

# kyogle culture

ART + FOOD + LIFESTYLE



## MEET THE MAKERS

Get to know your local  
artisans

## STEPPING UP

A new chapter for the  
Roxy Gallery

## DALEY JOYS

Meet rainforest  
photographer Paul Daley



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**ON THE COVER:** Creative family; Mario Sanchez, Sonja Habenicht and son Rumo from *The Leather Shop* in Kyogle. Photography by Jill Runciman, Run&See Creative.

*Kyogle Culture would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of this land on which we live and work. We pay respect to Elders both past and present, and further acknowledge the living culture and unique role that Indigenous Australians contribute to the region.*

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"The role of a creative leader  
IS NOT TO HAVE ALL THE IDEAS.

*It's to create a culture*

WHERE **EVERYONE** CAN HAVE IDEAS  
and feel that they're valued."

- Ken Robinson



READ ONLINE  
[kyogleculture.com](http://kyogleculture.com)





### DISTANCES TO KYOGLE:

**BRISBANE** 165km>02:00hr

**BEAUDESERT** 95km>01:25hr

**RATHDOWNNEY** 67km>01:05hr

Via Lions Road

1 Running Creek

2 The Border Loop

3 Wilson's Robotic Dairy

**COOLANGATTA** 100km>01:35hr

**MURWILLUMBAH** 67km>01:05hr

1 Yellow Brick Studio

2 Tweed Regional Gallery

**UKI** 53km>00:52hr

3 Mavis's Kitchen

4 Mount Warning Hotel

5 Wollumbin (Mount Warning)

6 Sphinx Rock Café

**NIMBIN** 33km>00:35hr

7 Blue Knob Hall Gallery/Markets

8 Nimbin Artists' Gallery

9 Cawongla Café

**BYRON BAY** 90km>01:20hr

**BANGALOW** 75km>01:05hr

1 Barebones Art Space

**BALLINA** 78.5km>01:10hr

2 Northern Rivers Community Gallery

**LISMORE** 45km>00:35h

3 Lismore Regional Gallery

4 Art Aspects Gallery

5 Serpentine Gallery

**GRAFTON** 130km>01:35hr

1 Grafton Regional Gallery

**CASINO** 31km>00:25hr

2 Jambama Gallery & Arts Centre

**TENTERFIELD** 155km>02:00hr

1 Artists' Collective Studio Gallery

2 Forest to Furniture Art Gallery

**MALLANGANEE** 67km>00:51hr

3 Bankhouse Originals

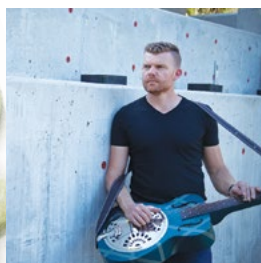




# THINGS TO SEE AND DO in Kyogle and nearby villages

## Kyogle Fairymount Festival

30th March - 6th April  
Kyogle Township



## The Occasional Studio

'Wine & Line', 'Life & Line'  
& Open Studio Events.  
Contact 'The Occasional  
Studio' on Facebook



## Live Music: Watling and Bates

Video Single Launch  
& Fundraiser  
Sat 13th April, from 6pm  
Grevillia Hall

## Live Music: Thor Phillips

Sat 25th May  
Kyogle Golf Club



## Kyogle Farmers' Markets

Every Saturday 8 - 12pm  
Stratheden Street,  
Kyogle



## Long Table Lunch

By Gateway Fine Foods  
Sat 3rd August  
Dairy Flat Farm  
Bookings: 0411 264 584



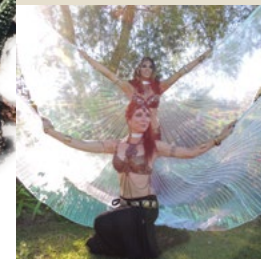
## Kyogle Landcare Open Day

'Bats, Butterflies and  
Bush Tucker'.  
Sat 4th May  
Landcare Nursery and  
Fawcetts Creek



## Glass Art Workshops

Saturday workshops  
each month.  
Contact 'Realities End  
Glass Art' on Facebook



## Kyogle Bazaar

Fourth Sunday of  
every month.



## Kyogle CWA Open Rooms

First Saturday of  
every month.  
KMI Supper Room

FOR MORE LOCAL EVENTS AND EXPERIENCES: Go to the Kyogle Visitor Information Centre, corner Summerland Way and Anzac Drive, or check out [visitkyogle.com.au](http://visitkyogle.com.au)

\*Correct at time of printing. Please check with individual organisations.

