

Lifestyle and opportunity @ your doorstep

Citizen of the Year Nomination Form

2025 Citizen of the Year Awards

Do you know someone who makes an exceptional contribution or improves the quality of life for people in Ryde? Individuals can be nominated for their contribution in the fields of Sport, Business, Community Services, the Environment and Arts.

Nominations are now being accepted for the City of Ryde Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Sportsperson of the Year and Environmental Citizen of the Year Awards 2025.

The City of Ryde encourages everyone to nominate.

Every year the City of Ryde publicly acknowledges and recognises the outstanding accomplishments by individuals in our community who have excelled in their chosen field. Winners and nominations in the past have come from fields as diverse as sporting administrators, business leaders, fire fighters, church leaders, school captains, writers, youth workers and other entrepreneurs.

Categories

Citizen of the Year 2025

Recognises outstanding service to the community over the last 5 years.

Young Citizen of the Year 2025

Recognises outstanding service to the community over the last 5 years by a young person aged 12 -25yrs.

Sportsperson of the Year 2025 - Recognises outstanding service to the sporting community over the last 5 years.

Environmental Citizen of the Year 2025 - Recognises the service to the community through environmental and sustainable practices which benefit the community.

The awards are open to all Australian citizens living in the City of Ryde. The Young Citizen of the Year Award is open to Australian citizens between the ages of 12 and 25 years (as at 20 January 2025). The awards are held under the auspices of the Australia Day Council of NSW and judging is conducted by a local selection panel. Winners are announced at Council's Citizen of the year Awards Ceremony which will take place on Monday 20 January 2025.

How to Nominate

Carefully read the guidelines before nominating. Nominations close on Sunday 17 November 2024.

Complete and return the form attached or submit a nomination online at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/citizen.

In assessing a nomination, the judging panel may consider:

- achievements in the year immediately prior to the nomination of the Award, as well as consideration of the nominee's past achievements, longevity of service and ongoing contribution to the City of Ryde
- broad community involvement
- the benefit to the community from the nominee's service or contribution
- other recognition of the nominee's work
- whether the nominee worked as part of a team and their role within the team
- whether the nominee has had to overcome any particular challenges or hurdles

Nomination Guidelines

- 1. Any individual who has made a noteworthy contribution to the City of Ryde during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years shall be eligible
- 2. Only nominations submitted on the approved nomination form or via the online web form will be accepted
- 3. Nominations may be submitted by an individual or an organisation
- 4. Young Citizen of the Year must be between 12 and 25 years of age as at 20 January 2025
- 5. Previous Award recipients are eligible to be nominated again however only the contribution to the community since the last award will be considered during the judging process
- 6. Unsuccessful nominees can be re-nominated in following years
- 7. All Nominees must be residents of the City of Ryde
- 8. Persons cannot nominate themselves
- 9. Supporting written material and copies of other documents may be attached to the nomination form if desired

Q City of Ryde

10. The decision(s) of the judges are final, and no correspondence will be entered into

- 11. The judging panel will consist of the Mayor or delegate of the City of Ryde, CEO or delegate of the City of Ryde and current Citizen of the Year.
- 12. Current City of Ryde Staff and Councillors cannot be nominated for an award
- 13. City of Ryde Staff and Councillors may nominate people in the community with the exception of members of the Judging panel.
- 14. Nominations close at 11.59pm on Sunday 17 November 2024.
- 15. Those selected as finalists should be available to attend the City of Ryde's Citizen of the Year Awards Ceremony on Monday 20 January 2025 (inability to attend does not disqualify entry)
- 16. Nomination information in relation to winners may be used for publicity purposes
- 17. Winners may be asked to make themselves available without cost for publicity purposes
- 18. Organisations or individuals can submit a maximum of 2 nominations per organisation

Citizen of the Year 2025 Nomination

Completed forms should be emailed to <u>community@ryde.nsw.gov.au</u> or submit a nomination online at <u>www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/citizen</u>.

Nominations must be received by 11.59pm Sunday 17 November 2024.

PLEASE NOTE:

Lifestyle and opportunity @ your doorstep

The City of Ryde staff may contact the nominator and referee for further information. Please ensure the contact details are correct. Incorrect details (including those of the nominee) may render the nomination invalid.

Details of Nominee (person you are voting for)

First Name:	Surname:	
Address:		
Email:	Phone:	
Mobile:	Date of Birth:	
Is the nominee aware of the nomination? YES NO (please circle)		
To the best of your knowledge has the nominee been nominated for this award before? YES NO (please circle)		

Nominated By (person submitting the vote)

First Name:	Surname:	
Association to nominee:		
Address:		
Email:	Contact Phone:	



Q City of Ryde

Referee

Details of a referee (someone other than you) who is familiar with the nominee's achievements

First Name:	Surname:	
Association to nominee:		
Email:	Contact Phone:	

Nomination Category

Please circle one:

Citizen of the Year

Young Citizen of the Year

Sportsperson of the Year

Environmental person of the Year

Reason for Nomination

Please ensure you provide **as much information as possible** as the Judging panel can only consider the information listed within the nomination form, not what the Judges may already know about the candidates.

Describe the nominee's outstanding service, achievement, or positive contribution.

(This can include multiple different areas/organisations where they have contributed, past and present memberships of community, sporting or professional bodies, recognition of their contribution elsewhere etc.) Maximum 500 words.



Over what period of time has the nominee made these contributions, achievements, or services?

How has the nominee's contribution benefited the community? Please be as specific as possible. Maximum 500 words

I have read and accepted the conditions of entry. The information contained in the nomination is, to my knowledge, true and accurate.

Signature:

Date:

Please attach <u>copies</u> of any supporting documents if necessary. For further information contact the City of Ryde on (02) 9952 8222 email: <u>community@ryde.nsw.gov.au</u> or go to <u>www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/citizen</u>

Privacy Notice

In completing this form you will be prompted to supply information that is personal information for the purposes of the Privacy and Personal Information Act 1998. The supply of this information is voluntary. If you cannot provide, or do not wish the information sought, the City of Ryde may be unable to process your information form. The City of Ryde is required under the Act to inform you about how your personal information is being collected and used. If you require further information please contact the Customer Service Centre on (02) 9952 8222 and ask for an information sheet to be forwarded to you.

