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Scout Hall restoration reaches next stage

The next stage of renovations to the former Guyra Scout Hall has commenced with painting inside and out to be completed in the next three weeks.

Haymes Paints, Armidale has partnered with the Rotary Club of Guyra to begin the transformation of the exterior and interior of the old Scout Hall, to give it a new lease of life.

The exterior colour scheme, approved by the Armidale Regional Council, reflects the local heritage value of the Hall which is made up of two former school buildings, Everett and Moggs Swamp.

Working with Blake Cooper, the local store manager, Haymes Paints is providing all the paint at or near cost price.

"Haymes Paints is pleased to partner with the Rotary Club of Guyra on this important locally significant building to see it once again available for community use," Mr Cooper said. "This is the first time that we have joined with a community club in Guyra."



Blake and Ruby from Haymes Paints delivering the paint to Rotarians Hans Hietbrink and David Kanaley and the painting team

Rotary's Project Manager for the Hall, David Kanaley, said that the participation of Haymes Paints has meant that the limited funding for the Hall's restoration and upgrade can stretch further.

"There is a need to upgrade, repair or replace footings, plumbing, electrical wiring and lighting, asbestos, the kitchen, windows and doors," Mr Kanaley said. "However painting is the biggest single expense."

The renovation and upgrade of the Hall so that it meets all current health, building and safety requirements and once again becomes fit for community use, has come about through the Rotary Club of Guyra becoming the Crown Lands Manager for the Hall. The Club then applied and received a Crown Reserve Improvement Fund grant. Rotary also provided a small grant and two other grants have been applied for with the results expected in the next three months or so.

If anyone would like to join Rotary and volunteer to work on community projects and support community programs, such as this project or projects related to youth, the bookfair or the Christmas Carnival, please contact Hans Hietbrink, President, on 0402 044 891 or by email to: guyrarotary@gmail.com

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Multimillion-dollar benefit sharing deal

Armidale Regional Council (ARC) has agreed to a benefit sharing arrangement with energy company ACEnergy which could see millions of dollars invested in the community.

ACENERGY is behind a proposed 400-megawatt battery energy storage system in Armidale with Councillors endorsing the agreement at the Ordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday February 26th.

This agreement is one of a number of benefit sharing arrangements made with other renewable energy companies which could bring in more than fifty million dollars to support community amenity projects in the Armidale Region.

If approved, Gara BESS will be one of the state's largest battery energy storage systems and will connect directly to existing 330kV network infrastructure.

According to ACENERGY the project will support New South Wales's clean energy transition and secure reliable, affordable power.



Daniel Boyce - Chief Officer Planning and Activation, and Sam Coupland - Armidale Regional Council Mayor

"We are very excited to see this benefit sharing framework come to fruition and be partnering with ACENERGY Pty Ltd," said ARC Mayor Sam Coupland.

"We are looking forward to the contributed funds being invested in and applied to community projects that will have a massive intergenerational benefit to our region.

"With the success we've seen in negotiating many millions for the community we need to ensure that these funds are preserved for future generation and are directed to meaningful projects that make our region a better place to live.

"We didn't choose the Renewable Energy Zone but it is our mining boom and we need to make sure that our community receives its fair share of benefit from supporting the States transition to net zero."

ACEnergy's origination manager, Marley Brown, welcomed the collaboration with the Armidale Regional Council, labelling the agreement an illustration of community-focussed develop-

"We are committed to ensuring that our proposed BESS project delivers for the region in real ways. As well as jobs and economic opportunity, we want to ensure that our Community Benefit Fund reaches people, projects and initiatives that make a real difference in Armidale.

"We are thankful for the Council's support toward ensuring maximum impact and benefit for local residents of we look forward to progressing in consultation with the community."





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Get ready to Frolic this weekend!



Above:

Green Frog Creations will be showcasing new items, including sheep-inspired stitch holders made specifically for the Frolic.

Right:

Different fibes will be displayed and there will be discussions and demonsrations throughout the day



Excitement is building for the Guyra Fleece and Fibre Frolic (GF&FF), happening on Saturday, March 22nd, in the Lamb and Potato Pavilion (aka the Music Shed) on the highway.

The event has already attracted widespread interest from fibre lovers, with enthusiasts expected to attend from as far away as Bellingen, Warwick, Tamworth, and Bundarra. Get ready for plenty of 'woolly' conversations and 'fibre' to digest throughout the day!

