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## Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation – Growing, Harvesting, Preparing and Sharing

In 2022 Guyra Central School will be partnering with Stephanie Alexander in the way of a Kitchen Garden Program for their Primary students. Stephanie Alexander launched the pilot Kitchen Garden Program in 2001. The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation is now supporting schools and early childhood services of all sizes to deliver pleasurable food education.

The Kitchen Garden Program offers educators a comprehensive package of professional development, educational resources and support. Some of the main benefits that a kitchen garden program provides for students are:

**Positive food behaviours:** Students learn how to grow, cook, eat and share fresh, delicious, nutritious food.

**Connectedness with the outdoors:** Students learn about their natural environment, the seasons, and how to care for gardens.



Primary students at Guyra Central School will be getting hands on experience in the garden next year

**Practical skills:** Students learn a number of skills, from recycling, composting and preserving to budgeting and fundraising.

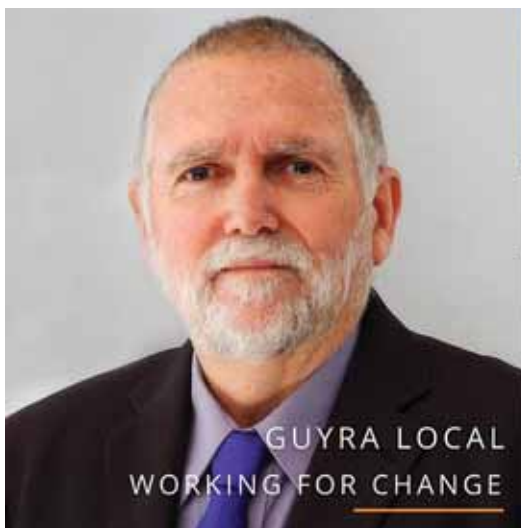
**Life skills:** Students learn essential life-long skills, such as cooperating, sharing, critical thinking and leadership.

**Engagement:** The hands-on approach of the Kitchen Garden Program sparks en-

thusiasm, especially for students who face barriers learning in the traditional classroom environment.

**Wellbeing:** Students develop positive relationships with peers and adults, building a sense of connectedness and having fun!

Guyra Central School is looking forward to sharing their successes in the Garden and Kitchen in 2022.



GUYRA LOCAL  
WORKING FOR CHANGE

### VOTE 1

### STEVE MEPHAM COUNCIL CANDIDATE



Inclusiveness



Integrity



Collaboration

- WORKING TOWARDS FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND PLANNING FOR GROWTH IN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE LEADING TO POPULATION GROWTH AND ENHANCED QUALITY OF LIFE.
- PUSHING FOR TOURISM OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE REGION.
- ADDRESSING RURAL ROADS AND RENEW AGING INFRASTRUCTURE AS A CRITICAL PRIORITY.
- IMPROVING PUBLIC CONSULTATION, REALLY LISTENING TO COMMUNITY AND REPORTING BACK TO COMMUNITY.

Written and authorised by Steve Mepham - 985 Llangothlin Road, Llangothlin NSW 2365



# LOCAL TRADIES SUPPORT MOVEMBER

## *Santa Claus is coming to town*

Join in the fun at the  
Guyra  
Christmas Carnival  
in the main street

**THIS FRIDAY  
3<sup>rd</sup> December  
from 4.00pm**




-  **Jumping Castle for the kids**
-  **Lighting the Christmas Tree**
-  **Market stalls**
-  **Music**
-  **Food**
-  **Come and meet Santa**

**Rotary  
Guyra** 

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Regional Council**




Dasha & Todd Handebo with tradies Brad Lane (top left) Lleyton Gee (Top right), Jason Campbell and Matt McFarlane (centre) and Scott Youman



**We need you**

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Dasha and Tania from Dasha's Hardware would like to thank all the wonderful men that supported Movember – Grow a MO. Movember is an annual event involving the growing of moustaches during the month of November to raise awareness of men's health issues, such as prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and men's suicide.

