



Kyneton Connect



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Backyard Growers fill a need



The Kyneton Backyard Growers continue to have an impact on the community by providing free fresh locally grown fruit and veg from the Lions Kiosk in the Kyneton Mechanics Reserve for the residents of Kyneton, and anyone who visits the town each Sunday 10am-12pm

The Growers have had their 16th week at their Fruit and Veg Share, and the local growers continue to delight and surprise the organisers and receivers every week.

As we head into the winter months the display has reduced slightly, but growers are still showing up with annual spinach, silverbeet, herbs, apples, chillies, Jerusalem artichokes, rocket, quince, rhubarb, pine mushrooms, feijoas and other treasures from the garden.

You don't have to be a grower or need to contribute anything, you can just go along and take whatever is on offer.

The premise of the weekly KBYG Fruit and Veg Share is to help feed all of Kyneton with the wonderful talents of our local growers. It is a place to share stories, connect with new locals, and maybe learn a thing or two about what something is and how to cook it. Remaining produce is dropped off to the Kyneton Food Bank or the Kyneton Community House.

Please come down or call Giovanni 0423772309 or Lenka 0425786377.

Changes south of the River

The town's major growth area Kyneton on Riverside (KOR) is undergoing significant developments both on-site and behind the scenes.

A civil contractor engaged by KOR has completed the new roundabout along Campaspe Drive.

The aim of this development is to ensure safer travel for residents and visitors alike.

KOR are now in the process of commencing preliminary works for the planned traffic signalization works along Mollison St.



The new roundabout along Campaspe Drive.

In addition to infrastructure advancements, the restoration of the original homestead nestled within Kyneton on Riverside is progressing well.

This restoration will ensure that the homestead's charm and character are preserved for generations to come.

Complementing this progress, the Council has completed vegetation works and maintenance along stages Four and Five, further enhancing the overall appeal and sustainability of the area.

Sue Love OAM



Malmsbury's Sue Love was announced as a recipient of a Medal of the Order of Australia in the King's Birthday Honours.

After she retired from teaching in the 1990s Sue volunteered at the Collingwood Children's Farm and was also involved in the community group who saved the House of the Gentle Bunyip in Clifton Hill.

Sue moved to Malmsbury in 2003 and among other activities has volunteered with the Malmsbury Town Hall Committee, the Village Fayre Committee, the Malmsbury Mail, Malmsbury Market and the Malmsbury Advance Association.

Sue has enjoyed the cooperative approach of the Malmsbury community which has certainly benefitted from her contributions and enthusiasm.

New Kyneton Connect Masthead coming

For all of its 18 years Kyneton Connect has used the masthead on this issue. The Kyneton Connect Committee has decided that as of this year's August issue it will change its masthead to the one below.

The editorial committee would like to thank Adam Cusack of Business Kyneton and now also a member of the Kyneton Connections Committee for developing the new masthead.



Parent-Child Mother Goose



The popular Parent-Child Mother Goose program has spaces available in its Kyneton baby group on Monday afternoons.

Mother Goose is a fun way to help your child's speech and literacy development through the joys of songs, rhymes and storytelling

As well as being great for your child's socialisation, the group can also be helpful for parents wanting to meet other parents with similar age children. There is also a toddler group in Kyneton on Thursday mornings.

If you are interested, contact Tracey Thiele on 54211666 or email tracey.thiele@scchc.org.au.

The sessions take place at 2pm at Sunbury and Cobaw Community Health at 1 Caroline Chisholm Drive.

Mindful Moves launch

The Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Action Group (MRSPAG) is about to launch a new initiative called Mindful Moves. This program has been designed to improve the physical and mental well-being throughout the Macedon Ranges community.

The project will run for a twelve-month period, with the first event to be held at 10am-12pm Sat July 6 at Buffalo Stadium in Woodend.

The events will be held monthly at different locations throughout the Macedon Ranges, to ensure accessibility for all community members.

The personal trainer for the launch event is Adrian Migani, a local Woodend resident who brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the program.

For more information, to become involved or to book a free ticket for the launch visit www.mrspag.com.au.

Kerbside soft plastic collection

The Macedon Ranges Shire Council is launching a shire-wide innovative soft plastics recycling collection pilot in July. The pilot program is an extension of the 12-month trial that took place in Romsey.

Residents and businesses using Council's kerbside collection service can recycle their soft plastic by collecting it in the Council-supplied orange collection bag and, when full like a basketball, place it in their recycling bin (yellow lid).

All soft plastic items that carry the Australasian Recycling Label (ARL) – Return to Store symbol or REDcycle logo are accepted in this trial.

Residents can collect an initial information pack for free from Council's customer service centres – which includes a letter, fact sheet, and 20 orange collection bags. Additional bags can then be purchased for a fee as required.

Residents and business owners can continue to take excess soft plastic to resource recovery facilities for free.

Judge applauds Flower Show

On Sat Apr 20, Elizabeth Oberin came to Kyneton to judge the Floral Art Section of Kyneton Autumn Flower Show. Below are her comments from the Floral Art Society newsletter:

"Kyneton has always put on a very nice show which includes the Horticultural Exhibits (cut flowers, vegetables, pot plants, the very colourful dahlias at this time of year and much more), as well as a lovely Floral Art Section.