WELCOME TO OUR  
*Wanderland...*

## WALK

1. Art Deco Walk
2. Botanical Gardens
4. Captain Cook Memorial Lookout
5. Visit the Historical Society Museum
6. Fire Trails / Mountain Bike Trails

## ENJOY

1. Roxy Gallery
2. Kyogle Cinema
3. Kyogle Library
4. Farmers' Market
5. Kyogle Bazaar

## BE ACTIVE

1. Swimming Pool
2. Golf Club
3. Bowls Club
4. Tennis Club
5. Community Gym
6. Mountain Bike Trails
7. Fishing and Kayaking at Toonumbar Dam
8. Bushwalking at Murray Scrub, Toonumbar National Park, or Border Ranges National Park

[visitkyogle.com.au](http://visitkyogle.com.au)





### PRDnationwide Kyogle is a local business with a local focus.

We love supporting our local community, from schools to sporting clubs, from charity fundraisers and cultural events to the Kyogle Show and the Fairymount Festival. Our team is passionate about the Kyogle community. We are not only committed to supporting those already living in the region, but we're also dedicated to helping find the perfect home for those wanting to live in Kyogle.

Houses and rural properties remain in high demand for buyers and renters alike, so if you have been considering making your move in Kyogle, talk to our experienced and professional team.

To plan your escape to Kyogle country, contact PRDnationwide

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## MEET THE MAKERS



*"There is a beauty beyond aesthetics when you know that something has been made with love and care. You can feel the love when you purchase it".*

-Mario Sanchez

### The Leather Shop

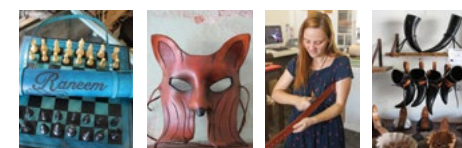
#### LOCALLY MADE LEATHER GOODS

Mario Sanchez, Sonja Habernicht and their son Rumo, are the quintessential creative family. The owners of *The Leather Shop* in Kyogle create handmade leather goods that are sought after around the world. Their passion for their craft is obvious, with customers willing to wait months for Mario's specialty items.

The Leather Shop also stocks high quality furs and rugs (ethically sourced locally and internationally), belts, bags, sheaths and more, representing other craftspeople including Ulf the Blacksmith, Mohd the Horn Carver, and Kelly the Master Whipmaker.

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#### OPENING HOURS

Thursday - Friday, 10am - 5pm  
Saturday, 9am - 2pm



## Kyogle Craft Creations

### NOT YOUR AVERAGE GIFT SHOP

Kyogle Craft Creations, and its owner Karen, have brought a unique concept to Kyogle. Previously hidden artistic talents, are now celebrated and snapped up from the shelves — at a reasonable price.

Karen's business model allows a win-win dynamic; the shelves are rented to artists while Karen manages the shop and sales, leaving the artist to do what they love best.

The range includes bookmarks, earrings, handmade kid's clothes, indigenous art, forged iron, crochet, candles, hand-weaving, an extensive selection of bolder opals and spirit jewellery, and exquisitely crafted quilts with new creations constantly arriving.

Whether you are after a gift, seeking to experience the local vibe, looking for inspiration or a place to showcase your artistic talents, Kyogle Craft Creations has it all.



#### VISIT US

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OPEN: Wed - Fri 9am - 4pm  
Sat 9am-3pm, Sun 9am - 2pm

## Linda May Designs

### MULTI-FACETED ART & GIFTS

My name is Linda Cooper, I am a local born artist, living and working in the Kyogle area. I have dabbled in arts and crafts all my life and started my business in the 90s.

Linda May Designs evolved with my interest in art and an obsession for alcohol inks and resin. I fell in love with the vibrant colours and the versatility of the medium; firstly creating jewellery then branching out to platters and framed artworks.

My products can be found at Feather & Stone in Kyogle and on Facebook. I regularly have a stall at Casino Golf Club and Bangalow markets. My pieces are also sold on Etsy and in shops in Queensland and South Australia.

In the future, I look forward to discovering new and exciting styles to create unique works of art and expand my business.



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## Handmade by Janelle Slade

### HANDMADE LIVING GIFTS

Janelle's family and friends used to say she had 'a black thumb', thanks to her knack for killing every plant she touched; but those days are long gone. She is now known for her unique craft in Japanese planting called *Kokedama* (loosely translated to mean "Moss Ball"), and her growing business *Handmade By Janelle Slade*.

She learnt the skill from her sister and fast grew to love it, perfecting her craft and gaining more knowledge about which different plant groups work and don't work.

Kokedama are the perfect living gift. There is soil that is specially blended around the plant's root system and formed into a ball. Sphagnum moss holds the soil and then Jute twine is meticulously wrapped around making the beautiful ball that you see.

Catch Janelle at the Kyogle Bazaar and local markets, or order through social media.



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## 28 Degrees South Woodcraft

### WOODTURNING & KITCHENWARE

28 degrees south comes from the line of latitude that runs through Brendan Laverty's little farm, not far from Kyogle.

"I have had a love of wood for as long as I can remember," Brendan said. "It is amazing to see the feature and grain patterns that come out of every piece."

