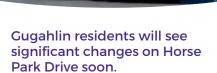
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HORSE PARK DRIVE DUPLICATION



The duplication is continuing with intersection works, road resurfacing and a traffic switch at different points along the project. You'll see noticeable changes along the length of the duplication in the coming months. Horse Park Drive duplication will be completed in 2019

The entire Horse Park Drive duplication between the Federal Highway and Katherine Avenue West is due to be finished in the first quarter of 2019 (weather permitting). Thank you for your patience while the work continues.



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New T lights will be in use along the light rail corridor when light rail is running.

The new lights will signal for light rail vehicles to 'stop' on a red T and 'go' on a white T.

For all other traffic, the road rules have not changed. Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians should continue to obey existing lights and signs.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR

Everyone has to buy Compulsory Third Party (CTP) insurance, but at the moment, our scheme doesn't always cover Canberrans when it matters. If you are the driver and get injured in a single car accident, you can't claim under our current CTP scheme. So we're making some changes.

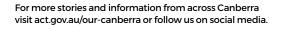
The new Motor Accident Injuries Scheme means everyone injured in a motor vehicle accident can get up to 5 years of medical treatment and wages replacement, as long as they're not breaking the law when the accident happens.

The new Scheme means getting help more quickly, without having to go to court, and ensures everyone is better protected.

For more information visit yoursay.act.gov.au/ctp









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

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LAWNMOWING SCHEDULE RAMPS

More investment in City Services means you'll see our teams out and about keeping Canberra neat and tidy during peak growing times of spring and summer.

View the interactive map to see when mowing will take place in your suburb.

For more information visit tccs.act.gov.au

EMERGENCY SIGNS

There are now 12 Electronic Fire Danger Signs installed along major arterial roads across the ACT.

The signs will keep Canberrans informed on fire danger during the warmer months.

The signs automatically display the Fire Danger Rating each day during the Bushfire Season and if required, other safety and information messages.



CANBERRA'S NEW BUS NETWORK

Thanks Canberra for your feedback on plans for a new bus network. By 2030 we'll be a city of 500,000, so we're getting ready with an integrated transport network.

For eight weeks we heard your views in focus groups, at interchanges, schools, community meetings and online. You told us you were happy to get more buses more often, but current bus users also told us how the changes could affect them.

'Xpresso' users were concerned their travel times will be longer. We also heard you want more information on school services to prepare for the new network. We'll have more to tell you in the coming months.



CBR BE READY

This year's bushfire season has started a month earlier than usual in Canberra.

The ACT Emergency Services Agency (ESA) supports the community through times of fire, storm and extreme heat, especially during the September to March storm and bushfire season.

Canberrans should ensure they understand Fire Danger Rating (FDR) levels to help them make decisions when travelling in and around the ACT. The ESA will update the FDR daily. It is displayed on electronic signs on all major arterial roads across the ACT, and online.

For more information on how to 'Be Ready' visit esa.act.gov.au



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CANBERRA HOSPITAL'S MOST ENTERTAINING EMPLOYEE

The newest staff member at the Centenary Hospital for Women and Children is a robot named MediZen.

MediZen is programmed to sing, dance and talk to children, to help them cope with stress and distract them during medical procedures.

Thanks to funding raised through the EVENT Hospitality & Entertainment Charity and the Canberra Hospital Foundation, children receiving treatment and their families can have a less stressful experience during their stay and be fascinated with this high-tech entertainment.



GUNGAHLIN ROADS RESURFACED

Almost one million square metres of road will be resurfaced across the ACT between now and early next year.

Work will take place on Gungahlin arterial roads including: northbound on Gungahlin Drive from Sandford Street to Well Station Drive; southbound on Gungahlin Drive from Oodgeroo Avenue to Well Station Drive; and the roundabout on Horse Park Drive at Whitrod Avenue/ Burrudammarra Avenue.

The resurfacing program protects and extends the life of Canberra's roads while improving safety.

For more information visit tccs.act.gov.au

DIGITAL **FINGERTIPS**

There's so much to do online with Libraries ACT.

You can enjoy popular eBooks and eAudio books without leaving the comfort of your home. You can even download and keep hundreds of popular magazines and thousands of music tracks and videos, all for free.

Our public libraries give you access to thousands of electronic resources using your library membership and PIN. All have free WiFi.

For more information visit **library.act.gov.au**

GUNGAHLIN V WALK-IN CENTRE

Canberra's third Walk-in Centre on Hibberson Street Gungahlin is now open.

Health professionals at the Centre will be available to treat one-off minor injuries and illness. No appointment is needed.

The centre is open from 7.30am till 10pm every day of the year including Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Services are free.

For more information visit walkincentre.act. gov.au

A NARA CANDL Festival

A sea of 2,000 shimmering candles will light up Canberra Nara Peace Park for the 16th annual Canberra Nara Candle Festival.

This year's festival celebrates the 25th year of the Sister City relationship shared between Canberra and Nara, Japan. Participate in calligraphy, lantern making, origami, ikebana and kite flying, while enjoying Japanese music, food and market stalls.

For more information visit event.act.gov.au/nara

Canberra Nara Peace Park & Lennox Gardens, Yarralumla

SATURDAY 27 October 4pm-9pm

REDISCOVER TIDBINBILLAT

Open day: Sunday 7 October 2018 10am - 3pm

Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve is opening its doors to the Canberra community to 'Rediscover Tidbinbilla' and celebrate its diverse people, habitat and heritage.

Visitors can experience the wildlife living in the sanctuary, trek the many walking trails, take part in ranger-guided activities, or discover the rich indigenous and early pioneer history of the Tidbinbilla Valley.



For more information visit tidbinbilla.act.gov.au

GET OUTDOORS

With so many parks and reserves in and around the Canberra region, why not tick a few off your list these school holidays?

Get the kids active with a mountain bike ride in Namadgi National Park, a hike through Goorooyarroo Nature Reserve, or spend some time looking for unique wildlife at Mulligans Flat Woodland Sanctuary.

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For more information visit environment.act.gov.au

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The ACT Emergency Services Open Day is a family event filled with skills demonstrations, hands-on activities, food and entertainment.

Learn about emergency services across the ACT region and speak directly with the people responsible for keeping our community safe.



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