

# Guyra Gazette

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# Guyra golfers tee up for Centenary celebration

In what promises to be a milestone week for local sport, Guyra golfers are set to celebrate 100 years of organised golf in the district.

While golf was first played around Guyra as early as 1911, it was in 1925 that the town's golfers officially formed a club, opened their first clubhouse, and held the inaugural tee-off with members, associates and special guests in attendance

Now, a century later, the club is marking that rich history with a week of celebrations to coincide with the Veterans Tournament, which begins on Monday, October 20th.

There will be a display of golfing memorabilia which has been gathered and arranged by a team of dedicated volunteers. It includes historic photographs, news articles, trophies, uniforms, old clubs and scorecards.



The opening of the Guyra Golf Club by Lord Stonehaven (Governor General) 1928

The lady golfers have also organised a special centenary banner to be displayed throughout the week, adding a splash of colour and pride to the celebrations.

The club is extending a warm in-

vitation to the public, past players and supporters to drop in during the week, browse the display, and share their own memories of golf in Guyra.

Whether you're a long-time

member or just curious about the town's sporting heritage, the centenary promises to be a wonderful celebration of community, camaraderie and the enduring appeal of a good round of golf.





Year 7 Experience Day Thursday, 30 October

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# Out & About @ TroutFest





There was a lineup for the ever popular face painting

Rotary's Book Fair attracted visitors to

# Trees, Power and Proof: What Australia's Climate Policy means for New England Graziers

Guyra graziers and landholders are invited to a special information evening later this month to explore what Australia's changing climate policies mean on the ground for local farms.

Following a successful session in Walcha earlier this month, the "Trees, Power & Proof" event will come to Guyra Bowling Club on Thursday, October 29 from 6:00 to 8:00pm.

Australia's climate targets have tightened - Net Zero by 2050, a 43% cut by 2030, and a new 2035 goal of 62–70% below 2005 levels - and local producers are being encouraged to learn how those policies affect the New England region.

Speakers will cover practical topics such as carbon income, biodiversity credits, renewable energy lease deals, and the paperwork and timeframes involved. Learn what "Scope 3" means and hear about ecosystem metrics being used to describe your on farm natural resources.

Attendees will also hear about local research from UNE and CSIRO's Chiswick farm, as well as insights from a local grazier taking



Speakers will cover practical topics such as carbon income, biodiversity credits, renewable energy lease deals

part in the Farming For The Future and Woolmark+ insetting projects.

"This is a straight-talk session about what these changes mean at the farm gate," organisers said.

"Bring your questions, even a paddock map if you like."

The event is free to attend.

RSVPs are encouraged to Michael Taylor (0412 332 484) or Kerri Pearson (0400 992 551).

#### All the prize winners from TroutFest 2025

#### Children's Writing

TroutFest judges enjoyed the funny, serious, and entertaining stories written by children in the handwritten story competition. 10-12 year-olds 1st Claudia Evans, equal 2nd Clayton Peltonen and Dustin Turnham.

7,8 and 9 years: 1st Sadie Mac-Dougall, 2nd Phoebe Peltonen with her drawing and writing. Cooper Turnham 1st and Anna Rowbottom 2nd in the 5, 6 and 7 group.

#### **Junior Art**

This was a delight to see with so many ideas about why I live where I live: Five to six years: 1st Oscar MacDougall, 2nd Baxter McFarlane. Seven years 1st Lane Cruickshank, 2nd Hudson Hay and Highly Commended Thomas Chapman. Eleven to thirteen: 1st Ricky Jay Foster, 2nd Charlotte Baea, Highly commended Ted Warner and Tessa Roberson.

All the children in the 5 to 6 years group received a highly commended for entering with such fun and imaginative ideas.



Sapphire Roller and her husband from Black Mountain enjoyed Ian Russell's background music at the Opening Night and prize presentations

We made a special category for St Mary's Collage entries. 1st Chloe, 2nd Elliot Bush highly commended Louisa, and Penny McLennon.

#### **Youth Photography**

Several brilliant entries were received from Guyra Central School with all entries providing intriguing approaches to the subject matter. First was Carmella Archer, 2nd Tyreece Phillips, Highly Commended Lilli Eddy. Thank you for your entries and to all the teachers who assisted with entries. Prizes were sponsored by Guyra Pharmacy.