"I love the feel and the texture of wood and I want to give people the opportunity to use a beautiful piece of timber every day." Brendan likes to use Australian hardwoods for their durability and only the finest finishes to ensure that his designs are food safe and will last for years. He specialising in bowls and kitchen ware, boards and platters, which he can customise for that individual touch.



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## Realities End Glass Art

### STAINED GLASS ART AND TUITION

Realities End is the name of our property, and our inspiration. It's a beautiful ridge in a valley where clouds form, sunsets glow and nature rules. Every day something amazing happens and if we are slow down enough to witness it, our lives are enhanced.

We have been creating glass items here since 2010. I am ready to share my passion and teach you the skills to perform your own art. In our monthly workshops you will have the opportunity to learn the basic glassmaking skills such as cutting, shaping, grinding, foiling, soldering and finishing.

Further workshops will increase your skills to building 3D objects and advanced soldering techniques. The classes are capped at five participants only, allowing individual troubleshooting in a non-threatening environment. Workshops to be held monthly on Saturdays in Kyogle Township.



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Etsy & Facebook: Realities End Glass Art



## John Langley

### EVERY LURE TELLS A STORY

John Langley has been making fishing lures since he was 16 years old. His first attempts were made from willow tree and pieces of jam tins. His passion for fishing lures is evident; his attention to detail shows true craftsmanship.

Now at 86, John has invented a new 'shallow diving lure,' that is in demand from local and far flung fishing competitors. Made from his favourite white beech timber, John's lures are hardy enough to catch everything from mulloway, to cod, bass and bream. There are five different sizes of lures, which are beautifully presented in handcrafted timber boxes. You can find John selling them at the Kyogle Bazaar or catching the fish that started this life-long passion in the first place.

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## Patches of Kyogle

### QUILTING, PATCHWORK & DRESSMAKING SUPPLIES

Patches of Kyogle offers friendly, expert advice with an emphasis on creativity. Come in to Patches, also the home of Eden Creek Designs, for beautiful fabrics made from natural fibres, perfect for our climate.

A constantly changing range of uniquely made ladies shirts and children's clothing is available.

Hosting social sewing groups, classes and workshops for both patchwork, quilting and dressmaking, come in and enjoy the atmosphere.

Come for a Day, Sew for a Lifetime!

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## Gypsy Dreamerz

## TEXTILE WALL ART

Hi, my name is Sharyn Orr and I'm the face and hands behind Gypsy Dreamerz Textile Wall Art. For as long as I can remember I have had a passion for art, craft, and creating.

My Mum taught me basic macramé when I was 10 years old, and 5 years ago I started making dream catchers, followed by macramé plant hangers.

The macramé movement was really starting to take off and I just fell in love with fibre! I started making wall hangings and progressed to the wedding arbours. I found that when I am creating, I am in a real 'Zen space'; it is just me and the fibre, turning a roll of string into something beautiful.

My passion just keeps growing, and this year I want to be able to share the art of macramé! I love working with new ideas to give people a unique and amazing piece of art!

*Arbour Image: Mazzer Photographics*

## Nardoo Design

## WEARABLE LEATHER

Leather is a very warm, tactile and wholly satisfying material to work with.

The creative possibilities are seemingly endless, and I love the idea of extending the animal skin to further use.

My delight currently is to carve and colour, creating visually attractive decorative surfaces for utilitarian items.

I am a fairly recent resident of Woodenbong, and you can find me at local markets or contact me through facebook to talk about a custom order.

## CONTACT

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## Red Belly Kitchen Boards

## BEAUTIFUL &amp; FUNCTIONAL BOARDS

Red Belly Kitchen Boards aims to produce beautiful, functional cutting boards and serving trays that showcase our unique Australian timber species. Each board is made from ethically sourced trees, usually felled for safety reasons. Some comes from our own property, which is compliant with environmental protection guidelines, and selected from 35 years of forest regeneration.

No two Red Belly Kitchen Boards are exactly alike. Each one is individually made over six or seven days involving about 15 processes. Many other kitchen boards can take just minutes to make, some others may take an hour or two. We like to take the extra time to create a work that is totally Australian and reflects a creative kitchen.

All of our boards are hand finished, have convenient finger grips at the ends, and are treated with food grade oil for protection and preservation.



## CONTACT

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## Sew Sh!t

## MADE WITH LOVE &amp; NO IDEA

Don't be fooled by the bright colours and cute patterns – each Sew Sh!t creation is handmade with absolutely no skill (but a fair bit of swearing during the process).

From Dammit Ninjas to the Megacrapasaurus, maker Jill Runciman approaches each project with zero planning and a 'Eh, that'll do' attitude.

A photographic and mixed media artist, Jill started sewing her creatures because she thought that, with her creative skill set, surely it couldn't be that hard. She was so wrong.

