

## Recommended reading available at our libraries:

- ◆ Seed to Seed : food gardens in schools : Jude Fanton & Jo Immig
- ◆ The Complete Guide to Saving Seeds : Robert Gough & Cheryl Moore-Gough
- ◆ The Seed Savers' Handbook : Michael & Jude Fanton
- ◆ Gow your own eat your own : Bob Flowerdew
- ◆ Growing your own Heirloom Vegetables : Clive Blazey
- ◆ How to Grow Your Food : a guide for beginners : Jon Clift & Amanda Cuthbert
- ◆ Yates Month by Month : Judy Horton
- ◆ Cost Effective Self Sufficiency : Eva & Terence McLaughlin
- ◆ Grow Food Anywhere : Dillon Seitchik-Reardon & Mat Pember



### Locations & Hours

**Casino Library**  
Graham Place, Casino  
Monday to Friday 10am to 5.30pm  
Saturday 9am to 12pm  
Ph. 6660 0250

**Kyogle Library**  
Stratheden St, Kyogle  
Monday 2pm to 5.30pm  
Tuesday to Friday 10am to 5.30pm  
Saturday 9am to 12pm  
Ph. 6632 1134

**Evans Head Library**  
Woodburn St, Evans Head  
Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm  
Saturday 9am to 12pm  
Ph. 6660 0374

**Coraki Library**  
Adams St, Coraki  
Tuesday and Thursday 2pm to 5pm  
Ph. 6683 2752

**Mobile Library**  
Contact us for a schedule or download a copy

Web: [www.richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au/library](http://www.richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au/library)  
Email: [rucrl@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rucrl@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au)



# Seed Library



*If you have a garden and a library,  
you have everything you need.*

*M.T Cicero*

Our seed library is a joint initiative between Richmond Upper - Clarence Regional Library and Richmond Valley Council FOGO project.



## What is FOGO ?

Your kerbside food and garden organics (FOGO) collection bin is processed locally and then heads back to local farms and gardens as compost. This waste would otherwise end up as landfill. During the decomposition process nutrients remain locked in, resulting in a nutrient rich compost ideal for growing plants.

The FOGO garden at the front of the library aims to demonstrate how a seasonal garden can educate, provide food for beneficial bugs, enable seed collection and highlight a diverse variety of easy to grow healthy vegetables and flowers.



## How does a seed library work?

Library patrons can select up to 3 packets of seeds to borrow at a time.

Plant the seeds in your garden, raise the plants, allow a plant to go to seed and then harvest the seeds, return some of the seeds back to the library so our collection continues to grow.

There is no cost to borrow, and no obligation to return seeds.



Empty envelopes are available at the library to use for your seed collecting if required.

## Why save seeds?

When you save seeds from plants grown on your own land and with your unique cultural conditions, you gradually develop varieties that are better adapted to your soil and climate.

### Seed saving tips.

- 🌱 Seeds are best collected in the morning once the dew has evaporated.
- 🌱 Let seeds dry on the plant and collect seedpods before they open.
- 🌱 Avoid placing seeds in direct sunlight while they are drying.
- 🌱 For seeds that grow inside fleshy fruit of plant, rinse first and then dry.
- 🌱 Do not keep early bolters for seed. The habitual selection of these will produce a sub-variety which will tend to give smaller heads for a shorter period.