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Water Augmentation Grant

Kyogle Council has received a \$6.4 million grant to upgrade Kyogle's water storage and treatment facilities.

The funding from the State Government's *Water Security for Regions Program* was announced last month by Water Minister Kevin Humphries and Member for Lismore Thomas George.

The water supply augmentation project has been on Council's drawing board since 2006.

It will include:

- Construction of a 200ML off-stream storage dam to provide drought security and consistent raw water quality
- Upgrades to Kyogle's heritage-listed water treatment plant, pictured above, to meet future demand and ensure reliable water quality to meet the Australia Drinking Water Guidelines
- Modifications to the existing on-stream weir to provide fish passage to over 400km of upstream fish habitat.
- Diversion of the waste water disposal from the water treatment plant to the sewerage system to eliminate existing direct discharge to stormwater.

Squirrel Glider Boxes to be Erected

David Mulcahy, pictured right, from Kyogle Council's Facility Maintenance team has been busy using his construction skills to build nest boxes for squirrel gliders. The nest boxes will be erected in specific trees within the site of the new Kyogle water supply off-stream storage to offset the loss of habitat from clearing associated with the flood levee and spillway work. The squirrel glider is a vulnerable species present on the site.



For more information on the squirrel glider, go to <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedspeciesapp/profile.aspx?id=10604>

Development Applications – FEBRUARY-MARCH 2015

DURING THE PERIOD FEBRUARY & MARCH 2015, COUNCIL RECEIVED TEN DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS, THE DETAILS OF WHICH ARE SUMMARISED BELOW.

15/5	Dwelling additions	7 Howard Court, Kyogle
15/6	Dwelling additions	32 Richmond Street, Woodenbong
15/7	Subdivision	767 Afterlee Road, Eden Creek
15/8	Office premises	77 Summerland Way, New Park
15/10	Secondary dwelling	10 Groom Street, Kyogle
15/11	Dwelling additions	12 Rous Street, Kyogle
15/12	Change of use to dwelling	20 Bloore Street, Kyogle
15/13	Dwelling as built	466 Dunns Road, Doubtful Creek
15/14	Dwelling	46 Ethrick Road, Horse Station Creek
CD15/5	Change of use to restaurant	135-141 Summerland Way, Kyogle

DURING THE PERIOD, THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS WERE APPROVED.

14/72	Change of use to dwelling	4 Pine Street, Mallanganee
14/110	Dwelling additions	44 Worendo Street, Wiangaree
15/3	Dwelling	17 Howard Court, Kyogle
15/4	Dwelling	13 Howard Court, Kyogle
15/5	Dwelling additions	7 Howard Court, Kyogle
15/6	Dwelling additions	32 Richmond Street, Woodenbong
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From the Mayor

It has been a busy month with workshops around *Fit for the Future* and an array of events which I and other Councillors have been attending, to keep informed about what is going on in our LGA.

I attended a Women in Leadership forum in Kyogle to participate in a panel of women who are leaders in their own right.

It was the first of a series of workshops and I found it interesting to listen to the ideas of other women around leadership. If you are interested in participating, please contact Nicola Mercer on 0417 025 919.

Cawongla Pre-school recently held an open day which was well attended.

The pre-school provided us with a tour around their music garden, their home-made craft section and the garden where they teach students to grow different plants.

It's important we continue to support them as they have limited funding and what you don't use, you lose.

As you all would have heard by now, we had a successful trip to Canberra, meeting with Deputy Prime Minister Warren Truss about the Bridge Renewal Program. Discussions went on for a bit longer than expected and agreement was reached to change the criteria so that rural councils would find it easier to meet. We also discussed the possibility of getting Minneys Bridge funded.



We're very happy with this outcome.

The *Bonalbo ANZAC Centenary Ball* was a fabulous event with most people attending in period dress from 1914-1918.

It was a fun, innovative event and I congratulate the organisers on the lovely decorations (handmade poppies) and the winners of the best dressed prizes.

A special mention must go to the trio of nurses who handmade their uniforms especially for the event (pictured above).

The *Fit for the Future* meetings with Lismore and Richmond Valley Councils were held to discuss the opportunities and challenges around potential mergers. Neither Council is particularly interested in a merger option at this stage, although there has been talk around business cases being developed "just in case".