The event will be easy to find, with a trail of yarnbombing leading the way for both visitors and locals alike. Organisers are thrilled that the Frolic has already helped increase recognition of the diverse range of fibre products available in the local area.

The primary goal of the event is to bring together yarn enthusiasts to share knowledge and skills. Throughout the day, there will be a variety of demonstrations and enthusiast-led discussions covering all things fibre, including topics like:

- A love of long wools
- · Beginners' colour work
- Drop spindling
- Spinning art yarn

With four fleece providers and two yarn retailers attending, there will be plenty to see and do. Gwenda from Green Frog Creations will be showcasing new items, including sheep-inspired stitch holders made specifically for the Frolic.

For those looking to get handson, there will be a "sit and do" area with looms and spinning wheels set up for you to try. An exhibition space will also be available for participants to bring their own projects to share and check out what others are creating.

Additionally, you can join the special knitalong created for the event! The pattern will be available on the day, or you can pick up a copy at Our Little Gallery, via the GF&FF Facebook page, or by contacting Louise by phoning 0428 206970 or louisep1962@gmail.com.

The day kicks off at 9 AM and will wrap up around 4 PM and entry is free. The Guyra Fleece and Fibre Frolic promises to be a vibrant celebration of fibre arts, offering something for enthusiasts of all skill levels to connect, learn, and create. Don't miss out on this fun-filled day!

Have a Koala-themed Beer with Guest Speakers

Southern New England Landcare invites community members to Koala Konversations, an inspiring Koala Conservation Speaker Night, to learn how they can help protect one of Australia's most iconic species.

The evening, to be held on 20th March in Armidale, features talks from leading experts in the field, offering insights into the challenges facing koalas, and the efforts underway locally, to secure their future.

Guest speakers include Carolyn Hogg, Professor of Biodiversity and Conservation at the University of Sydney and Romane Cristescu, Senior Research Fellow in Conservation Ecology from Sunshine Coast University, as well as Local Ecologist John Lemon and National Parks and Wildlife Area Manager Mike Grieg, who will share the latest research, stories, and practical ways the community can get involved.

Hosted at The Welders Dog Brewery from 5 pm, the event will include free food and a special koala-themed beer, with proceeds from each ticket sale going directly to koala rescue and rehabilitation efforts.

The night promises to be both educational and inspiring, offering a chance to engage with experts while enjoying good food and drinks among friends – all in support of koala conservation.

More information and tickets athttps://snelandcare.org.au/event/koala-konversations



Koala Conversations will take place at the Welders Dog Brewery on Thursday March 20th

What's HOT

Easter is still a month away - more time to enjoy Hot Cross Buns and Easter Eggs

Golf Championships underway - great to see plenty of players out on the course

Freshly mown roadsides -BUT (see below)

What's NOT

Rubbish revealed after the mowers go through

After School Activities Program

Black Mountain Public School's after-school activities program is once again well supported this term.

These sporting sessions are delivered by qualified coaches, helping our students to learn both sport and team skills.

> Mrs Justine Eddy Relieving Principal



JOKE of the week

How do you tell the difference between a bull and a cow?

It is either one or the udder!

Bureau of Meteorology

Weather

WATCH

Guyra MPS

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Rain this week 30.0mm
Mar. rainfall 94.2mm
Rainfall YTD 308.4mm
Rainfall last YTD 179.8mm
Ave. rain to Mar. 299.1mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology



lead up activities including, Knitalong and Yarn bombing

March 22nd 2025

New England Highway Guyra

contact Louise 0428206970 or Jenny 0404099713

enthusiast lead discussions

No cost to participate

Youth Refuge and Community College success

Pathfinders Youth Homelessness Support Service recently partnered with New England Community College (NECC) to launch a new 19-week Life Skills Program.

Coordinator Karina Wight and her staff worked closely with the College to develop the program, which provided hands-on experience in cooking, health, numeracy, literacy, computer studies, and vocational pathways.

It also focused on resume writing, job applications, and interview preparation, helping participants feel more confident about stepping into the workforce or further education.

Thanks to the incredible support from Community College staff Brendon Collits, Sue Collins, and Jane Leake, every student successfully completed the program.

Their hard work and dedication have made a real impact, with one



NECC Staff Jane Leake, Brendan Collits and Sue Collins (back) delivered the course in collaboration with Pathfinders

young person returning to high school and several others now looking to continue studying at the College.

Given the program's success,

New England Community College will be running the program again.

If you would like more information on this new program,

please contact Karina at the Armidale Youth Refuge or the New England Community College directly.



