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Cementa17

Love it or hate it, Cementa17 has given a huge boost to Kandos in more ways than one. Local café's, motels, shops, servos and watering holes received a much-needed shot in the arm as hundreds of visitors thronged into town for four days to enjoy one of Australia's most unique contemporary art festivals. Curious viewers and those more serious about their art were more than well-catered for too with a range of interesting, unusual and thought-provoking art installations. Some, including Teena McCarthy's "When are the Bush Mary's Coming?" in the Convent Garden, the Cudgegong Choir's "A Galaxy of Suns" on Friday night, the group voices with "That thing Between Us" on Saturday midday (both in the Community Hall and Nicole Welch's "Wildēornes Body" at the Kandos

Museum were very moving and provocative. With local businesses, organisations, home owners and radio station KRR 98.7FM embracing the festival by opening up their places for installations, it became a real community effort and one that all locals should be proud of. The Scottish Highland dance performance "Whispers in the Grass" at Henbury Golf Course attracted a huge crowd on Saturday evening and many of them stayed on for music and sound-events in the club later.

The two official openings – the first on Thursday evening in the Salon where local artists displayed their work, and the second on Friday evening at the Railway Hotel, where Cementa was officially opened were huge events. Mid-Western Regional Councillor, Sam Paine opened the Salon and praised the local art works. Sam, an artist and writer himself said it was a real thrill to walk down the streets of Kandos and see so much happening. At the Railway, Curator of the

Western Plains Cultural Centre in Dubbo, Kent Buchanan opened Cementa17. He said the 60 or so artists who came to Kandos were a benevolent lot. "Many of them make very little money if any. They share their work in a very giving way and all they are looking for is a way to express their creativity and give to others through their art." Cementa director, Alex Wisser thanked the artists on behalf of fellow directors Ann Finegan and Christine McMillan. He also paid tribute to the Cementa staff, volunteers and the people of Kandos for their support.



Linda Brescia reassuring onlookers who may be fearful of contemporary art during her roving performances.



The Highland dance performed by visiting and local dancers attracted a huge audience to Henbury Golf Course for Annemaree Dalziel's Whispers in the Grass.

Powerhouse performance at KHS

The recent Parkour Workshops held at Kandos High School by the Powerhouse Youth Theatre and Dauntless Movement Crew (DMC) were a huge success. Students from Year 7 to 10 had the opportunity to gain some techniques in Parkour basics with the experts, where they were instructed to stretch, strengthen and challenge themselves beyond their expectations. Students were taught how to leap, roll and jump safely within a fun and relevant environment. The instructors, Joe, Jimmy and Derrell were amazing and the students appreciated their knowledge and expert skills. Thank you to all the students who participated in the workshops. The Parkour crew were so enthused by their engagement they had many positive things to say about them. DMC returned to Kandos for a performance at Dunns Swamp (Ganguddy) during Cementa17. This event held on Saturday at 11am and again at 2.30pm drew in an audience of over a hundred people who were amazed by the agility and daring acrobatic maneuvers on and around the pagodas.



Kandos High School students take to the air during Parkour Workshops by visiting experts.



DMC showing their impressive acrobatic skills and giving a preview of their upcoming performance at Dunns Swamp (Ganguddy) to an appreciative audience at the Railway Hotel during Cementa on Saturday evening.

Capers info

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Kandos CWA party

More than 60 people attended the Kandos CWA cocktail party and fundraiser held in the CWA rooms and grounds last month. The black and white dress theme proved very popular and the visual effect was quite striking. Guests included those who have recently moved to the area, or have returned to Kandos after time away. Several of them commented that they really appreciated the opportunity to meet people, including long-time residents as well as newcomers.

Welcome speeches were made by CWA President Mary Kavanagh and CWA member Colleen O'Sullivan, who gave a brief history of the Kandos Gardens Fair and launched the 2018 event, which will be held in April. Several people, from Rylstone, Kandos, Ilford and Running Stream, expressed their interest in opening their gardens for the fair or in helping with the organisation. Mary outlined the benefits of joining the CWA and encouraged everyone to make the most of the community asset provided by the rooms. Regular activities include Tuesday's art group and Friday's ukulele group, both of which welcome newcomers.

