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### The Road to Financial Sustainability – Bridging the Gaps

Bridging the Gaps – that's the challenge for Kyogle Council as it reviews its long-term financial plan and community strategic plan. Council is reviewing both strategic documents as it moves down the path towards financial sustainability.

As part of that process, Council is asking the community to identify gaps in the infrastructure it provides and the services it delivers.

For the Council, the main gap is the increasing divide between income and the cost of maintaining its infrastructure and delivering a broad range of services to the community.

Council currently has an infrastructure renewal backlog estimated at \$40 million – a figure which is forecast to grow by \$4 million a year.

But residents and ratepayers may have different priorities and Council is asking its communities to identify the gaps that are important to them.

To find out what ratepayers and residents think, the Council will be holding a series of presentations and information sessions during September at Kyogle, Woodenbong and Bonalbo. At these sessions, Council will present a number of scenarios on service levels and what impact that will have on rate levels.

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## Australian Government Mobile Service Centre

The Australian Government Mobile Service Centre will visit Kyogle on Tuesday, 9 September.

The mobile service centre is a specialised vehicle that offers a wide range of face to face and self service assistance for rural families, older Australians, students job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

It will be located at the Kyogle Visitor Information Centre and will be open from 9am to 4pm.

Experienced staff who



travel with the *Mobile Service Centre* will be available to assist people with Centrelink, Medicare, Australian Hearing and Child Support payment and service options.

They are specialists in rural servicing and live and work in the communities they serve.

If the assistance you're after is not available within the mobile service centre, arrangements will be made for someone from the relevant organisation to contact you.

For more information, go to [humanservices.gov.au](http://humanservices.gov.au) and search for *Mobile Service Centre* or call 132 316.

## Bridging the Gaps

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Residents will also have the chance to speak with Council on what "gaps" they believe Council should be focussing on. The dates of these presentation/information sessions will be posted on Council's website and advertised in the Richmond River Express Examiner in the coming weeks.

But why wait? Why not tell us how Council may bridge the gaps that are important to you via the "make a submission" tab in the quick link section at the bottom of each page on Council's website. So far, in its drive to achieve financial sustainability, Council has adopted a revised Financial Management Policy, and a Community Engagement Strategy. It has also formed five Focus Groups to guide

long term planning in five key target areas through a revised Community Strategic Plan.

The five target areas are:

- Ageing in Place, Disability Services and Respite Care
- Agriculture
- Governance and Community Services
- Village Life
- Visitor Attraction

Further information about Council's move to Bridge the Gaps is available on Council's website.

## From the Mayor

You'll all be pleased to know that life hasn't slowed down any for this Council despite the cooler weather.

The deadline for applications to be part of Council's five focus groups that will help steer the future direction of our LGA was extended to 18 August, 2014 to allow the opportunity for more people to be involved and ensure that we get the broadest possible cross section of our community represented. It's important that everyone gets a chance to participate.

As soon as the selection process is completed, we'll let everyone know who is on what focus group and what the meeting times will be.

Hang in there for some exciting future developments in this space.

All Councillors attend as many events as they can. If you would like one of us to attend your event, please let us know. If we know your issues and they aren't part of Council business, we can still lobby on your behalf to other levels of government which we do on an ongoing basis.

I would like to congratulate the *Woodenbong Central School* on their recent winning display at this year's *Brisbane EKKa*. This is an outstanding achievement and their design was simply extraordinary.

Don't forget if you wish to list your event on the Council website, you can now do so. Just go to the site, fill in the details

and your event should appear in the Council calendar. We hope to promote community events across the LGA through this mechanism.

The last Mayoral Meeting was held at Woodenbong on Friday, 15 August 2014, where several issues of concern were raised.

The next mayoral meeting would normally be held on Wednesday, 10 September 2014 but as you may be aware, Kyogle Council elects its Mayor on an annual basis so I can't make any commitments beyond September at this stage.

Depending upon the outcome, I'll be able to advise if a Mayoral Meeting will be held in September or if a new mayor has other ideas. I guess we'll just have to wait and see.

I've tried to spread the Mayoral Meetings across the LGA as widely as possible but if you feel your area has missed out and you'd like one out your way, please let me know.

I really would like to get to as many of you as possible so if you'd like to see us out your way, please let me know.

