

OUR CANBERRA

Gungahlin edition



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MORE SCHOOL PLACES IN GUNGAHLIN



Planning will begin for a new school in Gungahlin

As growth continues in Gungahlin, more student places are coming to Gungahlin schools.

Student numbers are expected to increase soon at Amaroo School, Gold Creek School, Neville Bonner

School and Franklin Early Childhood School.

Funding was allocated in the ACT Budget to explore and plan for future needs.

Planning will also be done for a new school in Gungahlin.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR

As Canberra grows, we're strengthening our public health system and care in our hospitals.

This month our new University of Canberra Hospital opens and will care for patients recovering from surgery, illness or injury, or experiencing mental illness. Construction of the Gungahlin Walk-In Centre is progressing and upgrades to Calvary Public Hospital's Emergency Department will start soon.

ACT Health is currently recruiting for all types of health professionals and we'd like you to help. Visit health.act.gov.au/employment to find out more.



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REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OPENING



Canberra's new dedicated rehabilitation hospital is opening this month in Belconnen.

The University of Canberra Hospital will care for patients over 18 recovering from surgery, illness or injury, or experiencing mental illness.

This is an ACT Health service for public patients, but it will not have an emergency department. If you need emergency care call 000, or go to your nearest emergency department at Calvary Public Hospital in Bruce or Canberra Hospital in Garran.

For more information visit health.act.gov.au/uch



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For information on community consultations in Canberra, visit yoursay.act.gov.au



LEAVE FIREWOOD ON THE GROUND

Collecting firewood and cutting down trees in our reserves and public areas is illegal.

Fallen timber provides safe shelter for native animals to hide from predators and seek refuge from the cold.

Instead of taking it from the bush, firewood can be purchased from a number of legal vendors in the ACT.

 For more information visit environment.act.gov.au



PLANNING STRATEGY

Our city is changing, our population is growing rapidly, and we need greater housing choice.

With this in mind, help us refresh and update the ACT's Planning Strategy to shape Canberra over the coming decades.

 To join the conversation visit yoursay.act.gov.au



MORE EDUCATORS FOR A GROWING CITY

Public schools across Canberra will welcome 66 new teachers and support staff over four years starting from the 2019 school year.

Schools will also receive more support for students with a disability and have access to a new teacher mentor program.

More than 1,300 extra students are set to join the ACT public education system next year.

 For more information visit education.act.gov.au




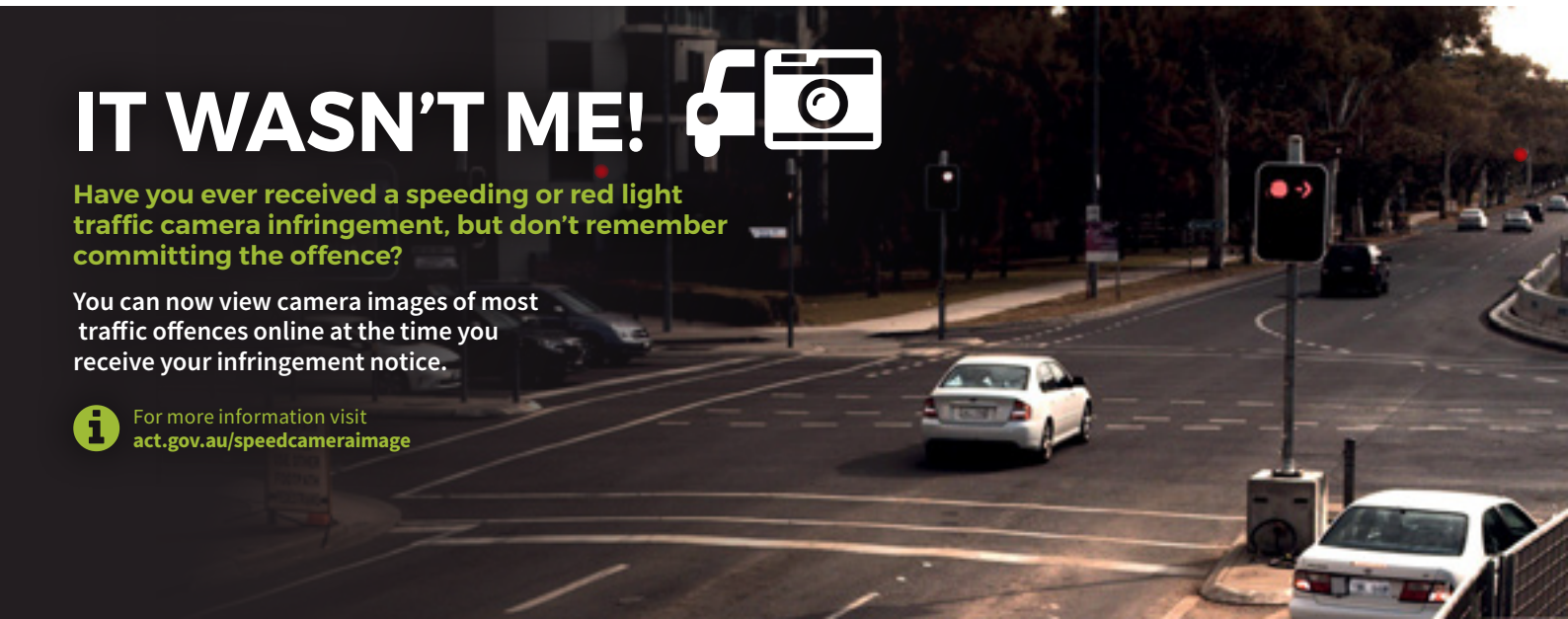
IT WASN'T ME!



