



# Guyra Gazette

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Wednesday January 22, 2025

## Moray Merinos

On Property  
Ram Sale

Tuesday  
January  
28th

Moray woolshed  
8913 Guyra Rd  
Guyra, NSW

Inspection: 10am  
Sale: 11.30am

James Stewart  
Phone: 67794215  
Email:  
moray@activ8.net.au

## New Year, New Look Pantry

This Friday, January 24th, the doors of the community pantry will re-open with exciting updates and improvements after a dedicated renovation effort by volunteers during the break.

The pantry will be welcoming customers from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, ready to serve the community with a fresh new look!

The recent upgrades have expanded the pantry's space, ensuring better access for everyone, including those using trolleys, prams, walkers, or wheelchairs.

The goal is to make your shopping experience smoother and more enjoyable, with a focus on accessibility and convenience. Most notably, the renovation eliminates the previous wait time for entry, making the pantry more user-friendly.

Due to the rising costs that we have been experiencing in keeping the shop well stocked and to keep our community pantry doors open for everyone, we will be implementing a new system. Each item will be minimally priced in comparison with the supermarkets. This will mean you will have the choice as to how much you'd like to spend.

You can now spend as little as you like or as much as want. This we believe puts the option back in your



**Above l to r:** Jenny O'Neill, Sam Astle, Linda McLennan, Marianne Van der Heul, Kerrie Pollard and Linden Pollard

**Absent:** Peter & Narell Godber

hands and budget, rather than charge per bag as previously done. Free Bread will still be available.

So bring your own bag and the best of all is our complimentary homemade morning tea on offer if you'd like to hang for a chat.

We look forward to seeing every-

body throughout the year that we've come to know. We also look forward to meeting anyone that may just want to pop in and check it out with no obligation to shop.

For those who may not be aware of where we are, you'll find us at 66 Llangothlin Street (The Chapel).

## Dasha's Australia Day Long Weekend Trading Hours

Saturday, 25th January 7.00am - 12.00noon  
Sunday, 26th January Closed  
Monday, 27th January Closed



### Australia Day Specials

- Classic Cream Roller Door 2200 x 3000  
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**Dasha's Hardware & Building Supplies**

61 Ollera Street, Guyra

• Phone: 6779 2444

# 2025 Citizen of the Year nominees

Community members who have made significant contributions to the Guyra community will be acknowledged at an

Australia Day Dinner which will be held at the Guyra Bowling Club on Saturday January 25th.

This year there are four nominees for Citizen of the Year and good nominations across other categories.

Awards will be presented for achievements by individuals and groups during the preceding year.



## Donna Davidson

Great ambassador for the community with great ideas for fundraising. Fundraising for Bald Blair School, Black Mountain School and Guyra Central School. Has a well organised committee. Fund raiser for Luke Brown who sadly passed away.

Donna was the instigator, with some friends to form the Progress Association for Guyra. This group has achieved great progress towards beautifying the Guyra area.

Donna was the brains, with her artist friend Kay Smith, to do murals around the town and this has been great for tourism and brightening the street.

A great supporter of the Guyra Show Society and worked tirelessly for the campdraft and pony club.



## Wayne Mendes

Member of NSW Volunteer Rescue Association since 1986.

Has held the position of Deputy Captain and then Captain since 2010. Wayne received NSW Premier's Bushfire Emergency Citation for valuable contribution assisting in NSW bushfires of 2019-2020.

As part of the VRA he has participated in many significant events – Moree Floods, F1-11 crash, road crash rescues and land searches.

During Covid Wayne helped deliver groceries and household goods to community members who were in home isolation.

Wayne voluntarily offers his first aid expertise at community events such as seniors bus trips, ANZAC day service and many other events.



## James Warren

In 2020 James established the Australian Poetry Hall of Fame. Providing a platform for poets, like-minded individuals and inspiration for future generations.

James has organised numerous events and initiatives. Some of these include open mic, 2023 NSW Bush Poetry Championships, workshops, Australian Poetry Film Contest, and Poets on the Mountain Festival, just to name of few.

