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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

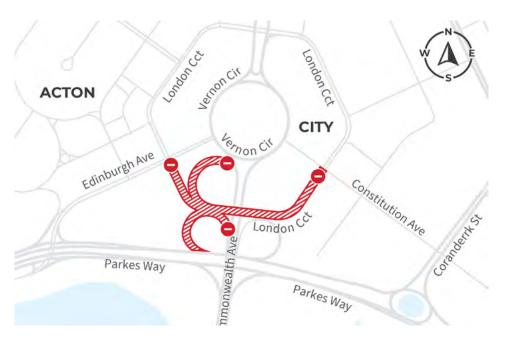
Work to deliver the second stage of light rail has started with the raising London Circuit project now underway.

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 non-life threatening injury or illness, head to your local nurse-led Walk-in Centre in Gungahlin.

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 Gungahlin

The ACT Government is asking for your help with planning Gungahlin's future, from waterways to future housing.

The draft Gungahlin District Strategy outlines a range of proposed, potential and possible initiatives up for discussion as part of the community engagement process.

Initiatives include:

- improving links between the nature reserves
- investigating key change areas for development
- protecting Mitchell's role and function
- delivering new community facilities including schools, Amaroo tennis centre and Casey park
- improving public transport between group centres and growing suburbs.

Have your say at yoursayconversations.act.gov.au





Infrastructure upgrades in Gungahlin

Following this year's conversations with the community, the ACT Government will start work on multiple projects across Gungahlin in 2023.

These include an upgrade to the Burrumurra Avenue playground in Ngunnawal and a new dog park in Franklin.

This follows improvements around Yerrabi Pond, including a solar light trial, and upgraded drainage infrastructure at the Gold Creek playground on Bargang Crescent in Ngunnawal to improve safety for local children and families.

Wildbark is now open

Wildbark, Canberra's newest nature-based learning centre, is now open.

Located at the entrance to Mulligans Flat Woodland Sanctuary in Throsby, Wildbark features a visitors' centre, café and nature play area.

Join a day, night or audio tour and experience the beauty of the sanctuary, which is dedicated to restoring critically endangered Box-Gum grassy woodland. Or just drop in for a free sanctuary map.



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

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



Free travel on **Christmas** Day

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.