Dasha's organized a team of local tradies who supported the initiative. Movember is all about the men in our lives and how important their health is to us. They all had a bit of fun and it got everyone talking and together they raised \$480.00. Here are some of the handsome men and their amazing Mo's. Thanks to all from Tania & Dasha



Above: Tom Woods, Matt McFarlane and Donovan Reeves  
 Above right: Phil Wade with the Dasha's crew  
 Below: The maintenance crew from the Tomato Farm



## Stop the Spread of Chilean Needle Grass

### #2

**Come along to find out more from industry speakers and farmers sharing their experiences with Chilean Needle Grass in pastures**

Focus on:

- Identification
- Control options
- Management strategies for larger areas on Chilean Needle Grass

**FRIDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021**  
**9.30am - 12.00pm**

**Guyra Bowling & Recreation Club**

RSVP: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021  
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 Email: [glenrac@glenrac.org.au](mailto:glenrac@glenrac.org.au)



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## What's HOT

**CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL** this Friday from 4pm

**RUGBY LEAGUE Centenary** year in 2022 - page 4 for more details

**MOVEMBER** - great to see the local tradies getting behind this

**CHRISTMAS** is getting closer. Lots of decorated shop windows and great gift ideas at local businesses

## What's NOT

**BREAK IN** at ADRA op shop - making extra work for volunteers who are trying to help

## QUOTE of the week

"Talk is cheap, voting is free; take it to the polls."

Bureau of Meteorology

## Weather

### WATCH

Guyra MPS

Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain
23	Tues	11.0	19.0	0.8
24	Wed	11.0	17.5	0
25	Thurs	14.1	20.8	2.6
26	Fri	15.1	19.9	5.0
27	Sat	11.2	18.2	9.8
28	Sun	9.8	16.7	1.6
29	Mon	10.1	22.5	0

Rain this week	19.8mm
Nov. rainfall	185.2mm
Rainfall YTD	1057.8mm
Rainfall last YTD	773.2mm
Ave. rain to Nov.	788.6mm

Information supplied by Jeff Martin, Observer for Bureau of Meteorology

# ADRA fills 42 bags for charity

The Guyra ADRA shop last week handed over 42 ladies bags, 5 teen backpacks and 3 baby bags to Anne Lane in support of the 'It's in the Bag' initiative.

ADRA collected bags all year from donations and then purchased and received filler donations from the community which were put together by volunteers. #ItsInTheBag is Share the Dignity's annual event where they encourage everyday Australians to put together bags filled with essential items, to donate to someone in need for Christmas.



Helen and Kayla Turnham (above) with ADRA's collection of bags which they handed over to Anne and Nathan Lane

## Have your say.....

### 100 years of Rugby League in Guyra

Since 1922 rugby league has been a vibrant part of the Guyra community and culture. Hundreds of young men and women have represented the town around the region over the past century and helped make the Guyra Super Spuds name synonymous with bush football.

The centenary of rugby league in Guyra will take place in 2022 and the senior club wants to mark this milestone by reflecting on the history of the club. We know there must be scores of households around the district with a treasure trove of items relating to the club in cupboards and bookshelves and sheds and we want to bring them to light during the centenary year. We're asking anyone with old photos, newspaper articles, game programmes, jerseys or any other item of interest to share them. We hope to be able to put together a public display, share images and information online and possibly compile a book of the club's history. Origin-

photos from old games would be especially welcome.

This is a great opportunity for older residents to reminisce about the past and educate younger folk about the sporting heritage of their town. If you would like to donate or lend an item for our centenary project please contact us at [guyracentenary@gmail.com](mailto:guyracentenary@gmail.com) or get in touch with a committee member. Keep an eye out for other centenary events in the new year.

*Guyra Rugby League*

### Thank you, Guyra Community,

An amazing opportunity has occurred for the Guyra Central School Community with the Canteen to be formally managed by the school at the beginning of 2022. The Guyra Central School P&C has agreed to this positive transfer of operation which will enable the P&C to focus its energy on promoting the interests of the school, facilitate its development, assist with further improvements and raise funds to support the best possible out-

comes for our students and school. The current P&C Executive and Guyra Central School would like to thank all the local businesses who have in some way supported this great service over the years. To the volunteers who have given up their own time to work at the canteen and the many previous P&C Committee Members who helped with the daily operations which enabled a strong and sustainable canteen for our school community for many years. Our School relies on this generosity from our local community to continually support our children and enrich their education experience, we cannot do this without your support.

Finally, to the community members who nominate the Guyra Central School P&C in the Regional Australia Bank Community Partnership Program, this has become a major source of revenue for the P&C for 2021.

A sincere thank you to you all.  
*Guyra Central School P&C*



# Important question to answer on election day

## How many councillors?

An important constitutional referendum will be held in conjunction with this year's local government election that will require the community to vote whether or not the number of councillors for Armidale Regional Council should be reduced from eleven to nine. Any changes won't come into effect until the 2024 election.

There are a number of important factors to consider when voting for or against this question, so to help you make an informed decision, we have created a list of pros and cons for your consideration.