I like to meet as many of you as I can but there's only one of me and there's lots of you so if you see me in the street, feel free to say hello. Alternatively, you can always phone, email or contact me on Facebook if there's something you'd like me to know about.

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



## Inaugural Business Awards

Planning is underway for the inaugural Chamber of Commerce Kyogle Business Awards.

The awards will be held on

Saturday, 4 July, 2015.

The event will showcase the excellence in business in Kyogle and organisers are predicting a "*fantastic night*". More information on this event will be announced in coming months. Meanwhile, the joint

Kyogle Council and Kyogle Chamber of Commerce Kyogle television advertisement has been broadcast on NBN over the last few weeks. The ad has generated some great feedback from members of the public.

## Why has Kyogle Council introduced a landfill management charge?

That's been the single most asked question of Council since it issued its rate notices earlier this month.

Under the requirements of the Local Government Act, Councils are required to provide facilities and services for the management of household and other waste generated within its Local Government Area.

Kyogle Council provides two licensed landfill facilities at Kyogle and Woodenbong and two transfer stations -- one a Mallanganee and the other at Bonalbo.

A kerb-side collection service is also provided and available to the towns and villages and the properties which front the travel route of the garbage collection truck.

Up until now, those people who receive a garbage service (domestic and commercial) were contributing 70 % of the operational costs associated with waste management with a further 17% coming from gate charges and 4% through the sale of recyclables.

With the introduction of the waste levy by the State Government, Council is now paying more than \$300,000



annually to the State Government, a figure which is increasing at more than 10% each year.

To address the increasing and current cost imbalance, Council has moved to identify five discrete cost areas to better balance the current allocation of costs relevant to waste management operations. These are outlined below.

### **Landfill Management Charge:**

All properties which do not receive a garbage collection or are not located along the garbage collection travel route are charged a Landfill Management Charge, which is a contribution towards the current and future provision of landfill and waste facilities being available to all residents and ratepayers.

With the implementation of this charge, Council has provided a waste voucher which entitles the ratepayer which is charged the Landfill Management Charge, one free trip to the landfill or transfer station to dispose of general waste up to 300kg in the one trip.

### **Waste Management Service Availability Charge:**

This charge is applicable to all occupied and vacant properties located within Council's collection area and routes travelled by the collection truck. It contributes to the provision of the collection service and includes a component for the future provision of landfill and waste facilities (Landfill Management Charge).

### **Domestic/Commercial Waste Service Charge:**

All properties which receive a domestic or commercial collection, consisting of a split 240ltr bin, are charged for the service rendered. This charge includes the cost to collect, transport, sort, dispose and landfilling of the non-recoverable waste.

### **Waste Disposal Gate Charges:**

These are the charges imposed at the gate for the receipt, sorting, disposal and landfilling of the non-recoverable waste. At the moment, Council is required to use the Environment Protection Authority conversion rates for the establishment of these charges.

## Kyogle Council Endorses Lions TT

Kyogle Council has formally endorsed the holding of the inaugural *Lions Tourist Trophy* event over the 2014 October long weekend.

The eight councillors at Council's August 2014 meeting unanimously endorsed the motorcycle riding event which is expected to attract hundreds of participants as well as hundreds of spectators from throughout NSW and Queensland.

However, final approval for the event is subject to it receiving the green light from NSW Police.

The *Lions TT* will involve a motorcycle time trial along the Lions Road from Rathdowney to Ripples on the Creek at Gradys Creek and a Café Sprint Racer event in Ettrick Street, Kyogle.

Organisers are working with the *Kyogle Showground Trust* to arrange "tent city" style accommodation at the showground and with the Kyogle Chamber of Commerce to stage a music event at the Kyogle amphitheatre as an ancillary activity.

In endorsing the event, the Council took into consideration more than 260 written submissions supporting the *Lions TT*.

It also considered objections from six people – three against the proposed road closures in association with the event and three opposed to the event itself.

During the *Lions TT*, the Lions Road from the intersection of Running Creek Road and Innesplain Road to Ripples on the Creek will be closed to traffic between 10am-4pm on Saturday, 4 October, 2014 and Sunday, 5 October, 2014.

Similarly, Ettrick Street from Anzac Drive through to George Street, Plant Street between Ettrick Street and Bloore Street, Geneva Street between Ettrick Street and Roxy Lane, will be closed to traffic between 10am-4pm on Saturday, October 4 and Sunday, October 5, 2014.

