



The Mayor's Community Message

Clr Roy Maggio

Out and About

The reception to the Mayor's first Business Networking Lunch was very encouraging with 60 local business operators attending.

The City of Ryde is emerging as a globalised suburban centre with a young talented workforce, a culturally diverse population and strong business growth. With more than 92,000 jobs and a local economy worth more than \$13 billion, we are growing an average of 5% per annum, twice the NSW state average. Thanks to everyone for attending, especially Gavin Fox Smith, CEO of Johnson & Johnson Medical, for an outstanding presentation and unique insight into community responsibility of big business.

Ryde Apprenticeship Expo

I attended the Ryde Apprenticeship Expo last week, which was well supported by exhibitors and interested youth who are looking for career opportunities.

Ryde Rotary Dinner

As a passionate supporter of the immediate removal of graffiti, it was a pleasure to speak at a recent Ryde Rotary Dinner about the work that Council and Ryde Rotary have been doing since 2009 to educate the community and to reduce the incidence of graffiti.

Education Week

During Education Week I presented certificates to students from Putney Public School for literacy and numeracy achievements. We have wonderful schools and educators in this City.

Riding for Disabled - special presentation

Wal Scott-Smith, OAM, 92 years of age, was honoured with life membership by his friends at Riding for the Disabled on Thursday. A very special man, Mr Scott-Smith has been volunteering with RDA for about 25 years. The efforts of Mr Scott-Smith are even more amazing when you consider that he catches three modes of public transport to assist at the Riding for Disabled venue in Marsfield.

He has also been associated with the Scouting movement since 1934 where his involvement earned him an OAM. He is also the Chief Cenotaph Attendant at the Sydney Cenotaph, a position he has held for 68 years.

Annual knit-a-thon

With needles at the ready, and a target of more than 500 knitted blankets for Wrap with Love, our community's top knitters will be put to the test at Ryde Library on Friday 8 August for the annual Wrap with Love charity knit-in. Over the past 12 months, knitting groups have been creating the thousands of squares it takes to make the wraps that are shipped around the world to children and people in need.

Hockey news and North West Sydney Koalas Womens Football

On Saturday I attended the Ryde Hunters Hill Hockey Club Family Day which was well patronised and a great event. That evening I was present at the 50th anniversary of the Ryde Eastwood Womens Hockey Association. There was a great turnout and I am really pleased that associations such as this have been active in our local area for so long.

On Sunday it was a visit to another sporting day - the 2014 sponsor and community day for the North West Sydney Koalas Womens Football. This is another group contributing to the enjoyment of our community.

Sincerely,

Clr Roy Maggio - Mayor

If you want to promote a local event or community initiative please contact me on 0418 299 347, at my office 9952 8222 or email mayor@ryde.nsw.gov.au If you would like to meet and discuss any matter with the Mayor please call Linda on 9952 8222.

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

Upcoming Library Events



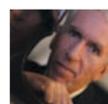
Wrap with Love - Knit In

Bring your knitting needles, crochet hooks and sewing needles and be part of this fantastic community event. Whether you knit, crochet or sew we need your help. Light refreshments provided. All welcome!

When Friday 8 August
Time 10.00am - 2.00pm
Where Ryde Library

Musical Morning Tea: Domenico Sepe Napolitana Extravaganza

Join us for a celebration of the enchanting and vibrant music of Napoli. An Italian treat for any music lover.



When Monday 11 August
Time 10.30 - 11.30am
Where Ryde Library
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings 9952 8352

Tablet Basics

Learn the basics of the iPad and other touch screen tablets.

1st hour (Optional): Participants will learn about buttons, touch screen and tablet interaction.

2nd hour: Connecting to Wi-Fi, browsing the internet, downloading apps, and accessing Ryde Library eBooks.

Participants must bring their own tablet device with passwords.



When Monday 11 August
Time 2.00 - 3.00pm (optional touch screen training), or 3.00 - 4.00pm (connecting to Wi-Fi, etc)
Where Ryde Library
Cost \$16.50 (\$11.50 for seniors)
Bookings 9952 8352

Authors Platform: Lex Marinos

From Kingswood Country to The Slap, Lex Marinos has enjoyed a full life as an actor on stage and on film. *Blood and Circuses* is the wry and charming story of a young Greek Australian boy, whose family ran a café in Wagga Wagga in the 1950s and who dreamt of making his life in the theatre.



When Thursday 14 August
Time 6.30 - 7.30pm
Where Ryde Library
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings 9952 8352

Ryde Remembers: How to trace your Australian WWI ancestors

Are you interested in knowing what records are available to help you research your Australian WWI ancestor? In this illustrated lecture members of the Ryde District Historical Society will demonstrate and explain the variety of sources available to you.



When Saturday 16 August
Time 10.00am - 12 noon
Where West Ryde Library
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings 9952 8376

Around the City



50th Anniversary of the Opening of the Civic Centre

A commemorative plaque will be unveiled, followed by morning tea and the viewing of a display illustrating the story of the commissioning, construction and 1964 opening of the Ryde Civic Centre.