If you have a view, please go to the Office of Local Government website and check out all the information available at <http://www.olg.nsw.gov.au>

*Until next time, all the best,
Cr Danielle Mulholland
Mayor Kyogle Council*

Iconic Info Board Recycled

Kyogle Council has recycled an iconic local area information board and installed it at the Kyogle Amphitheatre park near the Visitor Information Centre. The unit once sat at the Border Loop Lookout on the Lions Road.

The sign boards were salvaged by the Kyogle Lions Club some time ago. Council purchased the original mounting frame from National Parks and



Council's Tourism and Economic Development Officer Malcolm Wallis thanks Facilities Overseer Ken Moore for the work his boys have done to get this valuable information out on display.

Wildlife and with some new Perspex, a fresh coat of paint and a new roof, it's almost as good as new. It now stands proudly in the amphitheatre park, where it informs visitors

and locals alike about the history of the local timber industry, the border railway loop, the Lions Road and the World Heritage Listed Border Ranges National Park.

Red Hot Sale

Kyogle's famous *Red Hot Sale* will be held on May 15 and 16 and everyone is invited to come along and pick up a bargain.

Co-ordinated by the *Kyogle Chamber of Commerce*, the sale will also feature street activities and raffles.

"We're calling on the whole town to get involved and we're asking that all the shop owners wear red for the two days," Chamber of Commerce president Doug Allen said. *"All businesses, not just chamber members, are invited to participate on the day.*

"This is a great opportunity to do a stock take before the end of the financial year."



If These Halls Could Talk

People and communities from across the Kyogle local government area are invited to nominate their local hall for a chance to be involved in a multi arts project run by *Arts Northern Rivers*.

If These Halls Could Talk will celebrate halls and the role they play in their communities.



Seven halls, one from each local government area in the Northern Rivers, will be selected from the nominations to have a creative producer embedded with their community to collect stories, images and memorabilia of their hall. The next phase of the project will see a creative team assigned to each hall to create an artistic response to the material gathered from the community. For further information about the project or to download a nomination form go to the project's website at www.ifthesehallscouldtalk.com.au Nominations close 31 July.

Employee Benefit Policy

Kyogle Council takes a collective approach when it comes implementing efficiencies and innovation in the workplace.

Under Council's *Employee Benefits Policy*, staff who perform above and beyond expectations for the benefit of the Council as a whole are rewarded through a bonus system.

This means that staff members who show they have been able to identify and implement efficiencies or who are proactive in taking on innovation are recognised through the payment of a discretionary bonus.

Council General Manager Arthur Piggott said the system encouraged staff to have pride in their work and to continuously look for improvements that would benefit the Council as a whole.

Aussie Cuppa Group



AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

The Aussie Cuppa Group is again hosting *Australia's Biggest Morning Tea* on Saturday, 23 May in the Supper Room of the Woodenbong Public Hall, Unumgar Street, Woodenbong. The event will start at 9am, with everyone invited to come along for morning tea and stay for lunch.

Tickets will be available in two separate raffles: a hand crafted quilt donated by Joan Reid; and a 'monster' raffle of prizes donated by people in the local community.

HOW YOUR CUP COUNTS

1 in 2 Australians will be diagnosed with cancer before the age of 85. You can help create a cancer free future.



Urbenville Seniors will also be hosting a morning tea at the Urbenville Bowling Club on Thursday, 21 May, starting at 9.30am. It too will be open to anyone who would like to attend.

Women in Leadership

The second Women in Leadership Workshop will be held at the Kyogle Library on Monday, 27 April from 10.30am.

It will take the form of "global café" and will be a planning session.

The first workshop, organised by Kyogle Council in partnership with TAFE, was held last month and was attended by more than 20 women.

As well as discussing the meaning of "leadership" and the barriers women face in becoming leaders, the women at the workshop were asked to describe in a "headline" their "ideal" Kyogle.

From that exercise, the women developed a series of projects to reflect their ideal Kyogle.

Two projects were adopted by the group: an agricultural centre of excellence to educate and demonstrate all areas of food production from paddock to plate; and a program targeting drug and alcohol abuse, mental health and health and



wellbeing.