Refreshments were served during the evening with guests enjoying De Beaupaire Wines, champagne and finger food prepared by CWA members (including, but not limited to savoury scones). They were a hit. The event was also a fundraiser. Sales of raffle tickets in the weeks beforehand raised over \$1200 and donations and ticket sales on the night raised over \$500. The proceeds will go to the Kandos CWA Garden to Kitchen project where the plan is to upgrade the CWA rooms and install a commercial kitchen which will be available for hire by the hour, for preparing food or for running classes and workshops. The raffle prizes were drawn and winners announced. First prize - a painting, Country Still Life, specially painted and donated by local artist Fleur MacDonald was won by Ester Kasepuu, second prize - a trailer of firewood, donated by Peter and Bonnie Farrell was won by Irene Briggs, and third and fourth prizes were baskets of premium local wines, donated by De Beaupaire Wines were won by Colin Fathers and Fleur MacDonald. Kandos CWA welcomes new members and meets on the last

Wednesday of each month at 5.30pm, 7 Jaques Street Kandos. For more information contact Mary Kavanagh 0425 275 749. If you would like to help with the CWA Kandos Gardens Fair 201, please join them for their first meeting on Wednesday, May 17 at 5.30pm at the CWA Rooms, Kandos. All welcome.



Drinks on the lawn at the Kandos CWA rooms where members raised close to \$2000 for an upgrade to their kitchen and also launched the 2018 Kandos Gardens Fair.

Ferntree fundraiser

The Ferntree Gully Reserve Trust (FTGT) is holding its annual bush croquet fundraiser and contest for the Ted Daniels Trophy on Sunday May 7. The venue is located at the top of Growee Gulch on the Bylong Valley Way, approximately 20 kms from Rylstone. The area will be well sign posted on the day. Come along for a great family day out. Bring a picnic lunch (barbecue facilities and campfire provided) and enjoy the scenery. Cost to play is \$10 per adult, and the first heats start at 10am.

There will be a raffle for a ute-load of prime yellow box firewood cut to 300 mls length with free delivery (around the local region only). Raffle tickets are available from the Rylstone Friendly Grocer and other outlets during April leading up to May 7 when the raffle will be drawn at the end of the tournament. Proceeds will go towards the ongoing care and maintenance of the Reserve's walking tracks, lookouts, signage, entrance road and general infrastructure. The FTGT, appointed by the Department of Crown Lands, is composed of a small number of volunteers, who look after the 2,100 hectares. Emphasis is on the educational and environmental aspects of this unique area. For enquiries, contact the Trust Secretary, Sue Pridmore on 6379 1184 or the Rylstone Friendly Grocer, Louee Street, Rylstone.

Ilford/Running Stream CWA

Ilford/Running Stream CWA Branch had a wonderful day at the Castlereagh Country Group Council meeting, held at the Mudgee CWA room, where all 17 Branch handicraft entries were judged, with the winner's craft going to State Conference in May. The Branch won both the best eight articles and the wall hanging (the theme was trees this year). In addition, seven items won places in the Land Section and of the eight articles, four are going to State - all thanks to the members' excellent handiwork. New members are always welcome, please contact the secretary Jenny Nott on 6337 7532 for details.



CWA branch president, Jeanette Sell and secretary, Jenny Nott who both entered several items that were judged at the Castlereagh Country Group Council meeting.

Platters Guide

A new initiative aimed at capitalising on Agritourism and linking local producers from across the Central West Region with visitors has been launched. The Regional Platters Guide was created in partnership with seven neighbouring local government areas to connect group tours with the local agricultural industry. Mid-Western Regional Council Manager Economic Development Alina Azar said the resulting guide is a wonderful showcase of the incredibly diverse produce found within our region and is a fantastic addition to the group tour market in an area that had previously been under-utilised.

"A direct result of a successful collaboration between regions covering Mid-Western, Dubbo, Gilgandra, Narromine, Nyngan, Warren, Warrumbungles and Wellington and fully funded via the Murray Darling Energise Enterprise Fund, the guide is designed to promote visitation to our regional community and showcase agricultural tour experiences that are sustainable, compelling, memorable and real," Alina Azar said.

A series of Industry Development Workshops, facilitated by Vanguard Business Services, were held in various locations and targeted at providing assistance for farming or agri-businesses. These workshops helped to define and develop farm experiences in preparation for inclusion in the guide. Regional Platters aims to educate visitors on how our region's producers grow, make and manufacture, while sharing the triumphs and the innovation, and at times the adversity of their industry.

Trash and Treasure

Rylstone and District Historical Society is holding a Trash and Treasure day on Saturday, June 3 at the Cottage Museum, Rylstone. Come along for bargains, books, and beautiful objects. Grab a bargain or sell one. It'll be a terrific day and an important fundraiser for the local historical society. To book a stall or for further information, phone Anne Ward on 0457 478 784.

