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Wednesday April 2, 2025

Beyond Blue Car Rally calls in

On Saturday March 29th, the Guyra Rotary Club provided lunch for participants of the annual Beyond Bitumen Car Rally, a fundraising event for Beyond Blue.

The rally, which recently celebrated its 10th anniversary, had already raised \$352,000 by the time it reached Guyra. This year, the rally marked a significant milestone, both as the 10th anniversary of the event and the 20th anniversary of the tragic death of founder Trish and Peter Fehon's daughter, Beth, who died by suicide in 2005.


The rally, which started in Taree on March 27th, has seen 89 cars and 270 participants from across New South Wales come together, raising funds and awareness for mental health. The event not only supports Beyond Blue's vital services but also fosters a strong sense of community, with participants sharing camaraderie and raising awareness about mental health struggles.

Beyond Bitumen has raised almost \$4 million for Beyond Blue over the years. This year, the rally also highlights the importance of connection and mental health support, with all funds raised supporting Beyond Blue's free, 24/7 mental health services. The event continues to be a welcoming space for participants, encouraging everyone to join, regardless of the type of vehicle they drive.

For more information or to donate, visit beyondbitumen.com.au.



Guyra Rotarians served lunch to rally participants at the Guyra Showground



APL
GUYRA ARMIDALE




WEDNESDAY 16TH APRIL
10AM ARMIDALE SALEYARDS

- Pre-weighed, sold c/kg liveweight
- Showcasing drafts of the New England's finest bred Angus weaners
- Featuring large lines of EU accredited yearling heifers & weaners

ANGUS SPECTACULAR
WEANER & BREEDER
SALE 3,500
BOOKED

Sam Sewell 0447 255 100 Blake O'Reilly 0448 213 668
Archi Lawrence 0456 259 486

SPONSORS

Sea of Green for St Patricks Day



A St. Patrick's Day Luncheon was held at Rafter's recently, where guests gathered to celebrate everything Irish. The venue was adorned with green balloons, decorations, and a green cake that set the perfect tone for the event. Guests were encouraged to wear something green, and the turnout was fantastic, with 40 attendees donning their best green outfits. The day included a variety of activities, including a competition and prizes. The combination of great food and fun activities, ensured the day was a resounding success



HIGH COUNTRY THEATRE

PRESENTS



FAVOURITE SHORTS 2025

A festival of short play readings from original scripts

At the Ben Lomond War Memorial Hall

7:00pm - Saturday 12th April 2025

Cost \$20 for the show and supper
Hot soup and savoury scone. Tea and coffee.

Pending availability, tickets may be purchased at the door on the night.

Tickets available from 'Ticketebo'
 Ben Lomond Entertainment Society
 Queries contact Beth 0267332014 (Leave a message)



GUYRA CENTRAL SCHOOL 2025

TRANSITION TO KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Parents/Carers of children that are 5 or turning 5 years old before 31 July 2026 are encouraged to contact **Guyra Central School on 6779 0844** to secure a position in the 2025 Transition to Kindergarten program

Transition dates

Start date:
 Tuesday 14 October 2025

Finish date:
 Tuesday 16 December 2025

Time:
 9.00am - 2.45pm

Transition to Kindergarten will run every Tuesday during Term 4!

Council puts out call for social housing development

Armidale Regional Council (ARC) is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) for the development of council-owned land for social housing, reinforcing its commitment to increasing affordable housing in the region.

At its general meeting on August 6, 2024, Council resolved to invite the housing industry to explore opportunities for developing council land for this purpose.

The resolution aligns with the objectives of Council's Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) and Local Housing Strategy (LHS), both endorsed in 2024, which prioritise planning for increased social housing development.

This objective is also part of the Liveable Region Pillar (places and spaces) of Councils Operational Plan (2022-2032).

"Social housing is not just about buildings - it's about giving individuals and families the stability they need to thrive," said ARC Mayor Sam Coupland.

"With rising housing costs, it's more important than ever that we take proactive steps to provide affordable housing options. This initiative reflects our commitment to a more inclusive and supportive community.

"Housing stress in our region is real and Council is committed to working with partners to deliver much-needed social housing. By collaborating, we can create real solutions to make sure we have more affordable housing available in our region."

