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Welcome to the October issue of Community Capers, volume 307. Our November issue will be distributed on Thursday, October 31. The deadline for this issue is Monday, October 21. News items, events, dates for the calendar etc. are inserted free. Email them to the editor, Brent Barlow at 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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Charity Shop edges towards a million in donations

The Community Charity Shop in Angus Avenue, Kandos has become renowned for its treasure trove of items for sale. Visitors come from far and wide to browse through its huge array of goods of all kinds. In fact they have so many items for sale they've had to expand to across the street to hold their range of furniture pieces. It's an amazing success story. People donate their unwanted items to the shop and these are examined and sorted and then put on shelves or on the floor for sale. The money made from these items is then donated to worthy individuals or groups across the region. So far they have given \$825,058 since they began in 2013. An amazing result for a community organisation that is run entirely by volunteers. They have donated \$46,400 for this year alone. On Wednesday, September 11 recipients from three groups called in to the shop to express their heartfelt thanks for donations. They included representatives from Can Assist in Mudgee, local representatives from Mudgee North West Legacy and a member of the Rylstone District Environment Society.

John Stuart from Can Assist said the support from the Charity Shop has been fantastic.

"We help quite a few people in the Rylstone Kandos area and the support we have received from the local Charity Shop is really outstanding. To all the volunteers here, thank you so much."

Legatee Glen Evans from Kandos said the support to Legacy from the Charity Shop is phenomenal.

"We help out widows and their children and donations that we receive really helps us. A big thank you from us to the Charity Shop and everyone who works here."

Meg Benson said she had recently sent a letter to the shop thanking them on behalf of the Rylstone District Environment Society for a donation they received to help fund a tree planting day at Rylstone which involved students from the University of Technology in Sydney."

"The funding enabled us to provide breakfast, lunch and afternoon tea for the students who worked so hard for our community while they were here. Thank you very much. What a great shop this is for our town and district."



Community Charity Shop volunteers Colleen, Jasmin and Valda on left of photo with grateful recipients from Can Assist, Rylstone District Environment Society and Legacy.

Members of Can Assist presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to the Community Charity Shop, for "outstanding generosity in in support of country families affected by cancer." The certificate was gratefully accepted by volunteers Valda and Colleen.



Rylstone StreetFeast

Rylstone StreetFeast is gearing up for a great event on Saturday, November 2 when up to 400 diners will enjoy an outdoor feast, with others enjoying the market stalls and entertainment. StreetFeast is one of the region's premier events that attracts visitors from across the region and beyond. It's not surprising that people keep coming back year after year to enjoy a very relaxed long lunch under the shady trees in Rylstone's main street, while enjoying great entertainment. Catering for this year's gourmet four-course long lunch is by renowned chef Rachel McCarthy and her team from Mudgee Catering Co. Tickets are going fast but there are still some available. You can find them on the Rylstone StreetFeast website. Simply click on tickets and you'll be able to purchase online.



On board again. Major sponsors Elephant Mountain Wines, Rylstone Olive Press and Miskles Earthmoving. Deborah Clear, Jayne Bentivoglio and Jo Miskle are proud to be standing behind their banner supporting Rylstone StreetFeast.

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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 or phone on 6379 1020 - mobile 0427 791 020. For advertising or sponsorship, please contact Brian Neaves on 0402 976 925.

Tennis club's re-opening

Rylstone Tennis Club celebrated its fabulous upgrades with an official re-opening on Saturday, September 7. The event was part of the Community WARRIOR Project and with four excellent courts in operation the club is well and truly set for the start of its season on Wednesday, October 9. Club members were pleased with a great turnout on the day and especially by the numbers of young children who came along with parents or carers. Many of them lined up for a hit of tennis on the day.

Heike Schutze, who was instrumental in coordinating the grants that enabled the upgrades, outlined how funding came about through the

Australian Government's Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grants Program. In particular, she acknowledged the support from local MP Andrew Gee and the National Emergency Management Agency.

