

MAYOR'S COMMUNITY MESSAGE



Clr Jane Stott - Deputy Mayor and Clr Bill Pickering - Mayor at the first Cork & Fork By the Riverside.

Arts in the City

The City of Ryde has gained a reputation as an emerging arts hub, in part thanks to a number of high profile arts events sponsored by the Council, such as the in-progress Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize.

In a new arts venture, Council is partnering with Link Housing, a not-for-profit community housing provider, to help raise awareness about homelessness.

Titled *What a Home Means to You*, the exhibition will reveal the importance of a home and the role it plays in our lives. It opens at See Street Gallery, See Street, Meadowbank, on Wednesday 28 June.

Submissions for *What a Home Means to You* are now being taken. For details and information go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/homeexhibition

Acknowledging Refugee Week

Our community will acknowledge Refugee Week in an evening of short films, words, music and food on Wednesday 21 June at Ryde Library from 6.30pm.

Called *Freedom Stories*, the evening gives us the opportunity to witness the resilience and courage of so many refugees and the incredible internal resources that people draw on to not only survive, but to thrive in their new home of Australia. All are welcome.

Problem Waste

'Problem Waste' is a waste item that is not allowed in the kerbside red, yellow and green lidded bins (batteries, light globes, mobile phones and printer cartridges).

The City of Ryde now has four Problem Waste Recycling Stations at the following locations:

- Operations Centre, 1 Constitution Road, Ryde
- West Ryde Library Foyer, 2 Graf Avenue, West Ryde
- Tzu Chi Foundation, 22 Glen Street, Eastwood
- Muse Student Connect, Macquarie University, Level 2 Building C7A

More hazardous items like gas bottles, paint, oils, household batteries, x-rays, computers and televisions can be disposed of at the Community Recycling Centre, located at 8 Waltham Street Artarmon. The Centre is open Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 8.00am - 2.00pm, and Saturday and Sunday, 8.00am - 4.00pm.

Trees Cut Down

I received a volume of calls Saturday week ago regarding the cutting down of trees in Gaza Road, West Ryde, and immediately asked Council to investigate.

The investigation determined that a development application had been approved and the trees were removed in accordance with the plans. Unfortunately, it appears I may have missed some calls and messages received to my mobile phone concerning this matter and I apologise for not responding to every caller. However, I can report that Council officers did visit the site within an hour of receiving the initial complaint.



Yours Sincerely,

Clr Bill Pickering (LtCol Retd)
Mayor - City of Ryde

Phone 9952 8222 or
email mayor@ryde.nsw.gov.au

EVENTS AT YOUR LIBRARY

Authors Platform: Sue Rosen

Hidden for 75 years the top-secret government documents outlining preparations for a Japanese invasion of Australia in 1942 have finally been discovered. Only a few copies of these plans were ever produced. Discover how Sue Rosen came across them unexpectedly in government archives last year.



When Thursday 15 June
Time 6.30 - 8.00pm
Where Ryde Library
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings Essential, call 9952 8352 or book online at cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

Freedom Stories - Refugee Week 2017

An evening of short films, spoken words, music and food.



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InFocus: Flinders Ranges Warraty Talk

The chance discovery of a rock shelter in the Flinders Ranges unearthed an important prehistoric site up to 49,000 years old and containing around 4300 artefacts. Join Dr Peter Mitchell as he shares the story behind the re-discovery of Warraty Rock.



When Tuesday 4 July
Time 6.30 - 8.00pm
Where Ryde Library
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings Essential, call 9952 8352 or book online at cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD

Trial of cash transactions at Council's North Ryde Office Reception to cease 1 July 2017

On 12 May 2016, Council administration staff relocated from the Civic Centre to the Binary Centre, 3 Richardson Place, North Ryde.

On 30 June 2016, the Customer Service Centre and its staff relocated from the Civic Centre to 1 Pope Street, Ryde, beneath the Ryde Library within the Top Ryde City shopping centre.

The Customer Service Centre at Pope Street, Ryde is on track to facilitate approximately 17,000 customer interactions this financial year over the counter, and almost 80,000 calls to the Call Centre located above on Level 1.

As a result of the relocation to the North Ryde Office, all customer service transactions were made available to the community from the reception desk at the North Ryde Office as an additional location within the LGA to make transactions. This was a trial to gauge the use of the additional service.

Following a 12 month trial, only 5 cash payments were received from 4 separate customers that were processed.

Based on the low take-up of the trial of this additional service, the North Ryde Office will continue to handle all customer service business as usual, with the exception of cash transactions, which are to be accepted at the Customer Service Centre at Pope Street, effective 1 July 2017.

Please contact Customer Service if you have any queries on 9952 8222.

EVENTS AROUND YOUR CITY

Future Gladesville - Further Understanding the Business Perspective

Local businesses are invited to a workshop to further build upon the vision for the future of Gladesville Town Centre. Facilitated by the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill Council, we are seeking to understand the expectations and desires of the local business community. Come along with your thoughts and ideas.



When Thursday 22 June
Time 6.00 - 7.30pm
Where The Bayview Hotel, 166 Victoria Road, Gladesville
Cost Free
Bookings Essential, Book online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/futuregladesville or call 9952 8222.

Arts Activation Ryde: Crochet and Knitting

Arts Activation Ryde (AAR) is a City of Ryde community and cultural arts project run in partnership with Artisans Ryde Inc. Our June Workshop is Crochet and Knitting with Julie Lowes and Therese MacKenzie. Learn how to crochet or knit a headband or start a scarf. If you have your own Crochet or Knitting project and need help getting started, bring your project with you. Materials will be provided.



When Wednesday 28 June
Time 10.00am - 1.00pm
Where West Ryde Hall, 1A Station Street, West Ryde
Cost Free
Bookings Essential, Book online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/aar or call 9952 8222.

'What a home means to you' Exhibition

City of Ryde has partnered with Link Housing to demonstrate our commitment to affordable housing through the Community Art Exhibition - 'What a home means to you'. The exhibition aims to:

- Highlight the importance of a safe, secure home
- Show how a stable home can contribute to higher levels of overall health and wellbeing
- Highlight the lack of affordable housing in Northern Sydney
- Increase awareness of social housing
- Encourage social inclusion through art.

Call for entries

We are calling all artists to submit an artwork using the theme 'What a home means to you'. Information on how to submit your artwork can be found at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/homeexhibition

Exhibition Opening Night

Please join us for the exhibition opening night.



When Wednesday 28 June
Time 6.00 - 8.00pm
Where See Street Gallery, See Street, Meadowbank
Cost Free. Light refreshments provided
Bookings Essential, Book online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/homeexhibition or call 9952 8052 or email RThornton@ryde.nsw.gov.au

ENTRIES NOW OPEN

2017 SUSTAINABLE WASTE 2 ART PRIZE

Artists and members of the community are invited to enter the Sustainable Waste to Art Prize with artwork or design objects made from used or recycled materials.

Visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/swap To enter online or to download an entry form