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Charity Shop dreams of owning its place

The Community Charity Shop in Kandos has raised a massive \$232,566 since it began in June 2013. This money is then distributed to needy groups and individuals across the district. This unique shop is unlike anything else around. It receives goods that are donated by people in the community and then sells them at bargain prices to supporters in the community. The money which is raised is then donated back to the community.

A couple of years ago, volunteers from the shop decided that it would be better to own their own premises rather than pay rent and also run the risk of being moved at short notice. They started a building fund which is totally separate from the money they raise for donations, with a dream of one day owning their own place. A big part of their funds for this came from recycled aluminium cans. Since they moved to their new premises at the lower end of Angus Avenue (Alan Jackson's former store), they have discovered that they like the shop and its location and have decided to work towards purchasing this property.



With its well laid out isles, huge variety of items and bargain prices the Community Charity Shop is a popular place to browse.

As the money for the building fund is separate from the money they raise for distribution to the community, it's a slow process. However, the government initiative called the Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) which will give a 10 cent refund on items such as plastic drink

bottles and cans has given them another opportunity to add to their fund. These items must display the 10c logo to be eligible. The collection point for the Rylstone Kandos area is Rylstone Foodworks. If supporters of the Charity Shop wish, they can drop their eligible containers at Foodworks and ask Diane or one of the staff to put the

money from the refund into a container kept for the Charity Shop. They can also drop the containers into the Charity Shop in Kandos and these will then be taken to Foodworks for a refund. Aluminium cans that aren't eligible for a refund are also still gratefully accepted at the Charity Shop itself.

Community members are urged to dig deep and support the Charity Shop and its volunteers. It's a fabulous asset for the whole district.

Hot action and cool water at Street Machine Show



Hot action in the burnouts was well and truly cooled down after a massive rain storm hit Kandos on Saturday afternoon.

The Kandos Street Machine and Hot Rod Show got off to a warm start on Saturday, January 27 with good numbers of entrants and a variety of stunning vehicles. The weather was hot, but unfortunately it didn't last. At around 3.30pm on Saturday afternoon a thunderstorm centred on Kandos dumped around 70mm of rain in just over an hour causing the cancellation of



Street Machine Club President Jack Pennell presenting Brendan Besant with his awards on Sunday afternoon.

Saturday's burnouts event.

Sunday dawned bright and clear and a decision was made to continue with the burnouts and to cancel the grass events. This was a wise decision. Straight after the presentations had been made on Sunday afternoon another storm hit, delivering another 35mm of rain.

Street Machine president, Jack Pennell said it was disappointing, but despite the weather they were reasonably happy with the event.

"You can't control the weather, but despite that it wasn't a bad show. Attendances were down on last year, but entries in the various events were good." He said they made enough money after expenses to cover next year's show.

New video highlights Rail Link

A short video called The Kandos Rylstone Heritage Rail Project is now available to view on YouTube.

Produced by Kandos resident Mike Oakey, it covers the recent upgrade to the rail link between Kandos and Rylstone with some fascinating footage of the heavy machinery at work. It adds another dimension to the history of the area and is definitely worth a look. You can access it on the Kandos Museum's YouTube and Facebook pages, or by typing the video name into Google. You can also type in this link: <https://youtu.be/xQcCZuqnp14>.

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Photo exhibition

Damian Castaldi's recent art exhibition *Our Town* at Gallery 47 created a lot of interest. Featuring photos of local people from Rylstone and Kandos, the shots brought out the characters of the subjects from across a wide section of the community. People such as "Cowboy" Webster and Geoff Hughes shared the walls of the gallery with Owain James, Na Lan and a poignant photo taken prior to the passing of Bruce McMaster.

Damian moved to Kandos in April 2016 with his wife Solange Kershaw. They knew people in the area and were involved in the Cementa Contemporary Arts Festival. Buying a house was affordable and it had the advantage of being reasonably close to Katoomba where they continue to work and have ongoing projects. Together, they run a media production company called *The Last Bureau* and work in mixed media, programming, sound and audio-



The artist Damian Castaldi with one of his photographic subjects, Roger Heap at the exhibition opening.

visual installation amongst other things. Damian has also found a family connection here in that his father as a young boy used to catch the Mudgee Mail train from Sydney to Lue and spend weekends there with his auntie and uncle who ran the general store.

"The art exhibition of local faces was inspired by the random view one cold winter's day of Na Lan crossing Louee street with her trolley, as she did every day taking her daily produce to her Yum Cha and Tea House in Rylstone, I set about taking snapshots of people I had come across since moving to Kandos. It would be another six months before I took the snapshot of Na Lan, the last in a series of sixteen people I have photographed for this exhibition."



Na Lan, caught on camera doing her morning work.

Australia Day Awards

This Year's official Australia Awards Ceremony for the Mid-Western Regional Council area was held in Robertson Park, Mudgee. The award presentations were made by Mayor Des Kennedy and Australia Day Ambassadors Judy Nunn and Bruce Venables.

