

The Historic Ryde Society was formed in October 2009 with the intention of raising funds for a permanent heritage centre in Ryde. The group is non profit-making and comprises interested individuals from many walks of life. We share a common interest in the history of Ryde and the surrounding area and are keen to show off the wonderful artefacts which relate to the Ryde of another era.

Ryde is one of the best preserved Georgian and Victorian towns in the country, and became very popular in the mid nineteenth century partly because of Queen Victoria's love of the Isle of Wight. Victoria, her family and the Royal families of Europe walked along these streets, were photographed in the arcade and came to see wonderful productions in the theatre and exhibitions around the town. We want to display this history for future generations to enjoy.



There are many important buildings in Ryde which date from its early years. The Royal Victoria Arcade was opened with great ceremony on July 1, 1836. In July, 2011, it will celebrate its 175th anniversary. The Vectis Hall in Melville Street became the first National School in Ryde, opening in 1812. The bi-centenary of the laying of the Ryde pier foundation stone will be June 29, 2013.

The Historic Ryde Society believes it is important to mark these anniversaries in order to make the rich history of the town come alive for locals and visitors alike. Please help us to create a wonderful permanent space to celebrate our home and its place in Georgian and Victorian England.

Watch out for future fund-raising events around the town.

Membership is open to all interested parties.

Individual Membership
£10 annually

Family Membership
£15 annually

Corporate Membership
£30 annually

Any other Donations are welcome

Members will receive a Newsletter and will be given favourable advertising rates in all literature produced by the group.

Application form

Name.....

Address.....

Street.....

Town.....

County.....

Postal Code.....

Tel.....

E-mail.....



Application form

How would you like to be involved with the Historic Ryde Society?

(Please tick all that apply)

- Non Active Member
- Active Member
- Fundraising Member
- Other - please let us know.....

Membership Type

Individual / Family / Corporate

Cheques should be made payable to

Historic Ryde Society

and

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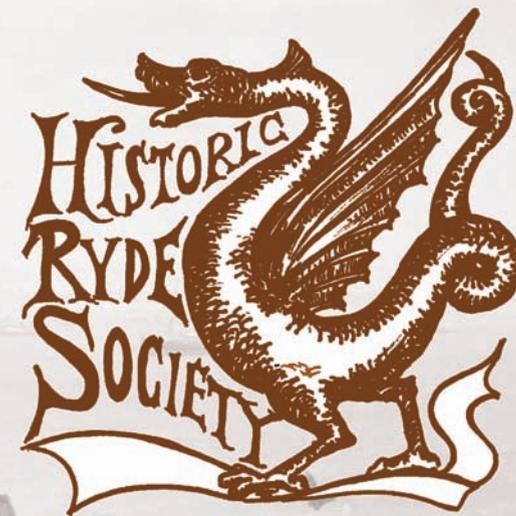
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'Ryde into the Past'