After a few spectacular failures, Jill decided to run with the idea – adding tongue-in-cheek names and descriptions for each piece – and is still amazed that people will actually spend money on such useless, poorly made items! Commissions welcome.

However, she loves hearing the laughter that her creations incite and hopes that they serve as a reminder to all to not take things so seriously.



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## WaitandSeek

### JEWELLERY BY JULIA CURTIS

Julia Curtis, multi-disciplined creative and owner of WaitandSeek, describes herself as "a teacher, a maker, an artist, a farmer, a mother and an ambitious multi-tasker".

"I have always loved earrings and decided to start making them as a creative outlet," she explains. Julia beautifully handcrafts each piece from fine porcelain and glaze, experimenting with porcelain types, different glazes and transfer print designs. "I have had great support both here in Kyogle and further away, with a number of retail stockists in NSW and QLD. I think people want things that are individual and beautiful. I love that I am creating wearable art that fits with my ethos of sustainability, is reusable, creative, sophisticated and bespoke."

Check out WaitandSeek on Etsy, Facebook and Instagram to order.



#### PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY THAT

### *Celebrates Life*

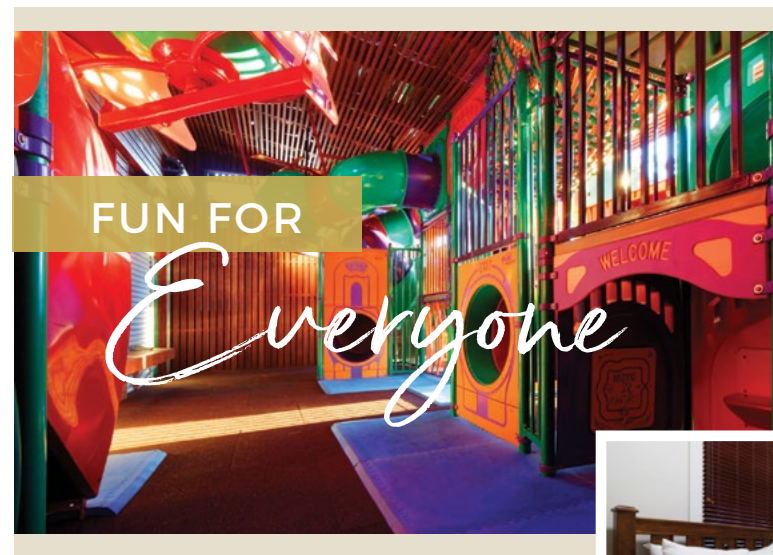
Life is a collection of stories. Stories connect us with community. Connection allows us to thrive as individuals, families, artists and business owners. Jodie will work with you to discover, plan, capture and tell your story of:

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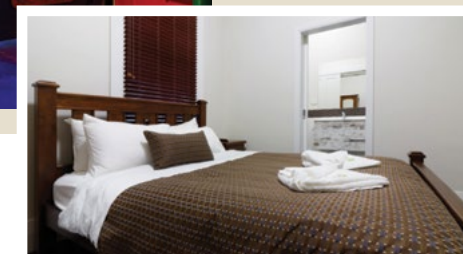
## Commercial Hotel Kyogle

AWARD-WINNING ACCOMMODATION,  
WITH ALLEY BAR & PLAYGROUND

If you haven't seen the Commercial Hotel in Kyogle recently, you might want to pay a visit. The extensive renovation of the accommodation is complete, making it a must-stop if traveling through the area and a perfect base if exploring the region. There are now 19 renovated rooms with 13 en-suite rooms, two family rooms and new one bedroom studio. There is also the new Alley Bar with two state-of-the-art ten pin bowling lanes that glow in the dark, as well as an amazing kids crazy maze that will keep the *billy lids* amused for hours.

Not forgetting about the big kids on their motorbikes — the Commercial Hotel now has a huge lockup storage facility with extra security cameras, so you can enjoy your stay knowing that your ride is safe.

All of this has resulted in The Commercial Hotel achieving an Australia Hotel Association NSW award of Excellence in Innovative Refurbishments for 2018.



The vision behind the redevelopment was to create a family entertainment venue and tourist attraction for Kyogle as there was limited source of family entertainment in town.

Now everyone has something different to do when on vacation or touring through our beautiful region.

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## Kyogle Golf Club

### GOLF, BISTRO & FUNCTION CENTRE

You are sure to enjoy your golfing experience on our unique and picturesque 9-hole course, well known for its well kept, tree-lined fairways.

The club hosts Ladies Comp on Wednesdays, and Members Comp on Thursdays and Saturdays.

With new caterers in our family-friendly Bistro, you can enjoy a meal with beautiful views of the Course and towards the Border Ranges. Contact Vanessa for all function and Bistro bookings on 0419 675 499.

