12th February

- Call in at the Gala office and get your family pass or your Member tickets

## MEETING NOTICES

**GUYRA JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE AGM** Tuesday, 11th February at Guyra Hotel 6.30pm. Nominations for office bearers must be emailed to the Secretary, Anna Heagney by 4th February to: [guyrajr12365@gmail.com](mailto:guyrajr12365@gmail.com)

## FOOD PANTRY

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

## CLAIM THE DATE

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**  
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**1st & 3rd SATURDAYS**  
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**SATURDAY, 8th FEBRUARY**  
Whisperhead, Stitch Finger, Cosmic Crumb live in concert @Australian Poetry Hall of Fame presented by GlenFest Events & wwrozzradio.com  
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**WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY**  
**SAVE & GROW GUYRA** Ratepayers Inc. Annual General Meeting 6pm  
Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club

**FRIDAY, 28th FEBRUARY 2025**  
Gwyn Ashton Mojo Soul Solo Aus Tour  
@ Australian Poetry Hall of Fame  
Tickets:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/CXOBM>

## FUNERAL NOTICE

**PETTIT; YVONNE**  
3.4.1942 – 28.1.2025  
Of Aboomala Street, Guyra

Loved daughter of Ron (dec'd) & Ivy (dec'd). Treasured sister of Robin, Joy, Ian and Rhonda. A loved aunt and friend to many.

Yvonne's Funeral Service will be held at the Piddingtons Crematorium Chapel, Armidale, on Thursday, 6th of February 2025 commencing at 2:00pm

Donations in lieu of flowers are being accepted for the Guyra MPS; a donation box will be at the service.



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**FANNING; SHIRLEY IRENE**  
Of Guyra  
Passed away 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2025  
At Guyra MPS

Deeply loved, forever remembered. Mother of seven daughters and three sons and a dearly loved grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother of their families.

**Aged 98 years**

In memory of Shirley a service will be held at Piddington's Crematorium Chapel, Uralla Road Armidale on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025 commencing at 11.00am.

The family extends a warm welcome to persons wishing to attend.



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## COURSES

**Safe Food Handling (Level 1)**  
Tuesday, 4th March

**Espresso Coffee**  
Wednesday, 5th March

**Bookings essential at**

**New England Community College**

(RTO#90145)

136 Bradley Street, Guyra

**Phone: 6779 2132**

**enrol online: [www.gala.org.au](http://www.gala.org.au)**

## PROBUS NOTES

Our next meeting is on Monday, 10th February at 10am at the Bowling Club.

Anyone is welcome to attend this meeting. We will have a guest speaker and games.

After our meeting, we will see a movie at the Council building.

*Judy Jackson*

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## Ladies' Golf

Last week the ladies played a Stroke and Putting Competition. The weather was quite warm before an intense storm rolled in which sent us back to the clubhouse until it passed.

The winner was Kerry Bull with 70 Nett. Vicki Reeves was the runner up with 73 Nett.

Pip White won the putting competition. Nearest the pin winners were, Kerry Bull on the 9th hole. Shona Mulligan on the 18th hole.

Last Tuesday Belinda Lenehan won the B Grade Ladies in the Vets Pennants in Armidale. Well done!

This week is a Stableford along with the 1st Graham Betts Round. Next week is a Par Medal.

*Birdie.*

## Vets Golf

Last Tuesday the 28th saw the first round of the Vets Pennants held in Armidale. With a good crew of about 20 players we came home with a very pleasing result.

Thanks largely to a score of 39 points, and C grade winner by Don Campbell, we finished in second place to home team Armidale. Belinda Lenehan was also a top scorer winning ladies B grade.

With twenty grand up for grabs for a hole in one on the 12th, Richard Burey went mighty close picking up NTP. Very close.

Scores so far:  
Armidale 253. 10 points  
Guyra 240. 8 points  
Glen Innes. 236. 6 points  
Walcha. 234. 4 points  
Uralla. 227. 2 points.

Next Tuesday is a 18 hole stableford.

**Drake.**

## Cricket

Guyra 9/59 were defeated by Walcha/Uralla 2/60 in the second grade competition on the weekend.

Batting: Jack Lockyer (14), Tom Chard (9), Tim Lloyd (8) and Corey Torrens (8)

Bowling: Tom Chard 2/15.

Guyra forfeited in the third grade game.

A reminder that Junior cricket recommences this weekend.

*Stumpy*

## Men's Bowls

Nominations for Club 4s close Sunday February 9th. Round 1 and 2 will be played February 16th starting 9.30am. Any players unavailable will have to get a sub.

Nominations for Club triples will close March 2nd. Round 1 and 2 will be played March 9th starting at 9.30am.

## Midweek Golf

Golf Update for the last two weeks.

**Week 1.** Slow start for the midweek for 2025 but a great score for one of the juniors, Ryan Vidler with 29 points. Congratulations. Then we have our reliable vets with a score of 25 points Peter Mulligan then Nancy Prisk on 24 points.. Well Done. On the countdown with 22 we have Lachlan Brazier, Wal Chapman, Annabelle Lenehan, Les Perrett, James Jackson and Oliver White.

Team for the week with 88 points went to Baldersleigh Bashers and closely followed with 83 points were Pitch Purrfects. Next in line were Double A Arons on 78, Hit & Hope 76, Hillbillies with 75, Full House and Green Grass on 73.

**Week 2.** Lots of scores put in this week. Individual top score went to Oliver White with 29 points. Great start Oliver. Next highest score was Barry Wilson with 25. On 22 points were Neil Paine, Randy Mulligan and Jenni Jackson.

Team score went to Green Grass on 91 points, then Sultans of Swing and Double A Arons on 82 points.

We have done some lucky ball draws this week. Check at the club to see if you have won a ball.

Sponsored by Darrin and Suzanne Towells, New England Auto's. Many thanks.

Please don't forget to put your name and your team name on your card. We had a couple of cards pretty hard to decipher this week.

*Middy*

### Ram Sale Dates 2025

#### Alfoxtton Merino Ram Sale

Sale | Monday 10th February, 1pm

#### Pollambi Performance

#### Proven Ram Sale

Sale | Friday 14th February, 2pm

#### Palana Poll Dorset Ram & Ewe Sale

Sale | Wednesday 26th February, 1.30pm

#### Yasloc Poll Dorset & White Suffolk Ram Sale

Sale | Friday 7th March, 1pm

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## Costa Well Grown Community Grants Program



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