When Friday 15 August
Time 11.00am - 12 noon

Where Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde
Bookings Essential, call 9952 8222 or email cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au

Exhibition period: View the display in the foyer of Ryde Library that tells the story of this building from Friday 15 August - mid September.

Leftover Makeover (LOMO) Cooking Demonstration

Love food? Love cooking great meals for your family and friends? Love to balance the budget and save money? Then you'll love our Leftover Make Over (LOMO) cooking workshop! This popular workshop fills quickly so book early. With correct planning, storage and some creativity, you can make exciting new meals from your leftovers, and save up to \$1,000 per year. Light lunch will be provided.



When Saturday 16 August
Time 10.30am - 1.00pm
Cost Free
Bookings Essential, register online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/lomo or call Council's Customer Service Centre on 9952 8222

Guided Walk: Field of Mars

The Field of Mars Reserve is a 51 hectare wildlife refuge nestled between the Lane Cove and Parramatta Rivers. Join us as we walk through the bushland on the Kunzea Track and Sand Track. See the wildlife, birds and urban creeks. Learn about the Indigenous and European history of this area and the bush food/supplies which the local Aboriginal tribes and European settlers relied upon. Many of these plants are still found in the Field of Mars today. Easy to medium grade 2.5km walk suitable for adults and families with primary school or high school aged children.



When Sunday 17 August
Time 11.00am - 1.00pm
Where Field of Mars Reserve, 220 Pittwater Road, East Ryde
Cost Free
Bookings Essential, call 9952 8222. Book early as places are strictly limited

Arts and Culture



Artisans Ryde Winter Markets

Come and join in the fun of the Artisans Ryde Winter Markets. Artisans Ryde is a group of 27 local artists who will be selling handmade items including paintings, mosaics, jewellery, bags, children's accessories, calligraphy, ceramics and knitting. There will be free workshops in doodle art, mosaics, knotting and weaving.

When Saturday 9 August
Time 11.00am - 3.00pm
Where West Ryde Community Hall, 3 Anthony Road, West Ryde

More Info Call Margaret on 0413 145 800 or email artisans.ryde@gmail.com

Ryde Hunters Hill Symphony Orchestra presents

THE FLAVOURS OF ASIA

East meets West in a fusion of classical music. Two great movie scores - Mao's Last Dancer by local composer Christopher Gordon and Tan Dun's Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon. Plus Butterfly Lovers (Chen/Ho) famous modern Chinese classic and Borodin's In the Steppes of Central Asia. Guest conductor Andrew Del Riccio. Guest Soloist Rebecca Irwin.



When Sunday 10 August
Time 3.00pm
Where Ryde Civic Hall, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde
Cost \$15 - \$35
Bookings Online specials available www.rhso.org.au



(SWAP) Sustainable Waste to Art Prize Awards Night and Exhibition

Artists and members of the community were invited to enter the SWAP competition and exhibition with artworks and up-cycled functional objects that respond to themes connected to sustainable living or waste, by producing works that either address these themes, or are created from recycled waste materials. Come and join us at the awards night as the SWAP winners are announced and the exhibition is officially opened by City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Roy Maggio.

When Thursday 14 August
Time 6.00 - 8.00pm
Where See Street Gallery, Meadowbank Campus, See Street, Meadowbank
Cost Free
Exhibition 14 - 30 August, 11.00am - 4.00pm (Closed Sunday and Monday)

Council is considering making an application to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) for a special rate variation (SRV) to secure funding our City and community needs for future works and services.

Whilst Council currently has a 'sound' financial position, there is an increasing gap of \$8.22 million between Council's income and the money required to maintain Council's infrastructure like roads, footpaths, and stormwater drains, etc.

An important part of the decision making process is gaining community feedback on the proposal.

How can I find out more?

- Visit our dedicated website www.futureryde.com.au to read the brochure and find out more information, ask a question, take part in the survey and more.
- Drop into any of our information sessions across the City of Ryde listed on www.futureryde.com.au
- Attend a Community Council Meeting near you listed below:

AUG **Tonight's Meeting**
Wednesday 6 7.30 - 9.00pm North Ryde School of Arts, 201 Coxs Road, North Ryde

AUG
Tuesday 19 7.30 - 9.00pm Civic Hall, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde

SEPT
Thursday 18 7.30 - 9.00pm Eastwood Hall, 159-161 Shaftsbury Road, Eastwood.

We want your feedback

After you have reviewed the information and understand the options to make an informed decision, we encourage you to tell us your preferred option by:

- Returning the postage-paid postcard included with the brochure
- Attending one of our information sessions or community meetings
- Completing the online survey at www.futureryde.com.au

If you need help understanding this proposal or if you require a translation of the brochure please contact us on 9952 8222.

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 4, your Kerbside Council Cleanup is this Monday 11 August. 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 9 August from 9.00am

- 33 Mirool Street, Denistone West
- 43 Henderson Street, Denistone East

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