James brings many diverse artists and events to Guyra, providing social opportunities and connections with the Saturday markets, Fiori Musicali chamber Choir, Bush Poets, workshops, yoga, theatre and music events.



## Mitchell Hope

Over the years Mitchell has supported, aided and helped many different groups and committees in the Guyra Community.

He has been a part of the St Mary of the Angels P&F branch and of the Student Advisory Council committee.

At St Mary's he has supported the school in many different areas including a memorial garden, fundraisers for the local community, giving his time to help at the Guyra Show and at the Lamb and Potato Festivals over the years and helped with the appointment of teachers.

Mitchell has also been nominated in the in the Community Service category.

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# Meet our Australia Day Ambassador

Best-selling author and award-winning conservationist Brad Farmer AM will be in Guyra and Ben Lomond on the weekend in his role as Australia Day Ambassador (ADA) for the Armidale region.

To Brad Farmer, Australia is just one beach, a huge sandbox of diverse and unique places to relax and play. He says it is our nation's safe place, where all of us have fun, make new friends and enjoy to the fullest, this truly lucky country.

It's also where the spirit of Australian mateship shines 365 days of the year on the longest, best coastline, with the most number of beaches in the world – 11,761 and he's still counting.

Brad's family are now seventh-generation salty Australians, all who have had a love for our vast sandy shores. He started his first beaches campaign at age 12 on the Gold Coast, and has voluntarily dedicated his entire life to protecting, preserving and promoting them, these days with the honorary title of Australia's Beach Ambassador. For this, he has been inducted as a Member of the Order of Australia.

2025 is Brad's 13th year as an Australia

Day Ambassador (ADA) and something he very much looks forward to every year, celebrating together as one nation and respecting the great legacy of First Nations peoples, who remind us of the incredibly beautiful island continent we all proudly call home.

The Guyra community will have an opportunity to hear his story at the Australia Day Awards dinner to be held at the Guyra Bowling Club on January 25th and also at the flag raising ceremonies in Ben Lomond and in Guyra on January 26th.

## AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS DINNER

Saturday, 25th January  
6.30pm at the Bowling Club, .  
Tickets \$30 at The GALA Centre.  
Enquiries 6779 2132.

## AUSTRALIA DAY EVENTS

**7.00am:** Flag Raising & Breakfast  
at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall  
**9.30am:** Morning Tea Guyra Museum  
**10.00am:** CWA Evening Branch Art  
Show at The GALA Centre  
**10.00am:** Burgess Car Museum  
opens



Brad Farmer will be the special guest at Australia Day celebrations across the Armidale Region



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## What's HOT

Free entry to Guyra Pool on Australia Day

Big final weekend coming up with the Show and Shine and Antique Machinery Rally

Great to see some great local musicians performing at the Festival - plenty more to come

## What's NOT

Local resident feels like she is back in Spain thanks to 'braying' from 10pm to 2am

## JOKE of the week

If Mary gave birth to Jesus and Jesus is the lamb of God...  
Did Mary have a little lamb?

## Bureau of Meteorology

## Weather

## WATCH

### Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
14	Tues	10.8	29.6	1.6
15	Wed	13.6	29.8	0
16	Thurs	14.0	23.4	0
17	Fri	10.8	15.2	0
18	Sat	11.6	17.3	11.2
19	Sun	12.1	20.8	10.8
20	Mon	5.5	24.0	0

Rain this week	23.6mm
Jan. rainfall	118.2mm
Rainfall YTD	118.2mm
Rainfall last YTD	53.0mm
Ave. rain to Jan.	117.9mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

# Funding for new trainee roles

Armidale Regional Council has been successful in securing NSW Government funding for two new trainee positions.

The Office of Local Government's Apprentice, Trainee and Cadet Program Funding provides direct funding to councils for the development of sustainable workforces through recruitment of trainees, apprentices and cadets.

With the 'fresh start' funding, council will recruit a Trainee Educator for Guyra Long Day-care and Preschool and a Trainee Revenue Officer to join Armidale Regional Council's finance team.

"This is great news for council, but also for our region," said Armidale Regional Council Mayor Sam Coupland.