Bistro hours – Wed through to Sat nights 6 till 8.30pm. Raffles Friday night.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

3/4/19 — Fairymount Festival Trivia Night

13/4/19 — Fortunato Isgro (Singer)

25/5/19 — Thor & Jasmine Phillips Duo

29/6/19 — Champagne High Tea



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## Gateway Fine Foods & Catering

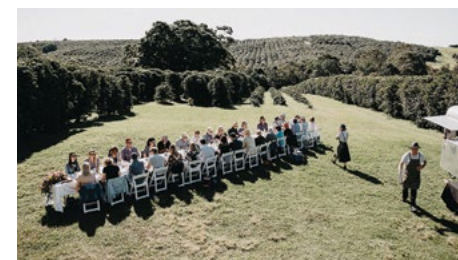
### NORTHERN RIVERS CATERERS

Want a glamorous champagne breakfast, a fun cocktail-style reception with roving entrees, or a stunning, bohemian banquet for your special day? Whatever your style, we work with you to create an elegant and unforgettable experience for your guests.

We create food to match your tastes, cuisine and theme and present it beautifully to suit your event. We pride ourselves on showcasing the best produce from around our region and use seasonal and sustainable ingredients wherever possible.

Thanks to our vintage food van, we are built to travel. We can cook on site from the van, prepare food in your venue's kitchen, or cook off site and deliver.

Function centres, private homes, farms, breweries and beaches: we cater for all locations and our staff love to serve.



#### CONTACT US

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## Kyogle Bowling Club

### SOCIAL BOWLS & SPECIAL EVENTS

The Kyogle Bowling Club provides a place for locals and visitors to relax, eat, and enjoy a game of men's or women's social bowls.

Open from 3pm Tuesdays through to Saturdays, and for special occasions and events, the club aims "to provide the great experience that you want and expect".

A family restaurant serves dinner every Friday and Saturday from 5.30pm with raffles on Friday night. On Thursday evenings, all ages and abilities are welcome to try their hand at Twilight Bowls.

The Club enjoys hosting corporate events, Christmas parties, and touring entertainment including comedy acts, dance, awards nights and formals.

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THE  
**SUGARBOWL**  
CAFE BAR

#### ENJOY RESPONSIBLY

Mon to Fri: 7.30am - 3.30pm

Saturday: 8am - 2pm

137 Summerland Way, Kyogle



Open Fridays & Saturdays  
from 6am

3 STRATHEDEN ST, KYOGLE



## Making Food Medicine

THE ART, SCIENCE & LOVE OF  
AYURVEDIC COOKING

For many years, local health advocate and first-time author Jo Kelly suffered chronic fatigue, chronic pain, anxiety and depression, but Ayurveda has helped her live a vibrant, happy life again.

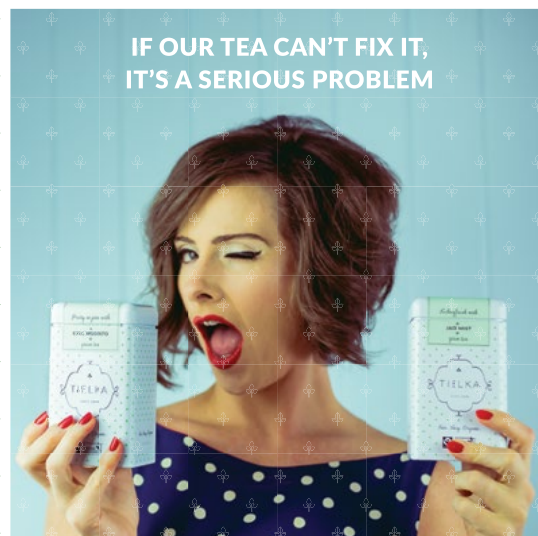
"I've discovered the timeless wisdom of Ayurvedic nutrition," she explains. "It's a comprehensive holistic system and it has become the foundation of my daily health routine".

Jo's new cookbook *Making Food Medicine* contains basic principals of Ayurvedic nutrition for adults and children, with recipes suitable for all body types and states of digestion. Beautiful images show each delicious meal that is complete with a nutrition guide and medicinal information.



This book is dedicated to you, in the hope it will lift you to higher realms of health and happiness.

Available in hard cover or ebook:  
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## The Farmer's Plate

THE WAY FOOD SHOULD BE

A passion for fresh, local food (and dreams of a tree change), inspired Kyogle couple Belinda and Steve to embark on one of the biggest adventures of their lives.

Formerly from the Gold Coast, the pair relocated their family of six to a beautiful 100 acre farm at Homeleigh (about 10 minutes from Kyogle) in 2018. There, at Rosewood Farm, they begun harvesting raw honey, farming free-range eggs, and growing their own seasonal produce and making food "the way their grandparents used to make it".

When the opportunity came up to purchase a Kyogle main street cafe near IGA (previously owned by Gateway Fine Foods), Belinda and Steve jumped at the chance. "We love the Northern Rivers and have met many great local farmers and producers that supply world class food," Steve explains. "We love showcasing the best of the region".



