



# Community Capers

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Welcome to the December issue of Community Capers, volume 254. As usual, there is no edition of Capers in January. Our February issue will be distributed on Thursday, January 30, 2020. The deadline for this issue is Tuesday, January 14. 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.

## Bowdens Silver Rylstone StreetFeast success

This year's Rylstone StreetFeast has been declared one of the best ever. Everything clicked for the 18th celebration in Rylstone's main street – the weather was perfect, the food was great and entertainment was spot on with something for everyone. Around 410 people sat down under the trees for the long lunch catered this year by Rachel McCarthy and Mudgee Catering Co. It was given the thumbs-up by visitors as well as locals with a special mention to the 'walkers and the talkers' – that indispensable group of children, youths and adults who help set-up and deliver food to the tables. There were many highlights during the day including the duck races run by the United Hospital Auxiliary to raise money for the Rylstone Hospital. This unusual highlight was officially opened by Deputy Mayor Sam Paine who, like everyone else, got a kick out of seeing dozens of plastic ducks tumble out of a cement truck. Tickets with a duck's number on it were in hot demand.

StreetFeast president Peter Monaghan thanked the volunteers and supporters for their fabulous efforts in making this year's event so special. Major sponsor, Bowdens Silver has signed on for three years giving organisers confidence to plan well ahead for the next events. Many other sponsors also helped make the day such a great success.

"There are so many people who contribute to this event and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their support. We had a happy crowd and this means many of them will be back next year." Around \$10,000 will be distributed to many groups who helped out on the day including Clandulla and

Ilford Rural Fire Brigades, Kandos Museum and Rylstone Public School P&C, who all played a big part in getting StreetFeast up and running.



Happy 18th. One of the longest serving StreetFeast volunteers Robyn Oakes was joined by Federal MP Andrew Gee and Bowdens Silver representative Peter Shelley to cut the birthday cake celebrating 18 years of StreetFeast.



A huge cheer rang out as the piper led the volunteers with the first plate of food for the tables.



A huge crowd gathered to see school children from local schools sing and dance. It's one of the popular entertainment events at StreetFeast.



Pam O'Connor and Esme Martens with a group of diners from local Sydney and beyond. One of the guests was from Canada.

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Residents are being urged to nominate deserving citizens for the 2020 Australia Day Awards. There are seven categories including Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year, Glen Johnston Memorial Award – Art and Music, Sports Award, Volunteers Services Award and Wall of Reflections.

Nominations can be made online via Council's

website - YourSay Mid-Western or by hard-copy with nomination forms available at Council's Customer Service Centres and libraries. Nominees must be Australian citizens and must reside within the Mid-Western Regional Council area. Nominations close soon, so don't delay. Mid-Western Regional Council's Australia Day Celebrations will take place at Rylstone Showground on Sunday, 26 January 2020.

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## 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.

## Rylstone CWA

Rylstone CWA was well represented at the AGM of the Castlereagh Group of CWA in October with local Capertee Valley "girls" Marg Baxter, Margaret Skropeda and Di Page voted in as Treasurer, International Officer and Vice-President respectively. They shared some creative awards as well with Di Page taking out first place for her poster on weeds in the Agricultural & Environmental section while branch member, Marg Baxter took out second place in the International Post Card Competition for CWA Castlereagh Country Group.



Rylstone CWA members were well represented at the AGM of the Castlereagh Group of CWA held in October.



Di Page receiving her first place certificate for the Rylstone Branch. Marg Baxter on right of photo also received a certificate.

## School's diverse activities

Kandos Public School students enjoyed a mixed bag of sports when Australian sporting icons hosted a free multi-sports clinic at Glen Willow Complex at Mudgee to build skills and interest in cricket, netball and rugby (just to name a few). The program provided an opportunity for children in isolated areas to get active and social. It was an enjoyable day for students, especially Jock Allans and Connor Pendlebury who



KPS students, Jock Allans and Connor Pendlebury holding their signed cricket bats from the Macquarie Sports Day in Mudgee.



Olivia Ashford from Kindergarten was a picture in pink as she enjoyed her pink cake at the recent pink day stall at the school.

came away with signed cricket bats.

A bit further afield, KPS Years 5 and 6 headed off for a three day excursion to Sydney. The 24 students and five staff members explored Taronga Zoo, Circular Quay, the Museum of Contemporary Art, the Luminous Light Show at Darling Harbour, the Justice and Police Museum, the Opera House, Ten Pin Bowling, the Rocks, Maritime Museum, a tour of Homebush and the Three Sisters. It was a busy schedule and with so many interesting things to see and do one they'll never forget.

Back at the school, in keeping with Pink October, KPS students and staff wore pink and held a cake stall to raise more money for breast cancer and genetic research. They raised \$330.50 – a great effort.

