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JOINT REGIONAL AUTHORITY

The NSW Government announced a formal proposal on 6 January to merge the City of Ryde with Hunter's Hill and Lane Cove Councils. This proposal along with written submissions from the community will be assessed by the Delegate Dr Robert Lang for consideration in the final report. This is your last chance to have your say on the Merger Proposal by making a submission before 5.00pm Sunday 28 February 2016 at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/fitforthefuture



I was delighted to present Ryde Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna a certificate of recognition to celebrate 50 years of environmental concern and action.

The Mayor's Community Message Lunar New Year

Eastwood's Lunar New Year celebration kicked off last Saturday with the annual Cooking Competition and I had a great time judging the impressive dishes created on the spot by our local celebrities. Congratulations to Clr Craig Chung who took out the coveted top honour with his amazing 'Emperor's Seafood Treasure Basket' recipe.

Foodies and seekers of good-fortune who visit Eastwood this week can expect many such delights as the local community welcomes in the Year of the Monkey as part the biggest Lunar New Year Festival in north-western Sydney.

A crowd in excess of ten thousand is expected over the eight-day celebration that turns the streets and byways of Eastwood into a hub of food and firecrackers, lanterns and lion dancing, music and martial arts.

Special entertainment includes displays of centuries old traditional dances, dynamic dancing lions, hip-hop, noisy crackers, and Monkey Magic, who uses his amazing skills to fight off the bad spirits, will be there too.

The Eastwood Saturday Night Markets, that have been such a hit since they came on the scene last year, have been integrated into the Festival, so the whole family can now enjoy the celebrations right through to late in the evening, with even more food, gifts, toys and kids entertainment to sample.

Make sure you get down to Eastwood this Saturday to be part of this great celebration and help us welcome in a year of good fortune and happiness. KUNG HEI FAT CHOI!
www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/lunarnewyear

Cinema in the Park

This Friday, our Cinema in the Park festival kicks off at Morrison Bay Park, with *Avengers 2: Age of Ultron* [PG-13]. This is a free screening for the whole family to enjoy. Movies over the next three weeks are *Whiplash* [MA15+], *Inside Out* [PG] and *Minions* [PG]. For more information visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/cinema

The Ryde Royal Rehab is also presenting a special screening of *Concussion*, Will Smith's latest blockbuster about concussion in sport. It will be screening on Thursday 18 February, 6.30pm at Event Cinemas, Top Ryde City Shopping Centre.

Win a Glamping Package on Cockatoo Island

I'm working hard to make the Parramatta River swimmable again. As chairman of the Our Living River initiative, I want to be able to take my kids down to Meadowbank for a swim in the river. To do this, I need your support. You can find out all about our work to make Parramatta River swimmable again by visiting the Our Living River website at www.ourlivingriver.com.au

You can also enter a great new competition to win a Cockatoo Island camping package for two people.



Sincerely,

Clr Jerome Laxale - Mayor
Phone 9952 8222 or
email mayor@ryde.nsw.gov.au

VOLUNTEER AWARDS



Nominations for the 2016 Volunteer Awards are now open

The annual Volunteer Recognition Awards acknowledge the contribution made by committed volunteers that give their time and skills to enhance and uplift the life of the community within the City of Ryde. There are awards for Individual, Group and Young Volunteer of the Year. Do you know a person or group whose service you would like to see more widely recognised? You can nominate any business, industry, community group, family or individual actively involved in voluntary service in the City of Ryde during the past two years (excluding those primarily involved in political and/or lobbying activities).

Closing date for nominations is **Monday 11 April**.

For more information and to make your nomination visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/volunteerawards

EVENTS AROUND YOUR CITY



Outdoor Stories and Songs

Join us outdoors for a fun filled children's library session with songs, stories and more!



Ages All ages
When Friday 26 February
Time 10.30 - 11.00am
Where Rowe Street Mall, Eastwood

Kitchen Gardening Workshop

This workshop will show you how to make the most of your garden or balcony with tips and tricks to create an edible abundance in whatever space you have.

To register, visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/kgwregistration



When Saturday 20 February
Time 10.00am - 12.00pm
Where Location to be advised upon registration
Cost Free

EVENTS AT YOUR LIBRARY

InFocus: Summer Evening Concert

Domenico Sepe joins forces with the Kevinwood Orchestra for a night of wonderful music. Presented by Susan Bryant. This concert includes classical and traditional favourites.



When Friday 26 February
Time 6.30 - 7.30pm
Where Ryde Library
Cost Gold coin contribution
Bookings 9952 8352

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Council has received the following Local Development Applications.
Property: 12 Hollis Avenue, Denistone East
Local Development Application No. LDA2016/0047
Applicant: John Liu
Child care centre for 48 children (8 x 0-2 years; 15 x 2-3 years; 25 x 3-5 years) and 7 staff members. The proposed hours of operation are 7.00am - 6.00pm Monday to Friday. Submissions regarding the above application must be lodged no later than 2 March, 2016.

Property: 89 Bowden Street Meadowbank
Local Development Application No. LDA2016/0046
Applicant: Champion Homes
Demolition; multi-dwelling housing development containing 3 x units (1 x 2 storey / 5 bedroom dwelling at the front; 2 x single storey 3 bedroom units at the rear), and strata subdivision.

Property: 28 Lincoln Street, Eastwood
Local Development Application No. LDA2016/0049
Applicant: Just Property & Planning
Demolition; multi-dwelling housing development containing 4 x units (1 x 2 storey / 3 bedroom and study unit at the front, and 3 x single storey / 3 bedroom units at the rear). Submissions regarding the above applications must be lodged no later than 9 March, 2016.

The above applications are not 'designated development' under the terms of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act*, and the City of Ryde is the authority responsible for the determination of the applications. Anyone may make submissions concerning these applications. 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. 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. All of the above applications 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 to 5.00pm.) To make an appointment go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/planningandbusiness or call 9952 8222.



The year of the Monkey, 2016.

The Eastwood Lunar New Year celebration is an exciting and colourful event that is widely acknowledged as a big success with crowds of over 10,000 attending during the day.

GRAND CELEBRATION DAY AT EASTWOOD PLAZA

SATURDAY 20 FEBRUARY
Performances from 11.00am - 4.00pm
Stalls from 10.00am - 10.00pm
:: Lunar New Year Celebration
:: Performances
:: Lion Parade and Dragon Parade
:: Fire Crackers
:: Food Stalls and Handicraft Stalls

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/lunarnewyear

Road closures will be in place from 6.00am - 6.00pm on Rowe Street between Trelawney St and The Avenue, Eastwood. A detour route will be signposted. For further information please contact the Events Team on 9952 8222.



9AM - 3.30PM SATURDAY 19 MARCH

**APPLICATIONS ARE CLOSING SOON
for Stallholders, Performers and Parade Participants.**
Go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/easterparade



RYDE HUB PRECINCT
International Design Competition
APPLICATIONS CLOSE 30 MARCH
www.DesignOurRyde.com

City of Ryde

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