



Kyneton Connect



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Mechanics restoration

Member for Macedon, Mary-Anne Thomas with the Minister for Planning, Lizzie Blandthorn, has announced a grant of \$200,000 for conservation works to the Mechanics Institute.

The Council will also be committing funds of its own for the restoration.

The project has two phases, to be undertaken together over the next year to address major structural issues and future-proof the Kyneton Mechanics Institute:

Phase 1 is to carry out the roof works and fit out renewal. This will be Council's contribution to the Mechanics Institute future-proofing project.

Phase 2 is the subject of the \$200,000 Living Heritage Program Grant.

This phase will address the problems caused by the ground level which abuts the wall of the Kyneton Mechanics Institute, lack of subfloor ventilation and resultant rising damp problems at the floor level, and moisture build-up from the sunken downpipe connections and sub-floor ventilation grates.

Together, these works will remediate the building from past water issues, and ensure that it is able to cope with future events without damage to significant heritage fabric.

High School works progressing



The construction of Kyneton High School's new STEAM/Middle Years building continues to make progress despite delays caused by weather during the winter season.

Once the infrastructure below ground was completed, the progress became very visible; the addition of the second story, and then the roof, were dramatic changes and it was easier to gain a sense of the scale of the building design.

The building will provide new art and science classrooms, a commercial kitchen and food technology room, and general-purpose classrooms.

The new building, the first stage of the \$10.9 million project, is currently due for completion at the end of Term 2 next year.

The second stage comprising the refurbishment of Block J, the heritage building, will include new music and drama facilities; this is due for completion by October 2023.

Campaspe flooding at Kyneton

In comparison with many towns further north along the Campaspe the flooding adjacent to the River in Kyneton last week was not great.



Portions of the Riverwalk were under water and along the areas adjacent to Campaspe Place near the Kyneton Racecourse the banks were breached and a torrent of water flowed along that stretch. This took debris, some of it sizeable, into the Racecourse area causing damage to the racecourse including taking out a significant length of the outer rail.



Kyneton Racecourse was underwater on Thursday afternoon and while there was significant damage caused to the inside tracks, the course proper coped remarkably well.

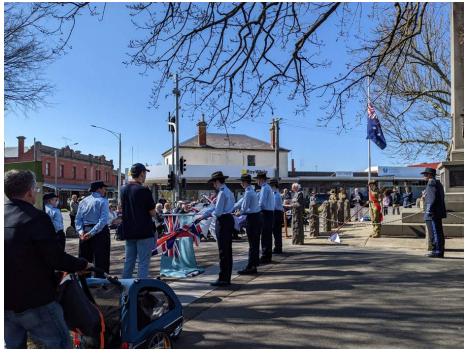
Kyneton Racing' CEO John Dight said that Kilmore Club have offered assistance to local trainers whilst the course is out of action for training.

Farmonline website reported a total of 110mm from Wed to Fri last week, with a record Kyneton October daily total of 83.6mm reported for the 24 hours to 9am on Thursday.



Minister Blandthorn with Mary-Anne Thomas, Cr Jennifer Anderson, CEO Bernie O'Sullivan, Shire Officers and regular users of the KMI

RSL Commemorations and activities



Following the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, the Kyneton RSL Sub-Branch, in conjunction with the Woodend RSL Sub-Branch, conducted a Memorial Service at the Cenotaph in Kyneton in her honour.

The ceremony was supported by cadets from both Braemar College and 430 SQN AAFC.

A crowd of about 80 people gathered for the service during which wreaths were laid by the two RSLs and other community organisations and individuals.

On Oct 31 the Kyneton RSL will commemorate Beersheba Day with a wreath-laying ceremony at the Light Horse Monument in Jennings St.

Another important day on the RSL calendar is Remembrance Day on Nov 11 marking the cessation of hostilities in World War I.

The Kyneton RSL will be conducting a ceremony at the Cenotaph in Kyneton to mark the occasion.

In the lead up to Remembrance Day, the RSL will conduct its annual Poppy Appeal with sellers outside Woolworths, in Mollison St and at the RSL.

If you wish to take part in the Poppy Appeal or want further information on either of these commemorative events, please contact the Kyneton RSL.

The Kyneton RSL continues to support community organisations with donations to U3A, the Kyneton Clay Target Club, the Kindness Collective, the Kyneton Croquet Club and Sacred Heart College.

A donation was also made to Gerard Noonan to assist with the purchase of a bugle for use on commemorative occasions.

Wild flowers at Black Hill

October to December is the best time to visit Black Hill Reserve and enjoy the colourful wildflowers. Be quick to see the *Indigofera australis* (pictured) which is rarely seen and much loved by wallabies and wombats.

The Friends of Black Hill Reserve will be undertaking flora surveys with Macedon Ranges Shire Council on Sat 29 Oct 1-3pm

This is a great opportunity to learn about local wildflowers with a focus on the threatened Clover Glycine. Community members are welcome to come along.

The Group is developing plant and animal monitoring plans, which will identify species to monitor, how and when, as well as how to store and share this vital information.

Members will have the opportunity to take part in monitoring significant species and see firsthand the differences being made, areas that need extra support and where activities can be concentrated.

The Friends will hold their 43rd AGM on Sun 13 Nov from 9.30 am onwards, at the rotunda.



Hot Variety closure

The closure of the Hot Variety store in Mollison St Kyneton after 8 years of service to the town is seen by many as a great loss. It was the place you went to find items that were unlikely to be stocked in other local shops and at affordable prices.

One of the reasons the owners cited for the store's closure was the inability to strike an agreement for an affordable rental.

It was a similar story a few years ago when Best & Less left the town leaving it without shop selling affordable basic clothing for children and adults.

Make and Mend workshop

While mending is one of the oldest rituals related to textiles many techniques such as darning, stitching and patching have been forgotten in our convenience-driven lifestyles.

On Fri 4 Nov 2-4pm the Kyneton Library is inviting people to come along and meet with others to share simple mending skills and help keep textiles out of landfill.

Sock darning demonstration included. Bring along an item to work on: buttons to be sewn on, hems to be re-stitched, socks to be darned etc.

