

Friday 11 January 2013.

## **2013 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS**

### **Saturday 26 January – Civic Ceremony & Family Concert/Fireworks**

Australia Day is a national tribute to everything that makes Australia great – our diverse society and landscape, our remarkable achievements and our bright future.

City of Ryde Mayor Cllr Ivan Petch said: “Australia Day is more than just a public holiday. It’s a day driven by communities celebrating what’s great about Australia and being Australian.

“Traditionally, this is a day when we attend either an organised community event or get together with family and friends.

“The best thing about Australia Day is that it’s your day to do what you please, whether you’re at a barbeque, welcoming new citizens or lazing about listening to some of Australia’s best musical talent.”

Australia Day celebrations in the City of Ryde begin with an official gathering at the Civic Centre that includes an address by Australia Day Ambassadors, iconic radio duo Jonathan ‘Jono’ Coleman and Ian ‘Dano’ Rogerson.

We also honour our most respected residents with the announcement of the 2013 Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year.

This is followed by a Citizenship Ceremony when 50 new members of the Australian family are welcomed.

Celebrations then move to North Ryde Common for the annual Australia Day Family Concert and Fireworks (5.00 – 9.30 pm).

Gather your family and friends, pack a picnic, bring a blanket/low chair and settle in for a great line up of family entertainment headed by *Dirty Deeds* (Australia’s Number 1 AC/DC Tribute Show) plus local acts to get you in the party mood. Then spectacular fireworks will light up the evening sky at 9 o’clock. Rides and refreshments are also available.

### **2013 Australia Day Program Saturday 26 January**

#### **Civic Ceremony**

Civic Centre, Devlin Street, Ryde, 10.00-11.30 am

- Australia Day Ambassador Address – Jono and Dano
- Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year Announcement
- Citizenship Ceremony

## **Family Concert and Fireworks**

North Ryde Common, Cnr Twin & Wicks Roads

Concert starts 5.00 pm. Fireworks at 9.00 pm

Rides and refreshments available. Full details [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/australiaday](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/australiaday)

5.00pm Younger Hearts Band – country, blues, swing and bluegrass  
6.00pm The Oz Rock Show – six piece band offering the best rock in town  
7.00pm Mayor's Welcome and National Anthem  
7.10pm Jdance Performance – jazz funk, hip hop, zumba and ballet  
7.50pm DIRTY DEEDS – You will believe! when 'Bon Scott' and 'Angus Young' re-incarnates strut their stuff, note for note and pound for pound - that rock solid AC/DC sound.

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## **City of Ryde Australia Day Ambassadors**

**Jonathan 'Jono' Coleman & Ian 'Dano' Rogerson**

An on-air partnership spanning thirty years has earned radio and television personalities Jono & Dano icon status to generations of Australians.

Their unique blend of humour, musical memories, celebrity interviews and a fresh perspective on the things that matter most to their audiences has kept the dynamic duo firmly at the top of the popularity stakes.

They have also enjoyed separate careers, both at home and abroad, including acting, writing and creative consultancy.

Jono hosted several top rating radio and TV shows in the UK and was the narrator for the children's show *The Koala Brothers*.

Dano was the face of Visa card's Olympic campaign and is the creative consultant and spokesperson for *Autism Awareness* – a national not-for-profit organisation.

The mention of their names immediately conjures a uniquely Australian image of fun and mateship.

## **City of Ryde Australia Day Concert – Lead Act**

**Dirty Deeds – Australia's Number One AC/DC Tribute Show**

You'll believe you are actually at an AC/DC concert when **Dirty Deeds** take to the stage!

Well respected by fans and the music industry, **Dirty Deeds** pride themselves on their ability to recreate the classic moments from AC/DC's musical legacy. That is why they were selected to perform and represent AC/DC at the Official AC/DC 'Black Ice' Album Launch Party.

Hear classics such as Back in Black, Thunderstruck and Jailbreak Spotlight.

**Dirty Deeds** is a show not to be missed – note for note and pound for pound that rock solid AC/DC sound.

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