

# Our CBR

Gungahlin

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## ChooseCBR back to support local business

\$2 million in vouchers available for Canberrans.

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Adore Tea owners Aman and Nasreen Palekar look forward to welcoming more Canberrans into their Gold Creek Teahouse when ChooseCBR returns.



## Message from the Chief Minister

The ChooseCBR voucher program is back, giving you vouchers to spend at your favourite local Canberra business from 9 June.

ChooseCBR lets you spend and save at participating Canberra cafes, restaurants, shops, beauty salons, cinemas and local attractions and other businesses.

With \$2 million available to support local businesses across Canberra, and higher

voucher amounts than before, there are now even more reasons to enjoy something extra when you shop local.

Check out which businesses are participating and use your vouchers from 9 June at [chooseCBR.act.gov.au](https://chooseCBR.act.gov.au)

Andrew Barr



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## Enjoy more with ChooseCBR



"It's good for business,  
and it's good for customers."

Adore Tea's owner Aman Palekar says ChooseCBR sends a strong message to Canberrans that now is a perfect time to rediscover Canberra.

"With business being unsteady over the past year due to COVID-19, I hope Canberrans take this opportunity to head out, spend some money

and support not just our store, but the whole business community."

The ACT Government initiative launches on 9 June and includes \$2 million in vouchers, which Canberrans can redeem at participating cafes, restaurants, shops, cinemas and other local businesses.

**Choose  
CBR**  
sign up, spend & support

→ Sign up to access discounts at [chooseCBR.act.gov.au](https://chooseCBR.act.gov.au)

## Canberrans show interest in climate action initiative

More than 700 Gungahlin residents have already registered their interest in the ACT Government's Sustainable Household Scheme.

The Scheme will help reduce energy costs and greenhouse emissions by offering zero-interest loans of up to \$15,000 for Canberrans to purchase and install products such as rooftop solar panels, household batteries, electric stovetops, electric vehicles and charging infrastructure.



→ Register your interest and read the guidelines at [actsmart.act.gov.au](https://actsmart.act.gov.au)

## ACT organ donors recognised

Families can now have their loved one's donation acknowledged in the death register, on the donor's death certificate and by the Chief Minister on request.

The nation-leading reform recognises the importance of organ and tissue donors in our community.

→ To apply, visit  
[act.gov.au/accessCBR](https://act.gov.au/accessCBR)



Debbie, Michael and Marjorie Taylor with a photo of the ACT's first organ donor, Annette Taylor.

# Roll up your sleeves Canberra

## COVID-19 vaccinations have started



**Book now if  
you're eligible**  
[covid19.act.gov.au/  
vaccinebooking](https://covid19.act.gov.au/vaccinebooking)



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# Businesses making the switch from plastic

"Taking small steps will ultimately lead to a better world."

That's the message from Pac Le'Mond owner Paul Dennison, who has been encouraging customers of his Hume-based food packing wholesaler business to switch away from single-use plastic items.

"It's the right thing to do," Paul said. "The changes demonstrate to the wider community that we're serious about doing something here."

On 1 July, the ACT will commence a ban on the sale and supply of selected single-use plastic products, which includes single-use plastic cutlery, single-use plastic drink stirrers and expanded polystyrene takeaway containers.

→ More at [act.gov.au/single-use-plastics](https://act.gov.au/single-use-plastics)



# Shining a light on local sportsgrounds

LED lighting has been installed at two sportsgrounds in Gungahlin.

The new lights are now operational at Amaroo 2 District Playing Fields and the Bonner Neighbourhood Oval, providing better visibility

for local athletes training and playing into the night. It also means friends and family on the sidelines can see those goals being kicked.

LED lighting at Bonner Neighbourhood Oval was funded through an Australian Government program.



→ More at [cityservices.act.gov.au/infrastructure-projects](https://cityservices.act.gov.au/infrastructure-projects)



## Have your say

New commercial sites are being planned for the communities in Moncrieff and Taylor.

Tell us what services you would like to see at these future sites and help shape the planning of these suburbs.

