



# Rylstone-Kandos district newsletter

## Community Capers

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Welcome to the June issue of Community Capers, volume 303. Our July issue will be distributed on Thursday, June 27. The deadline for this issue is Monday, June 17. 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 0427 791 020. For details and prices on advertising, sponsorship etc., contact Brian Neaves on 0402 976 925.

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### ANZAC Day



A long line of former service personnel and community groups marched to the beat of drums this year in Kandos.



Thirty one students and five staff members represented Kandos Public School at the Kandos Anzac Day ceremonies. The Anzac Day Essay competition winners from KPS were Quade Papalii, Sophie Ashford, Shaylee McQuiggin and Lillian Griffin.

ANZAC Day Dawn Services were well attended in both Rylstone and Kandos again this year with close to 200 people paying their respects in the 6am service in Rylstone and around 150 at the 6.30am service in Kandos. The march from the rotunda to the Community Hall in Kandos for the 11am Commemoration Service was another highlight for those marching and for viewers lining the street to applaud former service personnel, family members, scouts, fire brigade members and school students as they passed by. Kandos RSL Sub Branch President John Taylor said it was pleasing to see the strong support from students again.

"We are all very grateful for the wonderful essays and poems the students submitted for our annual writing competition, for their involvement in the march and for speaking so well during the service," he said.

### Olinda mural speaks for itself



Wiradjuri artists Peter Swain and Jessica Leffley in front of the spectacular mural they painted at the Olinda Community Hall

A storage container at the Olinda Community Hall has come to life in a spectacular way following the painting of a colourful mural by local Wiradjuri artists Peter Swain and Jessica Leffley. The mural was painted on the weekend of April 20-21 and was funded by the Bushfire Community Recovery & Resilience Fund with a grant received by the Olinda Community Association following the Black Summer Bushfires which affected the Olinda, Coxs Creek and Nullo Mountain communities. A spokesperson for the association said the idea of the mural was conceived to bring the community together and to make the storage container, purchased with grant funds, attractive and to blend into the surrounding bushland.

"Olinda locals, Dianne Munro and Michelle Ryan were there to help out as were local children and artists, including Blak Douglas (2022 Archibald Prize Winner), Gus Armstrong (2022 MAP Portrait Prize Winner) and Leanne Thompson. Jack and Lesley Pennell also came

along to join in the fun. It was an amazing experience for everyone involved and I think the artwork speaks for itself." The Olinda Community Hall is available for hire.

### Growth Room for blokes

Rylstone Growth Room is a joint project between Lifeline Central West and Mid-Western Regional Council that offers free and confidential space for blokes supporting other blokes. Led by trained members of your local community with shared and lived experience. This is a chance to have a cuppa, a yarn, blow off some steam and check in with the other fellas. A growth room is your chance to work towards better mental health and an improved quality of life. It's on the 3rd Monday of each month from 6pm to 8pm at the small hall next to the Rylstone Memorial Hall. To register go to: [www.lifelinecentralwest.org.au/growthrooms](http://www.lifelinecentralwest.org.au/growthrooms) or phone 1300 798 258 for more information.

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## Kandos Senior's Award

Seniors enjoyed lunch together at the Kandos Returned Services Community Club on Friday, March 22. They were welcomed by President of the Kandos CP&SA Delma Smith who thanked them for coming. It was an enjoyable get-together and included some great entertainment by musicians Maree Maiden and Peter Hay. An important part of the Seniors Festival is to acknowledge the great work that seniors in our community contribute through the Senior Citizen of the Year Award. Before announcing the award winner, Katie Dicker acknowledged the work of the committee in bringing this year's program together. Sponsors of the Seniors Festival include Mid-Western Regional Council, the NSW Government, Moolarben Coal and Club Mudgee.

This year's winner of the Mid-Western Senior Citizen of the Year for Kandos is Ellen Riley. Ellen moved to Kandos in 2002 and spent many years caring for her parents. In 2011/2012 she began volunteering as a driver for Community Transport and helping with stalls to raise funds for ChildFlight with Coleen Yates and Jenny Miller. Eventually, the trio decided that a shop would be a more effective fundraising opportunity. They decided to start a not-for-profit charity shop that would support our local community, and thus, the Community Charity Shop was born.

