

OUR CBR

Woden, Weston Creek
and Molonglo edition

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New state-of-the-art campus for CIT

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A new modern CIT campus will be built in the Woden Town Centre.

The new Woden campus will offer a combination of new and existing programs to provide skills for the future.

CIT Woden will also work with local businesses in the Woden Town Centre.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

Check out courses on offer in 2020 across existing CIT campuses at cit.edu.au

A message from the Chief Minister

Christmas in Canberra is a great time of year, and Canberrans can celebrate in the CBD with a new Christmas tree and a bigger-than-ever Christmas Village in Garema Place.

Canberrans can also welcome in 2020 in the city, with music, food and fireworks returning to Civic Square for the annual New Year's Eve celebrations.

As we enter the festive period, there will still be many Canberrans working hard to keep our city safe and cared for. Your hard work is appreciated.

I wish you a fantastic Christmas and a prosperous 2020.

Andrew Barr



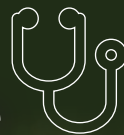
STOP PRESS! Existing Libraries ACT fines were written off last month and fines for overdue items will no longer be charged.

→ For details, see act.gov.au/our-canberra or visit library.act.gov.au





Meet the manager of Weston Creek's new Walk-in Centre



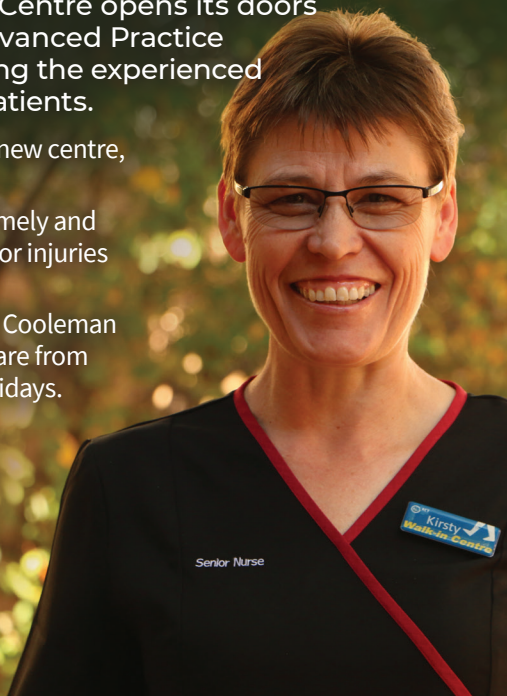
When the Weston Creek Walk-in Centre opens its doors to the community this month, Advanced Practice Nurse Kirsty Cummin will be among the experienced staff on hand to care for visiting patients.

Kirsty, who will be clinical manager for the new centre, has worked in nursing for 23 years.

"We have a great team who provide safe, timely and high quality health care to people with minor injuries and illnesses," Kirsty says.

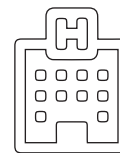
The Weston Creek Walk-in Centre is next to Cooleman Court on Parkinson Street. Opening hours are from 7.30 am to 10 pm daily, including public holidays.

→ More at walkincentre.act.gov.au



Critical care facility

for Canberra
Hospital



The single largest expansion of the Canberra Hospital is underway with the design of the new emergency, surgical and critical healthcare facility.

The SPIRE Project will provide more operating rooms, emergency treatment spaces and intensive care beds to meet the healthcare needs of our growing community.

The delivery partner for the project will be selected in 2020, with works to prepare the site already in progress.

→ More at act.gov.au/majorprojectscanberra

Tenants' rights



get a boost

It is now easier for tenants to keep pets and make minor modifications to properties they are renting under changes to ACT rental laws.

The new laws also better protect tenants against excessive rent increases.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

Building light rail to Woden



Canberrans love light rail – with more than 15,000 boardings daily. Work is underway on Stage 2A, which will extend the network from the city to Commonwealth Park.

Stage 2B will follow to complete the link to Woden. For both stages, ground investigation works are in progress to gather information to support design and planning.

In 2020, works for Stage 2A will include the relocation of utilities, intersection upgrades and some changes to traffic and pedestrian movement.

