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Armidale & District Group

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APS NSW Annual Weekend Get-together, Armidale, 1-3 November 2024

Hello everyone,

Welcome to our first Bulletin for the Annual APS NSW Get-Together in November hosted by the Armidale & District Group.

Join us in Armidale on the Northern Tablelands for a very exciting weekend of nature, gardening, and art. We are starting to get expressions of interest already.

Please share this Bulletin with your local groups and friends. We are taking registrations at any time. Please fill out the form on the last page and email it to:

Maria Hitchcock OAM, maria.hitchcock@gmail.com

Registration fee:

Full Registration for Saturday \$100

Includes morning tea, a boxed lunch and a two course dinner in the Howard Hinton Gallery at the New England Regional Art Museum on Saturday. Does not include bus.

All day bus travel \$35

Bus for all Saturday daytime venues.

Only 57 places are available so book early to ensure a seat.

The bus cost is being kept separate as some people may wish to 'tag along' in their car. A reserve list will be kept and a second bus may be organised if required.



Program:

Friday, 1st November

Presidents dinner at the Mun Hing Restaurant.

APS NSW will pay for District Group presidents or their representatives.

Other attendees are welcome to attend but are required to pay for their own meal.

Saturday, 2 November

All day bus will take you to all daytime venues – there is a limited capacity of 57 so you will need to book early to ensure a seat. People wishing to 'tag along' will be given a map with instructions.

Times listed are estimated only depending on conditions. We will still go even if it is raining. Please pack umbrellas and wet weather gear. Spring is usually a beautiful time of year with evening thunderstorms rather than all day rain events.

- 9:30 am:** Bus boards at Armidale Visitor Information Centre, 82 Marsh St., Armidale, next to Hungry Jacks and opposite Coles.
- 9:45 am:** Arrive at Keith and Colleen Finlayson's garden. Keith has successfully grafted many native plants over the years and has over 80 of these planted in his garden. Morning tea in the garden.
- 12.00 noon** Boxed lunch at Kent House. Kent House is situated opposite the historic Central Park with some very old iconic trees and is worth a stroll across to visit it with your lunch. Tea and coffee will be available. There are toilets here.
- 1.00 pm** Arrive at the Armidale Bicentennial Arboretum, Kentucky St., Armidale, for a guided tour and a wander.
- 2:15 pm** Arrive at Wollomombi Falls in the magnificent gorge country for a guided tour and a wander. The Falls are within the extensive Oxley Wild Rivers National Park.
- 4:15 pm** Return to Armidale Visitor Information Centre to freshen up for our evening event.
- 6:30 pm** New England Regional Art Museum, (NERAM) 106-114 Kentucky Street, Armidale, for drinks, a two course dinner and a speaker. We will be seated in the east gallery which displays the outstanding Hinton Collection of early Australian Art. Museum Curator, Rachel Parsons, will speak about Howard Hinton and his collection. Dinner will be catered by the Six Counties Restaurant and offers four options of mains and three options of dessert. The bar will be open for attendees to purchase drinks by the glass (or canned soft drink).
- 9.15 pm** Arrive back at the Information Centre

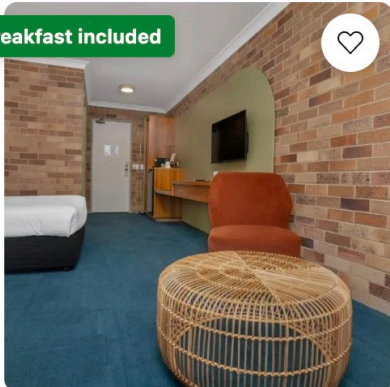
Sunday, 3 November.

The annual Armidale Garden Festival at the Jockey Club and Racecourse - 12 Barney St., Armidale

The Festival brings together nurseries, gardeners, garden suppliers, eco displays, garden ornaments and along with a great range of retail therapy with a vast array of stall holders. Entry to the Garden Festival and workshops are to be booked individually at a later date. We will advise you when bookings for the Festival open.

Accommodation Options - (just a selection - there are others)

Breakfast included

**All Seasons Motel Armidale** ★★★★★[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 1.2 km from centre**Queen Room**

1 large double bed

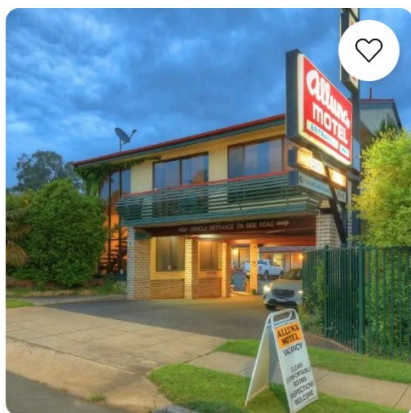
Breakfast included

Very good **8.4**
372 reviews

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 389

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >**Alluna Motel** ★★★★★[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 0.9 km from centre**Queen Room**