The Farmer's Plate is open for breakfast and lunch serving fresh, local food seven days per week. Byron Bay based Zentveld's Coffee is always popular, and Tielka Tea is available to have there or take home.

The Farmer's Plate prides itself on having a range of food to suit all dietary options, including delicious gluten free, dairy free, vegetarian and vegan choices.

You can also pick up Rosewood Farm eggs in store (their hens have more than 20 times the regulated space for 'free range eggs'), and grab raw honey straight from the farm. Rosewood Farm Pork is also available and there are plans for more local goodies in store soon.

VISIT THE FARMER'S PLATE

OPEN 7 DAYS

33 Summerland Way, Kyogle  
Facebook: The Farmer's Plate Kyogle





**The Roxy Gallery has a new home: upstairs in the Kyogle Memorial Institute. Kyogle Culture looks at the Gallery's rich history, and how this new chapter will help further foster local arts and our community.**

Over its 18 year history, the Roxy Gallery in Kyogle has welcomed approximately 72,000 visitors through its doors. As well as introducing locals and tourists to the region's unique creative viewpoints, the gallery aims to foster creative talent, open up opportunities for emerging and professional artists to gain exposure and sales for their works. It also gives artists the chance to develop their profiles in the art world, with many using the Roxy experience as a springboard to other avenues in the professional art world.

A joint initiative of Kyogle and District Arts Inc. and the Kyogle Council, the Roxy has held over 240 exhibitions supporting both local and regional artists, as well as community and school groups, since its

official opening on the 9th of September 1996 at the Roxy Commercial Centre (now known as the Christian Life Church). Art was shown in this space until 1998, when it relocated to the former premises on Summerland Way.

The new gallery space, above the Kyogle Memorial Institute (with entry next to Gateway Office Supplies on Summerland Way) has been created as part of the KMI Revitalisation Project which aims to bring 'stage' and 'gallery' together to create an enhanced arts and culture venue.

As part of the \$640,000 project, the KMI's original entrance from the main street has been reinstated. A number of small display spaces will be activated in the main entrance foyer, including plans for a 'young and emerging artists' space, and a lift has been installed to raise visitors up into the new-look gallery space on the first floor. The new space is a work in progress, but the change in location will provide other opportunities such as small workshops, artist's talks, and a place for

community interaction. In the future, the veranda area will also provide a great place to meet and watch the town life hum along.

The new operating hours for the gallery will be Wednesday to Saturday from 10am to 3pm, with the possibility of including Sunday, once the show gets up and running.

Director Ruth Tsitimbinis explains that a big part of the Gallery's success lies in the commitment and passion of the people behind it. "The volunteers that have supported the Roxy Gallery over the eighteen years are amazing," she smiles. "The majority of volunteers have an affiliation with the Kyogle and District Arts Group (some have been volunteering for 18 years), others are practicing artists, and some people just want to give back to the community. They find it a great way to meet new folk and get involved in the town and region."

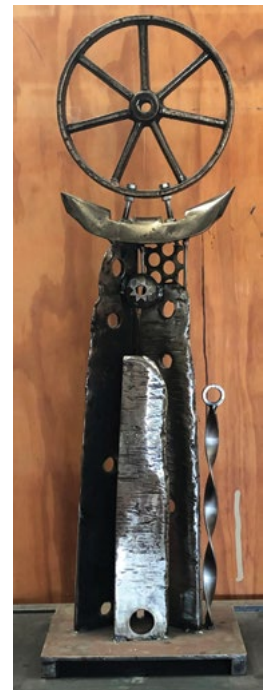
The official opening of the new space

will be held in early March, with the first exhibition paying tribute to those that have paved the way. "From the 6th of March we will show 'A Collection of a Selection'," Ruth says. "It will encompass works by people who have had a long standing relationship with the Roxy Gallery as artists, exhibitors, volunteers, supporters of the creative cultures in our region; looking back and giving thanks as we move forward."

While Ruth describes the new space as a "work in progress" she is excited by the new opportunities and experiences emerging as it takes shape. "All worthwhile creative endeavours take time," she laughs. "We have a fresh canvas here and I am looking forward to seeing the community add plenty of colour and life to it."

**If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, or in using the new spaces that the Roxy offers, please email [roxygallery@kyogle.nsw.gov.au](mailto:roxygallery@kyogle.nsw.gov.au)**

*Above left: Gallery Director and Kyogle Council's Cultural Services Officer, Ruth Tsitimbinis (centre front) celebrates the new space with some of the Roxy volunteers. Below left: An antique film projector once used in the KMI will be on display in the new space. Below centre: Artwork 'Quartet' by local artist Pam Cowgill. Below right: Work by Kyogle artist Keith Cameron will be displayed in the first exhibition in the new space.*





# IT'S ON!

KYOGLÉ  
**FAIRYMOUNT**  
— Festival —

Kyogle Fairymount Festival celebrates our region and brings everyone together for the area's biggest community event. Between March 30th and April 6th the Festival will hold a variety of events, including an Opening Gala Dinner, and a Village Challenge (where teams from around the LGA battle it out in Trivia, Bowls, Art and a Talent Quest). There is a colour run for the local schools, a Strength and Fitness Challenge, and the Festival will help facilitate the first ever Kyogle Half Marathon. A new addition will be the *Faces of The Festival Competition* (replacing and modernising the previous 'Festival Queen' concept) which celebrates local entrants (male or female) who show great community spirit.