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Riding for Veterans

Rob Eade, a Vietnam Veteran with his red heeler cattle dog Ginge is riding his trike around Australia to the birth town of each deceased Veteran from Vietnam to present day conflicts. His aim is to place a small Australian flag on the memorial of towns where they were born. On Saturday, April 8 Rob presented a flag to John Taylor, Kandos Sub-Branch President at the Rylstone memorial for Barry George. It will be given to Lyn Rawlinson (Barry's sister) at a later date. Rob hopes to finish his self-funded ride delivering over 560 flags in three years.



John Taylor, Glen Evans, Ken Bevitt and Paul Edwards with Rob Eade and his dog Ginge, heading around Australia in memory of Veterans.

Tree planting

The annual Regent Honeyeater Tree Planting in the Capertee Valley will be held on Friday, May 5 to Sunday, May 7. The actual tree planting is held on Saturday, May 6 but organisers can always do with helpers on Friday, May 5 to lay out the plants and guards. Planting is normally completed on Saturday but there may be opportunities to help complete watering or join in birdwatching trips on Sunday. While you will need to cater for your own breakfasts and lunches, a Saturday evening meal is run by the Glen Alice Community Association to raise funds. It's available at a cost of \$31 for adults and \$8 for children under 12, however as the Glen Alice Hall is currently under renovation, it may not be available for the Saturday night dinner. In that case, the dinner will be held at Glen Davis Hall, and because of its smaller size, will be limited to 60 people, with reduced dietary options.

Accommodation options range from camping at Glen Davis (free) to staying in one of the cottages in the valley that have been booked by organisers for the weekend (shared accommodation and rooms), or feel free to arrange your own private cottage accommodation in the valley or nearby towns of Rylstone, Kandos and Capertee. Enquiries to Wendy Fox on 9647 1033.

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Cementa facts

Cementa is a not-for-profit, incorporated association. Ninety percent of Cementa funding comes from State and Federal arts funding which is earmarked for the arts and distributed through a highly competitive process of selection. If Kandos didn't receive this funding it would go to the cities and other large towns. To put it into perspective, last year the New Year's Eve fireworks in Sydney cost \$45,000 for every minute – a total of \$900,000 all up. The total cost of Sydney's New Year's Eve event was over 7 million dollars. Every grant that Cementa receives is acquitted and reported on and their budget is audited annually by an independent auditor. Staff and artists contribute through unpaid labour more than what Cementa receives in funding. Wherever possible, Cementa hires local people and businesses to fulfil its requirements. All artists participating in Cementa are required to visit Kandos, and some stay as long as a month. They are asked to make work that relates to the town or the region and they spend money on food, fuel, accommodation etc. According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, cultural and creative activity is estimated to contribute \$86 billion to Australia's Gross Domestic Product. That's 6.8% of the gross national product. Cementa has helped to raise awareness of the advantages of the town of Kandos and the local region and many people have bought homes and property in Kandos as a direct result of Cementa.

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.

CWA needs members

Rylstone CWA members welcomed Brent Barlow to their rooms on Friday, April 7 for a talk about newspapers and radio in the local area. It was an enjoyable morning with much interest shown by members in a collection of old newspapers dating back to 1914. Rylstone CWA was formed in 1925 and they have their own rooms in Cudgegong Street at the entrance to the Rylstone Showground. They meet on the first Friday of each month at 10am and enjoy craft which they enter in group craft. This year they got a first in dressmaking, a second in quilt and an equal third in wall hanging. Their main fundraising activities take place at Rylstone Street Feast and during the annual Rylstone Kandos Show where they open their rooms for morning and afternoon teas and lunch. Locally, they support Rylstone Public School and the Rylstone Kandos Show Society. They currently have 14 members and two life members. New members are definitely needed, so if you're interested in becoming a member, phone their president, Robin Johnston on 6379 1127 or secretary/treasurer Margaret Baxter on 6379 7664. You're also welcome to call into a meeting at their rooms at any time.



Rylstone CWA members look forward to welcoming new members to their branch.

Farewell to members

Kandos Rylstone Community Radio (KRR 98.7FM) said farewell recently to members Linda and Sarah Berrell who have moved from Kandos to Bathurst for family health reasons. Both Linda and Sarah have been presenters at KRR for many years and are well known for their programs and great music. Linda especially will be much missed by members for her role on the committee and her great help with programming and with inserting and folding Community Capers during that time. A farewell morning tea, which was well attended by members, was held at the station. President, Brent Barlow thanked them both for their enjoyable programs and their commitment to the local radio station. He said he hoped that both of them would return occasionally in the future to do some more programs and wished them all the best in their move to Bathurst.



Linda and Sarah Berrell during their farewell morning tea at KRR.

