

MAYOR'S COMMUNITY MESSAGE



ANZAC Day is a time to honour those who served. Pictured is the Mayor's wife, Helen, wearing her father's medals (WWII) and her grandfather's medals (WWI). She is holding grandson, Jaxon Craig, who is wearing his father's medals (service in the Gulf).

Our heritage honoured

I have received so much feedback from community members who were part of the more than 500 people who attended the recent Anzac Day service in Anzac Park, West Ryde. They represented all ages, walks of life and backgrounds – each one touched by the bonds of family and the importance of heritage.

I was particularly moved by comments from Ryde's Citizen of the Year, Warren Smith, who wrote ... *"This event was close to my heart as it was the first time I have worn my grandfather's war medals being taken POW in the Battle of Fromelles after being gassed. He was one of 1,000 Aboriginal men who fought in WWI and is now a resident of Ryde in Macquarie Park Cemetery after I discovered his unmarked grave only a short time ago."*

On a personal level, it gave me a chance to reflect on my own family's heritage and the recent tragic loss of my son-in-law, a Navy serviceman who saw action in The Gulf.

I would like to thank everyone involved in bringing this piece of our history alive and the young people who helped make this such a memorable event - students from Holy Cross College, Marsden High, Epping High, St Michael's Primary, Eastwood Heights Public, Meadowbank Public, North Cross Christian and St Anthony's Primary School, and scouts from 1st Meadowbank Group, Ryde Scout Group and 1st East Ryde Scouts who did an outstanding job as flagbearers.

Willandra Open Day

Much of the research for Ryde's Centenary of Anzac Commemorations, in particular the family histories, has been done by members of the Ryde District Historical Society. Their headquarters is the gorgeous heritage property, Willandra House located at 770 Victoria Road Ryde, and it will open its doors to the public on Sunday 21 May as part of History Week. There will be tours of Willandra, displays, a walking tour, publications and Devonshire tea. Admission is free. For more information go to www.rydehistory.org

Ryde Youth Theatre

Don't miss Ryde Youth Theatre's next production - *You're Such a Lovely Audience* – short plays inspired by the lyrics of The Beatles. The performance will be held at the Ryde Park Rotunda (Argyle Avenue, Ryde).

Performances are scheduled over two weekends (Friday – Sunday) 5, 6, 7 May and 12, 13, 14 May.

All tickets are \$6.50, to book tickets, visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/RYTperformance

Don't forget, next Wednesday 10 May is SES Wear Orange Day (WOW Day).



Yours Sincerely,

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

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

HAVE YOUR SAY

Draft Four Year Delivery Plan 2017–2021 including One Year Operational Plan 2017/2018

The Draft Four Year Delivery Plan 2017–2021 including the One Year Operational Plan 2017/2018 and fees and charges are on public exhibition for your comments.

The Delivery Plan lists the projects and activities to be delivered by Council over the next four years. It is Council's implementation plan including the budget, to deliver on the Community Strategic Plan.

If you have any comments on this document please share them with us through any of the avenues listed below whilst the plan is on public exhibition from 2 May 2017 to 30 May 2017. Council will consider all submissions prior to adopting these plans.

Where can I view the documents?

You can view 2017–2021 Four Year Delivery Plan including One Year Operational Plan 2017/18:

Online www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay

In person Customer Service Centre, 1 Pope Street, Ryde
All City of Ryde libraries

How do I make a submission?

Submissions must be in writing. They can be made as follows:

Online www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay

Email cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au with a subject header of '2017–2021 Four Year Delivery Plan'

Post General Manager, City of Ryde,
Locked Bag 2069, North Ryde NSW 1670

Closing date for submissions is **Tuesday 30 May 2017**.

Boat Parking Laws Consultation 2017

New Boat Trailer Parking Laws were introduced in NSW in late 2016 to allow Councils and impounding authorities to take action against boat trailers parked in the same spot on a residential street for more than 28 days. These laws do not automatically apply in every part of NSW. City of Ryde invites the community to 'Have Your Say' throughout the month of May 2017 and will then determine whether or not to enforce the new boat parking laws. Drop in to an information session, complete an on-line survey or email Council at cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au

Drop In Sessions

When Thursday 18 May 2017

Time 6.00 - 8.00pm

Where Wallamutta Room, Ryde Library, 1 Pope Street, Ryde

When Saturday 20 May 2017

Time 10.00am - 12noon

Where Pope Room, Ryde Library, 1 Pope Street, Ryde

West Ryde Plaza Embellishment

The West Ryde Plaza Embellishment project is part of the City of Ryde's Four Year Delivery Plan (2016-2020) to create more inviting and activated public spaces in our Neighbourhood and Town Centres.

We would now like to hear from you about the elements you would like to see in the plaza area and where in the plaza you would like to see them. Drop in to an information session or design workshop, complete an on-line survey or email Council at cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au

Drop In Session

When Saturday 13 May 2017

Time Anytime between 10.00am to 12noon

Where West Ryde Plaza

Design Workshops

When Thursday 11 May 2017

Times 4.00pm to 5.30pm AND 6.00pm to 7.30pm

Where West Ryde Library Meeting Room, 2 Graf Avenue, West Ryde

For more information visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay or contact Customer Service on 9952 8222.

EVENTS AT YOUR LIBRARY

Sydney Writers' Festival - Tom Griffiths in Conversation



Join eminent historian and award winning author Tom Griffiths for a fascinating conversation about his new landmark book *'The Art of Time Travel'*.



When Thursday 25 May

Time 6.30 - 8.00pm

Where Ryde Library

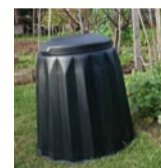
Cost Free

Bookings Essential, call 9952 8352 or book online at cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

EVENTS AROUND YOUR CITY

Composting and Worm Farming Workshop

Come along and learn how to set up your own compost bin or worm farm.



When Saturday 6 May

Time 10.00am - 12.00pm

Where The Habitat, 249 Quarry Road, Ryde

Cost Free

Bookings Essential, call 9952 8222 or book online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/wastesolutions



SUSTAINABLE WASTE 2 ART PRIZE

Showcasing art and design objects created from used and recycled materials.

ENTRIES NOW OPEN

Make an artwork or objects from used or recycled materials and enter it into the SWAP competition for your chance to win cash prizes.

Note: Artworks to be curated prior to the exhibition.

\$4,550 Worth of prizes

ENTRIES CLOSE Friday 4 August 2017

FREE ART WORKSHOPS



PLASTIC ALIVE!

5 JULY, 10.00am - 4.00pm

West Ryde Hall, 1A Station Street, West Ryde

Suitable for children 11 – 16 years.

Discover new ways to turn discarded plastic

into works of art.



ROPE WORK

8 JULY, 10.00am - 4.00pm

Ryde Civic Hall, 1 Devlin St, Ryde

Suitable for all ages.

Create an upbeat rug, wall piece or wearable art from recycled rope.



PLASTIC IS THE BOMB

12 JULY, 10.00am - 4.00pm

West Ryde Hall, 1A Station Street, West Ryde

Suitable for children 11-16 years.

Create amazing and colourful fruit bowls, baskets,

planter pots plus lots more from plastic bags.



RAGS TO ART

15 JULY, 10.00am - 4.00pm

Ryde Civic Hall, 1 Devlin St, Ryde

Suitable for all ages.

Make paper based art pieces from old clothing; use collage and embossing techniques to create an artwork.

Visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/swap to enter online, download an entry form or register for a workshop.