Under the presidency of Ellen and a dedicated team of volunteers they have donated many hundreds of thousands of dollars to community groups. In 2018, Ellen helped form Nanna's Haberdashery, a new not-for-profit group which evolved from the haberdashery part of the Charity Shop. They have since opened another shop nearby for handmade gifts. Their meal program has also been a great success and gives those in the community a night off from cooking. Ellen is a well-deserved recipient of the Senior Citizen of the Year Award.



Senior Citizen Award winner, Ellen Riley with Kandos CP&SA President Delma Smith and Seniors Festival Committee member Cr Katie Dicker.

## Care and Transport

Rylstone District Care and Transport is funded for Meals on Wheels, Transport and Social Support. For further information on any of the above services please contact their office on 6379 1519 or call into the office at 58 Mudgee St, Rylstone.

## The write way

The Kandos Writing Group is a small, but enthusiastic collection of writers who meet Thursdays at 12.30pm at The Old Chemist Shop and Gluten Free Cafe opposite the Kandos Community Centre. Each week group members share their own stories and written work with each other for inspiration, feedback and enjoyment over coffee and a bite to eat. Yasmin says they are a positive, happy group. "It's a fun gathering and we would welcome new members." Contact Yasmin on 0474 251 346 for details.



Come and be inspired with fellow writers on Thursdays at The Old Chemist Shop and Gluten Free Cafe in Kandos.

## Rainy croquet didn't deter

Rain during the lead-up to the Ferntree Gully Bush Croquet Day on Sunday, May 5 made for a very wet, muddy start. In spite of this, more than 30 people came to test their skills or just to enjoy a day in the bush. The heavy course tested every players' skill and patience, however intermittent showers, even a heavy shower during the grand final, failed to deter players or spectators. Winner of the Ted Daniels

Trophy and hamper was Bill Brown. His skill with the ball and mallet continues. The raffle for a ute load of firewood was also drawn. Winner of this was Michael Nielson. A big thank you to all those who purchased tickets. Funds raised on the day go towards maintenance, roadworks and other costs at the popular local reserve.



Finalists line up for a crack at the Ted Daniels Perpetual Trophy.



Bill Brown overcame all obstacles to take out the trophy

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## Governor Generals visit

The Kandos Museum is being honoured with a visit by the Governor General, His Excellency, the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC and Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley on June 18. This is not the first time that the Hurleys have visited Kandos and the museum. Many will recall a previous vice-regal visit for the centenary celebrations of Kandos in October 2014 when His Excellency was the Governor of NSW. In fact, he was invested as the Governor of NSW on October 3, 2014 and his "first vice-regal brass plate" was the re-opening of the Kandos Museum the following day. President of the Kandos Museum, Buzz Sanderson said it



The Governor General, the Honourable David Hurley and his wife Mrs Linda Hurley will visit the Kandos Museum on June 18.

is an absolute delight that the Governor General and Mrs Hurley are visiting Kandos and Kandos Museum, and have chosen to mark the closing of their vice-regal careers by visiting Kandos Museum.

"The museum will be hosting the Governor General and Mrs Hurley along with volunteer organisations of Kandos and Rylstone and also the public with an open day on Tuesday, June 18. The Governor General will arrive at about 10.45am and will unveil a brass plaque at 11am. Morning tea will be served afterwards. This is a great opportunity to showcase Kandos," Mr Sanderson said. All are welcome to attend.



The Governor General and his wife with local historian and writer Colleen O'Sullivan during the Centenary celebrations in Kandos in 2014.

## Street libraries

Community Street Libraries have been installed as part of the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grant. The grant provided funding for the boxes which are provided in kit form. Over a series of community events, local residents have come together to help decorate these libraries. The boxes were constructed and erected by volunteers, and the boxes are regularly topped and refreshed up by



volunteers. A quick call out to the community by local community radio station KRR

Local residents, proudly showing their newly decorated street library.

