

MAYOR'S COMMUNITY MESSAGE

TG MILLNER FIGHT

As the proposal to rezone TG Millner Fields to allow an ill-advised housing development awaits Gateway determination, I'm calling on the State Government to finally step in and do the right thing for the City of Ryde community. We are leading the way when it comes to implementing the government's ambitious housing uplift in Sydney with 57 percent of our mid-2029 target already completed – now it's time for Premier Chris Minns and Planning Minister Paul Scully to give back. And that means collaborating with Council in our bid to compulsorily acquire TG Millner, keeping this precious 6.2ha site as active open space for our rapidly growing population. Over the next few decades, we could see as many as 30,000 new homes built in the nearby Macquarie Park

Innovation District and a predicted doubling of our population. Ryde's current deficit of sports fields is 15; by 2040 it could rise to 21. I am fully supportive of creating new homes for our existing and future residents – but we desperately need critical active open space like TG Millner to ensure the City of Ryde remains a premiere destination to work, live and play.

WORLD CUP ACTION

Council has teamed up with Club Ryde Ex to provide a live site for the 2025 Women's Rugby World Cup, which takes place in England from 22 August to 27 September. The action starts on Saturday 23 August at 9.00pm when Australia's mighty Wallaroos clash with Tonga in their first match of the tournament. Please wear your green and gold, bring the kids for some pre-game

activities from 5.00pm on 'The Greens' and sit back in one of the beanbags to support our remarkable women.

SPRING GARDENS

Time is running out to take part in Council's annual Spring Garden Competition, with entries closing on 31 August. There are 11 Main Categories, and four Mini Categories open to entries in 2025 meaning residents throughout the City of Ryde now have more ways to showcase their green thumbs and love of nature than ever before. This unique competition provides the community with a chance to not only better our gardens but to also keep active, keep creative and establish a space of relaxation. For more details, go to: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/SpringGardenCompetition


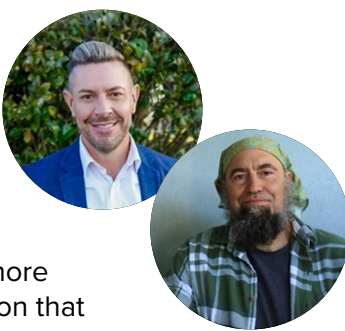


Sincerely,
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LIBRARY NEWS

DYING TO KNOW MORE: VOICES FROM THE GROUNDS PANEL

When: Friday 29 August
Time: 10.30am – 12.00pm
Where: Ryde Library



Join us at Ryde Library for a chance to learn more about the meaningful work and the rich tradition that covers what happens when life ends and legacy begins. In this panel discussion, members from the Metropolitan Memorial Park including funeral director, Jason Cooper and award winning heritage stonemason, Sach Killam will talk about what's really involved and how they contribute to the rituals of remembrance.

Book now: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/DyingToKnow

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:

- Putney Park - Draft Masterplan and Plan of Management (Closes 3 September)
- Draft Code of Meeting Practice 2025 (Closes 7 September)
- Draft Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy 2025 (Closes 7 September)
- Proposed Stormwater Drain Easement Over Adventure Park, Ryde (Closes 7 September)
- 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 for information on how to have your say.

WHAT'S ON IN OUR CITY



ENROL NOW IN SWIMMING LESSONS AT RALC

When: Session 3 starts Monday 25 August
Where: Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre, Ryde

All of our instructors are AUSTSWIM, Royal Life Saving and Swim Australia qualified and hold CPR certification. Our teachers provide instruction in water safety and swimming technique. All levels of swimming available.

How to book
Visit myryde.info/SwimSchool, email swimschool@ryde.nsw.gov.au or call on 8878 5111.



City of Ryde

WOMEN'S RUGBY LIVE SITE

When: Saturday 23 August
Time: From 5.00pm
Where: Club Ryde Ex, Ryde

Bring the family and settle in for a fun evening on The Greens, with free face painting, Velcro Rugby, Dartball, colouring activities and beanbags for the big game that will kick off at 9.00pm. Wear your green and gold to show support for the Wallaroos as they kick off their 2025 Women's Rugby World Cup campaign against Samoa.

Find out more at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/WomensRugbyLiveSite