Prizes for all junior sections will be delivered to schools after the holidays.

#### Adult winners

Photography Jenny Rogers 1st, Jon Cumming 2nd.

Art Oil and Acrylics sponsored by Guyra Pharmacy: 1st Pen Shepard from Kootingal, 2nd Anne Hazelwood from Glen Innes, Highly Commended Lauren Elise Glen Innes.

In the Print making category Mary Quinn from Armidale took out both 1st and 2nd.

The Textiles and 3D category went to Louise Pearson of Guyra and 2nd to Sapphire Roller from Black Mountain. Jenna Howatson received a highly commended for her exquisite group of tatting pieces.

Judge Rachel Parsons of NERAM was very complimentary about the standard of art and its presentation. Organizers were extremely pleased with the level of sales from the exhibition with art going far and wide, and the number of visitors

Scrap Metal to Masterpiece was won by Graham Ramage and David Troost took out second and third prizes. Again, this year there was lots of skill and fun displayed in the entries.

#### What's HOT

HSC Exams start this week - please be quiet if you are around the UNE Study Centre and Library

Celebrating 100 Years of Golf in Guyra - check out the displays at the Club if you can

Swimming pool open for the summer season

Personal coffee deliveries to their car for people with a disability

# JOKE of the week

What is the difference between a golfer and a fisherman? When a golfer lies, he doesn't have to bring anything home to prove it.

# Weather

#### WATCH

**Guyra MPS** 

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
7	Tues	8.6	24.2	0
8	Wed	10.5	26.8	0
9	<b>Thurs</b>	13.6	25.4	0
10	Fri	11.9	23.8	15.6
11	Sat	13.4	24.1	6.4
12	Sun	6.3	24.1	0
12	Mon	69	20.5	Λ

Rain this week 22.0mm
Oct rainfall 22.0mm
Rainfall YTD 827.0mm
Rainfall last YTD 622.0mm
Ave. rain YTD 695.7mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

# Strong community backing for Tingha Playground Upgrades

The Tingha community has thrown its full support behind Inverell Shire Council's plans to upgrade local playgrounds and public amenities, following an extensive round of community consultation earlier this year.

A new concept plan has been developed in direct response to community feedback, outlining staged improvements to Tingha's recreational spaces.

Key features include:

- Upgrading the New Valley Road playground, opposite the Tingha Sport and Recreation Club, with modern play equipment catering to all ages, new public toilets, and improved sporting infrastructure.
- Repurposing Grahame Park into a passive recreation area with BBQs, seating and shade re-

tained, but with playground equipment removed due to flood risks and traffic concerns.

• Refurbishing the Ruby Street public amenities, located beside the Town Hall and opposite the Royal Hotel.

The consultation, held in June and July through Council's website, social media, local radio, and community displays, drew 79 survey responses — with 91% supporting the proposed playground layout and 78% backing the Grahame Park repurposing.

Mayor Cr Kate Dight said the strong results showed Tingha residents were united behind the vision.

"The Tingha community has been very engaged in shaping this concept plan, and the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive," Cr Dight said.

"These upgrades will create a safer, more modern and inclusive recreational space for families and young people, while preserving Grahame Park as a valuable green area for relaxation."

Council will now move ahead with detailed design work for key infrastructure including toilets, car parking, shared pathways and lighting. A funding strategy will be developed to seek State and Federal Government grants.

In the meantime, several low-cost improvements are on the way, such as a new multi-sport goal post at the New Valley Road playground, footpath upgrades for better accessibility, and possible relocation of playground equipment from Grahame Park

# Black Mountain Public School Welcome Back to Term 4

I hope everyone had a restful and relaxing time over the holidays.

We have a very busy schedule ahead for this term with a Creative Arts Day at Ben Lomond Public School, Mega Band Day at NECOM, NAIDOC celebrations in Guyra, Water Safety Program at the Guyra Pool and Presentation afternoon towards the end of term.

We'd like to welcome Ms Malia Bridge, a 4th year teaching student from the University of New England, Ms Bridge is doing her final practicum experience with the K-2 students and Mrs Lord. Ms Bridge will be working with us over the next five weeks.

Mrs Justine Eddy Relieving Principal



## **Quiet please - HSC exams start Thursday**

It's an important few weeks ahead for local Year 12 students, with HSC exams beginning this Thursday, October 16, and continuing until Friday, November 7.