"New opportunities for young people to find employment and training without leaving the region are invaluable. This funding enables council to create and offer new roles that will contribute to the growth of our region's skilled workforce."

A shortage of skilled labour, compounded by limited local training and skills development opportunities, is an ongoing challenge for communities across regional New South Wales – including as a barrier to

service delivery, and the construction of new housing and infrastructure.

By developing opportunities that grow a skilled local workforce, council is playing a key role in building better communities.

"Councils have traditionally been an employer of choice for young people," Mayor Coupland said.

"We intend that will be the case in the future!"

Upcoming council opportunities are advertised online [www.armidale.nsw.gov.au/Council/Jobs](http://www.armidale.nsw.gov.au/Council/Jobs)

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**21st February 2025**

**DROP OFF 7.30 AM - 9AM**

**Entries close 17/2/25**

**Guyra Show 2025**

**Lamb Show & Sale**

45kg - 51kg

52kg - 65kg

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or  
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or  
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## Music at the Lamb and Potato Festival

Barb and Jim O'Neill, Bitz of Buzz, Barney Street Band, Shane Garrett



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### Lamb and Potato Festival

The Lamb and Potato Festival is undoubtedly one of the biggest events on the local calendar, and rightly so. The annual event showcases the best lamb and potato in Australia, as well as produce from locals and what a friendly town Guyra is. There's so much to see and do there.

It is great for the community to have such a wonderful event in town and the local economy benefits immensely from the thousands who visit every year. It is also a great stop for tourists who want a bit of a change from the heat of Tamworth if they are at the country music festival.

While it is great for tourists and out-of-town visitors, I would also encourage locals to get down and support the festival.

I visited the event on Tuesday and would like to congratulate everyone involved for getting the festival up and running.

I understand there's been a new group of volunteers come in and put their hand up to ensure the ongoing success of the event. Well done to all of you. It is great to see

continued enthusiasm for this unique festival. Without volunteers, events like these don't run.

### Senior local achievement awards

Speaking of volunteers, nominations are open for the NSW Seniors Festival Local Achievement Awards.

These awards recognise the valuable contributions seniors make in our community. Guyra is very lucky to have a lot of seniors volunteering and putting time and energy into various projects, events and community groups.

If you know a senior person who you believe is worthy of recognition, please fill out a nomination form which can be found at the GALA Centre, on my website: [brendanmoylan.com.au](http://brendanmoylan.com.au) or at the Armidale or Moree electorate offices.

### Preserve local war memorials

War memorials are a timeless reminder of the sacrifices men and women made in defending Australia throughout our history.

Local not-for-profit organisations, community and school groups can now



apply for funding to make repairs and maintain war memorials across the region.

The funding can be used to obtain specialist heritage advice, as well as restoring, repairing, maintaining, and preserving statues, honour rolls, gates and halls.

It can also be used for accessibility, relocation of war memorials for safety purposes and security and safety lighting.

For more information on how to apply please visit the website: [veterans.nsw.gov.au/heritage/community-war-memorials-fund/](http://veterans.nsw.gov.au/heritage/community-war-memorials-fund/)

# Community Noticeboard

## Meals on Wheels

Jan 23 Kath Barry-Leven  
 Jan 24 L & R Skinner  
 Jan 27 Steve Norris  
 Jan 28 Toni Kirkman  
 Jan 29 ARC staff

## Street Stalls

No January stalls

## Church Notices

**St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church** Mass 6pm Saturday from September 7th, 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday – Friday 9am. **Contact:** 6779 1036

**St. James' Anglican Church** 9am Sunday, followed by morning tea. Doors open from 8:30am. All welcome! **Contact:** Rev. Tim Stevens 6779 1111

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

### The Chapel:

66 Llangothin Street:  
 Sunday Service: 10am  
**Contact:** Pastors Linden & Kerrie Pollard 0455 232 073.

### Seventh-day Adventist Church:

Aboomala Street, Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service 11.30am Saturday. **Contact:** Minister Luke Reeves 0410 761 320 Church Clerk 6779 1587