BYO supplies if you have them.

No bookings required.

Replacing your damaged bin

If your bins are damaged, lost or stolen, the Macedon Ranges Shire Council will repair or replace them at no charge.

Repairs and replacements are usually completed during your next two collection days.

To report damaged or missing bins, call the Council's customer service team on 54220333 or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/bins

Bin clips for sale

Is litter spilling from your bins? The Macedon Ranges Shire Council has bin clips available for purchase from its customer service centres for \$20 each.

Bin clips are easy to use and help you to secure lids during strong winds and prevent animals from getting into your rubbish.

The clips release automatically when emptied into the rubbish trucks.



Connect needs delivery help

A couple of our Kyneton Connect letterbox delivery helpers are no longer able to assist.

If you could help deliver Kyneton Connect to local letterboxes for about a hour on the third Wednesday or Thursday of every even month, please call Eric on 54222990 or email edearricott@bigpond.com.

Applause for Festival



Kyneton's streets were teeming with people on Sun Sep 11 with the Daffodil & Arts Grand Parade attracting more than 5,000 spectators and an enormous number of entries. Visitors and community members enjoyed the great display with many saying it was the biggest and best parade and crowd they had seen.

People were thrilled to have the Parade back after a 2 year spell, with a great variety of entries including old favourites, bands and many new groups such as the Rainbow Voices Community Choir, Body Bop from Lauriston Hall and the Freemasons.

People were also excited by the Waidoko Rindo Japanese drummers and to see the Mad Max Interceptor. The Festival Royals were King Mark James, owner of Donkey in High Street and Queen Eva Thieu at the time working for Animus in Piper Street. Also meeting the community were this year's Princesses and Princes Kyneton Primary School's, Princess Molly and Prince Alfie and Our Lady of the Rosary Primary's Princess Mabel and Prince Miles.

People were also delighted to see the crew of Gardening Australia filming Festival activities with Costa Georgiadis and Milly Ross viewing the Parade from the front of the Town Hall and chatting with spectators before proceeding to the Festival Fair. Gardening Australia was in Kyneton on Sun Sep 11 and also on Mon 12 when they filmed at one of the



Costa interviews Festival Secretary Marg Dearricott

Festival's Open Gardens.

In late November Gardening Australia are likely to feature the Festival in their popular program shown at 7.30pm on Fridays on ABC TV.

The Festival Fair after the Parade was held in the Old Kyneton Primary School grounds. Thousands of families and fairgoers crowded into the space to experience games and entertainment.

Fortunately rain stayed away although the grassed area was wet underfoot but people were happy to take in choir music and dancing, the roving entertainers, to visit Farmer Darryl's farm and to see the Central Victorian Lion Dancing Team and the thrilling performance of the Waidoko Rindo Japanese drummers.



Also popular was the climbing wall which safely provided young people with an adventure.

"We were amazed and delighted at the thousands of Fair visitors" organisers Eric Dearricott and Peter Henderson said.

The school grounds were made available to the Festival by site managers Working Heritage.

The Festival Committee hopes to be able to use the area for the Fair in future years.

The 2023 Festival

Planning for the 2023 Festival will start at the Festivals Annual General Meeting to be held in the Mechanics Institute on Tues Dec 6 at 7.30pm.

Festival President Peter Henderson encourages new helpers to come to the AGM.

"We need to swell our numbers with new helpers especially as Secretary for 18 years Marg Dearricott, and Treasurer of 16 years Eric Dearricott will be stepping down from those positions even though they will continue to assist" Peter said.

Vale Rheita Moloney



Rheita Moloney, for many years a co-editor of this newsletter passed away on August 26 after a brief illness.

She was ninety-one, but until her last two months fitter than most 50 year olds.

Until June this year on most days she walked 4km along the Campaspe River Walk and in mid-June folded Kyneton Connects and did her letterbox deliveries of Kyneton Connect in Carlsruhe.

A very private person, from the moment she moved to Kyneton 30 or so years ago Rheita quietly involved herself in helping others through many of the town and district's organisations.

She was always willing to help out at the drop of a hat.

Just some of the other organisations she helped included: RM Begg Aged Care, the Uniting Church Op Shop, Red Cross, Kyneton Community & Learning Centre especially in helping people learn to read, Cobaw Community Health, the Horticultural Society Flower Show, the Visitor Information Centre, Vision Australia, conducting bus tours of Kyneton, "Sharing the Caring" palliative care assistance, driving patients to appointments in Melbourne and Bendigo, the Daffodil & Arts Festival, the Antique Fair, the Festival of One Act Plays and many more.

In keeping with her private nature, at her request, her family organised a funeral private service for Rheita, but on Sept 5 her local friends got together with her sister Elaine at the Kyneton RSL to celebrate Rheita's life and friendship.

Kyneton Connect thanks **Ray White Kyneton** of 2 High Street for its sponsorship of this issue by generously meeting the cost of its production.

West Ward Councillors' Update



It's Spring and we are waiting patiently for the sunshine but fortunately it did clear enough for the Kyneton Daffodil and Arts Festival.

Many people are still feeling on a high following it's success, and rightly so as people say it was the biggest festival they have ever experienced. And the best.

A huge thank you to all the committee and volunteers involved. Special mention to Marg and Eric Dearthcott for their many many years of leadership and dedication.

Speaking of volunteers and those doing wonderful work in the community, the Macedon Ranges Australia Day Awards Community Nominations are open this month and nomination forms will be placed on Council's website.

Please consider nominating someone you know so we can celebrate and recognise them and all that they have achieved.

Groups can also apply for funds to assist with community events on Australia Day.

Speaking more about the topic of celebrations, this month we recognised many talented and caring young people in our Shire with an awards evening which has been going since 2006.

It was lovely to see family and friends out proudly supporting all the nominees, performers and those that won, so a big congratulations to you all and Council's youth team and youth presenters on the night.

October is also the month of celebrating Seniors throughout the state, and Council is again celebrating these achievements of our older residents and recognising the important contribution they make in so many ways. Thank you to all those who nominated people.