Guyra Central School students will sit the exams at the UNE Study Centre (behind the Council Chambers), as well as in rooms within the Council and Library buildings.

Visitors to nearby areas are being asked to be as quiet as possible to support students during their exams.

Noise from conversations, vehicles, and outdoor activities can easily carry into the examination rooms and a little extra care can make a big difference to students' concentration.

The HSC marks the culmination of 13 years of schooling for these young people, and the exams represent the final



HSC Exams are being held in the UNE Study centre behind the council chambers

step before many move on to work, further study or training. Guyra Central School, along with the students and supervisors, extend their thanks to the community for their understanding, consideration and ongoing support.



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#### **TroutFest**

Congratulations to the Guyra community for another successful TroutFest. It is a truly unique event which brings a great deal of people of all ages to the community.

There was plenty on offer and the weather cooperated for a great weekend of activities! Congratulations to everyone who took part — from the volunteers, committee members, community groups, musicians, anglers, businesses and everyone who attended! It is great to have such a special event within the Guyra community.

#### **Roads funding**

I have been fighting hard to improve travel conditions for residents and road users so I am glad to see the NSW Government has responded with \$23 million to improve safety on roads across the Northern Tablelands through the Towards Zero Safer Roads Program.

The New England Highway between Guyra and Armidale hasn't missed out with two sections to receive upgrades.

At Newman Park, Black Mountain, \$4.8 million will be spent on installing a roadside barrier, a wide centre line and shoulder widening while the highway at Tilbuster

Ponds South will also have similar upgrades thanks to another \$3.1 million secured.

#### **Road resealing**

After meeting with Transport for NSW and the Minister's office last Tuesday, several highways in the Northern Tablelands electorate have been included in the NSW Government's 10-month, \$37.5 million spray sealing program.

A protective layer of bitumen and aggregate waterproofing will be added to sections of the Gwydir, Carnarvon, Newell, New England and Bruxner Highways.

It is a great result after knocking on doors and advocating for roads in our region. But the hard work isn't done with council roads in desperate need of funding and safety improvements. I am committed to continue advocating for more resources to be directed to our region.

#### Defibrillator grant program open

Local sporting clubs and recreation facilities can apply for a grant of up to \$3000 for clubs and facilities across NSW to purchase Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). Cardiac arrest can happen to anyone at any time and it is important sporting organisations are equipped to respond to life-



Member for Northern Tablelands Brendan Moylan congratulated Guyra on another successful TroutFest.

threatening emergencies on and off-thefield.

I encourage clubs and organisations to apply for this funding because you never know when you made need a defibrillator. Walcha has been included in the list of eligible postcodes so jump on to the Sport NSW website and apply for a grant through the program:

www.sport.nsw.gov.au/grants/localsport-defibrillator-grant-program#eligibleapplicants.

Applications close 1 December or until the funding allocation is exhausted.



#### Meals on Wheels

Oct	16	Bec Broughton
Oct	17	Steve Norris
Oct	20	Wendy Laidlaw
Oct	21	James Parker
Oct	22	Toni Kirkman

#### Street Stalls

Oct 16,17,18	Lions
Oct 24	Hosp. Auxiliary
Oct 30, 31	Freemasons
Nov 1	Rotary

#### Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic **Church** Vigil 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 October 5th Contact: Rev. Andrew Campbell 0447 724 536

**The Chapel:** 66 Llangothin Street: Sunday Service: 10am

Food Pantry Fridays 9am -12pm 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** 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm. Ph: Geoff Reeves 6779 1257 ROTARY CLUB 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 6pm at The Blind Chef Ph: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

#### **ACROSS**

1 Thick cotton fabric (8)

5 Basic unit of matter (4)

9 Flaring stars (5)

10 Coolness (7)

11 Oval shape (7)

12 Fruit of the vine (5)

13 Permanent skin marking (6)

14 Call off (6)

17 Collection of songs (5)

19 Type of monkey (7)

20 Early childhood (7)

21 South American dance

22 Snares; bags (4)

23 Teaches (8)

#### **DOWN**

1 Close mental application (13)

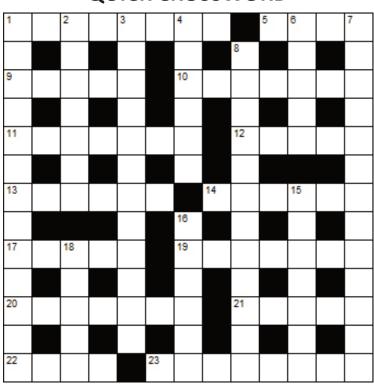
2 Brook (7)