### Uniting Church:

57 Ollera Street:  
 Regular Sunday Service: 9.30am  
**Contact:** Di Burey 0428 791 742

### Church of Freedom (Cnr. Boorolong & Nincoola Sts.)

Sunday worship: 10am Prayer meeting: Tuesday 6.30pm Bible discussion: Wednesday 6.30pm **Pastors:** Jeff & Sharon Ritchie 0421 847 973 Chaplaincy services: Dan McGinty 0409 399 270

## Service Clubs

**LIONS CLUB** dinner meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at Guyra Bowling Club, 7pm.  
 Ph: Geoff Reeves 6779 1257

**ROTARY CLUB** dinner meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 6pm for 6.30pm at Guyra Cafe  
 Ph: Hans Hietbrink 0402 044 891

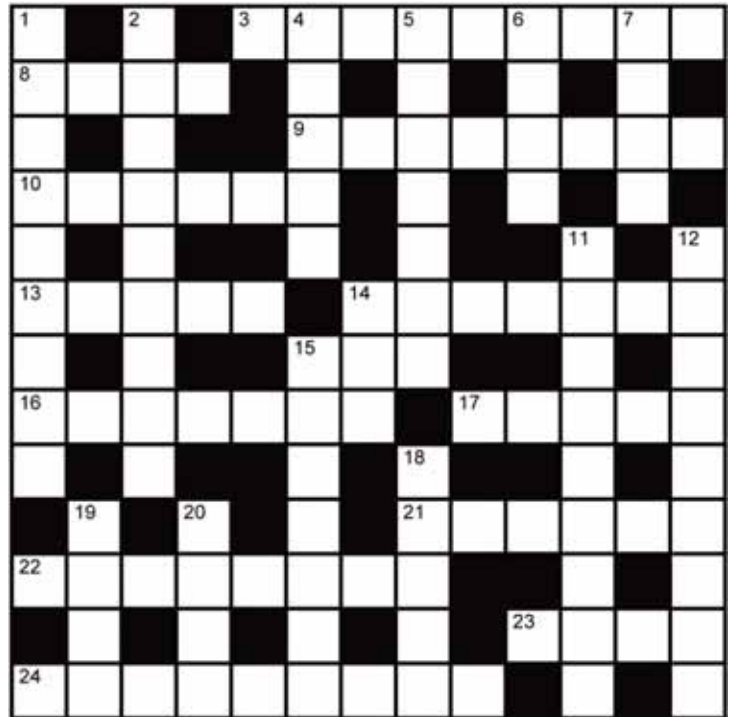
## ACROSS

3. Woollen helmet (9)
8. Civil disturbance (4)
9. Aerodrome (8)
10. Naturalist (6)
13. Vehicle (5)
14. Climbing rose (7)
15. Make notes (3)
16. Fred\_\_\_, cricket commentator (7)
17. Bee's defence (5)
21. Keep in custody (6)
22. It provides holiday news! (8)
23. Blast (4)
24. Melancholy (9)

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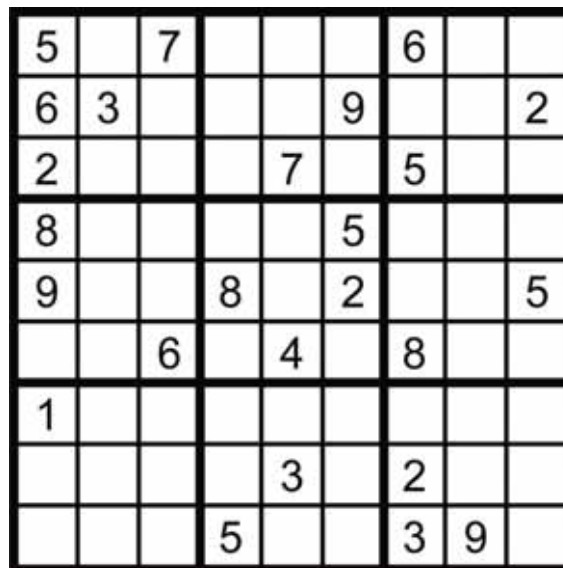
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2. Shadows hit, \_\_\_ Land (9)
4. Subside (5)
5. Circus Performer (7)
6. Den (4)

