



The Mayor's Community Message

North Ryde Library Gets a Makeover

I was delighted to be at the opening of a refurbished North Ryde Library last weekend.

The \$100,000 makeover includes a repaint, new carpets, furnishings and furniture and has created a more vibrant space for the local community to enjoy. The layout has been slightly altered allowing for more seating for customers to relax and read the papers.

For nearly 70 years North Ryde Library has served the local community very well. It opened in 1946 in one modest room with a few hundred books.

Now, with around 8,000 customers a month, it's one of our busiest libraries. Students from nearby North Ryde Public and Holly Spirit Primary schools are among its most enthusiastic customers.

North Ryde Library is unique among our library network as home to a well-used toy library, with hundreds of toys available for loan to children. These range from baby toys, puzzles and games to animals, musical toys, tea sets, toys to develop motor skills and logical thinking. Play is work for kids and it's vital to their development.

The dedicated staff provide great service to the community including book recommendations, baby rhyme-time, story-times, a regular book club, a knitting group, and occasional technology classes for locals. The library has wheelchair access, free Wi-Fi, hearing loop, computers with access to the internet and Microsoft Office.

North Ryde Library is located at 201 Coxs Road and is open Monday-Saturday. For full details go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/library



Cinema for Hearing Impaired

Next month sees the return of our popular Cinema in the Park (and Plaza) festival. For many years we have been the only festival of this type to offer a movie with subtitles for the deaf and hearing impaired. Now, for the first time, every movie on our 2014 program will be subtitled so that a much wider audience can come and enjoy movies under the stars with us. See details opposite.

West Ryde School

Students from West Ryde Public were among the over 13,000 schools and early learning centres around the country to benefit from the Woolworths Earn and Learn Points program with a presentation of new educational equipment.

I was in attendance when local Woolworths representatives presented the school with the education packs. Our photo shows Woolworths store manager, George Joubert and team leader, Joseph Arimbuyutan, with school principal Mrs Kim Lloyd-Jones, school captain Joelle Tanasale and Haydyn Ryland-Adair.

What a great initiative of Woolworths.



'Cuppa' with the Mayor

The Council's commitment of a greater level of community engagement is showing results with residents appreciating more changes to have a say. Councillors and staff are also able to make better informed decisions on a wide range of issues.

I have decided to take this initiative one step further by inviting members of the community to come and have a 'Cuppa with the Mayor' to raise issues or discuss ideas with me personally.

Starting on 5 March, 'Cuppa with the Mayor' will happen every fortnight on a Wednesday, between 11.00am - 1.00pm, and 5.00 - 7.00pm. To book a 20 minute spot, please ring Linda on 9952 8222. I look forward to meeting you.

Pink Stumps Day

Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club was one of 1,000 Australian community cricket clubs who turned hot pink on Sunday 23 February for Pink Stumps Day. I was invited to play and show my support to help raise funds for the McGrath Foundation to place Breast Care Nurses in communities right across Australia and increase breast cancer awareness in young Australian women.

I am committed to supporting charity whenever possible, and have been involved with the McGrath Foundation for the past four years. It's always satisfying to help make a difference to the lives of others.

Sincerely, Clr Roy Maggio - Mayor

If you want to promote any local event or community initiative please contact me on 0418 299 347, at my office 9952 8222 or email mayor@ryde.nsw.gov.au

Waste and Sustainability Events

Clean Up Australia Day

Clean Up Australia Day is a simple way you can take action to clean up, fix up and conserve our prized Australian environment.

- Nominate your school for Schools Clean Up Day: **Friday 28 February**

- Organise your friends, family or community group for Clean Up Australia Day: **Sunday 2 March**

- Join in on the day at one of the registered sites. Many hands make light work, so you'll be very welcome!

To register a site, see what sites have been registered in your area or for further information go to www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au or call (toll free) 1800 CUA DAY (1800 282 329).