*Members of the Lions TT Founders group at the Kyogle Amphitheatre following their founders ride on Sunday July 6, 2014.*



## Doctor for Bonalbo

After a long wait, the Bonalbo and district community finally has a permanent new doctor.

Dr Sunil began work at Bonalbo on Monday, 11 August and has been warmly welcomed by the community, which has been without a permanent doctor since 1 January 2012.

Dr Sunil has a strong background in the provision of rural GP services.

He obtained a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery at Calicut University, Kerala, India in 1992.

Six years later, Dr Sunil moved to New Zealand where he worked as a GP in different localities across the country.



*Dr Sunil is available for appointments at the Bonalbo Hospital*

He then moved to Australia, working in various rural areas, most recently as a GP at the *Castlereagh Medical Centre* and *Coonamble Multipurpose Service*.

Initially, Dr Sunil will work from the Bonalbo Hospital, in time, other clinic accommodation, which is more consistent with the establishment of a permanent general practice, will be obtained by Dr Sunil.

The community will be formally advised when these new arrangements are instigated.

Meanwhile, Bonalbo

Hospital nurses will continue to be on duty or on call for each 24 hour period for seven days per week.

Also, *Bonalbo Community Health Services*, including community nursing, child and family health nursing, audiometry and school health, dietician, speech pathologist, occupational therapy, social work and child podiatry, continue to be provided.

For appointments or enquiries telephone *Bonalbo Health Service* on 6665 1203.

## Pool Inspections

Kyogle Council will begin its inspections of private and semi-private swimming pools in September.

Under the new *Swimming Pool Amendment Act* introduced last year, all pools must be inspected

for a certificate of compliance every three years.

Council officers will do the inspections area by area on a three-year rotational basis.

Residents in the first areas to be inspected will be advised by letter when their scheduled inspection

will be undertaken.

Any residents who want to be present during the inspection, should contact council on 6632 0293 to arrange a mutually suitable appointment time.

Council's inspection fee is \$150 and \$100 for any subsequent inspections.



## CWA Bonalbo Celebrates

A total of 70 members of the *Country Women's Association*, including those from as far afield as Murwillumbah and Grafton, gathered at the Old Bonalbo Soldiers Memorial Hall on Saturday, 2 August, to celebrate the 80th birthday of the Old Bonalbo Branch.

Branch President Ellen Lowe stated that the celebration had been planned for some time and branch members did themselves proud in organising a sumptuous luncheon and



*Pictured (from left) are members Joan Coonan, her sister Marie Andrews and daughter Cheryl Ducat. The family's membership of the Old Bonalbo CWA stretches back to 1940. Picture by Geoff Bateman.*

entertainment in true CWA style.

With an air of companionship and goodwill, friendships were renewed, tales recounted of past achievements, in good times and bad and plans aired for future projects.

All combined to ensure an enjoyable and successful celebration, a clear indication that the determination and community spirit of the CWA is alive and well and showing no sign of slowing or becoming redundant.

## Pool Opening Times

With spring just around the corner, Kyogle Council has announced the opening dates of its three public swimming pools.

The Kyogle pool will re-open to the public on Saturday, 20 September, 2014, while the Woodenbong and Bonalbo pools will start operations on Wednesday, 8 October.

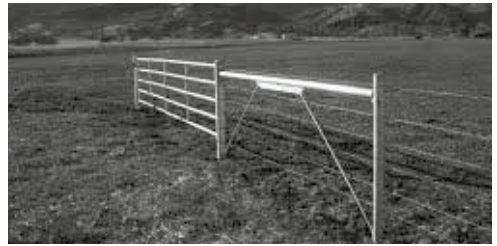
The normal operating hours for the Kyogle Pool Complex are: 6:30am to 6pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 6:30am to 8pm Friday, 10am to 6pm Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays

The normal operating hours for the Woodenbong Pool Complex are: 2pm to 6pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday and Public Holidays  
Closed Thursdays



The normal operating hours for the Bonalbo Pool Complex are: 2pm to 6pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday and Public Holidays, Closed Tuesdays

## Fences, livestock, roads, vehicles and you



One of the highest number of complaints Council receives and one of the most time consuming, relates to livestock on roads contributing to accidents or near misses.

Often this is due to poor fencing or poorly maintained grids (which allow stock to wander outside the gridded area). In NSW, landowners are required to ensure that their stock fences are secure and maintained to prevent stock from entering onto a public road reserve.

