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Happy New Year!

Welcome to the latest edition of Macquarie Park Ryde Business Chamber News.

Hopefully you are as excited for 2022 as we are! With a robust calendar of events already planned, new member focused initiatives being rolled out, and our passionate committee ready to support you in kickstarting your business in 2022, the Macquarie Park Ryde Business Chamber is ready to embrace the "new" normal and ensure this year is one to remember.

Our President, Tony Abboud, has put together a video to give you a snapshot of what is coming your way this year. Check it out below!

Warmest regards,
Your MPRBC Committee



Upcoming Events



Macquarie Park Ryde Business Chamber Business After Hours February 2022

host by
Hunt & Hunt Lawyers
Monday 7 February 2022
MGSM Macquarie Park
5:30pm - 7:30pm

[Register now](#)



Macquarie Park Ryde Business Chamber Monthly Members Event

with Geoff Anderson
'Pitch Your Business'
Monday 21 February 2022
Online via Zoom
6:00pm - 6:40pm

[Register now](#)

Latest News

Thank you Jerome Laxale, Former Mayor of Ryde

We thank former Mayor Jerome Laxale for his contribution and support during his four year term at Ryde Council. During this time, he has been very supportive of MPRBC and attended many of our events.

He has also made himself accessible via social media, and other channels, to help our local community feel heard. We are pleased that Councillor Laxale remains on as a Councillor to continue making a contribution to the Ryde LGA.

We look forward to welcoming him back to our events to connect with and support our members.



Welcome Jordan Lane, Mayor of Ryde



Congratulations to Mayor Jordan Lane and Deputy Mayor Roy Maggio on their elections to Ryde Council. Mayor Lane has attended several MPRBC events in the past.

We look forward to hearing Mayor Lane's vision for our business members in the February newsletter.

In the meantime, if you would like to know more about Mayor Jordan Lane's appointment, please click on the link below:
<https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Council/Media-Centre/News-and-Public-Notices/Cllr-Jordan-Lane-elected-as-City-of-Ryde-Mayor>

Kickstarting your business in 2022 with Hunt & Hunt Lawyers

MPRBC Platinum Member, Hunt & Hunt Lawyers, will be hosting the first 2022 Business After Hours event on Monday 7th February!

Hunt & Hunt Lawyers have enjoyed being part of the Ryde community for over 90 years. The firm originated from Sydney but has since grown to a national status. Today, their firm has a strong national footprint with federated offices in Sydney, North Ryde, Melbourne, Darwin, Brisbane and Perth. Notwithstanding the expansion, Hunt & Hunt remains community focused and are honoured to continue to assist businesses and residents of the Ryde district area.

With an office strategically located in Macquarie Business Park the firm offers services such as commercial, property and conveyancing, wills and estates, family law, employment law, environmental and planning and disputes. Hunt & Hunt Lawyers joined as members of MPRBC years ago and became a Platinum Member in 2021 and are excited to host the first Business After Hours Event for 2022.

Meet the Guest Speakers



The event is one not to be missed with Hunt & Hunt presenting a panel of expertise to discuss relevant business matters. You will have an opportunity to ask the panel questions to assist you and your business navigate through these tricky times.

The panel will comprise of Sarah Cappello, Employment & Disputes; Joe Dominello, Property & Estates and Kathryn Kearley, Family Law. Hunt & Hunt will also hand out free resources and information that you can utilise within your business.

[For event details and registration, click here](#)

Pitch Your Business every month with Geoff Anderson!

Would you like to better know your fellow professionals and businesses within the Macquarie Park Ryde community and have them better know you so that they can refer clients to you?

MPRBC with Geoff Anderson, Sonic Sight, are excited to announce that on the **third Monday of every month** we will be hosting a live **Pitch Your Business** session online via zoom. It'll run from **6:00pm - 6:40pm**.

It's speed networking. You'll be in small enough groups to learn about each other, the opportunities to refer and to collaborate.

Each member will have 3 minutes to explain:

- Who you are and where you are from



- What type of product or service you provide
- Who you tend to work with
- Who would be an ideal referral for you?

Registration is free for MPRBC Members! Just click [here](#) to join in!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Sydney Caribbean Festival 2022

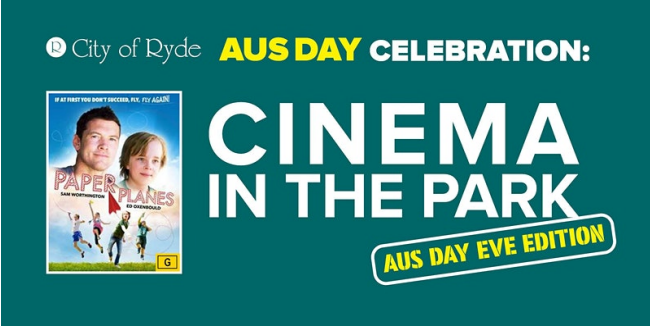
Hope Kidd of Jamaican Products promises you a fabulous afternoon of Caribbean culture at the 2022 Caribbean Festival in North Ryde on 26 February, with unique food offerings and live music.

Find out more and book at <https://sydneycaribbeanfestival.com.au>



Council News

This month, City of Ryde have plenty of good news to share and have arranged a variety of initiatives with their continued objective of supporting our business community!



Cinema in the Park: Paper Planes

@ Fontenoy Park, Macquarie Park

Join us at the park on Australia Day Eve for a free outdoor screening of the family-friendly film, Paper Planes, which will commence at sundown, approx. 8:15pm.

Gates will open at 6:30pm, and the first 1,000 people to arrive will receive a voucher for a free sausage sizzle and ice cream (for kids only). Each family will receive a free box of popcorn (until stock runs out).

Paper Planes 1hr 36mins / Rated: G

Dylan discovers he has a knack for making paper planes. He has a chance to compete in a world championship, but he'll have to rally his grieving dad, Jack, and face bullies and self-doubt to do so.

[Book your free tickets here!](#)

Cinema in the Park: Red Dog

@ Ryde Park, Ryde

Celebrate Australia Day at the park by watching the classic Aussie film, Red Dog, on the big screen. The movie will commence at sundown, approx. 8:15pm.



Gates will open at 6:30pm, and the first 1,000 people to arrive will receive a voucher for a free sausage sizzle and ice cream (for kids only). Each family will receive a free box of popcorn (until stock runs out).

Red Dog 1hr 32mins / Rated: PG

Based on the legendary true story of the Red Dog who united a disparate local community while roaming the Australian outback in search of his long lost master.

[Book your free tickets here!](#)



Aus Day Fireworks

@ Meadowbank Park, Meadowbank & Ryde Park, Ryde

Watch the night sky light up with fireworks on Australia Day at 9pm! No bookings required.



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