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Public Forum

Next month I will be speaking at a public forum in Guyra, hosted by the Save and Grow Guyra Ratepayers group. The forum will include discussions on youth crime and health.

The forum will be at the Guyra Bowling and Recreation Club from 6pm on 2nd April. I look forward to seeing you there!

Proposal to split the Hunter New England Health District

Members of the public will be able to have their say on the Health Services Amendment (Splitting of the Hunter New England Health District) Bill 2025.

The proposed Bill aims to dissolve the current Hunter New England Local Health District to establish two new districts – Hunter Local Health District and the New England Northwest Local Health District.

It has been referred to the Legislative Assembly Committee on Community Services which means the wider Hunter and New England communities will be able to have their say on the proposed changes and have input into the future of healthcare in the region.

Visit www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/committees/inquiries to view the Bill and make your submission.

ePetition

Phebe Furneaux's ePetition requesting the NSW Government debate the ongoing crime crisis in regional NSW has hit its target of 20,000 signatures.

Her ePetition is seeking to:

- Strengthen bail laws to prevent violent young offenders from re-offending;
- Provide increased resources and support for police officers to effectively apprehend and prosecute offenders; and
- Review the judicial system to prioritise community safety.

The ePetition will now have to be scheduled for debate. Congratulations to Phebe Furneaux and the people of regional NSW for standing up to be heard.

Free learn to swim program

A new learn to swim and water safety program aimed at at-risk groups – low income earners, multicultural communities, First nations people and people in regional areas – has been launched by the NSW Government.

The program offers 10 free lessons through 15 learn to swim providers.

For more information visit sport.nsw.gov.au/learn-to-swim-program.



Have your say on the future of the Hunter New England Health District

Northern Tablelands providers:

Royal Life Saving Society – Australia Armidale and Tamworth

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Meals on Wheels

Mar 20 Bec Broughton 21 Steve Norris Mar 24 Toni Kirkman Mar 25 Steve Norris Mar Mar 26 ARC

Street Stalls

Mar 20, 21, 22 Lions Club Mar 27 Hospital Aux. Mar 28, 29 Rotary

Church Notices

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic **Church** Mass 6pm Saturday 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday -Friday 9am. Contact: 6779 1036

St. James' Anglican Church

9am Sunday, followed by morning tea. Doors open from 8:30am. All welcome! Contact: Rev. Tim Stevens 6779 1111 Anglicare Chaplain: Rev. Daniel Hayes (0428 828 852)

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

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

Contact: Pastors Linden & Kerrie Pollard 0455 232 073.

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

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

Church of Freedom (Cnr. Boorolong & Nincoola Sts.) Sunday worship: 10am Prayer meeting: Tuesday 6.30pm Bible discussion: Wednesday 6.30pm Pastors: Jeff & Sharon Ritchie 0421 847 973 Chaplaincy services: Dan McGinty 0409 399 270

Black Mountain Baptist Church

Service 4pm, second Sunday of the month

Contact: Robert Dewhurst Armidale District Baptist Church M. 0409723522.

Service Clubs

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

ACROSS:

1 Beautiful mausoleum at Agra (3,5)

5 Sea inlet (4)

9 Became less intense (5)

10 Pass across or through (7)

11 Sound of quick light steps (6-6)

13 Medium-sized feline (6)

14 Adheres to; fastens (6)

17 Antique; not modern

20 Separated; remote (7)

21 Therefore (5)

22 Part of a door fastening

(4)23 Yellowish edible seed

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1.Bound (4)

2 Moral rightness (7)

3 And also (12)

4 Clothing (6)

6 Surprise result (5)

7 20th-century art move-

ment (8)

8 Extremely harmful (12)

12 Large stone (8)

16 Building devoted to

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Public Exhibitions

2024 Armidale Regional Liveability Survey - Closes 24 March, 2024

Draft Community Engagement Strategy 2025-2028 - Closes 31 March, 2024

Search 'Your Say Armidale' to submit your feedback.

Council Meetings

Our next scheduled council meeting is 26 March 2025. All

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

Current Vacancies

Aerodrome Reporting Officer

Lead - Closes 23 March. The Senior Aerodrome Reporting Officer (ARO) is responsible for ensuring safe and secure airside operations by continuously inspecting and maintaining airside infrastructure.

General Hand - Parks - Closes 30 March. The position is accountable for carrying out labouring, plant and truck operation duties associated with maintenance and construction of Council assets under the general control and supervision of the Team Leader or Supervisor.