Crazy Day (April 5th) will see the local businesses have some fun with dress ups, and the Main Day on April 6th will see the town packed with stalls, food trucks, rides, and live music as well as the street parade at 2pm.

Wander a little further and you can drop in on Kyogle's newly opened Historical Society in Bloore St – you will be amazed by the stories from the past and learn what makes Kyogle and district the proud and resilient community it is.

It's wonderful to look back on images of the Festival from years gone by, and great to know that new generations will be making Fairymount Festival memories this year. The Festival is entirely volunteer run, and thrives off community involvement and participation. If you would like to get involved as a volunteer please contact the Festival Committee through the website,

[www.fairymountfestival.com](http://www.fairymountfestival.com), where you can also get updates on the events and program. Tell your friends and family to come and visit Kyogle during this years Fairymount Festival and experience what we love about our town and region.



Parade Day in 1981. Below: Kyogle Council Float in 1973, an Festival Queen Meghan Scarborough in 1986. From 'Kyogle Fairymount Festival 1966 – 1987 compiled by Marie Roberts.



30 MARCH – 6 APRIL 2019			
<b>SAT 30TH</b> VIP Function, Gala Dinner, & Face of The Festival Launch (KMI Hall)	<b>SUN 31ST</b> Strength & Fitness Challenge (Netball Courts) Twilight Bazaar & Family Fun Day & Village Challenge Talent (Amphitheatre)		
<b>WED 3RD</b> 'Colour Explosion' Schools Colour Run Village Challenge Trivia (Kyogle Golf Club)	<b>THURS 4TH</b> Village Challenge Barfoot Bowls (Bowling Club)		
<b>FRI 5TH</b> Crazy Day (Shop Dress Up)	<b>MAIN DAY - SAT 6TH</b> Fairymount Run & Half Marathon, Street Parade (2pm), Stalls, Food Fare, Carnival Rides, Competitions, Pig Races, Bands & Entertainment		

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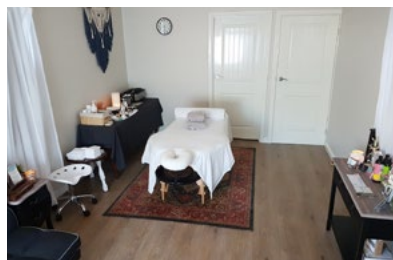


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## Cloud Tales

**Cloud Tales is the creative offering of first time children's author and illustrator Ilka Nelson. From her off-grid, forest cabin in Collins Creek, Ilka let Kyogle Culture in on her inspiration and writing process.**

#### KCM: What inspired you to write Cloud Tales?

I moved back to this region specifically for the high rainfall (I love water) and the biodiversity. All the creatures and trees and creeks and mountains, they all contribute to my learning and I could say they co-authored this book with me.

Cloud Tales was created to be a beautiful treasure for people to hold and enjoy over their lifetime. It tells the tale of Cloud, a character who is called to Earth by the Trees to help bring back the way of water. One reader compared *Cloud Tales* to *The Little Prince*, it is similar in being a philosophical tale very suited for adults. Children can also experience the tale through the 12 hand-painted drawings of Cloud and grow up with the book.

My work connects culture and nature through mythology. Like many, I am devastated by the environmental decay of our world and am always searching how to best help on scale. I have a Masters in storytelling and have studied Water Diplomacy with the UN Institute for Training and Research; *Cloud Tales* is my first offering that begins to pull it all together.

#### KCM: What did you learn from the process of self publishing?

It's strange to be on the other side of having the books printed and look back and realise, 'Wow, I did all of that myself'. I learnt the usual lessons about setting longer



timeframes with contractors, but the rest was easy because I've found what I love and it's such a joy. A good approach for me is to let creativity lead; so I set time and space for drawing and writing, and then I support this with good self-discipline and routine.

#### KCM: Are there plans for more adventures with Cloud and her friends?

Yes! This is only volume one, so watch this space (or sign up to Cloud's newsletter via my website) if you would like to see the journey continue.

**Cloud Tales is available at [www.latorica.net](http://www.latorica.net) or at Roxy Gallery in Kyogle. 10% of all book sales are donated to the Rainforest Action Group.**





# DALEY joys

Paul Daley is best known for his stunning nature photography, showcasing our local rainforests as well as some of the world's most spectacular landscapes.