We are aware that the challenging weather conditions are having an impact on our roads and drains. Council manages 870km of sealed roads and 780kms of unsealed roads

and we have a program of continual maintenance with criteria for Council's level of service and intervention levels. We realise in these conditions that some roads are requiring more attention. Please report issues to the mrsc@mrsc.vic.gov.au so it can be officially recorded and actioned.

Although it is wet, we still need to be prepared for the summer period to come and we hope people are thinking about fire prevention and preparing properties.

There are a new set of fire ratings (four instead of six) that are being introduced nationally.

The signage and information is being changed, so please familiarise yourself with this.

Council continues to clear fire access tracks from the storm damage last year and is being careful noting conservation areas.

We ask that you consider the importance and fine balance between fire safety and protecting our native vegetation which is also very important.

We are pleased to see the Goldfields Libraries installed Traditional Owner acknowledgment plaques at the libraries across the Shire. This was supported by Council.

In June Council hosted a community round table discussing our Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) and the importance of signage was discussed. This group is continuing to meet and we continue to implement actions in our RAP.

Although we are heading towards the final months of the year, there are still some events on over the next few months, particularly from the environment team including a koala count in November.

Just a reminder that Council has many e-news that share information about activities and you may like to register to receive them via the Council Website.

Best wishes

Crs Janet Pearce, Jennifer Anderson, and Mark Ridgeway

Cod Opening

Kyneton Angling Club is gearing up to run its annual Cod Opening event at Bridgewater on Loddon between Fri Dec 2 and Sun Dec 4.

There is a \$250 prize with all registrants eligible.

Registrations on site open at 4pm on Fri Dec 2 and close at 4pm Sat Dec 3.

The comp runs from Fri at 4pm to Sun 10 am. You must register on site to qualify for the prize.

Registration is free for Juniors 16 and under, Heroes of KAC, and volunteers. Club members \$30 all others \$45.

Prizes and trophies will be awarded for various categories including: Best Fish, Best Aggregate (Junior and Open) Mystery Length, Best Other Fish, Biggest Carp, Kyneton Club members' prize and more.

For more information call John on 0419397936 or see the Angling Club's Facebook page.

430 Squadron recruiting for 2023

Temporarily based at the Kyneton Scouts' Hall at 23 Franklin Place, while waiting for the Drill Hall refurbishment to be completed, 430 SQN Australian Air Force Cadets are now recruiting for 2023.

The Australian Air Force Cadets will recruit from now through to 31 March 2022.

Potential recruits 12.5 years - 16 years are eligible to join now.

For more information on how to join this premier youth aviation-minded organisation, go to the Air Force Cadets website or email aa430sqn@cadetnet.gov.au

An Information Night will be held at the Scout Hall on Fri Oct 28 at 7pm. Expressions of Interest from any adults interested in a rewarding experience as an airforce cadets staff member are also most welcome.



The Nov 26 State election

The Victorian State elections for both lower and upper house seats will be held on Sat Nov 26.

Although nominations are yet to close, the election process and some candidates for our Macedon Seat are already known.

The main voting day is Sat Nov 26 when in person voting will take place between 8am and 6pm.

On polling day most people will vote in their own electorate, but you can vote at any booth in the State.

Early voting polling booths for those unable to vote on election day will be open from Mon Nov 14.

The Victorian Electoral Commission has said that it will announce the location of polling booths on Nov 2.

People can also vote by post. From Nov 2 they can apply for postal votes either online or using a paper application form from Post Offices.

Candidates for the Macedon seat of which *Kyneton Connect* is aware are current Member Mary-Anne Thomas, Labor, who lives in Kyneton and has been the MLA for Macedon since 2014; Dominic Bonanno, Liberal, from Gisborne South, who works in the Technology industry and has been a Macedon Ranges Shire Councillor since 2020; Marley McRae McLeod, Greens, a current student of Psychology and Gender Studies at The University of Melbourne and Dr Iris Bergman, Animal Justice Party.



Mary-Anne Thomas

Dominic Bonanno



Marley McRae McLeod

Iris Bergman

KTC's "We Will Rock You"



Across November the Kyneton Theatre Company will present 'We Will Rock You' in Kyneton's Bluestone Theatre.

After a near sell-out season of *Mamma Mia* in March, the Kyneton Theatre Company is again showcasing the talent of our region.

Grab your ticket to rock out to hear classic Queen hits (Under Pressure, We Are The Champions, Bohemian Rhapsody, Somebody to Love, Crazy Little Thing Called Love, Killer Queen and lots more) and enjoy a great show. Fri Nov 4 - Sun Nov 27.

Toilet and barbeque strategy

Macedon Ranges Shire Council is inviting community feedback on its draft Public Toilet and Barbecue Strategy to guide the future planning and management of public toilets and barbecues across the shire.

The strategy will help Council make sure residents and visitors are provided with accessible, safe and well-maintained public toilet and barbecue facilities by identifying and guiding: the ongoing management of facilities; planning for upgrades of existing facilities and where new facilities are most needed to meet community needs in the future.

Deadline for submissions on draft Public Toilet and Barbecue Strategy is Oct 31.

It can be viewed Online or by visiting a Council service centre.

Editorial Comment:

Kyneton Connections, publishers of this newsletter strongly believes the Kyneton needs public toilets in Quarry Reserve at the bottom of Piper St, and the re-establishment of toilets within the main area of the Kyneton Botanic Gardens.

Community House Activities

Twilight Festival & Market

The Kyneton Community House's Kyneton Twilight Festival & Market is returning after a 2-year break.

Join them for an afternoon of market stalls, food, wine and entertainment at the Kyneton Mechanics Reserve, Saturday December 3rd from 3-7pm. They have some amazing stallholders lined up and are looking forward to a great time.

Addition to the Community Lunch

Community Lunch has enjoyed a great term in the new space, the Good Food Hub, at 35 High St on Wednesdays at 12.30pm. The House is pleased to advise that EFTPOS is now available.

On Tuesdays 12-1.30pm the Good Food Hub for people to choose something from their Small Bites menu.

This menu is designed and delivered by students from the House's Everyday Employability course in conjunction with industry professionals.

