

## Rylstone-Kandos district newsletter

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Welcome to the April issue of *Community Capers*, volume 257. Our May issue will be distributed on Thursday, April 30. The deadline for this issue is Tuesday, April 14. News items, events, dates for the calendar etc. are inserted free. Email them to the editor, Brent Barlow at [brenbar@winsoft.net.au](mailto:brenbar@winsoft.net.au) or phone Brent on 6379 1020. For details and prices on advertising, sponsorship etc., contact Brian Neaves on 6379 4092.

## Community pulls together for a great Show

The 82nd Rylstone Kandos Show held on Saturday, February 22 and supported by Bowdens Silver was an opportunity for people from across the region to pull together as a community, let their hair down and enjoy themselves following a horrendous year of drought and fires. With the first decent rain a few weeks before the show and fires under control it resulted in a good crowd and a great atmosphere.



Mid-Western Regional Mayor Des Kennedy cutting the ribbon to open the show. He was joined by Show President Sam Hamilton, Bowdens Silver Director Tony McClure, Andrew Gee MP, Paul Toole MP, Life Members Robyn Johnston and Warren Kidd, and defence force personnel.

Camel rides, Rodeo, a live band, plenty of food options and a fabulous fireworks show added to plenty of other attractions and displays. A large contingent of Australian Defence Force personnel along with an Indonesian Defence Force group also added lots of interest. The task group had been deployed to help clear trees on roadsides at Nullo Mountain and other areas following the fires and this was recognised and much appreciated during the opening of the show at around 1pm.

One of the surprises of the show was the number and quality of entries in the pavilion. The pavilion display was considered an unknown factor beforehand because of the turmoil leading up to the show. People however, really pulled together to create a terrific display. There was obviously some great nurturing of fruit, vegetables and flowers during the weeks before the show. Congratulations to all the prize winners. There were lots of them. A few results include: In the wool section, Grand Champion Merino Fleece of Rylstone Kandos Show – M & K Croake, Reserve Grand Champion Merino Fleece – Peter Moore. C J Saville Memorial Cup for the local exhibitor gaining the most points in the hall – Joan Schultz, Gwen Ward Memorial Award for most successful in handiwork – Val Desch, Most Successful in Floral Art – Karen Price, M I MacTaggart Memorial Award for most successful in Garden Produce – Robmar (Robert and Robyn Johnston), ADA Cottage Aged Care Champion Award for horticulture – Pat Sim, Most Successful Child Cooking and Cake – Willow Connellan,

Most Successful in Horticulture – M Trounson, Champion Cake – Margaret Weatherley, Most Successful Cake Decoration – Clare Chadwick, Max Goddard Memorial and Richard Blackburne Memorial Trophy for Open Wood Turing – David Brown, Most Successful Farm Produce – Ben Moore, Champion Hand Spun – Janet DeRooy. During the opening of the show by Mid-Western Regional Mayor Des Kennedy, two members of the Show Society, Warren Kidd and Robyn Johnston were presented with Life Membership. They have both contributed enormously over the years. Mayor Kennedy was also presented with a certificate of appreciation from the 5th Regiment Task Group in recognition for the outstanding support from Council staff and management across the Mid-Western Region during Operation Bushfire Assist. The certificate was signed by Major General J Ellwood DSC AM.



The Army Band drew a big crowd when they got up to play, and they were good.



Despite a tough year the pavilion display was excellent and produced some surprisingly large pumpkins and water melons.



Camel rides were a feature of this year's show and it was a first for many who took the challenge.

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## CWA waffles were yummy

Members of the Rylstone CWA opened their rooms at the showground again for this year's Rylstone Kandos Show. The waffles, sandwiches and of course scones are always a great success with visitors. Politicians were out and about and local MP Andrew Gee called in to welcome newest member Deb Johnston, while Paul Toole also called in for a visit during the show to see how the branch was getting along. The winner of the CWA raffle was Craig Currie. Congratulations Craig.

Paul Toole MP with Rylstone CWA members Helen Marsonet, Margaret Baxter, Di Page, Joyce Bailey, Margaret Skropeda, Renata Yates and Wendy Rodda.