"It was great to see they still have quite a number of people wanting to enter Floral Art, and the standard was certainly up to par which always makes judging a pleasure.

"I congratulate Kyneton's new committee on a great show, and wish them well for their shows in the future" Elizabeth said.



Hall guardrail temporary



A spokesperson for the Macedon Ranges Shire Council has advised Kyneton Connect that the guardrail recently placed next to the accessible car space at the Kyneton Red Brick Hall is temporary.

Prior to the Guard Rail being installed, the Council was notified that a number of patrons at the Red Brick Hall had fallen from the step into the accessible carpark, which prompted the introduction of several measures, including yellow line marking and the installation of tactile.

When it was identified these measures had not removed the issue, consultation was undertaken with members of the U3A to determine a preferred solution.

As an outcome of this consultation, the handrail works were installed as a temporary barrier to prevent any further falls from the step.

The Council is currently developing a detailed plan to ensure that the access and accessible parking at the Red Brick Hall is compliant and meets the needs of all user groups.

Grants for Youth Fest

On Jun 7 Member for Macedon, Mary-Anne Thomas announced local organisations were the recipients of \$2,000 each in grants to host events and activities led by and for young people in Macedon as part of Youth Fest 2024, to be held in September this year.

The recipients included Kyneton Community House: KCH Talent Fiesta to bring young people together from different high schools to enjoy an inclusive and fun evening; and Macedon Ranges Shire Council: Maker's Market will have live music performances, all led and co-designed by committees of young people.

Braemar College and Daylesford Secondary College also received grants.

New Zonta Club President

Local GP, Dr Annamarie Perlesz was installed as the new President at the Zonta Club of Kyneton's recent celebratory change-over dinner.

Zonta is an International Service Club that aims to improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women at a global and local level through service and advocacy.

Dr Perlesz was presented with the President's Pin by Area Director and Geelong Zonta Club member, Chris Denmead.

Dr Perlesz takes over the role from outgoing President Jenny Kerr.

During the celebration, long time club member Ronda Walker was acknowledged for her 30 years of mentorship to club members.

Ronda was Charter Kyneton President in 1994.

Also newly appointed to the Board were Leonie Penfold as Vice President and Maxine McKee and Sue Bruton as Directors. Jenny Kerr remains on the Board as Secretary.

Kyneton High School captain Olivia Hedge, this year's recipient of the Zonta Young Women in Public Affairs Award, was guest speaker at the dinner celebration. Olivia spoke about her successful sustainability projects in the 3442 postcode area.

Zonta Kyneton is well known for its many local awards and scholarships for student achievement in art, academic, sport and STEM studies.

Kyneton Zonta members also advocate against gender based violence; actively sew breast cushions for women with breast cancer and pack birthing kits to help women in poorer countries to give birth in a clean and safe environment. For more information about Zonta Kyneton email secretary@zontakyneton.org.au.



Maxine McKee, Sue Bruton, Chris Denmead, Annamarie Perlesz & Leonie Penfold

Changes to Hodge's Bridge



Speed advisory measures and load limit reductions are set to be implemented for a historical bluestone heritage listed road bridge in Edgcombe, to support its long-term viability and ensure safety of road users in the short term.

Hodge's Bridge is a circa 1880s structure located along Boundary Road, bordering both Mount Alexander and Macedon Ranges Shires.

Specialist assessments had found the bridge's structures have been deteriorating over the years. Interim measures will see the bridge's load limit reduced from 12 tonnes down to 2.5 tonnes, with an advisory crossing speed limit of 20km/h.

With a recorded low volume of traffic and only a small number of nearby residents, these interim changes will mean that vehicles under the new load limit will still be able to safely use the bridge, until a more permanent, long-term solution is investigated.

For vehicles over the load limit, detours will be in place via surrounding roads, with only minor delays expected.

Stationers making a difference

If you have journeyed via Kyneton Station on the third Sunday of the month you may have noticed a busy group wearing orange vests and working in the station garden beds.

These volunteers are locals keen to enhance community amenity and experience at the Kyneton Station.

They are part of the Stationers Program coordinated by Keep Australia Beautiful Victoria in partnership with V/Line, Public Transport Victoria and VicTrack, and initiated locally by the Kyneton Horticultural Society and Kyneton Rotary.

At the May working bee, the Kyneton Stationers planted 250 daffodil bulbs, weeded, mulched and collected litter.

Over winter the volunteers will be improving garden beds and making preparations for a spring planting of native shrubs and groundcovers to attract butterflies and native bees.

For more information and to be included on the email list to be notified of Stationers activities please email Maxine Gray maxcol@westnet.com.au or Wicked Weeders kynetonh1894@gmail.com

Willows and weeds removal

The Post Office Creek willows and weeds removal works near Johnson Crt are still continuing in the industrial section with the plan to have these done by the end of June.

The lower section has been mostly cleared and cleaned up, with a small amount of detailing still to be completed.

Revegetation works will be completed in the coming spring.



