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EVERYTHING'S COMING UP SUNFLOWERS New Children's Seed Growing Category - Spring Garden Competition

A new and exciting Children's Seed Growing Category has been added to the 2016 City of Ryde Spring Garden Competition.

The new category is open to children aged 3 – 16 years and aims to see who can grow the best Dwarf Sunflower plant from seed. There are three age brackets and a pot full of exciting prizes to be won.

Here's what the expert panel of judges will be looking for:

- ☼ Overall condition of plant(s)
- ☼ Freedom from pests and disease
- ☼ Height of plant(s)
- ☼ Diameter of flower(s)
- ☼ Best decorated pot also receives an award.

Here's how to enter:

1. Fill out the entry form online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/gardencomp
2. Collect your free seed growing kit (Sunflower Dwarf Sensation seeds, 1 x pot, growing instructions and entry tag – limit of one kit per child) from Eden Gardens, 307 Lane Cove Rd, Macquarie Park, between Friday 1 July - Sunday 31 July 2016.
3. For maximum seed growing time, entries and seed pick up are encouraged before Sunday 31 July.
4. Plant your seeds from Sunday 31 July. (Late entry, collection of seeds and late planting will be permitted up until Wednesday 31 August, however, this will reduce the seed and plant growing time).
5. Deliver your entries/plants to Eden Gardens for judging Friday 7 October 9am – 5pm or before 9.30am on Saturday 8 October. Judging will take place between 9.30am – 10.30am. Winners announced at 11am.

Special Note: When you are collecting your free seeds growing kit, you can also enter the annual Eden Gardens Gnome Roam decorating competition, a fundraiser for the Father Chris Riley's Youth Off The Streets.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY:

TBC Ryde Mayor Jerome Laxale will be at Eden Gardens to hand out free seeds and pots for the Children's Seed Growing Competition on (date/time)

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