## QUICK CROSSWORD

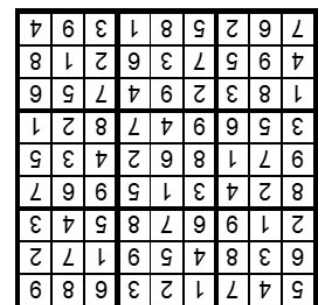


7. Contemptible (4)
11. Final demand
12. Bring into being (9)
14. Actor, \_\_\_ Moody
15. Male donkey (7)
18. Grand Prix driver \_\_\_ Irvine (5)
19. Skeletal material (4)
20. Celebrity (4)

## SUDOKU - Medium



**Across:** 3. Balachava, 8. Riot, 9. Airfield, 10. Nudist, 13. Lorry, 14. Rambler, 15. Lot, 16. Trueman, 17. Sting, 21. Detail, 22. Postcard, 23. Gust, 24. Depressed  
**Down:** 1. Translate, 2. Wonderful, 4. Acrobats, 5. Lait, 7. Vile, 11. Ultimatum, 12. Originate, 14. Ron, 15. Jackass, 18. Eddie, 19. Bone, 20. Star,



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# Council News

## Public Exhibitions

**Draft Community Plan 2025-2034**  
- Closes 10 February, 2024

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

## Council Meetings

Our next scheduled council meeting is 26 February 2024, commencing at 4pm.

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

## Current Vacancies

### People and Culture Advisor

Closes 2 February  
In this role, you'll be at the forefront of our recruitment efforts, managing the entire process from supporting supervisors in developing job descriptions to onboarding new hires.

### WHS Manager

Closes 31 January  
The opportunity to join Council and lead the charge in fostering a safety-first culture needs a dynamic individual who is both hands-on and strategic, capable of rolling up their sleeves while charting the course of our workplace health and safety initiatives.

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

## Cool off with FREE pool entry for Aus Day 2025!

This Australia Day (Sunday January 26) come cool off and enjoy FREE entry to the Guyra pool! Whether you're relaxing poolside or diving in for a swim, it's the perfect way to celebrate



## Looking for some summer school holiday fun?

If you know someone who loves LEGO, crafts, or games—or enjoys music, movies, or virtual reality—be sure to check out the fantastic holiday program at the Guyra Library!

To see what's on, simply visit the

Council website, search for 'School Holidays', and follow the prompts. No booking required, and if you have any questions, feel free to contact the activities team:

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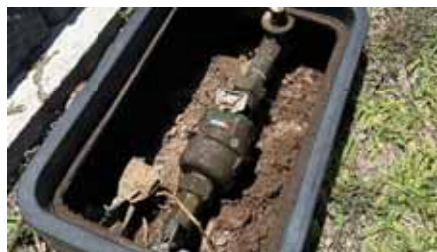
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our great country! So grab your swimmers, bring the family, and join us for a day of fun in the sun!



## Water meter reading and audit notice

On 20 January, the Armidale Regional Council (ARC) water team will begin the water meter audit and readings in Guyra and Armidale. Property owners are requested to clear the area around their water meter to ensure accurate readings, easy access, and safety. This will help the ARC water team carry out their duties smoothly and without obstruction. The audit is in addition to



meter reading to assist with the smart meter swap-over. For any questions, please contact our customer service team at 1300 136 833.

## Stall applications now open for Autumn festival 2025

The much-anticipated Autumn Festival event, set to celebrate the vibrant community and seasonal changes in Armidale, offers a fantastic opportunity for businesses, artisans, and food vendors to be part of one of the region's signature festivals. Register your market stall now - **Search** Autumn Festival on Council's website.

## In the loop with Mayor Coupland

Armidale Regional Council's Mayor, Sam Coupland, is keeping our region in the loop with his new monthly newsletter direct to your inbox.

Simply subscribe by scanning the QR code below to hear all the latest from the Mayor's desk.



# Industry networking and advice at Feeder Steer School

Beef producers will have the chance to build industry networks and improve their skills in the breeding, feeding and management of cattle bound for feedlots this February at the Feeder Steer School in Armidale.

