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Work well underway at Rylstone MPS

Work is well under way at Rylstone Multipurpose Service (MPS). Rylstone MPS Health Service Manager, Susan Gawthorne said the redevelopment project is now several months into the construction phase with physical progress visible at the existing HealthOne and Residential Aged Care (RAC) sections.

"There are several components to the project and they are being staged to ensure minimal disruption to our residents, patients and staff. We thank everyone for accepting some temporary changes while the building works are occurring, which when complete will deliver a fantastic upgraded facility for our community," she said.

The Rylstone MPS redevelopment project involves extensions and refurbishment to several areas of the MPS, including new residential aged care rooms and dining area, a reconfigured acute area, modification to the Health One building and a new staff accommodation building. The redevelopment's aim is to ensure the Rylstone MPS continues to serve the needs of the community into the future.

"Building works started earlier this year, with most work to date focusing on the extensions to the existing HealthOne building and the refurbishment of the existing RAC dining and recreation area. The foundations for the HealthOne extension were completed in mid-April, followed by the wall and roof framing, then roofing, with the external walls nearing completion in June. Similarly, the refurbishment works to the existing Residential Aged Care dining and recreation area had the new wall and roof frames finalised in April with roofing completed in May and wall cladding underway in June to complete the external walls. We look forward to being able to share with the community our upgraded facility, once the project is completed," Susan said.

The Rylstone MPS redevelopment contract was

announced in November 2016, with the build awarded to Zauner Construction, after the project was fast-tracked to move from planning to delivery. They were also awarded the contract for the Coolah MPS redevelopment. The redevelopment project is part of a NSW-wide program of works to upgrade existing or build new MPS facilities in a number of rural and remote communities. For more information on the project please visit <http://www.mps.health.nsw.gov.au/Projects/Rylstone>.



Early days showing the extension to the existing HealthOne at the Rylstone MPS, as seen from Ilford Road prior to roofing and wall cladding.



Moving along - the extension now showing the roof complete and wall cladding in place.

A top swap meet

Over one thousand people called in to the Rylstone Showground to view stalls selling car parts, tools, magazines, books and plenty of other gear during the Annual Rylstone swap Meet on Sunday, May 21. The Cudgegong Valley Pioneer Vehicle Club which hosted the Swap Meet had 120 sellers lined up this year and Mellissa Wilson said it was an awesome day.

"After steady rain on Friday night and then Saturday looking a washout, a lot of sellers were concerned about the event, but we knew the oval had good drainage and was a good wet weather venue. As it turned out, Sunday was a perfect sunny day and everyone had a great event."

Local groups catered for the swap meet with Kandos High School's Hospitality Class providing tea, coffee and scones, the Volunteer Rescue Squad firing up the BBQ and the 1st Kandos Scouts serving up donuts. The atmosphere was great with car enthusiasts getting a chance to talk and catch up. Down

town it was hard to find parking as visitors took the opportunity to look around, grab a coffee or two and call in to shops. The event was a great boost to the district and many people congratulated the organisers for a top day. In return, organisers said they'd like to thank all the local people and the community for their great support.



Rylstone Showground became a mini village and market extraordinary during the Annual Swap Meet on Sunday, May 21.



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High School's new garden

Student learning at Kandos High and Public Schools has been enhanced by a new garden with a focus on environmental, sustainability and cultural heritage education. Funded by a KEPCO grant to the school, Skillset Environment Land Works were engaged to design the landscape and manage the project logistics and construction of the Kandos Connective Educational Garden. Skillset's Land Works Coordinator, landscape architect, ecologist and former Kandos High School student, Thomas Staff, designed the garden to be a physical barrier between the two schools that looks and acts like a connected holistic landscape. An educational walk-through has twelve stops which students can engage with interactive signage via an iPad or smart phone. Each stop has a variety of information and illustrations describing various educational content. Functionally the garden has several usable spaces including an indigenous yarning circle outdoor classroom, synthetic lawn with shade cloth, raised sensory garden bed, eco-shelter that functions as a study pod, stage and shaded area, and eight grass squares that students can relax on. The garden's main features will be aesthetically pleasing, adding colour and texture to a concrete dominated landscape.

Being a former Kandos High School student, gave Thomas increased motivation to design and build a landscape that not only looks good but also educates students about environmental, sustainability and cultural heritage topics. Thomas said it was a Year 10 Biology field trip to Dunn's Swamp that ignited his environmental passion and heavily influenced his study and career choices.

