

What would make your life better where you live?



Inner South Canberra
Community Council

Newsletter

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Have your say

The Inner South Canberra Community Council, the peak body for inner south residents groups, invites you to have your say on what you value about your local area, suburb or the inner south generally, what you would like to change, or to be protected, to make it a better place to live.

One reason we are seeking your views now is that the ACT Government is doing the most comprehensive review of the planning system in over a decade. In responding to the review, the ISCCC wants to make sure our advocacy reflects community views.

If you live in the Inner South in one of these suburbs, we invite you to complete the online survey: Barton, Deakin, Forrest, Fyshwick, Griffith, Kingston, Narrabundah, Oaks Estate, Red Hill, Symonston, Yarralumla. We will provide initial feedback on the survey results at our Public Forum/Annual General Meeting on 12 November.

Find our online survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ISCCC2019>

Join us at the ISCCC Public Forum and AGM on 12 November

The ISCCC invites you to attend our next Public Forum, where we will report on the initial results from our Online Survey, and provide an update on next steps in the community engagement on comprehensive changes to the planning system.

The Public Forum will be followed by the ISCCC's Annual General Meeting, where we will report on our activities over the past year, and conduct the annual elections for the Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations Officer, Webmaster, Ordinary Member (2 positions), Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.

If you are interested in nominating for one of these positions, could you please download a nomination form from the ISCCC website at www.isccc.org.au. Both the person nominating for a position and the person supporting the nomination must be financial members of the ISCCC.

Tuesday 12 November 2019, 7-9pm
Eastlake Football Club (Duffy Room)
3 Oxley Street, Griffith

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Chair, Inner South Canberra Community Council

Community news

Deakin Residents Association

(www.deakinresidents.asn.au, secretary@deakinresidents.asn.au)

The Deakin Residents Association will be holding their Annual General Meeting at the Bridge Club, Duff Street, Deakin on 20th November at 6:30pm.

The DRA is honoured to have Chris Steel MLA (Minister for Transport and City Services; Community Services and Facilities; Multicultural Affairs; ACT Government and Canberra) attending as the guest speaker. He has undertaken to talk on topics of particular interest to members of the DRA. These include the Light Rail proposal, the potential impact on existing bus services and travel times between Woden and Civic.

DRA has submitted an application for support under the Adopt a Park program that seeks to facilitate the formation of a volunteer group within the DRA in the upkeep and maintenance of La Trobe Park. It is hoped that the funding will lead to increased community use of the park; and contribute to the enhancement of Canberra's reputation as a 'garden city'.

Griffith Narrabundah Community Association

(www.gnca.org.au, info@gnca.org.au)

The Griffith Narrabundah Community Association (GNCA) is committed to improving the amenity of Manuka Village.

In June the GNCA wrote to Chief Minister Andrew Barr about repairing unsafe paved areas and footpaths, removing graffiti, remediating areas prone to local flooding, possibly converting part of Franklin Street to a shared car and pedestrian zone, providing and maintaining more litter bins and new seating in Captain Cook Park, and revamping Palmerston Lane.

The Chief Minister has responded positively. Consideration will be given to removing graffiti on Endeavour House (with a possible community mural

replacement), relaying pavers and reducing trip hazards, a review of litter bins and park benches, and a shared traffic zone on Franklin Street between Furneaux Street and Flinders Way.

The Chief Minister also encouraged Manuka businesses to put a proposal together to indicate preferences and related costs for upgrading Palmerston Lane. GNCA has established a dialogue with the Manuka Business Association with a view to future collaboration, including following up on the correspondence with the Chief Minister.

Kingston and Barton Residents Group

(Facebook: kingston&bartonresidentsgroup, Instagram:

Kingstonandbartonresidents)

The Kingston and Barton Residents Group (KBRG) will hold their Annual General Meeting on 26 November at 6.30 pm. All residents within the KBRG area will be notified by post.

The Kingston and Barton area continues to see significant growth and development, bringing new life and energy to the area. The most significant development still to come is the Kingston Arts Precinct.



The final design for the Precinct is currently being refined with input being sought from the local community, arts groups, businesses and more broadly across Canberra. The KBRG will continue to seek input from local residents to feed into this process.

Our focus for 2020 includes the Kingston Arts Precinct, activation of the Kingston Shops and a proposal to 'adopt' Telopea Park.

Red Hill Residents Group

(redhillresidentsgroup@gmail.com)

The Red Hill flats redevelopment has recommenced after challenges with bonded asbestos on site, and the first Development Applications for townhouses and apartments have been submitted. Construction on the old Morling Lodge site in Hicks Street also commenced early in October.

The Integrated Plan for the Red Hill Nature Reserve and Surrounds (Federal Golf Course) has been released for comment, with improvement from a Red Hill perspective. The original plan of having the development entry on Gowrie Drive had safety concerns (access and increased traffic).

The RHRG AGM is at 6pm on 13 November 2019 (hopefully at Red Hill Primary School (Junior Hall) again – TBC). To be added to the mailing list, contact redhillresidentsgroup@gmail.com.