NAIDOC Week events 2024

Macedon Ranges Shire Council will host 2 NAIDOC events in Kyneton to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

A film screening of "Luku Ngarra – The Law of The Land". An extraordinary story of one Yolŋu man's 45-year life journey fighting for the political and spiritual freedom of his people. It will be shown in the Kyneton Mechanics Institute 7-9.30pm Fri July 5.

Also in the Mechanics Institute 1pm-3.30pm on Sun July 7 is a screening of *The Last Daughter*. Trying to reconcile her fragmented upbringing, an Aboriginal woman searches for the white parents who raised her before she returned to her birth family.

Councillors' Update



At the May Scheduled Council meeting we endorsed both the 2024-25 budget and action items for year 4 of the Council Plan. These are the final ones for this term of council.

We thank everyone who put in a budget submission late last year, and particularly those who followed up with verbal submissions and ongoing work with officers to build business cases to support their requests for funds.

Many changes occurred because of this.

We would like to highlight the inclusion of extra funding for planting of trees in the base budget this year and in future years, along with the addition of a permanent staff position to be team leader for our Botanic Gardens, Kyneton Community Park and Ecotherapy Park, as well as an apprentice horticulturalist.

Malmsbury Botanic Gardens was funded for more drainage works, whilst the Kyneton Botanic Gardens secured funding to do outstanding work on documents to supplement the existing master plan.

A short-term staff position was included to work on translating the Kyneton and Woodend flood studies into the planning scheme over the next few years.

The Kyneton Red Brick Hall, Mechanics Institute and Town Hall will be funded for designs to improve energy efficiencies either through gas appliance replacement, or transition to more efficient gas appliances where total removal of gas is not feasible.

Malmsbury Town Hall will get an electrical capacity assessment which, if able to be within budget, will allow for the installation of new electric ovens.

The Kyneton Sports and Aquatics centre will be getting a new lift.

Thank you also to all who provided submissions to the Kyneton Movement Network study.

Councillors recognised it really needed local on the ground input to be able to progress.

Watch out too for progression of the Kyneton Urban Design Framework (UDF) and take the opportunity to provide feedback on this also.

With these two key documents progressing in the background, we endorsed in the council plan to explore how we might be able to progress the Kyneton South Framework Plan further, which is currently awaiting completion of the Kyneton UDF and Network study.

Finally thank you to all who stopped to talk to us on Tue Jun 4 at our listening post.

The topic most people focussed on was the difficulties the hospitality and retail industry were having. We encourage everyone to shop local, and support our local cafes and restaurants, particularly mid-week.

We are so lucky to have such diversity on offer.

Stay well and safe and warm over winter.

Best wishes

West Ward Councillors

Jennifer, Janet and Mark

Sacred Heart College Kyneton – Celebrating 135 years

Sacred Heart College opened on Monday July 29 1889

“It is quite remarkable to reflect on the courage, vision and faith of the five Sisters of Mercy who arrived in Kyneton 135 years ago” College Principal Dr Darren Egberts said.

“I can scarcely imagine the differences that have occurred in education since that time, yet Sacred Heart College in 2024 maintains a direct link to these inspirational women through our shared Mercy heritage”.

Originally situated in Wedge Street adjacent to St Joseph’s Primary School and the Convent of Mercy, Sacred Heart College moved to its current site on High St in 1907.

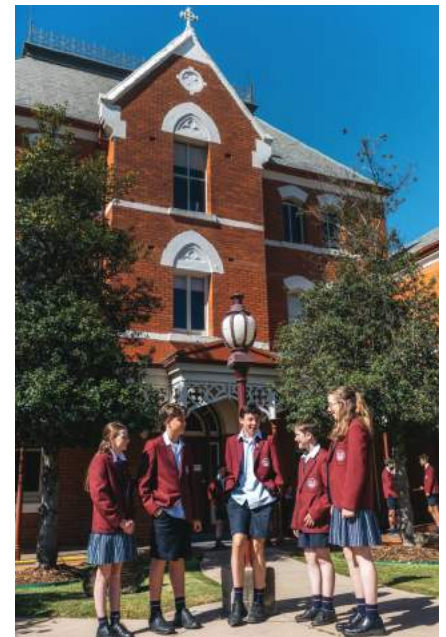
Over the next century, the school educated generations of young women and men, many of whom still regard the school and its teachers with great fondness and regard.

“Maintaining its rich history of Catholic education in the Mercy tradition, Sacred Heart College has embraced the challenges of 21st Century schooling through its commitments to exemplary learning and teaching, authentic relationships and holistic education.

“The core values of Mercy education – service, hospitality, justice, compassion, respect and courage – inform all aspects of College life and provide a clear link back to the lives and work of our founders.

“Sacred Heart College looks with expectation and enthusiasm to the future, one celebrated beautifully by the College’s motto, “Semper Fidelis”, Faithful Always” Dr Egberts said.

Information about the history of the College can be found on the archives page of the College website: www.shckyneton.catholic.edu.au



Students in front of the original three story section of Sacred Heart College today



1908 image of the original 3 story building.

