

The Ryder

Ryde Community Co-operative Inc.
Working together in a co-operative way to be one voice and one community

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Coming Events

- Potluck Dinner - March 19th
- Needle Felting Workshop - April 9th
- RCC Library open from 1 until 4 pm on April 9th
- Ham Dinner and Annual General Meeting - May 14th
- Strawberry Social - June 25th

All events take place at the Ryde Community Centre, 1624 Barkway Road, unless otherwise noted

Deadline for submissions to the next Ryder Newsletter is March 28th

Visit the Ryde Community Co-op Website at rydecommunityco-op.com

Be sure to check the calendar on the website for additional information and new events

Follow us on Facebook – www.tinyurl.com/rydefacebook



Daylight Savings – Remember, your clocks spring ahead an hour the night of Saturday, March 12th if you want to be on time for things the following day!

Ryde Community Centre Could Be Closed

Jennie Nice

It has just been learned that the draft 2011 budget for the Town of Gravenhurst includes a proposal to “eliminate municipal participation in the Ryde School”. If passed this would “return the facility back to the Trillium Lakelands School Board” thereby ending a ten year arrangement that allowed the Ryde Community Co-op to operate a Community Centre in the building.

We believe that with your support, we can show the members of council that this is not only a viable community program, it is an integral part of our community and well worth the money that is spent to keep it open.

We need you – the community of Ryde – to join together and help us keep our Community Centre going. Join your neighbours at the Pot Luck Supper at the Community Centre, March 19th – the attendance numbers will speak for themselves. Renew your Co-op membership now if you have not already done so. Sign the petition that will be available at the supper and located in public areas within the community. Email us and tell us what the Co-op means to you. Most of all, show your support for the Co-op and the Community Centre by attending the Open Session of Council in the new council chambers



beginning at 1PM on Saturday, March 26th. Badges will be available from Co-op Directors and supporters so that our numbers will make an impression. (If you are unable to attend, there is also an Open Session on March 21 beginning at 12 noon).

There is no time like the present for the residents of Ryde to support their community!

You can read the budget proposals including new and proposed expenses as well as other proposed cuts on the town web site www.gravenhurst.ca or by requesting the documents at the municipal office. You will also find a 2011 Pre-budget Survey there where the Town is requesting input from the public on what issues are important to us.

Updates will be posted on the Co-op’s website: www.rydecommunityco-op.com. You can also follow us on Facebook at: www.tinyurl.com/rydefacebook❖

Annual Potluck Dinner

Join in the fun of our annual Potluck Dinner being held March 19th. You can participate whether you contribute a dish or not but why not share your favourite buffet dish or a family favourite with all of us? Too busy to make something and can’t get to the store? Join us anyway but please contact us to let us know so we can make sure there is enough for everyone to eat. Just contact one of the directors listed. Meal prices are \$2.00 if you bring a dish to share and \$7.00/person or \$20.00/family if you do not.



RCC Signs in Ryde

Thanks to the hard work of Vern and Barb Taylor, we now have ample signage in our community letting us know when an event is happening at the Community Centre.

Vern and Barb have made the permanent signs and go around Ryde about two weeks prior to events to add the specific event details to them.

Because of their efforts, more people are reminded about our events in time to make plans to attend.

Thank you Vern and Barb!



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CPR/AED Certification Course

Despite a snowy day and some challenging road conditions, participants in the CPR/AED Certification Course arrived on time and ready to go. Using the latest technology in CPR mannequins, the group members discovered how much strength and endurance it takes to administer CPR consistently on adults, children and babies.

They then learned how to correctly use an AED unit to defibrillate someone in cardiac arrest. Several different scenarios were presented for the participants to practice their skills.

AED (Automated External Defibrillator) units are becoming more readily available in public places such as arenas, community centres and schools. Having the knowledge of how to apply CPR and administer an AED unit could save a person's life.



Top: Dianne Bradley, Jayne Hobly and Susan Colavecchia show us their CPR skills; L to R: Learning to use an AED unit with a CPR mannequin; Practicing CPR on the baby mannequin

Needle Felting Workshop

Fibre artist Tonya Meadows will be conducting an afternoon workshop on April 9th at the Ryde Community Centre. This is a beginner's workshop where you will learn how to use a barbed needle to embellish a piece of felted material using wool roving and yarns. This method of felting is a creative way for you to add an extra personal touch to knitted or felted items or even to disguise a repair. You will find this opens a



whole new way to express your artistic talent!

The fee for doing the workshop is \$35.00 per person and will include a startup kit that allows for several projects depending on the size that you will be doing. The workshop will run from 1 until 4 pm. The class size must be limited to 10 people. For more information or to register, please

contact Jennie Nice at 705-687-5234 or email rydernews@bell.net



2011 Annual Membership Form

New _____ Renewal _____

Names: _____

Membership Fee \$10.00

Mailing Address: _____

Number of members x _____

Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Subtotal _____

Telephone: _____

Additional donation* _____

Email: _____

Total enclosed _____

*Your extra donation will help support programs for the community and distribution of the Ryder newsletter.
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