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Welcome to the November issue of *Community Capers*, volume 231. Our December issue will be folded and distributed on Thursday, November 30. The deadline for this issue is Wednesday, November 15. News items, events, dates for the calendar etc. are inserted free. Email them to the editor, Brent Barlow at brenbar@winsoft.net.au or phone Brent on 6379 1020. For details and prices on advertising, sponsorship etc., contact Brian Neaves on 6379 4092

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Gone to the dogs

The Rylstone Dog Show welcomed hundreds of people to town last month. The annual event is always well supported by locals and visitors who set up their home away from home at the Rylstone Showground for the weekend. Perfect weather, a great location and catering by Rotary helped make the dog show an enjoyable event for participants, organisers and judges. The dogs had a great time being pampered, brushed and groomed to perfection. Judge Jan Seary said she was happy to be involved with the show which was run under the auspices of Dogs NSW.

"The Rylstone Dog Show was well organised, with an excellent quality of dogs overall," she said.

The most successful dog of the three shows, winning two, Best in Show and runner up in the third was Elvis - a Petite Basset Griffon Vendeen. His full title is, Australian Champion, Junior Croatian Champion Kan Trace, 'Born to be a Rock Star'.



Best in Show - "Quiz", an American Cocker Spaniel owned by Helen Roberts from Rylstone and Cathy Barrett from Silverdale.

Pinking up our towns

The Pink Up campaign, supporting the McGrath Foundation, officially kicked off across the Mid-Western region in October. Shops and homes in Mudgee, Gulgong, Rylstone and Kandos embraced the colour pink and the transformation continued right through October - Australia's breast cancer awareness month. This year, Rylstone and Kandos got well and truly on board turning pink to raise funds and awareness. The Pink Up initiative is being driven by the Real Estate Institute of Australia and was well supported locally by First National Real Estate Kandos-Rylstone who promoted the campaign and made Pink Up kits available to businesses and the general public. Pink was certainly the flavour of the month and even some rural properties decorated their front gates and entrances this year.



Pink bras and other pink decorations took everyone's eye at the FoodWorks store in Rylstone. Many other businesses and private homes were decorated in Rylstone and Kandos during October.

Temporary main entrance at Rylstone MPS

Access to the Rylstone Multipurpose Service (MPS) has temporarily changed. The new front entry will be operating for approximately three months while construction work takes place to deliver a new front entry, reception and waiting area as part of the overall redevelopment project. These temporary works will change the entry into the MPS, including access to the Emergency Department. The temporary entry during this time will be a new entry near the previous main entrance. The external entry gate for the Residential Aged Care building has also been moved slightly from its current location, due to the construction zone at the front of the MPS. Signage will be in place directing patients and visitors to the appropriate entry points. There may also be some changes to car parking while the construction is occurring near the front of the facility. Patients and visitors to the MPS are asked to exercise caution around the front public entrance while these temporary works are occurring. If you have further questions about access or car parking at the Rylstone MPS during this time please contact the

Rylstone MPS on 6357 8111. The Rylstone MPS Redevelopment project involves extensions and refurbishment to many areas of the MPS, and the addition of a new staff accommodation building. The scope includes new residential aged care rooms and dining area, refurbished acute rooms and improvements to community health. The redevelopment is part of a greater \$300 million program of works to upgrade existing or build new MPS facilities in a number of rural and remote communities across NSW.



The new temporary entrance to Rylstone MPS.

Capers info

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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.

Max Potential

Max Potential is seeking community minded people to support young adults on a transformational leadership development program next year from February 2018. Max Potential is a 22 weeks program that empowers young people through leadership coaching. The focus is personal leadership development and coaching of young adults to help them build confidence, develop life skills and maximise their potential during the final years at school and beyond. Program Manager Damian Walsh says it's a great opportunity for community members as well as young people, with Kandos high school students participating in Max Potential under the support of the school.

"This is your opportunity to empower local young adults whilst developing yourself professionally and personally. Be part of a well-respected program as it moves into its twelfth year in the Mudgee region in 2018."

Applications are now open for community members to coach young adults 16-17 (in years 10 and 11) to lead themselves, lead others and leave a legacy in their local community. The commitment to the program over six months includes: two coach training days (develop an empowering communication framework and transferable coaching and personal development skills). Three half day group workshops, eight one hour coaching sessions with a young adult helping them develop personal leadership while reaching their goals and serving the community, four individual coaching sessions with an executive coach based on your personal development goal and one day concluding workshop and celebration showcase.

You can apply now at Maxpotential.com.au. In the meantime, you can see some results of coaching through Max Potential at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/MaxPotentialAus/videos>. For more information, contact Damian Walsh, Max Potential Program Manager by email at damian@maxpotential.com.au or phone on 0421 618 912.