3 Joblessness (12)

4 Thought: supposed (6)

7 Of mixed character (13)

#### **QUICK CROSSWORD**



6 Eighth Greek letter (5)

8 Graphical (12)

15 Small crown (7)

16 Steady (anag.) (6)

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# Council News

#### **Council Meetings**

#### **Our next scheduled council** meeting is 22 October 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, or attend in person.

#### **Current Vacancies Casual Swimming Pool lob** Register - Closes 1 March.

**ARC Customer Service - Casual Register** - Closes 21 December.

**ARC General Hand - Casual** Register - Closes 21 December.

#### Free chemical cleanout Guyra

We are doing a FREE chemical cleanout event for unwanted or hazardous household chemicals! These events provide a safe and environmentally responsible way to get rid of common household items that can't go in regular bins. Accepted items include household quantities (up to 20 litres or 20 kilograms per item) of products such as solvents, household and floor cleaners, ammoniabased cleaners, pesticides, herbicides, poisons, pool and hobby chemicals, motor fuels, fluorescent globes and tubes, acids, alkalis, smoke detectors, paint and paint-related products, gas bottles, fire extinguishers, car batteries, household batteries, and both motor





#### Celebrate national water week 2025

We are celebrating National Water Week from October 20 to 26 with a range of free activities to help the community save water and learn more about local water management. Residents are invited to visit the ARC Customer Service Centres in Guyra to exchange old shower heads for water-saving models, swap broken garden hose nozzles, collect free shower timers, and sign up to the ARC Water Portal for a chance to win a prize. As part of the week's events, guided tours of the Guyra Water Treatment Plant will be held on Monday, October 20, and Tuesday, October 21, from 1 to 3 pm. Bookings are essential, with participants meeting at the ARC Council Building in Guyra, 158 Bradley Street. Simply call our customer service team to book your spot on 1300 136 833, or book in person at 158 Bradley Street, Guyra.

and cooking oils. This initiative helps prevent harmful substances from entering the environment and supports safer homes and communities. Don't miss this opportunity to clear out your shed or garage responsibly. For event dates, times, and drop-off locations, visit our website.

#### **Discover what's inside Guyra** library

Guyra LT Starr Memorial Library is a vibrant hub for the community. It offers a full range of services you'd expect from a modern public library, books



for all ages, DVDs, large print, talking books, graphic novels, and magazines. Members can also access digital platforms like BorrowBox, Beamafilm, NewsStand, and Indyreads from home. Membership is free and open to everyone. Beyond books, the library lends out toys, board games, science

kits, and even cake tins that are perfect for birthdays or weekend fun. Whether you're a reader, a learner, or just curious, there's something for you at Guyra Library.

#### Weed alert - Scotch Broom, **Cape Broom**

Guyra residents are urged to be on the lookout for invasive broom species currently flowering in the Guyra region. Scotch Broom is now in bloom, displaying bright yellow peashaped flowers around 2 to 2.5 cm long. However, hybrids with red-yellow variations have also been spotted along local roadsides. This woody shrub typically grows between 1 to 2 metres high but can reach up to 4 metres. It is considered toxic to humans and some animals. Also flowering is Cape Broom, an evergreen shrub with smaller, bright yellow flowers measuring 8 to 12 mm. While visually similar, Cape Broom is particularly concerning for landholders as it is toxic to livestock if grazed excessively. Both species pose a serious threat to local ecosystems and agriculture. Residents are encouraged to report sightings by contacting Council on 1300 136 833 and avoid disturbing the plants.

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# From the Archives at the Guyra Museum

Compiled by Dorothy Lockyer

# Remedies and Recipes

Today, surrounded by the conveniences of modern living it is difficult to envisage living, working and rearing a family under the conditions known to have existed for our grandparents and great grandparents in last century and even later.

The womenfolk used a variety of well-known remedies to cope with sickness and common ailments.

There was castor oil and

chlorodyne for stomach upsets and diarrhea. Camphor oil was used to rub the chest, followed by a warmed vest made of brown paper for colds.

