

The Ryder

Ryde Community Co-operative Inc.

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NEW Ryde Business and Services Directory in the Planning Stages We are starting work on a new Ryde Business and **Services Directory.** This is a high-quality brochure which will be distributed to all homes in RR3 Gravenhurst, as well as to cottagers in Ryde, and to select locations in Town. The cost for a listing in the Directory will be \$30 for members, \$40 for nonmembers.

Please contact **Randy Jorgensen** at 687-9038 or email rjorg@muskoka.com if you would like to be listed in the Directory.

If you didn't see the last Directory, let Randy know and he'll get you a copy of the old one to have a look.

Early Years - There is some interest in the Early Years Program. We need a few more children aged 0 - 6 years in order to pursue this initiative. If you called Jane last month, would you please call her again? There was a communication glitch! This is a wonderful program for children and adults to get together, play, share, and find friendly support and information. It is conducted by a trained teacher, and... it's free! Please call Jane Braden at 684-9482.

Ryde CAP Site Grand Opening

A "grand opening" of our CAP Site was held on Saturday, Oct 22 and attended by interested community members. A ceremonial "cutting of the phone line" was held at 10:00 a.m., and demonstrations on various facets of computer use were given. CAP employee Tim Cooper and members of the Co-op Executive were on hand to greet potential users of the service. This service is made available courtesy of Muskoka.com, with computers and other related equipment provided by Industry Canada.



Mike Caslin, Tim Cooper, Phyllis Winnington-Ingram (program coordinator), Cheryl Cooper, and Randy Jorgensen participate in "Cutting the (phone) Cord" as Ryde Community Centre celebrates the change from dial-up to high-speed Internet.

To preview this wireless technology or to arrange computer lessons or private instruction at the site, please email or call

Randy Jorgensen - rjorg@muskoka.com, 705 687-9038 or Tim Cooper - email tim@rydecommunityco-op.com, or leave a phone message at 687-4200. •

Ryde Internet CAP Site - Hours of Operation

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning		10 - noon	10 - noon	10 - noon	10 - noon	10 - noon	
Afternoon			Ipm - 3pm		Noon - 3pm		Ipm - 4pm
Evening				6pm - 9pm	6pm - 9pm		

Tim Cooper, our CAP co-ordinator, will be onsite for the Wednesday and Thursday evening time slots, as well as the Saturday afternoon time slot. Tim can provide on-on-one training, but it's best to call ahead and set up a personal training session. The other time slots are provided thanks to the generosity of our volunteers.

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Copper and Birchbark Jewellery

Workshop. On October 20th, nine eager crafters turned out to learn the intricacies of making jewellery from woven copper and birchbark. After the basics were demonstrated by instructor Carolyn Houlden, many branched out on their own to design their own creations using the skills taught and materials provided.

See below for our upcoming workshops...

Please Consider Joining the Co-op

We need members to help offset the cost of providing our services, including the cost of this newsletter. Members get discounts on many of our events and services, like \$5 off the \$10 annual cost of an Annual Internet Use Membership. If you enjoy this newsletter and would like to see it keep coming, please join the Co-op using the form below. Thanks! Contact Randy @ 687-9038 if you are interesting in becoming an annual business sponsor.

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Name:	Name:		
Number of members: x Membership F	ee \$10 each = \$ +	Extra Donation: \$	= Total Enclosed: \$
Please make cheques payable to: Ryde Comr	nunity Co-op Inc. & Mail to: R J	orgensen 1103 Halls Rd	RR3 Gravenhurst P1P 1R3

Bring Your Own Craft Day First Monday of each month from 9 - 3. Next one: Dec 5th when you can see a demonstration of basketry. Come and stay as long as you can. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy a social time with your neighbours. All welcome. Yoga - Monday Evenings 6:30-7:30. New members welcome -No experience necessary. Christmas Cookie Exchange Following the Appetizer activity on Dec 15, bring several packages of your favourite Christmas Treats wrapped in half-dozen quantities. Trade for packages made by other families. Bring as many packages as you wish, and take home a variety of treats. You're welcome to join us at I p.m., even if you are not taking part in the appetizer activity.

Monthly Workshops: All these events take place at the Community Centre, 1624 Barkway Rd, and you are invited to take part. Register with Jane Braden at 684-9482 Watercolour Painting Workshop - Nov 17, 9 -noon, followed by a pot-luck luncheon for those who wish to participate - taught by Nancy Hunter who makes painting fun and easy. We will be doing a Christmas Card of Two Cardinals. Suitable for beginners, novice, advanced. All

materials supplied. \$22. Last minute sign-up welcome - just call Jane at 684-9482 Simple and Elegant Appetizers and Finger Foods - Dec 15, 9 - 1 (includes sampling the creations for lunch! - \$25) just in time for holiday gatherings, but perfect for entertaining anytime. Instructor Ruth Wagg is a Chef at RiverWalk Fine Dining. All ingredients and takehome recipes and instructions provided. Call Jane at 684-9482

Basketry workshop - Thursday, Jan 19th, 9-12. More info to follow next month

History Tidbit: The name of Ryde Township was taken from a town on the Isle of Wight, off the south coast of England. Surveying into lots and concessions began in Muskoka in 1857, before there was any settlement of any kind, and even before the lumbermen arrived. All the lands had been ceded to the Crown under treaty with the native bands in 1850. On Oct 9, 1861, Thomas Burns, a young qualified surveyor completed the surveying of Ryde Township into lots and concessions.

The north part of Ryde is drained by the Gartersnake River, which flows through Barkway Lake westward to Bass Lake. Streams from Buck Lake and Benn's Lake also feed into Bass Lake, and below Bass Lake the river runs on to the east end of Kahshe-she-bog-amog Lake. Still another drainage system centres on Riley Lake from which Riley Creek runs south to join the Black River. Taken from History of Ryde Township, by R.J. Boyer and published by the Ryde Centennial Committee in 1979.