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Let it Snow!

It was a whiteout across the Mother of Ducks Lagoon and the golf course early (7.30am) on Tuesday morning as a strong wind brought the snow, much to the delight of Melissa and Kristian Foxover and their three children, Hudson, Finn and Lilah.

The Foxover family made the journey from Redlands in Brisbane, Qld, staying in Woolgoolga overnight and making an early morning drive to Guyra Tuesday morning.

"This is pretty cool. I'm glad we made the trip," was Melissa's reaction to enjoying the snow in the freezing cold.

Guyra's cafes, the pub and the bowlo were crowded with visitors to the town during Tuesday.

Ben Lomond had quite a good snowfall on Sunday night with only a few flurries seen in Guyra.

Please be safe on our roads, especially at night and during the early hours of the morning, where black ice on our roads and may make driving conditions dangerous.



Above: Kristian and Melissa Foxover, from Redlands, Brisbane, with their children Hudson, Finn and Lilah

Left: Cars lined up in the parking area of the golf course at 7.30am Tuesday morning

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A history of Guyra Post Office

Prior to the arrival of the railway in 1883, a settlement had grown east of the present town site. It had a general store, a public house, a butcher store and a blacksmith, all under the proprietorship of Mr William Millis.

Since about 1865, William Millis had operated a private mail bag service for farmers in the district and the postmaster at Armidale reported that Guyra was "about six miles from Falconer and twenty miles from Armidale. Cobb & Co Coaches travel the road three times a week and pass the house where Mr Millis lives".

With the arrival of the Railway in 1883, the Post Office was transferred to the Railway Station.

Mrs Henrietta Garrahy opened an unofficial post office at North Guyra in 1901, in a small wooden building next to the Argus office in Ollera Street.

By 1902, both the North Guyra Post Office and the Post Office at the Railway Station had become far too small to accommodate the increase in business.

From Guyra Argus 3rd September 1902

"In a recent issue we drew attention to the inadequate accommodation afforded at the local post office, and suggested that new premises be erected for the post and telegraph office, independent of the railway department altogether in a central position.

"This was supported by Mr. Lackey, who stated, quite truthfully too, that the receiving office at North Guyra was also far too small for present requirements; they had so-called post offices at each end of the town, and virtually they had none at all." In 1907, when the removal of the Post Office from the railway station was being considered, there was quite a deal of rivalry between South Guyra and North Guyra, both settlements claiming to be the best site for the post office.

At this time North Guyra, on the western side of the railway line, had a population of 230. South Guyra, directly opposite the railway station to the east and about 1½ miles from North Guyra, had 130 residents, but was considered the more progressive township.

Then in August 1908 the Postmaster General's Department issued a statement stating that "approval has been given for the closure of the present non-official offices at Guyra and North Guyra, and the opening of an official office in a central position midway between the two towns.

These alterations will be carried out when funds are available."

The Guyra Argus October 1908 reported that: "Nothing further has been heard lately with reference to the establishment of a central post office at Guyra. If such should eventually 'come off' it will simply mean that North Guyraites will have nearly half a mile's daily tramp after their mail".

After much discussion a site was chosen midday between the two centres, and on 10th April 1909, Guyra Post Office was opened in a building rented from Mrs Jane Izzeard for £70 (\$140) per annum. This was in Bradley Street opposite the Council Chambers Building.

The North Guyra Post Office and the post office at the railway





station were discontinued. The first permanent official postmaster, William Burgess, was appointed in February 1910 with a salary of £235 (\$470) per annum.

The present Post Office building, built by A. Cooper was opened on 20th March 1914 at a cost of £2,090 pounds. The building included a main office, a new switch room with 65 subscribers and a 10 room residence.

In August 1963 a residence was purchased in Llangothlin Street for the postmaster. Then the whole building was used for postal services, a Post Office, telephone exchange and technician's space, and an additional thirty-eight private letter boxes were installed.



Applications open for 2025 intake

Costa offers Graduate Programs which aim to develop leaders of the future by providing an intensive hands-on and educational experience across key produce groups, departments, locations or functions over a 12 to 18-month period.