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

Upcoming water main upgrades in Guyra

Residents in Guyra will soon benefit from essential water main upgrades, with work scheduled to commence



International Women's Day Panel

A powerful panel of voices gathered during March to reflect on issues of gender equity, leadership, and systemic change. Women from the University of New England and Armidale Regional Council shared their insights and experiences on how individuals and organisations can actively support and empower women in their careers.

A celebration of progress and an acknowledgement of how far there is still to go, the event was also "a reminder that progress is intentional and requires a collective effort". Great to see Aimee (second from the right) and Annie (second from the left) from #teamARC join the panel and share their experiences and support!

on Ryanda and Youman Streets from 24 March 2025. Armidale Regional Council (ARC) will replace the old water main with a new 100mm Oriented Polyvinyl Chloride (OPVC) water mains.

We need a favour!



Complete our communication survey! The engagement and external relations team at #TeamARC is hoping for some feedback from you to help us to communicate better with our community. Not just for social media, but across all communication channels. If you could spare 5 to 10 minutes of your time to complete a survey and share your thoughts with us, that would make our day! Simply scan the QR code below to complete our survey!





Guyra men's group enjoys day out in Dorrigo

One of the fantastic community services facilitated by Guyra Home Support Services is a monthly men's group - an opportunity for local men to socialise, explore, and enjoy the outdoors! Older men living around Guyra and Tingha catch up regularly, including for bus outings. The group had a fantastic time in February visiting Dorrigo Rainforest Centre, enjoying the view from the Skywalk, and having morning tea at the Canopy Café. The day included a visit to the Dorrigo Steam Railway and Museum and a walk at Dangar Falls lookout. Then lunch and a cold drink at the Heritage Hotel Motel Dorrigo wrapped up a fun day out with great company! Anyone keen to get involved, or find out more should phone Guyra Home Support Services on 02 6770 7127.



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Guyra Show Yard Dog Trials

Another successful Yard Dog Trial was held at the 2025 Guyra Show. Thank you to all our competitors and spectators.



Guyra Yard Trial Maiden (I to r)

Margo Hogan , Judge Eric Tighe, Ist and 2nd Stuart Williamson,

3rd Ed Wall, u/p Tommy Cleaver



Guyra Yard Trial Encourage (I to r)
Margo Hogan, Eric Tighe - judge, Kate Blair Hickman Ist,
2nd Tammi Czapracki, 3rd Tom Smith, u/p Cody Martin

Thank you to NAB Armidale, Coprice, Nutrien Guyra, Dan and Jess Sisson and Neil Clayton for sponsorship.



Guyra Yard Trial Open (I to r)

Margo Hogan, Matt Czapracki 5th, Greg Thomas 1st, Matt Cumming
2nd, Mandy Carlon 3rd, Ed Wall - Judge, Peter Hogan 4th.



Guyra Yard Trial - Novice (I to r)

Margo Hogan, Judge Tim Mackie, 4th Matt Czapracki,
2nd Stuart Williamson and 1st Mandy Carlon

Search on for next gen rural leaders

A statewide search is underway for five young rural leaders as NSW Farmers opens applications for its 2025 Tertiary Scholarships.

Each worth \$4000 annually, the NSW Farmers 2025 Tertiary Scholarships will be awarded to members or their children in their second year of study for a university degree or vocational qualification, in a field relevant to regional and rural Australia.

NSW Young Farmers Chair Martin Murray said the scholarship program aimed to build the farm communities of the future by offering five young leaders the opportunity to excel in their field.

"As the state's peak farm body, we exist to help farmers right now, but also in the future – and this scholarship program is part of our commitment to help the next generation access opportunities and careers in rural Australia," Mr

Murray said.

"We want to open doors and possibilities in the regions, and the future success of these communities truly relies on the talented younger generation we have coming through.

"Investing in skill development and building capacity is essential if we want these future leaders to find their passion and get the head start they need to achieve their goals." Applications for the Tertiary Scholarships program close on 11 May 2025.

Scholarships will be awarded based on academic performance, commitment to agriculture and rural communities, and all-round ability including leadership qualities and communication skills.

For more information or to apply, visit the NSW Farmers website.



Gazette's Celebrity Footy Tipping

Last week Celebrity Mal agonised over the match between his beloved Roosters and the Panthers. Very reluctantly, he tipped the Panthers, given the Roosters dismal performance

Imagine how he feels this week with the Roosters running out the winners over the Panthers! You will see from his tips that Mal has returned to the Roosters fold.