Kyogle Culture chats with Paul about his work, his favourite places, and his passion for regenerative eco-tourism.

## KCM: What makes this area home to you and what do you love about it?

I was born and bred in Kyogle. My father, Greg, and my uncles established Daleys Nursery almost 40 years ago. I liken the area to a kind of bio-cultural Eco-tone — a bridge between different world views. Kyogle is a kind of bridge between the super rural world further west and the alternative subculture towards the coast. The line is blurry between farmers, conservationists, alternative folk and creatives, and there are people in Kyogle who embody all of this and more. There is a down-to-earth feel out here that I find refreshing, it's less pretentious and more grounded.

## KCM: What got you into photography and filming and why do you choose to specialise in capturing the natural world?

I've been into photography since I was 16 years old. It started out as a curious way to connect with nature, and with the guidance of a creative mentor, I was able to exhibit some of my work in regional galleries. A major highlight was having my conservation photography curated in an outdoor

exhibition in London for the Sumatran Orangutan Society, who have funded the planting of 1.6 million rainforest trees.

With my camera as a tool for creative expression I began to explore the world of film and how videography can plant seeds of awareness and earth connection.

## KCM: You have managed to combine all of your passions in to your work. Tell us a bit about 'a lush forest MEDIA'.

a lush forest MEDIA is an emerging platform for my creative offerings; digital story-telling, videography and photography. I create micro-films that communicate the essence of a place, service, project or event and I produce everything from music clips to educational videos and festival promos.

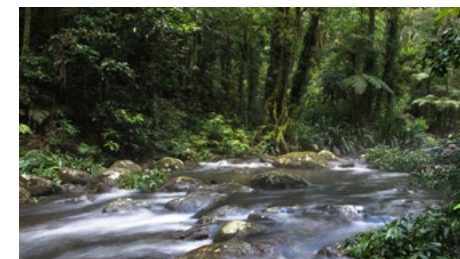
My other focus is annual Transformational Travel & Forest Expeditions to Borneo and Sumatra — and soon will be my first local 'Rainforest Ride' through the Border Ranges National Park. If all goes well this will become an annual affair.

The vision is to create regenerative eco-tourism with a focus on tree planting, skill

exchange, ecosystem restoration, ongoing cross-cultural relationship building and connection to place. Kyogle is known as the Gateway to the Rainforest — the potential for regenerative eco-tourism in this region is beyond exciting. There are so many opportunities for this here; mountain biking, bio-cultural tours, forest expeditions. The late Malcolm Wallis was an absolute visionary in this regard. If I was a traveller passing through looking for an authentic adventure — I'd jump at the chance to being guided into our World Heritage listed National Parks, managed by the local Githabul rangers and home to the largest expanse of sub-tropical rainforest in Australia. Explore this majestic place on a mountain bike? Yes please!

## KCM: Can you tell us your favourite spot to be in nature, locally and around the world?

My favourite spot around Kyogle is without a doubt Brindle Creek up in the heart of the Border Ranges National Park. Ancient Antarctic Beech, giant Red Cedars, epic



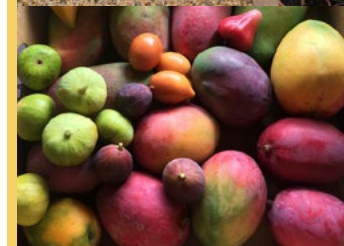
bird life and pure mountain spring water bubbling up through the forest — just another day in paradise!

My favourite place globally would have to be the Leuser Ecosystem in North Sumatra — it's one of the last major rainforest swathes left in South-East Asia, and the last place on Earth where orangutan, tiger, elephant and rhino co-exist in the wild. On my 2018 expedition we were lucky enough to see a herd of wild elephants and a rafflesia flower in full bloom (the world's largest flower).

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## Labyrinth Takes Shape

FIND YOURSELF IN KYOGLE

The Kyogle Labyrinth is proving to be a vivid example of a successful council and community project. Work is well underway at the Alcorn Park site (off Summerland Way), with completion scheduled for later this year.

The Kyogle Labyrinth in numbers:

- 1,650 bricks donated by community for the foundation of the labyrinth
- 32 volunteers laid these bricks
- 1,745 pavers will be the upper level, atop the foundation bricks
- 650 of these pavers are sponsored
- \$15,125 raised by the community
- 92 fundraising street and market stalls
- 1,187 volunteer hours of community engagement
- \$3,750 still needed to provide turf
- 187 Friends of Labyrinth followers
- Number 1 People's Choice from the 'Bright Ideas Night' held by Council

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The Roxy Gallery, a joint initiative between Kyogle Council and Kyogle and District Arts Inc., aims to promote local and regional arts, provide emerging artists with the opportunity to display and market their artworks in a professional gallery environment, and to foster cultural experiences for both community and visitors to the area.



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