

MyGinninderry Journal

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Hello!

I don't know about you, but I have found this Autumn to be very busy! We saw our second Easter in the Park, another great Community Iftar at The Link, the MyGinninderry Residents' Exhibition, the launch of the first Community Grants program and a fabulous Kite-Flying day. It's great to get the Ginninderry community together for all these different events and, while winter is usually a bit quieter, I hope to see you at our last outside event for the season, a Public Art Treasure Hunt (think a scavenger hunt around the suburb). It will be a fun way for all ages to get outdoors and warm up in winter!

There will also be a special NAIDOC in the North event at The Link on 3 July. Join us for this celebration of First Nations people and culture with native plant use, cooking and a rock painting activity.

A note that an important ACT wide legislative change is coming this July. From 1 July 2022, all cats must be registered and cat containment will expand across Canberra.

"Containment means keeping your cat on your premises 24 hours a day. This can include your house or apartment, an enclosed area in a backyard or courtyard, or a cat crate."

Ginninderry's suburbs are already cat containment suburbs, as most new suburbs in Canberra are. It has been shown that containment helps cats to live longer and healthier lives while also protecting native wildlife. For cats born before 1 July 2022 registration will be free until 1 July 2023.

For more information on this important change go to www.cityservices.act.gov.au and search for 'cat registration'.

Tulitha King



Construction update

The contract for the first stages of civil construction in Macnamara has been awarded to Huon Contractors, with Calibre Consultancy engaged as the superintendent. Both contractors know the suburb well as they also delivered Strathnairn. Onsite works will commence shortly (weather pending). Construction traffic for this subdivision will be directed along Parkwood Road. Therefore, the majority of construction traffic coming from Pro Hart Avenue will be builders for housing construction.

As suburbs are constructed and landscaped, there is a transfer of assets to the ACT Government. All completed roads, verges and public areas are generally managed by Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS), even before owners start building. As in any suburb, any infrastructure (e.g. footpaths), parking, traffic, noise and other matters should be brought to the attention of TCCS through Access Canberra (www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au). While Ginninderry strives to deliver a high-quality suburb, we are not permitted to act on matters that fall under the authority of government.

All of our suburbs go through a design process led by the Ginninderry project team. We ensure there are opportunities for our community, including our current and future residents, to have input on these designs so that we can share in achieving the best possible outcome. While we're working on an online platform, joining an Advisory Group session is another way to contribute. Contact tulitha@ginninderry.com if you're interested in attending one of our Advisory Groups.

Suburb savvy

Fencing

Continual reminder that once you've purchased your block, ownership passes to you, and it is no longer the responsibility of the developer. To ensure your block is protected and to reduce dumping on your site, we recommend installing fencing around your block ASAP. If you need assistance finding a fencing provider, please don't hesitate to contact myself or the sales team.

Verges

In the ACT the verge is the responsibility of the residents. This includes grass areas and where there are planted areas & trees. You can find out more about this [Access Canberra website](http://www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au). We encourage you to maintain your verge to keep Strathnairn beautiful!

Rubbish

In Strathnairn, waste pick up happens on Thursdays. If you are having difficulties with pick-up, contact Suez on 02 6260 1547.

Also, make sure to bring your bins in after they have been emptied.

If you notice any illegal dumping, please contact Access Canberra on 13 22 81.

Traffic

If you notice any ongoing issues regarding traffic around Strathnairn, please make a note of the time and location and get in touch with our team. Drake Brockman Drive can get busy with construction traffic, so if you can remind your builder to be mindful of other users of this road, it would assist those living on this primary connector road.

Keep Active

Ginninderry has been designed to prioritise pedestrians and cyclists with broad paths allowing good connectivity across the suburb. There are electric bikes for hire (free for the first two hours) at The Link building. Go to ginninderry.bykko.net to log in to the hire service.

What's On?

Go to Ginninderry's What's On page at www.ginninderry.com/whats-on/ to see all the programs on at Ginninderry. Please make sure you check registration requirements for each program..

2022

On the regular

Tuesday, 9:30 am – 11 am	Playgroup	The Link Building
Tuesday, 6:30 pm – 7.30 pm	Choir	The Link Building
Thursday 5:15 pm – 6 pm	Kids Yoga	The Link Building
Thursday, 7:15 pm – 8:15 pm	Yoga	The Link Building
Saturday 7:45 am – 8:45 am	Afrofusion Dance & Drumming	The Link Building
Saturday, 9 am – 10 am	Pilates	The Link Building
Sunday, 8:30 – 9:30am	Group Fitness Class	Paddys Park
Sunday, 7:30pm – 8:30pm	Soccer in the Park	Paddys Park
1st Sunday of every month, 2-4pm	Repair Café	The Link Building
7 July, 9am - 3:30pm	artKids Holiday Program	The Link Building

Special Events

18 June, 11-3pm	Public Art Treasure Hunt	Paddys Park
18 June, 10.30-1pm	Canberra Environment Centre: Sourdough Making Workshop	The Link Building
3 July, afternoon	NAIDOC In the North	The Link Building
20 August, 10.30-1pm	Canberra Environment Centre: Sourdough Making Workshop	The Link Building
27 August, 2-4pm	Paddys Park Play Day	Paddys Park

Get in Touch!