Council will be receiving EOIs until Monday 21 April via Vendor Panel.

RFS Looking for new recruits at Bundarra

A Community Meeting has been scheduled for Bundarra to discuss volunteer numbers for the area and encourage locals to put their hands up to become a member of their local Brigade.

As the cooler months commence, the Rural Fire Service (RFS) will be focusing on building brigade capability and membership across the New England District to ensure new members are trained and ready to tackle the fire season commencing in Spring.

Recognising that there is a National decline in volunteerism, the RFS is very aware of the importance of having qualified volunteers ready and willing to support their local rural fire brigades to ensure that an emergency response is available for their community. The Bundarra Rural Fire Brigade is no exception to suffering from a shortage of Brigade members and to this end, the Bundarra Rural Fire

Brigade is holding a community meeting at the Bundarra School of Arts Hall at 10 am on Saturday 5 April 2025.

"There are many reasons why people choose to join the RFS. Some want to protect their families, their friends, their assets, their community and their way of life," Superintendent Paul Metcalfe said.

"Volunteering also offers the opportunity to learn new and valuable skills that will not only assist members in their voluntary role but also in day-to-day life and the workplace.

"Being a member of the RFS is also a great opportunity to meet people you wouldn't normally meet."

"Whatever your reason for joining the RFS, it is a great way to give back to your community, learn important life skills and develop friendships that can last a lifetime."



Councillor's Corner
For strong regional representation

Cr Eli Imad Contact me: M. 0404 000 075 E. Elmad@armidale.nsw.gov.au

As we move into autumn, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible sense of community that makes our town such a special place.

This quarter, we've seen an overwhelming response to our community grants program, with a record number of applications submitted from Guyra and surrounds. It's truly heartening to witness the energy and dedication that so many local groups continue to pour into projects that will benefit us all.

I'd like to extend my heartfelt thanks to every organisation that took the time to submit an application. Your ideas, creativity, and commitment are what make our community thrive. The grant applications were carefully assessed by our panel last week, and I am pleased to say that the decision-making process has been thorough and thoughtful.

Successful applicants will be notified following our next Council meeting at the end of April 2025. We're excited to see these projects come to life and the positive impact they will have across our community.

From the Chamber

The Council has resolved to make an offer to purchase the Weeds Council Building and is currently in negotiations with the Administrator. ACR will be entitled to 42% of the

purchase amount, reflecting the contribution ARC made to the New England Weed Authority.

Updates and Actions

Outgoing **General Manager**, James Roncon, has agreed to a 12-month contract while the search for his successor continues.

We anticipate that many General Manager contracts will be up for renewal in 12 months, which will provide a broader pool of candidates for selection.

Stormwater drainage issues in **Fairview Estate, Black Mountain**, are one step closer to being resolved. ARC has purchased 6 Elaine Close, Black Mountain, to facilitate the installation of a drainage easement on the property. Once the works are completed, the lot is expected to be sold.

Around the Grounds - March 2025

- 16th - Save & Grow Guyra Ratepayers Inc Committee meeting - provided update on Mother of Ducks Lagoon.
- 19th - "WinterFest" Committee meeting.
- 25th - Guest of the Rotary Club of Guyra at their regular meeting, followed by sharing a meal at Rafters.

Join me at the Public Forum with Brendan Moylan MP, tonight, 2 April 2025. The Forum starts at 6pm, at the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club. See you there!

Daylight Saving ends this weekend

Produce Swap @ Neighbourhood Centre Saturday

Good falls of rain with more to come

School holiday activities at the Guyra Library

The joy of lighting the first fire as winter approaches

The Can Assist Guyra branch has received a generous donation in the form of a signed 2024 Newcastle Knights jersey, which will be up for auction following the regular meat raffles this Friday night, April 4th, at the Royal Hotel Guyra.

This special jersey, signed by the team, is a unique opportunity for fans and collectors to own a piece of memorabilia while supporting a great cause. The auction will take place after the meat raffles, starting at 6.30pm.

All proceeds from the auction will go towards the Can Assist Guyra branch, a local charity that helps support people in the community facing cancer-related financial challenges.



Are you a Knights Fan??