A small bag of camphor was worn around the neck to ward off colds and flu.

Kerosene was used for cuts. Baking Soda and olive oil mixed in a paste was used for minor burns. For more serious burns a pig would be killed and the warm pigskin would be wrapped around the burnt area, and left for a number of days. This would ease the pain

and stop infection. Starch was mixed to a paste and was used for stings. This was also used for red back spider bites.

Kerosene on sugar was used for sore throats and to ward off diphtheria. A piece of cloth soaked in methylated spirits and wrapped around the neck was also used for sore throats and to ward off diphtheria. Powder Blue Stone was used for proud flesh. Sick rooms were fumigated with Sulphur burnt on hot coals.

If a mother died due to childbirth, or could not feed her baby then the baby was fed on goat's milk. Teats for feeding babies were made from grape vines. A piece of vine was cut and shaped like a teat to fit in the neck of a bottle, the soft centre was burnt through with a red-hot hat pin or large needle. These were also uses to feed pet lambs.

Mustard poultices were applied for various infections. Venus Turpentine was guaranteed to remove not only splinters from humans but also stakes from Horse's hooves and legs.



Camphor bags were worn around the neck top ward off colds and flu



Old feeding bottle on display at the Guyra Museum

#### **Sheep Dipping**

Early sheep owners faced many problems and hazards. The sheep scab was a very contagious fungoid disease affected the sheep's skin and therefore affected the growth of wool, if not treated the scabby patches spread finally killing the sheep.

Affected sheep were scrubbed or dipped with a variety of washes in an effect to find a cure, and in the end a mixture of one pound of each tobacco and Sulphur to five gallons of boiling water. The sheep were dipped in the mixture as

hot as they would bear it without scalding them.

The mid 1860's were very wet years in New England and worms and fluke took heavy tolls of sheep in the area. One report reads was that E.C Blomfield was trying to check heavy losses of sheep on Boorolong. He experimented with arsenic as a dose. He killed quite a lot of sheep before he found the right dose, but in the end proved that arsenic was effective dose and dissolved with soda and later Epsom salts, it was used for years to control worms and fluke in sheep



#### **Vets Golf**

For the last couple of weeks the Vets have been playing social golf in the form of Ambrose's while the handicapping system has been upgrading. This week we attracted 12 players for our 2 person Ambrose with the winners being Colin Mulligan and Dave Bearup. Runner up was Warren McCowen and Ian Taylor. Two NTPs went to Jon Cumming and one to Don Campbell.

We are now back to normal and starting next Monday is the week of golf. If you haven't nominated and intend playing in one or all days please let Wal know ASAP.

I would like to congratulate the Bowling club on a very successful year last year and also thank them for the tremendous support they give to Vets golf. It goes without saying, we couldn't do what we do without their support.

Drake

#### Ladies' Golf

Last week the ladies played the Guyra Welding Works 4BBB Championships.

After playing 27 holes, the winners were Wendy Jackson and Jenny Rogers with 68 points.

Runners up were Donna White and Pip White with 65 points.

Jenny Rogers won the nearest the pin on the 9th hole.

Debbie Heffernan won nearest the pin on the 18th hole.

We would like to thank Guyra Welding Works for you generous sponsorship and support of the Guyra Ladies Golf. We really do appreciate it!

This week is a Stableford.

Next week is the Guyra Veterans Week of Golf.

It is a big week with visitors coming to play for the week on our course and visit our little town and surrounds.

Birdie

#### Men's Bowls

This Saturday October 18th at the Guyra Bowling Club:

Open Pairs J. Varco and A. Bull take on R. Moore and P. Johnson.

Handicap Singles, R. Mulligan will face M. Simpson, with A. Sparke acting as marker.

#### Midweek golf

Great roll up of teams for the start of midweek golf. Fourteen teams registered and six of these are new teams. Good luck to everyone in the competition.

If you still want to play and are not in a team, then email your name to taylor\_place@hotmail.com and we will try to get you into a team

#### Teams are:

Westerners, Blue Sky, Sultans of Swing, Green Grass, Denzels Frothingtons, Pitch Purrfects, Shire Sharks, Full House, Baldersleigh Bashers, That's a Gimme, Grip-Rip-Sip, Birdies, Hillbillies, Any Hole.