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By being a part of Costa's graduate intake, individuals can accelerate their career and gain exposure to opportunities for networking across different categories and regions with unprecedented access to senior leaders and guide for development.

Emma Knowles, who is a current member of the Costa Graduate Program, said the Costa Graduate Program had been the perfect platform to help develop her skills within the agricultural industry.

"I've really benefitted from all the experience and knowledge I've gained both in agricultural skills and professional development, and the opportunity to travel to different Costa sites around Australia and a broad range of commodities, all while working in a supportive, welcoming environment. I eagerly look forward for all the opportunities yet to come," Emma said.

To qualify you must be in your final year or recently finished a Bachelor's or postgraduate degree. Of particular interest for Costa are degrees in:



Emma Knowles, a current member of Costa's Graduate Program

- Agricultural Science
- Horticulture
- Agribusiness

• Business, with an interest in agri/horticulture

• Science, with an interest in agri/horticulture

Human Resources

Applications will be open until August 15.

Find out more at:

costagroup.com.au/growyour career/graduateprogram





Application for Appointment of Board Members

Ben Lomond Recreation Reserve Land Manager

Ever wondered who is responsible for keeping Crown reserves operating?

Countless facilities like showgrounds, local halls and parks are run by Statutory Land Manager Boards, made up of people just like you. People who understand the need and have a desire to manage public land and assets for the benefit of the entire community.

Your role as a Board Member is voluntary, but the rewards of giving something back to the community are priceless.

We are looking for a good mix of people with a variety of skills, however, sound business and financial management skills and objective decision-making expertise would be a distinct advantage.

Don't let this opportunity to do something for yourself and your community pass you by – contact us today.

The Ben Lomond Recreation Reserve Land Manager manages the Reserve No. 37235 at Ben Lomond notified on 13-Feb-1904 for Public Recreation. The term of appointment will be for a period not exceeding 5 years.

Application for membership can be made via **portal.crownland.nsw.gov.au**

All applications are required to be lodged by 14 August 2024.

For further information contact: Angie Wetzler on (02) 6770 3110 or go to reservemanager.crownland.nsw.gov.au

What's HOT

SNOW - and visitors to town

Soup on a cold winter's day

What's **NOT**

Being negative

Scams

QUOTE of the week

Sometimes I wonder whether the world is being run by smart people who are putting us on, or by imbeciles who really mean it. *Mark Twain*

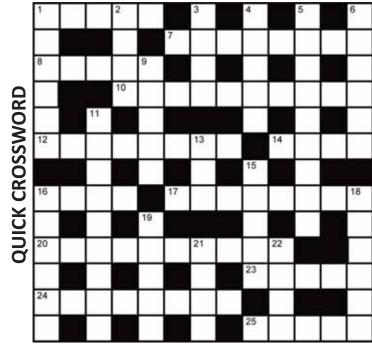
Bureau of Meteorology Weather



Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Мах	Rain
9	Tues	7.8	13.8	9.6
10	Wed	3.3	10.8	4.6
11	Thurs	-2.2	13.2	0
12	Fri	1.6	12.6	0
13	Sat	2.2	8.9	0
14	Sun	0.5	7.6	0
15	Mon	1.0	6.1	0
Rain	this we	14.2	2 mm	
July ı	rainfall	42.6	6 mm	
Rainf	all YTD	467.8	8 mm	
Rainf	all last	525.8	mm	
Ave. r	ain to	507.2	mm	

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology



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Dublin, 18. Thieve, 19. Scott, 21. Lute,

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Meals on Wheels

SUDOKU - Hard

July 18	Narelle Level
July 19	Lyn & Richard Skinner
July 22	Wendy Laidlaw
July 23	Bea Velthuis
July 24	Bea Velthuis

Street Stalls

July 18, 19, 20 Lions Club JAugust 8, 9, 10 Lions Club August 15 Hospital Auxiliary

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

ACROSS:

- 1. Disney character (5)
- 7. Contemptuous (8)
- 8. Shaver (5)10. Variety of soup (10)
- 10. Vallety 01:
- 12. Cross (8)
- 14. System of weights (4)
- 16. Speechless (4)
- 17. Franz___, Austrian com-
- poser (8)
- 20. Optical device (10)
- 23. ____ Men and a Baby, film (5)
- 24. Tiny diet [anag] (8)
- 25. Plenty (5)

DOWN:

- 1. Brigitte____, French actress
- (6)2. Time of prosperity (4)
- 3. Give in (4)
- 4. Glee (5)
- 5. Actress, ____ Weaver (9)
- 6. Religious crime (6)
- 9. Part of the step (5)
- Promoter of military action
 (9)
- 13. Dry (of wine) (3)
- 15. Two pints (5)
- 16. Irish capital (6)
- 18. Steal (6)
- 19. Ronnie , jazz club
- owner (5)
- 21. Medieval instrument (4)
- 22. Pretence (4)

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Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic <u>Church</u> Mass 5pm Saturday until the end of August, 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday to 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

9am Sunday followed by morningtea.Contact:Rev.AndrewCampbell0447724536BenLomond servicesSundayAugust 4th, October 6th 2pm

The Chapel:66 Llangothin Street:SundayService:10am

Contact: Pastors Linden & Kerrie Pollard 0455 232 073.

Seventh-day Adventist Church: Aboomala Street._Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service 11.30am Saturday. Contact: Minister Luke Reeves 0410 761 320 Church Clerk 6779 1587

<u>Uniting Church:</u> 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

Public formum on council demerger

Last Tuesday, 9th July, Save and Grow Guyra Ratepayers Inc. hosted a Public Forum at Guyra Bowling club with NSW Legislative Council member, Dr Amanda Cohn regarding the proposal for separation from Armidale Regional Council and the re-establishment of a new Guyra Shire Council.

S&GGRInc president, Rob Lenehan outlined the situation regarding the proposal for Guyra to separate from Armidale Regional Council under section 215 of the Local Government Act.

Dr Cohn spoke of her involvement as a Greens spokesperson for health and local government in addressing the damage caused to communities by the forced amalgamations of local councils and her role in a bi-partisan group of MPs that introduced a bill to parliament to allow communities affected by the failed forced merger scheme the right to vote in a plebiscite that would be binding on the Minister for local government to reinstate the former council with government funding for its re-establishment. Dr Cohn revealed that the Labor government was able to rely on the support of the coalition opposition to defeat the bill.

Dr Cohn stated that in response to the defeat of this bill the minister for local government later introduced his own bill to parliament to amend the Local Government Act (218cd) that now makes the council demerger process far more convoluted and costly, with the initial stages to be approved by a business case from the council itself before allowing the community the right to vote on a demerger while still allowing the local government minister a veto power over the approval of the separation.

Have your say ...

Emaíl: news@gala.org.au *Maíl:* 136 Bradley Street, Guyra

On behalf of the Residents at the Guyra MPS, we would like to say a very grateful thankyou to the Armidale Regional Council for the Community small grant of \$2000 enabling us to have a difference to our welfare during our time here at the Guyra MPS.

We are looking forward to having more home cooked meals, vegie/flower plants for the garden and more entertainment for the Residents at the Guyra MPS and be able to purchase more appliances to help with our catering.

Thankyou from the Diversional Therapist and Volunteer at the Guyra MPS.



Above I to r: Cr Dorothy Robinson, Cr Margaret O'Connor, Dr Amanda Cohn MLC, Chairman Rob Lenehan

The S&GGRInc committee consider it timely with the upcoming local government elections in September to encourage the residents of Guyra to take the time to identify which candidates standing to become a councillor

will protect the interests of the Guyra community, uphold rural values and not pursue frivolous "city centric" projects at the cost of basic and fundamental council duties.

Sports Briefs

Ladies' Golf

Last week the ladies played a Graham Betts Round on a very wet course but blue sky and sunshine was very welcome.

The winner with 31 points was Debbie Heffernan. Runner up with 29 points was Pip White.

Debbie also won the nearest the pin shots on the 10th and 18th holes.

This week is a Par Medal. Next week is Stroke and Putting Competition.