Seed Savers

A Farmers, Gardeners and Seed Savers Conference will be held on May 20 and 21 at the Augustine Conference Centre, (next to Mudgee Airport). The program will include Doctor of Botany, Plant Breeding, Plant Pollination, Wool Growing, Holistic Farming, Crop Pollination, Natural Sequence Farming, Bush Food, Seed Collecting and Saving, Permaculture, Bamboo Growing, Australian Gourmet Hazelnuts and Herbal Management. Early bird bookings (close at Easter) are \$100 per person for two days and \$80 per person for one day which includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea each day. The conference will conclude with farm visits. For bookings or more information, contact Dennis Grimshaw on 6372 7904 or 0428 588 552, Email renaehill@bigpond.com.

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Calendar of Events - May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
The Cottage Museum, Rylstone is open every Sunday from 10am to 3pm.	1 Scouts and Cubs meet at 4.30pm on Mondays at Kandos Scout Hall.	2 Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training nights on 3rd Tuesdays	3 R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7.30pm.	4 RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	5 Rylstone CWA meeting at 10am.	6 The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays from 10am to 4pm.
7 One Life Family Church services, 10am every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday at the corner of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos	8	9 Rotary meets every Tuesday at the Rylstone Club, 6.30 for 7pm.	10 Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. *Ryl. Hospital Auxiliary Meeting.	11 Kandos CPSA meeting on 2nd Thursday of the month, 2pm at the Kandos RSC Club.	12	13 Rylstone Artisan and Produce Market.
14 Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	15	16 The Kandos Art Group meets every Tuesday at the CWA rooms in Kandos from 11am to 2pm.	17 The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wednesday at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	18	19 Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	20 Kandos Markets.
21 Kandos Christian Fellowship 10.30am on 2nd and 4th Sunday at CWA Hall, Kandos. *Rylstone Swap Meet.	22	23 Venturers meet Tuesdays at 5pm.	24 Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12noon each Wednesday	25 Scrabble on 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursday of each month, 10am to 1pm at the Rylstone Club.	26	27 Wombat Workshop at Glen Davis
28 KRSCC Markets on the bowling green on the last Sunday of each month. Phone 6379 6591 to book a site.	29	30 Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 7.30pm. *Twin Town Players meet 6pm on 4th Tuesday of each month at VRA Shed, Rylstone	31 Ryl. CPSA meet 12pm at Ryl. Club for lunch. *Kan. CWA meeting 7 Jaques St. at 5.30pm. *KRR radio meeting, 7.30pm at KRR studios 50 Angus Ave Kandos.	Ladies Tennis, 9am Thursdays at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club.	Join the Ukulele Group, 5pm on Fridays at the Kandos CWA Rooms.	KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM

Dates for the Diary

June 3...Trash and Treasure at the Cottage Museum, June 5...Care and Transport's outing to Mt Tomah Botanical Gardens, July 2... Capertee Valley Landcare's walk at Genowlan Mountain.

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Swap Meet

The Annual Rylstone Swap Meet is on Sunday, May 21 at the Rylstone Showground. Traders include sellers of motor parts, antiques and bric-a-brac. Catering is provided by local community groups (no other food sellers please). There will be a car display by members of CVPVC, and other clubs and enthusiasts are encouraged to bring their cars for display (no Show N Shine this year). For enquiries, phone Peter Wilson on 0429 441 220 or Mellissa Wilson on 0488 968 124. Cost of entry for sellers is \$15 (two persons) additional adults \$3 each. Entry for lookers is \$3, children under 14 years free. There is free parking in the grounds around the oval. For sellers, entry to the showground is available from 1pm on Saturday with free camping overnight. Sellers must leave the showground by 3pm on Sunday.

Enrol for preschool

Enrolments are now being taken for term 2 at the Rylstone Kandos Preschool for 3, 4 and 5 year olds. Please call Tammy in the office on 6379 4273 for more information and to enrol your children.

Kandos Community Markets

The Kandos Community Markets are on Saturday, May 20 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 will be all the usual stalls including fruit and vegies, books, plants, handmade soy wax candles, Devonshire teas, and a barbecue. For stall bookings, phone Rose on 6379 4179 or Joy on 6379 6097.

Living with Wombats.

A workshop about management practices for when you have wombats on your property will be held at 2pm on Saturday, May 27 at Glen Davis. It will cover what to do about them digging under fences and buildings and tanks and how to manage their burrows. This workshop will also provide information to enable you to develop a treatment program for wombats suffering from mange. This will be presented by David Alder of the Wombat Protection Society. The workshop will be held on a property with some easily accessible wombat burrows. Please RSVP if you want to attend to Julie Gibson Secretary/Treasurer of Capertee Valley Landcare on 6379 7317 and she will provide directions to the attendees

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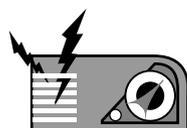
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