



Kyogle Council Community Newsletter

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

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Work starts soon on greening Kyogle CBD

After years of planning, including two years consulting with the local business community, Council is about to start planting trees in Kyogle's main street.

Work to install planter beds and plant native trees and shrubs will start in August and is expected to be completed in September.

The project, which is in line with Council's Main Street Master Plan, includes planting native trees and plants along Summerland Way, large street trees in the centre parking aisle, as well planter beds and seats at the intersections of Geneva Street and Stratheden Street.

The additional vegetation in the main street will soften the CBD and improve the overall appearance.

Of the 200 plus carparks currently in the main street (from the pool to the IGA), only seven carparks will be impacted by the project.

The work will be carried out by Council staff and local contractors and will result in temporary lane closures in the main



A bird's eye view of the locations of the street trees that will be planted in the Kyogle CBD over the next two months as part of the long running Main Street Upgrade Program.

street during August and September.

Local businesses have been informed and Council will continue to work with those affected to minimise any disruption

to businesses during construction.

For further information, please contact Council's Assets and Infrastructure Services Department on 6632 0221.



From the
MAYOR



During June the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) conference was held in Canberra,

coinciding with the National Timber Councils' Association (NTCA) delegation to Federal Parliament.

These two events provided Kyogle Council with some great lobbying opportunities, with direct access to Ministers.

The NTCA delegation had coordinated a number of meetings with various members of the Upper and Lower House, which were attended by Cr Lindsay Passfield.

Member for Page, Mr Kevin Hogan, coordinated some meetings for me

with Ministers to lobby around some key issues and projects we are actively seeking funding for, such as the Clarence Way and the Tabulam Agribusiness precinct.

It was also an opportunity to flag, amongst other issues, the necessity of a rural portfolio or policy unit that can advise on the needs of rural communities. This would influence the way programs and projects are delivered in our communities, and would make applying for grant money easier if the criteria were adapted to suit rural needs.

These conversations don't manifest results overnight but we keep having them because sometime those conversations lead to something, whether it is a criteria change to make it easier for us to apply for grants or securing an investment in our infrastructure so we can see industry grow.

With elections coming up early next year, various candidates have made themselves available for a bit of a chat and catch up about the opportunities and challenges our area has.

I expect you will see them out and about so let's welcome them to our beautiful area.

The Northern Rivers Joint Organisation (JO) got off the ground at the end of June. At the same time the Northern Rivers Organisation of Councils (NOROC) was wound up.

This is all part of the local government reforms that were introduced under the NSW Government's Fit for the Future program.

The JOs will have an enhanced advocacy role and a stronger regional focus. In keeping with this role (and as a State requirement) we are developing our statement of regional priorities.

It will be based on the 10 regional priorities that NOROC developed earlier in the year which was the result of some intensive workshops by the member Mayors and General Managers.

Stay tuned for more information about how the JO will work and what it will do.

Cr Danielle Mulholland

Still time to buy a paver for Kyogle labyrinth

You still have time to buy a personalised paver to go into the labyrinth in Kyogle's Alcorn Park.

People can have their name, the names of a loved one, or a business or community group's name, etched on the pavers they buy.

Alternatively, people can create a hand-drawn design, which can also include a name, etched into a paver.

The cost is \$20 for a name-only paver and \$25 for paver etched with a hand drawn design.

Forms to order your paver can be picked up from the Kyogle library, where you can work on your hand drawn design, Gateway Office Supplies, PRD Nationwide Real Estate, or Kyogle Council's administration centre.

Completed forms and payments are to be left at Gateway Office Supplies or PRD Real Estate Kyogle or posted to Friends of

the Labyrinth, PO Box 50, Kyogle, NSW, 2474.

The labyrinth project has been developed and driven by the community as a 'blueprint for community wellbeing'.

It has the support of Kyogle Council which will lay the foundations for the labyrinth and prepare the area.

After that work is completed community members and the Friends of the Labyrinth together with Council will build the labyrinth in a series of working bees before the end of the year.

As well as buying etched pavers, community members can become involved by donating clean house bricks for the substrate -- 1745 are needed -- or by volunteering during construction.

For further information phone Harmony



Council's Director of Assets and Infrastructure Tony Lickiss, left and General Manager Graham Kennett, right, go through the process of ordering a personalise paver for the labyrinth with Kay Noonan of Gateway Office Supplies, Kyogle.

