



Light rail vehicles will be seen on stage 1 of Canberra's light rail network between Gungahlin and Canberra's CBD later this year. Construction of the light rail terminals on Hibberson Street has started and testing of the vehicles has already begun.

Each air conditioned vehicle will be able to carry more than 200 passengers and Wi-Fi will be available on board.



For more information visit transport.act.gov.au/light-rail-project

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NEW CUNGAHLIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

In 2019 a new primary school will open in Taylor ready to welcome new students for term one.

The school will have a preschool as well as a primary school for 600 students from Kindergarten to Year 6.

The new school, located on the corner of Sutherland Crescent and Horse Park Drive will hold a resource centre and out-of-hours school care facilities.

It will cater for music, science, technology, engineering, arts and maths.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR

We're hitting the ground running in 2018 in what will be a big year for our city.

From the first light rail vehicles being seen in Canberra and a new public hospital opening, to more international flights, continued jobs growth, city renewal and all public school students receiving electronic devices, significant landmarks will be achieved this year.











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BECOME A **BACKYAR IFEGUARI**

A swim in the pool is the perfect place to escape Canberra's hot summer days, but remember to play it safe with these tips:

- Supervise kids in and around the pool;
- know CPR;
- check your pool barriers meet current safety standards and upgrade them if required.

The more backyard lifeguards we have, the more kids we keep safe.



For more information visit act.gov.au/backyardlifeguard

BETTER PUBLIC 🖨 TRANSPORT

A better seven day public transport service is coming and we'd like to hear from you about service ideas for your local area.

The improved service will include nine Rapid Routes, with more frequent and direct services making it easier for everyone to get where they need to go.



For more information visit yoursay.act.gov.au





SAVE ELECTRICITY& MONEY THIS SUMMER

Summer is the perfect time to save on your electricity bills. Here are some tips:



CLOSE windows and curtains during the day, and open them at night



CONSOLIDATE your refrigerators if you have more than one



TAKE shorter showers and reduce the temperature



INCREASE air conditioner thermostat from 18 to 23 degrees



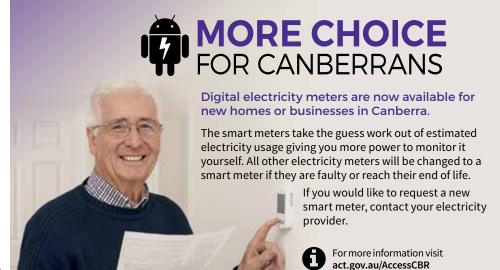
USE your clothesline on those sunny days



CONSIDER installing solar



For more information visit actsmart.act.gov.au



REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OPENS

Canberra's brand new, purpose-built rehabilitation hospital at the University of Canberra will open in mid-2018.

Over the coming months the final touches will be completed and staff will begin their training.

The new hospital will focus on improving physical and mental health and wellness





MORE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTSFOR CANBERRA

Canberrans can soon fly Qatar Airways between Doha and Canberra when its daily service begins in mid-February.

The airline will fly a Boeing 777-300 daily from Canberra to Sydney and then onto Doha. The new service enhances the ACT Government's focus on expanding international connections.



For more information visit qatarairways.com

PARKING CHANGES IN THE CITY

The renewal of Canberra's city centre is continuing and there are car park changes now in place.

Parking at the Legislative Assembly off London Circuit is now closed. Short-term parking can be found at the Magistrates Court, the Bailey's Corner car park, the Canberra Centre and at the parking areas near Civic pool.

Long stay parking is available on the corner of London Circuit and Constitution Avenue.



For more information visit act.gov.au/cityrenewal

TERRITORY-WIDE ROLLOUT OF

Good news for all Canberrans with green waste collections to be fully rolled out across the Territory by around mid-2019.

Residents in Gungahlin, Inner North, Inner South, Woden, and the Molonglo Valley, will be invited to register for their green bin early next year. Green waste collections are already in place in Weston Creek and Tuggeranong. Belconnen collections start later this year.

A one-off fee of \$50 will be required to register for the program. Eligible concession card holders are exempt from payment.



SCHOOL

Term 1 for all Canberra Public Schools starts:

Monday 5 February for new students

Tuesday 6 February for continuing students.



For more info about term dates and starting school tips visit edu.act.gov.au

TIPS FOR STARTING SCHOOL

> Starting school is an exciting time for children and families.

collecting them.



For more information and term dates visit edu.act.gov.au



A new exhibition in the Namadgi National Park showcases one of the thousands of trees that first marked the border of the ACT over 100 years ago.

Of the 1500 trees, only 60 remain and one of the trees now has its own shelter. The tree can be found behind the Namadgi Visitor's Centre.



For more information visit environment.act.gov.au

AUSTRALIA DAY

CELEBRATIONS **25-26 JANUARY**

There's something for everyone this Australia Day. Celebrations start on 25 January when you can cheer on our ACT finalists (pictured) in the Australian of the Year Awards.

On Australia Day there's a free concert and fireworks at Lake Burley Griffin, or participate in the National Citizenship and Flag Raising Ceremonies.



For more information visit

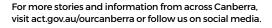














For more information visit multiculturalfestival.com.au

