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Welcome to the September issue of Community Capers, volume 284. Our October issue will be distributed on Thursday, September 29. The deadline for this issue is Tuesday, September 20. 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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Yummy winter markets

Rylstone Markets continue to be a drawcard for tourists and visitors as well as local residents. Held on the second Saturday of each month in the Rylstone Memorial Hall and grounds, there's usually something there to discover and buy. One of the long-term stalls is the Rotary Club's barbecue which brings a tantalising aroma to the grounds when it's fired up each month. Winter is a perfect time to get into a deliciously hot egg and bacon roll or a sausage sandwich covered in caramelised onions. According to customers, who are always right of course, it's worth a visit to the markets just for this. Money made by Rotary on these occasions go to very worthwhile causes.

The Rylstone Olive Press stall is another enduring delight. Pat Amos is there to offer tastings and give information about the local press to visitors and locals alike. The oils are a national treasure and the varieties available provide everyone with a flavour that they like or that suits the occasion in mind. From Crooked River to Cudgong and Nuovo to Organic these oils are outstanding quality and are another drawcard to the local markets.

If you're interested in holding a stall there each month, you can contact 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.



Left: Rotary members Gerry, David and Maree serving up a treat at the Rylstone Markets.



Above: Market goers Peter and Wendy having a chat to Pat Amos about the wonderful varieties of olive oils produced by the Rylstone Olive Press.

Precinct takes on the world

The Mudgee Arts Precinct has been named a finalist in the 2022 World Architecture Festival Awards. Designed by BKA Architecture, the Mudgee Arts Precinct seamlessly combines the original Victorian 1885 Cudgong Chambers, with a brand new, purpose-built addition that houses gallery spaces and the Mudgee Visitor Information Centre.

Now in its fifteenth year, the World Architecture Festival (WAF) is the world's largest festival and live awards competition dedicated to celebrating and sharing architectural excellence from across the globe. Mid-Western Regional Council's General Manager, Brad Cam said the Mudgee Arts Precinct building has

received overwhelmingly positive feedback from the public since the opening late last year.

"The finished building is a brilliant fusion of old meets new, with a nod to the region's important heritage. For its design to be considered against projects from all around the world is a huge honor for both BKA Architecture and the Mid-Western Region." The awards will be announced in Portugal at the end of the year. Council co-contributed to the project after securing funding through the NSW Government's Create NSW and the Australian Government's Building Better Regions Fund.



Combining the old with the new for a stunning result. The Mudgee Arts Precinct has been named a finalist in the 2022 World Architecture Festival Awards. (Photo by Elise Hassey and BKA Architects).

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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.

Bernadette's Birds

Bernadette Edwards shared her passion for nature and wildlife at the opening of her art exhibition 'Candid Collections' on Saturday, August 6 at Gallery 47 Rylstone.

Bernadette has spent a few years hiking and climbing around the local countryside and has been able to capture some beautiful photographs of creatures big and small, along with some stunning landscapes. Her bird photos are delightful and illustrate how patient she has been to capture some great shots. You can check out her photos by searching Bernadette's name on the internet.



Local photographer Bernadette Edwards at the art exhibition opening of 'Candid Collections'.

Generous gift to School

Lue Public School was given some very welcome help back in June towards the cost of transport for their combined schools Canberra excursion. A gift of \$2000 followed an invitation by the Mudgee Lions Club to School Principal Caron McDonald to attend as a special guest at a dinner meeting of Mudgee Lions where she addressed members on the Mudgee Small Schools network. Ms McDonald said Mudgee Lions are part of 1.3 million men and women in 205 countries and geographic areas who volunteer to make a difference in their communities by fundraising for local causes, awarding scholarships, providing help in time of disaster and generally supporting worthwhile causes.

"I'd like to thank David Halpin and his amazing band of volunteers for their interest in our network and amazing generosity. Transport for this excursion is costing almost \$5000 so this wonderful contribution of \$2000 will really make a difference."



A big thank you to David Halpin and his team at Mudgee Lions from Caron McDonald for their generous support of Lue School.

The magic of water

Water was the focus of an exhibition aptly called 'Waterland' which opened at the WayOut ArtSpace in Kandos on August 6. Curated by Laura Fisher, Kim Williams and Vashti Pearce the gallery was turned into a fascinating laboratory bringing together art, science and magic in our landscapes through interactive models and great input from local school students. The exhibition was jointly presented by the Mulloon Institute (a not-for-profit land-restoration organisation) and artist group Kandos School of Cultural Adaptation who asked the question 'what power do we have to harness water's incredible energy for the benefit of communities, farming and country?' The exhibition went some way towards answering this question with a mix of art, design, science, models, mapping, edibles and gameplay.

The North East Wiradjuri Cultural Centre, Capertee

Valley Landcare, Watershed Landcare and experienced artists, students and members of the community around Kandos and the Capertee Valley collaborated in this comprehensive exhibition. Schools involved were Kandos High, Kandos Primary, Ilford, Glen Alice and Capertee Public Schools who all contributed through a series of workshops during the week leading up to the exhibition. A large wall of illustrations and paintings by younger school students featured images and models of plants describing the incredible part they play in cycling water, minerals, nutrients, carbon and oxygen between the soil and the atmosphere. The exhibition will remain open until September 4. Gallery hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am to 2pm.