"I want this landscape and the content within it to motivate students to be environmentally and

sustainability minded. If it ignites passion and potentially influences student career choices, then that will be the garden's greatest success," he said.

The garden features 12 key educational stops that relate directly to local ecology, sustainable living, and indigenous heritage. As part of their holistic approach to the project and demonstrating their commitment to sustainable communities through both environmental and employment outcomes, Land Works employed and trained three Year 11 Kandos High School students to help complete the landscape preparation and garden construction. This opportunity provided the students with valuable training, experience and skills they can use in their future careers. All three received WHS certificates after completing Land Works training and have been advised that Land Works would like to employ them for future local projects. They expressed their pride in helping build such a wonderful garden in their school. The project has engaged with more than 30 students to help build or guide the educational content within the garden. The school is planning to encourage neighbouring schools to use their educational landscapes. The school has also engaged Skillset Environment Land Works to run two educational workshops with students to develop the content for the 12 educational signs. They would like to thank KEPCO for the generous Community Grant. Thank you also to everyone who attended the official opening of the garden.



Tod Morley, Kandos Public School Principal, James Armitage, Kandos High School Principal, Bill Vatovec, KEPCO Bylong Australia CEO, and Je Hyeon Kim, KEPCO Australia's President and CEO during the official opening of the Kandos Connective Educational Garden

Become a member of KRR

New members are always welcome at Kandos Rylstone Community Radio (KRR 98.7FM). If you're interested in becoming a presenter and doing an on air show, it's easier than you think. Training is available and it won't take you long to master the panel and other equipment. If you have a particular type of music you'd like to play on-air or ideas for a show, get in touch with any member or committee member, or call into the station and pick up a membership form. Social membership is also welcome. Membership is only \$20 for adults and \$10 for juniors and pensioners and includes two free barbecues a year. Age is no limit and experience is not necessary. It's a great way to meet a group of friendly people and do something positive for yourself and your community. Call the station on 6379 4360 for more information.

Plenty of treasure

Rylstone District Historical Society's Trash and Treasure Day on Saturday, June 3 attracted a steady crowd of browsers to view items at the 12 stalls set up around the grounds of the Bridge View Inn and The Cottage Museum. It was a perfect winter's day with plenty of warm sun after a frosty early morning start and shoppers took the opportunity to find a bargain or something unusual while enjoying the sunshine. It was also a great opportunity to enjoy a sausage sizzle fresh off the BBQ for morning tea. The entire set-up in the grounds was a popular attraction and a big fundraiser for the local historical society which raised around \$600 on the day. During the morning many people also discovered the delights of the Cottage Museum for the first time, which is a treasure in itself and has a wonderful collection of interesting displays and exhibits. A big thank you to stall holders for their support, volunteers who helped out on the day and everyone for coming along and making it such a successful and a very worthwhile fundraiser for the group.



Shoppers enjoying the winter sun at the historical society's Trash and Treasure Day.

Meals on Wheels

Rylstone Kandos District Meals on Wheels (RKMOW) supplies frozen meals to anyone who is frail, aged or a younger person with a disability and their Carers. You can contact RKMOW on 6379 1519 or call into the office at HealthOne Ilford Road, Rylstone. Office hours are Monday to Thursday - 9am to 4pm and Friday - 9am to 1pm.

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Gus warms up winter

Gus Armstrong's recent art exhibition opening of 'Mild Heat' at Number Forty Seven Gallery, Rylstone attracted a big crowd of art lovers who enjoyed a very sociable occasion with plenty of yummy finger food and local wine courtesy of Naked Lady Wines. Gus is the grandson of George and Anna Menagatos who owned and operated the Carlton Café in Rylstone for many years along with a property between Rylstone and Kandos. Gus is the caretaker of this family property Milo Downs which now offers guests the chance to stay on this working farm and enjoy farmstay accommodation and artist residence. His super large photographs are dazzling in both size and subject. They consist of burning logs or 'candles' set against the Kandos-Rylstone landscape in the late afternoon and early evening light. In explaining the process Gus said "It is a visual representation of time spent on the 500 acre family farm and in turn the artistic availability it has granted the artist merely by having access to a space to experiment, build, play and create. The burning vertical fire that negotiates the landscape is a mere aesthetic outcome of the process that was implemented to bring it to life." He added that all the resources used were found on the property, ranging from the pine logs used, the fuel for the fires and the tractor and motorbikes to move everything into place. Gus is a presenter on our local radio station KRR where he plays a great selection of World Music and was heavily involved in the recent Cementa Contemporary Art Festival.



