

Council delivers \$536,126 in community grants

Kyogle Council played Santa Claus on Monday night, handing out 57 grants totaling \$536,126 to local community organisations, individuals and businesses.

Council approved 31 Community Resilience Grants worth \$500,000 and 26 Community Assistance grants totaling \$36,126 at its 12 December meeting.

The Community Resilience Grants were funded from the Local Government Recovery Grants and ranged from \$696.84 for the Friends of Etrick Hall Committee to buy a fire house connection to the hall through to a grant of \$36,291 for the Cawongla Playhouse to undertake repairs and improvements.

The Community Assistance Grants were awarded to a broad cross section of community and sporting organisations as well as three individuals for projects ranging from the construction of a handball court at the Risk Hall to equipment for the Kyogle and District Historical Society to digitize their records.

Kyogle Council Mayor Cr Kylie Thomas said the uptake of the grants showcased the passion of local volunteers and organisations for improving their communities.

Council received 94 applications valued at \$1.318 million across the two programs.

“We are pleased to be able to help our local groups with these grass roots projects that will make a real difference in the communities they serve,” Cr Thomas said.

“Unfortunately, we could not fund every application, but staff will work with the unsuccessful applicants to explore other options to fund their projects.”

To view the successful grant applications, go to the Latest Council News section on the front page of the Council website at www.kyogle.nsw.gov.au