98.7 FM saw hundreds of books being donated by the broader community. A spokesperson said the libraries are being installed in strategic locations in the greater Rylstone area, especially in the smaller farming villages outside of the township who have greater access challenges to libraries.

"We have also installed two in town, one at the Rylstone Tennis Club which borders the caravan park for visitors, and one at the Globe Hotel in Rylstone. It's a simple and great initiative suitable for everyone. The principle is simple, take a book - leave a book. Enjoy." Up and running so far: Cnr Coxs Creek Rd and Bylong Valley Way, Reedy Creek Rd, Cnr Barletts Rd and Narango Rd, Cnr Coxs Creek Trail and Coxs Creek Rd, the Globe Hotel, Rylstone Tennis Club.

## Mudgee Classic success

Cyclists of all ages and abilities headed out onto the region's roads for the major annual Mudgee Classic Grand Fondo event. Two thousand riders started the fourth annual event with many enthusiasts backing up after Saturday's Dirty Mudgee gravel event held in wet, wild, and slippery conditions. Despite the weather, there were plenty of smiles at the start line as wave after wave of riders left on the various event courses that took in the scenic views of the Mudgee region. Some riders conquered their first hundred kilometres, others were thrilled to have ridden 35kms, and others ticked off the 175 km Maxi Classic. Riders and their families gave the thumbs up to the weekend of cycling. Riding her third Mudgee Classic, Nicola Rutzou from the Women Who Cycle blog said she had a sensational weekend despite the weather. "It was really good. A little bit of rain, but who cares, we dried off. I met some really good people out there. We came up for a long weekend - drove up from Sydney on Friday and we're going home tomorrow. It was such a good getaway."



Cyclists keep coming back to the Mudgee Classic Grand Fondo event year after year.

## Mr Cactus bows out

A large crowd gathered for a retrospective exhibition of the late Geoffrey Payne's works at Gallery 47 Rylstone on Saturday, May 4. Geoffrey actually purchased the building at 47 Louee Street in 1995 as a studio and shop for his and Judy Allen's screen prints and ceramics. In 1998 when he met Ginny Handmer they began to host group exhibitions. The venue became a meeting place for artists and art lovers. In 2005 Geoff suffered a serious double stroke and lost the use of his left side. He managed to paint, learnt how to drive one-handed and kept working. Later he was a sufferer of Parkinson's Disease. Along the way Mr Cactus became an alter ego - a voice for Geoff's humour. He can be seen in many of Geoff's satirical and whimsical works.



Geoffrey passed away in November 2023 leaving an impressive legacy of paintings, ceramics, lino prints, screen prints, drawings and felted works, some of which were exhibited at the retrospective. As part of the

celebration of Geoff's life, his wife Ginny and family are publishing a book of images of his work with short essays by friends. Ginny said it was gratifying to celebrate the incredible breath of work, the intelligence and humour behind Mr Cactus and the love he had with the land around us.

"As he often said, 'Look at where we live!'"



Cactus Fellas Master Stroke.

