

Welcome to the September edition of @Rhodes

Spring has sprung throughout the City of Canada Bay. After a cool winter, the Rhodes peninsula is now bustling with loads of events and activities.

I'd like to thank the community for commenting on the Homebush Bay Circuit wayfinding strategy and master plan. Your feedback will help shape the plan for the newest world-class facility for walking, running and cycling along the Homebush Bay foreshore.

This month, come along to On Your Bike @Rhodes on 30 September, our annual event in partnership with NSW Bike Week. You can also learn the secrets to gardening in small spaces at free a workshop run by our Sustainability team.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angelo Tsirekas".

Mayor Angelo Tsirekas
City of Canada Bay



Know someone new to Rhodes?

We are inviting new residents to a free information talk in September at The Connection.

Learn about the opportunities and services that are available to residents by hearing from the Australian Tax Office, Department of Fair Trading, Fair Work Ombudsman, the Department of Human Services and Council's Customer Service teams.

Sessions will be held in both Chinese and English.

Chinese session

When: Thursday, 20 September

Time: 1-3pm

English session

When: Wednesday, 19 September

Time: 1-3pm

Both sessions will be held in Meeting Room 1 at The Connection, Rhodes.

Bookings are essential.

[Book online](#)



Safety First at Rhodes Community Safety Day

On Sunday, 29 July the City of Canada Bay hosted the first Rhodes Community Safety Day at The Connection in partnership with the Rhodes Fire Brigade, Burwood Police Area Command, NSW Ambulance and Transport NSW Roads and Maritime Services.

Along with learning how to keep safe in our suburbs, over 400 visitors enjoyed delightful guitar tunes by Brian Simmons, creative face painting and a complimentary snack provided by the City of Canada Bay.

“We were just popping in for 10 minutes. We have been here for one and a half hours. My child does not want to leave. It has been great.” – Rhodes parent.



Works update – streetscape works Rider Boulevard, Rhodes

The City of Canada Bay is committed to improving Rhodes for residents and visitors alike.

The verge along Rider Boulevard will be given a facelift in coming weeks. Rubber softfall will replace the failing grass verge in front of the shopping centre. The section in front of Lewis Berger Park will soon be upgraded with asphalt pavement.

These works will be carried out between 7am to 5pm from 27 August to 2 October, weather permitting. During the works Council will endeavour to minimise the disruption to traffic and pedestrians.

If you have any questions about these works, please contact Council on 9911 6555.



Learn how to garden in small spaces

SATURDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER

Have you ever wanted to grow your own vegetables but don't think you have enough space? Join The Veggie Lady, Toni Salter, in this informative workshop where participants will get their hands dirty and learn how to successfully grow plants in the space that they have!

Where: The Meeting Space at The Connection, Rhodes

When: Saturday, 15 September 2-4pm

For further information, please contact Council's Sustainability team on 9911 6555.

Please note: bookings are essential as capacity is limited. This event is only open to residents of the City of Canada Bay. Proof of residency may be required.

In the case that this event is fully booked, your details will be added to an automated waitlist.

[Book now](#)



China Fun Rhodes Mid-Autumn Festival

SUNDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER

The Moon Festival is coming to Foreshore Park and The Connection, Rhodes this September!

The festival promises to be an unforgettable day for the whole family with delicious food, traditional games, as well as art and cultural performances.

Key highlights include the Moon Cake Game, Outdoor Speed Dating and Friendship Meeting, RMCA dancing group show, Sichuan Opera Face Change, a national musical instrument performance and children's symphony.

[Find out more](#)



On Your Bike @ Rhodes

SUNDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER

Come and join the action at The Connection for a free, interactive bike experience on Sunday, 30 September from 8am to 12pm.

Bring your own bike and helmet to the event, or hire a free bike, to explore the sites of the Rhodes foreshore. You can talk to experts, learn new skills and be part of a safe and secure environment to build greater confidence on your bike.

The event is part of NSW Bike Week and is open to all ages and all levels of riding experience.

Find out more



Meet Rhodes residents Jenny and Shagz

Meet our #PawesomePetOwner Jenny and her special furry friend Shagz.

