



Kyogle Council Community Newsletter

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Pool precinct upgrade takes shape

A project to upgrade and revitalise the Kyogle Memorial Pool area is pushing ahead, with Council, in consultation with the community, expected to select a preferred option for the development of the site during October.

The project is currently at the site master planning phase, with proposed upgrades to be completed over three stages:

Stage 1

- Installation of a new community gym
- Enclosing, heating and providing disabled access to the medium pool

Stage 2

- Installation of an indoor stadium that can be used for sport, events and other activities

Stage 3

- Installation of a heated, indoor lap pool with a minimum of three lanes

In August, Council held talks on site with stakeholders to collect comments to inform the design process.

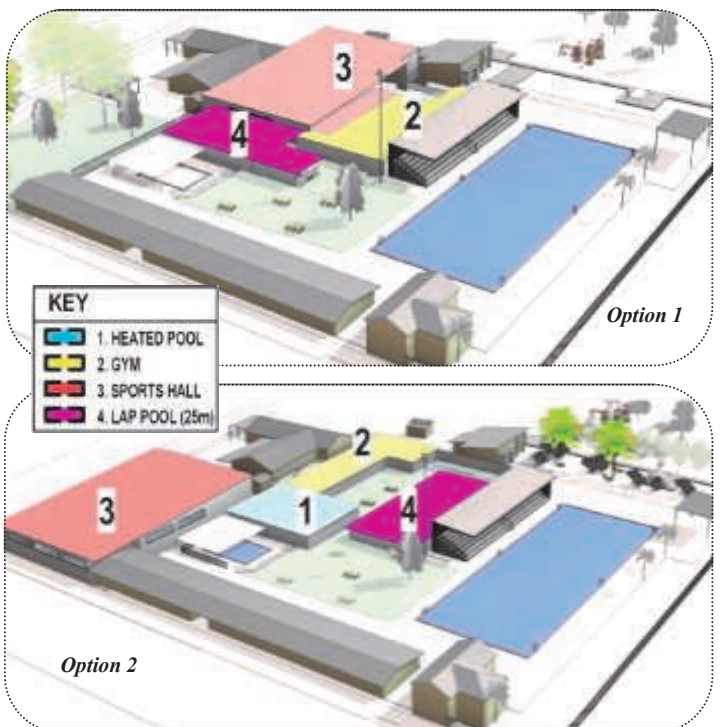
Following this session, five options for the site were developed and presented at a community display and workshop in September.

As a result, the five options were whittled down to two.

Option 1 has all the proposed facilities located within the existing pool precinct, while Option 2 has the proposed indoor sports stadium being built on the adjoining Bloore Street Park.

The key difference with the final two options is the location of the indoor sports stadium and whether the green space within the pool area is retained and enhanced or whether the Bloore Street Park is retained and enhanced.

Council will hold another workshop with stakeholders in mid October, after which a final option will be selected. Council will then commission



Chris Pritchett Architects and MAK Planning and Design to finalise designs for Stage 1 (the community gym and heated pool) and Stage 2 (the indoor sports stadium).

Tenders for Stage 1 will then be called, with construction work expected to begin at the end of the current swimming season in either April or May next year.



Kyogle Council Mayor Cr Danielle Mulholland with Kyogle Showgirl Ashleigh Little, left, and runner-up Kristen Wimble, right.



Kyogle Council Mayor Danielle Mulholland, accepts the Relay for Life baton from Trevor Wilson, left, and Richmond Valley Mayor Robert Mustow, centre.

From the MAYOR

The past month has been busy and started with a successful drought fundraising event at the Kyogle Bowling Club.

The service clubs of Kyogle came together to host a range of activities and stalls.

On Sunday 23 September, I was on hand to meet Trevor Wilson, of Dyraba, at the end

of a long walk from Casino to the Kyogle Visitor Information Centre to raise awareness around cancer, the work of the Cancer Council, and next year's Casino Relay for Life.

Congratulations to Trevor and Richmond Valley Mayor Robert Mustow who also completed the walk.

The fun part was where they challenged me to form a Kyogle team to join next year's Relay for Life which will be held on 6 and 7 April.

If you're interested in being part of the challenge, please don't hesitate to give me a call or even send me an email with your contact details.

A huge congratulations to Mick McCormack who has been one of Kyogle's local police officers for 27 years with 30 years in policing overall.

Mick was recently acknowledged at the regional policing awards.

The Northern Rivers Joint Organisation (JO) met again to workshop our regional priorities and future direction. The

NRJO will be launching a statement of regional priorities very soon so stay tuned.