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## School's Living History Project

Federal Member for Calare, Andrew Gee MP recently presented students in Kandos High School's CLIP class with a cheque for \$4000 to assist with the completion of "A Living History" project they will undertake. This project involves students working with the Kandos RSL Sub Branch and community members to document the service of local men and women in conflicts. Using this information, students will design displays for community use on days of significance.

Mr Gee, along with teacher Deb Johnston and Sub-Branch member Allan Herbert also called into local community radio station KRR 98.7 FM to discuss the project during a live interview and explain it to listeners. Mr Gee said he believed it was a very worthwhile project and looked forward to seeing the

results. Ms Johnston said she and Mr Herbert were very grateful for the grant.

"On behalf of our School Community I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Gee for his visit and also his willingness to participate in an interview on our local radio station KRR 98.7 FM."



Andrew Gee MP with Deb Johnston and Allan Herbert during their live interview at local radio station KRR FM.

## Popular Showgirl Competition

The Junior Showgirl Competition is always a popular attraction at the show and this year's certainly event lived up to its reputation. Around 20 entrants lined up across four categories to answer questions put to them such as 'What do you like about the show?' Responses included, 'rides, animals, poultry, art, camels and produce in the pavilion,' which covers just about everything in the show and illustrates that they're just like us adults. The entrants also expressed a big interest in the army, which is understandable, and of course the fireworks too.



Chief Steward Janell Cole congratulated the entrants on a terrific effort. Miss Tiny Tot - Olivia Ashford, Miss Sub Junior - Jocelyn Café, Miss Junior - Lucy Gale and Miss Teenager - Tegan Godwin.

## 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.

## Big crowd at Glen Willow

Last month's Charity Shield event at Glen Willow in Mudgee attracted a crowd of 9,124 to see the Dragons go down to the Rabbitohs 26 - 12 in a hard fought match. The attendance figures were just shy of the record crowd set in 2019 with preliminary survey data estimating that approximately \$1.78 million was spent in the region over the weekend, at restaurants, cafes, retailers and accommodation providers. Data captured from ticketholders shows regional residents are supporting regional events with 30 per cent travelling from regional towns across NSW. The remaining 33 per cent were locals, with 24 per cent travelling from Sydney suburbs, 10 per cent from Wollongong and suburbs and the remaining 3 per cent from interstate. In post-event surveys, the majority of Charity Shield ticketholders revealed they attended other events over the weekend including the Country Championships and Gulgong Show, as well as local cellar doors, parks, museums, cafes and restaurants. Council will host the 2021 Charity Shield as part of a four year partnership with the St George Illawarra Dragons and South Sydney Rabbitohs. A date for the event will be announced later this year.

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## FTG Bush Croquet Fundraiser

The annual Fern Tree Gully Reserve Bush Croquet Fundraiser will be held on Ferntree Gully Reserve at the top of Growee Gulph, on Sunday May 3. Come along for some highly entertaining competition as participants compete to win the prestigious Ted Daniels Trophy. The first heat gets underway at 10am. Cost is \$10 to play with the finals after lunch, and a raffle drawn at the end of the day.

Bush Croquet is great fun, whether you watch or play, and if you haven't played before, you can learn as you go. There may be some skill, but there is also a lot of luck - good, bad and extraordinary. Bring family, friends, a picnic lunch and a chair for comfort.

A spokesperson said that Ferntree Gully Reserve was burned substantially in the January fires, and except for the northern area where the Bush Croquet is held, it is currently closed until further notice.

"FTG supporters send their heartfelt thanks for the fantastic effort made by the RFS and NPWS in saving the Picnic area, the Board Walk and the two Lookouts.

## Ferntree Gully closed

Recent fires have impacted on Ferntree Gully Reserve, one of the region's unique natural attractions. At the time of going to press in mid-March, Ferntree Gully Reserve was closed to the public and remains so until further notice. Around 50 percent of the Reserve suffered fire damage and members of the trust board are currently liaising with Crown Lands Bush Fire Personnel and the RFS. Work to be done includes the removal of dangerously damaged trees in the picnic area and the main road into the Reserve. Damage also occurred in the main Ferntree Gully walking track area and quite a few of the hundred steps need to be replaced. The fire was very fierce down the bottom with the beautiful rock orchids burnt and a lot of trees falling and blocking the track. The Trust is very concerned that the public continue to drive into the Reserve in spite of the closure signs and the barricade across the entrance. They hope to open the Reserve when it is safe and will notify the public as soon as it re-opens. In the meantime, please take notice of the closed sign and do not venture in.

