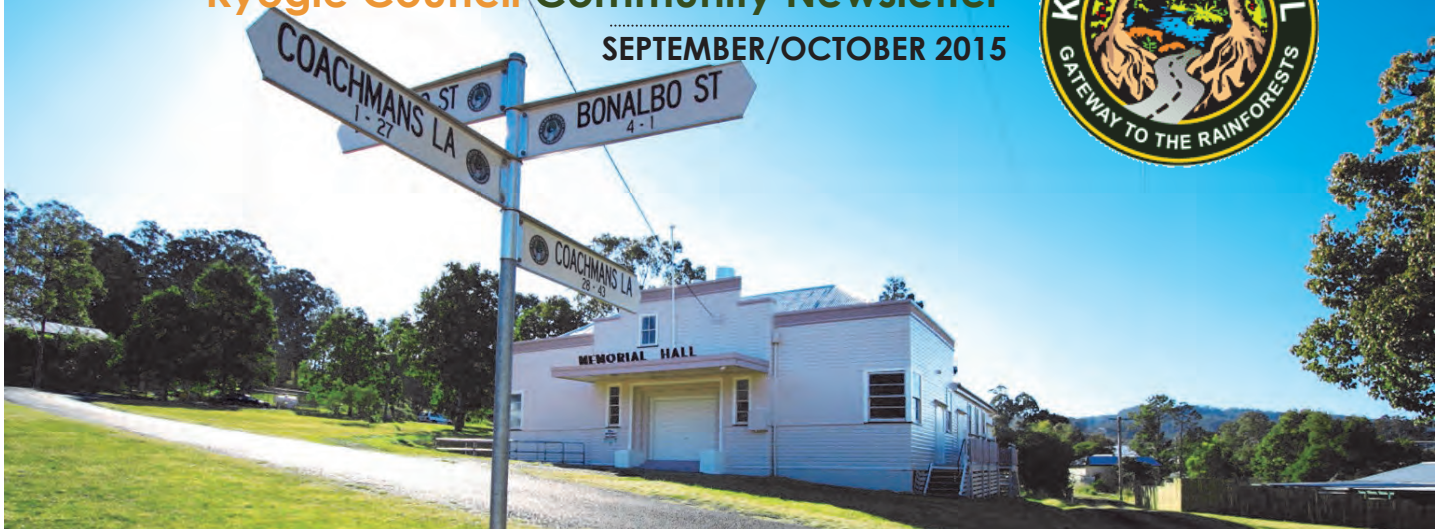




Kyogle Council Community Newsletter

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Kyogle Council *Working together to balance Environment, Lifestyle and Opportunity.*

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Fairymount Festival to be reborn

The Kyogle Chamber of Commerce and Kyogle Council have joined forces to lead a push to revive Kyogle's much-loved Fairymount Festival.

The aim is to hold the first resurrected Fairymount Festival in November 2016, with the theme of the week-long event being "Memories of Fairymount".

However, before the festival can be reborn, the Council and the Chamber needs to hear from individuals and organisations interested in either being part of the organising committee or in staging an ancillary event.

"The plan is to keep it simple for the first year, but in doing so want to revamp all the aspects of the old Fairymount Festival that promoted that sense of "fun" for all ages," Kyogle Chamber of Commerce president Doug Allan said.

"People are always saying how great the Fairymount Festival was and how it should be revived, well now that it is we need people, local clubs and organisations to get on board."

The new Fairymount Festival would showcase the whole Kyogle local government area with the aim involving the villages and West of the Range communities as well as Kyogle.

It's proposed that the organising committee would consist of representatives from Council, the Chamber of Commerce and up to three community members.

The primary role of the organising committee would be to identify all the ancillary activities and arrange the timetable of events and activities over the week of the festival.

All the ancillary activities would be separately organised and run by existing organisations or committees.

For example a theatre production could be staged at the Kyogle Memorial Institute by

local theatre groups, the rodeo committee could organise a bullride or a local car club could host a show and shine.

Under the proposed festival structure, Kyogle Council would cover the costs of the road closure for the main CBD activities, and make available all its facilities at no charge for approved events over the week of the festival.

This would mean there should be no need for sponsorship from local businesses, with

each group organising an event to cover the costs of the event and keep the proceeds from it.

Anyone interested in holding an event in association with the reborn festival or being part of the organising committee, is asked to lodge an expression of interest via the make general submission link on Council's website or phone Janelle McLennan at Kyogle Council on 6632 0214.





From the
MAYOR



It's been another busy month with a lot going on. Firstly I'd like to thank everyone for their support during my last year as Mayor and am delighted to have been re-elected for another term. Be assured that I'll always try to do my best for everyone in our community and I look forward to speaking with as many of you as possible.