Some exciting news - the new Supercheap Auto advertisement was filmed in Kyogle in August.

It screened over Bathurst weekend, promoting our beautiful region and showcasing what we have to offer.

Many thanks to Reece Moger and his family - they're from Bonalbo and this is where the seed for filming the ad in the Kyogle Local Government Area was planted.

Kyogle Council negotiated a promotional video compiled by the ad's organisers which we will launch soon. Another stay tuned moment.

I will be starting up the Mayoral outreach meetings again in the New Year so if you're interested in having a chat and a bit of a catch up, please contact Council on 6632 1611 or email council@kyogle.nsw.gov.au.

The Festival of Small Halls tour is coming to Mallangene on 25 October at 6.30pm. Harry Jakamarra and Madison Violet will be playing. Profits from the night will be given to Rotary for distribution to farmers affected by drought. For further information and tickets, go to <https://festivalofsmallhalls.com/mallangene-october-25-2018/>.

Can't make the concert? Please leave donations with Susan Richardson at Bankhouse Originals in Mallangene.

Until next time, *Cr Danielle Mulholland*

Bonalbo students visit nation's capital

Twenty eight students from Bonalbo Central School's middle school, along with four staff, visited Canberra for a jam-packed week of learning and adventure.

The group visited the Royal Australian Mint, Parliament House, Australian Institute of Sport, National Capital Exhibition, National Museum of Australia, High Court of Australia, Museum of Australian Democracy and Questacon.

They also visited the Australian War Memorial and were lucky enough to witness the Last Post ceremony.



Bonalbo Central School students pose for a photo outside Parliament House, Canberra.

The students also spent a fun day at the snow.

Many new friendships were made and

the school community is proud of how the students behaved throughout the week-long excursion.



Meeting to form Kyogle Australia Day Committee

Do you want to help organise Kyogle's Australia Day celebrations?

Do you value Australia's national spirit, its heritage and diversity?

Then come along to a meeting at the Supper Room of the Kyogle Memorial Institute Hall on Tuesday 30 October at 6pm to form a committee to organise and run Kyogle's 2019 Australia Day celebrations.



The committee will be independent of Council, but will receive Council funding to organise and run the event for the com-

munity.

The meeting is open to everyone interested in coming along and will elect a committee comprising a chair, deputy chair (optional), secretary and treasurer.

It's envisaged that membership of the committee will be inclusive and diverse and provide a balance in gender, age and cultural equity.

Kyogle Council Mayor, Cr Danielle Mulholland, will address the meeting on Council's vision for the celebrations.

Once elected, the committee will then be able to start organising the 2019 event.



Lilly Choi-Lee, Cr Maggie May, Deb McQueen, Jenny rock, Leigh Spicer and Trevor Lee at the Small Business Month event in Kyogle.

Expert consultants inspire local business owners

Small businesses and social enterprises in the Kyogle area came together to celebrate small business month at a free event at the Kyogle Bowling Club at the start of October.

Kyogle Council Mayor Cr Danielle Mulholland welcomed the 45 attendees and acknowledged the role of the 736,000 small to medium-sized businesses in NSW in creating jobs and driving economic growth across the state.

Funded by the NSW Government and presented by the NSW Department of Industry, Small Business Month aims to provide practical information, ideas and networking opportunities to help businesses start up and grow.

The Kyogle event, hosted by Kyogle Council through a partnership with Lismore City Council, involved expert business consultants Lilly Choi-Lee and Trevor Lee of TravConsult.

Lilly and Trevor shared some valuable insights including tips on embracing change in order to grow markets and collaborating effectively to improve customer experiences.

Jane Laverty, Regional Manager Northern Rivers NSW Business Chamber, raised the notion that "Kyogle has it all" and Melanie Serone, President of the Kyogle and District

Chamber of Commerce, started the evening by showcasing the chamber's promotional video.

During the evening, the Kyogle PRD Nationwide and Kyogle Garlic Growers promotional videos were also aired.

Lilly and Trevor said that each of the videos had merit and advised business owners to think of the key message or question they want to deliver to customers/consumers when reaching out to them through advertising.

They felt the garlic video had the potential to attract Chinese visitors and that Kyogle could consider a Garlic Festival.

Those at the event extended the idea by mixing garlic with avocados to hold a guacamole festival. Imagine marketing that into South East Queensland – come on over - south of the border!