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However, there is a great deal of damage-repair to do, so your support on this day will go towards helping with the work we have ahead of us." For further enquiries, phone 0490 428 427.



*Sue Pridmore playing a shot at last year's FTG bush croquet fundraiser. Come along for a fun day out on Sunday, May 3.*

## Become a member of KRR

New members are always welcome at Kandos Rylstone Community Radio (KRR 98.7 FM). If you're interested in becoming an announcer and doing an on-air show, KRR would love to have you join them. Training is available and it won't take you long to learn how to use the panel and other equipment. Membership is only \$20 for adults, \$10 for juniors, pensioners and unemployed and \$50 for family membership. The station has two studios - the main broadcasting studio and a production studio, a kitchen with microwave, stove, refrigerator, tea and coffee facilities and a meeting room. Membership includes two free barbecues a year for members and their families. KRR needs more on-air announcers, so if you've been thinking of joining, call into the station for a membership form or check out the information on the website at [krfm.org.au](http://krfm.org.au). Age is no limit and experience is not necessary. It's a great way to meet a group of friendly people and be involved in a worthwhile community activity.

Call the station on 6379 4360 for more information or check out the website where you can also listen live through KRR's live streaming service.



*KRR presenter Helen Roberts with Andrew Gee MP in the main broadcasting studio. Helen's Country Classic's Show is on Wednesdays from 12 midday to 4pm. Phone the station on 6379 4360 for more information on becoming a member.*

## Think before you flush

Council is reminding residents not to flush disposable wipes into their toilets. Wet wipes cause major blockages in the region's sewer networks and removing these blockages is an ongoing issue for Council. While baby, facial, cleaning and personal wipes are often marketed as flushable they do not break down in water and combine with oils and fats to form congealed blobs that cause significant problems to the region's sewer systems. Residents are reminded to flush only toilet paper down their toilets and dispose of wipes, nappies, rags, sanitary items, cotton buds, cooking oils and fats, chemicals, cigarette butts, medicine and dental floss in their rubbish bin.

## Brutus Plate

There's been a bit of water under the bridge since the annual Brutus Plate bush croquet match was played late last year, which is a good thing, considering the horrific season of drought and fires around the time the match got under way. The recent widespread rain across the region has been more than welcome. The Brutus Plate was played late last year at the previous winner, Craig Currie's property at Pinnacle Swamp and hosts, Craig and Donna welcomed a large group of contestants ready to battle it out across the nearby paddocks on another hot dry day. The courses were set out as usual by Sam Hamilton for the heats, semi's and final and although they didn't seem too challenging at first, soon sorted out the players. Congratulations to Gary Hill for notching up another title. This makes him a dual winner now and he joins the illustrious group of players who have their names engraved twice or more on the perpetual trophy.



*Previous winner Craig Currie presenting the Brutus Plate trophy to current winner, Gary Hill.*



*Finalist in the annual Brutus Plate bush croquet match, Greg Rafferty, Bruce Christie, Bill Brown, Gary Hill and Mike Pridmore.*



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## Calendar of Events - April 2020