**FRIDAY
4TH APRIL 2025
6.30 PM**

JOIN US ON FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE ROYAL HOTEL

TO BE AUCTIONED AT THE ROYAL HOTEL GUYRA SIGNED KNIGHTS JERSEY AFTER THE MEAT RAFFLES

10 MEAT TRAYS VALUED @ \$20 EACH



JOKE of the week

Which relative always chimes in about how Daylight Saving Time should be ended?
A Grandfather Clock.

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
25	Tues	13.8	18.9	0
26	Wed	12.3	15.9	0
27	Thurs	13.4	14.7	10.2
28	Fri	12.0	15.6	13.6
29	Sat	12.5	20.0	17.2
30	Sun	12.4	20.9	19.8
31	Mon	9.6		0

Rain this week	60.8mm
Mar. rainfall	163.4mm
Rainfall YTD	377.6mm
Rainfall last YTD	196.2mm
Ave. rain to this day	297.6mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

Small Schools Cross Country

On Friday, 28th March the students at Black Mountain Public School participated in the annual Snow Gums Small Schools Cross Country event at Bald Blair Public School. Although the weather was somewhat windy and wet the students enjoyed the day supporting their peers as they participated in their events.

Congratulations to Aniya Patterson – Sub Junior Girl Champion and Solomone ‘Ale – Sub-Junior Boy Champion and all students for representing our school with pride and showing so much enthusiasm. Well done everyone! Thank you to the Bald Blair P&C for catering on the day, and to Bald Blair Public School for organising this event.

*Mrs Justine Eddy
Relieving Principal*



Meet the candidates forum

New England Visions 2030 Institute will host a “Meet the Candidates’ forum for the upcoming Federal Election on Monday April 14th.

The forum will be held at the

Armidale Bowling Club from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

This is your chance to ask the Candidates what concerns you have in the New England Electorate.

Everyone interested is invited. This is a free event. No need to register - just turn up and bring your friends.

Council News

Public Exhibitions

Draft Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure on Public Land Policy

- Closes 2 April, 2025

Seeking Expressions of Interest from Aboriginal artists

- Closes 7 May, 2025

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

Council Meetings

Our next scheduled council meeting is 23 April 2025.

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

Customer Service Officer - Closes 6 April. As a Customer Service Officer at Armidale Regional Council, you will be responsible for providing an exceptional level of customer service to all customers of Council.

Casual Register - Closes 21 December. We're seeking expressions of interest from motivated individuals to join our casual register for multiple positions across Council.

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

Nominate an unsung hero of your community!

Volunteer awards are now open! Do you know an unsung hero of the community who volunteers their time for a great cause or organisation? Why not nominate them for the Armidale Regional Council (ARC) 2025 New



School Holidays at Guyra Library | 16 - 24 April

Join us at Guyra library for a series of fun activities to keep the kids busy this school holidays. On Wednesday 16 and 23 April we have a Virtual Reality session from 10:15am - 4:30pm for ages 10 and up. On Thursday 17 April we have Easter Bingo from 10:15am - 4:30pm for all ages (ages 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult), and on

Thursday 24 April we have a Nintendo Switch Come and Try Day from 10:15am - 4:30pm for all ages. (ages 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult) All activities will be at the Guyra Library located at 158 Bradley Street, Guyra. All activities require bookings. To book, simply call the Guyra Library on 6770 7123.

England Regional Volunteer Award! The awards provide organisations with a means to show their appreciation to volunteers and demonstrate the amazing things volunteers have been doing in the local community over the past year. Nominate now by scanning the QR code below.



Sports Council Small Grants



Did you know that the Sports Council provides small grants to local sporting stars? To help cover the cost of participating at high-level competitions, individuals can apply all year round for eligible grants of up to \$500. Simply visit the Council website and search 'Sports Council' to find out more.



Your Autumn Festival 2025 Guide

Experience the brand-new NECOM: Sounds of Autumn Concert – music to warm your soul (April 4, 5:30pm). Get grooving with Breakfast with the Band at Civic Park (April 5, 7am). The Campus to City Canter is back – come join the run! (April 5, 8am). Enjoy the Celtic sounds of the pipe bands playing in the mall (April 5, 11am) Indulge in some culinary delights and shopping at the market stalls and food trucks in Civic Park (April 5, from 11am). The Freedom Flyover Squadron will soar through the skies above Armidale. (April 5, 11:45am) Over 50 floats in the Autumn Festival Parade – a colourful spectacle you won't want to miss. (April 5, 12pm) After the parade, a Global Gathering of entertainment will keep the good times rolling. (April 5, 1:30pm) And don't miss out on a special appearance from the Trolls – they'll be bringing the magic to the parade and mingling with the crowds after in Civic Park. Save the date as it's going to be a celebration of autumn you'll never forget. 4-5 April, 2025.