Leftover Makeover (LOMO) Cooking Workshop

Love Food Hate Waste? This workshop demonstrates the ways you can avoid food waste. With correct planning, storage and some creativity, you can make exciting new meals from your leftovers, and save up to \$1,000 per year. No more wilting veggies at the bottom of the crisper or wasted herbs from that big bunch that you only used a fraction of for that special dish.

Where Meadowbank
When Saturday 8 March
Cost Free - light refreshment provided
Bookings Essential, register online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/lomo or call 9952 8222.



LOMO Family Fun Day Challenge

Get your family involved in the Challenge on Saturday 22 March to avoid food waste and you could win a \$150 gift card, plus support your school and your participation could help them win a \$500 gift card for sustainability projects.

What does the Challenge involve?

Demonstrate how you apply 3 of the 4 following techniques to avoid food waste:

- Make a list
- Measure the serving size
- Store your food correctly
- Turn your leftovers into another meal.

Simply register by Monday 10 March at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/lomochallenge

to receive your info pack with tips and freebies to help you with the Challenge.

Upcoming Library Events

Australia's Favourite Library

Kim O'Grady (Librarian) would like you to nominate our libraries at www.alia.org.au/ausfavlib



Author's Platform - Chris Muir

Thriller writer Chris Muir will visit Ryde Library to talk about his new novel, *A Savage Garden*. Hear more about his experiences travelling through Africa, which contribute to this fast-paced adventure set in the Congo.

Where Ryde Library
When Thursday 27 February
Time 6.30 - 7.30pm
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings 9952 8352

Creative Writing for Adults

Make 2014 the year you write that book. Ryde Library are holding workshops that cover the basics of extended creative writing including structure, plot, characterisation and more.

Where Ryde Library
When Monday 3 March, Monday 10 March and Tuesday 18 March
Time 6.30 - 8.30pm
Cost \$10 (per session)
Bookings Essential, call 9952 8352

Law Talk: Wills and Powers of Attorney

Have you considered what would happen to your financial and personal affairs if you were involved in a bad accident, had a stroke or developed dementia due to Alzheimer's disease or other illness? Solicitor, Lydia Shelly, from Osborne Howell, Lawyers and Conveyancers, will talk about Wills and Powers of Attorney.

Where Ryde Library
When Friday 7 March
Time 1.30 - 3.30pm
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings 9952 8352

Musical Morning Tea Sydneysiders Express

Discover the awe-inspiring force of a barbershop chorus. Sydneysiders Express will present a toe-tapping repertoire.

Where Ryde Library
When Monday 10 March
Time 10.30am - 11.30am
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings 9952 8352

Internet Basics

Learn how to use the Internet to discover everything from movie session times to transport information and more. Internet searching and cyber safety advice are included in the course. Experience with the mouse and keyboard is required.



Where West Ryde Library
When Tuesday 11 March
Time 10.30am - 12.30pm
Cost \$16.50 (\$11.50 for seniors)
Bookings 9952 8376

North Ryde Library - One Day Closure

North Ryde Library will be closed on Friday 14 March and will re-open at 9.30am on Saturday 15 March. The after hours return chute will be available during the closure. All other libraries will be open according to their usual operating hours. We apologise for the inconvenience.

Upcoming Events

Cinema in the Park

Four hit movies over two weekends in March headline the City of Ryde's annual, free Cinema in the Park festival. (All four movies are subtitled)

Pack a picnic, a blanket or low chair and head to an outdoor location near you for a great night out under the stars with family, friends and your favourite movies.