The aim of this program is to train students in both front and back of house roles in Hospitality to set them up for future employment.

Items on offer include toasties, soup and other seasonal items.

Other Programs

This term has seen the beginning of a new course, Carpentry for Beginners.

Local furniture maker Emily Dellios is the teacher.

The course aims to teach students use of both hand and power tools while making a range of small projects. Please put your name on the waiting list if you'd like to be part of the next offering.

During most of this year the Community House has run a great project in conjunction with Healthy Loddon Campaspe and MRSC called Healthy Eats & Growable Treats.

The project involved the creation of videos showing easy and budget friendly ways everyone can make a healthy meal or get a vegetable garden going.

These videos are now on the House website for all to enjoy and learn.

Printable recipes and instructions have also been provided.

What's New in Business

Mignone Cakes



Monica Mignone with husband Chris

Mignone Cakes is a boutique cake shop founded by previous Masterchef contestant, Monica Mignone.

What started as a small custom cake business in her house 3 years ago is now a little cake shop at 37 High St. During the day, it is a shop front where you can come by to purchase cake by the slice, cupcakes and cookies, and by night, it is a space Monica uses to bake and decorate her custom wedding and event cakes.

Fitted out with vintage style display cakes, disco balls, original retro prints, mismatched cake stands from op shops and 70s music playing on repeat, Mignone Cakes is a place for young and old alike.

There are a range of different sized take away and gift boxes or if you want to eat in, you are welcome to BYO drinks to enjoy with your treats.

Opening hours are Wed-Fri 10-4pm, and Sat & Sun 10-2pm (Weekend hours may vary slightly depending on wedding cake deliveries for that day).

Professional Home Organiser



Local Mum of four, Catherine Carney, recently launched her business *Catherine Carney Professional Home Organiser* which specialises in decluttering spaces and creating

functional home organisation systems.

Catherine services all household dynamics within the Macedon Ranges – including busy families, retirees, and NDIS participants who require assistance to make their homes functional, accessible, and set up in a way that promotes independence.

If you'd like to schedule an appointment, call Catherine on 0427182122 or email her at catherinecarneyhomeorganiser@gmail.com

The Donkey's Tale



Kyneton again has a specialist toy shop.

On Sat Oct 15 The Donkey's Tale opened for business at 46 Piper St.

The store owned by Anne and Stuart Trail sells a wide range of children's toys, games, books and clothing.

The toys have a sustainability focus with many of them wooden.

The Trails have another Donkey's Tale store in Daylesford.

Opening hours are 10am-4pm Wed-Sun.

You can find out more about the Donkey's Tale on their Website and Facebook.

Float Tank

Chiropractic Life have recently launched their new Float tank located within their 47 High St building.

The float tank is a large fibreglass pod with over 500kg of epsom salts dissolved in water that is kept at a constant relaxed skin temperature of 36 degrees.

The density of the solution gives the individual an experience of total weightlessness.

Sensory deprivation float tanks reset the body's hormonal and metabolic balance, strengthening resistance to and accelerating recovery from the effects of stress, illness, injury or strenuous exercises.

They are very popular with athletes and people with mobility issues.



Call 44118944 or email kyneton@chiropracticlife.com.au to find out more or to make a booking.

The Kyneton Springs Motel

What was formerly the Gingerbread Motel at 101 Piper St is now known as the Kyneton Springs Motel.

The motel has been renovated and expanded, offering guests a truly unique lodging experience.

As you drive down Piper St, you will be greeted by a striking new street sign resembling a classic motel sign from the 1960's.

This reimagining of a timeless roadside motel offers comfortable and affordable accommodation with 20 individually curated rooms, daily breakfasts, and availability for special event bookings.

Owner Cathy Foote looks forward to the finalisation of the renovation with all rooms to be open in late November.

"We have worked incredibly hard to ensure that we met the comforts and needs of a modern traveller, while providing them a unique and nostalgic experience not found in many places." Cathy said.

"We are determined to maintain affordable accommodation pricing so people can maximise on the fun."

Along with the motel experience, the addition of food, cocktails, live music and other events are on the horizon and will be open for the general public to enjoy.

Room bookings can be made now at kynetonspringsmotel.com or for general enquiries call 54221098.



Zonta says NO to violence

Wed Nov 25 is the International Day for the elimination of violence against women and Dec 10 is Human Rights Day.

The 16 days that begin and end on these dates are recognised internationally as the '16 Days of Activism' to prevent violence against women.

In Australia, on average, one woman a week is murdered by her current or former partner and intimate partner violence is the leading cause of death, disability and illness in Australian women aged 18-44 years. Statistics prepared by Women's Heath Victoria show that of the reported sexual offences against women in Macedon Ranges during 2020, the offender was known to the victim in 77% of cases.

This year, the Zonta Club of Kyneton continues working with several other community organisations, through Macedon Ranges 16 Days of Activism Working Group, to raise awareness of gender-based violence, challenge discriminatory attitudes and encourage community-based support for those living with violence.

For the 16 Days of Activism the Zonta Club is planning a display in the community window in Mollison Street highlighting the impact of violence against women. Zonta will also have a pop up event at the Social Foundry Café in Kyneton on Dec 3 at 10.30am.

Come along and learn more about 16 Days of Activism to prevent violence against women, while sharing a cuppa and cake with Zonta's passionate Club members.



Zonta members wore orange to mark 16 Days of Activism in 2021

Greenhill to Black Hill Biolink

Have you ever seen a platypus in the Campaspe, or a Koala at Black Hill Reserve?

Sadly, sightings of these iconic animals are becoming rarer and rarer, but a group of landholders whose properties stretch from Greenhill to Black Hill Reserve are working to change that.

The first phase of the Greenhill to Black Hill biolink, involves the

collaboration of 37 landholders with Biolinks Alliance, a Central Victorian organisation that coordinates and amplifies community driven conservation on public and private land in pursuit of a thriving future for people and nature.