Have you ever received a speeding or red light traffic camera infringement, but don't remember committing the offence?

You can now view camera images of most traffic offences online at the time you receive your infringement notice.

 For more information visit act.gov.au/speedcameraimage





USE WALK-IN CENTRES THIS WINTER

Visit the Belconnen Walk-In Centre for free, one-off treatment of minor injury or illness this winter.

Walk-In Centres are open every day between 7.30am and 10pm, no appointment is necessary.

If you need emergency care, call 000, or go directly to Calvary Public Hospital Emergency Department.

The Belconnen Walk-In Centre is located at 56 Lathlain Street, Belconnen.


 For more information visit walkincentre.act.gov.au



HELP ROUGH SLEEPERS in CANBERRA

The 2016 Census showed more than 50 people in the ACT are sleeping rough on the streets every night.

Help rough sleepers by supporting homelessness charities, buying the Big Issue magazine or contacting support services like 'OneLink' and 'Street to Home'.


 For more information visit act.gov.au and search 'rough sleeping'.



GUNGAHLIN BUS STATION NOW OPEN

A new bus station at Gungahlin Place between Hibberson Street and Ernest Cavanagh Street is now open.

When light rail operations start, light rail will be easily accessed from this new station.

 For more bus and light rail information visit transport.act.gov.au.

GUNGAHLIN PLAYGROUND UPGRADES



Take your kids to try out the new double flying fox, skateboard area, or the upgraded giant swing at Yerrabi Pond District Park.

Other playground improvements include new rubber softfall installed at the Gungahlin Linear Park at Gungahlin Place and the Franklin playground on Elizabeth Jolly Crescent.



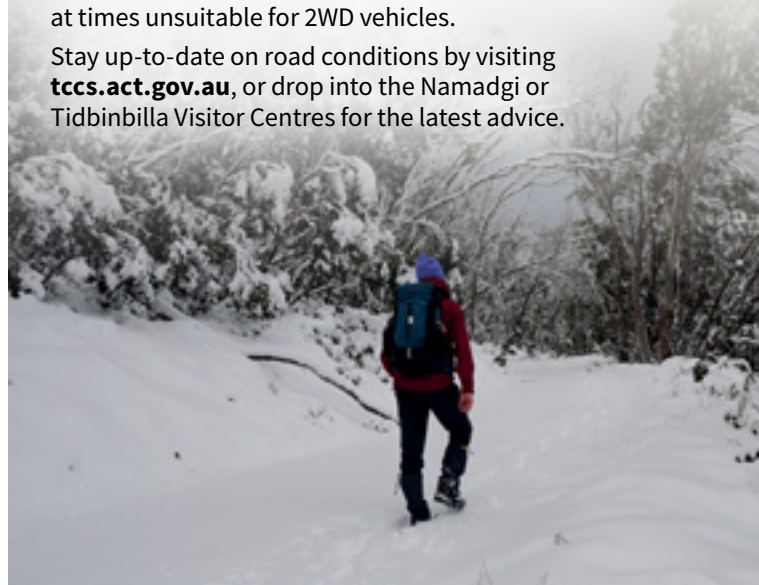
SAFE TRAVEL HEADING TO THE SNOW



Snow has started falling across the mountains around the bush capital.

Access roads into the mountains are unsealed and are at times unsuitable for 2WD vehicles.

Stay up-to-date on road conditions by visiting tccs.act.gov.au, or drop into the Namadgi or Tidbinbilla Visitor Centres for the latest advice.



WARM TREES

at the NATIONAL ARBORETUM

The National Arboretum is brightening up winter with a colourful knitted installation.

Warm Trees is the combined effort of hundreds of knitters from Australia and overseas.

 For more information on events at the Arboretum visit nationalarboretum.act.gov.au

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INTERNATIONAL TEST CRICKET IN CANBERRA

Tickets are now on sale for Canberra's first International Test match between Australia and Sri Lanka at Manuka Oval in February.

 For more information visit cricket.com.au/tickets

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NOMINATE AN AUSTRALIAN of the YEAR

Play your part by giving our nation's best the recognition they deserve. If you know a remarkable Canberran, nominate them for an Australian of the Year Award, before 31 July 2018.

 Nominate at australianoftheyear.org.au

Pictured above: Suzanne Tunks, 2018 ACT Local Hero

'WINTERVENTION' in THE CITY

Break out your beanies, gloves and winter coats and head to the city to enjoy some mid-winter fun. 'Wintervention' is on now in the city, offering a range of family-friendly activities. There's ice skating, a circus performance at the La Petite Grand Theatre tent, carnival rides and you can warm your belly at the World Curry Festival from 13-15 July.

LOCATION: Garema Place, City Walk and Civic Square

 For more information visit act.gov.au/cityrenewal



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