Walsh 0416 956 744 (general), Noelle Lynden-Way 6632 3963 or Carol Horton 0429 339 188 (house brick donations) or Margie Brace 0410 788 401 or 6632 2111 (paver purchase and design).



Road works keep Council crews busy

Heavy patching on Clarence Way in recent weeks has improved a 1.5km section of road south from Muli Muli near Woodenbong.

Work continues on the joint State, Federal and Council-funded upgrade of Culmaran Creek Road.

This work is a complete upgrade of 4.2km of Culmaran Creek Road from the intersection with Bruxner Highway and includes replacement of a single-lane timber bridge with a dual-lane concrete structure.

The initial seal of Lillian Rock Road from Gabal Road to the boundary with Lismore City Council is nearing completion.

The work has included road widening, pipe installation, and drainage improvements.

Once complete, Lillian Rock Road will be completely sealed.

Rehabilitation of sections of Summerland Way near Glen Road between Greivillia and Woodenbong is continuing.

Council is managing this project on behalf of Roads and Maritime Services and the extensive program of works includes stabilisation, landslip repair, subsoil drainage works, installation of kerb and guttering, culvert replacement and pavement works and will be completed in three stages.



Council's bridge crew at work on the abutment under slab on the new bridge on Afterlee Road.

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Council has moved on to the second section of the project and the entire project is expected to be completed towards the end of 2018.

Council's construction of a new bridge on Afterlee Road is on schedule for the new bridge to be completed and open to traffic in early August.

Work on the replacement of Robotham Bridge on Williams Road is progressing well at the time of writing with everything on track for the new bridge to be open to traffic in late July. The new Robotham

Bridge is being built by contractor Ozwide Constructions.

Other bridges currently under construction are Andrew Bridge on Williams Road, expected to be completed in September and Campbells No 2 Bridge on Lynches Creek Road, expected to be finished in October.

Once the Andrew Bridge replacement is complete, Council's crew will move on to Marr Bridge on Williams Road and once replacement of Campbells No 2 Bridge is complete, that Council crew will move on to replacement of Campbells No 1 Bridge.

New toilets for Bells Bay camp area

The amenities at the popular Bells Bay Camp Ground at Toonumbar Dam have been upgraded thanks to a joint Kyogle Council and Federal Government project.

The old pit toilets at the camp ground have been replaced with two new composting toilets both of which have disabled access.

The new facilities provide a much improved amenity for visitors to the dam, better environmental outcomes and

greater accessibility for all.

Stage one of the joint Kyogle Council and Federal Government project saw the sealing of the final gravel section of the road to the dam.

The new road and amenities are expected to make the popular site even more attractive to locals and tourists alike.

The Bells Bay Camp Ground is managed by the Kyogle Recreational Fishing Club in partnership with Water NSW.

RIGHT: An artist's impression of the toilets at the Bells Bay Camp Ground and the new toilets under construction.





Mentors needed FOR KIDS

The Kyogle Family Support Services Neighbourhood Centre Inc has received a \$10,000 Grant from the Kyogle Branch of the Commonwealth Bank for its youth mentoring program Mentors4Kids (M4K).

The culturally aware program provides a secure and professional environment that empowers young boys and girls to make positive life choices.

The grant, through the bank's Employee Community Grant Fund, will be split between assisting volunteers with their standard clearance checks, training and uniform costs which come in at more than \$100 a person.

The other funds will go towards expanding M4K support in schools such as Woodenbong Central School and moving forward with the rollout of afternoon programs which have been developed and are due out



Mentors4Kids coordinator Scott Gordon receives the \$10,000 grant from Kyogle Commonwealth Bank staff.

within the coming weeks.

"We at M4K envision a community of men and women with a common purpose and goal; working together as good role models, as we walk alongside young boys and girls as they navigate their journey through life towards adulthood," M4K

coordinator Scott Gordon said.

"Kyogle Family Support Services Neighbourhood Centre Inc. would like to say a huge thank you to the staff at the Commonwealth Bank for making this opportunity available and now call on the local community to get behind this pro-

ject and make it a success."

If you have the time and skills and would like to assist with community programs for local youth, contact the Kyogle Family Support Services Neighbourhood Centre on 6632 1044 or drop in to Grove House at 8 Geneva Street, Kyogle.

TENORI RETURNS to Kyogle by popular demand

TENORI is returning to Kyogle by popular demand.