The only exceptions being where an approved stock grid has been installed on a road, or where stock are being driven or moved under a valid permit issued by the relevant authority including Council in some circumstances.

In situations where livestock wander onto public roads that should be fenced and cause damage, the stock owner could be held liable.

The wandering livestock can be impounded by Council if it is unable to identify who owns the stock. In some instances, infringement notices may also be issued which can add up to hundreds of dollars. When livestock wander onto another person's property, that landowner may impound the stock and then it is against the law to retrieve the

stock without the approval of the person who has impounded them and possibly only after costs have been paid for feeding and watering the stock.

For all landowners within Kyogle Council area (except where an approved grid is installed), the minimum standard for fences fronting a public road vary depending upon the type of public road it fronts. They are as follows:

**Main Roads** (Summerland Way and Bruxner Hwy) – 5 strand wire, posts at 3m spacings and wires at 225mm spacings;

**All Rural Road** – 4 strand barbed wire, posts at 4m spacings and wires at 225mm spacings;

**Urban Streets** – 4 strand wire, posts at 4m spacings and wires at 225mm spacings; Council urges all landowners to ensure their front boundary fences are in good order to prevent wandering livestock onto a public road.

With Kyogle Council's northern boundary being the NSW/Queensland border, it is also important that landowners are aware that the laws in NSW are different to those in Queensland.

### Financial Assistance

Kyogle Council is calling for applications under its *Financial Assistance Program*.

Applications from individuals and organisations will be received up until 4pm on Friday, September 12.

Preference will be given to those individuals/organisations that can demonstrate the greatest need or benefit to the wider community in the following areas: Welfare; Sport and



recreation; Community involvement/ social interaction; The arts; Tourism and beautification; Youth Affairs; Senior Citizen Affairs.

The maximum assistance available for individuals is \$500, while organisations can receive up to \$1000.

Application forms and further information are available from the Kyogle Council administration centre, 1 Stratheden Street, Kyogle, or the Council's website at [www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au)



## Kyogle Quota Lady of the Year

Beryl Currie has taken out the prestigious *Kyogle Quota Lady of the Year* title.

Mrs Currie was presented with the award last month at the annual *Quota Friendship Dinner*.

She was described in her citation as a "very quiet achiever, a Good Samaritan and a great neighbour to the people who live in her street".

A caring woman, Mrs Currie

nursed her mother-in-law and in later years cared for her sick husband and his two uncles.

A longstanding hockey player and coach, she also used to take children from the North Coast Children's Home to play hockey each Saturday.

In accepting her award and flowers from Quotarians Margaret Armstrong and Margaret King, a humble Beryl said: "I never in my life imagined I would receive such an honour."

Meanwhile, Joan Powell has passed the coveted Quota Pin to Carol



Margaret Armstrong, left and Margaret King, right, present Beryl Currie with flowers and the Lady of the Year award.

Marriott for the next 12 months, thanking her for her tireless work for Quota International.

On the night Quota made donations to Our House, Love Bites and Look Good... Feel Better.

## Development Applications – July 2014

*DURING THE PERIOD JULY 2014, COUNCIL RECEIVED TEN DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS, THE DETAILS OF WHICH ARE SUMMARISED BELOW.*

14/59	Dwelling	1052 Horseshoe Creek Rd, Upper Horseshoe Creek
14/60	Swimming pool	11 Dalmorton Street, Woodenbong
14/61	Swimming pool	14 Howard Court, Kyogle
14/62	Dwelling additions	77 Mockhara Lane, Cedar Point
14/63	Subdivision	27 Anderson Street, Kyogle
14/64	Dwelling	1590 Gradys Creek Road, Cougal
14/65	Dwelling additions	5 Gleeson Street, Wiangaree
14/66	Dwelling as built	231 Sawpit Creek Road, Sawpit Creek
14/67	Dwelling	Tabulam Road, Tabulam
14/68	Dwelling additions	41 Kunghur Street, Wiangaree

*DURING THE SAME PERIOD, THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS WERE APPROVED:*

