



# Rylstone-Kandos district newsletter

## Community Capers

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Welcome to the July issue of Community Capers, volume 282. Our August issue will be distributed on Thursday, July 28. The deadline for this issue is Tuesday, July 19. 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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### Cementa22 'one of the best'



Peter Swain presenting the "Living with Fire" symposium as part of Carnivalé Catastrophe, 2022.

Cementa 22 has been given the 'thumbs up' by visitors and artists alike who took part in this year's contemporary art festival in Kandos. The four days of installations and celebrations drew around 2,000 people to view and take part in what has been described as a very peaceful and calm festival. This is exactly what organisers were hoping for following the previous festival held in October 2019. At this time bushfires were beginning to spread and there was tension in the air as people gazed towards the smoke filled sky and viewed dull orange sunsets. Cementa 21 was cancelled because of Covid-19 so everyone had their hopes that this year's Cementa would arrive without too much drama.

In view of all this, one of the keynote exhibitions of the festival was Carnivalé Catastrophe, curated by Fiona Davies, and featuring artworks dealing with personal, collective and multispecies trauma in the wake of the bushfires impacting Kandos and the Blue Mountains. As part of the exhibition's Living with Fire symposium, about seventy people crowded around as Uncle Peter Swain drew a large circle in the dirt clearing and gave a compelling lesson on Indigenous firestick farming—one of the most powerful moments of the festival. Other compelling installations and attractions included the Performance Night and opening night bands at the Kandos Returned Services and Community

Club, the opening of the Salon's exhibition of works by local artists, Sound Night at the Henbury Sport and Recreation Club, The Kandos Dolls House by Sister GlitterNullius, Dying – Differently, Possibly by WeiZen Ho and The Longest Hum by Tina Stefanou – a live participatory performance where dozens of people lined Angus Avenue and filled the air with a 10 minute group hum. This was broadcast live on local community radio KRR 98.7FM and listeners were encouraged to take their radios outside to resonate across the town. There were over 30 other artworks and performances across the town. Festival Director Alex Wisser said this was one of the best festivals they've had.

"A number of people said they thought it was the best ever. I think after the Covid restrictions everyone was very happy to be out and about. We had big crowds at the opening and sound night and all the events were well attended. There was a good mix of local people and visitors from the regions, Sydney and the mountains. It was great to see local culture on display too."

Organisers are now looking at a possible date for the next festival. Early spring-summer 2024 is a likely contender.



Tina Stefanou's Longest Hum attracted enough participants to take up half a town block on Angus Avenue



Performance Night was an opportunity to put on the 'glad rags' and have a ball

Sister GlitterNullius wandered Angus Avenue reciting the Kandos Prayer and dragging a doll's house along the pavement offering blessings to passers-by.



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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@winsoft.net.au](mailto:brenbar@winsoft.net.au) or phone on 6379 1020 - mobile 0427 791 020. For advertising or sponsorship, please contact Brian Neaves on 6379 4092.

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## Region squash champions



Kandos High School's open girls and boys squash teams played some impressive games in the Western Region Squash Championships at Parkes.

Kandos High School's Open Girls and Boys Squash teams travelled to Parkes recently to compete at the Western Region Squash Championships. It was well worth the trip. The girl's team won all their games and were crowned the Western Region Squash Champions for a second year in a row. Congratulations to Jessica Reynolds, Teegan Reynolds, Latara Hammond and Halli O'Brien for an impressive result. The girls will now compete against the top 16 teams in the state at the NSW knockout for the opportunity to be state champions. The boy's team played well against some very experienced schools to finish third in the Western Region. Well done to Brayden Moore, Cooper Duff, Noah Kernaghan and Ryan Moore for a big effort.

## Car upgrade for RDC&T

Rylstone District Care and Transport have taken possession of a new Kia Carnival, Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle. This will be a great asset for the group as their old wheelchair accessible vehicle was just over 13 years old. Care and Transport received assistance from Interleasing (Australia) Pty Limited, Peter Warren Kia - Warwick Farm and Auto Extras in Brisbane who carried out the conversion to wheelchair accessible. Manager Kathleen Hogan said the new vehicle is for our community, particularly any person who has a wheelchair and requires transport to attend medical appointments, hospital admissions and any other appointment they may have.

"We will also be utilising it when we have multiple bookings on the same day to the same destinations. If anyone wants further information on how to access Community Transport they should contact the office on 6379 1519 or call into our office at 46 Mudgee St, Rylstone."



The new Kia Carnival, Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle will be a great asset for Rylstone District Care and Transport and a great benefit for those who have a wheel chair and require transport.

