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Welcome to the October issue of Community Capers, volume 285. Our November issue will be distributed on Thursday, October 27. The deadline for this issue is Tuesday, October 18. 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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A Festival and a Feast



Live entertainment is guaranteed to draw another good crowd this year

Rylstone is the place to be on Saturday, November 5 for this year's 'party in the main street'. Come along and soak up Rylstone StreetFeast's festival atmosphere from 10am till late. It's a celebration of spring, good food, local wine and produce, and a great community.

As in past years Louee Street will be closed between Prices Service Station and the Rylstone Hotel, with the Long Lunch staged under the avenue of trees. Local wine bars, cafes, pubs and stalls will offer an assortment of gastronomic delights to test the taste buds, and from 10am there'll be live entertainment in the street, and on centre stage from 12 noon.

Along with the Long Lunch over 40 market stalls will line the street offering a variety of local produce, art and giftware. Our feathered friends will be there too, competing in thrilling "duck races" with proceeds going to Rylstone Hospital Auxiliary.

The whole day is all about people enjoying the fun, food, market stalls, and checking out the local businesses and surrounds. Come along and wander the street or just pull up and listen to the music. When StreetFeast concludes around 5pm, live entertainment will continue in both local pubs.

Rylstone StreetFeast is managed by a not-for-profit incorporated association. Their aim is to cover costs and raise money to donate to local community groups, organisations and charities.



The ducks are back and racing.
Pick a winner at this year's StreetFeast.

Info Expo

A sub-committee of the Community Charity Shop is holding an Information Expo for local organisations, sporting groups etc. at the Rylstone Memorial Hall on Saturday, November 19 from 9am to 4pm. Groups will be able to showcase their various activities, meeting times, locations and other interesting information they wish to put forward. The idea is that groups come along and set up a stall where they can provide information for visitors. The expo will be free to attend and there will be a free sausage sizzle with coffee and cakes provided. For more information email rylstonekandosexpo@gmail.com or phone Keryn Burns on 0400 780 722 or Colleen Yates on 0429 794 339.



Keryn Burns and Colleen Yates in the studio of KRR 98.7FM putting out the message about the Information Expo coming up in November



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Community groups and other organisations are welcome to list their meeting times, events, dates and venues. Please send all information to the editor, Brent Barlow, 38 Mudgee Street, Rylstone, NSW 2849, or email him at brenbar@winoft.net.au or phone on 6379 1020 - mobile 0427 791 020. For advertising or sponsorship, please contact Brian Neaves on 6379 4092..

School gets a Big Lift

A group of 21 young adults, former students of the University of Technology in Sydney, descended on Lue Public School recently. They came armed with sleeping bags, gardening gloves and work boots for a weekend of work - part of a program called the 'Big Lift' where a like-minded group of young people travel out to rural areas for a weekend to 'give back' to the community. After sleeping in the classrooms on the Friday night and breakfast provided by the school on Saturday morning, they started to work, and really got stuck into it. They created a

new veggie garden, assembled veggie pods, painted the panels around the pool with amazing starfish and jellyfish etc. and moved sleepers to an area of young trees to enclose with mulch. Lue School provided breakfast and lunch, then joined them all for dinner at a local venue on the Saturday night.

"They were a lovely bunch of young people, engineers, nurses, teachers, biochemists, health care professionals and environmentalists etc. - such a mix and a fabulous positive vibe from them all."



Former students of the University of Technology working a treat and 'giving back to the community' at Lue School.

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Radio's AGM results

Kandos Rylstone Community Radio Inc. held its Annual General meeting on August 31. Brent Barlow presented his Annual President's Report and summarised what has been another successful year for the station, though tinged with sadness at the loss of former committee member and program presenter Scottie Hogansen earlier in the year.

"We've had a number of new members join us this year and also some new program presenters which is very pleasing. Financially, it's been another successful year for us. We continue to remain in a very sound position. Sponsorship has continued to be strong and we are grateful for the ongoing support from our business community and the confidence they have in our station. Our financial position will therefore enable us to continue to improve our infrastructure and upgrade and replace equipment while keeping funds in reserve for emergency situations. Our monthly newsletter, Community Capers continues to be published each month by KRR and is distributed throughout the community and beyond via our website. We acknowledge the support of Mid-Western Regional Council and our regular advertisers and sponsors." Brent thanked the committee and members for their support and congratulated presenters on their programs. The Audited Financial Report was presented by Treasurer Pat Spithill and made available to members and the wider community to read.