Edgy Veg Award winners



Kyneton's Social Foundry café have won the café category of the 2024 Edgy Veg Awards.

Social Foundry won the competition with their Wild Mushrooms dish: *Truffle mixed mushrooms and kale with mixed seeds, pesto, porcini dust and avocado served on sourdough toast!* Yum. Jess, the manager at Social Foundry, said they sold a lot of the mushroom dish during the competition. If you haven't tried it yet, it will still be available on the specials menu for a while.

The winner of the restaurant category for the Edgy Veg Awards was the carry over champions from 2023, Flying Pigeon in Gisborne, with their XO Beans dish and coming in second was another Kyneton eatery, Fook Shing! Fook Shing wowed customers with their flavoursome Mapo Tofu.

The Edgy Veg Awards are run during the Autumn Festival with support from MRSC and MRSG.

Call for footpath policy change

Community group Kyneton Connections (publisher of this newsletter) is calling on the Macedon Ranges Shire Council to change its policy for sealing footpaths.

Kyneton Connections has told the Council that pedestrian safety is much better served by having sealed paths on one side of as many residential streets as possible (as opposed to both sides) so that pedestrians, mobility scooter users and those with prams and pushers are not forced to walk on often narrow roads at greater risk of being hit by a vehicle.

"Many streets in town, some in relatively new areas, have no footpaths on either side of the street and some where the footpaths are total black

pug bogs in wet weather will never have sealed footpaths under the Council's current policy" Kyneton Connections President Eric Dearthcott said.

Kyneton Connections have objected to recommendations of the Draft Kyneton Movement Network study which include a new sealed footpath on the West side of Victoria St between Mair & Beauchamp Sts immediately adjacent to the Showgrounds lower oval with no houses fronting it when the East side of Victoria St which serves residences already has a sealed footpath.

Kyneton Connections also opposed a sealed footpath on the South side of Epping St between Edgecombe St and Barton St when the North side has a sealed footpath and yet neither side of Barton, to which it leads, is paved. "One side of Barton St should be paved instead" Mr Dearthcott said.

Water Education

Coliban Water educators have visited Kyneton a number of times recently to deliver education sessions at Kyneton Kindergarten, Kyneton Primary School, Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School and at the Kyneton Library.

Over the last 18 months, approximately 350 young people, predominantly Prep – Grade 2, have been a part of Coliban's water and wastewater education sessions, where they have enjoyed stories, science, and even a bit of singing and dancing.

All this while gaining valuable knowledge about the natural and urban water cycle, how water changes states, the importance of our rivers, and how safe drinking water gets to their taps.

They also learned about what happens with the water after use in houses: the water flushed down the toilet and drains of homes - all in order to best protect the health of people and the environment.



Kyneton Community House



There are new courses on offer at the Community House in Term 3, including Introduction to Beekeeping, and Coil Weaving.

KCH are also taking expressions of interest for Beer Brewing and Cooking Classes.

A fantastic new program, SPICE: Across the Ages Community Playgroup will be starting on Fridays in Term 3.

The House is seeking mature adults & young families who are looking to create more community connections.

This innovative intergenerational playgroup will run as weekly sessions over term 3.

Trained professionals will bring people together with fun activities like dance, gardening, music and cooking tailored to the needs and abilities of the group.

The House is taking over the Walks for Carers program from MRSC beginning on July 5.

If you are a carer for a person with a disability, mental illness or aged person you are invited to join these monthly events to connect with other carers and to learn about supports available.

Meet at 9:45am (for a 10am start) at the Kyneton Botanic Gardens entry gates.

Afterwards participants are welcome at the House at 34 Mollison St for morning tea, a chat and a guest speaker.

KCH is embarking on the formulation of a 72-hour after emergency community plan.

The aim of this plan is to activate the community to come together to provide information and help with people's immediate need after the amazing services provided by our first responders in emergency events.

There will be facilitated community consultation sessions from late July. Please get in touch if you would like to be included.

What's New in Business

Monica Kyneton



Lindy Dray will assist at Monica

Monica was born out of a simple need—a quest for lingerie, bras, pyjamas, travel attire, and exercise gear that not only performed well but was also comfortable, stylish, and tested for quality.

Serving the Macedon Ranges, Monica aims to provide a personalised fitting experience for girls and women of all shapes and sizes.

“From your very first bra fitting, which marks a milestone towards maturity, to supporting your body through its various stages of life, the team at Monica is here to ensure each experience is not just memorable, but also enjoyable and comfortable, affirming our commitment to cater to your body's evolving needs” Cherie Walsh of Monica said.

Monica is at 176a Mollison St. Opening hours are Wed–Sat 10am–4pm. Mon & Tues by appointment. Ph 0456823349.

Friday night pizza is back

After a short break, the Piper Street Food Company's Friday Night Pizzas are back.

Every Friday between 5.30pm and 7.30pm you can pre-order and pick up your favourite pizzas.

Damian recommends ordering very early to avoid disappointment.

Feel free to order during the week or by Friday morning at the latest.

Pizzas are take away only.

You can pick up a menu instore or on Instagram @fridaynightpizzanight Piper St Food Co is open 6 days Mon – Friday 10-4 Saturday 9-2.