→ More at act.gov.au/majorprojectscanberra

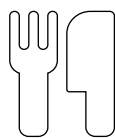
Be water wise this summer

Permanent water conservation measures are in place. Avoid watering in the heat of the day and ensure taps are fully off when not in use.

→ Follow our dam levels and Canberra's daily water use at iconwater.com.au



Summer BBQ for ALL your family and friends



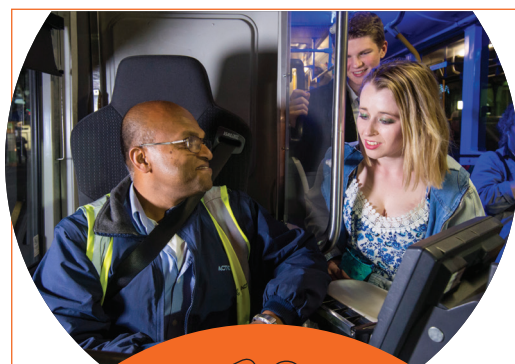
Nothing brings people together like a barbie and one of our best BBQ spots is now wheelchair accessible so even more people can enjoy it.

Just 15 minutes from Weston Creek, Cotter Bend is a great place to take the family with shallow swimming spots for children, a playground, picnic tables and toilets.

A new wheelchair accessible BBQ on site is helping to build a more inclusive experience for everyone.

A wheelchair accessible BBQ has also been installed at Pine Island.

→ For more information, visit environment.act.gov.au/ACT-parks-conservation

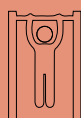


Stromlo Leisure Centre on track to open in 2020

The Stromlo Leisure Centre is on schedule to open with a splash at Stromlo Forest Park in the first half of 2020.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

Eddison Park nature play space nearly ready!



Construction is almost finished at Woden's new nature play space.

The space will provide local children with exciting opportunities to be active, grow and learn. It has a sand and water

theme for younger kids. There's also a climbing mound with a tunnel and slide.

→ More information on nature play in Canberra can be found at natureplaycbr.org.au

Let Transport Canberra do the late night driving



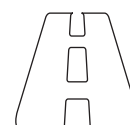
Sit back and relax this festive season and let us do the driving. Transport Canberra offers late night services and rapid services between the major town centres on our seven-day network.

This includes the Rapid 4, 7 and 10 which provide direct access to the city later into the evening from the Woden Town Centre, Cooleman Court and John Gorton Drive. You can also

connect with light rail and buses with the same easy-to-use MyWay card.

→ For more information and to plan your travel visit transport.act.gov.au

Road resurfacing keeps Canberrans moving



The region's main roads and suburban streets will be resurfaced over the coming months.

Suburban streets in Woden and Weston Creek will be among those to be upgraded, along with sections of the Tuggeranong Parkway and Streeton Drive.

Canberra's annual road resurfacing program covers 21 suburbs this financial year, and will make our roads safer for everybody.

→ A list of ACT roads and streets to be resurfaced is available at tccs.act.gov.au



Celebrate Christmas in the city

See Canberra's CBD come alive with the festive spirit on Friday 6 December to celebrate Christmas.

The night will provide the first opportunity to see the city's new Christmas tree, and there will be plenty of free family fun in a traditional Christmas village in Garema Place. Visit a log cabin for cookie decorating, bauble making and Santa snow cones or take a selfie with Santa – while it 'snows' around you!

→ More at act.gov.au/cityrenewal

Christmas Village
Garema Place
6 December
4 pm – 9 pm

Have a safe and happy CBR holiday

Thanks to ACT emergency and policing crews, health staff and operational teams who will work throughout the holiday season to keep us safe.

Follow our tips to stay safe and healthy this summer.

→ More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

Public transport timetables, waste collection schedules and opening hours for Libraries ACT sites and Access Canberra shopfronts will change during the holiday period.

→ Details at act.gov.au/our-canberra

A cracker way to see in the New Year

Say goodbye to 2019, celebrate the year that was and ring in the New Year with music, food and fireworks in Civic Square.

With something for everyone, New Year's Eve in the City will feature family entertainment, pop-up performers and a variety of local food offerings.

World-class fireworks displays will light up Canberra skies in the city at 9pm and midnight at this alcohol-free and glass-free event.

→ More at events.act.gov.au

New Year's Eve
in Civic Square
31 December



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