14/42	Shed	175 Whites Road, Homeleigh
14/43	Dwelling additions	806 Lynches Creek Road, Lynchs Creek
14/46	Advertising structure	262-266 Summerland Way, Kyogle
14/50	Shed	1 Oak Street, Bonalbo
14/51	Shed	117 Anzac Drive, Geneva
14/52	Dwelling additions	280-282 Summerland Way, Kyogle
14/53	Shed	203 Terrace Creek Road, Terrace Creek
14/55	Dwelling additions	126 Homeleigh Road, Homeleigh
14/56	Swimming pool	27 Saville Street, Geneva
14/57	Dwelling additions	923 Summerland Way, Kilgra
14/58	Dwelling	1129 Afterlee Road, Eden Creek
14/59	Dwelling	1052 Horseshoe Creek Rd, Upper Horseshoe Creek
14/60	Swimming pool	11 Dalmorton Street, Woodenbong
14/61	Swimming pool	14 Howard Court, Kyogle

## AIDER Help for Bushfire Safety

Elderly and disabled residents living in bush fire prone areas of Kyogle Council may be able access free help to reduce bush fire hazards around their home.

Under the *Assistance for Infirm, Disabled and Elderly Residents (AIDER)* program, people who have limited domestic support from family and friends and living in a bush fire prone property can apply for help from *Rural Fire Service* teams.

Services provided may include thinning vegetation in the property, removing leaves, sticks and fallen branches,



trimming branches from around and overhanging the home, mowing or slashing long grass and cleaning gutters.

*Rural Fire Service* staff will also be available to undertake property assessments and provide advice on completing a bush fire survival plan.

For further information or to request an assessment of your property, phone 02 8741 4955. Further information about the *AIDER* program is also available on the *Rural Fire Service* website [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au)

## Info Sessions for Mental Health Crisis

A free three-hour ASK information session on crisis management of mental health presentations will be held at Kyogle on Wednesday, 27 August.

ASK stands for:

- Assess the risk,
- Support the person;
- Know how to get professional help.

The session will be presented by Steve Carrigg, a registered nurse with 25 years clinical

experience in acute mental health services around Australia.

He now works for the Rural Adversity Mental Health Program supporting rural communities with issues around mental health.

The ASK session will be held at Grove House, 8 Geneva Street, Kyogle, from 10am-1pm.

Anyone wanting to attend is asked to contact Kyogle Council's Community Development Officer Nicola Mercer on 02 6632 2473 or 0417 025 919.

## Gym Time!



### Kyogle Community Gym

Now is the time to start regular exercise before summer and to help the Kyogle Community Gym has extended opening hours again. The gym is now open for general sessions Tues, Wed and Sat mornings from 6.30am to 9.30am and afternoon sessions Mon to Fri from 3pm to 7pm.

Casual sessions are available, but it is value for money to become a member for 3, 6, or 12 months. Because spring is traditionally a busier time at the community gym, coordinators are seeking volunteers interested in giving a few hours to staff reception. Enquiries can be made in person at the gym under the grand stand at the Kyogle Showground, or by phoning the gym 6632 2551 during hours or Bill on 6632 3200.

## Fire Danger Period

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service would like to advise that the Bush Fire Season for all parts of the North Coast came into force on August 1, 2014. Fire Permits are required for all burning and may be obtained from your local Rural Fire Brigade. Please contact Casino Fire Control Centre on (02) 6663 0000 for the phone number of your nearest Fire Permit Issuing Officer.

Do you have a musical talent you would like to share?

*Find Your Music* is seeking expressions of interest for volunteers to commit to their weekly music program. The *FYM Program* has been running for more than two years, providing an alternate educational pathway to learning music providing young people with other choices they can take in life. If you would like to belong to a team of dedicated professionals, please forward your résumé or register your interest at the *Gugin Gudduba Land Council*.

**Desirable attributes would include:**

- Musical skills and experiences
- An understanding of strength base approach in communication
- An understanding of cultural sensitivity or willingness to learn

**Maintenance and Construction Works**

The first of the two East of the Range maintenance grading crews is working in the Lillian Rock area and will work its way back to Homeleigh.

The second crew is working in the Green Pigeon area and will then move to the Sextonville area.