Shop 2, 89A Piper St Kyneton 54223553.

Home Grown on Piper

Kyneton locals Rob Short and wife Donna have taken over the cafe at 12-14 Piper St: Home Grown on Piper.

The cafe will continue to sell the great coffee and all-day breakfasts & lunches that it is known for. The friendly team there will always make you feel comfortable, and you can enjoy the real small cafe experience, if you are calling in for a meal or tea & coffee.

As the name suggests, all stock is accessed through local sources, and vegetables are 'home grown' on local farms and properties.

The cafe is open Wednesday to Sunday 9am - 3pm

Home Grown on Piper is on instagram and Facebook.

Phone 0425709236.



Pharmacy to move and change

Kennedys Health Save Pharmacy will soon be moving just a few doors along Mollison St to where the 'Hot Variety' was previously located and work has well and truly commenced in preparation for its new occupants.

The new bigger pharmacy will be under the franchise 'Whole Life Pharmacy' taking a holistic approach to our community's overall health and wellbeing.

The new pharmacy will also have a whole food section which will provide services for all aspects of health & wellness.

Even though the pharmacy name and location is changing you will still have the great service and the same team looking after you!

In anticipation of the relocation a "For Lease" sign has already been posted in the Kennedy Pharmacy window.

Garden Supplies new owners



Kyneton Garden Supplies at 9 Johnson Crt has new owners Michelle and Vaughan Hendry.

In April they took over the business which has operated in Kyneton since 2013.

Kyneton Garden Supplies have an extensive range of garden and landscaping supplies, firepits, wood stackers, raised garden beds and much more.

“Our aim is to grow the business, employing local people, whilst always trying to provide the best customer service we can offer.

“Our company has a family- owned approach as we have both been born and raised in the Macedon Ranges, which means our community is important to us.

“We provide a variety of products and continuously extend our product range - we also supply a delivery service including small & bulk deliveries throughout the Macedon Ranges, 7 days a week” Vaughan said. The Hendrys will continue Kyneton Garden Supplies' sponsorship of the Kyneton Football-Netball Club and the Kyneton Show.

Hours are 8am-5pm M-F, 8am-4pm Sa & 10am-2pm Sun. ph 54223188.

New location for CVGT

CVGT employment whose former Kyneton premises in Mollison St near the traffic lights was badly impacted by the December downpour, have reopened at 163 Mollison St.

CVGT is open Mon-Thu 9-5pm by appointment. Ph 132848.



Phone and computer repair

Tyrus Fares opened Kyneton Phone and Computer Repairs at 17 High St on Thu Jun 13.

Tyrus offers screen repair for phones, tablets and laptops, battery replacement, data recovery from water damage, game console repair, unlocking and used phones. He also retails phone and computer accessories.

Tyrus has a similar business in Gisborne.

Hours are 9.30-5pm Mon-Fri and 10-2pm Sat.

Ph 0478866898.



New dishes at Super Sushi

With the winter months upon us Super Sushi at 109 Mollison St has introduced a range of new hot dishes including a variety of Ramen dishes and Katsu Chicken to compliment their popular Japanese Chicken Curry and Miso soup offerings.

Super Sushi offers a range of sushi platters for meetings or party events and can respond to any local schools that are interested in having Super Sushi supply their school lunches.

Contact 4404 8637 for any enquiries,



www.supersushikyneton.com.

Mark and Danni owners of Super Suchi which has been open for 13 years next month.

Kyneton Pilates Studio



Kyneton Pilates have opened their Studio at 22 Market St.

The studio specialises in Reformer Pilates offering personalised classes that cater for the health and fitness goals of each individual in an inclusive fun environment.

You can book a class or make an enquiry via their website www.kynetonpilates.com.au.

Little Things Genealogy

After 40 years researching her own family tree and helping others do the same, Teresa Collis has launched Little Things Genealogy.

Whether you are simply curious about where your family came from or if you are looking for deeper insights into how your ancestors lived their lives, Little Things Genealogy can conduct local, national, and overseas research and supply detailed reports and essays.

Breaking down "genealogical brick walls" is a speciality!

Based in Kyneton, Teresa offers a free consultation to explore what you are interested in learning about your family, and how she may be able to help.

You can get in touch with Teresa via the Little Things Genealogy website, www.littlethingsgenealogy.com.au or teresa@littlethingsgenealogy.com.au



U3A Choir

U3A Kyneton provides a stimulating environment for Macedon Ranges residents who have retired from full time work, enjoy meeting people and want to keep active.

The U3A choir is one of U3A Kyneton's more dynamic and very successful activities and recently gave its first public performance for 2024 at the Social Foundry.

Known as the U3A Singers, the choir was re-formed after Covid with a generous grant from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council Community Development Fund.

This permitted the employment of Adam Przewlocki, a professional choir director who set the standard for the development of a performance choir.

In 2023 the choir performed at the Groovin Sixties Concert in the Kyneton Mechanics Institute.

This year further performances are planned for the RSL, R M Begg, Bupa and the Daffodil and Arts Festival.

The choir currently has twenty members and rehearses for two hours, with a break for a cup of tea, on a weekly basis.