School performance was a hit

Kandos Public School presented their Whole School Performance 'Night at the Kandos Museum' on Thursday, September 7 in a matinee and evening performance to over 500 amazed audience members. In preparation for the performance, students studied the history of the people and places of Kandos and did research about how the main street of Kandos has changed overtime. 'Night at the Kandos Museum' is about the Travelle family who take a spontaneous holiday to Kandos. They make a special visit to the local museum but what happens next is completely unexpected as they make a startling discovery. The tour guide 'Kandice Muzeum' leads the way, but does she



Kandos Public School performers in 'Night at the Kandos Museum' playing journalists at the local community radio station KRR.

know what myths and legends are hidden in the Kandos Museum? Historical figures and exhibits spring to life as each class from Kandos Public School plays their part as industrial workers, artisans, farmers, bushrangers, sports stars and business houses. Congratulations to all the students of Kandos Public School for their incredible efforts. Not only was the show original in its storyline, but it also demonstrated how proud staff and students feel towards the town of Kandos and its history. Congratulations to Mrs Cafe and Mrs Kennedy for their role in directing the whole performance and well done to all of our talented student performers.

Students learn to mountain bike

In September a number of Kandos High School students participated in an introduction to Mountain Biking day. Students were educated about safety aspects of Mountain Biking, taught basic skills and provided with the

opportunity to ride some of the cross country trails in the Clandulla State Forest. A big thank you to Dave Standfield who voluntarily participated in a coaching course to meet department requirements, loaned bikes to a number of students and volunteered to supervise, conduct lessons and ride with them on the day. Everyone hopes this will become a regular event in the future.



Dave Standfield and KHS students enjoying a break during their negotiation of some of the bike trails in the Clandulla State Forest.

Wood Sculpture Symposium

Ten home-grown and international sculptors have been in Rylstone for 10 days during the second half of October sawing, grinding and polishing sculptures from large Ribbon Gum logs accessed from Nullo Mountain. The sculptors came from as far as Austria, Belgium, China, Montenegro, Russia, the Central Coast and Sydney. They settled into their temporary workshop in the sheep shed at Rylstone Showground and at the time of Capers going to press were expecting lots of visitors to see them at work creating some amazing pieces. The culmination of all their work was Saturday, October 28 - Rylstone Street Feast day, adding some excitement and extra energy to this annual event.

This amazing sculpture is the result of the first wood sculpture symposium held in 2015. It is located at the Kandos Square and is admired by locals and visitors alike.



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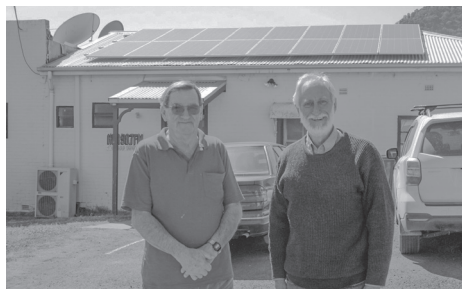
Vale Neen

Kandos Rylstone Community Radio (KRR 98.7 FM) lost one of its longest serving members recently when Yvonne (Neen) Besant passed away after battling with ill health for a number of years. Her passing is a sad loss for the local radio station. Neen and her husband Beau (deceased) were some of the original members of KRR with Beau taking on the position of treasurer in the early days and helping the station to get on its feet. Following Beaus' death, Neen continued her association with KRR and presented Neen's Nostalgia – a popular music show featuring the old time greats, classics and movie sound tracks. Later, she was joined by her daughter Leanne and eventually by her granddaughter Kirri as well, making three generations in the studio at the same time. Neen was a dynamic, gracious and popular figure and will be much missed by KRR members and the listening community far and wide.

KRR goes solar

With soaring electricity prices and ever increasing electricity bills, Kandos Rylstone Community Radio (KRR 98.7 FM) has taken the plunge and invested in solar panels. Sixteen large panels have recently been installed on the station's roof and are now covering most of KRR's electricity needs throughout daylight hours. President Brent Barlow said the idea was discussed at a meeting some months ago, with members strongly in favour of the proposal.

"This investment should pay for itself over a number of years and will be a great benefit for our station, which in turn will have a flow on effect for our community. A reduction in costs in this area will enable us to invest and update equipment and infrastructure in other areas."



: KRR's vice-president Brian Neaves and president Brent Barlow inspecting the recently installed solar panels on the local radio station's roof.

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These garden enthusiasts are searching for ideas and like-minded gardeners for the fifth Kandos Gardens Fair in April next year.

Rylstone StreetFeast

At the time of Capers going to press final preparations were taking place for this year's Rylstone StreetFeast on Saturday, October 28. Barring rain and adverse weather, organisers were expecting a fabulous day with close to 400 people sitting down to a gourmet meal in the main street and hundreds more attending to enjoy the free entertainment, a browse at the stalls, a taste of local wine and a bite to eat at the many food outlets nearby. A big thank you to Platinum Sponsors Mid-Western Regional Council, Bowdens Silver and Kepco Bylong along with the many Gold and Silver sponsors. A special thank you to all the volunteers and supporters who give so freely of their time and energy to make the annual event such a success. Money raised on the day will go to local groups and organisations across the district.

