



The Mayor's Community Message

Clr Roy Maggio

Council helps fund community wellbeing

Congratulations to the 55 local sporting, cultural and community groups who have been successful in their applications for funding under the Council's annual Community Grants system, this year totalling \$164,000.

Earth Hour

Last week I moved a Mayoral Minute in support of Earth Hour, which has been supported by the City of Ryde since its inception in 2007. Council will once again back this great Aussie initiative by turning out the lights in Council owned buildings for one hour this Saturday 29 March.

This year Earth Hour will focus attention on one of the world's most iconic and threatened places: Australia's Great Barrier Reef.

Earth Hour will only work if you're all part of it and I'm calling on business and the community to turn out the lights to make a stand for our reef. Saturday 29 March, 8.30 - 9.30pm. www.earthhour.org

Racism. It stops with me.

The City of Ryde has become an official signatory of the 'Racism. It stops with me' campaign. I was honoured to meet the Australian Human Rights Discrimination Commission, Dr Tim Southphommassane, at the official signing of the campaign supporters' agreement last week.

As a campaign partner, Council will encourage businesses, groups and organisations to support the campaign, ensuring that our city is a place where everyone feels equal, safe and included.



Out and About

The more I travel around our city to visit schools, community groups, clubs and organisations the prouder I am to have the honour of being Mayor. I see the dedication that teachers, coaches, administrators, volunteers and everyday citizens devote to their particular passion and the effect their work has on our children.

I was very fortunate to pay a visit recently to Riding for the Disabled at their new location at Marsfield. RDA provides horse riding as therapy and active recreation for adults and children with disabilities and it was a privilege to see what the club and its volunteers are

achieving. You can see details at www.rda.org.au

Next week I will be visiting West Ryde Public to talk about Local Government to the Year 3 students.

I'm more than happy to visit your school or organisation to talk about the Council's work or to attend assemblies and say 'Hi!' to the students. You can contact Linda at my office on 9952 8332 to arrange a visit.



Burst water main

I would like to praise the Council maintenance crews for their quick response to last week's flooding emergency around Parkes and Goodwin Streets, West Ryde when a Sydney Water main burst in Carrara Park. Council staff cleared mud, bitumen and debris from roads and footpaths allowing cars and people through before assisting Sydney Water crews with sandbagging and securing the area. Residents affected by the flooding should contact Sydney Water on 13 20 90.

Winter 2014

The winter sports season is upon us and I'd like to wish the more than 21,000 locals who take to our fields and courts to play netball, soccer, hockey, Frisbee, AFL and rugby. I'd particularly like to say 'welcome' to the N-W Sydney Koalas Women's Football teams who are committed to promoting equality in sport.



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 or to book in for the next session of 'Cuppa with the Mayor' on Wednesday 2 April, just call Linda on 9952 8332.

To view my weekly Mayor's Community Message go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Mayor

RYDE REMEMBERS 2014 - 2018

On the eve of WWI Centenary Celebrations, City of Ryde is holding a series of Anzac inspired workshops called 'Ryde Remembers'.

Scanning and Photography Day

Share your family's World War I memorabilia (photos/letters) and be part of living history.

Did your WWI ancestor enlist from this area or did they come to live here after the war?

Do you have letters, photographs or objects related to their war experience that you would be happy for library staff to scan or photograph and return to you?

This is a joint initiative with the Ryde District Historical Society whose members will be available to explain their Ryde Goes to War project which aims to create a biographical database of Ryde's WWI soldiers and nurses. Please contact Angela Phippen, Local Studies and Family History Librarian, to discuss or come along on the day.

When Saturday 5 April

Time 10.00am - 4.00pm

Where Ryde Library

Enquiries 9952 8353 or history@ryde.nsw.gov.au
Light refreshments provided.

Spirits of Gallipoli

In this illustrated talk, local historian Kim Phillips will give an overview of the Gallipoli Campaign and some of the major battles in which Australians were involved - the Landing, Lone Pine, the Nek. She will look at Gallipoli today and give details about her own project 'Spirits of Gallipoli' which is a biographical database of all those who died in the campaign. The talk will be supported by actual film footage of our Anzacs at Gallipoli.

When Sunday 13 April

Time 2.30 - 4.00pm

Where Ryde Library

Cost Gold coin contribution

Bookings Essential, call 9952 8352
Refreshments provided.

WIN A PLAYSTATION 4

Like Facebook.com/CityofRyde

To enter, simply 'Like' our City of Ryde Facebook page before midnight 30 April 2014 and you'll go into the draw to WIN a Sony PlayStation 4 valued at \$549.



Upcoming Library Events

Australia's Favourite Library

Vote for our libraries at www.alia.org.au/ausfavlib



InFocus: The 5 Most Common Cancers

What is it like to live with cancer? How can you help sufferers and prevent cancer? In this session, former hospital scientist Tony Brien discusses five common cancers that impact Australians.



When Wednesday 26 March

Time 2.00 - 3.00pm

Where West Ryde Library

Cost Gold coin contribution

Bookings 9952 8376

Author's Platform

The Heart Radical is author Boyd Anderson's latest historical novel. Boyd will tell us more about this stunning combination of war story, romance and courtroom drama.