Gus Armstrong with his massive photograph called 'Salt Fire' showing burning logs against the backdrop of 'Baldy' and the magnificent escarpment behind Kandos.

Museum gate opens

Paul Toole MP, member for Bathurst visited Kandos Museum on May 26 to "Open the Gate" with Bernie George, marking the completion of a major landscaping project at the museum dubbed the Pet Cemetery, which included the development of the outside exhibition of machinery used in cement making at Kandos. It culminated in hanging the gate at the entrance. The opening was well attended with approximately 25 people present including Des Kennedy, Mayor of Mid-Western Regional Council and Brad Cam, General Manager of Mid-Western Regional Council. The story of the gate is quite interesting according to Buzz Sanderson, President of Kandos Museum.

"It was once used an entrance grill at Kandos No 1 Colliery from the early 1930's through until the completion of No 1's rehabilitation in 1997 when Bernie George, past manager of Kandos Cement plant "rescued" the gate and donated it to the museum where it remained buried in the grass until now. We have installed the gate in the same orientation as it once stood at Kandos No 1, on its side. The gate is the right hand leaf of a pair of a rather grand pair of gates but no one knows what happened to the other half, or indeed where they originally came from. We are really pleased that the Gate has found a home at the museum telling a small story of the cement making and life at Kandos. We want to thank all those who worked on this project. Paul Toole generously supported the project through the Community Building Partnership programme with a grant of \$13,500 towards the cost of the project. Support was also generously given by Mid-Western Regional Council and our suppliers Kuchta ready-mixed concrete, Maceco Engineering, Cement Australia, Ben Suttor Plumbing and Mudjee Dolomite and Lime who supplied the construction rock." Buzz said.



Des Kennedy, Lyn Sime, Paul Toole, Bernie George and Buzz Sanderson at the opening of the gate at the Kandos Museum.

Sewer maintenance

As part of Mid-Western Regional Council's investment in the rehabilitation of the region's sewer network, scheduled maintenance will be carried out from now until August. Maintenance works will include Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) inspections of main sewer pipes, cleaning of sewer pipes, relining of sewer pipes and some excavation work. Residents may experience an increase in noise and vehicle movements.

Before maintenance works begin, residents will be notified via letter drop and door knocking from works teams as they make their way from street to street. There may be a small risk of pressure build up that may cause back pressure in your toilet while work is being carried out and residents are strongly advised to close the toilet seat lid and place a weight on top. During works please limit use of toilets, baths, showers, sinks, dishwashers, washing machines, please do not backwash swimming pools and ensure all pets are safely tethered to ensure safe access for workers. Work will be carried out Monday to Friday from 7am to 5pm and 7am to 1pm on Saturdays.

Powered by Solar

A new 60 kilowatt solar power system has been installed at Gulgong Sewage Treatment Plant. The ground mounted system includes 220 solar panels that will deliver the plant's electricity requirements during daylight hours. Located on site, the system was installed in just over a week by contractor Epho, which has installed similar systems for Bathurst Regional Council and Orange City Council. Mid-Western Regional Council's General Manager, Brad Cam and Epho Site Manager, Luke Butterworth officially launched the system recently.

"Council is committed to investing in renewable energy sources," Mr Cam said. "While Council does have existing solar panels on a number of its buildings this installation is by far the largest."

Controlled by a smart meter, the new system feeds back to the grid when a surplus of energy is generated.

