## Our CBR



Inner North, Inner South and City

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#### Merry Christmas, Canberra





#### Message from the Chief Minister

The summer months in the nation's capital are a great time of the year, and Canberrans can once again celebrate Christmas and New Year's Eve in the City with plenty of entertainment and opportunities to support local businesses.

We are expecting that the festive season will also bring an increase in COVID-19 cases, so please keep testing for COVID and isolating if you are unwell.

As we get closer to the end of the year, there will be many Canberrans working hard to keep our city safe and cared for. There are also many city services staff working as hard as possible to repair potholes and mow the grass following extensive rain across the ACT.

I wish you a fantastic Christmas and a prosperous 2023.

**Andrew Barr** 





#### London Circuit road closure

Work to deliver the second stage of light rail has started with the raising London Circuit project now underway.

The following roads are impacted for the duration of the project:

- London Circuit between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue
- the cloverleaf ramps on the north end of Commonwealth Avenue.

When complete, this new city intersection will improve road, pedestrian and transport connections, provide more functional public spaces, and allow light rail to cross the lake.

For the latest information, including detailed maps on how to get around the city, visit **builtforcbr.act.gov.au/travel-impacts** 





#### Walk-in Centres open for Christmas

Don't forget ACT Walk-in Centres are open seven days a week, including Christmas Day and New Year's Day, between 7.30am and 10pm.

If you find yourself with a nonlife threatening injury or illness, head to your local nurse-led Walk-in Centre in Dickson, which has now reopened.

Scan the QR code to view all ACT Government service changes over the festive season.

## Make road safety your priority this summer

Over the holiday season, it's more important than ever to put your phone away, slow down, drive to the conditions and avoid fatigue. There are more motorists on the road in summer, particularly on the Kings Highway.

Whether you are travelling or staying in Canberra, ensure everyone gets home safely this summer by making road safety your priority.

Learn more at act.gov.au/roadsafety





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# Want to find the **best petrol prices?**

The NSW FuelCheck app is now available in the ACT. Visit **accesscanberra.act.gov.au** for details or download the app today.

### Shape the future of Central Canberra

The ACT Government is asking for your help with planning central Canberra's future.

Draft district strategies for the Inner South and Inner North and City outline a range of proposed, potential and possible initiatives up for discussion as part of the community engagement process. Initiatives include:

- investigating key change areas for development including East Lake and along the Federal Highway and the current and proposed light rail routes
- increasing the economic and employment role of the City Centre, Dickson, west Deakin and some local centres
- strengthening green connections around Lake Burley Griffin, along Sullivan's Creek and through inner south suburbs
- · delivering a mix of housing types.

Have your say at yoursayconversations.act.gov.au





## Local infrastructure upgrades

The ACT Government will consult with the community in 2023 on:

- the Garden City Cycle Route
- an inner north destination-style playground (second round of engagement)
- public space improvements at the local Narrabundah shops on Iluka Street.

This follows upgrades at Campbell shops, with work on new seating, shade structures, lighting and landscaping to be completed by the middle of next year.

Improvements have also been made to paths and crossings around local schools, and bus stops in Deakin, Dickson, Griffith and Narrabundah have been upgraded.

## Dickson upgrades nearing completion

Construction to refresh public spaces along Dickson's Woolley Street are nearing completion.

The project will create a safer, more accessible and attractive space, which will benefit local businesses, residents and visitors.

This is just one of the projects supporting the revitalisation of Dickson.

Keep an eye out for pop-up markets, live music, increased outdoor dining and fun activities.



#### **Acknowledgement of Country**



The ACT Government acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Ngunnawal people. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and contribution to the life of this city and region.







## Celebrate Christmas in the city

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The city will come alive with roving performances, photo-worthy moments, and of course, Canberra's most captivating Christmas tree this month.

Visitors will find something on every weekend in City Walk in the lead-up to Christmas.

Be sure to take a look around when you're Christmas shopping, celebrating with end-of-year drinks, or getting that classic Santa photo.

Take a stroll down City Walk and immerse yourself in the festive fun.

Check out the full program at christmas.inthecity.com.au

# Bring in the new year with a bang

Welcome 2023 with a huge New Year's Eve celebration on Lake Burley Griffin.

Gather your friends and family, find a great lakeside spot and take in the amazing fireworks display.

Grab a bite to eat from the food vendors on site and enjoy the music and atmosphere as you await the countdown.

There will be fireworks at both 9pm and midnight.



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# What's on this holiday season

24 Nov Sunset Cinema

**-25 Feb** Australian National Botanic Gardens

10 Dec UC Capitals v Sydney Flames

National Convention Centre Canberra

11 & Christmas

18 Dec Village Markets

Haig Park

13 Dec Sydney Thunder v

Melbourne Stars, Men's Big Bash Manuka Oval

5-8 Jan Summernats

Exhibition Park

13-15 Jan Storytime Ballet:

The Sleeping Beauty
Canberra Theatre Centre

**21 Jan** Lunar New Year Woolley St Dickson



For more events and details, visit **events.canberra.com.au** 



Bus and light rail services are free on Christmas Day.

During the festive season and especially on New Year's Eve, why not leave the car at home and let Transport Canberra do the driving? (Normal fares apply).

View the timetable online.