The three-member group which features the talents David Kidd, Craig Atkinson and Andrew Pryor will perform at the Kyogle Memorial Institute on Sunday 26 August at 2pm.

The three men met while touring internationally with The Ten Tenors and have performed at Kyogle as the guests of the Kyogle and District Arts Council several times over the past two years.

With a combined sixty years international experience in the industry, these three polished professionals know exactly how to put on a dynamic, uplifting and hugely entertaining show.

They bring their sense of fun and sophistication to classics from the worlds of opera, musical theatre, jazz and everything in between.



Tenori will return to perform in Kyogle in August.

Tickets will be available at the door on the day and will cost \$20 for adults and \$5 for children under 18. The cost of admis-

sion includes afternoon tea.

Doors will open at 1.30pm for a 2pm start.



Transfer station to replace Woodenbong landfill

Work on the new waste transfer station at Woodenbong is nearing completion.

Council received about \$320,000 in funding from the NSW Environmental Trust to close the Woodenbong landfill and construct a new waste transfer station at the site.

In late 2017 the landfill was capped and closed in accordance with NSW EPA requirements.

The new transfer station is expected to be completed soon.

It will allow for easy and safe drop-off of small waste and recyclable loads into large skip bins.

Waste dropped off at the transfer station will be disposed of at the Kyogle landfill, while recyclables will be processed in Chinderah.

Works associated with landfill closure and transfer station construction were carried out by local contractors.



Construction of the new Woodenbong waste transfer station was supported by the Environmental Trust as part of the NSW EPA's Waste Less, Recycle More initiative, funded from the waste levy.

When visiting the transfer station on its completion, please follow directions from staff and observe safety signage.

For further information please contact Council's Department of Planning and Environmental Services on 6632 1611.

Access ramps may not need Council approval

Did you know you can construct or install an access ramp to your home without Council approval if it meets certain conditions.

Those conditions are if it:

- (a) is not more than 1m above ground level (existing);
- (b) is located at least 450mm from each side boundary and the rear boundary;
- (c) does not interfere with the func-

tioning of existing drainage fixtures or the natural surface flow of water;

- (d) is located on bush fire prone land and is less than 5m from a dwelling it must be constructed of non-combustible material;
- (e) is constructed or installed on or in a heritage item or a draft heritage item or in a heritage conservation area or a draft heritage conservation area it is to be located in the rear yard.

To find out more, please phone Council's Planning and Environmental Services



A relocatable access ramp.

Department on 6632 1611 or go to www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au.

Free app helps people Get Prepared

Australian Red Cross has released a new mobile "Get Prepared" app to help people prepare for emergencies.

We all face emergencies: whether as large as a bushfire or as personal as a home accident.

What we know is: the better

prepared people are, the less stressed they are, and the better they recover.

The *Get Prepared* mobile app helps users to do simple things to make them safer in the event of an emergency.

The app has been designed to quickly link users with all of their key emergency contacts and provide them with emergency actions and reminders - all in one place, and ready

whenever they need it.

Get Prepared is free and moves the user through steps that are right for them and their family.

Key contacts, handy checklists, and vital information is built into a personalised emergency plan that's at the user's fingertips whenever they need it.

Key features include:

- A quick and easy network

of support with your three most important contacts.

- Easy checklists across a range of emergency preparedness actions.
- A personalised emergency plan you can share with others.

Get Prepared can be downloaded from the Apple App Store, Google Play, or by visiting www.redcross.org.au/getprepared.



Poetry, classical music and WORKS OF ART

A visual response to Haiku poetry and classical music is the focus of the July exhibition at the Roxy Gallery, Kyogle

Merle Rankin, Sue Boardman, Pauline Ahern and Michael Hannan have come together in this exhibition entitled *Resonances* with a focus on creating works in a variety of media which responds to poetry

written by Northern Rivers haiku poets, Nathalie Buckland, Anne Perry and Helen Davidson and a selection of classical music.

Resonance will be on show from 3 - 28 July 2018 and was officially opened on Wednesday 4 July.

After undertaking a successful exhibition in 2016, these four artists have continued in using both Haiku poetry and classical music as vehicles to generate creative expression.

In *Resonances* they have incorporated local haiku poets.

In addition, the works of Merle Rankin and Michael Hannan will resonate to the music of American minimalist composer, Philip Glass.

Sue Boardman has created paintings inspired by Michael Hannan's 12-movement piano work, *Resonances*, which is based on the signs of the zodiac.