Do you love getting the community together? Would you like to share your own cultural celebrations at Ginninderry? A group of Ginninderry residents would like to start planning community gatherings and events together. Would you like to join them? If you're interested just email me at tulitha@ginninderry.com for more information.



Colouring Competition

NAIDOC week is coming up in July and we'd like to share two of Ginninderry's Design Library images for kids to colour, with prizes available for the top three from each age bracket, 5 and under and 6-11.

These images were created by Ngunnawal artist Jazz Matthews. Jazz provided these images for Ginninderry's Design Library, which is a collection of images that can be utilised around the Ginninderry community to bring beauty into the suburbs.

Simply use the templates overleaf, print at home or visit The Link to collect the printouts and get colouring!

Terms and Conditions:

The Competition is open from 15 June to 10 July 2022. Up to three applications per person are permitted, but each person will only be eligible for one prize within the competition. The top three from each age bracket will be chosen by Ginninderry and Ginninderry's choice remains final. Selected entries will be displayed at The Link Building until 10 July 2022. Use of any physical media is permitted including paint, texta, pencil, collage, etc.

Submit entries in person at The Link building or take a photo and email it to community@ginninderry.com with your child's name, age and contact details. The competition is open to two age ranges, 5 years and under and 6-11 years.

Prizes are comprised of art packs from the Strathnairn Arts Association's SHOP and local art suppliers.

Meet the Neighbour!

Tamsin and Kenneth's family have enthusiastically embraced community life in Ginninderry. Almost as soon as they moved in Kenneth started the social soccer group at Paddys Park, and you will most likely see them at every community event! It's great to be able to introduce them here.

We are a fun-loving family of 4! We've got two little energetic boys, 4 and 1 years old. Our second son was born just after we moved into Strathnairn in December 2020.

We lived in Sydney for a few years before moving to Canberra in search of a fuller life. We rented in Holder while we were looking for our first home and discovered Strathnairn not long into our search. The first thing that stood out to us was the incredible views. The thought of being able to step out of our front door and take in that view blew us away. We were also drawn to the concept of the suburb and its community-centric spirit. The whole experience, from meeting the builders to understanding how the suburb would operate, led us to buy here.

We love going for walks through the suburb while our son rides his bikes or scoots on the footpath, meeting friendly faces along the way. We've made a few good friends and there are lots of young families with children the same age as our boys. We're looking forward to an exciting future. We have also enjoyed all the community activities at the park, like soccer, fitness, Easter and Christmas.

We are very fortunate to have a soccer group that plays on Sundays. More than playing together, the group has really enjoyed getting to know people around the suburb. Most of us who play don't have family nearby and so the group has become a second family for us all. It's really nice to bump into soccer friends at the shops, in the park or walking around the suburb. We've also shared home building advice and help each other out on the group as much as we can.

My favourite memory is from the mouse plague of 2021. It was 4:30 am, we were barely awake taking care of a 3-week-old baby and saw a mouse run across our living room. Not knowing what to do, I immediately asked for help on the soccer group. And just like that, in 5 minutes, the incredible John appeared at our front door to help

us shoo the mouse away. Talk about community!

We are looking forward to being able to walk our boys to school every day, growing our friendships, seeing how the suburb takes shape and maybe some mobile network!

We try to live as minimally as possible, are very mindful of our electricity and water consumption and schedule all our cleaning around peak solar energy availability. Around the house, we have switched to reusable materials, gone paperless, use ecofriendly cleaning products and recycle with "Return It". After joining the "Buy Nothing Group", we've found a wonderful way of sharing things we no longer require like baby toys, instead of disposing of them. In the next year, we plan to have a small fruit, veg and herb garden in our backyard.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO FEATURE IN A MEET THE NEIGHBOUR?

Contact Tulitha at community@ginninderry.com to get started – we'd love to share your story!



Conservation Corridor

You'll start to see four new faces along the Shepherds Lookout track as the Conservation Corridor welcomes their weekend rangers to the team. If you see them out on your walk, say hello!



Kieran Webbie:

I have just finished studying an Environmental Science degree at UC, where I was fortunate to undertake work placement experience with the Trust. In my spare time I enjoy being outside with activities such as hiking through Namadgi or camping. I follow the NRL as a Canberra Raiders fan.

