



Media release

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Friends dig deep for Kyneton Community Park

Supporters turned out in force and put their hands in their pockets for Kyneton Community Park's recent Mid-Winter's Feast at the Kyneton Town Hall.

Guests were warmed from the Kyneton chill with mulled wine, feasted on rabbit rillettes, duck pie and received a special presentation from the park's award-winning designer, Andrew Laidlaw.

A total of eleven thousand dollars was raised on the evening through the auction of items donated from local business including cooking courses, garden consultations and an original artwork by local artist Sarah Gabriel. One lucky guest walked away with a trip to Vanuatu.

A highlight of the evening was the surprise presentation of a cheque for a \$1000 by the Friends of Kyneton Botanic Gardens (FOBG). President of FOBG, Lyn Currie urged other community groups to get on board, saying "the park was a wonderfully worthwhile cause that would add immense value to Kyneton for residents and businesses".

The President of Kyneton Community Park Inc., Amy Cockroft, said she was "thrilled by the leadership of the Friends of Kyneton Botanic Gardens in giving so generously towards the project".

A sponsorship program for the Park was also launched at the event, enabling individuals, business and local community groups to become gold leaf, silver leaf or bronze leaf sponsors. Specific pieces of equipment from tree-houses to picnic shelters can also be sponsored.

"Sponsorship offers a very special way to become involved with Kyneton Community Park. It creates recognition, a legacy and a connection to the story of Kyneton," Ms Cockroft said.

"All donations are tax deductible and every contribution counts," Ms Cockroft continued.

Ms Cockroft said she looked forward to seeing more community groups get on board in bringing the world-class park to Kyneton.

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“We’ve received overwhelmingly positive feedback from the local community at our various community and fundraising events. This sponsorship program enables a way for businesses and community groups to make a tangible contribution to the project”.

Further details about Kyneton Community Park’s sponsorship program are available on the ‘Support Us’ page at kynetoncommunitypark.org. Sponsorship enquiries can be directed to Amy Cockroft at info@kynetoncommunitypark.org.

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