"Without their unwavering support we would not be here today."

Club President, Donna Munday thanked everyone for coming and for their support on the day.

"I also want to thank our committee members and Andrew Gee who has been instrumental in this project," she said.

Following the cutting of the ribbon to mark the re-opening, a delicious afternoon tea was served. A hit of tennis was then essential for many of the attendees on the day.



Tammy Greer from the National Emergency Management Agency and club president Donna Munday cutting the ribbon, with committee members David Connell, Margaret Bucan, Rodney Moore and Caroline Lus.



Face painting was one of the activities the Rylstone Tennis Club had lined up for kids of all ages. Charlotte is creating something special for Evie.

Dennis's art was a hit

Dennis King's collection of First Nations inspired artworks was a hit at the opening of his exhibition at Gallery 47 Rylstone on Saturday, September 7. Dennis is a Darkinjung artist with ties to the Dharug nation and currently lives on Wiradjuri country in Kandos. He is a prolific painter who paints in his own home studio, using a mix of acrylic and enamel paints and a large variety of tools to create his one-of-a-kind art works. The walls of the gallery were alive with wonderful colours and patterns which had viewers enthralled by his unique style which showcases our well-known Australian fauna. Dennis's exhibition will remain open until September 30.



Dennis King with one of his unique paintings at Gallery 47.

KRR's AGM results

Kandos Rylstone Community Radio (KRR 98.7 FM) held their AGM on Wednesday, August 28. The first item on the agenda was a special resolution to adopt a new Constitution and Rules. This was needed so that KRR could register with the ACNC because of changes to the Australian Tax Office requirements. Their new Constitution has now been registered with the Department of Fair Trading. Results for the election of committee members for 2024/25 are: President – Brent Barlow, Vice-President – Brian Neaves, Secretary – Pat Spithill, Treasurer – Maree Maiden and ordinary committee members, Ron Spithill, George Reid and David Whitmore. A number of sub-committees were also appointed including Programming, Sponsorship and Training. In his President's Report, Brent Barlow thanked members for their support during the past year.

"Thank you everyone for being part of such a great asset for Kandos, Rylstone and the wider community. We are grateful for the ongoing support from our listeners and sponsors. Our monthly newsletter, Community Capers continues to be published each month by KRR and is distributed throughout the community at a number of outlets and beyond via our website. We acknowledge the support of Mid-Western Regional Council and our regular advertisers and sponsors. Community information in both Community Capers and in on-air announcements is a very important service that KRR provides for community groups, organisations and the general public. Finally, congratulations to our presenters who have such interesting programs and who play such a diverse range of music. We love your programs and look forward to them each day."

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.



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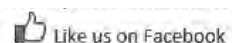
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Bottlebrush Day

Rylstone riverside will be a picture of colour in years to come following a Bottlebrush Day hosted on Friday, August 18 by Rylstone District Environment Society in the Rylstone Showground area. This is the group's second Bottlebrush planting and it was conducted in collaboration with Mid-western Regional Council, Kandos High School and Watershed Landcare. With Council providing plants and watering them and Landcare publicizing the event on Facebook an enthusiastic group soon got the job done. Two hundred bottlebrush and tea trees were planted in some very inhospitable places close to the water by enthusiastic and hardworking participants.

A spokesperson for the group said the aim of these bottlebrush plantings is to increase biodiversity in riverbank vegetation and raise awareness in the community about the importance of foreshore vegetation in preventing erosion, improving water quality and providing habitat for wildlife, including fish. "The Cudgegong River is a small but important part of the Murray Darling System. We've seen a steady improvement of water quality in our local river thanks to these plantings over the years. They also add another attraction for the increasing numbers of tourists who enjoy walking along the river looking at birds or trying to spot a platypus."



Kandos High School students, volunteers from across the region and Rylstone District Environment Society members planted 200 bottlebrush and tea trees along the Cudgegong River at Rylstone during Bottlebrush Day.