The Mayoral Outreach meetings continue with the last one being held at Tabulam. It was lovely to catch up with so many people with Councillors Reardon and Passfield also in attendance. We followed that meeting with another one around economic opportunities for local businesses regarding the construction of the new Tabulam Bridge. There were lots of ideas forthcoming and we hope to build on these suggestions in the near future.

NAIDOC day was held at Bonalbo Central School with an array of stalls and activities for all ages. The highlight for me was watching a series of Aboriginal dances with different themes and meanings. It was a great day and I'd like to congratulate the organisers for coordinating such a celebration of Aboriginal culture and history.

As you may have heard, Deborah George and myself were recently appointed patrons of the Kyogle District Domestic Violence Committee. I think I can speak for both of us when I say we consider it an honour and a privilege to have the opportunity to highlight this issue and raise awareness of the significant impact it has on our community.

We will be working closely with support and law enforcement services on a coordinated approach to the problem and the best ways of addressing it within our LGA.

Divarama was on once again this year with a "speakeasy" theme. A great night was had by all and a fabulous series of performers graced the stage of the KMI.

The final Woodenbong Yowie Country market was held on the 29th August with an appearance by the local Yowie. After almost eight years, it was sad to see the market go but an excellent job was always done by Carey, Marian, Gloria and others who helped organise the markets once a month. It highlights once again the wonderful work that a selfless group of volunteers can achieve within a community.

The Kyogle Billycart Bonanza was a smashing hit again this year. Congratulations to the organisers, the winners and the creative entrants who produced the most fantastical billycarts I have ever seen.

Last, but certainly not least, the Walk for William was a great success. Little William went missing last year in his Spiderman suit and a nationwide walk was organised to raise awareness around his disappearance. Everyone wore red and blue, sending a message of support and hope to William's family. Thank you to the hard working group of organisers and the generous support of local clubs and shops who helped to make the day so outstanding.

Until next time,

Danielle Mulholland



Left: End of an era. - The Yowie Country Markets in Woodenbong were held for the last time recently.

Below: Participants in the Billycart Bonanza race for the finish line. Ideal weather conditions made for an enjoyable fun-filled



Above: Kyogle Mayor Danielle Mulholland, and Deputy Mayor John Burley joined a huge crowd in Kyogle for the "Walk for William" day.



Don Gulley Oval receives a makeover

Don Gulley Oval, Kyogle, is receiving a makeover thanks to Kyogle Council.

Council has invested strategically in the facilities at Don Gulley Oval to improve the overall environment of the sporting ground.

Improvements have been made to the kitchen, bathroom amenities, spectator seating, and the viewing area directly in front of the amenities building overlooking the oval.

Those improvements have included:

- Fitting out the kitchen with stainless steel benches, sinks and storage facilities, tiling the floor and painting the walls (the kitchen now meets the food safety requirements and looks great).
- Installing new seats (sponsored by Brown and Hurley) at the front of the building;
- Upgrading the amenities facilities;
- Installing lights around the oval;
- Installing pipes in open drains at the front of the clubhouse and then backfilling with top soil to make a comfortable



Above: The renovated kitchen in the Don Gulley Oval clubhouse. Below: Filling in open drains around the clubhouse has provided a viewing area over the oval.

viewing platform to the edge of the oval.

Council is also in the process of piping and filling another open drain at the site. This work will allow the area to be opened up for use as an expanded car park.



BUSH FIRE danger season begins

Fire permits are required for all burning now that the official bush fire season has come into force.

The Bush Fire Danger Period for the Northern Rivers, including the Kyogle Council area, came into effect on 1 September.

Fire permits are free and can be obtained from your local Fire Permit Officer. To obtain the phone number of your nearest Fire Permit Issuing Officer, contact Casino Fire Control Centre on (02) 6663 0000.

People lighting fires are also required to notify the NSW

Rural Fire Service and all adjoining neighbours at least 24 hours prior to lighting.

With the official start of the bush fire danger period, the Rural Fire Services also is urging people to prepare their property for the fire season.

Even relatively simple activities such as removing flammable materials from around the home, clearing gutters of leaves, trimming overhanging trees and shrubs and checking that hoses can stretch all around the house can increase your chances of surviving a bush fire.

For further information about preparing your family and property for the bush fire season, contact your local brigade.

Alternately you can speak to a Community Safety Officer at the Northern Rivers Fire Control Centre on 02 6663 0000 or email north-ern.rivers@rfs.nsw.gov.au.