Guidelines for everyone

- Stableford event (new players to put the amount of hits for each hole on their card)
  - Hit off the yellow markers
  - Play 9 holes front or back
- Pay at bar- collect your score card and get your handicap before you go out to play.
- Cost golfing members \$5/week; non-golfing members \$10/week; juniors \$5/week
- If not a golf member you must be a social member of the Guyra Bowling & Recreation club.
- At completion of play please put your signed card in the box provided at the club.(Put your team name on the top and who is playing that day)
- Handicap list is at the bar and on the noticeboard near the back entrance.

Middy

### Rural Market Reports

# **Guyra Sheep** and Lamb Sale

October 7th - A total yarding of 2,593 sheep and lambs were penned at the Guyra saleyards last week, with the market described as strong to firm throughout. Heavy lambs and heavy mutton were ub strong demand.

The yarding comprised 1,377 lambs and 1,216 sheep. The top price reached \$345, with the overall sale average at \$192.92.

Crossbred lambs saw the best competition, with 775 head topping at \$345 and averaging \$261.72. Agents reported strong demand and good lines of grainfinished lambs. Merino lambs were steady and consistent, selling to \$209 and averaging \$177.02, while exotic lambs reached \$284, averaging \$189.93 amid mixed quality and a wide price range.

In the ewe section, crossbred ewes topped at \$262 and averaged \$178.20, with top-quality lines selling well. Merino ewes met steady demand, selling to \$200 and averaging \$156.08, while exotic ewes sold to \$250

with strong but limited competition.

Hogget numbers were small, with crossbreds reaching \$200, Merinos \$170, and exotics \$180.

Wethers met moderate demand, though heavier lines remained firm. Crossbred and Merino wethers topped at \$180, averaging \$145.16.

Rams were easier this week, with crossbred and exotic types selling to \$150 and averaging \$108.33, while Merino rams sold mostly steady to \$204, averaging \$148.09. Heavier animals again attracted the strongest bidding.

The next Guyra sheep and lamb sale will be held at 9am on Tuesday, October 21st.

#### **Armidale Cattle Sale**

**October 9th** - Armidale penned 1395 good quality cattle, 656 less than last sale. The regular buyers attended to a subdued market but not all categories affected.

Heifer weaners under 200kgs to 11c/kg dearer 410c to 424c/kg. Opportunity backgrounders pushed light yearling steers to 27c/kg better 470c to 574c/kg. Medium backgrounders much

cheaper 460c to 570c/kg. Both medium and heavy feeders considerably cheaper selling between 400c and 470c/kg. Light background heifers lifted 27c/kg 380c to 450c/kg. Medium feeders back 29c/kg 380c to 468c/kg. Feeders over 480kgs firm selling 400c to 464c/kg. Grown steers to process 370c to 418c/kg similar heifers 350c to 385c/kg. Cows to the paddock cheaper 320c to 378c/kg. Heavy cows down 15c/kg 483c to 406c/kg. Heavy bulls lost 10c/kg 320c to 380c/kg.

Stephen Adams MLA

#### **Weekly Wool Market**

October 10th - The unchecked run up throughout the 2025/26 selling season was broken this week. Sales in the Northern region were held on Wednesday and Thursday due to Monday's public holiday.

In a preview of what was to transpire on Wednesday the Southern region commenced selling on Tuesday with the Southern region indicator closing 32 cents cheaper. This rolled over to the first day of sales in the North where the market closed 36 cents

down

In positive news the rate of losses slowed considerably on the final day of sales. Most of the readjustment of prices was focused on the Merino fleece types with heavier vegetable matter Skirting types also following suit. Merino Cardings remained largely unchanged.

The loss this week whilst unwelcome, still leaves the market 178 cents dearer than the close three weeks ago after the 224 cent run up in the past fortnight. It had been a sustained, unprecedented vertical line run up on the charts. If the past is any reflection of the future, it's not uncommon to see a correction and a pause to push higher.

Old stock can be sold at lower levels than today's prices however an educated guess says there is probably not much of that left. These new levels may take a little bit of time to adjust to for processors. The price signals have been obvious.

The appetite for demand to these new levels is yet to be established. A similar quantity to this week is on offer next week.



# Classifieds Tradies & Services



#### **POULTRY FOR SALE**

LAYER PULLETS, 20 weeks, Isa & all breeds, delivered to Guyra on Friday, 31st October. Call Jim 0428 194 105.