When Wednesday 26 March

Time 6.30 - 7.30pm

Where Ryde Library

Cost Gold coin contribution

Bookings 9952 8352

Law Talk: Applying for Probate

Solicitor, Lydia Shelly, from Osborne Howell, Lawyers and Conveyancers will talk about Probate - the process of managing the estate and assets of a deceased person.



When Thursday 27 March

Time 1.30 - 3.30pm

Where Ryde Library

Cost Gold coin contribution

Bookings 9952 8352

Seniors' Morning Tea: Walking Married of Mosuo

The Mosuo are a small ethnic group living in Yunnan and Sichuan Provinces in China, close to the border with Tibet. One of the best known, and least understood, aspects of Mosuo culture is their practice of what has been termed 'walking marriage'. There is no traditional marriage in Mosuo culture. Therefore, there are no husbands or wives. Join us for morning tea and a discussion to find out more.



When Monday 31 March

Time 10.00am - 12noon

Where West Ryde Library

Cost Gold coin contribution

April School Holiday Program

Book now - 'Let's get Loud' these school holidays with a variety of musical instruments. To view the complete program of activities go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays



When Monday 14 April -

Wednesday 23 April

Where Various locations

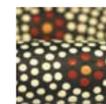
Cost: Free - \$5

Bookings: Essential, call 9952 8352

Upcoming Events

Indigenous Film Night

Hosted by Macquarie University's Department of Indigenous Studies - Warawara, the Indigenous Film Night will be presented by Alec Morgan who will be showcasing a variety of films written, produced or directed by Indigenous Australians. There will be bush tucker catering and drinks served throughout the event. This is a free event and all are welcome! Registration is essential for catering purposes.



When Friday 28 March

Time 6.00 - 9.00pm

Where The Atrium Campus Hub (Building C10A), Macquarie University, North Ryde

Cost Free

Bookings Essential
www.arts.mq.edu.au/forms/indigenous_film_night the Macquarie University website

Enquiries Emily Sutton on 9580 4209

Family Fun Day at Fontenoy Park

We're celebrating the opening of the new Fontenoy Park playground and other attractions, all part of the plan to bring new life back to this beautiful park. Come down to Fontenoy Park to join in our family fun day. Drop by our marquee for a chat with Councillors and staff and enjoy the sausage sizzle for a gold coin donation. It's a great way to find out what's happening in your community. There'll be a barbeque, kids' sports activities, jumping castle and music!



When Saturday 29 March

Time 11.00am - 2.00pm

Where Fontenoy Park, 52 Fontenoy Road, Macquarie Park

Cost Free

Our Space Open Day

'Our Space' integrated youth services hub is having an Open Day to celebrate the launch of this vital space for youth to have access to services they need. Key partnerships have been established with Oasis Youth Support Network, Christian Community Aid and Ryde Family Services. There will be a formal signing of the partnership with the Mayor of the City of Ryde Clr Roy Maggio and the key partners.

The community is welcome to attend and have a look around the centre, and enjoy the music and performances. BBQ provided.



When Thursday 3 April

Time 3.30 - 6pm

Where 167 Shaftsbury Road, Eastwood

Cost Free

Enquiries Council's Customer Service Centre on 9952 8222

Cinema in the Plaza - 'Man of Steel'

Bring your picnic rug or low chair to our free outdoor Cinema in the Plaza. A young boy learns that he has extraordinary powers and is not of this Earth. But the hero in him must emerge if he is to save the world from annihilation and become the symbol of hope for all mankind. Rated M.



When Friday 4 April

Time 8.00pm

Where Eastwood Plaza, Rowe Street, Eastwood

Cost Free

Enquiries www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/cinema

'Golden Girls' Autumn Fashion Parade

Presented by the Ryde Catholic Women's League the proceeds of this fundraiser go to Fr Christ Riley Youth of the Streets, and St Vincent de Paul and other local charities. Homemade sandwiches and cakes for afternoon tea, lucky door prizes and a raffle.



When Saturday 5 April

Time 1.00pm

Where Our Lady Queen of Peace, Parish Hall, Cnr Victoria Road and Westminster Street, Gladesville

Cost \$10

Bookings Beth on 9807 4334

Public Notice

Notice of Establishment of Alcohol-Free Zones

The City of Ryde advises that Alcohol-Free Zones in the following areas will be in effect from 1 April 2014 until 1 April 2018:

- Trim Place and Coulter Street, between Trim Place and Linsley Street, Gladesville;
- West Ryde Bus interchange; and
- Meadowbank Wharf, encompassing Bowden Street and Bay Drive.

The consumption of alcohol is prohibited in these areas during the period noted.

Non-compliance may result in immediate seizure and disposal of alcohol.

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 5, your Kerbside Council Cleanup is this Monday 31 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 Locations

Saturday 29 March from 9.00am

- 8 Long Avenue, East Ryde
- 60 Falconer Street, West Ryde
- 7 Fernleigh Close, Ryde

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



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



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

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