Information can also be downloaded from the Rural Fire Service public website at: www.rfs.nsw.gov.au

Bushfire
DANGER





Rules for responsible DOG OWNERS

A growing number of complaints from the community about uncontrolled dogs being in public places has prompted Kyogle Council to remind pet owners of their responsibilities under the Companion Animals Act.

The responsibilities identified under the act aim to ensure the comfort, safety and health of the whole community.

Listed below are some of the key responsibilities:

- If your dog is in a public place it must be under the effective control of a competent person by means of an adequate chain, cord or leash attached to that

person.

- If your dog defecates in a public place it is an offence not to remove the faeces.
- Dogs are prohibited in children's play areas, food preparation/indoor consumption areas, recreation areas, public bathing areas, school grounds, childcare centres, shopping areas and wildlife protection areas.



Upcoming CONCERT

Back by popular demand the Kyogle and District Arts Council are organising a concert by the popular local three piece instrumental band Trio Continentale. This very well acclaimed group of musicians are set to entertain all on Saturday 17th October at the Kyogle Memorial Institute.

This concert will also include local four piece vocal group The Odd Bodds and The Village Hall Players will be bringing a performance of songs from Peter Pan by their DIRT kids performance group.

Admission price (includes af-

ternoon tea) Adult \$15, Child < 18yrs \$5; Family of 2 Adults & 2 Children \$30. Tickets will be available at the door on the day.

Music will be varied but will also include some Beatles tunes as this year is the 50th anniversary of The Beatles.

Concert is set to start at 2 pm and doors will open at 1.20 pm

Come along for a relaxing, entertaining afternoon supporting local talent and the Arts.



Warning Lights a welcome addition at Old Bonalbo

The installation of school zone flashing warning lights outside the Old Bonalbo Primary School has been welcomed by the entire community.

Student safety is a top priority for the village however the community feared their small school would be way down on the priority list to receive the life-saving technology.

So when trucks and workmen arrived at the school about a month ago to install the flashing warning lights on school approaches, there were celebrations all round.



Old Bonalbo Primary School students celebrate the installation of flashing warning lights outside their school. Photo: Geoff Bateman.

Changes proposed for KYOGLE LEP

Kyogle Council is proposing to amend its Local Environmental Plan (LEP) and Development Control Plan (DCP) to allow for the development of more tourist ac-

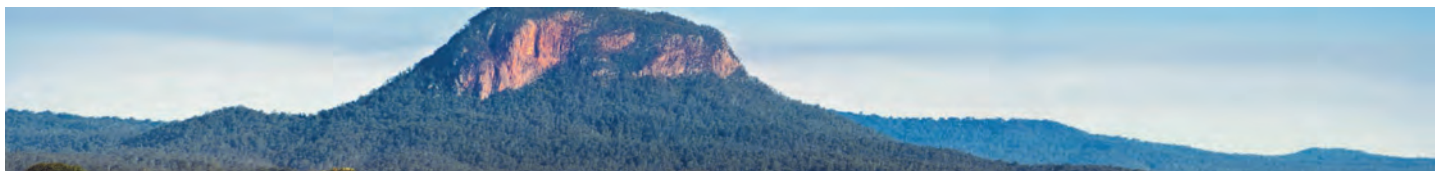
commodation in rural parts of the local government area.

Council is keen to promote the development of farm-based tourist accommodation to boost accommodation options for visitors and diversify and strengthen the rural economy.

The draft amendments are on public

exhibition from Wednesday 16 September until Friday 16 October and any member of the public can view them and make a submission.

The documents can be viewed at Council's administration centre during business hours or on Council's website at www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au



Afterlee school to hold **FAMILY FUN DAY**

Afterlee Public School free Family Fun and Market Day will be held in the school grounds on Sunday, 1 November, from 9am – 2pm.

As well as being a fundraiser, the day will showcase student activities and the work of the school.

And in a move to give something back to the community that supports the school, all children's activities at the Family Fun and Market Day including the jumping castle, baby animal nursery, face painting and old fashioned novelty events (egg and spoon, sack races and a boot throwing competition) are free.

There will be heaps of raffles, a chocolate wheel, and live music all day and a variety of market stalls selling every-

thing from fresh vegetables and arts and crafts to bric-a-brac and hand made goods.

Breakfast, morning tea and lunch will be available.

Market stall sites are available for a donation of up to \$10 (families are encouraged to book stalls selling unwanted items).

For more information or to book a stall, contact Afterlee Public School on 6633 3163.



Local charities benefit from **Bush Turkey Ball**

The Rotary Club of Kyogle will hold its annual Charity Ball on Saturday, October 24 at the Newpark Fields, commencing at 6pm.