At the end of the evening, prizes were drawn by Jenny Rock from NORTEC. Deb McQueen, Gateway Fine Foods, won \$500 worth of social media support from Hello Media and Leigh Spicer, Summerland Cycles, won six hours of business advisory services from NORTEC valued at \$1200.

If you would like to join the Kyogle Council Small Business Network please email council@kyogle.nsw.gov.au or give Suzie a call on 02 6632 0249.

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Why not cut down on paper and receive your rate instalment notice electronically

You can do that by signing up to use one of the below methods:

BPay View – Log into your internet banking and register using your reference number printed on your recent notice.

eNotice – Log into kyogle.enotices.com.au and register using the reference number printed on your recent notice.

Once you have registered, your future notices will be sent to you electronically.

You simply have to login to your internet banking or eNotices (whichever option you chose for registration) to enable you to view and/or pay the bill.



Muli Muli Clean Up Country Project a finalist in NSW Premier's Awards

The Muli Muli Clean Up Country Project has been announced as a finalist for the 2018 Premier's Awards for Public Service under the Keeping Our Environment Clean category.

The project helped the community clean up the tip on Muli Muli and improve infrastructure and services to improve waste management and recycling.

As part of the project, 20 Woodenbong Central School students took part in a creative five-day workshop with Desert Pea Media to produce a rap song and video clip.

A number of groups partnered to deliver the project including:

Muli Muli Local Aboriginal Land Council; Muli Muli Ladies Club; North East Waste; Woodenbong Central School; Githabul Rangers Incorporated; Remondis; Kyogle Council; and Kyogle Family Support.

The Premier's Awards for Public Service recognise excellence in the delivery of public services to the NSW community by the public sector, not-for-profit organisations and private businesses.

A spokesperson for the project partners said it was a great honour to be named as a finalist and a fabulous acknowledgement of the effort, collaboration and commitment of everyone involved in the project.

The winner will be announced at a ceremony in Sydney on 7 November.

Prepare now for STORM SEASON

With the start of the storm season fast approaching, the NSW SES is urging all residents to prepare now.

Storms are the most costly natural disaster to affect NSW, causing an estimated average of \$217 million damage annually.

During storms, it is important to protect your family and property from the major impacts such as high winds, hail and flash flooding.

According to the SES StormSafe website, there are eight simple things you can do to prepare your home and help reduce the potential damage caused by a severe storm.

They are:

1. Maintain your yards and balcony. Secure or store items that could blow around in strong winds. Try to keep items around your property tidy. Identify things which you may need to secure or put away if strong wind or a severe storm is forecast.

2. Clean your gutters, downpipes and drains regularly to prevent blockages. It is important to keep your gutters and downpipes clear as blockages can cause the water to overflow under the eaves into the roof cavity. Keep the drains around your property clear to help surface water move away and prevent water from pooling and entering your property.

3. Trim trees and branches that could potentially fall on your home or property. Check with the council about any guidelines or required consent applications.



Remember, your safety is important so contact a qualified (and insured) arborist or tree surgeon for advice if necessary.

4. Fix any damage to your roof, including broken or missing tiles. Your roof should be checked every year (or after major events such as hail storms) for signs of damage. Check inside your roof space. Light shining through may indicate that your roof or sarking (waterproof insulation membrane) is damaged.

5. Check your insurance policy is current and adequate. Make sure that your insurance policy provides cover for the types of events specific to your location, these may include: flash flood, storm water runoff, associated landslip (or landslide) and damage to properties by trees.

6. Make a home emergency plan for your family that outlines what you would

do in an emergency. Remember that storms and other emergencies can happen at any time of day so think about where members of your household may be (school, work, commuting), how you'll get in touch with them and where you can meet up.

7. Prepare an emergency kit with essential items in case you lose power or need to leave home in an emergency. Remember to keep it in an easy to access location.

8. Listen to your local radio station and other media for weather warnings. This information can help you identify things such as flash flooding locations to avoid, road closures, evacuation and recovery centres.

Remember, for emergency help in a storm or a flood call the SES on 132 500.



Work to start in November on sewer line upgrade

Council will start work on the upgrade of 570m of sewer line in the Fawcett Street, Kyogle, area in November.

The 150mm diameter sewer pipes will be replaced with 225mm pipes.

Residents are advised that trucks and machinery will be moving throughout the area while the works are in progress.

Council's work crew has started on the third and final section of the Summerland Way upgrade near Glen Road.

Work on this section will include pavement strengthening and landslip repair. The entire upgrade project is expected to be complete by the end of the year.

