

Our CBR

Inner North, Inner South and City

MARCH 2022
INSIDE THIS EDITION

- ▶ Second COVID-19 dose available for children
- ▶ Safer local roads
- ▶ Light rail to Woden is coming
- ▶ What's on at Enlighten

Celebrate our community on **Canberra Day**

Turn to p4
for event
details
→



Canberrans are invited to attend a fun-filled day of activities on 14 March in Commonwealth Park. Photo credit: Matt Witcombe.



Message from the Chief Minister

We are now in the third year of COVID-19. The pandemic isn't over and it continues to throw new challenges our way.

We will be maintaining our public health response, providing Canberrans with a trusted source of health information and delivering a community-wide booster program.

Our economic recovery plan will be front and centre of the Government's work in 2022. The plan is focused on creating, and protecting, local jobs in a diverse range of industry sectors.

The Government will continue investing in the infrastructure that will make Canberra even better. Infrastructure that is built for Canberra, built to support the city Canberrans want.

We live in a time of great uncertainty. We don't know what is coming next.

However, we have optimism, community resilience, and a focus on delivering our important legislative, infrastructure and services program.

Andrew Barr



Read more online! Scan this QR code
for links to all your Our CBR articles in one place or
visit linktree/ourcanberra



ACT
Government

Local businesses to shine at Enlighten

Local restaurants Miss Vans, Zaab and Limogella will join over 25 small businesses in showcasing their wares at Enlighten Festival this month.

Organised by The Forage, founder Belinda Neame says the street food event is important for the platform it provides local businesses.

“I’d say to locals: don’t come once, come twice. Tag our foodies on social media, tell your friends, come out and have fun – a little bit of support can go a long way,” Belinda said.

Enlighten Festival takes place from **4-20 March**, with The Forage running nightly from **11-14 March between 5pm-11pm** at Reconciliation Place.



The Forage Founder Belinda Neame and Miss Van’s owner Andrew Duong look forward to showcasing local food and drink at the Enlighten Festival.

Canberra kids due for second COVID-19 vaccine dose

Children aged 5-11 will soon be due for their second COVID-19 vaccination dose.

The second dose – due eight weeks after the first dose – can be booked at an ACT Government COVID-19 vaccine clinic, GP or pharmacy.

It provides even more protection from getting very sick with COVID-19.

Children who have had COVID-19 can get the vaccine as soon as they’ve been released from isolation and recovered.

Contact a healthcare provider with any questions and, if your child is worried about their vaccine, explore the helpful resources on the ACT COVID-19 website.



COVID-19 booster vaccinations available

If you’re aged 16+ and had a second COVID-19 vaccine dose three months ago, you are now eligible for a booster dose to increase your protection.

Even if you’ve had COVID-19, it is important that you still get your booster – you can do this as soon as you’ve been released from isolation and recovered.

Head online to make a booking.





Local roads get resurfaced

From Red Hill and Manuka to Campbell and Turner, road resurfacing is taking place across the Inner North and Inner South.

The work follows a record program of road repairs in the last financial year.

The lifespan of roads – and therefore when they need treatment – depends on traffic volume, traffic speed, the effects of sun over time and more.

Head online for the program of upgrades.



Have your say at light rail information sessions

You are invited to help shape Canberra's biggest infrastructure project, light rail to Woden, through a series of face-to-face information sessions starting this month.

The sessions will take place across Canberra and have the light rail team on hand to share information, answer questions and gather feedback.

This will help inform the final design, reduce the impacts of construction where possible, and maximise local benefits of the light rail.



Road improvements coming soon

Three local intersections will be improved as work starts soon on installing traffic lights at:

- ▶ Dudley Street/Novar Street/Kent Street/Adelaide Avenue on-ramp
- ▶ Adelaide Avenue off-ramp/Kent Street
- ▶ Kent Street/Denison Street.

The Adelaide Avenue off-ramp to Kent Street will also be widened and new off-road paths and crossing signals installed.



Mental health suite coordinator Joyce Thanabal.

New hospital suite for mental health treatment

A new suite on the Canberra Hospital campus is providing better support and treatment for adults experiencing mental health issues.

The ACT Government invested \$3.6 million into the project to help meet Canberra's healthcare needs as our population increases.



Join in Canberra Day celebrations

Join in Canberra Day activities on 14 March with a celebration of multicultural food, drink, music and dance taking place at Commonwealth Park.

Part of the Enlighten Festival, the event will showcase our diverse and vibrant local community. So grab a picnic blanket and come along with your friends and family for a fun-filled day.



What's on at the Enlighten Festival



- ▶ Illuminations **4-14 March**
- ▶ Lights! Canberra! Action! **11 March**
- ▶ Symphony in the Park **13 March**
- ▶ Canberra Day festivities **14 March**
- ▶ Canberra Balloon Spectacular **12-20 March**

All attendees are asked to practise COVID-safe behaviours and abide by ACT Public Health Directions in place at the time of the event.

→ Find out more at enlightencanberra.com



Celebrate International Women's Day

Canberrans are encouraged to mark International Women's Day on 8 March and help create a world that is diverse, equitable and inclusive.

Head online to get involved.



ACT
Government

Stay up to date with what's happening in your region and beyond.
Produced by: Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate



Printed on: Ecostar 100% recycled silk