### Reasons for reducing the number of councillors:

- Savings of \$49,620 per annum (the fee per councillor is \$24,810pa).
- Reduced ongoing costs (minimum \$10,000 per councillor for things such as phones and professional development).
- The current ratio of 1 councillor to 2,792 residents is high compared to other councils.

- Increased efficiency and effectiveness.
- Quality over quantity.
- Many regional councils with larger geographical areas only have nine councillors.

### Reasons against reducing the number of councillors:

- Financial savings are a small price to pay to ensure good representation.
- Difficult for a small cohort to understand all of the key issues across such a large geographic area.
- May be difficult for nine councillors to support the current number of community advisory committees.
- Community access to councillors may be reduced.
- A larger number of councillors can provide a broader range of perspectives.
- Smaller numbers may lead to Council being controlled by political or self interest groups.
- May be more difficult for lesser known candidates to get elected.

## Visit to Armidale Gymnastics Centre

Black Mountain school travelled to Armidale on Thursday, November 18th, to attend the Gymnastics Centre. This was a great opportunity for students to further develop their gymnastics skills. Students also went to the park for lunch. A lovely day was had by all.

## Cancellation of Election Day BBQ

Due to unforeseen circumstances the P & C will not be able to run the BBQ at the Black Mountain polling booth on Saturday December 4th.

*Kind Regards,  
Mrs Justine Eddy  
Relieving Principal*



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# Community Noticeboard

## Meals on Wheels

Nov. 25 Sue Adams  
 Nov. 26 Steve Adams  
 Nov. 29 Michelle Zbudowski  
 Nov. 30 Anne Hulbert  
 Dec. 1 Wendy Lockyer

## Street Stalls

Nov. 25 Hospital Auxiliary  
 Nov. 26, 27 Masonic Lodge  
 Dec. 3 Hospital Auxiliary  
 Dec. 9 & 10 Lions Club

## Church Notices

### St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

Mass 6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. Weekday Mass Monday – Friday 9am  
 Contact: 6779 1667

### St. James' Anglican Church

9am Sunday. Doors open from 8:30am. We have plenty of space, all welcome!  
 Contact: Rev. Tim Stevens 6779 1111

### St. Columba's Presbyterian Church

9am Sunday followed by morning tea.  
 Contact: Rev. Andrew Campbell 0447 724 536

### Brockley Church Community Christmas Service 19th DECEMBER, 2021 at 2pm

Rev. Andrew Campbell will conduct our annual service this year. All denominations welcome. Afternoon tea will be served after the service.

**The Chapel,**  
 66 Llangothin Street:  
 Sunday Service: 10am  
 Contact: 0460 448 864

**Seventh-day Adventist Church:** Sabbath School 10.00am Saturday Divine Service 11.30am Saturday  
 Contact: Church Clerk 6779 1587

**Uniting Church, 57 Ollera Street:** Regular Sunday Service: 9.30am  
 Contact: Nancy Davidson 6779 1366

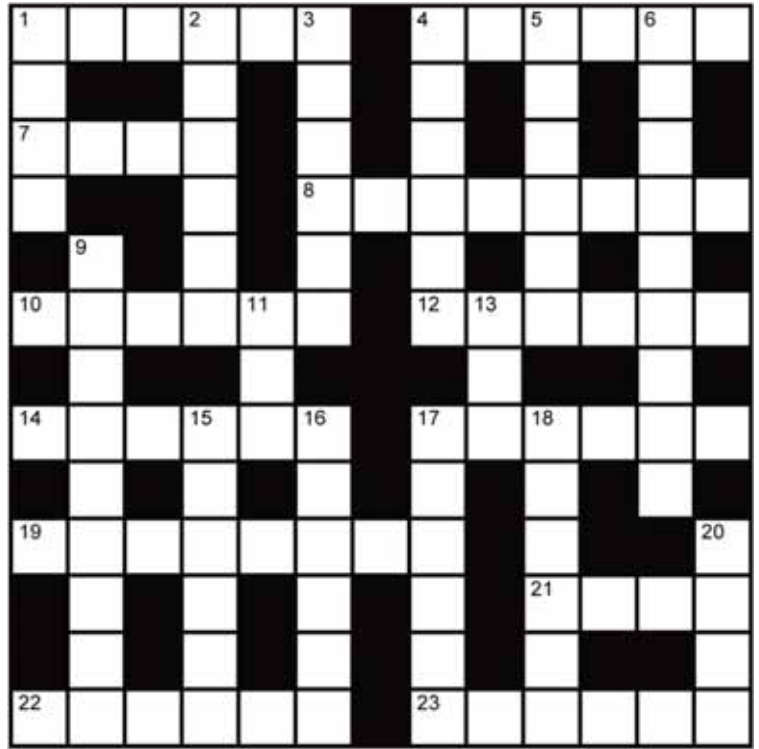
# CROSSWORD

### Across:

- Building toys, (for children)
- Manipulated surprise attack
- Signal with the hand
- Very dark, concentrated and strong vinegar
- An expedition to keep watch over an area
- Honorific Arabic title meaning elder
- Fine lines of damage
- Operating \_\_\_\_ (OS in tech.)
- Relocate
- Make dirty
- Solid & bulky,
- To hit forcibly

