

Monday 3 March 2014

RYDE REMEMBERS

On the eve of WWI Centenary Celebrations, City of Ryde is holding a series of Anzac inspired workshops called RYDE REMEMBERS.

Scanning and photography day

Share your family's WWI memorabilia (photos/letters) and be part of living history.

- *Did your WWI ancestor enlist from this area or did they come to live here after the war?*
- *Do you have letters, photographs or objects related to their war experience that you would be happy for library staff to scan or photograph and return to you?*

This is a joint initiative with the Ryde District Historical Society whose members will be available to explain their Ryde Goes to War project which aims to create a biographical database of Ryde's WWI soldiers and nurses. Please contact Angela Phippen, Local Studies and Family History Librarian, to discuss or come along on the day.

Date: Saturday 5 April
Where: Ryde Library
Time: 10.00am – 4.00pm
Enquiries: 9952 8353 or history@ryde.nsw.gov.au. Light refreshments provided

What is this thing called ANZAC?

A bi-lingual presentation in Mandarin and English

In this illustrated presentation Jinru Zhu (Team Manager – Ryde Library), assisted by Margaret Hyland, (Team Leader - West Ryde Library), will explain the story behind Anzac Day and why it is so important to our community and country. In addition to a brief history of the Gallipoli Campaign and the traditions that have developed since then, come and sample some Anzac biscuits!

Date: Wednesday 9 April
Where: Eastwood Library
Time: 10.30am – 12 noon
Bookings essential: 9952 8352. Refreshments provided. Gold coin contribution

Spirits of Gallipoli

In this illustrated talk, local historian Kim Phillips will give an overview of the Gallipoli Campaign and some of the major battles in which Australians were involved – the Landing, Lone Pine, the Nek. She will look at Gallipoli today and give details about her own project 'Spirits of Gallipoli' which is a biographical database of all those who died in the campaign. The talk will be supported by actual film footage of our Anzacs at Gallipoli.

Date: Sunday, 13 April
Where: Ryde Library
Time: 2.30 - 4.00pm
Bookings essential: 9952-8352. Refreshments provided. Gold coin contribution.