- Friday 7 March: Wolverine**
Epic action adventure. Starring Hugh Jackman. 126 mins. Rated M. Lakeside Lawn, Gymnasium Road, Macquarie University.
- Saturday 8 March: Monsters University**
3D computer animated. Voices by Billy Crystal, John Goodman, Helen Mirren. 104 mins. Rated G. Yamble Reserve, Quarry Road, Ryde
- Friday 14 March: Despicable Me 2**
All-new 3D animated comedy. 98 mins. Rated PG. Morrison Bay Park, Frances Road Putney.
- Saturday 15 March: Man of Steel**
Exhilarating action film. Starring Henry Cavill, Amy Adams and Russell Crowe. 143 mins. Rated M. Eastwood Plaza, Rowe Street, Eastwood.

All movies start at sundown, approx. 8.00pm. Free entry. Movie snacks available.

SecondHand Saturday

One Person's Trash is Another Person's Treasure

The City of Ryde provides residents with five scheduled household cleanups per year - dates for these are found on your area Waste Collection Calendar.

If you live in Zone 1, your Kerbside Council Cleanup is this Monday 3 March. Place items out during the weekend only to avoid fines.

Hold a garage sale prior to your cleanup and you can:

- Prevent re-usable items going to landfill as well as put cash in your pocket
- Promote community spirit.

The City of Ryde will advertise YOUR garage sale for FREE if you send in a registration form 14 days PRIOR to your garage sale.

Garage Sale Location Saturday 1 March from 9.00am

1 Macintosh Street, Melrose Park

To register your address for FREE, call the City of Ryde Customer Service Centre on 9952 8222 and ask to register for a Garage Sale/ SecondHand Saturday, or find the form online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/secondhandsaturday.



Upcoming Council Meeting

MAR Tuesday 4
Planning and Environment Committee and Works and Community Committee
5.00pm Meeting rooms, 5th Floor
Ryde Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde.

MAR Tuesday 11
Council Meeting
7.30pm. Council Chambers, 6th Floor,
Ryde Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde.

City of Ryde provides live streaming and archives of Council Meetings, go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetingslive

COMING SOON **RYDE**
Aquatic Leisure Centre

Go to YouTube.com/CityofRydeCouncil to see the new Surf Attraction to come to the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre. Watch the progress unfold through our time lapse photos at facebook.com/CityofRyde

Development Applications Received

Council has received the following Local Development Application.

Property: 1-9 Allengrove Crescent, 116a, 118, 120, 122, 122a, 112b Epping Road, 259a, 259, 261, 263, 261a Lane Cove Road, Macquarie Park

Local Development Application No.: LDA2013/0260

Applicant: Gondon Five Pty Limited

Demolition of all buildings and structures. Construction of 5 residential flat buildings comprising 179 dwellings and basement parking for 218 vehicles. The heights of the 5 buildings range from 2-5 storeys. The development also proposes landscaping works.

(Please note this application was a Concept Plan Approval under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act*. The Concept Plan was approved by the Planning Assessment Commission.)

The application will be referred to the Joint Regional Planning Panel constituted under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* for determination as the capital investment value exceeds \$20 million.

Submissions regarding the above application must be lodged no later than 12 March 2014.

The above application is not 'designated development' under the terms of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act*, and the Joint Regional Planning Panel is responsible for the determination of the application.

Anyone may make submissions concerning the application. Submissions are required to be in writing. They should be addressed to the General Manager and sent by post, email or fax or delivered in person to the Civic Centre or the Ryde Planning and Business Centre (all details on the base of the page). Should the submission be by way of objection to the proposal, the submission should specify the grounds of objection.

The City of Ryde has resolved that all submissions received in relation to rezoning and development applications will be publicly accessible on request.

The supply of personal information is voluntary. However if you choose to make an anonymous submission it may be given less weight (or no weight) in the overall consideration of the application.

The above application and accompanying information may be inspected electronically at the Ryde Planning and Business Centre, 1 Pope Street, Ryde (within Top Ryde City shopping centre) between 9.00am and 5.00pm Monday to Friday during the period in which submissions may be made. (Please note: on the second Thursday of each month the hours are 10.00am - 5.00pm.) To make an appointment go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/planningandbusiness or call 9952 8222.