ROXY
GALLERY



Above: Merle Rankin's painting *Haiku 1*.



Above: Michael Hannan's piece entitled *A Leaf Flies Down*.

Upcoming
EVENTS

Community Calendar

Antiques Roadshow

CWA Kyogle Evening branch is hosting the Kyogle Antiques and Collectables Roadshow on Saturday 11 August from 10am at the Kyogle Memorial Institute Hall.

Anyone wanting to display items and have them assessed should have them at the hall by 9am.

Entry is by a by gold coin donation. CWA refreshments available.

All enquiries to Julie, phone 6632 2868.

Yowie Country Market

Woodenbong Seasonal Yowie Country Market will be held on Saturday 25 August 2018 from 8am-2pm at the Woodenbong Public Hall.

The All-Town Garage Sale will be held on the same day as the Winter market. Bargain hunters can call into the market for a map and directions to garage sale locations.

The Yowie Country Seasonal Market is routinely held on the last Saturday of the season. For details or to book a stall, phone Marian on 0487 635 558.

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.

Soup Kitchen

All are welcome to come along and enjoy a free cup of soup at 8 Geneva Street Kyogle, every Monday from 10am-1pm. The soup kitchen is provided by Kyogle Family Support Services

Neighbourhood Centre Inc. For further information, phone 6632 1044.

Sunday breakfast at Bonalbo

Bonalbo Community Hall Café, LE BON, has introduced Sunday morning breakfasts.

A selection of classic breakfasts is on the menu including eggs Benedict with smoked salmon for \$10. Great coffee also is available.

The café is open from 9am-noon. For further details phone the hall on 6665 1498.

Writers in Kyogle

Kyogle Writers Group will host writers taking part in the Byron Writers Festival Roadshow on Friday 27 July at 6pm.

Five authors will take part in the event which will be held at the Kyogle library. All welcome to attend this exciting literary event.



Library NEWS

Pizza and pages

Pizza and Pages is held at the Kyogle library every month during school terms. The event is for tweens and teens (10-18 years olds).

The July Pizza and Pages event will be held on Thursday 26 July from 3.30-4.30pm.

There will be a free tween/teen skin care workshop for guys and girls and a free make and take home skin care potion.

And of course there will be free pizza.

No bookings required, just come along and join in the fun.

Adult colouring in

Adult colouring-in sessions are currently held at the library twice a month -- on the second Friday and fourth Wednesday of each month at 10am for 10.30-11.30am.

Colouring-in is fun, relaxing, sparks creativity and promotes mindfulness.

For further details contact library staff on 6632 1134.

Kids Club

Kyogle Library's Parents and Kids Club now meets twice a month.

The library, through the Kids Club, aims to provide a welcoming space with resources for parents/families/carers to enjoy quality, fun times with their children. Enjoy Lego, calm colouring in and free make-and-take-home craft.

This is an unstructured activity so children must be supervised at all times.



Above: Kyogle librarian Corinne shows some of the members of the Kyogle Library Book Discussion Group the library's laptops available from the new laptop dispenser.

The Kids Club operates from 10.30-11.30am. Upcoming meeting dates: are 28 July, 11 August and 25 August.

Mahjong

A Mahjong group meets at the Kyogle library every Tuesday from 1-3.30pm.

It is open to people who play mah-jong and those who would like to learn how to play.

Register your interest by phoning Kyogle library staff on 6632 1134.

Lego Club

Lego Club meets at the Kyogle library on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month from 4-5pm.

Lego Club is free for all five to 12 year olds and gives children the chance to get creative and build to a theme.

Please contact Kyogle library on 6632 1134 for bookings and further details.

Book discussion group

Kyogle Library Book Discussion Group

meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 10am for 10.30-11.30am.

There are no set books for discussion - members discuss any book they have enjoyed reading,

Everyone welcome to join in the fun.

JP Services

Did you know you can have your documents certified at Kyogle library. You can also print off, make copies and scan certified documents.

A Justice of the Peace also is available to witness Statutory Declarations.

To avoid disappointment, contact Kyogle library staff on 6632 1134 for JP availability.

Readers group

Would like to meet some other keen readers? Would like to make new friends?

Do you enjoy a vigorous discussion and the opportunity to offer your opinion with like-minded folk?

Would you like to enjoy a monthly get together, share a laugh, have a chat and have fun while you enjoy a cuppa in a warm and welcoming place?

