

MEDIA RELEASE

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PROPOSAL TO ASSIGN RESERVE NAMES

The Geographical Names Board is calling for public comment on a proposal by the Mid-Western Regional Council to officially name two reserves.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board, Des Mooney, said public feedback is being sought on the proposal to name a reserve bounded by Doug Gudgeon Drive in Mudgee 'Norm King Park'

Norm King, a returned serviceman, had a long relationship with the Mudgee RSL, helping ex-servicemen with repatriation, pension and health care concerns.

He was elected President of the Mudgee RSL sub-branch in 1971, a position he held for 32 years before resigning due to ill health.

In 1993 he was recognized as Mudgee Citizen of the Year for his service to the local community. He passed away in 2009.

A second proposal has been received to name another reserve in the Mid-Western Regional Council 'Rylstone Rotary Park'.

Bounded by Bridge Street and Bylong Valley Way, the proposed name recognizes the services the Rylstone-Kandos Rotary Club has provided to beautify the reserve and provide facilities for travelers and locals.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board, Des Mooney, said the Board is encouraging community comment before it considers the proposals.

"It is important that place names reflect the character and history of the local area and community," Mr Mooney said.

"We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed name."

Details of the proposal can be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board's website at www.gnb.nsw.gov.au.

Alternatively written submissions may be lodged with the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Ave, Bathurst, NSW, 2795.

The closing date for submissions is Monday 25 May 2015.

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