Tailored for feeder steer producers, the conference will feature hands-on workshops and practical advice from leading industry research agencies, buyers, agronomists, meat scientists and livestock operation managers. The event will be held over three days between Monday 10th and Thursday 13th February at the University of New England (UNE).

The Northern Tablelands Local Land Services event will be hosted in partnership with UNE, NSW

Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and CSIRO supported by AgSTAR Projects. Attendees can expect to hear about genetic selection, pasture management and improvement, yard weaning and pre-feedlot nutrition, carcass data and cattle transport.

Sara Paton, Land Services Offi-



cer at Northern Tablelands Local Land Services said that the conference was designed to provide beef producers with the skills and knowledge required to meet the needs of the market and ensure that cattle are feedlot ready.

“We’ve got a great cross section of speakers from across the sector giving up their time to arm producers with the latest advice,” she said. “The event also provides some great opportunities for pro-

ducers to broaden their network amongst the industry”, said Ms Paton.

This year the event will feature workshops and presentations from Meat & Livestock Australia, Teys, Angus Australia, CSIRO, Jeff House Livestock, Apiam Animal Health, NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, UNE and Northern Tablelands Local Land Services.

Accommodation and meals for

participants will be available at UNE’s Duval College. Tickets for the full registration range from \$450-\$550, while the single day packages begin at \$200.

To purchase tickets visit the Northern Tablelands Local Land Services website.

Interested producers can also phone their closest Northern Tablelands Local Land Services office on 1300 795 299 for more information.

## Rural Market Reports

### Guyra sheep & lamb sale

**January 14th** – First sale back for 2025. Total yarding of approximately 7500 consisting of 5000 lambs and 2500 sheep.

The best of the heavy export lambs made from %190 to \$210 which was a bit cheaper than the last sale. A good line of 520 second cross lambs, approx. 30 kg, ranged from \$88 up to \$115 averaging \$110.

Best crossbred wethers made \$120 which was still cheaper than last year

Medium weight merinos made from \$65 to \$75 depending on skin and condition.

Lighter weight merinos made from \$35 up to \$55 depending on condition and quality

Sheep sales will be on weekly from now on until further notice.

### Armidale Cattle Sale

**January 16th** – Total yarding 2160 up 1660 on the previous sale. In what was the largest penning in quite some time yearlings and cows were well represented. There was a fair supply of grown steers and heifers along with the first of the early weaners. The quality of the offering was fair to very good while condition varied greatly. The regular buyers were in attendance. Restocker demand was strong for good quality young cattle with the steer weaners selling particularly well. The heifer portion were also keenly sought. Plain quality yearling steers in all categories were harder to sell and attracted less competition than the better quality lines. Market trends were dearer through all weight classes when compared to pre Christmas levels. Heifer yearlings also attracted strong competition

with demand from restocker and feedlot orders strong. Once again the better quality lines were keenly sought while secondary and plain quality heifers were discounted considerably. A small number of well finished heavy grown steers showed strong improvement as did the well finished grown heifers purchased by processors. Processor demand for cows was very strong with market trends also showing strong gains. Heavy bulls were also dearer.

### Weekly Wool Market

**January 16th** - The wool market returned this week after the Christmas recess with buyers generally optimistic of a positive opening. A stronger US currency over the Christmas / New Year period led to our dollar falling by 1.4% compared to the level at our last sale prior to the recess. This provided exporters with an

opportunity to not only write some new business but also to sell down some of their inventory of held stock. This led to tense competition from the opening lot on Tuesday and continued throughout the week with price gains recorded across all types. 44,434 bales were offered with 42,537 bales sold. Merino Fleece types gained 30 to 50 cents, whilst sought after skirtings of between 18-20 micron rose as much as 50 cents. The Crossbred sector was solid with selections of 27-to-32-micron fleece sold in seller’s favour improving by up to 15 cents. With such a positive start to the year, it is hoped that this beginning forms the catalyst for a better year ahead. With Chinese New Year and the Trump inauguration around the corner, the next few weeks will provide an interesting period for the wool market.