Cost is \$50 a person which includes dinner, a live band, an auction and prizes. For special group bookings, people are able to buy 10 tickets but only pay for nine.

Proceeds of the ball go to RYLA and Kyogle and district sporting groups.

To book tickets contact Leanne Ivanusa on 0432 330 952 or call into Gateway Office Supplies.



Light Years Ahead of **Vision Quest**

Kyogle's Roxy Gallery has been full of colour with works from six small public schools in the Kyogle local government area exhibiting in *Light Years Ahead*.

This exhibition will be on show until 1 October and is well worth a look.

It is the eighth collaborative exhibition over a 12 year period held by the small schools at the gallery.

Following on from the students' colourful exhibition, will be a show by an artist whose works delve into the theoretical nature of colour.

Local Lillyfield artist Gery Mews exhibition *Vision Quest* from October 7 will explore his long term interest in eccentric

knowledge.

Gery has had a long term interest in the Shamanistic journey/mythological vision around different cultures.

Through his use of water-colour, oil and acrylic paints he has been exploring the inner worlds of introspection using colour as his vehicle of expression.

Gery's art is of high standard and for many years he has been producing visual works to accompany his partner astrological readings and published on her Starloom website <http://nimbin-starloom.com.au>.

These works will be exhibited and available as prints for purchase in this exhibition.

The official opening of *Vision Quest* will be held on Friday, 9 October, at 6 pm.

The exhibition will run until the 31 October.



Above: one of Gery Mews colourful works of art.



Posters explain RECYCLING

Kyogle Council has produced a series of recycling posters in a bid to end any confusion about what can be recycled in household bins.

The posters provide information about what plastics, glass, cardboard/paper, and steel/aluminium is acceptable for recycling through Council's kerbside collection service.

Council provides a split bin kerbside collection service, with household recyclables going in one half of the bin and general household waste going in the other half.

The general waste is disposed of at Council's landfills, while the recyclable material is transported to Chinderah for sorting at a materials recovery facility (MRF).

The recycling service is well supported by residents, however some people are confused about what sort of plastic, cardboard/paper, cans and glass can be recycled.

For specific information about household recyclables, and what can and can't be recycled through Council's kerbside collection service, check out Council's household recycling posters on the Waste and Recycling page (under the Environmental Services tab) on Council's website at www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au.



KYOGLE Community Gym News

The Kyogle community gym recently enjoyed a visit Christine Vannucci from Alzheimers Australia, who was very interested in viewing the gym activities and meeting some of the regular members.

Christine kindly provided copies of an excellent brochure called "5 Simple steps to Maximise Your Brain Health" which are available at the gym.

The five steps to maximize brain health are:

- 1 Look after Your Heart
- 2 Do Some Kind of Physical Activity
- 3 Mentally Challenge Your Brain
- 4 Follow a Healthy Diet
- 5 Enjoy Social Activity

The gym is open six days a week and free fitness assessments with Sandy are available on Monday afternoons.

In BRIEF

Forum to target RESILIENCE after major disaster

How, as a community, would Kyogle bounce back from a major disaster?

That will be the topic for discussion at a community forum in Kyogle at the KMI on Wednesday, 7 October, from 5.30-9pm.

Organised by the Kyogle Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC), the forum will feature a series of presentations on the effect disasters can have on communities and what a community can do to prepare for, and recover from, a disaster.

People will also be able to meet and talk to members of the Kyogle LEMC which is made up of representatives from the SES, the Rural Fire Service, Fire and Rescue, Red Cross and the police, as well as take part in a question and answer session.

A special feature of the evening will be a presentation by two women who were Girl Guides during the 1954 flood that swept through Kyogle.

They will have a display of photographs and will talk

about the resilience the Guides showed at that time and the world wide award their troop received.

There will also be a couple of one act performances, put on by members of Kyogle's Drama in Rural Towns (DIRT) program, that will show how communities can work together to recover from disasters.

Light refreshments (finger foods, coffee and tea) will be served on the night.





Community Calendar

Kyogle Show



The Kyogle Show will be held on Friday, October 9 and Saturday, October 10.

The action-packed two days will feature horse and cattle events, a rodeo, a demolition derby, young farmers challenge, tug-o-war, live entertainment and loads more!

For further information contact Wendy Piggott on 0438 554 385.

Bass Classic

The Kyogle Fish Acclimatisation Club's annual Toonumbar Dam Bass Classic will be held on November 7 and 8 at Bells Bay.

It will start at 8am Saturday, November 7.

For further details, phone Barry Reeves 0429 448 358 or Shane Clark 0427 321 668.