Players – get ready

The Twin Town Players are gearing up for some exciting entertainment in coming months. Their Home Grown - One Act Play night with a Halloween theme will feature some plays written and directed by talented locals. These spooky plays are shaping up to be a lot of fun on Thursday, October 31, Friday, November 1 and the evening of Rylstone StreetFeast, Saturday, November 2. The TTP are extending a big welcome to visitors to StreetFeast and inviting those who are still revved up and looking for entertainment to come along and enjoy some home grown talent and a fun night. If you'd like to be a part of it all, the players hold their monthly meetings at 6pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at The Rylstone Club.

Below: Hospital Auxiliary president Bev Hobbs with a large group of supporters who were thanked on the day.



Auxiliary says thanks

The Rylstone Hospital Auxiliary held a morning tea recently to thank those who donated or helped the group during the year. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the Rylstone Hotel (Top Pub), Foodworks, Kandos IGA, Community Charity Shop, Rylstone Newsagency, Street Machine Club, Carolyn Williams, Peter and Judy Robinson, Tim and Cynthia Kuchta, Rylstone Sugar and Cake Artists, Bull A Rama and young helpers at the Duck Races during Rylstone StreetFeast, Edward Harding, Patrick Lus, William Moxham and Lucy Gale. President of the hospital auxiliary Bev Hobbs said the donations and help were very much appreciated.

"Thank you for your generosity. It never ceases to amaze me just how giving people are. We've got the best equipment for what we need at the hospital and this includes Aged Care and Health One."

With the \$10,000 from Bull A Rama they were able to buy a hydraulic Low Bed for acute care which cost \$6,500 and a Clinical Observation Machine for \$4,000. With other donations they purchased a cholesterol testing machine, two wheel chairs and a blanket warming cabinet. Six other times have also just been ordered. Bev said everything costs a lot of money.

"That's why we so appreciate all those who support us and do our best to purchase what we need."

The local Hospital Auxiliary is always looking for new members, so if you're interested in joining the group, their meetings are held at the Rylstone Hospital at 10am on the second Friday of each month.

School flies skywards

The sky was the limit for Kandos Public School students as they danced and sang their way through their whole school performance 'Fly' in September. It was a show that had it all, from an Aboriginal dance group with a wonderful Lyre Bird dance to an amazing rocket man - outer space ensemble with a blue light segment that turned the group into a glowing, pulsing sci-fi experience. Audiences, as always, loved the little kids who were so natural and entertaining. All up, it was a memorable performance from the whole school. Congratulations to the students, teachers and parents who put such a big effort into it. The costumes were colourful and the choreography was exceptional. It was a very enjoyable experience for everyone.



Taking it the stars and beyond, with a blue-light segment that blew everyone away.



Colourful with some great dance moves from this group.

October chemical cleanout

In October, Mudgee Tip and Kandos Transfer Station will be accepting household chemicals for free. Drop-off days are Tuesday, October 8 from 2.30pm to 5.30pm at Mudgee and Sunday, October 13 from 2pm to 5pm at Kandos. These services offer a safe disposal method for hazardous materials, promoting environmental safety and responsible waste management.