If the answer is yes, come and join the Kyogle Reader's Group at the Kyogle library in the first Wednesday of every month.

For further details phone the library on 6632 1134.

Literary leanings

Kyogle Literary Group meets on the first Saturday of the month at the Kyogle library at 10am for a 10.30-noon.

Newcomers welcome and a cuppa supplied.

DIRT students wow local audiences

DIRT (Drama in Rural Towns) students from Kyogle and Casino have done it again.

Their recently performed *Fables and Folktales* drew good-sized audiences and had them rolling in the aisles.

The cast included a dog, a hare, a lion, a fox, a mouse, a tortoise, and two very cute chickens.

The actors all performed well and kept the show moving at a good pace. Snippets of songs were interspersed with the dialogue and highlighted the vocal talents of several of the cast.

Having now completed seven years in Kyogle and three years in Casino, the DIRT program continues to grow from

strength to strength.

For information on the classes, email villagehallplayers@gmail.com.



Drama in Rural Towns students on stage for their recent production of Fables and Folktales.

Rous County Council on the lookout for Job's Tears

Have you seen Job's Tears?

Job's Tears (*Coix lacryma-jobi*) is a tall, grain-bearing, clumping-millet from Southeast Asia.

It grows up to two metres tall and is usually found along creeks and watercourses.

It has fruit that look like beads, and are white, grey or black in colour.

The beads are easily dispersed by water, especially during times of flood.

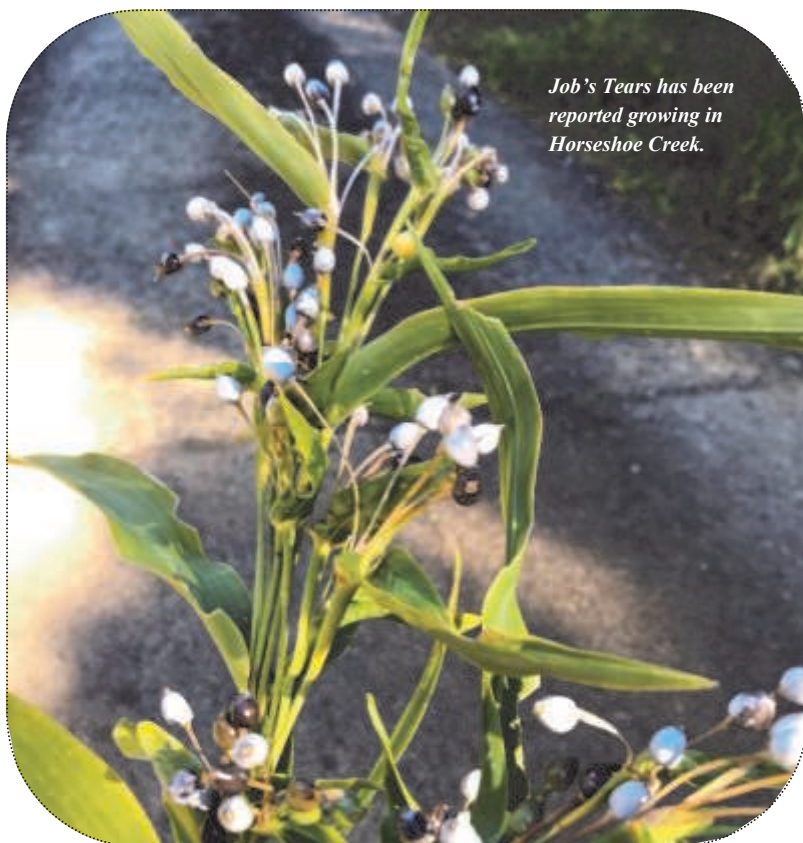
The plants establish easily in creek systems and are capable of displacing native aquatic plants and blocking the flow of waterways.

Job's Tears has been noticed spreading along a couple of North Coast creek systems.

To date, Rous County Council has had reports of it growing in Terania and Horseshoe Creeks.

Rous County Council is looking to find how wide-spread this plant is, to undertake an accurate weed risk assessment.

If you think you have seen this plant, please contact Rous County Council on 6623 3847, or send photos for identification to kim.curtis@rous.nsw.gov.au.



Job's Tears has been reported growing in Horseshoe Creek.

Council Meetings

Council Meetings: The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held on Monday 13 August 2018 at 5pm. Ordinary meetings are generally held on the second Monday of every month except January and June. 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, email or phone 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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