And that is why, dear reader, that we at the Gazette had a little fun with finding a pic of a bedraggled rooster to place with Mal's photo.

We have three Celebrities in the lead on 24 points: Sue, Kim and Robert. In 2nd place we also have three Celebrities: Soley, MCLS and Vu.

On top of the Locals Leaderboard we have another three on 24 points: Dip Stick, Rabbitohs and KingGJBW.

In 2nd place on 22 points we have six Locals and, back to the three's we have three Locals in 3rd place on 20 points.

Good luck with Round 3 of the season!

Sue's Tips **Panthers** Roosters **Broncos** Rabbits **Tigers**

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Bulldogs

Raiders



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MCLS' Tips

Panthers Roosters Cowboys **Sharks Tigers Titans** Eels Sea Eagles



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Score: 18

Vu's Tips

Knights

Bulldogs

Raiders

Panthers Roosters **Broncos** Rabbits

Tigers Knights **Bulldogs**

Sea Eagles

Guyra Pharmacy Trading Hours

Mon-Fri 8am - 5.30pm Saturday 9am - 12pm Closed on Sunday & Public Holidays

106 Bradley Street, Guyra 6779 1192



Score: 18

Robert's Tips

Storm Roosters **Broncos** Sharks **Tigers** Knights **Bulldogs** Raiders



Opening Hours: Monday to Thursday: 8.00am to 5.30pm

Friday: 7.30am to 5.30pm Saturday: 7.30am to 12pm



105 Bradley Street 6779 1008

Score: 24

Mal's Tips **Panthers**

Roosters **Broncos** Sharks

Tigers Knights

Bulldogs Sea Eagles

M & J MOFFATT GROUNDSPREADING

MAL MOFFATT 0427 102 630 "Yarana", Guyra

mal.moff@outlook.com

Score: 16

Kim's Tips Storm

Warriors **Broncos** Sharks **Dolphins** Knights **Doggies** Raiders



OPENING HOURS Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 6.30am - 2pm Saturday: 7am - 2pm Tues & Sun: CLOSED

> Kimmy's Kitchen 120Å Bradley St. 0486 012 743

> > Score: 24

Eli's Tips

Storm Rosters **Broncos Sharks Tigers** Knights **Bulldogs**

Sea Eagles



Golf championships underway

The 1st and 2nd Round of the Golf Championships were played over Saturday and Sunday with a good roll up for both days. Thank you to our sponsors for their continued support.

Saturday sponsor was the Guyra Bakery and Sunday sponsor was Guyra Fourways Service Centre..

Saturday Nett winners were:

A Grade - Steve Wilson, Runner Up - Adam Brennan

B Grade - Chris Newberry, Runner Up-Taylor Brennan

C Grade - Noah Brennan, Runner Up- Shane Brennan

Sunday Nett winners:

A Grade-Adam Brennan, Runner Up - Ian Taylor

B Grade - Chris Newberry, Runner Up - Neil Paine C Grade- Cooper Brennan, Runner Up - Trent Mendes

Which leads us to the leaders of each Grade with this Saturday and Sunday's competition to complete. Each Grade is up for grabs with A Grade Mick Purvis leading Adam Brennan by 5 shots. B Grade Chris Newberry being chased by Taylor Brennan and Scott Mendes who are only 6 be-

hind.C Grade Noah Brennan is only 4 clear of Beau Orchard and Trent Mendes.

Good luck to everyone for the upcoming weekend and see you out there.

This Sunday is also the Junior Championships which will be a Stableford event so hope to see a few younger ones having a go.

HAPPY GOLFING

Rural Market Reports

Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale

March 4th – A smaller yarding than the previous sale. It was a dearer market than previous week with a better trend across the board

The best of the export lambs made \$238. Domestic lambs made from \$180 to \$220. Store lambs made from \$90 to \$140 depending on breed and shearing.

Best of mutton made to \$122, Medium weights made from \$75 up to \$95

Best of the merinos made \$95, lighter weights made from \$50 to \$95

Armidale Cattle Sale

March 13th –Total yarding 1090.A rain reduced offering with numbers falling by 700 head. The quality of the offering was very mixed with young cattle well represented.

There was a much larger percentage of vealers and weaners penned. Cows made up the bulk of the grown cattle offering. Condition varied with very few well finished young cattle. The best condition was displayed by the older cattle.

The lower numbers saw a reduction in the buying ranks with some processors not attending and some of the regular restocker and feeder orders absent.