Contact u3akyneton@gmail.com or call 0439360763 for further information.



Choir Director Adam Przewlocki with the U3A Choir in the Red Brick Hall

Kyneton Seniors honour boards

The Kyneton Senior Citizens Club's honour boards will take pride of place at the Mechanics Institute.

The Seniors thank all who have contributed to this happening.

They are a valuable source of history well worth preserving.

Club enquiries to Secretary Ray 0419124159.

Around the Galleries

At the Stockroom

98 Piper Street

Current Exhibition until 14 July

Guillaume Dillee

Distopia



Aconitine (toxic serie), 2023

David Doyle

Homage—an ode to the ancestors

Art on Piper 44 Piper St

The gallery welcomes three new members – Photography mentor and student of seven years, Mark Polson and his young, clever experimenter, Scott Maltese and mixed media artist and long time yoga teacher, Jahne Hope Williams joins us with her encaustic enhanced portraiture.

Betty Gibney's knitting and crocheting fills the guest room for June, with Christmas in July following, where many artists will feature their collectable handmade decorations and cards.

Open from 10 until 4 six days, closed Tuesdays through Winter. www.artonpiper.com

The Old Auction House

52-56 Mollison St

Daffodil Art Prize - artist callout

Artists are invited to enter the 2024 Kyneton Daffodil & Arts Festival Daffodil Art Prize which will be held at the Old Auction House.

There is \$2500 in prizes, with \$1000 for best piece with a daffodil, \$250 Prize in Open categories of any subject matter in Watercolour, Oil, Acrylic, Works on Paper, Photography and other Medium/ Sculpture. For more details visit the Festival website.

And At the Old Auction House

The gallery is full with a wide range of artists, themes, and upcoming exhibitions are:

Jun 6 - 29 Jul 29, "Clear Cut" – printmaking Group Exhibition

Jun 20 – Jul 7, "Decay"

Jul 11 – Jul 29, "Begin Again", Carmen Mazzarotta

Aug 1 - Sep 2, "Fragility" Olivia Sidaway

Aug 1 - Sep 2, "A dozen delightfully illustrated books by a dozen delightful artists!"

Lucy Wise and the Heart Songs Community Choir

Come to the Kyneton Town Hall at 7.30pm Sat Jun 22 for a special performance by Lucy Wise, accompanied by the Heart Songs Community Choir!

The Heart Songs choir was formed specifically for this project and consists of members from all over the Macedon Ranges.

This performance is a culmination of 10 weeks of choir rehearsals under the guidance of choral leader Andrew Price.

Lucy Wise draws on acoustic, traditional folk, roots and pop musical influences. She sings about growing up, love of all kinds, city life, country towns, beaches and bushlands. Her fourth album, 'Into The Blue', won Best Folk Work in the 2023 Music Victoria Awards.

To purchase tickets visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets or call 1300888802 (



Perform at Cabaret Night!

The Kyneton Theatre Company are inviting you to apply to perform at their next Cabaret Night:

"Let Me Entertain You" at 7pm Sat Aug 10 at the Mechanics Institute.

This year KTC are looking for upbeat, entertaining acts.

The songs don't have to be from musicals but they do need to be fun (no ballads or slow jams this year).

Also, no songs from the Theatre Company's upcoming musical *Legally Blonde*. But otherwise, anything goes (including 'Anything Goes')!

Apply to perform, via the website kynetontheatrecompany.com.au

Fingers & Toes Fest entries



Time rolls on and now is the time to look at the entry form for the Handweavers and Spinners Fingers and Toes Festival.

You can enter for the small cost of \$10.

The Festival is held at the Red Brick Hall, 23 Yaldwyn St West on Sat Sept 7, but entries close on Aug 6 AND entries to be delivered by Sept 2.

Haul out those needles and hooks and have some fun.

Check Kyneton Handweavers and Spinners Facebook page or email fingersandtoestestival@gmail.com for your entry forms.

Award Winning Scouts

The 1st Kyneton Scouts recently celebrated the presentation of Australian Scout Awards (ASA) to Loki and Kelley.

The ASA is the pinnacle of Scouting achievement and requires the Scouts to complete over an extended period several milestones across personal development, outdoor skills, as well as planning and leading an Adventurous Journey of at least 3 days and 2 nights.

Scouts are continuing to raise funds through wood raffles, sausages sizzles and can/bottle collection to help fund their Australian Jamboree 10-night adventure in Jan 2025, where they join 10,000 other Scouts from across Australia and the Pacific in Maryborough Qld.

Look out around town for other fundraising activities the Cubs and Scouts will be undertaking including the Monster Raffle as well as expanding their Container Deposit Scheme fundraising activity.

Friends of Black Hill

Friends of Black Hill held their first Get-Together/Working Bee for the year on Apr 7.

A small, but enthusiastic group met at the Reserve in the Autumn sunlight and carried out some basic maintenance including 'refreshing' signage at the front gate.

A short meeting was held and a shared lunch enjoyed.

Regular walkers at the Reserve will have noticed that the track work around the base of Black Hill, conducted by Macedon Ranges Shire Council has been completed.