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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.	1 Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training on 3 rd Tuesdays.	2 R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7pm. *The Craft Group, 10am each Wed. at the VRA shed, Rylstone.	3 Ladies Tennis, 9am Thursdays at Henbury.Kandos * Scrabble on 1 st , 3 rd and 5 th Thursdays 10am at Rylstone Club.	4 Rylstone CWA meets at 10am 1 st Friday. *Cudgegong Valley History Group, 11am to 3pm at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club 1 st Friday.	5 The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 10am to 4pm. Garrba-rra Scribbly Gum Stitching Project at the NE Wiradjuri Cultural Centre Kandos
6 Anglican Church services at St Laurence, Kandos, 10am on 2 nd and 4 th Sundays and St James Ryl, 10am on the 1 st , 3 rd and 5 th Sundays.	7 Pilates classes, 6pm Mondays at St James Hall Rylstone..	8 Clandulla RFS 7.30 pm 1 st Tue of each month at the Clandulla Fire Shed. Training on the following Sunday at 9am	9 Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting. Writing Group 10.30am every Wednesday at Kandos Library.	10 Kandos Combined Pensioners & Superannuants Assoc. 2pm on the 2nd Thurs of each month at the Kandos RSC Club.	11 Ryl. Hosp. Aux. Meetings 2 nd Friday of each month at 10am. *Youth Alive St James Ryl.6.30pm second Friday during school term.	12 Rylstone Markets Movie Night at Rylstone Hall
13 One Life Family Church services, 10am 1 st , 3 rd and 5 th Sundays at the cnr. of Noyes and Dunn Str, Kandos. *3 rd Sunday Markets at the Globe 10am. *Alive@5 at St James Ryl 3 rd Sundays.	14	15 Rotary meets Tues at the Rescue Squad Shed, Ryl. 6.30 for 7pm. *TTPlayers meet 6pm on 2 nd Tues. at the Ryl. Club.	16 Ilford-Running Stream CWA Meeting at Ilford Hall 10am.	17 Walking group meets at Rylstone Showground Thursdays at 8am in summer, 8.30 spring and autumn and 9am in winter.	18	19 Kandos Markets
20 Uniting Church services at Rylstone 9.30am every Sunday. *Running Stream Christian Fellowship 10.30am at old Schoolhouse R/Stream, Sundays	21	22 The Wollemi Singers, 6pm every Tuesday during school term at St Dominic's Hall Kandos..	23 Venturers meet at 5pm Wednesdays at the Kandos Scout Hall.	24 Rylstone CP&SA 11am at the Rylstone Club on the 4 th Thursday of the month.	25 Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library.	26 Kandos Crop and Swap, 9am every fourth Saturday at Way Out Art Space
27 Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting on last Sunday of month. *Glen Alice Church Service at 9.30am.	28	29 Walking group Tuesdays & Thursdays. *Dance to be fit, 4.45pm Tues. at St James Hall. Rylstone.	30 Kandos CWA meeting, 5pm on last Wed. of month.	31 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Mission" concludes. Contact Sue Garlinge on 0428 588 563..		KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM

November 2...Rylstone StreetFeast,

November 30...Ilford Public School P&C Christmas Fair and Markets 9am to 1pm at the Ilford School.



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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.

Kandos Community Markets

The next Kandos Community Market will be held on Saturday, October 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.

Wollemi Singers

The 'Wollemi Singers' meet on Tuesday evenings at St Dominic's Church Hall in Dangar Street, Kandos from 6pm to 7.30pm during school terms. There's no cost and no auditions, just fun for all ages. Bring your voice, snacks and a drink. For more information, phone Virginia Handmer from Community Services on 6378 2850.

Trash and Treasure

Rylstone & District Historical Society invites you to an Open Day at the Museum with a Trash and Treasure Fair in the grounds of the Bridge View Inn, Rylstone on Sunday, October 6 commencing at 9am. Come and grab a treasure or two and enjoy morning tea and a sausage sizzle. To book a stall please call 0427 637 915 or 0428 284 458 and leave details so they can call you back. Cost of a stall is \$15 plus \$5 if you don't have insurance.

Rylstone Markets

The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, October 12 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 send them an email at rylstonemarkets@gmail.com.

Bus Service

A weekly bus service to Mudgee is now available every Wednesday for Kandos, Rylstone, Lue, Charbon and Clandulla. It departs at approximately 9am, depending on point of origin and will arrive in Mudgee at around 10am. It departs Mudgee at approximately 2pm and will arrive home at around 3.30 to 4pm. Cost is: One way Adult - \$3.60, One way child and concession \$1.80 and Red Ticket (all day) \$2.50. To make a booking on the Eastend Bus Service phone 0488 741 079 or 0428 741 078 (leave a message). Bookings close Tuesday at 4pm, the day prior to the trip.

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