1 double bed

✓ Free cancellation

✓ No prepayment needed – pay at the property

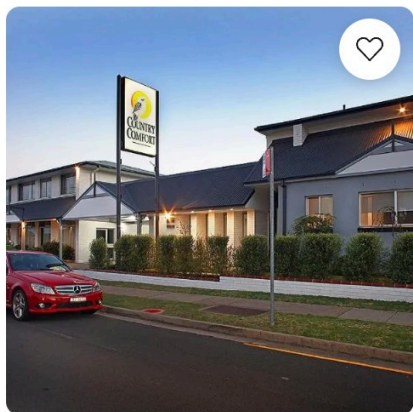
Only 6 rooms left at this price on our site

Very good **8.5**
1,371 reviews

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 459

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >**Country Comfort Armidale** ★★★★★[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 400 m from centre**Premium Twin Room**

2 large double beds

✓ Free cancellation

✓ No prepayment needed – pay at the property

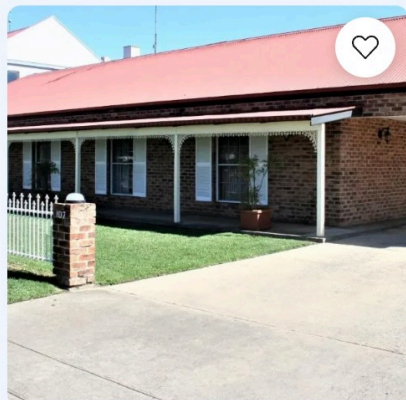
Only 5 rooms left at this price on our site

Fabulous **8.9**
1,724 reviewsLocation **9.5**

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 574

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >**Club Motel Armidale** ★★★★★[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 350 m from centre**Standard Queen Room**

1 large double bed

✓ Free cancellation

Only 5 rooms left at this price on our site

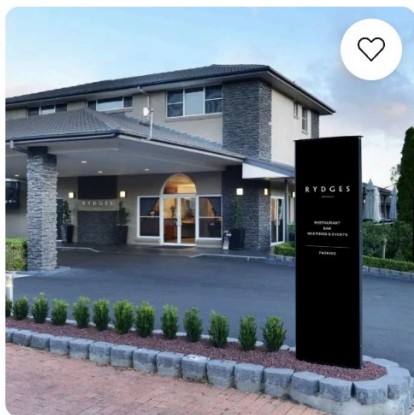
Fabulous **8.7**
400 reviewsLocation **9.5**

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 476

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >



Rydges Armidale ★★★★★

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 0.9 km from centre

Superior Queen Room

1 double bed

✓ **Free cancellation**

Only 4 rooms left at this price on our site

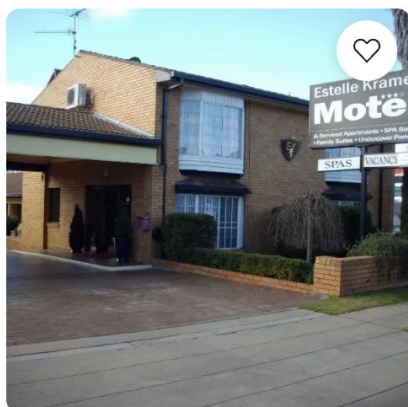
Very good 8.2
822 reviews

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 560

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability >](#)



Estelle Kramer Motel ★★★★★

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 400 m from centre

Queen Room

1 large double bed

Very good 8.4
553 reviews

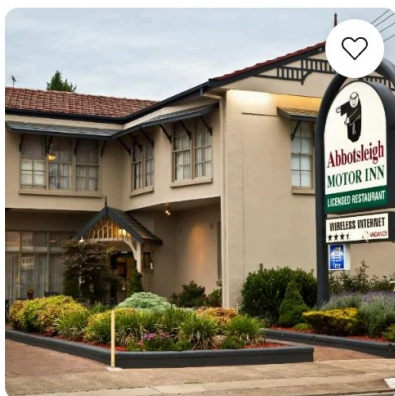
Location 9.3

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 329

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability >](#)



Abbotsleigh Motor Inn ★★★★★

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 450 m from centre

Queen Room

1 double bed

✓ **Free cancellation**

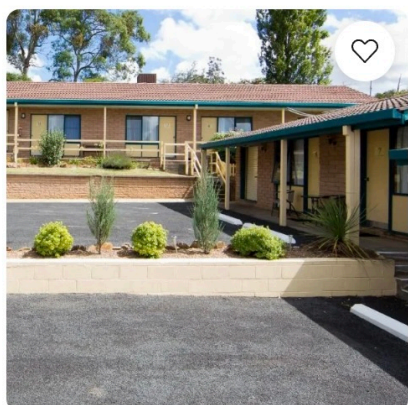
Good 7.3
1,014 reviews

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 435

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability >](#)



Hideaway Motor Inn ★★★★★

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 2.1 km from centre

Budget Queen Room

1 large double bed

Only 4 rooms left at this price on our site

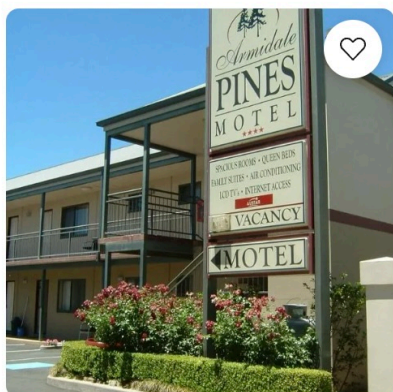
Fabulous 8.6
989 reviews

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 323

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability >](#)