## Rylstone School performs

Rylstone Public School entertained everyone with some great singing at this year's StreetFeast. Crowds gathered to see both Rylstone and Kandos schools perform during the morning and they received plenty of applause. Over the years, Rylstone has put together a wonderful choir of voices of all ages and their singing was really appreciated. The school's P&C was also heavily involved in StreetFeast this year helping to set up and pull down, manning the wash-up stand and various other jobs throughout the day. Students were also involved in helping to wash up and wait on tables.

With staff, students and parents thinking about the end of year performance, song and dance practise has been well and truly on the agenda for November

with lyrics, dance moves and costumes all coming together nicely. A big thanks you to all the parents who have offered to help with costumes this year. The children love dressing up in their fun, colourful costumes each year for their big performance.



Rylstone Public School's choir attracted a large crowd at StreetFeast.

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## Market activities

There's always something interesting to see and to be involved in at the Rylstone Community Markets held at the Memorial Hall on the second Saturday of each month. At a recent market, a stall for the Community Charity Shop's Building Fund created lots of interest. Volunteers sold haberdashery items, crocheted and knitted dolls, knitting books and other items to the public to raise funds for this important endeavour. The general public are right behind this great project and already over \$62,000 has been raised, with \$11,000 of the total coming from cans and bottles that have been dropped into the shop. Money is also raised at regular country music shows at Ilford and Bunnings BBQ stalls.



Ellen Riley and Julie Rhodes doing a great job for the Community Charity Shop's Building Fund at the Rylstone Markets.



Market stalls can be diverse and interesting. This one is run by Elis Wallis from Gulgong and her helper Mia Waterton from Rylstone. The stall features all kinds of natural products from lavender hot packs to goat's milk soap.

## Level 2 Water Restrictions

Residents are reminded that Level 2 water restrictions were implemented across the local government area from Monday, November 11. The move to Level 2 restrictions is due to a number of contributing factors including Council's water licenses to draw water from river and ground water sources for the town water supply being reduced to 80% of the full allocation. This allocation is determined by Water NSW and this reduction in water supply, coupled with the ongoing drought and the scheduled Bulk Water Transfer from Windamere Dam to Burrendong Dam has triggered Council to implement moderate restrictions as part of its water conservation measures.

As part of Level 2 water restrictions, an Odds and Evens System will be implemented. This system simply means if the street number of your property is odd, you're permitted to water on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Alternatively, if the street number of your property is even, you're permitted to water on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Further details can be found on Council's website, Facebook page or by calling Council's Customer Service Staff on 6378 2850.

## Looking for firefighters

With the fire season starting earlier each year and with fires becoming more extreme, there is more pressure on our local Rylstone Rural Fire Service. They are actively seeking new members and are keen to hear from anyone who may be interested. Much of the current training is done online at your own pace with organised practical lessons, teaching firefighting techniques on a special course. The role as a firefighter is greatly appreciated in our community and is a rewarding career. You can join by attending a Rylstone RFS meeting at the Rylstone fire shed on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm or by phoning Mudgee Fire Control on 63724434 or go online to NSW Rural Fire Service (volunteer).

## Christmas decorations

A reminder to get those entry forms in for the Community Charity Shop's Christmas Decoration Competition. There are cash prizes of \$50 for 1st, \$30 2nd and \$20 for 3rd in each category and this year there are some new categories to choose from. They are: House and Garden, Combined Houses (neighbours joining together), Christmas Tree Exterior, Christmas Interior through the Window, Inflatables or Unique Creations and Shop Front or Business Display. There are also two categories that can be entered on judging night which will be held on Thursday, December 19. These are: Best Dressed Christmas Character and Best Christmas Vehicle. These will both be judged at the Charity Shop – the first at 7pm and the second at 7.30pm. Application forms for the competition are available at the Community Charity Shop in Kandos and Rylstone and Kandos Newsagencies. Winners will be announced on Friday, December 20.



Bring your decorated cars to the Charity Shop for judging. You can enter beforehand or on the night of judging (December 19) if you wish.

## Charity Shop's Christmas Party

The Community Charity Shop invites everyone to a free Christmas Party at the nearby park in Kandos on Thursday, December 19. Come along and enjoy free party food and live entertainment. It gets underway at 6.30pm with the Christmas Vehicle judging at the shop at 7pm (bring your decorated cars to the shop), and Best Dressed Christmas Character judging (all ages dress-up) also at the shop at 7.30pm. At 8.30pm judges will start their run around the streets and anyone who would like to convoy with judges is most welcome.