Shagz is a Maltese Shih Tzu and the oldest dog resident of Rhodes. Now over 17 years of age, he came to live with Jenny as a rescue pup when he was only six months old and has been enjoying his walks across the peninsula ever since.

Jenny loves Shagz for the furry baby he is. Shagz himself is a bit obsessed with the cat in house which he follows everywhere.

Look out for Jenny and Shagz on your next walk and if you're a dog owner, make sure to do your part by cleaning up after your dog – bag it, bin it!

More information



Complete our survey for a chance to win!

The City of Canada Bay is working hard to reduce litter in hot spots by 50 per cent by 2021 and we can't do it without your help.

To keep track of and evaluate our progress we kindly ask you to share your thoughts on litter in our [annual survey](#). This data will be compared to the baseline we established in 2016 when our litter strategy Let's Put Litter in its Place was launched.

The survey only takes a few minutes of your time and provides us with invaluable data. As an added bonus you will go into the draw to win a \$100 Coles Group and Myer voucher. Make sure to fill in your details at the end of the survey to be eligible for the draw.

[Complete the survey now](#)



Community planting and garden art panel launch

Come along to the launch of the new garden art panels created by artist Chrissie Ianssen.

Meet the artist, learn about the works and help plant the garden beds at the base of these garden art panels.

When: Sunday, 14 October, 10am-12pm

Where: Hoskins Reserve, Shoreline Drive, Rhodes

More information: rhodes@canadabay.nsw.gov.au

Chrissie Ianssen is an award winning visual artist with an ongoing interest in Sydney's continuously evolving suburban visual culture. Chrissie hopes these artworks enhance the community's enjoyment of the reserve, and direct awareness to the rich birdlife that live in the area.

[Find out more](#)



Community consultation: 5 new car share spaces proposed in Rhodes

Council has been asked to provide additional car share spaces in Rhodes due to increasing demand for these services.

Car sharing is a form of car rental that operates from a designated parking spot and is designed to give users access to vehicles for short trips. Council supports car sharing as it reduces the demand for parking and encourages environmental sustainability. Research has found that a single car share vehicle can replace up to 12 private vehicles otherwise competing for parking spaces in the area. It is proposed that additional car share spaces be allocated to an approved registered car share company.

5 new car share spaces are proposed at the following locations:

- Shoreline Drive at Hoskins Reserve
- Walker Street near Nina Grey Avenue
- Shoreline drive near Lewis Avenue
- Shoreline drive near Anne Leggett Promenade
- Rhodes Station, Blaxland Rd opposite Rhodes Station.

For more information and to lodge your feedback email council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au by Monday 24 September, 2018.



Book clubs

Do you like to read? The Connection hosts a number of book clubs that are great places for residents to come along, meet new people and discuss popular books.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in, make sure to check out the [Rhodes Readers and Social Club](#), the Chinese reading group [Echo](#), or the [Our Steps Chinese Book Club](#).

[More information](#)



Men's Tech Shed

FREE REGULAR PROGRAM: THURSDAYS AT 10AM-1PM

A weekly get-together for those who want to make things, learn new skills, meet people and contribute to the community.

This project is now part of Harry's Shed and we have created a wonderful video capturing the past year.

Feel free to join us every Thursday at The Learning Space, The Connection. No bookings are required.

[Check out the video](#)



Hire the Event Space today

With views overlooking the picturesque Rhodes peninsula, the Event Space is the perfect venue for your next special occasion.

Featuring a preparation kitchen, bar, banquet tables and chairs, tableware, in-built AV, stage and dancefloor, this 440m² space is suitable for large scale events – up to 300 people!

Site inspections are available by appointment Monday – Friday between 9am and 5pm.

[Find out more](#)



Brickpit Tour

Join a guided tour and venture to the bottom of the Brickpit.

This restricted area is offered to the public as a tour only a few times a year.

Hear about the work carried out in this industrial precinct and see the environmental management controls that are in place to conserve this area.

When: 8 September 1-2:15pm

Where: Brickpit Ring, Marjory Jackson Parkway

Price: seniors/concession \$12, adult \$15, child \$10

Book: 9714 7888

[Find out more](#)