All positions were then declared vacant and elections held. The executive committee for 2022/2023 are: President - Brent Barlow, Vice-President - Brian Neaves, Secretary - Maree Maiden and Treasurer - Pat Spithill. Ordinary Committee members are: Ron Spithill, George Reid and Helen Roberts. Five sub-committees were also decided for Sponsorship, Programming, Studio Maintenance, Technical & Transmitter Maintenance and Training.

Unnamed lane named

At their 20/7/22 Council Meeting, Mid-Western Regional Council formally approved the naming of an unnamed lane off Dabee Street in the town of Rylstone. The new street has been named Kirkland Lane. The Council Report related to this matter can be viewed at www.midwestern.nsw.gov.au

The Deb and Sarah Show

Deb Stone and Sarah French joined forces for an exhibition opening of 'push to playful' ceramics at Number Forty Seven Gallery in Rylstone on September 3. Deb and Sarah starting working together around a year ago and the difference in styles is striking and complimentary. Sarah's pieces are practical and useful while Deb's pieces swing from quirky to outrageous. Her ceramic studio at Clandulla named 'Tin Lizzie' - a homage to her 'darling sister', is a place where she has fun and adventure with clay. Sarah moved to Clandulla from the Blue Mountains three years ago and when she met Deb her passion for pottery was re-ignited. This led her to discover new and traditional forms and glazes. She likes to make useful pieces and leans towards domestic pieces which are microwave, oven and dishwasher safe.



Sarah French and Deb Stone at the opening of their 'push to playful' exhibition in Rylstone.

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Carping on

With continuous high flows of water in the Cudgong River at Rylstone it's shaping up to be a great boost for riverine species from native fish to crayfish, shrimps, platypus and the dreaded carp. There are two types of carp found locally – the goldfish carp (*Carassius auratus*) which can have bright, sometime reddish colours and is usually smaller than the Common carp or European carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) which has a deeper body and barbels or whiskers near its mouth. The goldfish carp has been in the river for decades but how did the common carp get here? The jury is out on this one. The two species are also known to hybridise and can be difficult to differentiate particularly when immature. There are also two or three strains of the Common carp.

While carp are despised by many, they are great fighters on the end of a line and have proven to be a worthy adversary on bait, lure and fly. Love them or hate them, carp should be dispatched quickly and humanely. Do not leave caught fish scattered along river banks or shorelines to rot. Tourist numbers are increasing locally and people enjoy walking along the river minus the stench of stinking fish. If you have no use for carp, simply cut them up and return them to the water for the shrimp and yabbies to feed on or at least bury them. Or, you could try eating them. Have you been told not to bother because they taste like mud? Although well meaning, this advice almost always comes from someone who has tasted neither carp nor mud. Perhaps the time has come to add carp to the menu. If you treat carp well then you have a great eating fish that is not only plentiful, but an environmental pest. You are doing an environmental service by catching and eating them. Carp are one of the most underutilized wild foods Australia has. Outside Australia, carp are seen as a delicacy and for good reason, they can be a fine table fish, especially if caught in clean fast running water. At one time, carp were considered fit for the tables of kings and emperors and graced the feasts of the rich and mighty. Henry VIII of England had his own carp pond, whose sole purpose was to provide carp for his table.

Once you've caught a carp that is the size you want to eat, you need to bleed the meat. You should kill the fish immediately with a blow to the head, followed by cutting the gills to bleed it out. Then get it on ice as soon as possible. Small bones have probably been one reason that carp have a bad reputation, but there are ways of filleting to sort this out. According to Maggie Beer, skinning them can remove any muddy taste. Google it or check it out on You Tube. At the Sydney markets recently carp were priced at \$7.99 a kg while leather jackets were priced at \$6.99 a kg. There is a market for this fish.