Working together across over 3000 hectares of diverse land, this community-led ecological restoration project is working to: • improve the water quality of the Campaspe to provide refuge for Platypus • protect large old trees to see increased populations of Koalas and the Brushtailed Phascogale • improve remnant native grasslands along the Campaspe • stabilise and increase the Growling Grass Frog population • work with Traditional Owners to integrate First Nations culture and wisdom.

The community are invited to support this vital work through getting involved with the Treasures of this Land fundraiser which includes a raffle, exhibition, and art auction in aid of animals and plants facing an uncertain future across the Macedon Ranges.

The Treasures of this Land exhibition will run on weekends 11am-5pm until Nov 6 at Kyneton Ridge and feature artworks from nationally and internationally acclaimed artists

For more information about the exhibition, art auction or raffle visit www.biolinksalliance.org.au/treasures.

Malmsbury Village Fayre

This year's Malmsbury Village Fayre will be held on Sun Nov 20 at the Malmsbury Botanic Gardens. Festivities begin at 10am with a wrap up at 3pm.

The theme this year is 'Bush Fairyland' so dust off your wings and sparkling wands for a day of fun for the whole family including activities



for kids, over 50 craft stalls, food vans and music.

Entry is by gold coin donation.

Visit the Fayre website for more information.

Kyneton High alumni program



Kyneton High School is running a highly successful alumni program where former students of the School return to tell current students about their post-school lives:

Nurse and Midwife Gabrielle McKenzie

It was a treat for Kyneton High students to have alumna Gabrielle McKenzie, class of '17, visit the Year 11 Health and Human Development class to talk about studying a double degree in Nursing and Midwifery, and her experiences as a first-year graduate working as a midwife in the Special Care Unit.

Gabrielle helped students with their lesson on pregnancy and pre-natal development, passing on practical advice and knowledge from her current experience working as a midwife, whilst answering student questions about pregnancy, labour, birth and her time at university.

Teacher Jane Strickland said "Gabrielle was an absolute pleasure and delivered fantastic engaging information. The students found the session incredibly interesting and valuable."

Piper Street Wine Company

The Piper Street Wine Company opened for business at 70 Piper St on Thur Oct 6.

The wine merchant, bar and beer garden will initially open Thu-Sun 11am-late, but will extend its opening days as time progresses.

A spacious outdoor area has been created at the rear of the business. The wine bar opens into the premises that was formerly Source Dining and will soon be running dinners in that area with guest chefs.

Around the Galleries

Art on Piper

Romsey watercolour painter, Gillian Gorrie has joined Art on Piper, adding her expressive local landscapes plus pen and ink drawings to its creative offerings.



Gillian's wide-ranging skills are evident in her brushwork and mixing of the medium, originally inspired from her pottery business.

Find Gillian's framed and matted paintings, drawings and cards among the delightful creations by 22 talented locals, which include paintings, photography, textiles, jewellery, ceramics, wood, origami, glass, mosaics, and unique cards by many makers.

The Old Auction House

Pretty Posy – Group Exhibition

Artists: Anna McGrath, Clara Smith, Denise Martin, Helen Topfer, Janet DiPilla, Jenny Chester, Parita Thakkar & Sharon Greenaway

Recently hosting Daffodil & Arts Festival's Art Photography Exhibition.



Winning photo 'My Space' by Gina Auciello

At the Stockroom 98 Piper Street

Open Thurs- 10.30-5pm Sun 11 3pm

Upcoming Exhibition from 22 Oct at 6pm to 27 Nov

Gallery One - *We are all Crackpots*

Cecilia Fogelberg *Pot with Ears* – woven natural and died raffia and *Woman with mask and ears gouche* and watercolour

Gallery Two-Laetitia Olivier-Gargano *Making sense of nonsense*

Ceramic Space-Pip Byrne–*To the River*

Kyneton Historical Society

The Kyneton Historical Society recently celebrated its 71st anniversary. It formed on Oct 8, 1951 making it the oldest society in Regional Victoria.

The home of the society is at 75 Piper St where they hold extensive archives of documents, photographs, newspapers, maps, family histories, old ledgers from the former Shire of Kyneton that contains names and locations of residents.

The Society also holds collections relating to past groups of the town and also specialised collections of past family dynasties.

Volunteers assist with the mammoth task of indexing and cataloguing this vast collection.

It is a consuming task - more volunteers would ease the burden.

The Society is always appreciative of donations of items pertaining to the past, and urge anyone having a clean out, before disposing of items to bring them into the Society to assess whether they are significant.

The Society also provides background information for groups, and others celebrating milestones.

At 75 Piper Street on a Saturday members of the Cemetery Trust are on hand to answer inquiries about where loved ones are buried, and the two groups together provided a one stop shop for complete details.

People are encouraged to become a member of the Society either in the capacity of silent or active.

A bi-monthly 8 page newsletter is produced to keep all informed of what is happening and to events in the community that can be related to the past to the present.

The Society is looking for volunteers with skills to update its webpage and offer advice on other social media, that would benefit it.

Opening hours at 75 Piper St are Sat 9am to 1.30pm, Tues 9am to 1pm (Feb-October), Appointments or enquiries 0418545648 or email kynetonhs@hotmail.com.



Society's Kevin Gill, Colin Smith, Cathy Heenan, Larina Strauch and Mal Closter

School Leavers Program

Windarring are now offering a new NDIS School Leavers Employment Support (SLES) program to current students and recent school leavers with a disability to develop their skills, confidence and independence.

This program is flexible and individualised, as each client will have a different career journey.

Windarring, has already established ADE (Australian Disability Enterprise) businesses to explore career opportunities in a safe and supported environment, as well as utilising its community partnerships and thinking outside the box when it comes to employment.

For more information contact Windarring ph 54227001 or email: admin@windarring.org

Redesdale Art Show

After a five-year hiatus, the Redesdale Art Show, and Craft & Produce Market is back.

The exhibition launches on Fri Oct 28 at 6pm at its new venue, the Pavilion at the Agnes Mudford Reserve, highlighting the works of regional artists and sculptors.

A small \$10 entry-fee will get you into the opening night celebration till 9pm with drinks and canapes. A silent auction will also be held.

The Art Show continues over the weekend 10-4pm Sat29 & Sun 30 Oct. Gold coin donation entry.