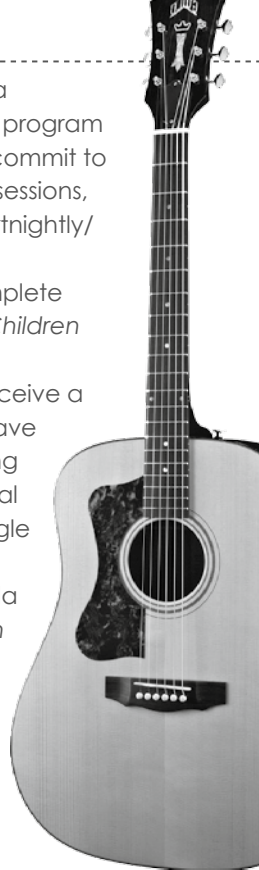
The West of the Range maintenance grading crew has completed work on Paddys Flat Road and is moving to the Peacock Creek area and then onto Haystack Road.

Construction work on the Blackspot Project on the Clarence Way south of Woodenbong has been completed. Work is continuing on the Summerland

- Willing to follow a structured music program
- Be available to commit to Thursday 4-6pm sessions, either weekly/fortnightly/ monthly
- Be willing to complete a *Working with Children Check*.

In return you will receive a hearty meal and have a sense of belonging to wonderful musical group and the Kyogle community.

Please Call Muranda at the *Kyogle Youth Action* on 6632 2972 or Ron at *Gugin Gudduba Local Aboriginal Land Council* on 6632 1056 for more information.



Way repairing landslips at The Glen and Hildebrand's.

The Jetpatcher has completed work on Omagh Road and is working on the Summerland Way.

Roadside slashing has been completed on Bentley Road.

Vegetation control and drainage works are in progress West of the Range on the Clarence Way and on rural roads.

Bridge works have been completed on Yabbara Road and are progressing well on the replacement of the timber bridge on Toonumbar Road.

The timber truss bridge over Minneys Creek on the unsealed section of the Clarence Way south of the Bruxner Highway remains closed, however a dry weather sidetrack has now been constructed.

## Love Food Hate Waste



North East Waste is looking for people to take part in a focus group discussion as part of its Love Food Hate Waste program.

If you are the parent of children aged 12 years and under and are the main person responsible for shopping, planning and cooking meals in your family, then join the focus group discussion being conducted as part of a joint Council education program.

## West of the Range Australia Day Planning

West of the Range Australia Day Committee will meet at the Bonalbo Scout Hall on Monday, 29 September, 2014, at 7.30pm.

Community members are invited to come along and join the committee and help organise the annual West of the Range Australia Day celebrations.

The event gives the community a chance to get together to celebrate the Australian culture, Australian values and traditions and honour the Australia Day Award nominees for the work they do within the West of the Range communities. It will be Bonalbo's turn to host the 2015 festivities.

The committee meets on the last Monday of the month and meetings only go for an hour.

For further information on what's involved in being a committee member and how you can join, phone Mavis Goodlad on 0428 564 897.

The focus group discussion will be held on Wednesday, 3 September, from 11.30am – 1pm at Grove House, 8 Geneva Street, Kyogle. A light lunch will be provided. Anyone wanting to take part, must register their interest to attend, as numbers are limited. To register contact Linda Tohver on 0427 770 198 or email linda@newaste.org.au Each participant will receive \$50 for attending the focus group.

### **New Weighbridge Contract**

Kyogle Council has awarded the contract for the new weighbridge at the Kyogle Landfill Facility to Sydney-based company Aussie Weighbridge Systems Pty Ltd (AWS).

The Australian-owned company uses majority Australian components and manufacturers.

Weather permitting, the weighbridge should be completed by the end of November and fully operational before the end of the year.

The weighbridge will provide significant advantages for Council and the community through accurate measuring of waste and full electronic recording and receipting including automated completion of auditing reports to the EPA. It will also have effpos facilities .

Work to improve access to the Landfill from Runnymede Road is expected to start towards the end of October. Improvements will include holding and turning areas adjacent to the entrance. Improvements to internal roads will also be undertaken in conjunction with the installation of the weighbridge.

The upgrade works are expected to cause some minor inconveniences, however there is not likely to be any major disruption to access in and out of the facility.

## Fresh Ideas for Farming Productivity Seminar

Registrations have opened for the 'Fresh Ideas for Farming Productivity Seminar' at the Kyogle Community Cinema on Tuesday, 9 September, 2014.

Kyogle Council will host the seminar which will feature a range of industry speakers and success stories from the agricultural sector with the emphasis on "how to".

Greg Cary, member of the Channel 7 Sunrise team and former 4BC social commentator, will emcee the seminar.

Kyogle Council Tourism Economic Development Officer Malcolm Walls said the seminar comes as Australia joined the race to be part of Asia's food bowl.

