



## Rylstone-Kandos district newsletter

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Welcome to the February issue of Community Capers, volume 277. Our March issue will be distributed on Thursday, February 24. The deadline for this issue is Tuesday, February 15. 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.

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## Rylstone Kandos Show Extravaganza

This year's Rylstone Kandos Show on February 25 and 26 will be a two-day feast of entertainment with Friday evening set to entice audiences and get the show off to a great start. With plenty of people arriving in the district for the annual NRL Charity Shield match in Mudgee on the Saturday, Friday showday will be a great opportunity for visitors to extend their weekend. The show society is set to take advantage of Saturday's football match by putting on a big night at the showground on Friday. This means showgoers will have two fabulous days of exhibits and entertainment with an expanded program of activities. Friday night's entertainment will include plenty of Live Music, all the excitement of Bull Riding and Fireworks to top the night off. On Saturday, the show will continue with an early start. The horse events will take pride of place in the main ring and judging will get underway across the showground. This year, the Showgirl Competition has been renamed the 2022 Young Woman of the Year Competition, celebrating the young women that help make our community. Another feature will be the Producers Markets where local wineries and producers will be showcasing their wares and produce. There'll be interesting displays, plenty of entertainment and sideshow alley in full swing. Fireworks will again be another highlight. Show Society President Phil English said the 2022 Show is shaping up to be a cracker.

"For the first time the show will combine with the Mudgee Region Bumper Sports Weekend to

create a sporting extravaganza for the region. Firstly, our show opens the festivities on Friday, February 25 followed up by our traditional show on Saturday, February 26 and the Charity Shield Rugby League Match at Glen Willow. On Sunday, February 27 Mudgee Races will be completing the weekend of festivities with a packed field at the Mudgee Racetrack."

A weekend pass will be available for the show which will permit access to both Friday and Saturday activities. The Saturday night festivities will continue to be provided in addition to Friday night's action packed event. Phil English said the 2022 Rylstone-Kandos Show would not be possible without the generous and ongoing support of sponsors.

It's wonderful to see many of our longstanding sponsors once again supporting the show, as well as a number of new sponsors who have come on board. Finally, I would like to thank our Committee, Stewards, Volunteers and Members in advance for assisting to make the 2022 show possible. Have a great show weekend everyone."



*As always, spectacular fireworks displays will be a highlight at this year's show*

## Colourful Crochet Christmas Creation

A huge community effort resulted in a colourful crochet Christmas tree set up for all to see outside Carl and Kylie Pennell's Main Street Mechanical business in Kandos before Christmas. The tree, made up 198 crochet squares, was so stunning it became a drawcard for passers-by who stopped to admire and take photos. It was organised by Jo Albany and Kat McDonald who put out a call for contributors to

volunteer 12cm x 12cm squares. The response was immediate with around 50 people grabbing their crochet needles and getting to work. A big thank you to Dave Blewitt who made the steel frame, and Cementa who made their large Way Out Art Space available for the team to work in. The great community effort added a whole lot of Christmas spirit to this year's festive season.



*A Christmas tree made up of 198 crochet squares created by volunteers was a highlight of Kandos's main street in the days leading up to Christmas.*

## Hospital's great support

Rylstone District Hospital has received \$20,000 this year thanks to the fabulous support of the Globe Hotel Rylstone and the community. The money was raised at its regular Friday nights darts event where players put a gold coin in the 'stump' – a locked charity box, to play. On the night, the Globe also runs a regular two-tray meat raffle with meat supplied by Cooper's from across the road. Each month a representative from the local hospital calls in and picks up the money. Paul Flynn from the Globe said they were all absolutely elated when they added up the takings and discovered they had actually doubled their expectations. So far the hospital has purchased two medication fridges and are currently purchasing a vein finder to help nursing staff and doctors. Nurse Manager, Jo Campbell said they were delighted with the donations.

"It enables us to buy much needed equipment for our hospital which helps keep patients here

instead of having to send them elsewhere. We're very grateful," she said.