Community Noticeboard

Meals on Wheels

Apr 3 Heather Marchant
 Apr 4 L & R Skinner
 Apr 7 Narelle Leven
 Apr 8 Regional Bank
 Apr 9 Kath Barry-Leven

Street Stalls

Apr. 3 St Mary's
 Apr 4 & 5 Freemasons
 Apr 10 Hosp. Auxiliary

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church Mass 6pm Saturday 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 **Anglicare Chaplain:** Rev. Daniel Hayes (0428 828 852)

St. Columba's Presbyterian Church
 9am Sunday followed by morning tea. Ben Lomond, 2pm first Sunday April, June **Contact:** Rev. Andrew Campbell 0447 724 536

The Chapel: 66 Llangothin Street:
 Sunday Service: 10am
Contact: Pastors Linden & Kerrie Polard 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

Black Mountain Baptist Church
 Service 4pm, second Sunday of the month
Contact: Robert Dewhurst
 Armidale District Baptist Church
 M. 0409723522.

Service Clubs

LIONS CLUB 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm. Ph: Geoff Reeves 6779 1257
ROTARY CLUB 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 6.00pm at Rafters.
 Ph: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

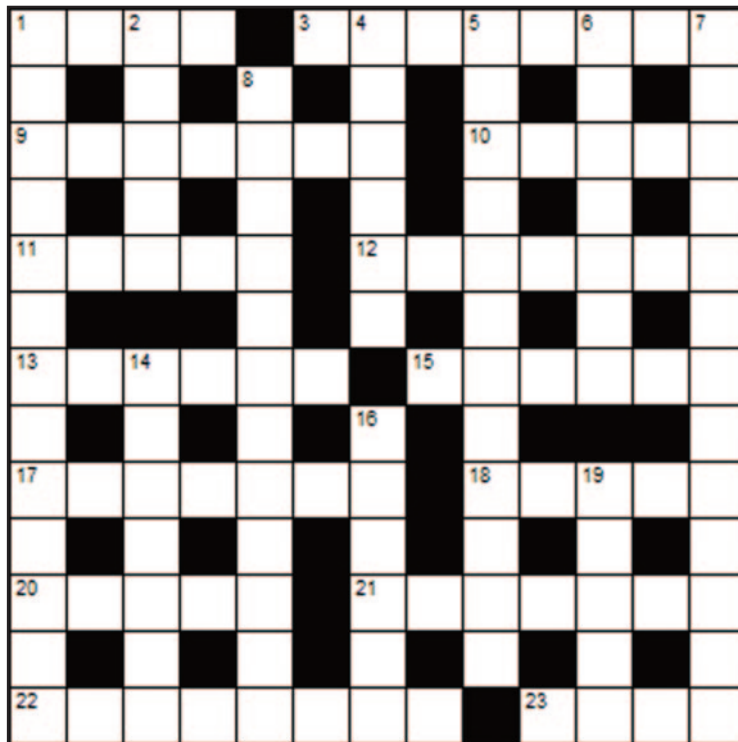
ACROSS:

- 1 Part of the eye (4)
- 3 Withdraws (8)
- 9. Large flat dish (7)
- 10 Spring flower (5)
- 11 Dry red wine (5)
- 12 Succeed financially (7)
- 13 Sufficient (6)
- 15 Spanish title for a married woman (6)
- 17 Scottish national emblem (7)
- 18 Most populous city in the UAE (5)
- 20 Physical strength (5)
- 21 Break a rule (7)
- 22 Person who leaves a country (8)
- 23 Overly curious (4)

DOWN:

- 1 Very subtle (13)
- 2 State of the USA (5)
- 4 Continent (6)
- 5 Evergreen shrub (12)