# Improved water access for property firefighting

.During a fire emergency, a landholder can now take water from surface and groundwater sources on their land without needing to have a water licence and water use approval, and this includes streams, creeks and rivers abutting a boundary.

This water can be used by landholders on their property and adjacent land to fight fires, and can also be used for training and controlled burning when carried out under the authority of a firefighting agency such as the NSW Rural Fire Service.

This exemption has been made via amendments to the Water Management (General) Regulation 2018, in what the NSW Government has described a commonsense reduction in red tape to improve the ability of farmers to fight fires on their own properties.

Under the change, landholders who wish to prepare for the threat of bushfires can now also lawfully



The NSW Government has freed up red tape on using water resources for firefighting needs

take water and store it in a tank or dam for future firefighting purposes.

The maximum volume allowed for each property is 100,000 litres (0.1 ML) per year.

The NSW government will

carry out targeted periodic surveys of landholders to monitor how the exemption is being used.

While landholders will not be required to submit reports, they are encouraged to log the volume of water they take under the ex-

emption, for their own records.

Emergency Services Minister Jihad Dib said the change will further empower landholders to deal with a fire threat.



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## Antique Machinery Rally & Swap Meet

SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>  
JANUARY 2025





Held in conjunction with the;  
**Guyra Lamb and Potato Festival**  
Under the trees at the Big Lamb on the New  
England Highway

**Contacts**  
Chris Sharman (President) – 0407 033 687  
Aaron Skinner (Secretary / Treasurer) – 0493  
157 791  
David Tibbs (Vice President) – 0408 723 980



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**7.00am:** Flag Raising & Breakfast  
at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall  
**9.30am:** Morning Tea Guyra Museum  
**10.00am:** CWA Evening Branch Art  
Show at The GALA Centre  
**10.00am:** Burgess Car Museum opens

## MEETING NOTICES

**GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY** meeting  
Wednesday 29th January at 7pm at  
Guyra showground.

**GUYRA JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE**  
AGM Tuesday, 11th February at Guyra  
Hotel 6.30pm. Nominations for office  
bearers must be emailed to the Secretary,  
Anna Heagney by 4th February to:  
guyrajrl2365@gmail.com

## CLAIM THE DATE

### EVERY WEDNESDAY

**OPEN MIC** 6.30pm at the Australian  
Poetry Hall of Fame

### 1st & 3rd SATURDAYS

**CROCHET, CHAT AND A CUPPA**  
at the Guyra Library. Guyra CWA  
Evening Branch, in partnership with  
the Armidale Regional Council, invites  
you to join us every first and third  
Saturday of the month 10am-1pm for  
crochet, chat and a cuppa. All skill  
levels welcome, bring a plate to  
share, materials can be supplied for  
beginners. Phone 02 6770 7123

### SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY

**MAWARRA CLEARING SALE.**  
Property has been sold. Commencing  
at 10am. For more information,  
contact Mark Atkin 0455 310 657

### SATURDAY, 8th FEBRUARY

Whisperhead, Stitch Finger, Cosmic  
Crumb live in concert @Australian  
Poetry Hall of Fame presented by  
GlenFest Events & wwrozzradio.com  
Enquiries 0421 544 047

### WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY

**SAVE & GROW GUYRA** Ratepayers  
Inc. Annual General Meeting 6pm  
Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club

### FRIDAY, 28th FEBRUARY 2025

Gwyn Ashton Mojo Soul Solo Aus Tour  
@ Australian Poetry Hall of Fame  
Tickets:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/CXOBM>

## RETURN THANKS

SARAH WHITE

3/7/1992 - 6/12/2024

The family of the late Sarah White  
wishes to extend our heartfelt thanks for  
the many kindnesses, condolences, and  
support we have received from family,  
friends, and the wider Guyra community.

We also express our gratitude and  
appreciation to all the police, emergency  
and health services involved.

## DEATH & FUNERAL NOTICES

MARSHALL; RAYMOND DOUGLAS

19.3.1938 - 20.1.2025

Of Ollera Street, Guyra

Dearly loved husband of May (dec'd).

Loving father and father-in-law of  
John & Annette, Susan & Leslie, Alison  
& Glen and Steven.