Heavy patching pavement repairs to be carried out on rural roads in November include Cawongla Road near the border with Lismore City Council, Clarence Way near Murphys Road and sections of Afterlee Road.

In the villages, upgrades of Unumgar Street between Fairbairn Lane and Roseberry Street, Woodenbong and a section of Sandilands Street, Bonalbo will be undertaken.

Bridge works completed in recent months include the replacement of Andrew Bridge on Williams Road, Campbells Bridge No 2 on Lynches Creek Road

and Lindesay Creek Road bridge.

Replacement of Campbells Bridge No 1 on Lynches Creek Road started in early October with removal of the timber structure. Construction of the superstructure of the Marr Bridge replacement on Williams Road is progressing well and Council will be carrying out replacement of minor culverts in the Eden Creek area

Recent inspection of stormwater pipes in the Geneva area has revealed the need for follow up works to address infiltration of the storm water system by tree roots.



Crews work on the Campbells No 2 Bridge replacement, which is now complete and open to traffic with restrictions.

Time running out to order a labyrinth paver

Kyogle Community Labyrinth has received a grant to create etched pavers for selected community groups.



Preschools, the aged, youth groups and Aboriginal community groups will be workshopping designs which will be lasered onto pavers to mark the pathways in the labyrinth at Alcorn Park.

This will boost the number of etched pavers already donated by the community by 300. The grant has been facilitated by the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal and Australia Post as the generous sponsor.

The Friends of the Labyrinth have been canvassing the community for months and many community members have designed pavers to be included in the labyrinth.

The final date for paver designs was supposed to be 20 September but that date has now been extended. Community members who want to be a part of this project need to get their paver designs in as soon as possible.

Kyogle Council has advised the Friends of the Labyrinth that they will begin site preparation in mid-November.

Exhibition to mark centenary of World War I armistice

The Kyogle RSL sub-Branch in conjunction with the Kyogle and District Historical Society will hold an exhibition at the Kyogle Memorial Institute Hall to commemorate the centenary of the armistice which ended World War One.

The exhibition will be open to the public from Wednesday 24 October to Saturday 17 November.

The Excellency General, the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (retired) Governor of New South Wales will officially open the exhibition at a private, invitation only, function before the public opening.

The exhibition will feature World War One memorabilia and the records of more than 800 Kyogle District soldiers who served in the war, many of whom lost their lives.



NSW Governor Sir Walter Davidson addresses children outside the Kyogle Shire chambers on 14 June 1918 during the very first Vice Regal visit to Kyogle. The current Governor of NSW, the Honourable David Hurley, will visit Kyogle to open an exhibition at the KMI celebrating Centenary of the World War I Armistice.



Roxy exhibition inspirational

Works by two local female artists who understand the power of being creative are on show at The Roxy Gallery throughout October.

The exhibition titled *Leader and Eadie* features the works of Philippa Leader and Jane Eadie and is evidence of how the act of being creative can transport the artist to other worlds.

Philippa Leader's body of work explores a spiritual relationship with the land and living things.

The beauty of the Northern Rivers area and the rural community where she lives close to nature and native animals provides inspiration.

Philippa has combined her love of nature with her passion for fantasy and fairy tales which has been an interest since childhood.

She is well known for her portraits and Healing Art images, having exhibited her works for 40 years in many parts of Australia while exploring a wide range of media.

In contrast, Jane Eadie uses broken objects to create mosaics that reflect and mirror reflection.

Her work explores shapes that are broken and are re-formed into a new beauty that reflects nature and precious objects.

The Leader and Eadie exhibition will be on show at the Roxy Gallery until 10 November.



Guardian of Freedom by Philippa Leader.



Wish You Were Here by Jane Eadie is one of the featured works on show at the Roxy Gallery as part of the Leader and Eadie exhibition.

Community Calendar

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.

October Twilight Bazaar

The monthly Kyogle Bazaar will take advantage of the start of daylight saving and will run as a twilight market in October.

The Kyogle Bazaar is held on the fourth Sunday of the month

at the amphitheatre park in Kyogle.

The October Bazaar will be held on Sunday 28 October and will run from 3-7pm. There will be a wide variety of stalls with many of the stallholders selling goods they produce themselves.

Festival of Small Halls concert

Acclaimed Canadian multi-instrumentalists Madison Violet and rising Kimberley star Harry Jakamarra will perform at the Mallanganee Memorial Hall Thursday 25 October as part of the Festival of Small Halls from. Doors open at 5.30pm. Tickets on sale at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com or at the door of not sold out prior. All proceeds from food and drink sales will be donated to Rotary's drought relief funding campaign.