Armidale Pines Motel ★★★★★

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 400 m from centre

Deluxe Queen Room

1 large double bed

- ✓ Free cancellation
- ✓ No prepayment needed – pay at the property

Fabulous
480 reviews **8.8**

Location 9.5

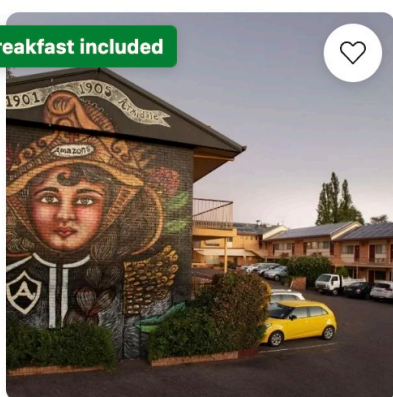
3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 480

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >

Breakfast included



City Centre Motel Armidale ★★★★★

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 450 m from centre

Queen Room

1 large double bed

Breakfast included

Only 5 rooms left at this price on our site

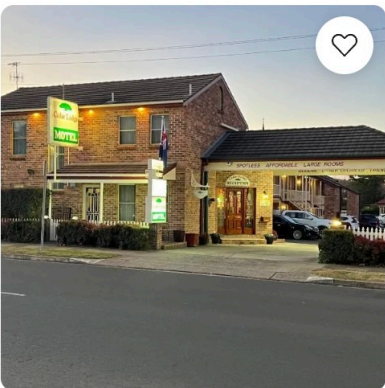
Very good
881 reviews **8.1**

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 506

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >



Cedar Lodge Motel

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 400 m from centre

Standard Queen Room

1 large double bed

- ✓ Free cancellation
 - ✓ No prepayment needed – pay at the property
- Only 1 room left at this price on our site

Very good
438 reviews **8.5**

Location 9.3

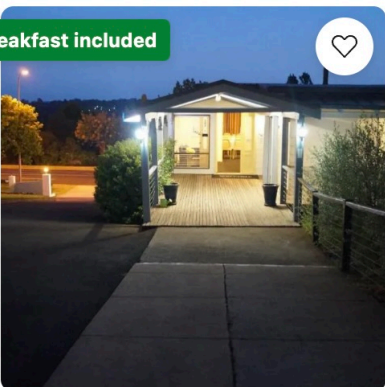
3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 384

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >

Breakfast included



Armidale Inn ★★★

[Armidale](#) · [Show on map](#) · 2 km from centre

Queen Studio

Entire studio · 1 bathroom · 15m²

1 double bed

Breakfast included

- ✓ Free cancellation
- ✓ No prepayment needed – pay at the property

Very good
413 reviews **8.1**

3 nights, 2 adults

AUD 386

Includes taxes and charges

[See availability](#) >

There are 2 Caravan Parks and the Showground option for those of you travelling with vans.



Armidale Tourist Park

<https://www.armidaletouristpark.com.au> ⋮

Armidale Tourist Park: Armidale Accommodation Specials

Armidale Tourist Park ... Memberships are \$50 for 2 years and can be purchased on arrival, or when booking online on our website. ... Unfortunately, due to ...



BIG4 Holiday Parks

<https://www.big4.com.au> › nsw › new-england-north-west ⋮

BIG4 Armidale Highlander Van Village

Armidale boasts great National Parks, food and wine and spectacular waterfalls. Enjoy your country adventure from this **caravan park**. Explore now.

★★★★★ Rating: 7.6/10 · 27 reviews · Price range: Sites from \$40 per night

Armidale Showground - NSW Government

<https://www.caravanandcamping.nsw.gov.au> › armidale-...

Location type: ... The Showground consists of large sites, powered and un-powered and camp kitchen. Large clean amenities block with laundry facilities including ..

Run by Armidale Regional Council - it is often used by large groups.

Being a University town Armidale has a large range of accommodation options.

The Visitor Information Centre is in the CBD so you may want to make your booking at a motel which is close to the CBD. The caravan parks are on the outskirts of the town.

Tatts Hotel is in the centre of the CBD and is a modern art deco inspired building with luxury accommodation.

There are also a number of B&B options outside of the town.

The next bulletin will feature some of the places we will visit. Look out for it.

Maria Hitchcock (Chair of Sub-Committee)

Registration:

Please print off this page, fill out the details, scan and email back to maria.hitchcock@gmail.com

Please make your payment before emailing your registration.

Full refund will be made if there is a cancellation **before 15th October**.

Name 1:

Name 2:

Address:

Mob. No.

Email:

Dietary restrictions:

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Additional attendees

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Please circle the option that applies

Full registration with bus per person	\$135.00	Total paid
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Full registration without bus per person	\$100.00	Total paid
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Payment by EFT

Regional Australia Bank

BSB: 932000

A/c 100522849

Name: APS Armidale & District

Ref: Your surname