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One Life Family Church services, 10am every 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday at the corner of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos.	Pilates classes, 6pm Mondays at St James Hall Rylstone.	Rotary meets every Tuesday at the Rylstone Club, 6.30 for 7pm.	<b>1</b> R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7pm. *RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	<b>2</b> Scrabble on 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of month, 10am at Rylstone Club..	<b>3</b> Rylstone CWA meets at 10am. *Cudgegong Valley History Group, 11am to 3pm at Henbury Sport & Rec.	<b>4</b> The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 10am to 4pm
<b>5</b> The Cottage Museum, Rylstone is open every Sunday from 10am to 3pm.	<b>6</b> Scouts and Cubs meet at 4.30pm on Mondays at Kandos Scout Hall	<b>7</b> Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training nights on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays	<b>8</b> The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wed. at the VRA shed, Rylstone. *Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting.	<b>9</b> Kandos CPSA meets 2pm on the second Thursday of each month at the Kandos RSC Club..	<b>10</b> Ryl. Hosp. Aux. Meetings 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 10am.  Good Friday	<b>11</b> Rylstone Markets
<b>12</b> Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday. Easter Sunday	<b>13</b> Yoga with Jodi, 6pm Mondays, \$12pp at Stone Strength Gym.	<b>14</b> Walking group every Tuesday at 8.30am.	<b>15</b> Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12noon every Wednesday.	<b>16</b> Walking group every Thursday at 8.30am.	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Kandos Markets
<b>19</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month Community Markets at the Globe Hotel.	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Venturers meet at 5pm Wednesdays at the Kandos Scout Hall.	<b>23</b> Ryl. CPSA meet at 11am at the Globe Hotel on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.	<b>24</b> Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library	<b>25</b> KR Singers, 2.30pm to 4.30pm Saturdays at One Life Church Kandos. ANZAC Day Services
<b>26</b> Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 2pm on last Sunday of each month.	<b>27</b> Dance to be fit, 5.45pm every Tuesday at St James Hall Rylstone.	<b>28</b> Twin Town Players meet at 6pm on 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues. of each month at VRA Shed.	<b>29</b> KRR Radio meet 5.30pm on last Wed. of month at 50 Angus Ave. Kandos. * Kandos CWA, 5pm on last Wed. of each month.	<b>30</b> Ladies Tennis, 9am Thurs. at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club.	Join the Ukulele Group, 4.15pm for a 4.30pm start on Fridays at the Kandos CWA Rooms.	<b>KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM</b>

May 3...Mudgee Classic cycling event, May 3...Ferntree Gully Bush Croquet Fundraiser, September 26...Flavours of Mudgee, November 7...Rylstone StreetFeast.

### Third Sunday Markets

The Rylstone Sunday Morning Community Markets are held every third Sunday of each month in the grounds of the Globe Hotel from 9am to 1pm. It's a community based event and organisers welcome stall holders.

### Cycling Classic for region

Cycling enthusiasts will get a chance to participate or view the newest event on Australia's cycling calendar when, for the first time, Mudgee will host the Mudgee Classic on Sunday, May 3. Delivered by Bicycling Australia, it will cater for all levels of cycling. Recently, they released the course maps for the event: The Maxi Classic (170km) caters for the seasoned rider who is looking for a real challenge as they go through the Munghorn National Park and stunning Bylong Valley on route back to Mudgee, the Challenge Classic (120km) will see riders roll out to beautiful Rylstone on over 90km of closed roads, and the Social Classic (35km) for the more relaxed rider, where they will enjoy the rolling hills and the smell of wine on a shorter, but still challenging ride. Course maps and GPX files are now available to view online at [www.mudgeeclassic.com.au/](http://www.mudgeeclassic.com.au/) the-course. Registrations are likely to sell out soon and you can secure your spot now by registering at [www.mudgeeclassic.com.au](http://www.mudgeeclassic.com.au).

### History seekers

If you need help researching your family history, the Cudgegong Valley History Group meets on the first Friday of each month at Henbury Sport and Recreation Club, Kandos from 11am to 3pm. Wireless internet is available, so bring your laptop or tablet to begin your family tree. Researchers are on hand to assist with worldwide research and photo book creation using Macs, PCs and Linux systems. Henbury is air-conditioned and has disabled access and disabled toilets. There is no charge for attendees. All welcome. Come along for an interesting four hours of family and history research. Lunch is available if you wish. For more information, phone Fiona on 0478 669 706.

### ANZAC Day

ANZAC Day is on Saturday, April 25. The Dawn Service in Rylstone will be held at 6am at the Memorial outside the Memorial Hall (if wet it will be held inside the hall). Light breakfast will be provided. In Kandos the Dawn Service is at 6.30am at the Memorial next to the Community Hall. Commemoration Services will be held in both Rylstone and Kandos halls at 11am. The March in Kandos will take place at 10.45am with marchers to assemble at the Rotunda at 10.30am for the march to the Community Hall. Community members representing deceased service men or women are welcome to march wearing their medals on their right-hand side. All are welcome to attend all services.

### Rylstone Markets


The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, April 11 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 great little 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](mailto:rylstonemarkets@gmail.com).

### Kandos Community Markets

The Kandos Community Markets are on Saturday, April 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'll be all the usual interesting stalls. For stall bookings, phone Pauline on 6379 4533 or Rose on 6379 4179.

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