Old Narrabundah Community Council Inc

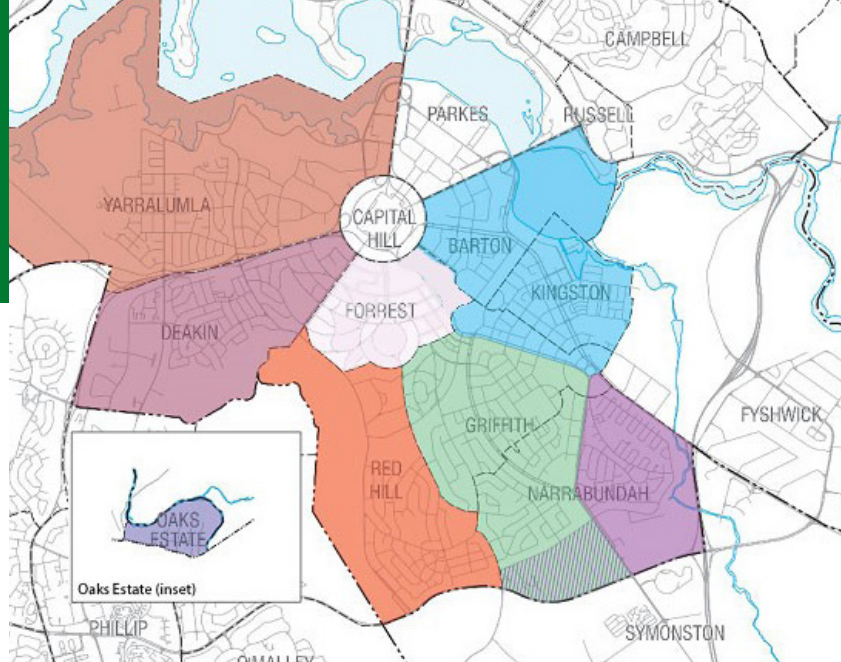
(www.narrabundah.org.au)

ONCC holds public meetings at 7.00pm in the Tennis Hut, Kootara Crescent on the 2nd Monday of the month except January and public holidays during the year.

The AGM will be held at the November meeting and our annual Community Festival at the Narrabundah Shops will be from 10am to 2pm on Saturday 21st March 2020.

If you wish to raise anything happening in Old Narrabundah come along to the meetings and make sure we have your email contact to stay informed.

John Keeley, Chair narrabundah@tpg.com.au



Yarralumla Residents Association

(www.yarralumlaresidents.org.au, info@yarralumlaresidents.org.au)

The YRA has been very active throughout the year in trying to maintain and improve the amenity of the suburb.

We have a volunteer tree maintenance group working in conjunction with the ACT Government. In recent years the YRA successfully applied for 4 grants from the Commonwealth Government to co-fund 4 park benches, 2 defibrillators and the drinking fountain at the Yarralumla shops.

The YRA is once again hosting Yarralumla Does Christmas 2019 in Weston Park on Saturday December 7 (5.00 pm to 7.30 pm). BYO Picnic- all invited.

For many years the YRA has focused attention on the development of the Brickworks site. The contract between the developer Doma and the Suburban Land Agency (SLA) was signed on 24 September 2019, followed by a presentation in late October. The YRA continues to advocate for the community in seeking the best possible outcome.

The YRA has held discussions with the National Capital Authority and ACT Environment and Planning to try to revive plans to turn two storm water drains flowing into Lake Burley Griffin into a Yarralumla Wetlands area.

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Forrest Residents Group

(www.forrestresidents.asn.au, mail@forrestresidents.asn.au)

The Forrest Residents Group operates on a pop-up basis to deal with issues that arise and provide residents with news and information about the suburb. The website is <https://www.forrestresidents.asn.au>.

We communicate by email with residents who have agreed to be on our contacts list. New contacts are most welcome. Our email address is [mail@forrestresidents@asn.au](mailto:mail@forrestresidents.asn.au).

Residents are invited to meet in Collins Park on Saturday 30 November at 4:30pm for Xmas drinks and discussion of future directions for the group. Bring your own snacks, drinks and chairs.

A reminder, including a report of our 2019 activities, will be issued towards the end of October. Join the contacts list now to receive this reminder.

Oaks Estate

The Molonglo Conservation Group (formerly Molonglo Catchment Group) is keen to work with residents associations and the broader community to help care for urban open space, parks and waterways.

In Oaks Estate, the local community has become involved in restoration of a small area of native vegetation growing behind the Community Hall and draining into the Queanbeyan River. Other activities will focus on stewardship of the new revegetation works associated with the Basin Priority Project around the junction of the Molonglo and Queanbeyan Rivers.

Contact MCG at communications@molonglo.org.au.

About the ISCCC

The Inner South Canberra Community Council (ISCCC) was formed in 2010 to provide a unified and strong voice for the residents of Inner South Canberra. We are the peak body for inner south residents' groups.

The ISCCC is a volunteer-run organization with no paid staff but we receive a modest grant of about \$12,800 per year from the ACT Government to pay for communication, venue hire, insurance and other costs.

We would love to meet you at one of our regular public forums. Find out more at www.isccc.org.au. If you want to receive notification about our events or other activities sign up to the email list at <https://www.isccc.org.au/contact-us>

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