### Down

- Soup dish
- Famous Julius
- Image that represents or stands for something else
- Not teenagers anymore
- Act in a certain manner
- Water spraying safety mechanism in a building
- Bristled instrument for hair
- Woodland tree



- Cow chow
- French dance with high kicks
- Not roughly
- The brightest star in the sky
- Electronic detecting device
- Run away from danger

**Across:** 1. Blocks 4. Ambush 7. Wave 8. Balsamic 10. Patrol 12. Sheikh 14. Cracks 17. System 19. Transfer 21. Soil 22. Chunky 23. Strike  
**Down:** 1. Bowl 2. Caesar 3. Symbol 4. Adults 5. Behave 6. Sprinkler 9. Hairbrush 11. Oak 13. Hay 15. Can- can 16. Softly 17. Sirius 18. Sensor 20. Flee

## Sudoku - Easy

	1		2	8			6	
8	7	6	1	3		2		
		2		6	7	1	8	3
4						6	7	
		9			5			1
7		8	6				3	
	9				6	8		
2	8					7	4	
1	6		7	5	8	3		

## What to Watch

Our armchair critic has new recommendations every week. Happy viewing!

### Netflix - Movies

White House Down, 21 Bridges, Parker, Sniper Legacy, Wild Dog, One Day, The Kingdom

### Netflix - Series

Capitani

### ABC Iview

Annika

**Beamafilm**  
Rough Stuff

**Tubi**  
Act of Revenge

1	6	4	7	5	8	3	9	2
2	8	5	9	1	3	7	4	6
3	9	7	4	2	6	8	1	5
7	2	8	6	4	1	5	3	9
6	3	9	8	7	5	4	2	1
4	5	1	3	9	2	6	7	8
9	4	2	5	6	7	1	8	3
8	7	6	1	3	9	2	5	4
5	1	3	2	8	4	9	6	7

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# Armidale Classic Car Club takes a trip



The Armidale Classic Car Club ventured to Ben Lomond on October 24th. Outing organiser, Des Bowley scoped the various routes and chose to bring the visitors via Guyra and

Wandsworth Roads. Those vehicles not travelling on dirt roads came via Ben Lomond Road. There was a visit to the Railway Station where it was explained why Ben Lomond was

relocated from the pastoral station to the present village site with the coming of the railway. A picnic style lunch was provided and the visitors were shown the benefit to the local

community Rural Fire Service of Bushfire and RFSA grant funding in equipping the new station.

*Submitted*





**Adam Marshall** MP  
MEMBER FOR NORTHERN TABLELANDS

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## Changes to the COVID-19 roadmap

The State Government has updated the roadmap for easing COVID-19 restrictions.

Changes will come into effect after the State reaches the 95 percent double dose vaccination target, or 15 December, whichever comes first.

*Adjustments to the roadmap include:*

- Masks will only be required on public transport and planes, at airports, and for indoors front-of-house hospitality staff who are not fully vaccinated (previously all indoors front-of-house hospitality staff regardless of vaccination status). Masks will be strongly encouraged in settings where you cannot social distance;
- No density limits (previously one person per 2sqm);
- COVID safety plans will be optional for businesses and will be supported by SafeWork NSW;

- QR check-ins will only be required at high-risk venues including hospitals, aged and disability care facilities, gyms, places of worship, funerals or memorial services, personal services (e.g. hairdressers and beauty salons), limited hospitality settings (including pubs, small bars, registered clubs and night-clubs), and for indoor music festivals with more than 1,000 people; and
- Proof of vaccination will no longer be required by Public Health Order for most activities (businesses can still require proof at their own discretion). Proof of vaccination will still be required for indoor music festivals with more than 1,000 people.



## A happy and safe Christmas

It has been another rollercoaster year on the Northern Tablelands, in particular for our business community.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have stayed the course, abided by COVID-19 restrictions and been vaccinated.

Your efforts in helping contain the virus mean we head into the festive season with few restrictions and the freedom to travel and spend time with family.