The second workshop will further develop the projects and look at forming a women's advisory group to work with Kyogle Council's Community Development Officer Nicola Mercer. The aim is to hold a "global café" every month.

"We are calling on anyone who wants to be involved to come along to the workshop-café," Ms Mercer said.

The *Women in Leadership Global Café* will run from 10.30am-12.30pm.

For further details contact Nicola Mercer on 6632 2473 or 0417 025 919.

Lions West of the Range Festival

Venture west for a day and experience firsthand the relaxed lifestyle and vibrant culture of the Upper Clarence at the inaugural *Lions West of the Range Festival*.

That's what festival organisers are hoping hundreds of people living east of the range will do on Saturday, 2 May, when Bonalbo hosts the one-day event at the showground. A joint venture involving the West of the Range villages of Drake, Woodenbong, Urbenville, Tabulam, Old Bonalbo, Bonalbo, Mallanganee, the festival will feature an art show, craft stalls, displays and demonstrations, food and refreshments and the Tautliner music stage. The music stage will showcase a diverse and eclectic mix of musical talent ranging from the likes of the Haystack Mountain Hermits and Watling and Bates to Jake Pepper, Tabitha Galvin and The Critics featuring Steve McLeod and Joe Landers. Festival organisers also



Some of the incredible art that is being created West of the Range.

have secured the talents of legendary recording engineer John Sayers, who has worked with John Farnham, Masters Apprentices, Daddy Cool, Misex and Troy Cassar-Daley, to mix the sound on the music stage.

The festival art show will be held in the pavilion at the showground and will feature the works of the many talented artists who now call the picturesque Upper Clarence home.

As part of the art show, an emerging artists' marquee will be set up to allow up and coming artists of all ages to showcase and sell their work.

There will also be a range of children's activities happening throughout the day including free laser skirmish and after lunch up to 50 cyclists taking part in the Three Hospital Charity Bike Ride will arrive.

"The West of the Range is such an incredible place -- from the wide expanses of the Clarence River to the tranquil beauty of our native forests and the grandeur of the Border Ranges," one of the festival organisers Jeanette Flanagan said.

"Our communities are made up of an incredible mix of people who share a love of the area and a passion for life and community.

"We have great places to stay, incredible things to see and do and wonderful places to enjoy a meal and a coffee -- and we are inviting everyone to join us to sample everything that's great about the West of the Range at the festival."

Entry to the festival is free and gates will open at 10am.

Roxy Gallery

'Healing Art from the Verandah 2'
Exhibition till 9 May 2015

Healing Art from the Verandah 2 is the title for the second exhibition at the Roxy Gallery Kyogle by Robert Jackson, Susan Jackson, Dot Cullen, Ian Cullen, June Doochan and Elizabeth Brand – six local artists who meet up on the Jackson's veranda regularly to create art.

The group primarily uses this time as art therapy, to forget their problems for a day and be creative amongst friends.

Notching up an accumulated 80 year involvement in art making, the members of the group of friends are all very good judges of art and provide each other with critical appraisal on works being created.

They explore many mediums with each person having their own speciality. Susan works beautifully with colour pencil, Dorothy and June are accomplished watercolourists, Elizabeth is magic with



Little Boy Will Be Boys – Elizabeth Brand

pastels while Ian and Robert work mostly with oil and acrylic paints.

Healing Art From The Verandah 2 is on show at the Roxy until Saturday, 9 May, 2015.

Roxy Gallery

143 Summerland Way, Kyogle

Ph/Fax (02) 6632 3518

Gallery Hours: Tues to Fri (10am to 4pm)

Saturday (9.30am to 12pm)

Rugs on Display

Woodenbong's Catholic Church was the backdrop for a colourful display last month of 43 hand crafted rugs which were lovingly made by a group of women from Woodenbong and Ballina.

The knitted and crocheted rugs are made throughout the year by the women and are donated to Sister Denise Laverty who distributes them in the Brisbane area to needy families. The group of women has been making and donating rugs to families in need for a number of years.

Anyone wanting to donate wool or funds to buy wool to make more rugs can contact Rosslyn Johnson at the National Australia Bank Woodenbong on 6630 5900.

Arrangements can be made to have any donated wool collected and delivered to the group.