Restocker buyers showed a strong preference for good quality weaners. The steer portion experienced a significantly dearer market trend with a very obvious bias towards the well bred lines showing in the price range. The heifer portion followed a similar trend however the improvement was not as great.

There was little feedlot competition on yearling steers with market trends cheaper through-

out all weight categories. The mixed quality nature of the penning was a factor in price change.

Heifer yearlings varied a little with the light weights not as keenly sought as the medium and heavy weights. All classes showing firm to slightly cheaper trends under reduced competition.

Not a lot of change in the market for the small number of heavy grown steers suitable to process. The grown heifers sold to a slightly cheaper trend. Medium weight cows sold to a dearer trend while there was little change in the well finished heavy weights. A large supply of bulls sold to cheaper trends.

Weekly Wool Market

March 14th - The wool market bucked the trend of many commodities and stock markets around the world. Gains were made over both selling days with competition strong.

The Northern region indicator climbed 12 cents on the first day of sales and added a further 6 cents on the final day. Finishing the week at 1279 cents the Northern region indicator is at its highest weekly closing level since May 2023.

Mid micron Merino prices continue to perform strongly and are closing in on levels that represent the top 10% of prices received since AWEX started quoting the market in July 1995. 36,604 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 4.3%. Major buyers included Techwool, PJ Morris and Endeavour Wool.

Three consecutive weeks of a rising market has resulted in next weeks expected national offering increasing by more 5,000 bales to 41,000. This may slow momentum a little, but 41,000 bales are not a large figure by any stretch of the imagination.

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Gazette Sport

Men's Bowls

Last Saturday Robert Moore, Scott Campbell and John McIllwain defeated Barry Walls,

Wayne Reeves and Mathew Simpson 35-17.Cameron Peardon, Barry Presnell and

Phil Kliendienst defeated Mallie Walls, Tim Ellis and Robert Walls 27-14. Colin Stanley,

Anthony Bull and Randy Mulligan were too good for Dan Kennedy, Graham Starr and

Greg Mitchell 29-11.

Next Saturday the 22nd March at 12 o'clock Cameron Peardon, Barry Presnell and Phil Kliendienst will play Colin Stanley, Anthony Bull and Randy Mulligan, also the same day

Paul Johnson, David Wilcox and Murray Bourke will play Robert Moore, Scott Campbell and Roger Cox.

Jack.

Ladies' Golf

Last week the ladies played a Par Medal.

Wendy George was the winner.

Kerry Bull was the runner up. Nearest the pin winners were, Vicki Reeves on the 9th hole.

Kerry Bull on the 18th hole. This week is the first round of

This week is the first round of the Ladies Championships.

Followed by round two on Saturday and round three next week.

The Ladies Pennants team will be playing the first Pennants Round next week as well.

Good luck all!

Birdie

Vets Golf

Last week we played on Thursday because of the rain on Tuesday. It was very heavy going as the scores will indicate. Three players had 30 points which was the winning score with Ian Taylor the winner on a count back to runner up Paul Redden on a count back to Phil Devlin. NTPs went to Paul Redden on the 20th, Tim St Clair on the 7th and John Prisk on the 18th. Robert Moore was the best putter. Next week the 25th will be our 4BBB.

On the 23rd of March we are being visited by a representative from GOLF NSW. At the time of writing I'm not sure of the time nor the purpose of the visit but I believe it is just to answer questions about any concerns relating to golf.

Drake.

Midweek Golf

Finally we have some results after two weeks of golf. Highest team score went to Sultans of Swing with 92 points. Well

done. Then on 80 points we have Baldersleigh Bashers and Pitch Purrfects on 79 points.

Individual score was Archie Dowden on 25, Ryan Vidler 24, Ricky Ellis 23 and on 22 we had Lachlan Brazier, Jenny Rogers, Ian Brown, Heidi Wilson, Oliver White and Jenny Atkin.

Mid week finishes on Sunday 30th March. So only this week and next week to go.

Middy

Cricket

Under 11s

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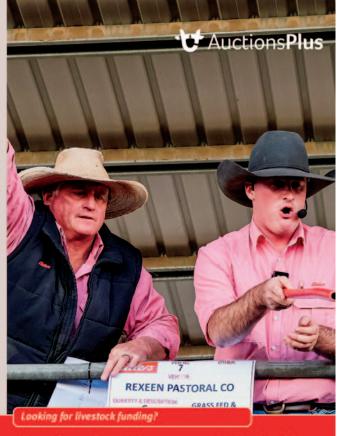
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