Jenny Rogers is the starter as well as the sponsor.

Men's Bowls

Two games were played on Saturday.

In major/minor pairs David Wilcox and Paul Johnson defeated Scott and Barry Campbell 30-12. In club pairs Colin Stanley and Tim Ellis defeated Roger Cox and Evan sole 23-12.

On Saturday, 20th July at 12 o'clock a game of triples is to be played with David Wilcox, Paul Johnson and Murray Bourke to play John Jackson, Ian Jacobs and Noah Brennan.

Birdie

Locals Entry Form - Round 21 Tips must be submitted by 4.00pm on Wednesday 24th July

Jack.

Gazette Footy Tipping

Queen KGP	183	Crazy Cat Lady	167
DJ	181	Puss Puss	165
The Panther	181	Happy Gilmore	161
Birdie	179	Garden Gurus	161
The King	177	BMX Bandit	159
Blackie Chan	173	R.W.	157
Moie	173	Mountain Mist	153
The Iggman	173	Lounge Lizard	149
Timmy the Tiger	171	Dip Stick	141
3PPP	167	Rabbits2010	135
Bulldog	167	Farmer Joe	125

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	Warriors	VS	Tigers
	Eels	VS	Storm
	Broncos	VS	Bulldogs
	Cowboys	VS	Sharks
	Roosters	VS	Sea Eagles
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Knights	Dolphins	VS	Titans
	Raiders	VS	Rabbits

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Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping

Celebrity Ben is maintaining his position on top of the leaderboard on 185 points over Mal who is just behind on 183 points.

Soley was the only one to score a complete round of 10 points for the five matches last week. Most scored 8 points but the BLS tipster last week is probably not the most popular bloke in the garage, managing only one game to score just 2 points.

Cody's tipster is keeping up the side to be in 3rd place on 171 points and Sue is in 4th place on 163. Michelle has been doing well lately, however, remains in the wooden spoon position on 149 points.

In our Locals competition, Queen KGP is in top spot on 183 points, leading over DJ and The Panther who are just 2 points behind on 181.

In 3rd place we have Birdie on 179 points, leading by a further 2 points over last year's winner, The King who is on 177.

There has not been much movement in the middle of the Locals field and Farmer Joe seems to be embedded in the wooden spoon position.

There are a ouple of tricky games in this week's round, so good luck to all our tipsters.



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HISTORICAL MUSEUM F

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

MEETING NOTICES

GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY AGM to be held on Saturday, 27th July at 9.30am Guyra Bowling Club followed by a general meeting. New Members are welcome.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry at The Chapel 66 Llangothlin Street, Guyra

OPEN this <u>FRIDAY</u>

9am-12pm Contact: 0455 232 073

FIREWOOD FOR SALE

KINDLING available at the Men's Shed. \$10 box.

Milled Wood - Level Ute Load \$145

Stringy - Level Ute Load - \$180

Stringy & Ironbark or Box (mixed load) - 1/2 tonne - \$240

Box or Ironbark - 1/2 tonne \$250

Contact Tony 0481 144 634

COURSES

First Aid Monday, 29th July

Forklift Thurs. & Mon. 8th & 12th Aug.

Combined Traffic Controller & Implement Traffic Control Tuesday, 27th August & Thursday, 29th August

Bookings essential at

New England Community College (RTO#90145) 136 Bradley Street, Guyra Phone: 6779 2132 or enrol online: www.gala.org.au

FUNERAL NOTICE

NAVIN; RICHARD NOEL 13th July 2024 of Guyra and formerly of 'Hillcrest' Black Mountain

Dearly loved son of Arthur & Ivy Navin (both dec'd).

Loving brother and brother-in-law of Keith Mclean (dec'd), Noela & Frank Foxover (both dec'd), Jeff & Audrey Mclean (both dec'd), John & Betty Mclean (both dec'd), Janet & Theo Spann.

Much loved uncle, great uncle and great-great uncle of their families.

Aged 86 years

A graveside service will be held at the Black Mountain Cemetery on Friday 19th July 2024 at 11am.