Gallipoli Commemorated With Theatre

Gallipoli 1915 – Over Here Over There, an original musical by Kyogle playwright and director Jenny Streve, will be staged at the Kyogle Memorial Institute Hall on Friday, 1 May, at 6pm.

Presented by *One Voice Richmond Valley Community Choir* in association with *Village Hall Players*, the two hour show commemorates Australians during the Great War – the young men and women who joined the services and those at home who worked hard to support them. It takes audiences to events at home in Australia and follows three Australian soldiers from Egypt to Gallipoli. It includes a fabulous music hall scene that will have you laughing in the aisles and heart breaking moments that had audiences in Casino wiping tears from their eyes.



VHP favourite Paul Worsnop plays two roles and young DIRT student, Sinead Jolliffe, is also in the show. Sound and lighting for the show, along with stage management, are done by VHP volunteers Gordon Hook, Sabrina Davis and Lynette Zito. Patricia White is the musical director. Tickets are \$20, \$15 pensioner concession, \$10 children under 12. Tickets are limited and can be purchased at Gateway Office Supplies in Kyogle and Casino West Newsagency. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Northern Rivers Care

Connections organises a range of social activities for Kyogle and district people over 65, or who have a disability, and their carers.

Activities planned for May are:

Wednesday, 1 May: Wednesday outing to Alstonville. This is a small group outing, with those taking part to buy their own lunch. Cost is \$10 for clients, and \$25 for the general public.

Thursday, 2 May: The Male Run. Bus outings for men only. Kyogle Explorer No 2. Buy your own lunch. Cost is \$10 for clients and \$25 for the general public.

Wednesday, 8 May: Share-a-cuppa Kyogle, 10.30am, Georgina's Country Café, no RSVP required, buy your own morning tea.

Thursday, 21 May: Men's Group, free

barbecue at Kyogle Seniors Centre, 12pm start. Join Jeff for a casual lunch and a chat.

Friday, 24 May:

Morning tea outing, Toonambar Dam Recreation Centre. Cost is \$15 for clients and \$30 for the general public.

Every Tuesday: Banksias, Kyogle Seniors Centre from 10am – 2pm. Activities include card games, bingo, bus trips, fun exercise, and quizzes. Morning tea and lunch included in \$7 admission price.

Call 6632 2194 for more information.

Bookings essential for all bus trips.

Call the office on 6632 2194 for more information.



Kyogle Library News

What's happening
at YOUR library in MAY?



PHOTOGRAPHIC WORKSHOP

Develop your photography skills at a free ABC Online Photographic Workshop at Kyogle Library on Monday, 4 May, 2015, from 9am-2pm.

The theme is *Lines and Curves* and participants will get to wander around Kyogle and take pictures to fit the theme. Those attending should bring a camera, lunch and something to drink. The workshop is open to everyone. Bookings are essential, contact Kyogle Library on 6632 1134.

BOOK LAUNCH 1

Local author Graham Kenyon will launch his new book *Goth* at the next get together of the *Kyogle Library Book Discussion Group* on 19 May from 10am-11.30am.

Everyone is welcome to attend. The group meets on the third Tuesday of every month at the library and discuss any book members have enjoyed reading. This is an informal, friendly group which everyone is welcome to join. For further information contact library staff.

BOOK LAUNCH 2

Come to Kyogle Library on 28 May for the book launch of *Meg's Story* by Anthea Moffatt and celebrate the pioneering history of the Rundle family in the area. This will be a double celebration as Meg Rundle is turning 100 this year and her family are planning to be at the launch. Morning tea at 10am, with the book launch to start at 10.30am. All welcome.



FREE HEARING CHECKS

Bay Audio will conduct free hearing checks at the Kyogle Library on Friday, 22 May, from 10.30-11.30am. They also provide advice on hearing aids. All welcome.

BRITANNICA LIBRARY ONLINE

Kyogle Library now provides members with online access to Britannica! Just visit the Richmond Upper Clarence Regional Library website, click on the *Britannica Library* button and enter the member number from your library card. You will then get access to three sites in one, with age-appropriate material from the child-friendly collection through to the adult general reference collection.

