



YOUR CITY

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Anzac Park
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SMOKE FREE ZONE



Rowe Street East in Eastwood is now a permanent Smoke Free Zone following a successful six-month trial last year.

The new Smoke Free Zone is located between the corner of Blaxland Road and the pedestrian crossing opposite the Eastwood Hotel.

On-the-spot fines of up to \$1,100 may be issued for anyone caught smoking in the Smoke Free Zone.

Permanent 'No Smoking' signs have been erected throughout Rowe Street East to alert people about the new Smoke Free Zone.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



Carmen Platt was named the 2021 Ryde Citizen of the Year at the City of Ryde Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony at Ryde Park in January.

Ms Platt is the founder of The Generous and The Grateful, a social enterprise that provides furniture and other essential household items to those in need.

The 2021 Ryde Young Citizen of the Year was awarded to Alex Noble. As a 16-year-old, Mr Noble's life changed forever when he broke his neck and severely damaged his spinal cord while playing rugby. Alex recently established the Alex Noble Foundation and serves as an Ambassador for the University of Sydney's Centre for Neuroscience and Regeneration while also raising money to help fund treatment for spinal cord injuries.

Rob Senior and Cameron Last received City of Ryde Special Commendations. Mr Senior volunteers for a wide range of community organisations throughout the City of Ryde, while Mr Last is an advocate for local youths.

ELECTRIC VEHICLES



The City of Ryde has revealed where its first two public electric vehicle (EV) charging stations will be located.

The Church Street car park in Top Ryde and Giffnock Avenue in Macquarie Park will be the first locations in the City to have a public EV charging station and dedicated 'EV-only' car parking space provided for community use.

The move is part of the City of Ryde's efforts to help people make the transition from petrol fuel-based cars to EVs, to assist with reducing City-wide emissions from transport.

The installation of EV charging stations across the City of Ryde is in line with Council's commitment to support and encourage greater sustainable transport solutions as per Council's pledge under the Cities Power Partnership Program. It also follows the introduction of two EVs into Council's fleet last year.

HERITAGE REFORMS NOW LAW

Landmark heritage reforms developed and endorsed by the City of Ryde have become law, providing heritage protection to more than 300 items across the community.

Items included in the heritage reforms include Federation buildings and Inter-War bungalows, public parks such as Eastwood Park and Anzac Park, the West Ryde Hotel, as well as street tree boulevards.

There are also three new heritage conservation areas located at Chatham Road, Denistone, Darvall Estate, Denistone and Tyrell Street, Gladesville, meaning the City of Ryde now has eight heritage conservation areas in total.

In addition, the former Squire's Brewery and Halvorsen's Boat Yard in Putney and the Glades Bay Baths in Gladesville are now listed as archaeological sites.

Each item that has been heritage listed was identified by an independent heritage review of the Ryde local government area that was undertaken in 2019.



COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

WALK.RIDE.SHARE CAMPAIGN



While Council is aiming to increase cycling across the City of Ryde, we want to also remind cyclists and pedestrians that shared user paths are 'shared'.

There has been an increase in cycling in the community over the past year, so it is a good time to remind cyclists that they need to watch for and give way to pedestrians at all times, travel at a safe speed and ring their bell on approach. Pedestrians should remember to keep left, keep dogs on a short lead and be aware of others using the path.

Council will be rolling out a shared path safety campaign throughout the year to remind all users to 'watch out for each other' when on shared paths. We have an extensive network of shared user paths to encourage cycling and walking throughout the City of Ryde. Information including our latest Bike Map can be found at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/cycling

CITY OF RYDE COMMUNITY GRANTS



City of Ryde Community Grants are open to not-for-profit community groups providing projects that benefit people in the City of Ryde. Three grant rounds are open throughout the year with funding of up to \$15,000 available per group.