Keep Saturday of the June long weekend in mind for the Globe Hotel's Old Master's Memorial Darts Day and Charity Auction. This is another highly successful fundraiser for the local hospital. Last year they raised \$12,000.



Rylstone Hospital's Nurse Manager Jo Campbell with Paul Flynn from the Globe Hotel celebrating a fabulous fundraising year for the local hospital.

## Care and Transport

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## Farewell Lue's Year 6

At the end of Term 4, Lue Public School said farewell to Year 6 students, Tenelle Morgan, Taylor Statham, Jesse Tanner-Norman and Reece Webb. All students and staff, together with the families of the year 6 students, sat down to yummy individual grazing boxes as refreshments. The students gave their farewell speeches and were presented with a gift each from school which included all their books and stationery for their first year at High School and a gift of a beautiful engraved watch from the P&C. Finally, they had written a short note with their aspirations for high school and contact details for Lue Public School. On the note it also asked whoever found it to ring the school and let them know where it ended up. The notes were put into helium filled balloons and released on a count of three much to the delight and squeals of the rest of the students. Everyone watched the balloons until they disappeared into the distance. During the farewell, Mrs McDonald wished them all the best for the future.

"These four wonderful students are about to embark on the next step of their learning journey and we wish them every success next year."



Time to say goodbye. Year 6 students Taylor Statham, Tenelle Morgan, Reece Webb and Jesse Tanner-Norman with School Principal Caron McDonald.

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## Dazzling window art

A performance night and exhibition on December 14 drew a large crowd to the window of Kandos Projects in Angus Avenue in anticipation of an interesting installation by Kandos artist Leo Cremonese and performance by dance artist Susan Barling. The art event titled Elemental Voyeurism – Reflections on the Fabric of Existence was intended to challenge the viewer to see beyond what we perceive as real but is an illusion. The installation was created by Leo who also challenged Susan to co-create and come up with movement and dance using the window setting. It was an inspired work which had onlookers spellbound. The music that Leo chose for the dance played a big part in the drama and helped heighten the wonderful effect. Afterwards, the gathering enjoyed drinks and finger food courtesy of Kandos Projects host Ann Finegan.

Dance artist Susan Barling thrilled the crowd with her interpretation of Leo Cremonese's art installation in the window of Kandos Projects.



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## Achievement recognised

The annual Kandos Public School Presentation Day ceremony took place late last year in front of an audience made up of students and staff. School Principal Todd Morley thanked students who have consistently strived to do their best work this year and congratulated the many award recipients who were recognised for their efforts. The year's Dux student of Kandos Public School is Pyper Wilkinson who was recognised for her academic achievement at the school. Congratulations Pyper.

Late last year, Mr Morley also took the opportunity to thank the Community Charity Shop in Kandos for a very generous donation of \$6,000. The cheque was presented to him by charity shop volunteer, Colleen Yates at the shop. Mr Morley passed on his sincerest thanks and gratitude from the school for this generous donation. Another highlight was a visit to the school by Deputy Premier Paul Toole.



*The 2021 Dux student of Kandos Public School is Pyper Wilkinson who was recognised for her academic achievements at the school.*



*Kandos Public School student leaders Jocelyn Cafe, Miles San Martin and Jeremy Schneider with school Principal Todd Morley welcoming NSW State Deputy Premier, Paul Toole who visited Kandos Public School late last year to discuss education and learning.*



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Drilling rigs, excavators and engineering geologists started geotechnical work on the new Dixons Long Point Crossing in the first week of 2022. The \$29.8 million development includes the construction of a bridge across the Macquarie River at Dixons Long Point and a three-kilometre sealed road on the approaches to the crossing, linking Orange and Mudgee and delivering a range of benefits to the Calare electorate and wider New South Wales. The Member for Calare and Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Defence Personnel, Andrew Gee, said the start of geotechnical work is a significant milestone that comes some 150 years after the project was first mooted.

