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## GRANNY SMITH FESTIVAL IS BACK

The City of Ryde is delighted to confirm that the famous Granny Smith Festival will return to the streets of Eastwood on Saturday 15 October 2022.

After two years of cancellations this year's festival promises to be one of the biggest yet with fantastic entertainment, live music, kids' activities, gift and food stalls, the Grand Street Parade and much more.

The annual Granny Smith Festival celebrates the life and legacy of Maria Ann Smith – aka Granny Smith – who in 1868 grew the first batch of little green apples that bear her name on her Eastwood property.

The first Granny Smith Festival was staged in 1985 and has evolved to become one of the largest street festivals in Sydney with more than 90,000 people attending each year.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jordan Lane, said the Granny Smith Festival celebrates everything that is great about Eastwood and the City of Ryde.

"It is terrific that the Granny Smith Festival is back on the streets of Eastwood. I know that the Granny Smith Festival Committee and the City of Ryde Events team are working extremely hard to ensure this year's festival will be one of the best one's yet," Cllr Lane said.

"Having grown up in the City of Ryde, the Granny Smith Festival has always been the annual highlight for the community to come together and celebrate, and it is great that we get the chance once again after two years of cancellations.

"The festival is now recognised as one of Sydney's major community festivals that allows the City of Ryde to highlight our vibrant and diverse community."

To keep up to date with all the latest announcements regarding the Granny Smith Festival, visit [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/gsf](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/gsf)

Applications for stallholders, parade and performers will open on Wednesday 6 July 2022.

For general enquiries regarding Granny Smith Festival or if you are interested in sponsoring the Festival, please contact [events@ryde.nsw.gov.au](mailto:events@ryde.nsw.gov.au)

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