RDHS update

The Annual General Meeting of the Rylstone District Historical Society was held in the Bridge View Inn, Rylstone on August 26. President Shirley Tunnickliff thanked the committee members who have been very supportive and others outside of the Committee who have given quite a few hours of their time for the Historical Society. During the meeting it was announced that the Society may be given a building from the Kepco mine area at Bylong. RDHS committee members have been dealing with a heritage adviser regarding these buildings and it seems possible that they will be successful in gaining either the old Catholic Church or the 1927 school building with a fire place and a verandah. The buildings would be delivered free to the BVI complex area and placed on foundations, all paid for by Kepco Bylong. RDHS would be responsible for submitting a development application with Mid-Western Regional Council, and for connection to all services. No official word about the buildings had been received at the time.

Shirley Tunnickliff thanked everyone who has volunteered for museum duty over the last twelve months. "It has been a struggle to get enough volunteers to cover the Sunday open day but we have managed, thank you all very much." Museum entrance fees have been changed to \$3 per adult and \$2 concession. Volunteers are sought for the Cottage Museum, which opens every Sunday from 10pm to 3pm. Benefits of volunteering include gaining new skills and knowledge, a sense of achievement and fulfilment, connection to better understanding your community and meeting new people and making new friends. Please contact Shirley on 6379 1121 for further information.

The Family History Research Group meet at the Henbury Golf Club, Kandos, on the first Friday of the month at 11am. Fiona Nevell from the Family Research Group manages a Facebook page, Rylstone & District Local & Family History Connection, where she shares many interesting genealogical and heritage articles. The page can be found at www.facebook.com/groups/140272439320083/.

Radio committee elected

KRR's Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday August 30 followed by their general monthly meeting. There was a good turnout and election results for the committee are as follows: Executive committee: President – Brent Barlow, Vice-President – Brian Neaves, Secretary – Karen Riley, Treasurer – Pat Spithill, Ordinary Committee Members: Ron Spithill, Faith Cauchi and Peter Hay.

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Calendar of Events - November 2017

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.	1 R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7.30pm. *RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	2 AA meetings 6pm every Thursday at Anglican Church Hall, Kandos. Phone John 0434 061 094	3 Rylstone CWA meeting at 10am.	4 The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays from 10am to 4pm.
5 Kandos Christian Fellowship 10.30am on 2nd and 4th Sunday at CWA Hall, Kandos.	6 Kandos Rylstone Singers, 7pm every Tuesday night at One Life Family Church Kandos	7 Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training nights on 3rd Tuesdays.	8 Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. *Ryl. Hospital Auxiliary Meeting.	9 Kandos CPSA meeting on 2nd Thursday of the month, 2pm at the Kandos RSC Club.	10	11 Rylstone Artisan and Produce Market.
12 Bogee RFS Training every 3rd Sunday of the month at 9am.	13	14 The Kandos Art Group meets every Tuesday at the CWA rooms in Kandos from 11am - 2pm.	15 Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12noon each Wednesday.	16	17 Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	18 Kandos Markets. CWA Flower Power fundraiser
19 Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	20	21 Venturers meet Tuesdays at 5pm.	22 The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wednesday at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	23 Ladies Tennis, 9am Thursdays at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club.	24	25
26 One Life Family Church services, 10am every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday at the corner of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos	27	28 Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 7.30pm. *Twin Town Players meet 6pm on 4th Tuesday of each month at VRA Shed, Rylstone.	29 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.	30 Scrabble on 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursday of each month, 10am to 1pm at the Rylstone Club.	Join the Ukulele Group, 5pm on Fridays at the Kandos CWA Rooms.	KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM

January 27 and 28...Kandos Street Machine and Hot Rod Show,
June 2018 (Queen's Birthday Weekend) ...Orienteering Carnival at Clandulla State Forest and the Rylstone Common.

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Trash & Treasure

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Kandos Community Markets

The Kandos Community Markets are on Saturday, November 18 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.

Rylstone Market Day

The Rylstone Artisan and Produce Market is on Saturday, November 11 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

Flower Power fundraiser

CWA Kandos invites you to Flower Power - a fun and fundraising cocktail party and the opening of an exhibition of paintings by Fleur MacDonald. It's on Saturday, November 18 at 5pm at the CWA Rooms, 7 Jaques Street Kandos. Donations to CWA Garden to Kitchen Project. Refreshments will be served. Dress theme: Flower Power. For more information check out: facebook.com/CWAKandos, kandoscwa@gmail.com or phone Colleen on 6379 6902 or Mary on 0425 275 749.

Books for Babies Program

Rotary is currently welcoming new babies into their families in the local area by providing a book and some gifts to start their lifelong journey of learning and fun. Please contact one of the numbers here to organise to receive this gift: Margaret on 6379 4238 or Amanda on 0427 794 319. You can also register your interest at your local Baby Health Service.

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