

Ryde Community Co-operative Inc.
1624 Barkway Road, Gravenhurst

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AGM

Annual General Meeting

NEW DATE - AGM - June 18th

The 2016 AGM will be held this year on Saturday, June 18th starting at 7 pm. Come and see the completed renovation. This is our first AGM since we have purchased the building so there is lots of information to share. Give some thought to becoming more involved with the operation of the Co-op this year. We are looking for committee members as well as people to serve on the Board of Directors. The Co-op works because people get involved and lend a hand - we need your participation for continued success. Please save the date and plan on joining us. Light refreshments will be served.

Ham Dinner!

Chef Larry will be tying on his apron to provide us with a fabulous ham dinner with scalloped potatoes. Thanks so much to Terry and Wendy Pilger for donating the ham. Only 40 tickets will be available. Can you help by making a dessert? Please let Jennie know - 705-687-5234. *Tickets can be reserved ahead or purchased at Summerland General Store until Thursday, May 26th. Members \$10, non-members \$15. Remember to bring your dishes, cutlery and cups!*



Garage Sale - Saturday, May 21st from 7am - Noon

Spring cleaning? How about donating your surplus treasures to the Co-op for our fundraising Garage Sale? We are looking for better quality items, donations of baked goods, and potted perennial plants. You can drop off donated items on Thursday May 19th or Friday afternoon on May 20th before the sale. Volunteer staff will price and sell your items. Please show your support of the Co-op by baking, donating and shopping!

To volunteer to help with this project, please call Judy at 705-687-2406.

Thanks Ryde Co-op Volunteers!

This energetic group responded to our request for help on April 23rd and spent part of their day to clean up the grounds and gardens at the Co-op. Thank you for showing your pride in Ryde Janet, Anne, Amy, John, Brenda and Lynda



Internet Café

Join us this month on Wednesday, May 11th at Summerland General Store beginning at 10:30 am, for Internet Café. This is an opportunity to get some assistance with your various devices. Fee: \$2. Contact Jennie for information at 705-687-5234 or email ryde.coop@gmail.com.



Sustainability Workshops

All workshops are intended for adult participants and will run on a Sunday afternoon from 1-3 pm and cost \$15 for members or \$25 for non members. Materials fees may apply so please check the descriptor. Pre-registration is required for all workshops - please call Judy at 705-687-2406.



Needlefelting - May 15th

Materials Fee: \$5/participant

Join Barkway fibre artist Hannah Lin to learn the ancient art of needle felting with 20th century tools! Get hands on with colourful wool fleece to make a picture or three-dimensional object.

Mayor's Tea - May 31st

Join Mayor Paisley Donaldson for entertainment and tea at the Gravenhurst Opera House at 1:00 pm.



Upcoming Events

- ✓ **Note: The Co-op will be closed from May 30th - June 13th for renovations.**
- ✓ Mobile Health Hub - Every Thursday from 9 am to 3:30 pm. Call for an appointment! 1-866-545-0811
- ✓ Bid Euchre - Every Wednesday at the RCC from 1 pm.
- ✓ VON SMART Exercise program - Every Monday & Wednesday starting at 9:30 am. *Note: Canceled on May 3rd, 5th & 23rd*
- ✓ Tai Chi and Qigong - Thursdays - 10:30 - 11:30 am - \$2
- ✓ WISE Seniors' Clubhouse - May 6th from 12:30 - 2:30 pm. Free lunch will be provided.
- ✓ Firesmart Program at the Ryde Station and Co-op from 11 until 2 on May 7th
- ✓ Blackfly Tea - May 8th starting at 12 pm. *Tickets required*
- ✓ Internet Café - May 11th - 10:30 at Summerland Store - \$2
- ✓ Garage Sale - May 21st - 7 am until noon
- ✓ Ham Dinner - May 28th - dinner promptly at 5:30 pm. *Tickets required. Available at Summerland until May 26th.*
- ✓ Sustainability Workshops have returned! All workshops will run from 1 until 3 pm. Some material fees may be required. *Advance registration required - 705-687-2406*
 - May 1st - "Self-reliant Living" with The Wilsons
 - May 15th - "Needle Felting" with Hannah Lin
- ✓ AGM - June 18th starting at 7 pm. Light refreshments provided.
- ✓ Heritage Day - Aug. 20th - Volunteer help needed!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **Holy Manger Anglican Church**
 - Services will be held on the first & third Sunday of each month at 1 pm
- **Ryde Free Methodist Church**
 - **Sat., May 14, 4:30 PM:** Mother - Daughter Banquet. Please dress in something "country", bring a friend or daughter, a main dish or salad to share.
 - **Sat., June 11, 4:30 PM:** Family BBQ.
- **Summerland General Store**
 - The May monthly \$20 food basket order is due in cash on May 3rd at 9 am and picked up on May 12th. Bring boxes or bags.