This work has been well received and walkers can again enjoy going right around the base.

The group is always looking to increase membership and all enquiries are welcome.

For further information friends@blackhillreservekyneton.com or call Wanda on 0419301083.



VIEW coming to Kyneton

A group of enthusiastic women have been meeting for the last three months at the Kyneton Bowling Club to learn about VIEW Clubs of Australia.

VIEW which stands for Voice, Interests and Education of Women, is a national organisation who volunteer, fundraise and advocate exclusively for the national children's education charity, The Smith Family.

Planning is well under way to establish a VIEW Club in Kyneton with interest meetings held on the third Monday of the month at the Kyneton Bowling Club, 10am for 10.30am.

The next meeting is on Jul 15. For more information contact Lyn Geer on 0409145073.

Croquet - great for juniors

Kyneton Croquet Club is out to show croquet is not just a sport for older people.

In June, students from Candlebark School in Romsey took to the lawns and more schools will be coming later in the year.

The Club is hoping to hold a junior tournament later in the year.

The Club plays on Saturday afternoons from 1pm at their lawns



on the corner of Ebdon and Donnithorne Sts.

During the school holidays juniors are welcome to come on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

For more info call Graham on 0411707358 or look on facebook.

Horticultural Society

The Kyneton Horticultural Society elected a new Committee at its recent AGM:

They are pictured below: From left to right President - Melva Ryan; Show Manager/General Committee Nicola Turner; Outgoing Treasurer/General Committee Margaret Curnow; Incoming Treasurer Julia Monsborough and Secretary Michele Dearn.

KHS committee meets on the fourth Thursday of the month and is open to all members. Member nights are held on the 3rd Monday and are generally focused on guest speakers, garden visits and other horticultural based activities.

For enquiries contact Michele Dearn (kynetonh1894@gmail.com)



Big plant by Garden Friends

On a sunny autumn afternoon in early May some sixty members of the Friends of Kyneton Botanic Gardens planted over 3,200 varied bulbs in a range of colours ready for a swathe of brilliance along the Clowes St boundary in Spring.

For those not involved in the planting Dr Peter May, local resident, lead a tour of the gardens highlighting some of the significant trees.

A small cohort of keen member gardeners, in conjunction with Council gardens staff, have also held monthly working bees planting a significant number of woodland perennials, weeding various beds, raking leaves and enjoying each others company.

Monthly working bees will continue on the last Tuesday of each month commencing at 9.30am.

Members are asked to email margotsgardens@gmail.com

When visiting Mollison Street be sure to check out the FOKBG Community Window display 'Looking through the Gardener's Cottage Window'.



"For Sama"

The critically acclaimed documentary *For Sama*, by award winning Syrian activist, journalist, and filmmaker, Waad Al-Kateab, will be screening for two evenings in June courtesy of the Macedon Ranges Rural Australians for Refugees, MRRAR.

The film *For Sama* is a love letter by Waad to her one-year-old daughter in case she doesn't survive the conflict in Aleppo, Syria.

For Sama will be screened at Norma Richardson Hall, Woodend, Fri Jun 21 at 7pm, and at the Church of Christ, New Gisborne Sat Jun 22 at 7pm.



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Kyneton Events Calendar

Wed Jun 19	Kyneton Community Lunch 35 High St 12.30 (Every Wed during term)
Jun 21, 22,23	'Gaslight' Cathouse Players last week Masonic Centre
Sat Jun 22	Football-Netball Romsey v Kyneton away game Lucy Wise & Heart Songs Community Choir Kyneton Town Hall 7.30pm
Sun Jun 23	Backyards Growers Free Fruit & Veg Lions Kiosk 10-12 (every Sunday)
Fri Jun 28	"Reading and Writing Workshop" Kyneton Library 1-3pm
Sat Jun 29	Football-Netball Kyneton v Riddell Showgrounds
Fri Jul 5	Luku Ngarra—The Law of the Land Kyneton Mechanics Inst 7pm
Sat Jul 6	Football-Netball Macedon v Kyneton away game RM Begg Aux Craft Stall Bolton Hall 9-1pm
Sun Jul 7	'The Last Daughter' Kyneton Mechanics Institute 1pm-3.30pm
Wed Jul 10	Creative Kids 'Shadowland' Kyneton Town Hall 10am & 2pm
Thur Jul 11	Creative Kids 'Shadowland' Kyneton Town Hall 10am & 2pm
Sat Jul 13	Kyneton Farmers & Makers Markets St Paul's Park 8.30-1pm Kyneton Community Market Cnr Ebdon & Yaldwyn St West 8.30-1pm Football-Netball Kyneton v Melton Central Showgrounds
Sun Jul 14	Family Roller Skating Watts Pavilion 2pm
Fri Jul 19	Old Time Dance St Mary's Hall 7.30-11pm
Fri Jul 26	'Garage Girls' Kyneton Town Hall 7pm
Sat Jul 27	Football-Netball Diggers Rest v Kyneton away game
Sat Aug 3	Football-Netball Kyneton v Lancefield Showgrounds RM Begg Aux Craft Stalls Bolton Hall 9-1pm
Thur Aug 8	Vision Australia Aux Meeting Uniting Church 1.30pm
Sat Aug 10	Kyneton Farmers & Makers Markets St Paul's Park 8.30-1pm Kyneton CommunityMarket Cnr Ebdon & Yaldwyn St West 8.30-1pm Football-Netball Woodend-Hesket v Kyneton awaygame KTC Cabaret Night Kyneton Mechanics Institute 7pm

Kindergarten vacancies

If you are still looking for three and four-year-old kindergarten in 2024, the Macedon Ranges Shire Council still has limited vacancies available, so it's not too late to enrol.

