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UPGRADES AT YERRABI POND DISTRICT PARK

The tarzan bridge and large swing at Yerrabi Pond District Park are getting an upgrade in 2017. Work will start soon and be completed by the middle of the year.

Five new shade sails will also be installed by mid-year at local play spaces in Forde, Harrison, Palmerston, Ngunnawal and Crace.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR

Happy New Year to all and I hope you had a fantastic holiday season.

As 2017 kicks off, a new year means new opportunities for all Canberrans and a chance to apply new ideas to our city. The Government is back at work delivering on significant projects to keep our Canberra the world’s liveable city.

We’re getting the design of stage 2 of light rail from Civic to Woden underway, starting the rollout of green bins across Canberra and working on securing electronic devices for all Canberra’s secondary public school students. We’re also working on designs for new nurse-led walk-in health centres and opening an Office of Mental Health to help all Canberrans access healthcare when they need it. It will be a big year for our city.
For more helpful information on starting school visit education.act.gov.au
Visitors to the CBD will get a small taste of the ActewAGL Royal Canberra Show next month when the Canberra City Carnival takes place in Petrie Plaza.

The event will feature some ActewAGL Royal Canberra Show favourites like sideshows, show bags and some classic carnival food.

If you attend Canberra City Carnival, let us know what you think afterwards at yoursay.act.gov.au

The first eastern quolls to be born in the ACT in over 80 years are thriving at Mulligans Flat Woodland Sanctuary at Gungahlin.

Over a dozen Eastern Quolls were reintroduced in March 2016 from Tasmania and Victoria as part of a program in partnership with ANU and many other agencies. The quolls had disappeared due to clearing, grazing and introduced predators.

The birth of the baby quolls indicates their parents have settled quickly into their new Mulligans Flat home.

See the baby quolls and other reintroduced species at mulligansflat.org.au

There's something for everyone this Australia Day, including a BBQ breakfast, kids entertainment, the national flag raising and citizenship ceremony at Rond Terrace and an evening concert. Top off your day at the evening concert and fireworks by Lake Burley Griffin.

For more information visit events.act.gov.au

See Canberra in a new light during Enlighten. Many of the city’s national attractions open their doors after-hours to host an array of exclusive events and surprising experiences.

The whole family can enjoy free and ticketed events and captivating architectural projections.

For more information visit enlightencanberra.com.au

This year's festival will be held in Canberra's city centre. You won't want to miss the action-packed program, including Kate Ceberano who is back for another year. There'll be over 300 stalls of fabulous international cuisine and entry is free.

Visit multiculturalfestival.com.au for more information.

For more stories and information from across Canberra, visit act.gov.au/ourcanberra or follow us on social media.