On Sat 10-2pm a craft & produce market on the reserve will feature beautiful and original handicrafts and delicious food items from rural Victoria.

For further details call 0418583304.

Trail rides

Sun Oct 23 – Fryerstown Ride will leave at 10 a.m. and have a stop for a BYO saddlebag lunch. Distance will be 20 -25 km.

Sat and Sun Nov 26 & 27 the Kyneton Trail Riders Club will be offering a half day ride on the Saturday and a full day ride on the Sunday plus a BYO BBQ and camping opportunity on the Saturday night at Glenlyon recreation Reserve.

The Saturday ride will leave at 1 p.m. 10 km.

The Sunday ride 10 a.m. 20 km BYO saddlebag lunch. The camping will be BYO everything.

Text Erin to book in for both rides and let her know which options you are choosing 0407401406.

Budburst 2022



Macedon Ranges Wine & Food Festival – Budburst returns Nov 18 -20.

You can celebrate the Festival opening in style on Fri 18 Nov at Budburst Blooms, which brings the cellar door to you at one of 3 Budburst Bloom hubs across the Macedon Ranges.

The Kyneton Hub is The Piper Street Wine Company 70 Piper St. This event is a great chance to pick up your wine tasting glass, event passport and start the Budburst journey by speaking directly to some of Macedon Ranges' more artisanal winemakers whilst sipping on local top drops and grazing on a selection of small bites.

On Sat 19 & Sun 20 Nov 10am-5pm you can visit many of the region's family-owned, small-batch winemakers while enjoying tastings, curated menus featuring local produce, art shows, sculptor walks, live music and much more.

Two festival hubs will be set up across the weekend featuring a number of pop-up cellar doors from makers off the beaten path. The two festival hubs are: The Kyneton Hotel in Kyneton and the Cosmopolitan Hotel in Trentham. For more details visit the Budburst Festival website.

Auxiliary raises \$31,000

Members at the recently held AGM of the Auxiliary of RM Begg Kyneton Aged Care were delighted with the financial report showing they had raised over \$31,000 for RM Begg in the 2021-22 year.

All funds raised by the Auxiliary are used to purchase items to enhance the care of the residents of RM Begg, such as equipment, bedding, a smart tv and laundry items.

The office bearers elected by the AGM are Rosemary Bain: President, Susan Jones: Secretary and Jan Young: Treasurer.

The Auxiliary's next fundraiser is a Huge Garage Sale on Sat Oct 22 with next stall a fortnight later on Nov 5. Both events will be held in Bolton Hall, Epping St 9am – 1pm, Enquiries Rosemary Bain 0403336501.

Eat a Rainbow

Did you know that eating red fruits and vegetables is good for your eyes, skin, and immune system or that deep green leaves contain calcium and vitamin K that keep your bones healthy?

Eating a rainbow of fruits and vegetables each week can have huge benefits to your overall health.

For instance, purple and blue fruits and vegetables have been linked with improved memory and healthy aging.

During National Nutrition Week which started on Oct 16, Sunbury and Cobaw Community Health is teaming up with early learning centres and kindergartens in the Macedon Ranges as part of the Smiles 4 Miles dental program to encourage everyone to 'eat a rainbow'.

Boxes of delicious seasonal fruit and vegetables provided by Lancefield Providore, are being sent to all participating centres and children invited to sample things they may not have tried before and take part in creative eating activities to encourage them to eat a range of colourful fresh foods.

"Last year the centres did all sorts of fun activities with the produce boxes we gave them to engage the children," says Smiles 4 Miles Coordinator Lisa Richards.

"They made fruit and veggie animals and had votes on which foods were the tastiest. We are excited to see what the kinders and childcare centres will come up with this year."

In Australia, research shows that 95% of children aged 2-18 years do not consume the recommended quantity of vegetables and 32% do not consume the recommended amount of fruit.

A wide variety of nutritious foods in early childhood is important for children's growth and development and for laying the foundation for their lifelong healthy relationship with food.

The Australian Dietary Guidelines, recommend that children should enjoy a wide variety of nutritious foods every day from the five food groups and limit foods containing added sugar.

2023 Events Launch



At 5.30pm on Thu Dec 15 in the Kyneton Town Hall you can get a sneak peek at the shows coming to Kyneton Town Hall and Kyneton Museum in the first half of 2023. This popular annual event allows attendees to preview next year's shows and purchase tickets for them on the spot.

Attendance is open to all and entry is free.

The Launch includes great live entertainment, finger food and drinks.

Booking should be made by noon on Wed Dec 14 either online or by calling 1300888802.

'Cosi'

Over the next two weekends Kyneton's Cathouse Players are excited to bring audiences Louis Nowra's 'Cosi' - an iconic Australian piece.

Performing at the Kyneton Masonic Centre October 21; 22; 23; 28; 29 and 30.

All performances include complimentary interval refreshments.

Wine and supper on Friday evenings and High Tea with bubbles during matinees.

Tickets \$25/20 and Companion Card with Cathouse Players compliments.

Bookings via TryBooking.com/CBIJS. For enquiries and door sales please call Katie and Brian on 0490485850.



Frank Sartorre in 'Cosi'

Twilight market a triumph



On Fri Oct 7th the Kyneton High School year 12 VCAL class hosted a Twilight Market to raise money for younger year levels to spend on student led school improvement projects.

The VCAL students decided that they wanted to leave a legacy behind after their 6 years at KHS and make sure there are funds available for student groups to access if they have project ideas for improvements to the school that will benefit everyone.

The year 12 VCAL class had been planning this event for 7 months; and had to plan and organise the whole event from start to finish.

The Market had more than thirty stalls including jewellery, art and craft stalls, plants, clothes, face painting, food trucks and many others.

Entertainment for the night included the amazing KHS year 10 band and performances from KHS staff too.

The students had also organised a silent auction and raffle; the items were donations from businesses around Kyneton and district and included many vouchers and products from many local generous businesses.

Despite the wet weather that morning, people turned out in their hundreds to support the school and the evening was an enormous success "Thanks Kyneton and beyond!"