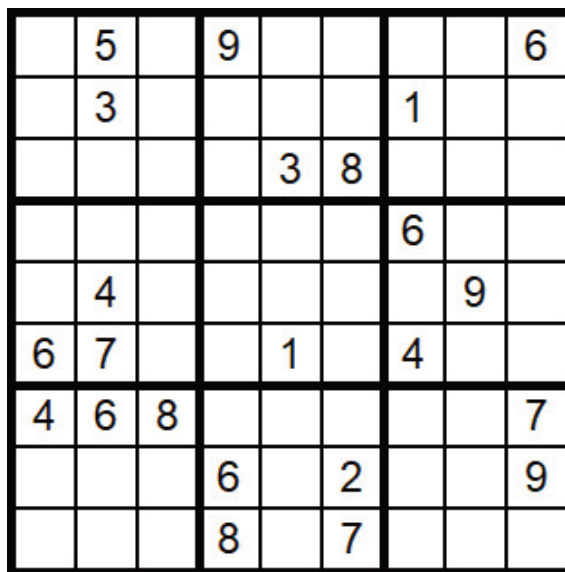
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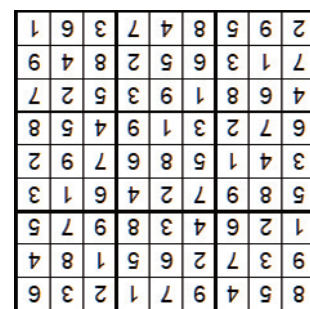
- 6. West Indian musical style (7)
- 7 Magnificently (13)
- 8 Starting here (anag.) (12)

- 14 Art of paper-folding (7)
- 16 Abode of God (6)
- 19 Shout of appreciation (5)

SUDOKU - Medium



ACROSS: 1 Iris 3 Retracts 9. Platter 10 Oxlip 11 Rioja 12 Prosper 13 Enough 15 Senora 17 Thistle 18 Dubai 20 Brown 21 Violate 22 Emigrant 23 Nasty
DOWN: 1 Impeccable 2 Idaho 4 Europe 5 Rhododendron 6. Calypso 7 Surprisingly 8 Straightener 14 Origami 16 Heaven 19 Bravo



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Winter trial success for St Marys students



Left:
Lachie Rosser and
Charlie Bavea

Right:
Hugo Sisson
Peter Grills
and
Darcie Campbell



On Friday March 28th, St Mary of the Angels students participated in the 2025 Diocesan Winter Trials for Soccer, Hockey and Rugby League.

Darcie Campbell and Peter

Grills were selected into the Diocese team for soccer, Hugo Sisson was selected for rugby league, Lachlan Rosser and Charlie Bavea also made it through for hockey.

All of the students should be exceptionally proud of their efforts on the day with students from all Primary schools in the Armidale Diocese being present, it was a tough competition. The

school can't wait to see how the students will go when they travel to Bathurst in May to compete at Polding.

What's Happening at the



Guyra Neighbourhood Centre (GNC) is now providing GNC specific programs to our community as well as our Advocacy and Support, Social Participation and Information, Advice and Referral.

This includes the Community Garden Program, Small School Outreach Program, Direct Support Program, Digital Assistance Program, Community Lunch Program, and the Produce Swap Program.

What's On

• **GNC General Meeting 15th May 2025** 10am to 11.00am GNC general meeting is open to all members of Guyra Neighbourhood Centre to come discuss our plans for 2025-26 and hear about all the wonderful things we are doing in our community.

• **Information Day Thursday 15th May 2025 11.00am to 1.30pm.**

Once again GNC will be hosting our annual Information Day in GNC community garden. It's an opportunity for the community to come and see what service providers outreach to the Neighbourhood Centre.

If you are a service or community support group and would like to participate, please contact Sarah - manager@guyranc.org.au to book a table.

New Services

• **Regional AOD Connection Hub** Dry Blood Spot Testing for HEP C and HIV are available at the

Guyra Neighbourhood Centre. Testing will be available every 2nd Thursday in 2025 - ask Sarah to find out more.

• **MCS (Modern Community Solutions)** is a local disability service provider dedicated to delivering person-centered supports to individuals in the New England region.

Their focus is on holistic care, where the person receiving support controls how their care is delivered, enabling them to pursue their goals and achieve positive outcomes.