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<b>30</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.	Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays.	The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wed. at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	Ladies Tennis, 9am Thursdays at Henbury. Writing Group 12.30-2pm Thursdays at the old chemist shop, Kandos		<b>1</b> The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 10am to 4pm. *Jessica Leffley's exhibition opens 4.30pm at Gallery 47 Rylstone.
<b>2</b> Uniting Church services at Rylstone 9.30am every Sunday.	<b>3</b> Pilates classes, 6pm Mondays at St James Hall Rylstone..	<b>4</b> Clandulla RFS meets 7.30 pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Clandulla Fire Shed. Training on the following Sunday at 9am	<b>5</b> RKB&T meeting at 6pm. R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7pm.	<b>6</b> Scrabble on 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday, 10am at Rylstone Club.	<b>7</b> Rylstone CWA meets at 10am 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday. *Cudgong Valley History Group, 11am to 3pm at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday.	<b>8</b> <b>Rylstone Markets</b> Movie Night at Rylstone Hall
<b>9</b> Anglican Church services at St Laurence, Kandos, 10am on 2nd and 4th Sundays and St James Ryl, 10am on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays.	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Rotary meets Tues at the Rescue Squad Shed, Ryl. 6.30 for 7pm. *TTPlayers meet 6pm on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. at the Ryl. Club.	<b>12</b> Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. *Venturers meet at 5pm Wednesdays at the Kandos Scout Hall.	<b>13</b> Kandos CP&SA, 2pm on the 2nd Thurs of each month at the Kandos RSC Club.	<b>14</b> Ryl. Hosp. Aux. Meetings 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 10am. *Youth Alive St James Ryl. 6.30pm second Friday during school term.	<b>15</b> The next Kandos Markets will be held in September
<b>16</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 Str, Kandos. *3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Markets at the Globe 10am. *Alive@5 at St James Ryl 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> The Wollemi Singers, 6pm every Tuesday at St Dominic's Hall Kandos..	<b>19</b> Ilford-Running Stream CWA Meeting at Running Stream Hall 10am.	<b>20</b> Walking group meets at Rylstone Showground Thursdays at 8am in summer, 8.30 spring and autumn and 9am in winter.	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Kandos Crop and Swap, 9am every fourth Saturday at Way Out Art Space
<b>23</b> Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting on last Sunday of month. *Glen Alice Church Service at 9.30am.	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Walking group Tuesdays & Thursdays. *Dance to be fit, 4.45pm Tues. at St James Hall. Rylstone.	<b>26</b> Kandos CWA meeting, 5pm on last Wed. of month.	<b>27</b> Rylstone CP&SA 11am at the Rylstone Club on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.	<b>28</b> Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	<b>29</b> <b>KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM</b>

September 19 – 22... Cementa 2024, November 2...Rylstone StreetFeast, November 30...Ilford Public School P&C Christmas Fair and Markets 9am to 1pm at the Ilford School. NB: Abbreviations RKB&T (Rylstone Kandos Business & Tourism) and CP&SA (Combined Pensioners & Superannuants Association).



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### Film night

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### Pick up Capers

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### Crop and Swaps are tops

Local producers are gearing up for their fifth Kandos Crop and Swap. Georgina Pollard started the KC&S Facebook group in 2017, and now Gab Bates coordinates a monthly meetup for the community to swap produce. Fresh eggs, fruit, vegetables or plants are happily swapped for jams, sauces, seeds or gardening magazines. If you'd like to join this grassroots phenomenon, follow the Kandos Crop and Swap Facebook page and come along to Wayout Artspace, 71 Angus Ave, Kandos at 9am sharp on Saturday, June 22. It's held every fourth Saturday.

### Book launch

Colleen O'Sullivan's latest book 'An Inventive Life' will be launched at the Kandos Museum on Sunday, June 9 at 4pm. Entry is a \$5 donation to the Museum. There'll be entertainment, refreshments and a lucky door prize. All are very welcome to attend.

### Rylstone Markets

The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, June 8 at 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.

### Exhibition opening

Jessica Leffley brings her works in nature 'As the Currawong Flies' to Gallery 47 Rylstone on Saturday, June 1. Come along to the opening of her exhibition and her Reflections on Country from 4.30 to 6.30pm.

### Guwayu: for all time

Guwayu: for all time at Mudgee Arts Precinct until July 28. This powerful exhibition of First Nations artists illuminates and honours the past we have inherited and looks to the future we will leave behind. Curated by Mudgee based Wiradjuri woman Aleshia Lonsdale, it contains works by some of Australia's most renowned First Nations artists including Tony Albert, Nicole Chaffey, Jo Clancy, Lorraine Connelly-Northey, Karla Dickens, Blak Douglas, Fiona Foley, Maddison Gibbs, Juanita MacLaughlan, Aleshia Lonsdale, Danie Mellor, Vincent Namatjira, Joel Sherwood Spring, Jason Wing and Judy Watson. Mudgee Arts Precinct is open seven days a week from 9am to 5pm. Entry is free.

### 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. Come along, enjoy a morning walk in Rylstone and then pick up a bargain

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