## More trees for honeyeater

The latest Regent Honeyeater tree planting and the first for this year took place in April when a seven hectare site near the Capertee River at Glen Alice was planted out. Continuing good rainfall since last August ensured ideal conditions for planting and despite the threat of rain and boggy conditions, 130 volunteers turned out for the planting. Once again, there was a large group of volunteers from Taronga Zoo's Youth at the Zoo (YATZ) program. Good soil moisture and the fantastic loamy soil ensured that progress was rapid and all 2,065 plants were in the ground by early afternoon. The next planting weekend will be on August 20-21 when the group will be planting a site on Dunville Loop Road.



Over 2,000 trees were planted during the day. A great effort by volunteers hoping to help conserve the endangered Regent Honeyeater



Keen volunteers enjoyed ideal conditions for the recent Regent Honeyeater tree planting day near Glen Alice.

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## Fabulous art

The joint art exhibition of striking landscapes and beautiful ceramics at Number 47 Gallery in Rylstone last month brought together a huge crowd to enjoy a truly memorable exhibition opening. Sisters Debra Balloch and Vivienne McDonald, who studied oil painting together at the Royal Art Society of NSW, exhibited a huge body of work titled 'In Here and Out There'. The light and colour they bring to their paintings is truly special. When Vivienne comes to Rylstone from Sydney to visit her sister Debra they spend their time painting. The result is a delight for everyone.

Sue Foldhazy's ceramic work 'Impressed – Making a Mark' was also a delight. Her selection for this exhibition was inspired by the landscape around Rylstone. "I've been fascinated by the weathered surfaces of rocks and the texture and patterns of the cultivated landscape". Most of her work on display involved the technique of impressing plant matter, string or whatever she can find into the clay to create really interesting patterns and textures.



*A packed gallery of art lovers were thrilled by the quality of Debra Balloch, Vivienne McDonald and Sue Foldhazy's exhibition.*

## Local Ladies

A group calling themselves the Local Ladies have raised \$500 for the Cancer Council at a morning tea. The group would like to thank the community for their support and also the Rylstone Club for hosting the event. A big thank you to the work put in by the ladies too. It was an enjoyable morning. The raffle prizes were won by Angie, Sarah and Robin.



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## Rylstone hosts principals

Rylstone Public School welcomed principals from most of the schools in the Lithgow Network in May along with the Director of Educational Leadership, Debbie-Lee Hughes. It was a great opportunity for the local school to host the Lithgow Principal Network Day and an opportunity to 'show off' their classes, students and school grounds. School principal Jodee Burcher thanked staff and the P&C who catered for the day and received plenty of compliments on the food. Congratulations to students Alex Rogers who gave a formal Welcome to Country, and school captains, Riley Rankin and Nicholas Morris and Nicholas Morris who welcomed the principals and then spoke to them about the school.



*Director of Educational Leadership Debbie-Lee Hughes, School Captains Riley Rankin and Nicholas Morris, and Rylstone School Principal Jodee Burcher during the Lithgow Principal Network Day.*

## Plastic free

The recent art exhibition 'Plastic-free Kandos' at Way Out art space on Saturday, June 11 brought together a packed audience of artists, musicians, local residents and visitors from far and wide to see a thought provoking and very cleverly designed exhibition that was originally commissioned by the Biennale of Sydney 2020. NSW Minister for the Arts, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Minister for Regional Youth Ben Franklin attended and expressed his delight at the exhibition and the wonderful facility that has been put in place in Kandos. Kim Williams and Lucas Ihlein brought an expanded crew along which included artists Sister Glitter Nullius (Juundaal Strang-Yettica), Rox De Luca, Amber Jones and Lilli Rodriguez-Pang who were all roundly applauded for their collaboration and their interesting presentation of videos, sculptures, performances, and installations. They explored the dilemma that plastic is so useful and yet so dangerous. During the opening, the Kandos ukulele group 'Ukuleles, Strings and Things' accompanied Kim Williams (ukulele), Lucas Ihlein (voice) and two delightful youngsters Albie Muller (Lucas' daughter) and her friend Hazel Henchion (voices) for Kim's clever song/poem 'Plastic in the House' (check it out on YouTube). The exhibition is open at Way Out until July 16. Gallery hours are Thursdays to Sundays 10am - 3pm or by appointment.