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## Calendar of Events - December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> The Cottage Museum, Rylstone is open every Sunday from 10am to 3pm.	<b>2</b> Pilates classes, 6pm Mondays at St James Hall Rylstone.	<b>3</b> Rylstone Rural Fire Brigade meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm - training nights on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays.	<b>4</b> R/K VRA Rescue Squad meeting at 7pm. *RKB&T meeting at 6pm.	<b>5</b> Scrabble on 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of month, 10am at Rylstone Club..	<b>6</b> Rylstone CWA meets at 10am. *Cudgegong Valley History Group, 11am to 3pm at Henbury Sport & Rec.	<b>7</b> <b>The Kandos Museum is open Wednesdays to Sundays, 10am to 4pm</b>
<b>8</b> Uniting Church holds services at Rylstone at 9.30am every Sunday.	<b>9</b> Scouts and Cubs meet at 4.30pm on Mondays at Kandos Scout Hall	<b>10</b> Rotary meets every Tuesday at the Rylstone Club, 6.30 for 7pm.	<b>11</b> The Craft Group meets at 10am each Wed. at the VRA shed, Rylstone. *Kandos RSL Sub Branch meeting.	<b>12</b> Kandos CPSA meets 2pm on the second Thursday of each month at the Kandos RSC Club..	<b>13</b> Ryl. Hosp. Aux. Meetings 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 10am	<b>14</b> <b>Rylstone Markets</b>
<b>15</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month Community Markets at the Globe Hotel.	<b>16</b> Yoga with Jodi, 6pm Mondays, \$12pp at Stone Strength Gym.	<b>17</b> CWA Kandos Café. Every Tuesday at the CWA rooms 11.30 am to 2pm.	<b>18</b> Pop in Playgroup 10am to 12noon every Wednesday.	<b>19</b> Charity Shop's Christmas Decoration judging night and Free Party	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Next Kandos Markets in February</b>
<b>22</b> One Life Family Church services, 10am every 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday at the corner of Noyes and Dunn Streets, Kandos.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Twin Town Players meet at 6pm on 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues. of each month at VRA Shed.	<b>25</b> Kandos CWA, 5pm on last Wed. of each month.	<b>26</b> Ryl. CPSA meet at 11am at the Globe Hotel on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.	<b>27</b> Storytime for kids, 10am to 11am Fridays at Kandos Library	<b>28</b> KR Singers, 2.30pm to 4.30pm Saturdays at One Life Church Kandos.
<b>29</b> Rylstone-Kandos Street Machine Club meeting at 2pm on last Sunday of each month.  BULL A RAMA AT RYLSTONE SHOWGROUND	<b>30</b> Dance to be fit, 5.45pm every Tuesday at St James Hall Rylstone.	<b>31</b> NEW YEAR'S EVE AT ILFORD HALL.  *Walking group every Tuesday at 8.30am.	Venturers meet at 5pm Wednesdays at the Kandos Scout Hall.	Ladies Tennis, 9am Thurs. at Henbury Sport & Rec. Club. * Walking group every Thursday at 8.30am.	Join the Ukulele Group, 4.15pm for a 4.30pm start on Fridays at the Kandos CWA Rooms.	<b>KRR Broadcasting on 98.7FM</b>

**February 22...Rylstone Kandos Show, May 3...Mudgee Classic cycling event.**



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### Cudgegong Valley History Group

The Cudgegong Valley History Group meets on the first Friday of each month at Henbury Golf Club from 11am to 3pm. At each meeting there are two spare laptops with Ancestry.com for people to use. Often a laptop is connected to an A3 scanner to allow people to digitise their photos. The group also holds a number of useful resources. Researchers are on hand to assist with worldwide research and photo book creation using Macs, PCs and Linux systems. Henbury is air-conditioned and has disabled access and disabled toilets. There is no charge for attendees. All welcome. Further enquiries to Fiona at 0478 669 706.

### Seeking community coaches

Max Potential is a transformational 22 week leadership development program that matches emerging young leaders with community coaches. For the 2020 program Max Potential are seeking community volunteers from Kandos and Rylstone to work with year 10 students from Kandos High School. Comprehensive training and support is provided. For more information, contact Damian Walsh, Program Manager on 0421 618 912 or email damian@maxpotential.com.au.

### Pop in for playgroup

The Pop in Playgroup is on every Wednesday morning from 10am to 12midday at the Rylstone Uniting Church Hall. Call in, it's a lot of fun. Cost is just a gold coin donation and refreshments for children and parents are available. Everyone is welcome.

### Rylstone Markets

The next Rylstone Markets are on Saturday, December 14 in the grounds of the Memorial Hall in Loue 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 great little 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.

### History seekers

If you need help researching your family history, the Cudgegong Valley History Group meets on the first Friday of each month at Henbury Sport and Recreation Club, Kandos from 11am to 3pm. Wireless internet is available, so bring your laptop or tablet to begin your family tree. Come along for an interesting four hours of family and history research. Lunch is available if you wish and the area is heated. For more information, phone Fiona on 0478 669 706..

### 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. If you'd like to be a stall holder, contact Philip on 6379 1048 or email info@theglobehotel.com.au for information and to reserve your spot.