Black Fly Mother's Day Tea - Sunday, May 8th

It's that time of year again! Time to spruce up your black fly bonnet and come out and enjoy Chef Larry's famous tea. *Tickets available from April 25th – May 5th at Summerland or reserve with a Director. Tickets are \$10 for members, and \$15 for non-members.*

"FireSmart" Open House at the Ryde Fire Station - May 7th

Our firefighters invite you to come out from 11 until 2 to learn about preventing damaging fires, which is of more concern in our forested community. Participate with them and help clean up the brush around the Fire Hall as well as the Co-op. Learn about the Home Ignition Zone and what you can do to protect your home or cottage. More information is found in this online booklet:

<http://bit.ly/1rxIB45>



April Fresh Food Baskets

Take advantage of the Fresh Food Basket program offered through the District of Muskoka with the support of Carrie and Ron at the Summerland Store. Please drop off your \$20 (cash only) to the Blue Store before 10 am on Tuesday, May 3rd. Pick up will be on Thursday, May

12th. For a downloadable calendar please follow this link: <http://bit.ly/1zYziH2>

WISE Clubhouse for Seniors

The District of Muskoka provides us with this great free program with a healthy lunch included. Join us for this educational program in a relaxed and social setting. This month the Healthy Aging Series continues. Lunch is included! For information call Lindsay at 705-645-2412 ext. 444. *If you have any suggestions for speakers, please contact Lindsay at 705-645-4488 ext. 444. If you are seeking information on services available to seniors, please contact Joan Clifford at 705-687-3505.*



VON SMART Fitness Classes

Our friendly group of active seniors always welcomes new members. SMART is a balanced and tested, safe and effective program that gets results! Free for those 55 and over thanks to funding from the local LHIN and the VON, and sponsored by the Ryde Co-op. **PLEASE NOTE:**

There will be no classes on May 3, 5 or 23.

Upcoming Co-op Renovations

The Co-op will be closed from May 30th until June 13th for renovations to make our building accessible. During the renovations, VON SMART, Tai Chi and the WISE Clubhouse will be taking place at the Ryde Centennial Free Methodist Church. The Co-op extends thanks to the Free Methodist Church and congregation for extending us the use of their facilities.



The Daisy Awards are Coming!

Let's make sure that once again, Ryde will be well represented when the Town of Gravenhurst's Daisy Awards are presented. This program recognizes property owners who have beautified their front yards with glorious gardens. In the case of waterfront properties, the judges will be looking for shorelines that follow sound ecological practices in maintaining buffer zones.



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YOUR HOSTS: Paul Cook and Marcel Waters

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Spring into Summer Art Crawl June 25

We have an opportunity to showcase the many artists & craftspeople of Ryde during this Gravenhurst Event. The Co-op has booked a table in the Opera House, & we would like as many people from Ryde to join us as possible. Tables are \$25 each with proceeds going to fund a scholarship for a Gravenhurst art student. For information & to book a table in the Opera House, please call Penny Varney at 705-687-8078.