Students from Primary to High School will find it easy to conduct research, complete homework assignments and work on special projects. From within the one safe site they can link to an encyclopaedia article, Britannica-approved Web sites, journals and magazines, multimedia, compare countries, an Atlas, thousands of biographies and other learning materials. Older students and adults will find similar resources created for advanced information seekers to explore their area of special interest and everyone can save and share articles, images and videos in a personal account with *My Britannica*.

KYOGLÉ LIBRARY STRATHEDEN STREET,

KYOGLÉ NSW 2474 Ph: 6632 1134

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Upcoming community events

Friendship Day

Kyogle Garden Club will hold a Friendship Day in the grounds of Kyogle High School on Sunday, 3 May, 2015. Special guest speaker on the day will be Angus Stewart from *ABC Gardening Australia*. There will also be a range of other speakers and a variety of garden stalls. Gates will open at 9am and the event will be officially opened by Kyogle Mayor Danielle Mulholland. Entry is \$5 (if not a prepaid ticket holder). Prepaid tickets cost \$20 and include entry and a hot lunch. Prepaid tickets must be purchased by 31 March. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase on the day. For further information phone Geoff on 6633 5137.

100km Challenge

The Kyogle Community Gym's 100km Challenge is urging residents to get out and move.

The idea is that from May 1 people registered for the challenge start recording how far they walk, run, bike, row or skip.

They can do this by walking a determined route, downloading an app to their phone to record distance or using a pedometer. They then post on the challenge's Facebook page how far they have gone, and by 31 May, they will have recorded 100km.

For further information on how to become involved, phone 6632 2551 or 6632 3200 (a/h) or go to the Kyogle Community Gym Facebook page.

Mother's Day Classic

Kyogle will host a Mother's Day Classic 5km walk/run for breast cancer research on Sunday, May 10. The walk/run will start at 9am from the Kyogle Visitor Information Centre. Registrations will be taken at the VIC on the morning of the event from 8am or online at www.mothersdayclassic.com.au

Yowie Country Market

Yowie Country Market and Music Day will be held on Saturday, 30 May, 2015 at the Woodenbong Hall, which is an all-weather venue. There will be live music, a variety of stalls, children's art, hot food, espresso coffee and sheltered café seating. Dates for upcoming markets are Saturday, 27 June and Saturday, 25 July. For further information, phone Carey 6635 1176.

Kyogle Farmers Market

The Kyogle Farmers Market is held on Saturday mornings in Stratheden Street, Kyogle (between the Summerland Way and the library).

To book a stall phone Rupert on 0403 628 292 or Anne on 6632 1851.



Kyogle Community Cinema
26 Bloore St, Kyogle

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0266 321 888**

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CHILD/PENSION \$12**

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**Kyogle
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Should you have an event which you would like advertised in Council's Newsletter please email to council@kyogle.nsw.gov.au attention Janelle by the 2nd Monday of each month.



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Council Meetings



Council Meetings: The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held on Monday, 11 May, 2015, at 5pm.

Ordinary meetings are held on the second Monday of every month except January. Meetings start at 5pm and are held at the Kyogle Council Chambers, 1 Stratheden Street, Kyogle.

The first item of general business is Question Time which provides an opportunity for the public to ask questions of Councillors and senior staff. To speak to Council on a specific issue during the meeting, please apply in writing to the General Manager prior to the close of business on the day preceding the meeting for public access.

Kyogle Council's office hours: 8.30am – 4pm Mon-Fri

After hours emergency telephone number is 6626 6800

Regional Roads Information www.myroadinfo.com.au

The Landfill hours are: Kyogle: 7.30am – 12pm Mon to Fri and 9am – 4pm Sat & Sun **Woodenbong:** Tues & Sat 9am – 4pm **Bonalbo:** Wed & Sat 9am – 4pm **Mallanganee:** Thurs & Sun 9am – 4pm

Recycling Facilities Available.

All landfills have recycling capabilities (if separated) and can recover oil, paper, cardboard, steel, aluminum, glass & plastic at no charge.

COMMUNITY VISION

Working together to balance Environment, Lifestyle and Opportunity.

OUR MISSION

To meet the challenges of our unique and diverse region

OUR VALUES

- Respect and respond to community needs
- Improve the quality of our services
- Be open and accessible
- Act with honesty and integrity
- Value people's contribution
- Support the culture of teamwork, cooperation and safety

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