One of the previously funded projects is Ryde Pickleball in the Park at Morrison Bay, Putney. Pickleball is a sport that combines elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong and can be played by people of all ages and skill levels. The City of Ryde Community Grant enabled the newly established Ryde Pickleball in the Park to grow its club and attract new members. Particularly the club has found that older players, including those with Parkinson's Disease are able to improve their health and fitness.

If you are interested in applying for a City of Ryde Community Grant for your group visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/grants or call 9952 8222 and ask to speak to the Team Leader Community Grants.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE



25 April 2021, 9.00 - 10.00am

This year Council will be holding a commemorative service for the community at Anzac Park, West Ryde. Council will follow COVID-19 safety measures required at the time of the service. Guests will be required to sign in with a QR code on entry. Please note: there will be no morning tea supplied after the service at the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club for 2021. For more information visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/anzacday

NSW YOUTH WEEK



Youth Week is an opportunity for young people to express their ideas and views, act on issues that affect their lives, and create and enjoy activities and events.

Youth Week, with the theme 'Together more than ever' runs from 16 to 24 April 2021.

For more information please call 9952 8222 or visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/youthweek

SENIORS FESTIVAL



The City of Ryde Seniors Festival is a program of events celebrating the valuable contribution seniors make to our community.

Learn about the services available in the local area, try some new experiences and meet others. The Seniors Festival events run until the 29 April 2021.

For bookings or for more information please call 9952 8222 or visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/seniorsfestival

SAVE THE DATE: NAIDOC WEEK



NAIDOC Week 2021 will be held from Sunday 4 July to Sunday 11 July.

The week will feature a range of informative and engaging activities for people of all ages, which will align with this year's theme: 'Heal Country!'

More information closer to the event will be available at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/NAIDOC



SUSTAINABILITY & WASTE NEWS

SUSTAINABILITY FESTIVAL



Celebrate World Environment Day with us at City of Ryde's Sustainability Festival on 6 June 2021.

This free event will be held at Wilga Park, Cottonwood Crescent, Macquarie Park, between 10.00am - 2.00pm.

Discover how you can help our environment in different ways. There will be something for everyone from the curious and the casual to the committed.

For more information visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/SustainabilityFestival



LOVE
Macquarie Park

SWAP RETURNS



Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize

The City of Ryde's annual Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize (SWAP) is back for its 11th year.

With larger prizes and more opportunities to get creative, this environmental art competition is not to be missed.

SWAP is a chance to express your creativity through re-purposing rubbish and recovered materials. At a time when reducing waste is more important than ever, SWAP presents a fun opportunity to learn new skills and explore the artistic potential of items you would usually throw away.

SWAP 2021 KEY DATES

Thursday 1 April – Entries open

Wednesday 30 June to Saturday 10 July – Free workshops

Sunday 1 August – Entries close

Wednesday 1 September – Exhibition opening night and announcement of prizes

Thursday 2 September to Thursday 16 September – Physical exhibition opens

Thursday 2 September to Thursday 30 September – Digital exhibition opens

For more information visit

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/SWAP



2020 SWAP entry "King of the bin" by Marcela Ordonez

RECYCLES M A R T

In March, Council rolled out the RecycleSmart app which includes a comprehensive recycling database that allows residents to discover how to recycle more than 250 different items, as well as find information about the City of Ryde waste management services including checking their bin collection day.

You can also report any issue in the area straight from the app and it will be sent to City of Ryde.

Download the RecycleSmart app on Google Play or the Apple App store, or follow the links at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/RecycleSmart



For more information, visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/waste



WORKS IN OUR CITY

July 2020 – February 2021

EASTWOOD LIBRARY AND EASTWOOD WOMEN'S REST CENTRE ROOF REPLACEMENT

As part of the 2020/21 Community Buildings Upgrading Program the roof covering the Library and the Women's Rest Centre, Eastwood was removed and replaced. The building now has a new shiny sheet metal roof along with new guttering and flashing.



