

Tuesday, 27 September 2011

## **COOL AT THE CORE 2011**

**Youth Zone Granny Smith Festival**, Hillview Lane car park/park, Eastwood, 1.00-5.00pm

Chilling out with friends, enjoying live music, riding the mechanical bull, or gladiator duelling are just some of the cool activities at The Core 2011 at this year's Granny Smith Festival.

Council's youth officer, Janice Nicholson, has been working with the Ryde Youth Council (RYC) Organising Committee to tap into their local knowledge to pull together a program guaranteed to appeal to all local young people. "We want this year's Core will be a real youth magnet", Janice said. "We've got great attractions, including four different free amusements, guaranteed to provide maximum fun for all, plus an impressive line of local bands and a dance group.

"On the more serious side, we also have a stall with loads of information about local youth-focused services and activities."

Ryde Youth Council PR Officer and Ryde's Young Citizen of the Year, James Camilleri, is a dedicated Core attendee: "I first started going to The Core about four years ago when I joined the Ryde Youth Council. It's a good place to meet up with friends and find out what's happening.

"It's a more chilled out part of the Granny because it's aimed at 'us'. There are heaps of things to do like listening to mates in the bands and relaxing on the beanbags.

"I like being part of coordinating things for young people because my generation is most familiar with the needs and the interest of young people, especially in the local area."

The Core 2011 at the Hillview Lane car park is where it's happening where you can:

- slam down the bungee fun run
- chill out on the grass and listen to local bands
- ride the mechanical bull
- surf the mechanical surfboard
- fight a gladiator duel
- polish up your rollerblading skills (all equipment supplied)
- get all the information you need about youth issues and local youth services
- Free water for everyone.

Ryde Youth Council "The Core 2011" Organising Committee Members : Carla Kassab, Shane Olivo, Chris Tran, Enoch Kim

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**Photo Opportunity:** RYC Core Organising Committee meeting, Thursday 29 September, 6.30pm, Argyle Centre, Cnr Blaxland Road and Argyle Street, Ryde.

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