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Calendar of Events - July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
30 Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	31 Scouts and Cubs meet at 4.30pm on Mondays at Kandos Scout Hall.	Rotary meets every Tuesday at the Rylstone Club, 6.30 for 7pm.	Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12noon each Wednesday.	AA meetings 6pm every Thursday at Anglican Church Hall, Kandos. Phone John 0434 061 094	Rylstone CWA meeting at 10am.	1 The Cottage Museum, Rylstone is open every Sunday from 10am to 3pm.
2 One Life Family Church services, 10am every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday at the corner of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos	3	4 Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training nights on 3rd Tuesdays	5 R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7.30pm.	6 RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	7	8 Rylstone Artisan and Produce Market.
9 Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	10	11 The Kandos Art Group meets every Tuesday at the CWA rooms in Kandos from 11am to 2pm.	12 Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. *Ryl. Hospital Auxiliary Meeting.	13 Kandos CPSA meeting on 2nd Thursday of the month, 2pm at the Kandos RSC Club.	14 Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	15 Kandos Markets in winter recess until September. Charity Night at Henbury
16 Kandos Christian Fellowship 10.30am on 2nd and 4th Sunday at CWA Hall, Kandos.	17	18 Venturers meet Tuesdays at 5pm.	19 The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wednesday at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	20 Ladies Tennis, 9am Thursdays at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club.	21	22 The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays from 10am to 4pm.
23 KRSCC Markets on the bowling green on the last Sunday of each month. Phone 6379 6591 to book a site.	24 TTP Auditions Tomorrow (25th) at 6pm.	25 Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 7.30pm. *Twin Town Players meet 6pm on 4th Tuesday of each month at VRA Shed, Rylstone	26 Ryl. CPSA meet 12pm at Ryl. Club for lunch. *Kan. CWA meeting 7 Jaques St. at 5.30pm. * KRR radio meeting, 7.30pm at KRR studios 50 Angus Ave Kandos.	27 Scrabble on 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursday of each month, 10am to 1pm at the Rylstone Club.	28 Join the Ukulele Group, 5pm on Fridays at the Kandos CWA	29 KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM

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Queen's Birthday Weekend, June 2018... Orienteering Carnival at Clandulla State Forest and the Rylstone Common.

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Rylstone market day

The Rylstone Artisan and Produce Market is on Saturday, July 8 in the grounds of the Rylstone Memorial Hall in Louee Street from 9am until 1pm. Come along and browse the extensive range of quality products the region has to offer. The association is always looking to showcase local talent, so if you create it, bake it, grow it or make it, and you live locally, you can sell it at the Rylstone Artisan and Produce Markets. Please contact the secretary Therese Hay on 6358 8211 or 0425 242 510 for more details, or send an email to rylstonemarkets@hotmail.com.

Charity Night

Central West Tractor Trek Group are hosting a charity night at Henbury Sport and Recreation Club on Saturday, July 15 at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. It'll be a fun filled night of trivia games and prizes and a lucky participant will win two tickets to Rylstone StreetFeast - generously donated by a local family. There'll be an auction of items donated by local businesses and a delicious supper is included in the cost of your ticket. Call Cathy on 0429 794 836 to reserve your table (eight per table @ \$15 per head). We look forward to seeing you there.

Kids & Carers raffle

The Kids & Carers Support Group of Kandos and Rylstone have tickets available for their latest fundraiser raffle. First prize is a HD 40 inch Smart TV, second prize - a wall clock, and third prize - a candle holder and scented candles. There are just 500 tickets to be sold at \$5 each. They're available at Kandos Crafters in Angus Avenue or phone Maureen Phillips on 6379 4174 or Bernadette Hundy on 6379 4297. Thanks everyone for your support.

Tai Chi for Health

Rylstone Health Service presents Tai Chi for Health each Tuesday from 10.30am to 11.30am at the Rylstone Anglican Church Hall. All welcome. Come and check it out and keep moving over winter. Improve your balance, mobility and strength while enjoying being part of a group of like-minded people. Cost is a gold coin donation to cover the hall hire. For more information, contact Health One Rylstone.

P & C's 100 Club

Rylstone Public School P & C Association is running a 100 Club. First Prize is \$4,000 and 2nd to 10th is \$100 (your money back). Tickets are \$100 each or you can share a ticket with others. So far, over 70 tickets have been sold

Please call Bec Guilfoyle on 0477 953 166 if you are interested in purchasing a ticket or Karon Grant at the school. A big thank you to the community for supporting this fundraiser.

NAIDOC Week at Museum

The Dabee-Mudgee Stories Traveling Exhibition will be on display at the Kandos Museum from Sunday, July 2 until the end of the month. On Wednesday, July 5 Kandos Museum will host a NAIDOC Week free morning tea from 10.30am - supported by Mid-Western Regional Council. All Welcome. NAIDOC Week runs from Sunday, July 2 until July 9.

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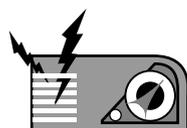
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