FONTENOY PARK – UPGRADE WORKS



This park has been upgraded to provide safe access and high quality facilities to all who use the park.

A new concrete footpath with lighting, new fencing along Fontenoy Road, new trees and associated landscaping works is now in place.

PROJECTS

BUILDING UPGRADES

- 8 Chatham Rd – removal of unwanted debris under barge boards
- Eastwood Library Roof Replacement
- Eastwood Women's Rest Centre Roof Replacement
- Old Eastwood Town Hall
- Willandra House Roof Replacement – Stage 1

PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS AND SPORTSFIELDS

- Fontenoy Park – Upgrade Works
- Jennifer Park
- Kings Park Masterplan – Construction
- Marjorie Park Playground Upgrade
- Memorial Park – Pedestrian Lighting
- Putney Park Masterplan – Phase Southern Amenities (Carryover)
- Coxs Road Off Street Car Park
- Pittwater Road Upgrade between High Street and Field of Mars

SEAWALLS

- Banjo Paterson Park – Construction

STORMWATER WORKS

- Cilento Crescent, East Ryde
- Coxs Road, North Ryde
- Pit Replacement

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT, CARPARKS, FOOTPATHS AND CYCLEWAYS

- Abuklea Road (Kingsford Avenue – Threlfall Street)

- Acacia Street (Waratah Street – Sydney Lord's Kind Church)
- Ada Street (Eastview Avenue – Kent Street)
- Amiens Street (Clare Street – Delma Parade)
- Darvall Road (Tramway Street – Darvall Road)
- Fox Road (Cressy Road – Portius Park Pathway)
- Pooley Street (Meldrum Street – Quarry Road)
- Sturdee Street (Morshead Street – Edmondson Street)
- Lawson Street (Marsden Road – Brush Farm Park)
- Wilson Street (Leslie Street – Milroy Street)
- Giffnock Ave Footpath Upgrade
- Meadow bank Wharf Car Park East of Railway
- Midway Shops Carpark
- Coxs Road Off Street Car Park
- Pedestrian Fencing (intersection of Wicks Road and Coxs Road)
- Pedestrian Fencing (Herring Road outside Kent Road Public School)
- Traffic Facilities Signs and Lines Renewal
- Traffic Facility Renewal (Belmore St/ Rothesay Ave Roundabout)
- Traffic Facility Renewal (Buffalo Road/ Providence Road Crossing)



COMMUNITY MESSAGE

THE NEW HEART OF RYDE



The transformation of the Ryde Civic Centre has entered a new and exciting phase with demolition works now underway.

When the demolition works are completed, construction can then begin on the new and modern community and civic hub that will deliver a four-fold increase in community facilities.

Known as The New Heart of Ryde, the hub will include a new multi-purpose and cultural building featuring the new Edna Wilde Performance Hall – named after long-serving Ryde Eisteddfod Chairman and former City of Ryde Councillor and Mayor, Edna Wilde OAM – which will be able to seat up to 700 people.

This building will also house public activity rooms, meeting rooms, exhibition space, amenities and food premises.

Crucially, it will allow our local schools, community groups and multicultural institutions to finally have the ability to stage their major events in the City of Ryde and collaborate with other schools, groups and institutions in their field. The hub will also provide a major boost to our burgeoning arts industry.

An additional commercial building will also be built on the site which will house Council staff as well as external tenants. Other features include a centrally located public plaza, extensive landscaping works, direct and accessible pedestrian links, as well as 236 on-site basement car spaces.

All of this will be achieved without the introduction of residential development on the site. Council will also retain 100% ownership of the site and the project will be completely funded without raising rates or reducing services.

The demolition works commenced after the Sydney North Planning Panel unanimously approved the development application for the project.

In approving the application, the panel said The New Heart of Ryde “will make a significant positive contribution to the Ryde Town Centre”.

For more information on The New Heart of Ryde, including regular updates, visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/heart

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