• **Provider Choice** will be outreaching to GNC second Tuesday of each month. They provide personalised NDIS plan management, plan management that fits your needs. Choose which providers you want to work with, even if they aren't registered with the NDIS.

• **Services Australia (Centrelink)** We are currently liaising with Services Australia in the hope of getting a worker to outreach to Guyra on a regular basis so watch this space.

Monthly Planner

Monday

- Joblink Plus Disability Employment Services - fortnightly by appt.
- MCS Armidale fortnightly from March 24th
- North & North West Community Legal Service by appointment

Tuesday

- Community Lunch 12pm to 1.30pm.
 - OCTEC Disability Employment Services Fortnightly 9am to 12pm.
- Providers Choice NDIS 2nd Tuesday of each month

Wednesday

- Knitting & Craft Group 10am-2pm
- Digital Support Program 9am to 2pm.
 - Joblink Plus (by appointment)
 - Armidale Womens Shelter

Thursday

- Corrections by appointment
 - St Vincent de Paul (Alcohol and other drug service)
- Pathfinders Youth Service

Friday - Closed

Saturday

- First Saturday of month Produce Swap
- 2nd & 4th Saturday of every month Spin Different Group 10am to 4pm.

Sunday

AA -outreach service weekly

OPEN

Monday -Thursday
9am - 2pm (Closed Friday)

160 Bradley St Guyra NSW 2365 Ph: 02 67791635 Mob: 0477 441 457

Rural Market Reports

Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale

March 25th - Just short of 700 lambs and a very good yarding of heavy sheep just over 2000 yarded

There was strong competition for the best of the heavy lambs, around 65kg which topped out at \$248. The next of the best floating around \$200 to \$210

Trade weight lambs were fully firm from a fortnight ago and \$10 better than last sale. Topped out at \$200 on the dot. Lot of lambs making from \$180 to \$195

Hoggets were fully firm. 2nd cross weighing around 25 kg made from \$100 to \$120

Store lambs looked the value. Very light lambs around 36kg topped at \$120. Lighter weights made \$60 to \$90

Merino hoggets in full wool were fully firm. Topped at \$80 rest made \$60 to \$75

Sheep were fully firm. Best of the heavy crossbred ewes were out to \$130, mainly \$75 to \$90 for lighter weights

Shorn merino wethers around 20-22kg were fully firm topped at \$94

Light sheep fully firm or slightly dearer. There was strong demand from export buyers for sheep around 12-17kg.

Armidale Cattle Sale

March 27th - Total yarding 1945, up 855 on the previous sale. A sharp increase in supply with a greater percentage of weaners penned. Young cattle were well represented as were cows while there was a limited supply of heavy grown cattle.

Overall the quality of the offering was generally good. The condition varied greatly particularly in the cows. There was an increased attendance of processors while there were a few restocker and feeders returning after a short absence.

With plenty of upcoming weaner sales across the tablelands demand for the weaners was not as great as the previous sale and as a consequence market trends were much cheaper through both the steers and the

heifers.

The increased competition saw medium and heavy weight yearling steers sell to dearer trends, posting strong gains in places. Good quality yearling heifers also sold to dearer trends with a greater preference shown for the heavier weights.

Well finished grown steers sold to dearer trends under strong processor demand. The grown heifers in prime condition were also keenly sought to be much dearer.

A strong cow market throughout with the plainer condition cows showing the greater improvement. The well finished cows saw a firm to slightly dearer trend. A strong bull market with some outstanding heavy weights penned.

Weekly Wool Market

March 28th - After gaining 3 cents on the first day of sales the Northern region indicator lost 6 cents on the final day. The 3 cent fall broke a four week run up of 58 cents or 5.5% and is only the third weekly downward movement since sales re-

sumed in January.

Most of the Merino types lost between 5 to 15 cents whilst Crossbreds continued to see some improvement.

36,244 bales were sold nationally with a passed in rate of 7.2%. Major buyers included Techwool, Tianyu and Sequoia. Over 41,000 bales are expected next week with total offerings and sales still tracking well below the corresponding period last season.

Up until the end of last week 160,000 fewer bales have been sold. Current AWTA test data has the nations production down around 13%. However, this decline is not uniform across the individual micron categories. 20.6 to 21.5 micron production is showing a large almost 30% decline for the season to date. Hence the 21 micron indicator is trading at levels rarely seen in the past 5 years.