*I wish everyone a very happy and safe Christmas and look forward to working for you in 2022*

**Contact my office:**  
**Phone: 02 6772 5552**  
**Fax: 02 6772 5026**  
**Email:**  
**northerntablelands@parliament.nsw.gov.au**



# Local Innovator features in NAB calendar

An innovator from the Guyra district is among those from across regional and rural Australia who have been showcased in National Australia Bank's 2022 Regional & Agribusiness Calendar.

The calendar shines the spotlight on 13 inspiring stories of NAB customers who are pioneering new technology and bold new approaches to traditional farming methods.

After a career in agricultural commodity trading, Bill Mitchell developed Optiweigh which is an automated, solar-powered, satellite-connected weigh station that can be hitched to a vehicle and left in a paddock with a salt lick or other attractant.

Once in place, producers can use it to remotely monitor their animals' weight gain for better grazing management and eliminate the need for yard weighing. The result is healthier, more productive, less stressed animals that can be marketed in a more targeted way.

NAB Executive Regional and Agribusiness, Julie Rynski, said



Bill and Jacqui Mitchell have been featured in the 2022 Regional and Agribusiness calendar

the calendar is a celebration of innovators, visionaries, and future thinkers.

"Choosing a life in regional Australia and agribusiness has always attracted tough-minded individuals with the courage and resilience to manage shifting conditions, from fluctuating

market prices to weather events, but today's challenges are growing even more complex," Ms Rynski said.

"There's exciting momentum building right across regional and rural Australia. In all sectors, businesses are embracing the idea of evolution and innova-

tion, with eyes even more sharply focused on future opportunities.

"And at a time when so many businesses are doing it tough, we're encouraging everyone to visit our wonderful regions and support local businesses.

## Rural Market Reports

### Guyra Sheep and Lamb Sale

**November 24th** - There was an increase in supply with both lambs and sheep affected. The total yarding was 3530 comprising 2140 lambs and 1390 sheep, up 780 on the previous sale.

The quality of lambs was mixed with a few pens of well finished new season lambs available. There were quite a few Merino lambs penned with quality and condition also varying greatly. All the regular buyers were in attendance.

Demand was strong through most lamb classes. A single large pen of very light weight young lambs attracted strong restocker competition to post significant improvements. All classes of young lambs to processors sold to dearer trends with buyers showing a preference for the young lines.

There was varying trends for old lambs to process, which were firm to dearer for the most part, with some weight related change in

the heavier weight classes. There were varying trends through the mixed quality and condition penning of sheep.

Restocker activity on some of the light and medium weight Merino ewes helped lift prices for some categories. The better condition medium and heavy weight sheep to process saw a mostly firm market trend with weight variations contributing to price change.

### Armidale Cattle Sale

**November 25th** - There was a reduced penning of 324 head following some large rainfall over the past week and more forecast. All categories were represented in a mixed quality yarding.

The condition of the cattle was fair to good and most of the regular buyers were in attendance. Restockers showed great confidence in the market and with a large body of feed, bid strongly on most of the young cattle. This resulted in dearer trends throughout with

significant improvement through the steers.

There was some breed and quality related price change in light weight yearling heifers, however trends were dearer through all weight classes. Heavy grown steers to process sold to dearer trends of 10c to 15c/kg under strong competition.

Well finished grown heifers to process mostly sold to a slightly cheaper trend, quality was a factor. There was an isolated dearer sale. The cow market was firm to slightly dearer with some variation for quality. The heavy bulls met very strong competition resulting in a significantly dearer market trend

### Weekly Wool Sales

**November 26th** - The market managed to string together back to back up weeks for the first time since late June. The first day of sales was not convincing however with up to 25 cent declines registered on some of the individual

micron indicators. This was rapidly reversed on the final day of sales with gains of 25 to 40 cents recorded for most Merino types.

The headline market indicators have closed the week in the mid range of the tight trading band that we have seen over the past four months. 34,203 bales were sold nationally for the week with a passed in rate of 7.5%.

Major buyers included Tianyu, Techwool & PJ Morris. The market closing the week on a high point has led to indications that it may remain solid for the next three weeks before heading into the annual Christmas recess. This is supported by bids in the forward market into the New Year at levels slightly above this week's auction close for 19-21 micron types.

The Superfine types are however being discounted by around 40 cents out as far as May 2022. Total auction turnover of the Australian woolclip for the season to date should surpass 1 Billion dollars next week.



# A final word for your vote

## Steve Mepham



I have been asked why I have put myself forward for Council. Approx 20 years ago, I realised much of the good things I enjoyed about life and living in Guyra, other people had selflessly and tirelessly worked for as councillors, community leaders or workers in various community groups, etc.