My favourite experience with the Trust so far was being involved in the searching and relocation of Pink-tailed Worm-lizards, skinks and scorpions across the Corridor. It was very rewarding to assist in an important program for a vulnerable species.



Ariana Strmota:

After several years working with Children and Youth, I re-fell in love with Australia's unique and diverse environment. In my free time I enjoy playing the guitar and having a sing, as well as weeding the garden. I love connecting with people and listening to their stories. I can't wait to meet you and hear your story!

One of my favourite things I got to do with the Trust team was the chance to help them with biomass surveying. I am very interested in flora and enjoyed having a look at the various species we have within the corridor.



Violet Marriott:

Hello! My name is Violet, and I am currently in my final year of an Environmental Science degree at the University of Canberra. I am deeply passionate about sustainability and protecting environmental and cultural values. I am a keen and enthusiastic person who is always up for a chat.

My favourite work experience with the Trust was being involved in a sweep for Pink-tailed Worm-lizards and relocating Cunningham Skinks! I especially enjoyed these experiences because I got to be in close contact with species that the Trust is working hard to protect, which was extremely rewarding.



Alex Nguyen:

My name is Alex, I'm currently studying a Bachelor of Environmental Science. I work fulltime at the Department of Education, Skills and Employment (DESE). However, when I graduate, I plan to change fields and work in the environmental sector.

Placement provided me with firsthand experience in the environmental field of work. It was a great way to apply my theoretical knowledge I learned at university to practical situations. One highlight during placement was releasing hundreds of yellow belly golden perch into the corridor.

The Trust now has a new App! Search for "Ginninderry Tracks" in the Play or App Store. In it you'll find interesting information and stories about the track and it will be added to as more tracks are built. You'll also see signage start to be installed along the first track over the next few months.

You can now register as a volunteer with the Trust. Learn more on their website www.ginninderry.org/volunteer

Did you know?

Throughout the Corridor you might find these beautiful little fungi called Earthstars. These fungi act as a barometer as they react to different levels of humidity. When the air is dry, the points of the star fold up around the puffball and when the air is moist, or it rains, the points open up and expose the centre.



At Strathnairn Arts Association

Anita McIntyre, Storm Over The Brindabellas, 2022. Photography by Andrew Sikorski.



EXHIBITION | ANITA MCINTYRE. A SURVEY 1970 TO 2022

Woolshed Gallery | 18 June - 17 July 2022

'For 50 years my ceramic practice has been inspired by the Australian landscape, extensive travel, family history and a love of clay. It has been expressed in several series of work: working with porcelain, stoneware, coloured clay, printing, reverse transfer, decals and slip casting. My exploration continues to find new inspiration.'

PLEASE NOTE ADJUSTED WOOLSHED GALLERY OPENING HOURS

WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY 10AM - 4PM

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 12PM - 3PM

SQUARES 2022 EXHIBITION CALLOUT!

This is our 16th annual open exhibition / people's choice competition! We choose the size, and you choose your theme and medium! Get the whole family involved!

All the details are online on our website <https://www.strathnairn.com.au/artist-opportunities/squares-open-exhibition>

WORKSHOPS | TERM 3 WORKSHOPS ARE OPEN FOR BOOKINGS

All the details are online and workshops are booking now. Be quick, these classes are popular and fill up quickly. Book via the website, www.strathnairn.com.au.

HOUSEKEEPING

- No dogs at Strathnairn Arts please. Visitors are reminded that dogs are not permitted at Strathnairn Arts. The ACT Government does not allow dogs, except a guide dog onto the Strathnairn Arts property. This is enforced for a range of health, safety, and public amenity reasons. Thank you for your help with this.
- Opening hours - Strathnairn Arts is open Wednesday - Sunday 10am - 4pm (Cafe Stepping Stone opens at 9am). We are not open to the public at all on Monday or Tuesday. Please don't walk around the property, or allow your children to play on the property outside of our opening hours.
- Studios: Please respect our Artists privacy; our studios are private spaces for working Artists to concentrate and work. Please don't enter studio spaces uninvited.
- Safety. Always be mindful of your own safety when walking around the property.
- Kids Safety - please supervise your children at all times and ensure they do not play in the garden beds or on the artworks in the gardens.
- Horses - Although they are lovely to watch, please don't feed the horses!

Thank you for helping look after Strathnairn Arts!



Stay Connected

Stay up to date on Facebook with what's happening around Ginninderry:

Strathnairn Resident: Join the group Ginninderry Locals (@ginninderylocals)
The Conservation Corridor: Ginninderry Conservation Trust (@ginninderrytrust)
Ginninderry Community: Ginninderry Community (@ginninderry)

Have you been living at Ginninderry for one year or more? We want to know how you're going in your new suburb. To help us out, please take three minutes to complete our 1 Year Anniversary Survey



Colouring Competition

NAME: _____

AGE: _____

EMAIL: _____