*"The time for change is here; time to export product grown in the ground not mined from it,"* he said. *"The seminar will be looking at how we, the people of the Northern Rivers, can take advantage of this opportunity."*



The seminar has the support of Federal Member for Page Kevin Hogan and will cover a number of issues within the *Agricultural Competitiveness Issues Paper*. It will also look at diversification, share farming/leasing, niche market cropping, off farm investment strategies and agri-tourism opportunities to boost on farm productivity and profitability.

For further information contact Malcolm Wallis Kyogle Council Economic Development Officer on 0427005249 or email [malcolm.wallis@kyogle.nsw.gov.au](mailto:malcolm.wallis@kyogle.nsw.gov.au) Registrations will close on Thursday, 4 September and cost just \$60. Go to the Council website at [www.kogle.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kogle.nsw.gov.au) to download a registration form and see the full program.

## Do you care about drug and alcohol problems in your community?

If you do and want to help make a difference, the *Kyogle Community Drug Action Team* wants to hear from you.

*Community Drug Action Teams (CDATs)* are groups of people who are working together in towns and cities across NSW to prevent harm from drugs and alcohol. Binge drinking is a major cause of harm in the community – both in terms of health and society.

Alcohol is a major factor in domestic and public violence, as well as in road and other accidents. Long-term heavy drinking is a major risk factor for chronic disease and brain damage and contributes to family breakdowns and broader social problems.

According to the 2010 National Drug Strategy Household Survey:

- More than one-third (approx. 37%) of people had drunk in a way that placed them at risk of an alcohol-related injury;
- Nearly 14% of people in NSW reported using an illegal drug in the past year.

Kyogle CDAT Chair Wayne Pipenborn said there were a range of opportunities available in which people could get involved to help prevent alcohol and drug harm.

*"Whether you want to become a CDAT member or just have a small amount of time to assist with a one-off event, we'd love to hear from you,"* Wayne said.

To express your interest in getting involved in Kyogle CDAT please contact Muranda Goodsell on 6632 2972 or [murandagoodsell@kyogleyouthaction.org.au](mailto:murandagoodsell@kyogleyouthaction.org.au) or come to the Kyogle Youth Centre on Fridays between 4-5pm and chat to one of the CDAT members. The NSW Government's Community Engagement and Action Program (CEAP) is administered by the Australian Drug Foundation.

# Kyogle Library News

## What's happening at YOUR library in SEPTEMBER?



### DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

All these groups are free and welcome new members, so why not drop-in, enjoy sharing your interest and make some new friends while you have a cuppa at Kyogle Library.

**Kyogle Literary Group:** Meets the first Saturday morning of each month, 10am-noon at Kyogle library. Next meeting 6 September.

**Kyogle Readers Group:** Meets on the second Tuesday of the month from 1.30-3pm at Kyogle library. Next meeting 9 September.

**Paper Daisies Paper Crafting Group:** Meets fortnightly on Tuesdays from 10am-noon at Kyogle Library. Next meeting 2 September.

### DID YOU KNOW?

You or your group can use Kyogle Library's free public space for your meetings? Please contact Kyogle Library staff on 6632 1134 for further details.

### WHY YOU SHOULD CHOOSE KYOGLE LIBRARY FOR YOUR TECH NEEDS.

- Fast, free Wi-Fi for Library members
- Visitors are welcome
- 3 new, fast public access internet computers to use for FREE
- We can scan your documents to email for you
- Free *Tech Savvy for Seniors* training and assistance programs available
- Colour printing and copying service – just 20c for B/W A4 printing, 40c for B/W A3 printing/page, a \$1 for A4 colour printing and \$2 for A3 colour printing/page
- Fax to or receive a fax from any location world-wide for just \$2 for the first page and \$1 for each page after – fax number 02 6632 2242

- You are welcome to bring your own tech device to Kyogle library, work throughout the day and bring your coffee and snack to enjoy in the library. The library has two quiet desk spaces with access to power for your convenience as well as other table areas or comfy spaces you can use.

### PAIN MANAGEMENT DISPLAY

Kyogle library will be featuring an in-library display of newly acquired pain management materials and related pain management information in late August/early September. Why not check out this informative display and borrow some of our new items.