Production of 17 micron wool is almost unchanged on last season resulting in its price premium against the 21 micron almost halving over the last 12 months.

Gazette Footy Tipping

Winter Wombat	44	Timmy the Tiger	36
KingGJBW	42	Flip	36
Mocak	42	Birdie	36
Dip Stick	40	DJFlake69	34
Rabidohs	40	Scary Bear	34
Fingerlickering good	40	The King	34
Farmer Joe	40	Unbetables	34
DJ	40	The Third Player	34
The Panther	38	Bulldog	34
Crazy Cat Lady	38	Happy Gilmore	32
Iggman	38	3PPP	32
Wayno	38	Bundle	28
BigRus	38	Luigi	28

Locals Entry Form - Round 6

Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on **Wednesday 9th April**

Name:

Phone:

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

Bye:
Bulldogs



Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping

Winter Wombat recorded one of the top scores of 12 points this week to leap-frog from equal 3rd place to the top of the Locals Leaderboard on 44 points.

Luigi was the only other tipster to achieve 12 points, but still remains in the wooden spoon position, along with the company of Bundle.

Two Locals, King GJBW and Mocak are in 2nd place on 42 points, followed by five Locals in 3rd spot on 40 points.

Most scores this week were 8 or 10, with a sprinkling of just 4 points.

Our Celebrities are led by Kim on 42 points after a top score on 8 points.

Celebrity Robert didn't have a good week, scoring only 6 points, to put him in 2nd place on 40 points. Sue is just another 2 points behind in 3rd place.

For a couple of our Celebrities it must be a bit frustrating that when they tip their favourite team they lose, but when they don't tip their team, they win!

Good luck tipping for round 5 and please don't forget to get your tips in on time!

Sue's Tips

- Sharks
- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Dragons
- Titans
- Broncos
- Storm
- Bulldogs



Thinking Real Estate?
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• Residential

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6779 1276 or 0419 606 103

Score: 38

Soley's Tips

- Raiders
- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Dragons
- Titans
- Broncos
- Sea Eagles
- Bulldogs



Your Rural
Taxation
Specialists

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m: 0418 650 059



Score: 34

MCLS' Tips

- Raiders
- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Dragons
- Titans
- Broncos
- Storm
- Bulldogs



Fourways Service Centre

Maxxis Tyres & other leading brands
Mechanical repairs
Log book servicing
Rego inspections



87-89 Bradley Street
6779 1284

Score: 30

Vu's Tips

- Raiders
- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Dragons
- Titans
- Broncos
- Storm
- Bulldogs



Guyra Pharmacy

GET YOUR
FLU SHOT
NOW!!!

106 Bradley Street, Guyra 6779 1192



Score: 34

Robert's Tips

- Sharks
- Panthers
- Rabbits
- Dragons
- Titans
- Broncos
- Storm
- Bulldogs



Opening Hours:

Monday to Thursday:
8.00am to 5.30pm
Friday: 7.30am to 5.30pm
Saturday: 7.30am to 12pm



105 Bradley Street
6779 1008

Score: 40

Mal's Tips

- Raiders
- Panthers
- Roosters
- Dragons
- Titans
- Broncos
- Sea Eagles
- Bulldogs



M & J MOFFATT GROUNDSREADING



MAL MOFFATT
0427 102 630
"Yarana", Guyra

mal.moff@outlook.com

Score: 32

Kim's Tips

- Sharks
- Panthers
- Rabbits
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IN MEMORIAM



ROY VAINO ("FBI") PELTONEN
26.2.1949 - 24.3.2025

Letting all Family and Friends know we are saying goodbye to my darling Roy. Originally from Canada, Roy was a proud Algonquian man who lived his life in Australia. He passed away peacefully at Bangalow on 24th March, 2025.

Survived by his wife Marilyn, his sons, Travis & Tash, Aaron & Rachael, his grandchildren Clayton, Phoebe, Kieren and Ellesse; and all his extended family in Australia, Bev, Wayne and Ray, and in Georgina Island, Ontario, Canada.

A family memorial will be held at a future date.