"Residents have been fighting for this important river crossing and upgraded road since the days of the gold rush. The Australian Government has

committed almost \$30 million to the project which involves geologists collecting rock samples for strength assessment and the potential to reuse any material in construction. The new road and crossing will open up access between the Central West and Newcastle/Hunter Valley regions, delivering economic and tourism benefits for current and future generations," he said.

## Bushfire grants

The Rylstone-Kandos district has been successful in securing two grants to support rural residents falling under the Olinda Rural Bushfire Brigade area and the Rylstone Bushfire Brigade area who were impacted by the devastating 2019/2020 Black Summer bushfires. Funding for the first grant, the Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Fund, has been released and activities have commenced. A range of community events, training sessions, and local identity projects will be available over the following 18 months, free of charge to all residents, regardless of whether you live here permanently or have a weekender. If you see an activity that you would like to register your interest in, please get in touch and your name will be added to the waiting list.

The Project Steering Committee is: Marion Crossman - Rylstone, Bryan Ludwick - Rylstone, Cheryl Nielsen - Olinda, Heike Schütze - Olinda, Michael Suttor - Olinda RFA, Emma Syme - Traditional Custodian North East Wiradjuri Co and Claudia Wythes - Watershed Landcare.

## Decoration Competition

The Community Charity Shop's Christmas Decoration Competition challenged judges again this year with some spectacular displays in Rylstone and Kandos. Judging took place on Sunday December 19 and there were plenty of oohs and ahhs from the judging bus. Congratulations to winners, placegetters and everyone who entered to help brighten up our towns for Christmas. A big thank you to the Charity Shop for organising and running the competition again this year.

## Birthday girls' 80th

Congratulations to Pam O'Connor, well known Kandos identity, and her twin sister Jan from Adelaide who celebrated their 80th birthdays late last year at the Globe Hotel in Rylstone. Their birthday was November 3 but they held it on October 30 to enable their families to attend. Jan, who comes from Adelaide, had been stranded here in Kandos for ten months because of Covid, while Pam's daughter Debbie and her husband Ian were able to attend from Ulladulla by coming up through Kangaroo Valley. Des and Jean Kelly, their uncle and aunt, came from Gulgong with Des' sister Anne Baker from Mudgee. Des added to the occasion with his guitar and some songs. It was a small occasion because of Covid restrictions, but they all had a good celebration.



*Birthday girls Pam and Jan with three of their friends at their 80th birthday celebration at the Globe Hotel.*

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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.	<b>1</b> Rural Fire Brigade meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays.	<b>2</b> R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7pm. *RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	<b>3</b> Scrabble on 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Thurs. 10am at Rylstone Club. *Ladies Tennis, 9am Thurs. at Henbury	<b>4</b> Rylstone CWA meets at 10am. *Cudgong Valley History Group, 11am to 3pm at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club	<b>5</b> The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 10am to 4pm
<b>6</b> One Life Family Church services, 10am 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Sundays at the cnr. of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos. *AGM Kandos Comm. Club.	<b>7</b> Pilates classes, 6pm Mondays at St James Hall Rylstone.	<b>8</b> Rotary meets every Tuesday at the Rescue Squad VRA shed, Rylstone 6.30 for 7pm. Rylstone	<b>9</b> Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. *Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12noon Wednesdays..	<b>10</b> Kandos CP&SA meets 2pm on the second Thursday of each month at the Kandos RSC Club.	<b>11</b> Ryl. Hosp. Aux. Meetings 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 10am.	<b>12</b> <b>Rylstone Markets</b> Rylstone CWA Rooms open for food
<b>13</b> Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Dance to be fit, 4.45pm every Tuesday at St James Hall Rylstone.	<b>16</b> Venturers meet at 5pm Wednesdays at the Kandos Scout Hall.	<b>17</b> Walking group. Meet at Ryl. Showground Thursdays at 9am.	<b>18</b> Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	<b>19</b> <b>Kandos Markets</b>
<b>20</b> Anglican Church services at St Laurence, Kandos at 9am and at St James Rylstone at 10.30am.	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> The Wollemi Singers meet at 6pm Tuesdays at Kandos CWA Rooms. *Music Time at St James Hall, from 10am to 11.30am. P:0408 329 942.	<b>23</b> KRR Radio meets 5.30pm on last Wed. of month at 50 Angus Ave Kandos. *Kandos CWA, 5pm on last Wed. of month	<b>24</b> Rylstone CP&SA 11am at Ryl. Club on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of month. * Twin Town Players 6pm on 4th Thursday of month at VRA Shed, Rylstone.	<b>25</b> <b>Rylstone Kandos Show</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Rylstone Kandos Show</b> Charity Shield in Mudgee
<b>27</b> Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 2pm on last Sunday of each month. <b>Sofala Show</b>	<b>28</b>	Walking group Tuesdays and Thursdays. Meet at Rylstone Showground Thursdays at 9am.	The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wed. at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	The Ukulele Group meet at 4.30pm Thursdays at Kandos CWA Rooms.	<b>KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM</b>	KR Singers, 2.30pm to 4.30pm Saturdays at One Life Church Kandos.