The 2018 Award Winners are:

Citizen of the Year – Carolyn Peek.

Young Citizen of the Year – Brody Munday.

Environment Award – Mudgee Bee Group.

Sports Award – Soolan Clifford.

Junior Sports Award – Alesha Bennett.

Arts Award – Joshua Hayward.

Community Event of the Year –

CVPS Garden Fair 2017.

Young Farmer of the Year – Ben Thompson.

Volunteer Services Award – Trent O'Brien.

Volunteer Emergency Services Award

– Garry Dollisson.

This year, two names were added to the Wall of Reflections: Ruby Gossage and Edna Wells. Congratulations to all the recipients and their families and to all those who were nominated.

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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Museum gains funding

The Kandos Museum has recently been successful in gaining \$7,733 in Federal Government funding under round three of the Stronger Communities Programme. The funding will go towards the installation of sun shades that will provide relief to museum visitors and protect the impressive collection housed at the museum. Museum president Buzz Sanderson said the funding is much appreciated and will help to enhance this great community asset. If you haven't been to the museum lately, call in and spend an hour or two viewing the fascinating exhibits.



Andrew Gee celebrating the funding announcement with Buzz Sanderson, Daryl Clapham and Fiona MacDonald at the Kandos Museum.

Join the uke group

The local Ukulele Group have gone from strength to strength since they began around 20 months ago in Kandos. With quite a repertoire under their belts and voices to match their great strumming, they can belt out a variety of songs in great style. They're always happy to welcome new members and they invite all those who are keen on music and who might enjoy playing to come along and join in. The group meets at the CWA rooms in Jaques Street, Kandos on Friday afternoon from 4pm to 5pm or so. Give Mary Kavanagh a phone for more information on 0425 275 749 or just call in during their practice sessions and say hello.



The ukulele group having a lot of fun and entertaining the crowd at the Flower Power fundraiser held at the Kandos CWA rooms last year.

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RPS captains elected



Rylstone Public School Captains, Halli O'Brien and Ryan Fuller with Prefects, Bree Mackenzie and Emma Reid.

Rylstone Public School held its annual presentation and performance night late last year.

The hall was packed as usual with parents, family members and friends to see the students presented with their annual awards. School captains and prefects were also announced.

They are, captains - Halli O'Brien and Ryan Fuller, and prefects - Bree Mackenzie and Emma Reid. Congratulations to them and all the students for a wonderful night.

The colourful performance *Rylstone Rocks Reading* was a highlight of the evening. Congratulations to teachers, parents and all those who helped with costumes and rehearsals. A big thank you to the



Colourful costumes and cute kids were a feature of the performance night. Holly Webb, Finlay Aguirre and Elisabeth Keen having a great time in this scene from the play.

Community Charity Shop for their very generous donation of \$6,000. It is much appreciated and will be put to good use. Thank you also to everyone who sponsored prizes for the students.

Model trains for charity

Charbon resident Phil Crowther is selling his model trains to raise money for cancer research.

His collection of locos and rolling stock have to be seen to be believed. The models encompass the well-known brands Tri-ang, Lima and Hornby and include mid 70's vintage through to fine scale models from mid to late 90's. This is the second time Phil has opened up his cupboards and his heart for charity. His previous sale of model trains a few years



Phil Crowther with one of his fine locomotives in hand, ready for his big sale of model trains in March

back netted around \$2000 and benefitted ADA to the tune of \$600, the local Rescue Squad \$500 and

Dr Sam who distributed \$930 in food packages and mobility aids for elderly community members.

Phil's generosity has come to the fore following the passing of his partner Kerry last year and he would like the money raised this time to go to the respiratory area in cancer research if possible. He has over 40 locos and around 200 items of freight and passenger rolling stock up for grabs. He is planning the sale for mid to late March and it will be well advertised and promoted beforehand.

Cellos at Ilford

The first Ilford Concert for 2018 of 2 Cellos featuring Georg Mertens and Ella Jamieson will be held on Sunday, March 25. Settle in for Old and New Favourites including Bach and Beatles. It's on at 3pm at the Ilford Church. The same concert is also on at the Gingerbread House on Saturday, March 24 at 7.30pm. For bookings phone the Gingerbread House on 4782 6958 or on line at <http://www.georgcello.com/>. At last year's concert, organisers recorded "Autumn Leaves" at Ilford. This video was featured on "Famous Cellists of the 20th and 21st Century (Facebook)" and had 250 shares and 10, 000 views in one week. It will be played again on March 24 and 25.

Kandos road works

Work is well and truly underway in Angus Avenue, Kandos with Mid-Western Regional Council replacing the old kerb and gutter. This will be followed by the rehabilitation of the road pavement between White Crescent and Jaques Street. Some temporary road and footpath closures have been in place, however most traffic has been re-directed in single lane around the heavy equipment. Work is expected to take around eight weeks to complete.



