

Monthly Newsletter

Rylstone & District Historical Society

January, 2016

Upcoming Events

Thursday 18th February 2016

6.00pm for tea at the Globe
Hotel & 7.30pm for General
Meeting in BVI dining room,
Guest Speaker Cassie Jones from
KEPCO Bylong Australia

Rylstone-Kandos Show 26-27th February 2016. RDHS stall,
volunteers needed to assist on
the Saturday 27th February 2016

Working Bee – at the Cottage Museum & Bridge View Inn 19th March 2016 (date to be confirmed).

Family & Local History Group

Join us on the first Tuesday of each month in the BVI Dining Room 10am - 3pm

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A Message from our President -

Happy New Year, wishing you all the very best for a happy and safe 2016. I hope that everyone has had a well earned rest and is ready for a busy new year.

The RDHS Calendar has been prepared and is being forwarded with this newsletter, please make a note of all the important dates so that you can join in and participate at RDHS events.

I would like to take this opportunity to again remind members that we, the Management Committee need your support Please consider volunteering as a guide to assist at the Cottage Museum, training will be provided. Without guides we cannot keep the museum operating efficiently, if you are interested, please contact me on 6379 1121.

Can you spare just an hour to assist on the RDHS stall at the upcoming Rylstone Kandos Show on the 27th February, it would be most helpful and the same can be said for the Working bee in March. Please call Ed Windle, Vice President on 0431 454 865. It is with much pleasure that I wish to announce that the RDHS has been successful in receiving an environment grant for \$2442 from MWRC. The grant will be used to upgrade and improve the garden beds, irrigation system and signage in the Thyme Out Community Garden at the rear of the BVI. Sincere appreciation to Virginia Hollister for preparing and submitting the application on behalf of RDHS, for obtaining quotes and working out estimates for sundry works etc. as necessary to make the improvements.

Further details will be announced regarding what is planned and when the works will be undertaken.

"Stitches in Time" Exhibition

"Stitches in Time" was not intended to be a money making exercise but it was and the final balance of money raised was \$622.20.

The generosity of the many visitors who attended showed that in their contributions of gold coin donation, along with the generosity of Kandos Community Charity Shop who donated \$1000 towards the exhibition and other smaller donations the exhibition made a profit and was a great success for the society.

As only two thirds of the names on the Rylstone Quilt have been found and researched, some with only basic history, Helen Marsonet is continuing on with her research of the names and any RDHS members who may have further information to contribute please contact the Secretary at RDHS.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for RDHS stall at upcoming RYLSTONE KANDOS SHOW ON 27TH FEBRUARY 2016 Are you available to assist even for just an hour? Please give our Vice President Ed Windle a call on 0431 454 865 The stall will be our major fund raising event for 2016. Raffle Tickets @ \$2 each are on sale NOW and at the show. The prize will be dinner for 2 at the Globe Hotel to a value of \$80 and an overnight stay at the BVI apartment. (availability to be confirmed with prize winner).

Cottage Museum

Volunteer Guides are needed for the Cottage Museum which is open each Sunday between 10am and 3pm.

The February to June roster has been prepared but has vacancies

Training is available please contact Shirley on 6379 1121

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February 18th General Meeting, dinner @ 6pm at the Globe Hotel followed by Guest Speaker Cassie Jones of KEPCO Bylong Australia

The RDHS committee wish to encourage member participation at the February meeting, we are planning to meet for tea at 6pm at the Globe Hotel, if you would like to join us please RSVP the Secretary on rylstonehistory@westnet.com.au for catering confirmation with the hotel. The General meeting will commence in the BVI at 7.30pm – please note that at the commencement of the meeting we will introduce our guest speaker, Cassie Jones, Community Liaison Officer from KEPCO Bylong Australia who will be discussing with members matters relating to the cultural and historic heritage of the Bylong Valley.

"KEPCO Bylong Australia recognizes the significance of Aboriginal archaeological and cultural heritage and historic heritage in the Bylong Valley, and is committed to minimizing potential impacts of the Bylong Coal Project to the cultural and historical values of the locality and the region. The Bylong Coal Project Team will present Rylstone District Historical Society members with an overview of the proposed Bylong Coal Project as well as the work and studies completed to support heritage management."

Christmas Party Report – by Debra Bush

Saturday 5th December 2015 – the afternoon was very warm so we sat around the timber table and chairs in the shade of the large tree on the grassed area near the Thyme Out Community Garden. We shared scrumptious delights and chattered for several hours, a good time was had by the dozen members that attended.

December 2015 Committee Meeting

At our December committee meeting, the following items were discussed...

- * RDHS Stall at the Rylstone Kandos Show & raffle prize & ticket printing.
- * Approval for RDHS to have 2 new facebook pages (the BVI apartment and
- a RDHS page) member D. Hatton has recommended and will design & monitor all 3 pages which are linked to each another and include the Cottage Museum.
- * 2016 RDHS Calendar of Events
- * February General Meeting and guest speaker. RSVP for dinner required.
- * McMasters Beach Garden Club visit to BVI & Museum 13th Sept. 2016

If you would like any further information please ask a committee member.