While visiting from Tasmania, Jasper caught this carp in Rylstone. He loves eating fish and was keen to try it so it was cleaned and cooked with some anxiety by his family. However everyone agreed that it was delicious. They said it had a neutral flavour, sweet and tasty. Well done Japer. Just don't take them back to Tassie.

School's Food Van

Iford Public School P&C are fuelling local fundraising efforts and dishing up disaster relief with a new federally-funded food van with a government grant of \$13,200 in support for the project through Round 7 of the Stronger Communities Program. Federal Member for Calare, Andrew Gee, said the food van project will benefit the entire community. "The new Iford P&C food van will enable hot food to be served. It will hit the road to raise money at community events, with the proceeds of selling food and drinks going towards supporting kids at the local school. Other local community

organisations, such as the RFS and the Country Women's Association, will also be able to use the food van to aid their activities."



Andrew Gee joining Iford Public School P&C and school community members in celebrating the purchase of their new food van.

Music with Wendy

KRR 98.7 FM presenter Wendy Williams has a show with an unusual mix that covers a wide range of musical tastes. For instance, she does a tribute between 2pm and 3pm and it can range from the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber to Frank Sinatra or Diana Ross. Tune in at other times and you may hear number one hits from the 70's. Wendy moved to the district from Sydney in 2002 to settle on her bush block of 100 acres in the Capertee Valley where she raised a very fine herd of Alpacas. She is a woman of many talents. Before her move she was a high level executive in the IT industry and has been a director on a number of boards for many years. The local community is fortunate to have someone with her energy and drive. She is retired now and living in Kandos, but she maintains a strong community involvement. One of the highlights of her week is playing Mah-jong that she instigated with a local group. Another highlight is of course her radio program. It's on Mondays from 1pm to 4pm. She has a huge collection of CD's and enjoys sharing them with listeners.



Tune in on Monday afternoons for Wendy's eclectic mix of music on KRR 98.7 FM.

American songbook

Rachel Hannan and John Stuart Put on a fabulous night of music at the Kandos Museum recently. Their selection of classic old favourites from the American Songbook of George and Ira Gershwin, Harold Arlen, Cole Porter, Arthur Hamilton, Gus Kahn and others brought back plenty of memories to the enthralled audience. John's impressive jazz chords on his seven string guitar was complimented delightfully by Rachel's wonderful voice and superb talent. Music lovers look forward to the next serving of music at the museum's Kandos Stage.



Rachel Hannan and John Stuart - a great combination that delighted the audience at the Kandos Museum.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
30 The Cottage Museum, Rylstone is open every Sunday from 10am to 3pm.	31 Scouts and Cubs meet at 4.30pm on Mondays at Kandos Scout Hall.	Rotary meets every Tuesday at the Rescue Squad VRA shed, Rylstone 6.30 for 7pm	Venturers meet at 5pm Wednesdays at the Kandos Scout Hall.	Scrabble on 1 st , 3 rd and 5 th Thurs. 10am at Rylstone Club.		1 The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 10am to 4pm
2 One Life Family Church services, 10am 1 st , 3 rd and 5 th Sundays at the cnr. of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos.	3 Pilates classes, 6pm Mondays at St James Hall Rylstone..	4 Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training on 3 rd Tuesdays..	5 R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7pm. *RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	6 Kandos CP&SA meets 2pm on the second Thursday of each month at the Kandos RSC Club.	7 Rylstone CWA meets at 10am. *Cudgegong Valley History Group, 11am to 3pm at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club	8 Rylstone Markets Rylstone CWA Rooms open for food
9 Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	10	11 Dance to be Fit 4.45pm Tuesdays at St James Hall Rylstone.	12 Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting.	13 Ladies Tennis, 9am Thursdays at Henbury.	14 Ryl. Hosp. Aux. Meetings 2nd Friday of each month at 10am.	15 Kandos Markets
16 Anglican Church services at St Laurence, Kandos at 10am on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays and at St James Rylstone at 10am on the 4th and 5th Sundays. *3rd Sunday Markets at the Globe 10am – 2pm.	17	18 The Wollemi Singers meet at 6pm Tuesdays at Kandos CWA Rooms. *For kids, at St James Hall, Tuesdays from 10am to 11.30am.	19 The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wed. at the VRA shed, Rylstone. *Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12 Wednesdays.	20 Rylstone CP&SA 11am at Ryl. Club on the 4 th Thursday of month.	21 Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library..	22 Flavours of Mudgee
23 Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 2pm on last Sunday of each month.	24	25 Walking group Tuesdays and Thursdays. Meet at Rylstone Showground Thursdays at 9am.	26 KRR Radio meeting 5.30pm on last Wed. of month at 50 Angus Ave Kandos. *Kandos CWA, 5pm on last Wed. of month.	27 Walking group meet at Rylstone Showground Thursdays at 9am.	28	29 KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM

October 5...Rylstone Family Fun Day, 20, 21, 22 October...Australian National Field Days, Borenore Orange, November 5...Rylstone Street-Feast, November 19...Information Expo, December 1, 3 and 4...TTP's Murder at Aunt Agatha's, December 6...Bridge View Inn's 150th..

Rylstone Markets

The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, October 8 in the grounds of the 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 for more stallholders so if you would like to come along and join their group, call their secretary Bev on 0410 577 667 or their president Diana on 0428 663 161. You can also send them an email at rylstonemarkets@gmail.com.

St Stephen's Bylong

The 'Friends of St Stephen's Bylong' invite you to a tree planting ceremony to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee and life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Tuesday, October 18 at 11am at St Stephen's Anglican Church, 7647 Bylong Valley Way, Bylong. For catering purposes, please RSVP by October 7 to 0427 791 181 or email mhueineachain@gmail.com. This event is funded by the Australian Government.

Kandos Community Markets

The Kandos Community Markets are back after a winter break and will be held on Saturday, October 15 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'll be all the usual interesting stalls. For stall bookings, phone Pauline on 6379 4533 or Rose on 6379 4179.

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Lady Bushranger event

An afternoon inspired by Jessie Hickman, the Lady Bushranger will have everyone enthralled at the Kandos Museum on Saturday, October 29. Join Julie Williams and Sally McInerney in a conversation ranging across the life and times of the local identity. The afternoon event will also feature music, dance and bush poetry with a dance film by Susan Barling and poetry by Rita Ashby set to music by Maree Maiden and all inspired by the Lady Bush Ranger. Julie Williams' photo series Smother is a contemporary reinterpretation of the life of the much loved Lady Bushranger Jessie Hickman (1890-1936) who adopted many roles and disguises as a young travelling circus performer and in later life as a bushranger in the Kandos/Rylstone region of NSW. Sally McInerney, writer and photographer, grew up on a small farm near Cowra. Her father's family have lived in the district since 1863, hence from childhood she heard stories of local bushrangers Ben Hall and Johnny Vane, with whom some of the family were acquainted, and of the fine horsemen Martini Breheny and Rhody Sheedy (who became a family friend, sometimes known as the 'last of the bushrangers'). This fascinating afternoon is on at 2pm and the talk and inspired dance and poetry is free with Museum entry. Book your ticket online at www.kandosmuseum.org.au. Afternoon tea and scones will be available.

BVI's 150th

Rylstone and District Historical Society will be inviting the public and special guests to celebrate the Bridge View Inn's 150th birthday party on December 6. There'll be an Open Day at the BVI with the launch of a new book about the history of the Bridge View Inn and an opportunity to see the building, the apartment, the mural in the dining room, and the new interpretive panels in the hallway and courtyard. A number of other interesting activities will also be held. More details will be available in next month's Community Capers.

Twin Town Players are back

The Twin Town Players have started rehearsals for their latest production, Murder at Aunt Agatha's. This is their first play after a long break due to COVID. It's shaping up to be a fun romp through rich Aunt Agatha's house as all her family come together to hear the reading of her will. Full of ghosts, murder and mayhem, this is the first murder mystery the Twin Town Players have produced and celebrates thirty years since their first performance in 1992. Performances will be at the Rylstone Memorial Hall on December 1, 3 and 4 and Tickets will be available online at Ticketbooth in November.

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