→ Find out more at [yoursay.act.gov.au](https://yoursay.act.gov.au)

# New cancer ward at Canberra Hospital

The newly-refurbished 28-bed cancer ward at the Canberra Region Cancer Centre has welcomed its first patients.

The new ward features private rooms and improved visitor facilities for patients and their families.

"Knowing how much of a difference it's going to make for our patients,

their carers and our staff means so much," said Melissa O'Brien, Assistant Director of Nursing, Nursing & Midwifery and Patient Support Services.



→ Find out more at [health.act.gov.au/new-cancer-ward-opens](https://health.act.gov.au/new-cancer-ward-opens)

# Gungahlin pool repairs underway

→ Stay up to date on progress at [gungahlinleisurecentre.com.au](https://gungahlinleisurecentre.com.au)

Repair work has begun on the 50-metre pool at the Gungahlin Leisure Centre.





## New annual dog registration

A new annual ACT dog registration process will come into effect from 1 July to help maintain up-to-date information on Canberra's dog population.

If you're a dog owner, you will now need to confirm or update your dog's registration details on the anniversary date of when you first registered your dog. You will be able to do this online, at no extra cost.

→ More at [cityservices.act.gov.au/dogrego](http://cityservices.act.gov.au/dogrego)

## Floriade coming back to a suburb near you

Canberrans will once again welcome Australia's biggest celebration of spring into their own backyard.

Floriade Community, introduced last year, will see 300,000 bulbs and annuals in public spaces throughout Canberra's town centres and suburbs.

The 34th annual Floriade will also see the event return to Commonwealth Park from 11 September to 10 October.

→ Stay up to date at [floriadeaustralia.com](http://floriadeaustralia.com)



## Keep your home safe this winter

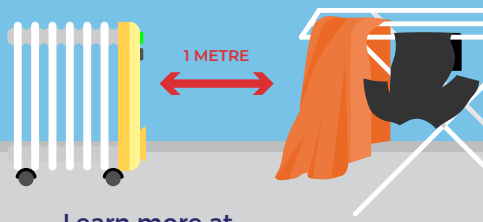
As the weather gets colder, more households will use heaters, dryers and fireplaces. Last winter, ACT Fire & Rescue attended 13 house fires in the Gungahlin region.

ACT Emergency Services Agency has three simple reminders about common hazards to keep you and your family safe:

- ▶ Always stay one metre from the heater
- ▶ Fire risk is higher with a neglected dryer
- ▶ Electric blankets are neat until they overheat

### ALWAYS STAY ONE METRE FROM THE HEATER

- WATCH
- KEEP CLEAR
- CLEAN
- SWITCH OFF



Learn more at [esa.act.gov.au/home-fire-safety](http://esa.act.gov.au/home-fire-safety)

Keep me on your fridge

## Calendar of EVENTS JUNE

**TUE 1-30** **Lunchbox Acoustics**  
Weekdays  
Civic and Braddon

**THU 3-12** **Milk**  
By Dylan Van Den Berg  
The Street Theatre

**SAT 5** **Super Rugby**  
Brumbies v Hurricanes  
GIO Canberra Stadium

**SAT 5-6** **The 'Vietnam Requiem'**  
Llewellyn Hall

**FRI 11** **Super Rugby**  
Brumbies v Highlanders  
GIO Canberra Stadium

**SAT 12** **NRL**  
Raiders v Broncos  
GIO Canberra Stadium

**SUN 13-4 Sept** **The Truffle Festival**  
Canberra Region

**FRI 18** **An Evening with the Chris Johnstone Trio**  
The Street Theatre

**FRI 18-19** **The Very Hungry Caterpillar**  
Canberra Theatre Centre

**SUN 20** **Canberra Kids Market**  
Fitters' Workshop

**FRI 25-11 Jul** **Wintervention Festival**  
Garema Place

**SAT 26** **The Burley Griffin: Lost Limbs**  
The Street Theatre

**WED 30-3 Jul** **Drummer Queens**  
Canberra Theatre Centre

For more events and details, visit [events.canberra.com.au](http://events.canberra.com.au)



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