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## WINNERS OF SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION ANNOUNCED

Winners of 2016 City of Ryde Spring Garden Competition were announced at a Gala Event last night (Thursday 27 October) at Eden Gardens, North Ryde.

Announcing the awards for the annual competition, City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Bill Pickering, said: “Our Spring Garden Competition is an annual hands-on community event that has stood the test of time for more than thirty years.

“It offers local green fingers, from ages 3 to 80, the chance to showcase their gardening skills and brings together people from all walks of life who share a common interest, a sense of pride in their community and a genuine desire to share their passion for gardening with others.

“While the creators of the most beautiful gardens and spaces were singled out for praise, the overall winners of the competition are the neighbours, visitors and passers-by who benefit so much,” he said.

With 239 category entries in this year’s event, the new Children’s Seed Growing Competition helped to boost the overall number of entries to record levels. The Large Gardens, Native and Habitat-friendly Gardens and Children’s Seed Growing categories were the most hotly contested categories.

Entries ranged in style from simple to decorative, family projects to grand solo efforts. Community groups and commercial gardens were also congratulated.

The judging panel of Meredith Kirton, Judith Sleijpen, Murray Hook, Anna Ainsworth, Tara Preston, Judy Christie and Meron Wilson all praised the passion and enthusiasm of the gardeners and commented on the high standard and presentation of all entries

The City of Ryde Spring Garden Competition is one of a handful of Council-managed garden competitions run for the benefit of the community. The support of sponsors Eden Gardens, SUEZ, Ray White North Ryde | Macquarie Park, Reln Garden and Sam the Paving Man is greatly appreciated.

To see photos of the winning entries in the City of Ryde 2016 Spring Garden Competition go to [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/gardencomp](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/gardencomp)

**➔ Winner details**

## 2016 CITY OF RYDE SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION WINNERS

### AWARD

### NAME

#### Large Garden (sponsored by Eden Gardens)

1st place	Gary Eaves
2nd place	Kerri Gallagher
3rd place	Ken Bramwell
Commended	Marion Nichol
Special Mention	Carol Wood
Encouragement Award	Adam Podnar

#### Small Garden (sponsored by Ray White North Ryde | Macquarie Park)

1st place	Rae and Annalissa Roy
2nd place	David Heyworth
3rd place	Jemma Rollo
Highly Commended	Greg Pointing
Encouragement Award	Margaret Feltham

#### Courtyard/Balcony Garden

1st place	Annalissa Roy
2nd place	Adrienne Hick
3rd place	Angel Pease

#### Edible Garden (sponsored by ReIn Garden)

1st place	Catrin Goebel
2nd place	Cindy Elbourne-Binns
3rd place	Jeffrey Brown
Encouragement Award	James Mizens

#### Native and Habitat-friendly Garden

1st place	Kerri Gallagher
2nd place	Fran Reddacliff
3rd place	Pamela Reeves
Highly Commended	The Habitat

#### Commercial Garden (sponsored by SUEZ)

1st place	Talavera Corporate Centre (Goodman Property Services)
2nd place	Macquarie Corporate Park (Goodman Property Services)
3rd place	Northern Suburbs Memorial Gardens
Highly Commended	Living Choice - Leisure Lea Gardens

#### Community Garden

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place  
Special Recognition Award

Royal Rehab  
The Habitat  
Riding for the Disabled  
Kel Lai - Riding for the Disabled

**Bushcare Site**

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place

Monash Road Bushcare Group  
Ross Street Bushcare Group  
Waterloo Park Bushcare Group

**Children's Garden**

1st place (equal)  
1st place (equal)  
3rd place  
Encouragement Award

Lily and Sophie Arendse  
Sarah and Olivia Yep  
James Mizens  
Charli Simon

**School Garden**

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place  
Highly Commended  
Encouragement award

Kent Road Public School  
West Ryde Public School  
Meadowbank Public School  
Our Lady Queen of Peace  
Ryde Secondary College

**Pre-School Garden**

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place

St Dunstan's Pre-school Kindergarten  
West Ryde Neighbourhood Children's Centre  
KU Eastwood Preschool

**NEW Children's Seed Growing Competition**

**3 – 7 years**

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place (equal)  
3rd place (equal)

Zoe Hunnikin  
Tobias Aylett  
Alexander Demetriou  
Charlotte Hunnikin

**8 – 11 years**

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place

Jenna Aylett  
Tarran McDermid  
Tanisha Chari

**Best Decorated Pot**

1st place  
2nd place  
3rd place  
Highly Commended

Nicholas Demetriou  
Ryan Shi  
Rosalie & Evelyn Tang  
Margaret Thompson

Highly Commended

Keira Chung

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