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What you need to apply

- Current NSW Drivers Licence

How to apply

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GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, 5th APRIL at unit 2/2 White Street, Guyra. 9am-2pm (not before 9am)

MEETING NOTICES

GUYRA ANGLERS CLUB will hold their next meeting on Saturday, 5th April at 6pm at the Guyra Bowling Club. Raffles will be held on the night. Look forward to seeing you there.

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Shooter qualifies for World Cup team

Fletcher Richardson travelled to Sydney in January to compete in the ISSF trench Nationals and Commonwealth Titles.

Fletcher shot very well and was selected in the Australian Glenn Shield Junior team to represent in New Zealand at the nationals in January 2026. Both of these were qualifiers for the World Cup team.

In February he travelled to Melbourne for a 3rd qualifier where he shot brilliantly.

Fletcher was the first junior to shoot a 120/125 since 2017 and then followed up the next weekend in Sydney for a final qualifier.

Following his performances at these events, he has now qualified for the Australian Junior ISSF trench World Cup team which will be held in Germany at the end of May this year.



Fletcher Richardson will travel to Germany at the end of May

Vets Golf

Last Tuesday the 25th was our monthly 4BBB Stableford. Ian Taylor and Paul Redden were the winners on 39 points to runners up Col Walls and Phil Devlin on 38. NTPs went to Herb Wilson, Ian Taylor and Col Walls.

Next Tuesday is an individual stableford. Also on the 24th of April is the last round of the pennants in Walcha. We go into this in equal first place with Armidale so hopefully we can get a good number in attendance and finish over the top of our arch rivals and clinch the pennant.

We are aware it is a very inconvenient date between Easter and Anzac Day but this is totally out of our control. If you can fit it into your calendar we will appreciate the support.

Drake

Cricket

Cricket presentations will be held at the Royal Hotel on Sunday April 13th starting at 12pm. All players, parents and partners are invited to attend to wrap up the 2025 cricket season. Trophies will be presented. The club encourages everyone to make an effort to get there to show support to our major sponsor and celebrate the season.

Men's Bowls

There are three games set down for Sunday the 6th April at 12 o'clock. The umpire and starter for the day is Robert Walls.

Mathew Simpson will play Jason Varcoe with Anthony Bull to mark

Barry Walls is playing Wayne Reeves with Robert Walls to mark,

In minor singles Tim Ellis will play Randy Mulligan with Roger Cox to mark.

Jack

Ladies Golf Champions

Last week was the final round of the Ladies Championships. Thank you to Leanne Sweeney for your generous sponsorship and ongoing support to the ladies' golf in Guyra.

The Club Champion is Kerry Bull. B Grade Champion is Wendy Jackson. C Grade Champion is Belinda Lenehan.

The daily Nett Winner was also

Kerry Bull on a countback from Debbie Burey. Wendy Jackson won the putting competition.

Nearest the pin winners were Belinda Lenehan on the 9th hole. Kery Bull on the 10th and 18th hole.

This week is a Graham Betts Stableford Round. Next week is a Par Medal.

Birdie



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Guyra crush TAS in dominant hockey victory

Guyra men's hockey team stormed to their second win of the season, blanking TAS in a commanding performance. With a deep bench and fresh firepower, the squad looked unstoppable.

Bill Munsie delivered the moment of the match, erasing last week's own goal by smashing home his first true strike against the opposition. A tactical shift from defense to attack proved a masterstroke.

Guyra's midfield dictated play, the wingers tore through defences, and the backline stood like a fortress. When tested, the keeper rose to the occasion, ensuring a flawless clean sheet.

To their credit, TAS fought with courage and integrity, refusing to back down despite the pressure. Meanwhile, Guyra's dominance has been noticed—several players have earned call-ups for representative hockey next weekend.

Momentum is surging and the

best is yet to come.

Both women's second and third grade teams have come together to dust off the cob webs and discover muscles they forgot they had. In the second grade game against PLC special mention of the well planned tactical penalty corners by Belle Lenehan, which resulted in Sarah Cox encouraging the ball to go in the box for our first goal of the season.

The third grade team battled the elements last Saturday against ESC with Emma Ellis diving in all directions to protect the goal box.

The hard work of all, and the combination of Jordie Muller and Susie Crawford (our Walcha ladies) resulted in third grade getting on the score board. Both teams yet to take home a win but many laughs were had as we come together for what will be a memorable season.

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