#### HISTORICAL MUSEUM

#### **GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

will be open from this Saturday, 18th October on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays 10.30 am to 2pm. 188 Bradley Street, Guyra

#### **MEETING NOTICES**

WARDS MISTAKE PROGRESS ASSOC. AGM Sunday, 26th October at the Tennis Courts at 2pm. Enquiries 6779 7616.

**GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY** meeting Wednesday 29th October 7pm at Guyra Show Ground

#### **MEETING ROOM FOR HIRE**

#### **Conference/Meeting Room** available for hire

- Reasonable rates
- Zoom meetings arranged
- Smart Board or Data Projector
- Catering arranged on request
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For your function or meeting **Contact: The GALA Centre** 

136 Bradley Street, Guyra Ph: 6779 2132 E: admin@gala.org.au

#### **COURSES AT NECC**

#### **Combined Traffic Controller & Implement Traffic Controller**

Tuesday & Thursday 25th & 17th November

**Chemical Course** - Full & Refresher Thurs 27th November

Bookings essential at

**New England Community College** 

(RTO#90145)

Phone: 6779 2132 E: admin@gala.org.au

#### **GOLF MEMORABILIA**

#### **GOLF CENTENARY** Memorabilia Display

at Guyra Bowling & Recreation Club from Monday, 20th October to Friday, 25th October. Everyone welcome.

#### **FOOD PANTRY**

**Food Pantry at The Chapel** 66 Llangothlin Street, Guyra

OPEN this FRIDAY 9am-12pm

Contact: 0455 232 073

#### **RUGBY LEAGUE COACHES**

#### Guyra Rugby League

is seeking expressions of interest for coaches for the 2026 season.

- A grade men
- Under 18s
- League Tag
- Womens Tackle



**Coach EOI/nominations** need to be emailed to guyrarugbyleague@gmail.com

by Friday 31st October.

#### **CLAIM THE DATE**

#### **SATURDAY, 25th OCTOBER Guyra Community Services Dinner**

6pm at Guyra Recreation and Bowling Club. Hosted by the Guyra and Community Progress Association FRIDAY, 31st OCTOBER

6pm Aussie Bush Dance and Line Dance Night with Swamp Dawkins

tickets: https://www.trybooking.com/DDZYT

**SUNDAY. 9th NOVEMBER** 

**GUYRA CUP** at Armidale Racecourse

#### FRIDAY, 5th DECEMBER **ROTARY CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL**

From 4pm. Markets, food stalls, entertainment, Santa will be there

WED 14th - MON 26th JANUARY 2026

Lamb and Potato Festival

9 - 12 JULY 2026

#### **Guyra SnowFest**

Visit www.guyrasnowfest.com to subscribe for information.

#### **BOOK FAIR CLEARANCE**

Guyra Rotary Book Fair LAST CHANCE CLEARANCE SALE - \$5 per shopping bag this Saturday, 18th October 10am - 2pm, Old Scout Hall Cnr. Nincoola & White Streets

NB: there is no disabled access to the building, nor any disabled facilities.

#### **TRADES & SERVICES**

Guyra

### **Carpet Cleaning**

**Steve** 

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#### **New England Renewable Energy Zone**

The Energy Corporation of NSW (EnergyCo) is delivering the New England Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) to provide clean, affordable and reliable power supply for homes and businesses across NSW.

#### **Corridor update**

We are updating part of the corridor that will connect the REZ to the existing grid at Muswellbrook.

We have identified a new study area between the Bayswater Power Station and the central south energy hub (substation) near Walcha which will allow for safer and more efficient construction with fewer environmental and road impacts. The move will also ensure the transmission lines do not affect aerial firefighting operations around Chaffey Dam and Lake Glenbawn.

We are inviting local feedback as we refine the study area in the coming months and complete further assessments.

View the new study area on EnergyCo's interactive map at energyco.nsw.gov.au/ne-rez-map

# **Upcoming community information** sessions – have your say

In addition to direct engagement with landowners, we are holding a series of drop-in information sessions so you can speak with our team, ask questions and share your feedback. You can drop in anytime during the sessions.