**March 17... Young Entrepreneurs Summit, April 2... Manly Sea Eagles play Canberra Raiders at Mudgee, April 25... Anzac Day Services, May 19-22... Cementa Festival, November 5... Rylstone StreetFeast.**

### Rylstone Markets

The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, February 12 in the grounds of the Memorial Hall in Louee Street from 9am until 1pm. Full COVID vaccination is required. 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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### Kandos Community Markets

The next Kandos Community Markets are on Saturday, February 19 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.

### Sofala Show

The 45th Sofala and District Annual Show will be held on Sunday, February 27 at the Sofala Showground. It's a great one-day fun day for the whole family with exhibition stalls, side show alley, free activities for the kids, rides for all ages and lots more. It's on from 8am to 4pm and there'll be plenty to see and do. Enjoy Sofala hospitality with free camping on Saturday evening and a BBQ from 6pm to 8pm. There'll also be a BBQ breakfast Sunday morning from 7am to 8am. This is a really great one-day show with plenty happening around the grounds. It's a perfect way to extend your weekend show activities following the Rylstone Kandos Show the day before. In welcoming everyone, Show President Dave Murray issues a big thank you to all the volunteers for their hours of work to make the show a splendid event. "To the sponsors, committee and those who have donated their services, we thank you for your continued support. Have a great time at our show everyone."

### WW2 Exhibition

The Bathurst Remembers World War 2 Exhibition will be held from Friday, February 25 to Monday, February 28. The four day event will be held in four pavilions at the Bathurst Showground, Sydney Road and will be open each day from 9am to 5pm. For further details contact Curator - Alan McRae on 6331 5404 or email amcrae@lisp.com.au.

### Bush Dance

Saturday, June 11 of the long weekend is the time to dust your boots off and kick up your heels for a Bush Dance at the Kandos Community Centre when Kandos Stage puts on a great night of live music, bush dancing, a bonfire, BBQ and a bar. The famous Swamp Dawkins Band will get everyone up and dancing, and to go with the music there'll be some great food with an all-you-can-eat big-rib BBQ helped along with our region's famous wines or a beer. Tickets are available now from Eventbrite. They're \$75, or concession \$50 and family \$200. The event is kids friendly and children always have a great time at bush dance events. The all-you-can-eat Big Rib, prime tender BBQ beef ribs, slow cooked to perfection with the best home-made BBQ sauce is included in the price. Bar service is sold separately. Tickets are only available online at [www.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.eventbrite.com.au). Get them as soon as you can to avoid disappointment.

### Nanna's Community Eats

Nanna's Haberdashery in Kandos presents Community Eats each week. For a freshly cooked meal each Tuesday, place your order at Nanna's by Friday. Each meal costs only \$5 but orders and payment must be received at Nanna's by Friday. Meals can be collected on Tuesday from the CWA rooms, Jacques Street, Kandos. This meal service is available to everyone in the Kandos and Rylstone communities and is brought to you by a number of groups and organisations across the district.

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