Online registrations for three and four-year old kindergarten in 2025 are also now open.

The Council's kindergartens have highly qualified and experienced early childhood Teachers and Educators and beautiful natural features and outdoor play areas.

For information or to register online, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/kinder-rego or call the Enrolment Officer on 54220239.

Vision Australia meet Aug 8

Kyneton Friends of Vision Australia will meet at 1.30pm Thur Aug 8 in the Kyneton Uniting Church. Enquiries Kathy 0418145847.

RM Begg Auxiliary Stalls

The RM Begg Auxiliary's monthly craft stalls, will be held in Bolton Hall in Epping St 9am-1pm July 6 and Aug 3. from 9am – 1pm.

There will also be lots on offer, including toys, books, knitted goods, preserves, and cakes. The market in July will include a monster book sale .

Last week of "Gaslight"

Cathouse Players are now in residence at Kyneton's Masonic Centre, presenting their final week of performances on June 21, 22, 23, of playwright Patrick Hamilton's original version of *Gaslight*.

Tickets \$25/20 including interval refreshments. Companion card is welcome.

Bookings via www.trybooking.com/CNFM or please call Katie/Brian 0490485850.

Family Roller Skating Session



Princess on Skates will return to the Watts Pavilion at the Kyneton Showgrounds to again offer a family roller skating session on Sun July 14 from 2pm.

It will be a great day out for families to experience the joy of roller skating.

Full equipment is available for hire.

Never skated before? No worries, there will be workshops starting from the very beginner skaters, all the way to advanced skaters.

To book your place and for info visit www.princessonskates.com.au

Comedy at Newham

Direct from a sell out season at The Melbourne international Comedy Festival, "Welcome to Us" returns with a fantastic regional tour.

The opening night is at the Newham Mechanics Institute and promises much laughter and frivolity.

With sell out seasons at Melbourne Comedy Festival and The Butterfly Club, local actors Paul Canlan and Rexine Perry bring this successful show to the Macedon Ranges.

Show starts 8pm Fri Aug 9. Bar opens at 7pm. Tickets through try booking or call 0487619473.



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Festival fast approaching

This year's Kyneton Daffodil and Arts Festival will be held from Thu Sep 5 to Sun Sep 15 with the theme "All the colours of Spring".



The events spanning 10 days include Open Gardens, Art and Photography Exhibitions, Antique Fair, Festival of One Act Plays, Dog Dash, Live Music Performances, Ferret Racing, Community Lunch, Friday 13th Movie Night, Roller Skating, Drawing Class, Scarecrow competition.

The Festival culminates on Grand Parade and Fair Day on Sun Sep 15.

The after-parade fair will be held around the Mollison-High Street intersection and in the Mechanics Reserve.

Entries for the art competitions are open now and can be made through the Festival Website. Entries for the scarecrow competition, and the parade entries will be opening shortly.

The website is currently under construction and will be available for all other entries and ticket sales soon. For more information about the events of the Festival and how you can get involved visit the Festival website.

Shadowland – Creative kids school holiday program

At 10am and 2pm on both Wed July 10 and Thu July 11 the Kyneton Town Hall will host the Creative kids school holiday program's "Shadowland", an interactive workshop for children to design, create and play with their own shadow creatures inside the different shadow worlds of 10 domed tents set up inside Kyneton Town Hall.

To purchase tickets visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets or call 130 888802 (10am-4pm, weekdays).

Kyneton Show preparations

The Show Committee is deep into getting this year's 162nd Kyneton Show to be held on Nov 15 & 16 together – with all the usual displays, rides and events, as well as new attractions.

It's worth thinking about what you might enter in the wide variety of competitions – maybe a flower arrangement, a fruit cake or other craft. Or perhaps you have a pet to get ready for the kids' pet parade or a photograph that stands out for the photography competition.

There will also be the usual livestock competitions: fleece (both sheep and alpaca), stud sheep, poultry, and horses as well as the dog show on the bottom oval.

Life on the Land will be a highlight and of interest to all those new to living on farming and regional properties.

And don't forget the fireworks on Friday Carnival night – always a spectacular display – starting at about 9pm.

Show Secretary Josie Rutledge, says that Kyneton is one of the oldest and longest running Shows in Victoria.

"The Show can reach back 162 years at Kyneton – something we are very proud of.

"But more important, the Show is about connecting the people from around the district and putting on an event that will be remembered," she said.

For more information about the Show, competitions to enter, attractions, events and rides, visit www.kynetonshow.org.au



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