Red Cross to hold disaster recovery training

Red Cross will conduct free community disaster recovery and preparedness training in Kyogle on Monday 12 November.

The training day will be held at the Kyogle Bowling Club and will run from 9am-5pm.

It will start with a one hour workshop

presented by Red Cross National Recovery Advisor Kate Brady on how communities can connect, prepare and recover from natural disasters.

Kate has worked on disaster recovery efforts in every state and territory in Australia, as well as with the New Zealand Red Cross after the Canterbury earthquakes in 2010.

Following Kate's presentation, there will be training on evacuation centre proce-

dures, for community members willing to volunteer in evacuation centres in Kyogle and surrounding districts.

The workshop and training are open to all, however for catering purposes, bookings are required by Monday 5 November, email cmartinez@redcross.org.au.

For further information call Cate on 6622 3361 or email cmartinez@redcross.org.au. Light refreshments will be provided.

Library news

Author visit

Patsy Kemp, Australian author of the memoir *Drover's Daughter*, will be visiting Kyogle library on Wednesday 14 November 2018 at 10.30am.

All invited to come along and listen to Patsy's story about her life travelling through north east Australia as one of seven kids with two adults, six horses, four dogs and 3,000 head of sheep.

Free morning tea supplied. RSVP to Kyogle library staff by Tuesday 13 November on 6632 1134.

Cyber Safety Workshop

Kyogle library will run a free eSmart Cyber Safety Workshop on Wednesday 31st October from 10.30-11.30am.

Learn how you can become eSmart, become more cyber aware and how you can take simple safety precautions so you're cyber safe when using the internet. Morning tea will be supplied.

Bookings are essential and close on Tuesday 30th October 2018. Phone Kyogle library staff for all bookings and further details on 6632 1134.

Halloween Pizza and Pages

There will be a spooky Halloween Pizza and Pages event at Kyogle library on Wednesday 31 October 2018.

The event is for tweens and teens (10 to 18 year olds) and will run from 3.30-4.30pm.

There will be free pizza, a Halloween make and take home slime craft and giveaways for everyone attending.

No bookings required, just drop-in and join in the fun.

Kids Club

Kyogle Library's Parents N Kids Club



Youngsters and their parents/caregivers enjoy a Start Together Story Time session at Kyogle library. Start Together Story Time is held at the library every Friday from 10-11am. It gives parents and carers a chance to share stories, rhymes and songs with their young ones (babies through to three-year-olds) in the company of others.

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.

The Kids Club operates from 10.30-11.30am.

Upcoming meeting dates: are Saturday 3 November and Saturday 17 November where kids will be able to paint a Remembrance Day poppy poster and have fun with Lego.

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).

No bookings required, just come along and join in the fun. For further details phone the library 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.

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 phone 6632 1134.

End of drought may result in WEED EXPLOSION

Weeds could potentially be a huge problem for the Northern Rivers once the drought breaks.

Interstate truck movements that bring in much-needed fodder are also potential carriers of weed seeds from other areas.

Parthenium weed has already been reported to be coming in from Queensland but as it is germinating diligent landowners are treating it.

Headers and farm machinery had to be taken apart and inspected before crossing borders, but the same due diligence isn't given to trucks transporting fodder.

Parthenium weed can be harmful to humans and livestock, and according to the Department of Primary Industries (DPI), it can cause respiratory problems, severe dermatitis, and can also lead to tainted meat and milk.

This weed is endemic to central Queensland and is spreading into the south of the state. Germination can occur at almost any



ABOVE: Parthenium weed. RIGHT: Tropical Soda Apple.

time of the year and the plants look very similar to Ragweed.

The seed is easily spread by machinery, livestock, produce and vehicles.

Another weed of concern is Tropical Soda Apple.

This weed invades pastures, watercourses, cattle camps and bushland. It outcompetes other vegetation and due to its prickles restricts the cattle's access to shade in

hot times.

Tropical Soda Apple has three main points of identification.

The young fruit are a striped green and ripen to bright yellow, the flowers are white and the 1m shrubby growth habit distinguishes it from its relative Giant Devils Fig that is usually around 3m high.

Parthenium weed and Tropical Soda Apple are notifiable, so call Rous County Council on 6623 3833 immediately for positive identification and to trace the source of the spread.



Council Meetings

Council Meetings: The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held on Monday 12 November 2018 at 5pm. Ordinary meetings are 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, 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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