Loving grandfather, great-grandfather  
and great-great-grandfather of their  
families.

Aged 86 years

A graveside funeral service to be held  
at the Guyra Lawn Cemetery on Thursday,  
30th January 2025 commencing at 10am.



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## HISTORICAL MUSEUM

**GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM** will  
be OPEN Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday,  
26<sup>th</sup> January 9.30am to 2pm. Enquiries  
to 6779 2132 (business hours).  
*Please join us for Morning Tea  
on Australia Day at 9.30am*

## GUYRA SHOW

**Photography entries**

close on Wednesday 12th February  
• Call in at the Gala office and get your  
family pass or your Member tickets

## FOOD PANTRY

**Food Pantry  
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GUYRA CWA EVENING BRANCH PRESENTS



# GUYRA ART EXHIBITION

PAINTING-SCULPTURE-PHOTOGRAPHY-POTTERY

JANUARY 17TH 2025

TO

JANUARY 26TH 2025

OPEN DAILY 10AM-4PM

FREE ENTRY- GALA CENTRE 136 BRADLEY ST- GUYRA

OPENING NIGHT FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY 2025  
6pm

TICKETS \$10 AVAILABLE AT GALA

For entries, tickets or more information contact  
Lynda on 0497 469 919 or Anne 0413 595 353

## Vets Golf

Last Tuesday January 14th, the Vets played an individual stableford plus putting competition. Jon Cumming won the day with a great 38 points to runner up Custard Mulligan. Custard also won the putts plus NTP's on the 7th and 18th with Paul Redden getting the 10th. Next Tuesday is the first of our pennant matches to be held in Armidale.

*Drake.*

## Ladies' Golf

Last week the ladies played a Par Medal. The winner was Pip White. Linley Ryan was the runner up on a countback. Pip also won the nearest the pin shots on the 9th and 18th holes. Leonie Taylor won the nearest the pin on the 10th hole.

This week is a Stableford. Next week is a Stroke and Putting competition along with the 1st Golf NSW Medal Round.

*Birdie*

## Sunday Golf

With some welcome rain the course will be pristine in time for the Australia Day Ambrose 2 man event. Hope to see you there.

HAPPY GOLFING

*S.K.*

## Midweek Golf

Golf is off to a slow start in 2025. Everyone still in holiday mode.

Topscoring individuals this week were Lachlan Brazier, Les Heffernan, Pip White and Jenni Jackson with 23 points. Next in line we have Lee Rose, Annabelle Lenehan and Darren Lennon on 21 points.

Team score for the week went to Pitch Purrfects and Green Grass with 79 points, following closely by Baldersleigh Bashers on 76 and Blue Sky on 75.

Less rain this week and more golf for everyone. Have a good week.

*Middy*

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## Bowling Club hosts successful Fours Carnival

The Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club hosted their annual Fours Carnival over the weekend, with the Inverell Sporties team emerging victorious.

The winning team consisted of Lex Livermore, Corey Livermore, Brandon Livermore, and Neville Williams.

The runners-up were a composite team made up of J Bullen, G Latham, P Doyle, and C Kliendienst, who were ultimately outplayed by the Inverell Sporties team.

Clubs from across the region participated in a weekend of friendly competition.

Looking ahead, the Guyra Bowling Club is preparing for more exciting events. Nominations for the Club Fours competition are now open and will close on Sunday, February 9th.

The first two rounds of the



Winners Lex Livermore, Corey Livermore, Brandon Livermore, and Neville Williams

competition will take place on Sunday, February 16th, with a

9:30 AM start. All club members are encouraged to partici-

pate ahead of what promises to be strong nominations.

- **Bull Ride**
  - \$2,250
- **Novice Bull Ride**
  - \$500
- **U18 Junior Bull Ride**
  - \$250
- **U15 Mini Bull Ride**
  - \$200
- **7 to U12 Mini Bull Ride**
  - \$150
- **U12 Local Mini Bull Ride**
  - \$50



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**Thursday**  
 13th February  
 between  
 2pm and 6pm

**Guyra Show Bull Ride**