People put up their hands to do extraordinary things for their community and at that point I became determined I would be like them and leave a legacy for others to also enjoy. So I have spent my last 20 years working within various community groups but now Guyra absolutely needs a voice in the next council or we will see further deterioration of services and support.

I do have a wealth of experience, both from my professional life as a Manager within NSW Rural Fire Service, but even more so my experience working within the community.

Guyra is growing and poised for a bright future but we do need to keep council focused on our Guyra community, its villages and rural land holdings, our roads, and ageing infrastructure, our water security, completing the main street upgrade, the power poles in the main street and tapping into our tourism opportunities.

If elected, I want to be there to serve the people I live amongst and, as I am now semi-retired, I am available to meet with groups and individuals to work on concerns and represent us, so please give Guyra a voice this election.

Don't take it for granted that those that don't live here will speak up for us.

Vote 1 Steve Mepham

## Paul Packham



I believe there is a better path to a better future for our region.... a path that engages with the community and delivers. We have a unique opportunity to regain confidence in the Regional Council's ability to focus and actively and effectively promote tourism, education, the arts and sport, the health and agriculture sectors and to encourage broader investment in industry and diversity of employment opportunities.

Fresh perspectives need to come to the table and given your support, I am determined to build a cohesive and coherent rural Council for rural people that gives families, businesses, investors, and gov't agencies alike the best chance to prosper in the region.

I've been around and seen a lot. Married with three children, I arrived in Armidale over 30 years ago chasing a financial management degree at UNE and becoming an accountant with a local Chartered Accounting firm. I then worked for UNE at the same time owning a laundry and a restaurant.

I then served a decade in senior administration roles with the United Nations' peace-keeping, war crimes and community rebuilding efforts, mostly in Africa and then moved to the United Arab Emirates with a consulting company working to improve public service outcomes.

In 2014 we purchased our cattle property in the Guyra Shire at Ebor and recently moved into the Wollomombi/Hillgrove district. For the past two years I have also been serving on ARC's Economic Development Committee and Uralla Shire's Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee.

I believe we can grow and prosper from a Region that we build together with a pro-active and forward looking, Whole of Community, Whole of Region approach and I look forward to working with the General Manager and all elected Councillors to deliver you a 'can do' Council of good governance, fair representation, and equitable services for all.

## Callan Schaefer

I'm a fourth generational grazier on the eastern side of Guyra. I also have a commercial building in Armidale. I am a member of RFS Wards Mistake brigade, the current chair of Guyra Branch of NSW Farmers as well as an executive councillor of NSW Farmers. Most people will have seen me behind the bar at the Guyra show working as a volunteer.



My main reason for running for council is Guyra and the rural areas need a voice. I am not the sort of person who likes to complain about something without at least giving it a go myself.

The main things I would like council to focus on are Roads, Rates, waste management and water; while not wasting money on unrealistic projects then increasing rates when they run short of money.

I believe that agriculture is on the cusp of bigger things and we must have a voice for agriculture at local government level.

Local government with carriage over planning and infrastructure has a significant role in agriculture in this region achieving its potential. We need a strong and informed voice in Armidale to ensure we are heard and listened to.

## Todd Redwood

I would like to let the community of Guyra know a little about me and what I stand for.

Raised and schooled in Armidale, I recently relocated our young family to Armidale after a 30-year international career. The eldest son of the city's first tourist officer, I was personally involved in the region's tourism pursuits and successes.



My career began as a chef, then teaching cookery at TAFE Tamworth, before moving into the corporate world two decades ago to work in business management system training, consulting, certification, profes-

sional development, multi-media production and event management.

After holding senior management positions in Australia, Singapore and Asia Pacific, my current global director role with the British Standards Institution, which pre-COVID required me to travel extensively for nearly a decade, now enables me to work from home. I'm involved in several global committees as chair and/or member, lobbying and gaining consensus on an international level on matters of global consequence for the food sector.

I'm an agile leader, team builder and inclusive collaborator who is committed to forming a functional council, regional economic growth, affordable and sustainable water security and regional tourism.

Fond memories of my Armidale upbringing and the prospect of raising my children in a prosperous regional centre caused me to relocate here, and my passion to see the region grow is the major motivator in my decision to stand as an independent candidate at this election.

## Peter Bailey

If re-elected I will continue to fight to represent Guyra!



- I have always based my vote on the issue at hand and made independent decisions and will continue to do so in the best interests of Guyra.

- I have encouraged Costas to continue their commitment to Guyra, which now sees 800 people employed. This number of people has contributed to the Guyra we see today, where all the shops in the main street have businesses in them and the town has taken on a vibrant feel.