Making light work of huge slabs of concrete in Angus Avenue.

New irrigation system

Mid-Western Regional Council recently installed all new irrigation systems at Waratah Park, Kandos. The upgrade enables the entire sporting field to receive water and promote adequate grass coverage. Council maintains 55 parks, gardens, ovals and playing fields across the region.

KHS welcomes new teachers



New Mathematics teacher Zoe Mizrachi.

Kandos High School is back for another year and they have two new teachers.

A big welcome to new Mathematics teacher, Zoe Mizrachi. Miss Mizrachi comes to the school from the Newcastle area, where she attended Newcastle University.



New Science teacher Emma Kelson.

A big welcome also to new Science teacher, Emma Kelson. Miss Kelson moved to KHS from Lake Macquarie where she was working as a Science teacher at Whitebridge High School. She is a Science, Music and Language trained teacher, who likes reading and travelling to Japan whenever she can.

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Calendar of Events - March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
The Cottage Museum, Rylstone is open every Sunday from 10am to 3pm.	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	1 Ladies Tennis, 9am Thursdays at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club.	2 Rylstone CWA meeting at 10am.	3 The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays from 10am to 4pm.
4 Kandos Christian Fellowship 10.30am on 2nd and 4th Sunday at CWA Hall, Kandos.	5 Kandos Rylstone Singers, 7pm every Tuesday night at One Life Family Church Kandos	6 Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training nights on 3rd Tuesdays.	7 R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7.30pm. *RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	8 Kandos CPSA meet at 2pm on the second Thursday of each month, at the Kandos RSC Club	9	10 Rylstone Markets Charity Day at Rylstone Club
11 One Life Family Church services, 10am every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday at the corner of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos	12	13 The Kandos Art Group meets every Tuesday at the CWA rooms in Kandos from 11am - 2pm.	14 Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. *Ryl. Hospital Auxiliary Meeting.	15 Scrabble on 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursday of each month, 10am to 1pm at the Rylstone Club.	16 Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	17 Kandos Markets.
18 Bogee RFS Training every 3rd Sunday of the month at 9am.	19	20 Venturers meet Tuesdays at 5pm.	21 The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wednesday at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	22 Rylstone CPSA meet at 11am at the Rylstone Club on the 4th Thursday of each month.	23	24
25 Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	26	27 Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 7.30pm. *Twin Town Players meet 6pm on 4th Tuesday of each month at VRA Shed, Rylstone.	28 Kandos CWA meeting 7 Jaques St. at 5.30pm. *KRR radio meeting, 7.30pm at KRR studios 50 Angus Ave Kandos.	29	30 Join the Ukulele Group, 4pm on Fridays at the Kandos CWA Rooms.	31 KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM

April 7 & 8...CWA Kandos Gardens Fair,
Queen's Birthday Weekend in June...Orienteering Carnival at Clandulla State Forest and the Rylstone Common.



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CWA Kandos Gardens Fair

The CWA Kandos Gardens Fair Every Garden Tells a Story will take place on the weekend of April 7 and 8 (the weekend after Easter). Eleven town and country gardens will represent the Ilford, Running Stream, Kandos and Rylstone area, ranging from iconic pastoral properties to town gardens with amazing views. Different gardens, different locations, different styles. The event will feature guest speakers, workshops and demonstrations, as well as market stalls, entertainment and exhibitions at the various properties. Schedule the full weekend to make the most of this exciting event. If you're interested in holding a market stall in one of the gardens, fundraising for your local community group, volunteering at a garden gate, or providing entertainment, please contact organisers. Tickets will be available at the garden gates, or online via Mudgee Region Tourism. For more information see www.kandosgardensfair.com, email kandosgardens@gmail.com or phone

Margot on 0417 029 457. You can also check out Facebook at [KandosGardensFair](https://www.facebook.com/KandosGardensFair).

Rylstone Market Day

The next Rylstone Artisan and Produce Market is on Saturday, March 10 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.

Kandos Community Markets

The Kandos Community Markets are on Saturday, March 17 in the grounds of St Laurence Church, Kandos from 9am to 1pm. Come along for some great bargains and interesting gifts, enjoy a cuppa and have a bite to eat. There will be all the usual stalls including fruit and vegies, books, plants, handmade soy wax candles, Devonshire teas, and a barbecue. For stall bookings, phone Rose on 6379 4179 or Joy on 6379 6097.

Cake and Sugar Open Day

Rylstone Cake and Sugar Artists are having an Open Day on Saturday, March 24 in the CWA rooms, Cudgegong Street Rylstone starting at 10am. If you are interested in learning the art of Cake Decorating they would like you to come along, enjoy morning tea and watch members demonstrating novelty and floral items. They will also have some of their work on display.

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