

# City of Ryde

## Your City News



Mayor with Rural Aid General Manager Wayne Thompson who presented the City of Ryde with a certificate of appreciation for Council's Buy A Bale fundraising appeal to assist farmers living in drought-affected areas of NSW.

### The New Heart of Ryde

The initial response to the City of Ryde's new vision for the Ryde Civic Centre site has been extremely encouraging.

Known as 'The New Heart of Ryde', Council's proposal maps out a new Ryde Civic Centre site that is focused on the community.

It will result in a four-fold increase in multipurpose community space with no residential development. Importantly, the project will be financially sustainable, will not increase rates or result in any cuts to any Council services.

Formal consultation on The New Heart of Ryde will begin on 26 June and run until 25 August.

I strongly encourage everyone to take part in this consultation as all feedback received during this period will help formulate the final report that will be submitted to Council for consideration later in the year.

More information is available at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/heart](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/heart) including updates, concept images, answers to frequently asked questions and the option to subscribe to 'The New Heart of Ryde' email newsletter.

### The Hive's official opening

Next week The Hive digital media lab at

West Ryde Library will be officially opened. The Hive is the latest facility provided by our fantastic library team. It offers members free access to creative and industry-standard software for graphic design, 3D modelling, web and app development as well as video editing software.

The opening will take place from 6.30pm on Thursday 20 June at West Ryde Library, 2 Graf Avenue, West Ryde.

### Putney River Walk

The City of Ryde will stage two free guided river walks in Putney this Saturday.

Starting in Putney Park, the walk will travel along the banks of the Parramatta River where those in attendance will learn about the local history and the indigenous connection to the area, including the friendship between famous former residents Bennelong and James Squire.

The first guided walk will begin at 10.00am and the second at 12.30pm.

Bookings are essential. For more information visit [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/eventslisting](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/eventslisting).

Sincerely,

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### REFUGEE WEEK TALK: SUE LIU - ACCIDENTAL AID WORKER

TUE  
18  
JUNE

6.30 - 7.30pm, Ryde Library

With warmth and bare honesty, Sue Liu shares her inspiring and empowering story of how she fell into aid work after impulsively deciding to volunteer after the 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami. This was the start of a 12-year obsession with helping refugees and vulnerable people in Australia and around the world.

### TUCKER WITHOUT TANTRUMS & TOILET TRAINING FOR PARENTS OF 1-3 YEARS OLD

THU  
20  
JUNE

6.30 - 8.30pm, Ryde Library

This workshop covers: *Tucker*: Importance of a healthy balanced diet, realistic expectations about toddlers eating habits, dealing with fussy eaters and food refusal  
*Toilet Training*: Signs of readiness, preparing your toddler, 2 approaches.

Bookings essential for both events at [cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au](http://cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au)

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