Firey Fundraiser

The Bonalbo Men's Bowling Club and the Bonalbo Rural Fire Brigade will hold a Firey Fundraiser on Sunday, 25 October, at the Bonalbo Bowling and Recreation Club from 1-5pm.

Start off with a game of bowls or golf (beginners welcome) and finish the day off with a barbecue dinner.

And if golf or bowls isn't your thing, just come along for the evening meal.

A raffle will also be run on the day. Cost is \$10 a person and those people wanting to play bowls are asked to wear appropriate shoes.

For more information phone Col Keating on 6665 1435 or Sharon Tucker on 6665 1129.

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.

Upcoming
EVENTS

Kyogle Community Cinema

26 Bloora St, Kyogle.

Movieline:
0266 321 888

TICKETS \$14.
CHILD/PENSION \$12



SCREEN 2 OPENING EVENT

A big thank you to all who made it on Thur 27th Aug for the opening of our second screen. The event was a huge success. The foyer was jam packed, the speeches were brief and to the point, the food came out on platters in a steady flow as did the wine and the movie only started 10 minutes late!

A special thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this event which was also a celebration of the life of Stuart Everett, the founder of our wonderful movie theatre and who recently passed away. It was great to see the entire Everett clan in attendance.

Raffle winners were:

1st Prize: Oil Painting - Marlene Watts. **2nd Prize:** Gourmet Hamper - Leslie McLean. **3rd Prize:** Classic Movie Pack - Maureen from Natural Organic.

To receive our weekly program in your email, send request to:

contact@kyoglecommunitycinema.com.au

SEPTEMBER at Kyogle library

Christmas paper craft

A free countdown to Christmas paper crafting event will be held at the Kyogle library beginning Tuesday, 20 October, at 10am for a 10.30am start.

A free morning tea will be provided. Bookings are essential as numbers are limited. Phone Kyogle library staff on 6632 1134.

Colouring in for adults

Is life just too busy to take the break you need and deserve?

Kyogle library invites you to join a

new monthly "colouring-in for adults" group.

Colouring in has been found to be relaxing, to spark creativity and promote mindfulness.

The group meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month, with the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 28 October, from 10.30-11.30am. For further details phone 6632 1134.

Library displays

The newly formed Kyogle Men's Shed will be displaying samples of the member's work and information on the group as well as an array of wood work and DIY project items available for loan from Kyogle library.

A display of Kyogle World War One servicemen's records, kindly supplied by Doug and Pam Campbell and the Kyogle Historical Society Inc, will feature as a lead up to Kyogle Library's Remembrance Day 2015 Tribute. Copies of the servicemen's records can be obtained by contacting the Kyogle Historical Society Inc.

Global Café

The next Women in Leadership Global Café will be held at the library on Monday, 19 October, from 10am-noon. New members welcome, just come along on the day.

KYOGLE
LIBRARY

New vehicle flow paths at Kyogle landfill

Kyogle Council has introduced a new designated flow path for vehicles using the Kyogle landfill.

The new flow path, together with the recently constructed weighbridge, new recycling centre and internal roads, allow Council to comply with the State Government's Waste Regulations which require it to keep detailed waste management records.

To comply with the regulation, Council will weigh skip bins before the contents are either disposed of to landfill or moved on for processing/recycling.

Council will not weigh individual small vehicle loads as this would result in unnecessary delays for customers.

Customers dropping off rubbish only or recycling only will have to complete a 'loop' of the site, while customers with mixed loads (rubbish and recycling) will have to complete a 'figure 8' of the site. Customers in small vehicles will still pay



Above: A consultant's view of how the new museum is expected to look.

based on vehicle type.

Council understands that the site layout is not perfect, however Council must work within the requirements of the regulation.

Residents are asked when visiting the site to take their time and follow the ad-

vice of staff. And if you are delayed for a short time, please don't direct your frustration at on-site staff. Rather, if you have concerns or suggestions e-mail council@kyogle.nsw.gov.au or call Council on 6632 1611.

Council Meetings

Council Meetings: The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held on Monday, 12 October, 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, apply in writing to the General Manager prior to the close of business on the day preceding the meeting for public access.

REGIONAL ROADS INFORMATION

www.myroadinfo.com.au

RECYCLING FACILITIES

All Council waste facilities have recycling capabilities (if separated) and can recover oil, paper, cardboard, steel, aluminium, glass, and plastic at no charge.

The waste facility hours of operation are:

Kyogle: 7.30am-12pm Monday to Friday

9am-4pm Saturday & Sunday

Woodenbong: Tuesday & Saturday 9am-4pm

Bonalbo: Wednesday & Saturday 9am-4pm

Mallanganee: Thursday & Sunday 9am-4pm

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