"We're really proud of ourselves, we've learnt an incredible amount and can't believe we raised thousands of dollars to leave behind for the 2023 KHS students to put towards worthwhile improvements at the school" the KHS VCAL class said.

Tea & Tech – Nov 7, 14, 21 & 28

Kyneton Library is offering those wanting assistance with their tech problems the opportunity to get together with others over a friendly cuppa, bring along their phone, laptop or tablet and let them help you solve your tech problems.

Sessions are 2.30-4pm.

Bookings required – call 54221365.

Band back in action

After a quiet time during the winter, things are starting to get busy for the Kyneton Municipal Band.

The band led this year's Daffodil and Arts Parade and performed at the old Primary School Fair afterwards.

On Oct 11 the Band provided some traditional Australian music during a citizenship ceremony at the Kyneton Town Hall.

On Sun Oct 16, band members were scheduled to travel to Daylesford to combine with the members of the Daylesford band to present a concert at the Daylesford Botanic Gardens. The combined concert will be repeated in the Kyneton Botanic Gardens next February.

The Christmas season will be here soon and the Band will be really busy, performing at various locations around the Shire. Dates for the Carol services will be published in the next newsletter.

The Band rehearses every Friday night at the Red Brick Hall in Yaldwyn St. starting at 7.30pm.

Everyone is welcome to come along to listen or to join in.

Tuition and Instruments are provided to anyone wishing to learn to play a brass instrument. Experienced players are always welcome.

More information can be obtained from the Bandmaster Hugh Davies on 0418519398.

Aux members awarded

The Kyneton Fire Brigade held its annual Awards Presentation on Sat Oct 15.

Those who gathered were members, family & friends of recipients, members of Coliban Group of Brigades and invited guests, including the Mayor of the Macedon Ranges, Cr. Jennifer Anderson. Among the service awards were two long service medals awarded to Auxiliary members, Enid Fielding who joined in 1962, received her 60 year medal and Bev Lynch who joined in 1992, received her 30 year medal.



Bev Lynch and Enid Fielding received awards

Carlsruhe CFA 2023 Calendar

CFA in Paint is the 14 month calendar featuring CFA themed paintings by local artist Brett Lefebvre. Produced by the Carlsruhe CFA, the calendar comes in two formats, a local version with CFA vehicles badged 'Carlsruhe' and a general CFA version where all vehicles have no brigade name (apart from the calendar cover image).

All profits raised from this fundraising event will benefit the Carlsruhe Brigade, assisting with operational costs and the purchase of equipment. Calendars are available for pre-order now with orders to be mailed, or available for local collection (from the Carlsruhe CFA), from late October. Calendars can be ordered via trybooking: www.trybooking.com/CBNWV or by scanning the QR code below and would make a great Christmas gift.



Town Hall entertainment

"Lior & Domini – Animal in Hiding" at the Kyneton Town Hall at 7.30pm on Fri Oct 31 is the first release from a collaboration between one of Australia's most established and critically acclaimed singer/songwriters Lior, together with exciting emerging artist Domini Forster.

Featuring songs that are rooted in intimate storytelling, underpinned by intricate guitar, Lior and Domini's close vocal harmonies are the focal point of the songs harking back to the iconic folk duos of the 60s.

Thu Nov 10 at 8pm Jude Perl will present "Participation Award" -an entertaining musical-comedy exploration of bullying and our school system, featuring Jude Perl's unique brand of stream-of-consciousness style songwriting.

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

Kyneton District Services

Accountants

Craig Chester Accounting	5422 1966
Watco Partners Pty Ltd	5792 2580
David J Gibney Pty Ltd	5422 6480
Macedon Ranges Tax & Acc	5422 6460

Auto Services & Repairs

Kyneton Auto Spares & Repairs	5422 1255
Vereker Bros Smash Repairs	5422 2603

Chiropractor

Performance One	5422 6488
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Concreting & Paving

MBC Concreting & Paving	0417545159
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Dental

Campaspe Dental	5422 3988
Kyneton Dental	5422 6159

Dry Cleaning

Kyneton Dry Cleaners	5422 1503
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Electricians

Macedon Ranges Electrics	5422 2182
Kyneton Electrics	5422 1369

Fabric & Haberdashery

Alice in fabricland	0439993389
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Financial Planning

BTP Business Advisors Pty Ltd	5422 1588
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Hair & Beauty

Studio 48	5422 1200
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Holistic Health

Maiaveda Retreat & Spa	0420580886
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School Aged Childcare

BugALugs	5422 2767
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Landscaping

Andrew Pearce Landscaping	0404076423
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Legal Practices

Palmer Stevens & Rennick	5422 6500
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LP Gas Supplies

Hendersons the Gas People	5422 7408
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Medical Practices

Campaspe Family Practice	5422 2877
Kyneton Medical Centre	5422 1397
Springs Medical Kyneton	5422 1298

Optometrist

Kosmac & Clemens	5422 3822
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Osteopath

Drs Isabel Mettler & Clare Greig	0423852874
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Real Estate

Broadhurst Property	1300380980
Ray White Kyneton	5422 2127
RT Edgar	5422 3325

Rideshare

Red Rideshare	0488875683
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Town Planning Services

Macaulay Town Planning	5422 3054
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Trauma Recovery

Be Your Success	0439124520
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Travel Services

Renee@Travel Managers	0418369411
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Veterinarians

