

Kevin Rudd and The Betoota Advocate Headline the 2026 Eumundi Writers Festival

EUMUNDI, QLD – The Eumundi Writers Festival is proud to welcome one of Australia's most recognisable public figures back to the community that helped shape his early years, with **Hon. Dr Kevin Rudd AC**, Australia's 26th Prime Minister, returning to Eumundi for a special festival appearance on **Saturday, 5 September**.

For Dr Rudd, this is more than a festival appearance—it's a homecoming. Having spent much of his childhood in Eumundi, Kevin returns to discuss his books and share insights from his remarkable career in public service, diplomacy and as an author.

Saturday, 5 September, 2026

10:30 am

**In Conversation: Hon. Dr Kevin Rudd AC, 26th Prime Minister of Australia
With Clancy Overell, Editor, *The Betoota Advocate***

Venue: The Brewery, Imperial Hotel, Eumundi

Tickets \$30

<https://events.humanitix.com/in-conversation-hon-dr-kevin-rudd-ac-and-26th-prime-minister-of-australia-with-clancy-overell-editor-betoota-advocate>

Festival audiences will hear Dr Rudd in conversation with **Clancy Overell, Editor of *The Betoota Advocate***—Australia's wildly popular satirical news publication renowned for its sharp political and cultural commentary—in what promises to be one of the festival's most anticipated events.

Dr Rudd is a leading international authority on international affairs. He has been extensively cited on China relations appearing on U.S network television, the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Financial Times and media outlets globally.

Festival Director, Dr Suzanne Campin said: *"There's something very special about welcoming Kevin Rudd back to Eumundi. While the world knows him as a former Prime Minister and respected international diplomat, Eumundi remembers him as one of its own. This homecoming embodies what the Eumundi Writers Festival is all about—bringing people together through stories, conversation and shared history."*

The Eumundi Writers Festival showcases outstanding Australian authors, thinkers and storytellers, creating opportunities for meaningful conversations in one of Queensland's most vibrant hinterland communities.

Tickets are available now. View the full festival program and book online at:

<https://eumundiwritersfestival.com.au/>

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