- I have worked with Robyn Jackson and some Guyra Garden Club members to save the trees in Bradley St.

- The rail trail remains a high priority for me. The Northern Rail Line has not been used since 1988 and I will be continuing to support the New England Rail Trail and Dave Mills to make it happen.

- Council has applied for a \$3.5m grant to build a new state of the art pre-school behind the Council offices. It must happen!

- A walking trail around Mother of Ducks lagoon has been talked about for many years. It will be a challenge, as part of the walking trail is on Guyra Golf Club land, some on National Parks property and some on private land.

- Roads and their poor condition has been the strongest message from Guyra. How do we fix it? I will be fighting for a significant increase in road funding so our roads don't continue to deteriorate.

- Malpas Dam must be upgraded. Council has been communicating with the Department of Water & Infrastructure and they are close to resolving their concerns.

- Harmony and unity must be a key goal of the new Council.

- Vote 1 Peter Bailey - an ongoing voice for Guyra.





# Classifieds Trades & Services

## POSITIONS VACANT

**KIRK'S IGA NOW HIRING** junior staff for weekend and after-school shifts. Drop your details into the office at Kirk's IGA.

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLES

**GUYRA CRICKET CLUB** Xmas Raffle, Saturday 18th December. Over \$400 in prizes. Tickets at Royal Hotel.

**CAN ASSIST annual raffle prizes:** 1st \$250 grocery voucher sponsored by Kirks IGA, 2nd \$200 fuel voucher sponsored by Guyra Fuels, 3rd donated patchwork quilt, 4th \$100 voucher from Black Mountain nursery, 5th donated ladies wallet. Tickets \$1 each. Raffle drawn 7.30pm December 3rd at the Royal Hotel.

**GUYRA ANGLERS CLUB December Raffle.** Tickets available from Dasha's, Khammo, Campbell's Butchery and Guyra Hotel. Prizes sponsored by Khammo, BCF, Dasha's and Campbell's Butchery. Drawn 8pm Friday 10th December at the Guyra Hotel.

## COURSES

**RSA (Responsible Service of Alcohol)**

Monday, 13th December at Guyra

**RCG (Responsible Conduct of Gambling)**

Tuesday, 14th December at Guyra

*Bookings essential*

**New England Community College**

(RTO#90145)

136 Bradley Street, Guyra

Phone: 6779 2132

## CLAIM THE DATE

**SUNDAY, 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2021 at 2pm:** **BROCKLEY CHURCH COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SERVICE.** Rev Andrew Campbell will conduct our annual service this year. All denominations welcome. Afternoon tea will be served.

**FRIDAY, 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER, 2021 4pm:** **ROTARY CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL** in Bradley Street from 4pm. Santa will visit with presents for the kids, market and food stalls, music and fun for all.

**SATURDAY 2ND APRIL, 2022** Bald Blair Public School Centenary Celebrations

## MEETINGS

**GUYRA SHOW SOCIETY** meeting Wednesday 8th December at the Guyra Showground at 7pm.

**GUYRA UNITED SOCCER Club AGM** Royal Hotel 6pm Wednesday 8th December. All positions are vacant - positions to fill are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Canteen Manager, nets roster and general committee. We hope to see you there.

**BEN LOMOND LANDCARE GROUP Inc AGM** will be held at Ben Lomond Memorial Hall, 7:30pm, Wednesday 15th December 2021. There will be a catch up, a general meeting Wednesday 1st December for general business, same time & place. If need for a second general meeting Wednesday 8th December same time & place.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**GUYRA HISTORICAL MUSEUM** is open this Saturday 10am-2pm. Bookings for tours welcome. Call 6779 2132 during business hours.

## FOOD PANTRY

**Food Pantry at The Chapel**  
**OPEN FRIDAYS TILL XMAS**

3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> December  
10am - 12pm & 1.00pm - 2.30pm  
Contact: 0460 448 864

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Contact:

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

## POSITION VACANT



**St. Mary of the Angels, Primary, Guyra**

## EDUCATION ASSISTANT

St Mary of the Angels currently have a vacancy for a **Temporary part-time Education Assistant** (15 hours per week)

For further information, or to apply visit:

arm.catholic.edu.au/employment/  
Closing date for applications  
3rd Dec 2021

## TRADES & SERVICES

We are **OPEN** this Friday for the Christmas Carnival & also on Saturday morning



- Hunting
- Clothing
- Fishing Store

**67 Ollera Street, Guyra**  
**Phone: 6779 1434**



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Club Person of the Year  
Louise Dowden and Dean Heagney