### FREE FATHER'S DAY CRAFT MORNING FOR KIDS

Make and take something home free for Dad at Kyogle library

**Who:** kids of all ages

**Where:** Kyogle library children's area

**When:** Saturday, 30 August 2014

**Time:** 9.30-11.30am **Cost:** Free

**Bookings:** Not needed – just drop-in

**Contact:** Kyogle library staff at the library of phone 6632 1134

### FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT KYOGLE LIBRARY

**Who:** 5-12 year olds

**Where:** Kyogle library children's area

**When:** Wednesday, 1 October 2014

**Time:** 10.30-11.30am **Cost:** Free

**Bookings:** Essential. Limited places.

**Contact:** Kyogle library staff at the library or phone 6632 1134

### LIBRARY CLOSURE

Kyogle library will be closed Monday, 6 October, 2014 for the Labour Day public holiday and will re-open 10am Tuesday, 7 October, 2014.

### KYOGLE LIBRARY STRATHEDEN STREET,

KYOGLE NSW 2474 Ph: 6632 1134

Fax: 6632 2242 Email: [rucl@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rucl@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au)



## Upcoming community events

### Yowie Country Market

The Yowie Country Market will be held on Saturday, 30 August, at the Woodenbong Hall and grounds. The market always has live music (jammers welcome), a variety of stalls, hot food and the Woodenbong Art Group's kids art. Dates for upcoming markets are: Saturday, 27 September; and Saturday, 25 October.

### All town garage sale – Woodenbong

An all town garage sale will be held at Woodenbong on Saturday, 30 August, from 8am.

Call at the Woodenbong Yowie Country Market at the Woodenbong Hall for map, directions and details of the registered garage sales about town. For further details 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.

### Let's Spread Happiness Ball

The Bonalbo RSL Ladies Auxiliary will host a Let's Spread Happiness Ball on Saturday, 25 October, commencing 8pm at the Bonalbo Community Hall.

Tickets cost \$25 each and can be purchased from the Dog n' Bull Hotel Bonalbo and the Bonalbo

Newsagency. Tickets must be purchased prior to the 25 October. It will be BYO drinks and supper.

All welcome to come along with family and friends to dance the night away to the music of Two Men and a Lady as the community comes together to celebrate Spring and Happiness. Moneys raised will stay in the community. For further information please contact Narelle on 6665 3253 or Christine on 6665 1121 (after hours).

### Garden Comp

Entries have opened for Kyogle Garden Club's annual garden competition. Garden Showcase 2014.

The competition is open to all Kyogle residents and will be judged on 10 and 11 September.

Entries will close on 3 September. For further information phone 6633 5137.

### Open gardens

Open Gardens Australia will have two gardens in the Kyogle district open on 1 and 2 November, 2014.

John Howard and Janice Brown will open their garden at 198 Summerland Way, Kyogle, as will Peter and Robyn Carlill at 882 Edenville Road, Cedar Point.

The gardens will be open from 10am-4pm both days and entry is \$8 per garden. Morning and afternoon tea will be available at the two gardens and lunch will be available for purchase at Cedar Point.

**Spooky Saturday** Kyogle Enterprising Youth will host Spooky Saturday, an all ages, family friendly event at the Kyogle Memorial Institute Hall on Saturday, 25 October, 2014 from 6-10.30pm. The night will feature last years écore act Cadillac Rockers and local favourite Elemental. All urged to come along in their fancy/halloweeniest dress possible! A \$5 optional donation on entry (the show is made possible through donations).



**Kyogle  
Community  
Cinema**  
26 Bloore St, Kyogle

### Movies Screening

between Fri 15th Aug - Wed 10th Sept

**Sex Tape (MA)**

**Tinkerbell: The Pirate Fairy (PG)**

**Mrs. Brown's Boys (M)**

**Guardians Of The Galaxy (M)**

**And So It Goes (M)**

**Lucy (MA)**

**100 Foot Journey (PG)**

**The Expendables 3 (MA)**

### Movieline:

**0266 321 888**

**Website:**

[www.kyoglecommunitycinema.com.au](http://www.kyoglecommunitycinema.com.au)

**Facebook:**

[www.facebook.com/kyoglecommunitycinema](https://www.facebook.com/kyoglecommunitycinema)

**TICKETS \$14.**

**CHILD/PENSION \$12**

**Advertise Your Business**

**On The BIG Screen.**

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



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## Council Meetings



**Council Meetings:** The Ordinary meeting for September will be held on Monday, 8 September, 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](http://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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