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FOR SALE



2010 Toyota Hilux space cab 4x4 good condition, new clutch, new alternator, serviced, good service history, couple small dents in driver's door, builder's bar, side steps, tool boxes, good tyres, bull bar, driver's light bar, 216,106kms, registered Feb.2025. Only selling as updating to dual cab. \$20,000 ono.

Contact David: 0427 791 768

CLAIM THE DATE

FRIDAY 4th - MONDAY 7th OCTOBER Rotary Club of Guyra will hold a **BOOK** FAIR at the War Memorial Hall.

TROUTFEST will be held over the October long weekend. Markets in the main street, photography competition, kids' fishing clinic and more.

CLAIM THE DATE

For your event or function Phone: 6779 2132 advertising@gala.org.au

TRADES & SERVICES



RJ & KA Hammond HAMMOND PLUMBING 67 Ollera St, Guyra Ph: 6779 1434

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Freezing cold stimulates great play



The Under 16's Junior League team wearing the Naidoc week jumpers

On the freezing cold day of Saturday, 6th July, Guyra hosted the Tingha Tigers. Only 3 games were played in the icy cold conditions, but all our Guyra players turned up and played some great footy.

The **Under 12's** took to the field pumped up ready to play some football. From the get-go the boys ran the ball well meeting the defence and looking for the gaps.

Great support play from Braxton Hutton saw him cross the line for 2 tries and Sammuel Torrens ploughing through the defenders to earn himself a try. Wonderful sportsmanship by Seth Patterson earned 3 points from the referee.

This team is really putting in the effort at training and on game days, and fingers crossed, will get them into the finals. The score was Guyra 48 Tingha 16.

The **Intermediate League Tag** girls had a convincing win over Tingha 54 to 6. This team is a great attacking team but back it up with great defence/tagging. Always backing each other up to stop the opposition.

Just about every Guyra girl got a try in this game and this shows the talent right across the team. Keep up the great football and commitment at training as this will keep you heading in the right direction for finals time.

The **Under 16's** team proudly wore the NAIDOC playing jumpers in their game against Tingha. The boys were slow to start, letting Tingha in for a couple of tries and putting Guyra on the back foot.

With some stern words from the coach at half time, Guyra came out and dominated Tingha in the second half. Some great attacking play by Darcey Heagney and Hugo Brazier in the half positions set up Guyra's forwards to split the defence and cross the try line.

With this round of footy falling in

AVON

ANGUS

NAIDOC week, Guyra Junior Rugby League celebrated and acknowledged our indigenous players and Guyra's indigenous culture. A Welcome to Country and a smoking ceremony was done by Treymane Patterson.

The under 16's team played in indigenous jumpers designed by Ivy West and sponsored by the Guyra Local Aboriginal Lands Council, TFSS (Tamworth Family Support Services), Armidale Building Supplies, Rock Eater and The Guyra Café.

After the game, all were invited to attend the Guyra Bowling Club for an auction and disco night to continue the NAIDOC celebrations. The raffle was drawn with great prizes won – Painted surfboard, signed Josh Addo-Carr Bulldogs Jumper and Bulldogs Merchandise.

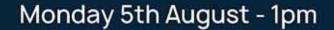
Auctioned off was a signed Deadly Jumper and a signed Newcastle Nights Jumper. The real excitement of the night was the auctioning of the 20 Indigenous designed Under 16's jumpers with great results. After this, the music came on and the dance floor was full of kids and adults having a great night.

The whole of the Guyra Junior Rugby League Club would like to thank everyone who contributed to the NAIDOC football day/night. Many thanks to all the sponsors, people who bought raffle tickets and to all who put their hand up during the auctions. The generosity from locals and out of towners was amazing!

We cannot express how grateful we are and please know all money raised goes back into the club amenities and player development.

A big thank you to Peter Presnell and Nadia West and family for your hard work and vison for the NAIDOC round of footy. It was enjoyed by all involved and we look forward to holding this as an annual event.

40TH ANNUAL SALE



150 Bulls + 150 EU Heifers

Richard Post 0404 454 143 Outer Bald Blair, Guyra

Open Day I Saturday 3rd August