Gus and Mark Brazier Memorial trophy  
won by Billy Lockyer presented by  
Harrison Thomas and Hugo Brazier



Thank you for the contribution to junior  
league by Rita and Harry Williams  
presented by Gina Lockyer



### Junior Rugby League Presentations

Bill Williams Memorial trophy for Player's Player  
of the eldest age group (Senior girls League Tag)  
won by Sophie Mitchell



Andrew Bull Memorial trophy won by  
Tommy Mitchell presented by Karen Faint

## Reconciliation Cricket Match

The Guyra Aboriginal Lands Council, in conjunction with the Guyra Cricket Club, will be hosting a reconciliation Twenty/20 cricket match at the Guyra Turf (Ted Mulligan Oval) on Friday December 10th. The game will kick off at 4.30pm and will feature all local players.

It is hoped there will be good support for this event and the community is invited to come along to witness the action. A sausage sizzle will operate with proceeds going to a nominated charity.

The Mate versus Mate Trophy will be up for grabs with some entertaining cricket assured.

*Cody Patterson*

## Vets Golf

Last week only six players braved the wet conditions to play an Individual Stableford on the first nine twice. The 4th had to be played very wide to avoid the water.

The winner was Pat Grills with 36 and the runner up on 32 was Jon Cumming on a countback from Herb Wilson.

Putts were shared between Herb Wilson and Mick Kirk with 29 putts each. The only Nearest the Pin was Jon Cumming on the 7th.

Unfortunately the 10 players that were to play in the Uralla Open last Friday did not get the chance due to rain.

*A Vet*

## Midweek Golf

Too wet for everyone to play last week so the scores will carry over to this week. If you haven't already played then now is your chance. Not sure when the no cart restrictions will be lifted. You might need to check at the club.

Congratulations to the winners for last year's midweek that received prizes on Saturday night. Just a reminder that Mid week finishes before Christmas on Sunday 19th December 2021 and re-commences on Monday 17th January 2022.

*Middy*



### GUYRA - DON'T WASTE YOUR VOTE! GET GUYRA'S VOICE BACK

The merger of Guyra and Armidale Councils, orchestrated by the NSW State Government, has been a project that has not met the expectations of a significant number of residents.

The **Margaret and Gordon Team** supports Guyra's right to **self determination**. Local Government is the cradle of democracy where councillors can develop the necessary skills of representing their fellow citizens. We have two positions:

- 1) to respect Guyra's right to a demerger or creation of a new specialist rural Council.
- 2) to immediately advocate for the creation of a Guyra Self Management Committee (GSMC) under section 355 of the Local Government Act. This section allows a Council to delegate some of its functions and funding to a Committee. In this way Guyra would immediately get a committee (similar but probably bigger than the Sports Council) to manage and fund its own affairs and make strong public recommendations to ARC about its priorities and concerns. Issues like local service delivery (roads, drainage, water etc) could go to the GSMC and then straight to ARC Council and General Manager.

To support this agenda please place a 1 in the box next to Group A, above the line. That is a complete vote.

Authorised by M. O'Connor for Team Margaret and Gordon  
82 Weaver Ridge, Armidale NSW 2350



## Men's Bowls

No bowls were played on the Guyra greens last weekend, but six bowlers travelled to Armidale to play in the Richie Clutterbuck memorial pairs. After five games, the winners were John McIlwain and David Wilcox. Also in the prize money were Col Stanley

and Mick Shiner who came in 5th.

A big week coming up with the Bowls Carnival, starting on Tuesday with the ladies triples and mixed triples on Wednesday. Thursday and Friday the Prestige Pairs are on with the Open Triples on the weekend.

*Jack*

**Top right:** David Wilcox and Jhn McIlwain

**Bottom right:** Colleen Goley, Leis Gordon, Dot Jackson and Bertha Reeves



## Ladies Bowls

Guyra Ladies were well represented at New England District Womens Bowling Association Day last week. Congratulations to Bertha Reeves, Colleen Goo-

ley, Dorothy Jackson and Leis Gordon, who were presented with a certificate for being Senior Fours Runners Up for 2021. This week is Bowls Carnival Week, good luck to all,

*Jenny O'Neill*



An ongoing voice for  
Guyra & the villages

**Vote 1**  
**PETER BAILEY**

Authorised by Sam Notley, 137 Beardy St, Armidale NSW 2350

Let's Turn The Lights Back On

**VOTE 1**  
**TODD REDWOOD**  
ARMIDALE REGIONAL COUNCIL 2021

Independent Candidate

- A collaborative council • Regional economic growth
- Sustainable water security • Bolster regional tourism



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