Walcha Tuesday 28 October: 10am – 2pm Walcha Tuesday 11 November: 3pm – 7pm, Walcha Veterinary Supplies, 6 Aberbaldie Road

#### Muswellbrook Wednesday 29 October:

3pm – 7pm, Muswellbrook Library, 126 Bridge Street

**Scone Thursday 30 October:** 3pm – 7pm Scone Motor Inn, 55 Kelly Street

**Tamworth Monday 3 November:** 3pm – 7pm Tamworth Community Event Centre, 3 Darling Street

Nundle Tuesday 4 November: 3pm – 7pm Nundle Memorial Hall, 101 Jenkins Street

**Gundy Wednesday 5 November:** 3pm – 7pm Gundy Soliders' Memorial Hall, 10-12 Duke Street

**Uralla Monday 10 November:** 3pm – 7pm Uralla Courthouse, Corner of Maitland and Hill Streets

**Armidale Wednesday 12 November:** 3pm – 7pm Armidale Town Hall, 127 Rusden Street

**Guyra Thursday 13 November:** 5pm – 8pm Guyra Bowling and Recreation Centre, 192 Bradley Street

You can also share your feedback with us by using the contact details below or by making arrangements with us to provide your feedback in person or via post.

#### **More information**

To learn more, visit energyco.nsw.gov.au/ne or scan the QR code. If you have any questions, you can contact our team on 1800 061 114 (toll free) or by emailing nerez@energyco.nsw.gov.au.



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# Good field for Golf Open

Before I get started on the weekend's golf I must begin with apologising to our major sponsors Elders. I mentioned them only once as we were running through presentations quickly to give time for the visiting players to get

We deeply appreciate your continued support and generous sponsorship of one of our major events every year. Elders have been kind sponsors for many years now and we hope they are on board for years to come. So to all the Elders crew THANK YOU.

Now onto the Golf. A good field took part in our Guyra Open on Sunday in beautiful weather. Scoring was a challenge with the course proving difficult to con-

C Grade was very competitive, but the gross winner with a score of 94 was Trent Mendes and the nett winner with a score of 69 was Peter Gregory, one of our visitors from Bundarra.

B Grade was very close in all scores, but the gross winner was Scott Mendes with an 84 and the nett winner was Tyson Burey with a score of 75.

The A Grade was a large field and the nett winner with a score of 78 was Darrin Towells, which leaves the Guyra Open Club Champion for 2025 and this year's winner Michael Purvis with a score of 77 which was a very good score for the day.

Nearest the pins were 7th -Adam Brennan and the 10th -Mick Purvis and the Longest Drive on the 17th - Mick Purvis.

A special thank you to Sammy for keeping the kitchen open on the day - it was much appreciated by all the golfers.

Now the course is fully open we are asking all the players in the men's matchplay must have the 1st round played by Sunday 2nd November, this gives everyone 3 weeks to get your matches played.

This weekend is an individual stableford in conjunction with the Monthly Mug. Hope to see you on the course.

HAPPY GOLFING

# Above: B grade Scott Mendes



Guyra Open Club Champion Michael Purvis





## Spuds form new committee for 2026

The Super Spuds are full throttle towards 2026 after last week's annual general meeting.

The club elected a committee to be led by new president John Atkin.

Joining him on the executive will be Amanda Campbell (secretary), Louise Dowden (treasurer), Grant Robertson (senior vicepresident) and Harrison Dowden (junior vice-president).

A number of further committee members were also added in support of the executive.

The next job is to appoint coaches.

Applications for the A grade men's, under 18s, women's leaguetag and women's tackle roles will close on October 31.

Applicants should apply in writing to the club via email at guyrarugbyleague@gmail.com or through a member of the commit-

The club is also interested in expressions of interest from prospective players and sponsors

Guyra enjoyed a successful season in 2025 with both men's and women's teams making the semifinals.

At the AGM the club thanked outgoing president Tremane Patterson and secretary Kylie Sutton.

The outstanding efforts of Kylie and Damien Sutton over the past three years to keep the club going were recognised.

The next club meeting will be held at the bottom pub from 6pm on Monday, November 3 and new members are welcome.

## **Guyra Cricket Club** seeking junior players



Guyra Cricket Club is still looking for more juniors to join for the 2025/26 cricket season. The junior competition gets underway on October 25th, and registrations are now

open through PlayHQ - just select Guyra Cricket Club when signing up.

If your child is interested in playing, please contact Troy Martin on 0438 232 990 for more information.