Curators of the 'Waterland' exhibition Laura Fisher, Kim Williams and Vashti Pearce in front of the wonderful wall featuring art works by young school students.



Children were fascinated by the model that showed how water flows through our landscape and is utilised in our urban environment.

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Minis mobilise

The 11th Rylstone Classic arrived in town on Saturday, August 13. It has grown over the past decade to become one of Australia's marquee events for Mini enthusiasts, and one of the largest gatherings of Classic Minis in the Southern Hemisphere. Minis of all shapes, sizes and vintages lined Rylstone's main street for a look-see on Sunday morning. It attracted



Minis lined up outside the Globe Hotel in Rylstone on Sunday morning for the customary 'show and tell'.

plenty of enthusiasts who love the iconic vehicle. The two day Rylstone Classic encompasses a range of novelty activities and is conducted at a leisurely pace, befitting the vintage of the vehicles. Comments by owners included "Rylstone is the highlight of our mini year" and "We always look forward to the Rylstone Classic, an event not to be missed.

R&DHS AGM results

The Annual General Meeting of the Rylstone & District Historical Society was held on Saturday, July 23 in the Bridge View Inn Dining Room. Elections were held and results are: President - Peter Monaghan, Vice President - Jeannette McCarthy and Secretary - Shirley Tunnicliff. Ordinary Committee Members are: Allan Wills, Lesley Pennell and David Warren. No nominations were received for Treasurer and Peter Monaghan agreed to continue in that role in order that a 4th ordinary committee member be elected as allowed by the constitution, thus making a full committee of seven persons. A nomination 'from the floor' was received and Sandra Stroud was elected. It was agreed that George McDonald continue in the position of Patron, and Carolyn Barlow agreed to continue as Public Officer.



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Riverside

The Cudgong River at Rylstone has seen more sustained flooding this year than many people can ever remember. A number of continuous rain events across the district and more importantly in the upper catchment has kept water levels high for months. A local resident said in the sixty years that he has been living here he can't remember the river being so high for



This photo was taken in 2005 before the local environment society began its re-vegetation project on the Cudgong River at Rylstone.



This photo was taken in the same place in February this year. It shows a huge difference since re-vegetation began.

Marion's Big Mix

Marion Crossman hit community radio KRR's airwaves for the first time in April this year. Her first play list was an eclectic mix with an interesting strategy of at least one song from each decade from the 30's onwards including an indigenous song. It's a strategy that makes for interesting listening. Marion and her husband moved to the Rylstone district around seven years ago where they bought a property. They had lived in Springwood for 30 years, so it was a big move. Marion says it wasn't a tree change that prompted the move, but climate change.

"We noticed that the summers were getting hotter and more humid. It was becoming more and more difficult to put up with so we made the decision to move."

It was certainly a good decision for the Rylstone Kandos district. Marion is very community minded and as well as being a volunteer on Kandos Rylstone Community Radio she is the Secretary of the Rylstone Kandos Show Society, is a member of the local Health Council and a member of the local Rotary Club. She also speaks Japanese and is a teacher. Not to rest on her laurels, Marion is currently training a year 7 High School student at KRR. Marion's Big Mix program is on Thursday afternoons from 3pm to 6pm. You can tune in on 98.7FM or listen live on your phone or device via KRR's website at krfrm.org.au.



Join Marion's Big Mix on Thursday afternoons from 3pm to 6pm on KRR 98.7 FM.

so long. Contributing to the flooding is the Cox Creek which rises near Nullo Mountain. This has considerably added to the river which rises near Mt Coricudgy. Other minor creeks such as Tong Bong have also contributed to the extraordinary flow. One negative impact has been the erosion of many areas along the riverside, however forward planning and re-vegetation work by the Rylstone District Environment group who decided to plant trees and shrubs along the river corridors many years ago has paid off. These areas have suffered the least due to the vegetation's ability to bind soil together via its root system. The re-vegetation of the river also has an added benefit for those who like to throw a line out. Fish, platypus and other aquatic life do well in rivers that have plenty of native trees and shrubs along its banks. The latest NSW Recreational Freshwater Fishing Guide emphasises that more habitat equals more fish. "Healthy and diverse populations mean healthy and diverse fish populations. Replanting and protecting river bank vegetation provides good water quality, health habitats and good fisheries." It also contributes to scenic greenery and more birdlife which many tourists and visitors enjoy. At the time of going to press, Windamere Dam level was over 80 percent.

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

October 5...Rylstone Family Fun Day, November 5...Rylstone StreetFeast, November 19...Information Expo.

Rylstone Markets

The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, September 10 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.

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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 where they can 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.

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Kandos Community Markets

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

Common grounds

A public meeting is planned for Wednesday, September 7 to discuss the future protection and upkeep of the Rylstone Common. The meeting will be held at the Kandos CWA building in Jacques Street at 4pm and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

St Stephen's Bylong

The 'Friends of St Stephen's Bylong' invite you to a tree planting ceremony to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee 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 mhuineachain@gmail.com. This event is funded by the Australian Government.

Flavours of Mudgee

Council's flagship event, Flavours of Mudgee 2022 will be held on Saturday, September 24 from 4pm-8pm and is regarded as a key event on the regional wine and food events calendar. The last event was held in 2019, where over 70 stallholders shared their local food and beverage with 12,133 attendees. Flavours of Mudgee 2022 is expected to be a fabulous event this year with big numbers coming to enjoy the flavours and ambience of the local region.