

Monday 5 November 2012

OUR CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY EVENTS ARE BURSTING WITH GOODWILL

City of Ryde season of Christmas community celebrations is about to begin. Put these dates in your diary. For full details go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/christmas

**Community Christmas Celebration
Sunday 2 December, 3.00 – 7.00pm
Ryde Park, Blaxland Rd, Ryde**

This is your invitation to join in the fun at the annual City of Ryde Community Christmas Celebration in Ryde Park.

Festivities include:

- Santa's Cave where that jolly gentleman will hear requests from all the girls and boys
- Kids crafts and entertainment
- Local entertainment for mums, dads and children
- Free sausage sizzle and refreshments.

Gather your family and friends to share in the spirit of Christmas at this giant community party in one of our beautiful parks.

**Carols in the Plaza
Thursday 6 December, 6.00 – 9.00pm
Eastwood Plaza, Eastwood**

Sing along to classic Christmas Carols with local choirs and performers at the City of Ryde's annual Carols in the Eastwood Plaza.

Why not invite your family and friends to come along and share in celebrating the festive season, and perhaps grab a bite to eat at one of the many local cafes or restaurants located within the Plaza.

Free glow candles and Santa hats are available on the evening and plenty of seating will be provided underneath the decorated Plaza trellis.

**Rotary Carols on the Common
Sunday 16 December, 5.30 – 9.30pm
North Ryde Common, cnr Twin and Wicks Roads, North Ryde**

Families, neighbours and friends join together at North Ryde Common to share in the Christmas spirit. A fireworks display is the finale of this annual event organised by North Ryde and Macquarie Park Rotary Club and sponsored by the City of Ryde.

Reindeers Over Ryde - Christmas House Lights Displays

Reindeers, penguins, giant trains and laughing Santas – these are just some of the amazing sights that light up the rooves and front yards all over our City at this time of year. The annual spectacle attracts hundreds of sightseers to these lighting extravaganza.

- Chavel Street, North Ryde (cnr Cutler & Blamey – every house)
- Stephens Avenue, Ryde (cul de sac off Quarry Road – every house)
- Blundell Street and Dacy Street, Marsfield

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Australia Day Celebrations, Saturday 26 January

- Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year Announcement (time & location TBA)
- Australia Day Family Concert and Fireworks Spectacular, North Ryde Common, 5.00-9.00pm

Cinema in the Park Festival

Dates and locations to be advised.

Lunar New Year, Eastwood

Cook-off Sunday 10 February

Parade and celebration Saturday 23 February

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