Kyneton Veterinary Hospital	5422 1099
Dr Greg McIntyre	5422 1310

Kyneton Events Calendar

Fri Oct 21	Lion & Domini 'Animal in Hiding' Kyneton Town Hall 7.30pm
Oct 21 & 22	Cathouse Players 'Cosi' Masonic Centre 8pm
Sat Oct 22	RM Begg Aux. Garage Sale Bolton Hall 9-1pm
Oct 22 & 23	Cathouse Players 'Cosi' Masonic Centre 2pm
Wed Oct 26	Kyneton Community Lunch 35 High Street 12.30pm
Fri Oct 28	'Kitty Flanagan LIVE' Kyneton Town Hall 5pm & 8pm Air Cadets Information Night Scout Hall 7pm
Oct 28 & 29	Cathouse Players 'Cosi' Masonic Centre 8pm
Oct 28-30	Redesdale Art Show/Craft & Produce Market Mudford Reserve Redesdale
Oct 29 & 30	Cathouse Players 'Cosi' Masonic Centre 2pm
Tues Nov 1	Melbourne Cup Day
Wed Nov 2	Kyneton Cup Kyneton Racecourse 11am
Nov 4 & 5	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 8pm
Sat Nov 5	Spring Bliss Festival Hanging Rock 10-5pm RM Begg Aux Stalls Bolton Hall 9-1pm
Nov 5 & 6	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 2pm
Wed Nov 9	Kyneton Community Lunch 35 High Street 12.30pm
Thu Nov 10	'Jude Perl' Kyneton Town Hall 8pm
Fri Nov 11	Remembrance Day
No 11 & 12	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 8pm
Sat Nov 12	Kyneton Farmers & Makers Markets St Paul's Park 8.30-1pm Kyneton Community Market Cnr Yaldwyn & Ebdon Sts 8.30-1pm
No 12 & 13	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 2pm
Sun Nov 13	Friends of Black Hill AGM Black Hill Rotunda 9.30am
Tue Nov 15	Thoroughbred Racing Kyneton Racecourse 11am
We Nov 16	Kyneton Community Lunch 35 High Street 12.30pm
Fri Nov 18	Kyneton Show Carnival Night Kyneton Showgrounds 5.30pm Kyneton Old Time Dance St Mary's Hall 7.30pm
Nov 18, 19	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 8pm
Sat Nov 19	Kyneton Show Day Kyneton Showgrounds
N 18, 19, 20	Budburst Festival throughout district
Nov 19, 20	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 2pm
Sun Nov 20	Malmsbury Village Fayre Malmsbury Botanic Gardens 10-3pm
We Nov 23	Kyneton Community Lunch 35 High St 12.30pm
Nov 25, 26	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 8pm
Sa Nov 26	Victoria Election Voting Day
Nov 26, 27	KTC's 'We Will Rock You' Bluestone Theatre 2pm
Mo Nov 28	Thoroughbred Racing Kyneton Racecourse 11am
Sat Dec 3	Kyneton Twilight Festival & Market Mechanics Reserve 3-7pm
Tu Dec 6	Kyneton Daffodil & Arts Festival AGM Kyneton Mechanics Inst 7.30pm
We Dec 7	Kyneton Community Lunch 35 High Street 12.30pm
Sa Dec 10	Farmers & Makers Market St Paul's Park 8.30-1pm Kyneton Community Market Cnr Ebdon & Yaldwyn Sts 8.30-1pm
We Dec 14	Kyneton Community Lunch 35 High St 12.30pm
Th Dec 15	Thoroughbred Racing Kyneton Racecourse 11am Kyneton Connect Delivery Day 2023 Arts & Culture Events Program Launch Kyneton Town Hall 5.30pm

Kyneton Show is back



After a three year wait, the Kyneton Show returns on Nov 18 -19.

This year's Show is the 160th and will be bigger than ever.

All children 14 and under will be admitted free.

Woodchop will be back for the first time in years as part of a full program featuring hours of free activities.

The fun starts on the Carnival night on Fri 18 Nov 5.30-10pm with the carnival rides - camel rides too. Free fun includes laser tag in the hay bales, whip cracking lessons, the meltdown and live music in the marquee. See awesome dogs in action with agility trial demonstrations and the ute muster on the oval before the famous fireworks at 9pm.

All this is also free on Show Day on Sat Nov 19 when gates open at 9am.

See woodchop displays and sheep shearing throughout the day.

Animals are the stars of the show with Farmer Darryl's animal nursery, stud sheep, alpacas, cattle and the popular poultry pavilion, the dog show on the bottom oval and the impressive horse competition on the main oval.

The Show is celebrating its agricultural history and welcoming newcomers with its Life on the Land section for tips on fencing and farm security, having your own hives, advice from Agriculture Victoria and more.

Check out the latest tractors and see how much technology has

changed with a display of historic farm machinery. Contact Paul Fox on 0410 737 686 if you have old equipment you'd like to show.

Build your own toy tractor in the Farm Workshop and 'guess whose poo' in the Farm Shed where kids can create all kinds of puppets and more to take home – all free.

There's more art and craft activities and face painting in the marquee, plus Paddy's crazy bikes, free pony rides and the children's pet parade. And that's just the start!

The pavilion will be open Friday night and Saturday filled with thousands of entries.

Be part of a country show tradition that started in 1858 and enter!

This year organisers have divided the junior competition into different age groups and added a new category for 18-25 year olds.

Why not make it a challenge for everyone in your house?

There is something for every interest from traditional home crafts, baking, produce, and the best blooms to contemporary categories like home brew, photography, and a new expanded LEGO competition for kids – and grown ups too.

See the website for details on how to enter and to find out what's on when.

Get in early and buy your tickets online: www.kynetonshow.org.au.



See prize livestock at the Kyneton Show on Sat Nov 19

Netball Try-out sessions



The KFNC will kick off their 2023 player campaign from Thu Oct 20 with try-out for all grades from Under 17s, B Reserve, B Grade, A Reserve & A Grade.

If you're a new or a returning player and wanting to play netball for KFNC in 2023 check the club facebook page for details.

Mobile connectivity boost

On Fri Oct 14 Member for Macedon, Mary-Anne Thomas announced the Victorian Government has partnered with three telecommunications providers to deliver 30 mobile infrastructure projects in the Hepburn and Macedon Ranges Shires.

Residents, businesses and visitors will have access to increased mobile coverage and improved services in towns across Macedon electorate.

Together with telecommunications partners Telstra, Optus and TPG Telecom, the Government will build 6 new mobile towers and upgrade 24 towers to 5G, all by 2026.

Free access to Teen Gym

During November Council is supporting teenagers completing school exams to ease stress via their Teen Gym program.

Teen Gym at Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre weekdays is 4-5pm and Sats-12pm, Call 5421 1477 to book.

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