# OUR CANBERRA Tuggeranong edition

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### NEW LEARNING CENTRE OPENS IN TUGGERANONG

The Centre will help students in STEM subjects

# Students in Tuggeranong have access to a new learning centre at Caroline Chisholm School.

The new Centre for Innovation and Learning will support the school and other Tuggeranong schools to deliver Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) programs.

It has areas suitable for activities such as programming, digital design, robotics, 3D printing, chemical, biological and physical science, space discovery and astronomy.

The ACT's third public hospital is an important milestone as we roll out better healthcare across our growing city. University of Canberra Hospital will be a specialist centre for rehabilitation, recovery and research and will help with tailored programs for patients.

Along with more Walk-In Centres, refurbished maternity and elderly acute care wards, more ambulance crews and free vaccinations for Canberra's children, the ACT Government is committed to providing better healthcare for our growing city.

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TUGGERANONG LOVES

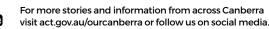
More than 10,000 green bins have been rolled out to residents across Tuggeranong and Tharwa.

If you haven't registered for a green bin, you can do so at tccs.act.gov.au and search 'green bins'. There's a one-off sign-up fee of \$50. Eligible concession card holders are exempt from payment. Green waste collections are fortnightly.





#### MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR





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

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## FREE MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINE

#### Canberrans aged 16 to 19 can get a free meningococcal ACWY vaccine in 2018 through their GP.

Meningococcal disease is a rare and potentially life-threatening illness and the best way to protect yourself and others is by getting vaccinated.

A free vaccine is also available to year 10 students attending ACT high schools through a schools-based program.

For more information visit health.act.gov.au

Free vaccine at school for year 10 school students



FREE FLU VACCINE for under 5s

A free flu vaccine is now available to all children aged from six months to under five years. Parents are encouraged to get their child vaccinated in autumn before the start of the flu season.

The vaccine is available through GPs and ACT Health Early Childhood Immunisation Clinics (GPs may charge a consultation fee).



For more information visit health.act.gov.au

# BIKE STOPS FOR A SMOOTHER RIDE

There are a range of local businesses across the ACT who are offering 'bike stop' facilities to support local and visiting cyclists.

Facilities provided will vary at each registered 'Bike Stop', but could include toilets, showers and change rooms, bag storage, water refill and tyre pumps.

The program is helping shape Canberra as a bike friendly city and Australia's cycling capital.

To register your business email TCCS.ActiveTravel@act.gov.au.



For more information including a list of 'Bike Stops' visit **transport.act.gov.au** and search 'Bike Stop Program'

#### CHECK IF YOUR VEHICLE IS IMPACTED: TAKATA AIRBAG RECALL

Up to a quarter of Canberra vehicles may be affected by the compulsory defective Takata airbag recall.

Check if your vehicle's make or model is affected by visiting **act.gov.au/airbag**.

Defective airbags have caused death and serious injury.

If you receive a letter from your vehicle supplier or manufacturer please act immediately.

If you have questions please call **13 22 81**.

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Discover Lanyon Homestead

# LANYON HOMESTEAD

As part of this year's Canberra and Region Heritage Festival, come along to the National Trust Open Day at Lanyon.

Take a guided tour of the superb gardens, join the craft activities, such as papermaking and basket weaving, or simply enjoy the live music, dance and poetry reading. Children's activities will include landscape painting and face painting.

Entry is a gold coin donation for the National Trust (ACT).

#### STAY ON TOP OF LIGHT RAIL

Work continues on stage one of Canberra's Light Rail Network with some intersection closures in place.

To stay on top of how work can affect your travel, pre-plan your route with email alerts. These will notify you of road closures and congested areas.

Sign up at transport.act.gov.au

#### CANBERRA'S NEWEST HOSPITAL OPENS MID-2018

Construction work is now complete at the University of Canberra Hospital, the specialist centre for rehabilitation, recovery and research.

At full capacity, Canberra's newest hospital will have 140 overnight inpatient beds, 75 day places and additional outpatient services.

The hospital features a hydrotherapy pool, therapeutic courtyards and gymnasiums.

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For more information visit **health.act.gov.au** and search 'University of Canberra Hospital'

## NEW SES FACILITY KEEPING TUGGERANONG SAFE

A new Tuggeranong ACT State Emergency Service (SES) facility is now open in Calwell.

The state-of-the-art facility replaces its current location at the Kambah ACT Fire & Rescue Station. It will help the ACT SES to better serve the southern area of Canberra.

The station features environmentally sustainable initiatives, such as two large water tanks to save on the use of mains water.

This new station is located on Johnson Drive, Calwell.

# NEW U ACUTE CARE WARD

Elderly patients who require specialised acute care now have a newly renovated ward at Canberra Hospital. It has 26 beds and has been redesigned to support patients in an age-appropriate environment.

A soon-to-be completed outdoor courtyard will also provide patients and families with a variety of mobility options and spaces.



For more information visit **health.act.gov.au** and search 'acute care elderly'





There's something for everyone at this year's Canberra and Region Heritage Festival. With over 100 events happening across the capital there are plenty of ways to celebrate our city's colourful stories, culture and buildings.

In Tuggeranong, get ready to:

**Experience** stalls, displays and entertainment at Lanyon Open Day – Saturday 14 April.

**Discover** the artists in residence at Ready-Cut Cottage – Saturday 21 April.

**Tour** the gardens at Tuggeranong schoolhouse – Sunday 22 April.

Explore Canberra's Canoe Trees – Sunday 29 April.



For more information visit **act.gov.au/heritagefestival** 

Explore the Ready-Cut Cottage, Namadgi National Park



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Free bus transport to Anzac Day services will once again be available in 2018.

You can 'Register to Ride' at **transport.act.gov.au** or call **13 17 10** 

# POWERED

New solar panels and battery storage have been installed at the Arboretum's horticultural works depot, powering everything from air conditioning to welders.

The system will reduce the ACT's greenhouse gas emissions by about 28.5 tonnes per year, equivalent to taking 11.8 cars off the road each year.



For more information on solar energy visit **actsmart.act.gov.au** 

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN AT THE ARBORETUM

The National Arboretum has plenty of space for the kids to run and roam these school holidays.

They'll love Pod Playground and the labyrinth in the new Gallery of Gardens. You can also bring your own kites to fly at the amphitheatre.

Pack a picnic to enjoy on the Himalayan Cedar deck, or enjoy delicious food from Sprout Café.

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