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NOVEMBER NEWS IN BRIEF

Share Your Art on New Online Artist Register

Want to promote your creativity or an upcoming exhibition? The City of Ryde Artist Register is a new online resource designed for all creative people who live, visit or work in our area. As well as providing a focal point for the arts community in the City of Ryde, the Artist Register will become a reference point for Council and developers who are interested in engaging public artists. Upload your details by Wednesday 30 November and you could win \$500. Go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/shareart

Take Up The Food Waste Challenge

In NSW we throw away \$2.5 million worth of edible food a year. This includes fresh food, leftovers, long-life products, frozen foods and take-away.

Get food-savvy, save money and help cut the waste by taking up the Food Waste Challenge, a practical education program run by the City of Ryde in partnership with the Nature Conservation Council (NCC).

Book in now for the next workshop on Thursday 17 November, 6.30 – 8.30pm, Argyle Hall, 35-41 Blaxland Road, Ryde. Presenters Kelli Ginbey (formerly of Jamie Oliver's Kitchen) will provide leftover recipe tips and Lesley Andrew (NCC) will give you the lowdown on food storage. Council's Waste Communications Officer Helen Kerley will answer questions about Council's extensive waste services. To register go to www.nccnsw.org.au/ryde-challenge-registration

Building a Granny Flat Seminar

Book in now for the popular Building a Granny Flat seminar presented by City of Ryde Building and Development Advisory Service. Aimed at home owners, local builders and designers, topics include everything you need to know about:

- State planning policies
- Local development controls
- DA lodgement
- BASIX certificate

Wednesday 23 November, 6.30 – 8.00pm, Ryde Library, 1 Pope Street, Ryde. Go to <u>www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/whatson</u> or call 9952 8222. Bookings are essential.

Get Rid of Your Second Fridge

City of Ryde residents have enthusiastically embraced the Fridge Buyback program, with over 900 second fridges to date collected. This represents:

- 900 tonnes pa of greenhouse gas emissions saving
- \$265 per household saving on power bills
- 81 tonnes of metal recycled
- 72kg of harmful refrigerant gasses safely destroyed

Go to www.fridgebuyback.com.au or call 1800 708 401. Some conditions apply.