

# OUR CANBERRA

Tuggeranong edition



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## BETTER BUS NETWORK 7 DAYS a WEEK



**YOUR say**

Have your say by 12 August

A new, more frequent and reliable public transport network is set to reshape the way Canberrans move around the city.

Bus services in Tuggeranong will provide frequent, reliable connections to Tuggeranong Town Centre, Woden, Erindale Centre, Lanyon Marketplace and Cooleman Court.

Services through Kambah will connect directly to Cooleman Court, Woden and the Tuggeranong Town Centre for connections to Rapid services to the City.

In the south residents can catch a Rapid to the Town Centre, Erindale, Woden, Barton, Russell and the City.

Have your say on how we can support your use of this new network.

**i** For more information and to have your say visit [yoursay.act.gov.au](http://yoursay.act.gov.au)

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## ISABELLA POND WETLANDS nearly COMPLETE

Construction of two new wetlands at Isabella Pond is expected to be finished before the end of the year.

The pond has been restocked with 1,000 Murray Cod and 1,000 Golden Perch, which will provide a balanced ecosystem for the pond.

This project is aimed at improving water quality in lakes and ponds with the future outcome of cleaner water going into the Murrumbidgee River.

**i** For more information visit [act.gov.au/h2ok](http://act.gov.au/h2ok)



## MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR

Canberra has established a reputation as Australia's most inclusive city - a place where we strive to ensure everyone has the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

The recently launched Chief Minister's Charitable Fund will provide targeted support for our community to deliver help where it is most needed.

The Government will continue to support those in greatest need as our city grows.



For more stories and information from across Canberra visit [act.gov.au/our-canberra](http://act.gov.au/our-canberra) or follow us on social media.

**YOUR say**

For information on community consultations in Canberra, visit [yoursay.act.gov.au](http://yoursay.act.gov.au)

## HAVE YOUR SAY on HEALTH

The ACT is now the health care hub for a region of more than 1 million people.



Soon there will be opportunities to share your experiences, ideas and insights about health care in Canberra.

Whether you are a patient, doctor, nurse, midwife or other health professional, there will be opportunities to have your say. We will use your views to inform key projects.

**i** To register for updates and notifications visit [yoursay.act.gov.au/your-healthy-future](https://yoursay.act.gov.au/your-healthy-future)



## BE A RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER



- > Microchip, register and de-sex your dog – it's compulsory to do all three!
- > Walk your dog on a lead and have effective control – it's an offence not to.
- > Make your yard escape-proof – it's the law.
- > Update microchip details and use an ID tag.
- > Expect heavy penalties if you don't follow the rules – it's about putting public safety first.

Our rangers will be out – know your obligations.

**i** For more information visit [tccs.act.gov.au/pawsforthought](https://tccs.act.gov.au/pawsforthought)



## EMMA RUBY HOUSE

A second respite care home has been opened in Cook by the Ricky Stuart Foundation. 'Emma Ruby House' provides care for young people aged 12-18 years who have a disability.

The house is named after Ricky's daughter Emma Ruby, who has autism. Emma Ruby House complements 'Ricky Stuart House' in Chifley, which opened two years ago for children aged six to 12 years.

Emma Ruby House is managed by The Disability Trust.

**i** For more information visit [rickystuart.org](https://rickystuart.org)



## RECYCLE for CASH

The ACT Container Deposit Scheme has begun. Receive a 10 cent refund for eligible drink containers, or donate the proceeds to participating charities.

In Tuggeranong, your nearest drop off points are at the Salvation Army or St Vincent De Paul shops in Tuggeranong. To return large quantities use the bulk depot at 151 Gladstone Street Fyshwick.

There will be 18 return points located across the ACT by July 2019.

**i** For more information, including a list of more drop off points and eligible containers visit [actcds.com.au](https://actcds.com.au)



# HELPING OLDER CANBERRANS STAY at HOME

The ACT Government recognises that many older Canberrans may want to age in their homes.

The Aged Deferral Scheme gives older Canberrans the option to defer their annual household rates against the future sale of their property.

The 2018 ACT Budget expanded the eligibility of the scheme so that anyone aged 65 or over, who has at least 75 per cent equity in their home, can take advantage of this offer.

 For more information visit [revenue.act.gov.au/home-owner-assistance](http://revenue.act.gov.au/home-owner-assistance)



# KAMBAH SHOPS STAGE 2 WORKS

Further works at the Kambah Shops are expected to start next month and will extend onto the courtyard improvements made in 2017.

A playground area with shade, a toilet block, public amenities and improved connections for people walking and cycling to the shops will all be a part of future upgrades.

Work is expected to be completed by June 2019.



# MORE CHOICE for FIRST HOME BUYERS

Eligible first home buyers in Canberra won't have to pay stamp duty on new and existing properties from July 2019.

This will fully abolish stamp duty for any type of property at any purchase price, for eligible first home buyers.

To be eligible you must have a household income lower than \$160,000.



# WHY THE NAME CYNTHIA TEAGUE CRESENT?

The street names in Greenway are named to celebrate architects.

Cynthea Teague Crescent is named after Cynthea Mary Teague. She was involved in post-war reconstruction, designing tropical housing in Darwin, armament factories, major Commonwealth office buildings and overseas diplomatic accommodation.

Using the place names search tool online you can find stories on other Canberra street and suburb names.

 For more information visit [planning.act.gov.au](http://planning.act.gov.au)



# SPRING MEANS FLORIADE



Nightfest  
26 September to  
30 September

Floriade  
15 September  
to 14 October

**Bursts of flowers in Commonwealth Park mean one thing - Floriade is almost here!**

Get set to experience a *Pop Culture* inspired Floriade - Australia's biggest celebration of spring.

Opening hours this year will be 9.30am to 5.30pm daily, with the ticketed Floriade NightFest returning to illuminate the event.

 For more information visit [floriadeaustralia.com](http://floriadeaustralia.com)

## DOCKLESS BIKE SHARE



A dockless bike share trial has started in Canberra. Bike share is ideal for short and spontaneous one-way trips and integrates well with public transport systems.

Australian-owned company Airbike will deliver the six-month trial.

 For more information visit [transport.act.gov.au](http://transport.act.gov.au)

## NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK



**National Science Week will be celebrated around Canberra and by our public schools this month.**

The theme for this year's Science Week is 'Game Changers and Change Makers.'

 For more information on what's on in Canberra visit [scienceweek.net.au](http://scienceweek.net.au)

11-19  
August




## CBR THE CYCLING DESTINATION



**Our goal is to make the Canberra region Australia's cycling destination of choice.**

A new CBR Cycle Tourism Strategy sets out a 10-year roadmap for how government, private sector and the cycling community will work together towards putting Canberra firmly on the cycle tourism map.

 To read more about the strategy visit [tourism.act.gov.au/cbrcycletourism](http://tourism.act.gov.au/cbrcycletourism)



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