

Friday 15 April 2016

INTERACTIVE HONOUR BOARD BRINGS LOCAL ANZAC LEGEND TO LIFE

A new interactive honour board, with details of over 2,000 local men and women who served in World War I, will be unveiled at Ryde Library on Friday 22 April, as part of the Ryde Remembers Centenary of Anzac commemoration.



Ryde Mayor and Chairman of the Ryde Centenary of Anzac Committee, Jerome Laxale, said: "This is a fantastic education and research resource that brings the Anzac legend to life through the stories of our local World War 1 heroes and heroines.

'It is very much in the spirit of our Ryde Remembers commemoration and highlights the sacrifice so many of our local citizens made one hundred years ago.'

The touchscreen kiosk features an interactive 42" HD display and operates on a search-by-name database. It provides brief biographic details of individuals such as enlistment date and whether they died overseas or returned to Australia is displayed. Photos, where available, are also shown along with details of their inclusion on war memorials or other honour boards in the Ryde area.

"The great thing about this resource is that new information and photos can be added to the database. So, if you can't find your family connection or have additional information, you can contact the Ryde District Historical Society," the Mayor said.

The data was compiled by volunteer members of the Ryde District Historical Society and designed by City of Ryde Council. Purchase of the touchscreen system was made possible through an Anzac Centenary Federal Government grant. The database is also available online at www.ryderemembers.com.au

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City of Ryde Anzac Centenary Commemorative Events, Friday 22 April 2016

9.30 – 10.15am Commemorative Service, Ryde Cenotaph, Ryde Park, Blaxland Road

10.45am Ryde Remembers Interactive Honour Board launch, Ryde Library, 1 Pope Street

Morning tea and children's 'make a poppy' craft activity included.

Gladesville RSL Anzac Day Service, Sunday 24 April, 10.30am - 12noon, Gladesville RSL Auditorium, followed by light refreshments from 12.00noon - 1.00pm.

North Ryde RSL Anzac Service, Monday 25 April, 6.30am - North Ryde RSL March, North Ryde Park. 7.00am - Memorial service, Cenotaph on Magdala Rd, North Ryde.