

Growing our Local Libraries

Richmond – Upper Clarence Regional Library was recently informed of the success of two Public Library Infrastructure Grants. **Casino Library** received \$192,830 for delivery of the **Casino Community Library Courtyard** project.



This project will create a new outdoor area, delivering a relaxed open-air reading and activity zone and a 20 per cent increase in floor space for the library.

Clarence MP Chris Gulaptis visited Casino Library to announce the upgrade, alongside Mayor Robert Mustow and the Library team.

The library will also receive \$46,509 for **solar panels on the Mobile Library**. These solar panels will provide energy to run the day-to-day operations of the Mobile Library as well as provide a clean green energy alternative.



The Evans Head Library transformation is on schedule to provide a more spacious and welcoming library for our members. Meanwhile the temporary Evans Head Library continues to operate out of the Visitor Information Centre. Opening Hours are Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.30pm and Saturday 9am to 12pm.





Kyogle Writers Festival

Kyogle Library was proud to host some workshops during last month's Kyogle Writers Festival. Local authors Gwendolyn Gray and Katinka Smit shared their knowledge and talent with rapt audiences. They are pictured below with Kyogle Writers Festival organiser Susan Hughes and Kyogle Branch Librarian Corinne Hughes. We have many titles from the featured Festival authors available to borrow, so be sure to check out our catalogue and reserve some today at https://bit.ly/rucrlcat





For details of our regular monthly programs, please visit the <u>What's on</u> page of our website.

Please note that **bookings are essential** for all programs, due to physical distancing regulations. For Casino programs, phone 6660 0250, and for Kyogle, phone 6632 1134.

HUGH MACKAY

2020 was ravaged by bushfires and a worldwide pandemic, taking a toll on both our mental and emotional health and the economy. Hugh Mackay reflects on the challenges we faced during that year of upheaval and the questions many of us have asked ourselves: What really matters to me? Am I living the kind of life I want? What sort of society do we want to become?

Hugh Mackay will be in conversation with Ailsa Piper and live streamed from Woollahra Library at Double Bay with the support of NSW Public Libraries Association.

Date: Thursday 10 June Time: 6.30 to 7.30pm Location: Watch online at home, via Zoom Visit the link below to get your Zoom invitation:







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http://bit.ly/mackayh





Enter the next round of our monthly photo competition. JUNE's theme is 'I SEE BLACK & WHITE'.

Send us your entry by midnight on Wednesday 30 June. Voting will take place the following week on our Facebook page.

#ourdigitalperspective #rucrl APRIL WINNER Seb Scholl - Casino





Later this month we will be launching a new library newsletter called Read All About It where we will be sharing the latest on what's available for our library members to borrow – from books to cake tins, seeds to exercise equipment, there really is something for everyone! We'll have book reviews by library staff and regular borrowers, tips for using all the wonderful resources in our digital eLibrary, and we'll feature a different genre to read each month. Keep an eye on your email inbox!