*The Kandos ukulele group 'Ukuleles, Strings and Things' accompanying Kim, Lucas, Albie and Hazel for Kim's clever song/poem 'Plastic in the House' which was featured during the exhibition opening.*



*Alex Wisser Creative Director of Cementsa and Ben Franklin NSW Minister for the Arts, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Minister for Regional Youth at the exhibition 'Plastic-free Kandos' at Way Out art space.*

## New shop opens

Rylstone recently added a barbershop to its main street with the catchy title 'Cutthroat' and Mick the Barber is the man with the scissors. Mick and his family moved to Rylstone from Dapto near Wollongong a couple of years ago. They were after a tree change and found it on their 100 acre property which they love. They also love the local people and the local community and reckon they couldn't be happier. Mick has the experience. He owned a barbershop business in Dapto and after some thought decided to give it a go locally. Mick says "Every town needs a barbershop" and with the butcher and the baker just across the street it certainly adds to the local streetscape. Mick the Barber is on the job Wednesdays to Fridays from 9am to 5pm and Saturdays from 9am to 4pm. Haircuts are by appointment on 0402 687 955.



*Mick the Barber welcomes everyone to his new barbershop 'Cutthroat' in Louee Street, Rylstone.*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<b>31</b> 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 Rescue Squad VRA shed, Rylstone 6.30 for 7pm.	Venturers meet at 5pm Wednesdays at the Kandos Scout Hall.	The Ukulele Group meet at 4.30pm Thursdays at Kandos CWA Rooms.	<b>1</b> Rylstone CWA meets at 10am. *Cudgegong Valley History Group, 11am to 3pm at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club	<b>2</b> The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 10am to 4pm <b>Trash and Treasure Fair</b>
<b>3</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.	<b>4</b> Pilates classes, 6pm Mondays at St James Hall Rylstone..	<b>5</b> Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays.	<b>6</b> R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7pm. *RKB&T meeting at 6pm	<b>7</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>8</b> Ryl. Hosp. Aux. Meetings 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 10am.	<b>9</b> <b>Rylstone Markets</b> Rylstone CWA Rooms open for food
<b>10</b> Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Dance to be Fit 4.45pm Tuesdays at St James Hall Rylstone.	<b>13</b> Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. *Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12noon Wednesdays.	<b>14</b> Kandos CP&SA meets 2pm on the second Thursday of each month at the Kandos RSC Club.	<b>15</b> Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	<b>16</b> The next Kandos Markets are in September
<b>17</b> Anglican Church services at St Laurence, Kandos at 9am and at St James Rylstone at 10.30am.	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> The Wollemi Singers meet at 6pm Tuesdays at Kandos CWA Rooms. *For kids, at St James Hall, Tuesdays from 10am to 11.30am.	<b>20</b> The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wed. at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	<b>21</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>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 2pm on last Sunday of each month.	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Walking group Tuesdays and Thursdays. Meet at Rylstone Showground Thursdays at 9am.	<b>27</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>28</b> Walking group meet at Rylstone Showground Thursdays at 9am.	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM</b>

**August 12-15...WW2 Exhibition at Bathurst, September 24...Flavours of Mudgee, November 5...Rylstone StreetFest.**

## Rylstone Markets

The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, July 9 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.

## Connect with KRR

New members are always welcome at Kandos Rylstone Community Radio (KRR 98.7FM). Call the station on 6379 4360 for more information or check out our website at krrfm.org.au. If you're interested in becoming a presenter and doing an on air show, it's easier than you think. Training is available and it won't take you long to learn how to use the panel and other equipment. If you have a particular type of music you'd like to play on-air or ideas for a show, get in touch with any member or committee member, or call into the station and pick up a membership form. They're available in the foyer. Social membership is also welcome at KRR. Age is no limit and experience is not necessary. It's a great way to meet a group of friendly people.

## 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.

## Wollemi Singers

The 'Wollemi Singers' meet on Tuesday evenings at the Kandos CWA Rooms in Jacques Street. Come along from 6 pm to 7.30pm and join in. There's no cost and no auditions, just fun for all ages. Bring your voice, snacks and a drink. You can RSVP to Virginia Handmer, Community Development Officer on 0427 063 686 or Emma Syme on 0456 032 373, or just turn up.

## Flavours of Mudgee

Council's flagship event, Flavours of Mudgee is returning in September. It's 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 will be held on Saturday, September 24 from 4pm-8pm.

## Ukulele group

The Kandos ukulele group 'Ukuleles, Strings and Things' meet at the Kandos CWA rooms in Jacques Street on Thursdays from 4.30pm to 6pm. Come along and join in. Bring an instrument and your voice for a fun session each week. Everyone welcome.

## WW2 Exhibition

The Bathurst Remembers World War 2 Exhibition is on from Friday, August 12 to Monday, August 15. 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.

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