# R City of Ryde Your City News

# MAYOR'S COMMUNITY MESSAGE

## **KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL**

Council is proud to be unveiling a Korean War Memorial at Memorial Park, Meadowbank, on 27 July during our annual flag raising ceremony to recognise the armistice of that terrible conflict, which took place between June 1950 and July 1953.

Korea's Gapyeong County has kindly donated an impressive and meaningful memorial stone recognising the 17,000 Australian servicemen who took part in the Korean War, with that number including close to 100 Ryde-born soldiers.

It's a particularly meaningful commemoration of those Australian soldiers who took part in the famous Battle of Kapyong which is within Gapyeong County and widely regarded as one of the greatest displays of bravery by our troops in any armed conflict.

During the three-day battle in April 1951, heavily outnumbered Australian and Canadian troops managed to repel wave after wave of attacks, successfully halting an enemy advance on Seoul. The fierce fighting cost the lives of 32 Australians and left 52 wounded.

The ceremony, which begins at 3.00pm, is a fitting way to honour all of the courageous Australian and Korean servicemen who took part in the Korean War.

# NATIONAL TREE DAY

The City of Ryde is an enthusiastic participant in National Tree Day, which takes place on 27 July.

As part of this year's event, please join us as we help to improve a wildlife corridor along Shrimptons Creek at ELS Hall Park by planting native plants from 10.00am - 12.00pm.

You'll be able to improve the local environment and watch over time as the plantings flourish into a haven for native wildlife.

I'm pleased to report that Council is adding more trees as part of our commitment to increase the canopy cover to 40 percent by 2030, with close to 6,000 trees and native plants given away or planted during 2024/25.

## **ROTARY CHANGEOVER**

I want to congratulate all of our local Rotary Clubs for another year of impactful community service which was celebrated at recent changeover ceremonies.

I was honoured to attend the Changeover Dinners for the Ryde, North Ryde and Macquarie Park Rotary Clubs over the last two weeks.

These important ceremonies, marking Sincerely, the handover of leadership from the outgoing president to the incoming president, are a wonderful way of acknowledging the accomplishments and contributions of the outgoing board and club members during the past year.



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# WHATS ON IN OUR CITY





THE COOK UP – MEN'S SOCIAL CONNECTIONS GROUP The Cook Up provides a safe social gathering space for men to create connections with each other and access services, supports and gain skills in a supportive, inclusive environment.

When: Monday 28 July (last Monday of the month)

- Time: 7.00 - 9.30pm
- Shepherds Bay Community Centre, 3A Bay Drive, Meadowbank Where: Cost: Free

#### Find out more: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/TheCookUp

# GARAGE SALES



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**Time:** 9.00am – 1.00pm Where: 23 Delmar Parade, Gladesville



Time: 10.00am – 2.00pm

List your garage sale for free at: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/GarageSales

Where: 15 Gregory Street, Putney

HAVE YOUR SAY

Your views and suggestions are important in shaping the City of Ryde's future. We invite you to have your say on initiatives, plans and proposals that are open for community feedback, including:

- Draft Key Workers Affordable Housing Policy (Closes 3 August) •
- Meadowbank Skate Park Lighting Extension Trial (Closes 6 October) •

#### Want to find out more?

Please visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/HaveYourSay or call Customer Service on 9952 8222 to learn more about the above project(s) and for information on how to have your say.

## LIBRARY **NEWS**



# **NEW LIBRARY SOCIAL GROUP: TECHNOLOGY DISCUSSION GROUP**

When: Time: Where: Ryde Library Cost: Free

1st and 3rd Monday of the month First session starting Monday 21 July 9.00am – 10.00am



The Technology Discussion Group is a space to ask questions about all things technology related, share ideas and deepen your knowledge on new perspectives. The group will be led by a friendly volunteer and provide a welcoming and inclusive environment to explore your tech-related queries or exchange the latest viral cat videos! No pressure, just conversation and connecting with others. Bookings recommended but not essential.

Learn more: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/TechDiscussionGroup

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