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My Ginninderry Journal



Sat 7 Dec from 5pm – 9pm in Paddys Park

Live Music | Kids Entertainment | Food Stalls | Santa Photos | +more

A message from Jess

Welcome to Summer! As the year draws to a close we have a few last opportunities to gather, reflect & celebrate the year that was 2024. On Saturday 7 December we will host the last community workshop for the year, a time to reflect and look forward to next year as we plan the events calendar for 2025. We will finish the workshop just in time for everyone to wander down to Paddys Park to attend Christmas in the Park. The Christmas festivities will kick off from 5 pm until 9 pm, with



live music, food trucks and of course a special visit from Santa. The Emergency Services Agency will also be at Christmas in the Park so the kids can check out the fire trucks and adults can get some tips on emergency preparedness. Thank you all for a fantastic 2024 and I hope you are all looking forward to 2025 in Ginninderry!

See you soon, Jess Buckland, Community Development and Liaison Officer.



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2025 ACT Local Heroes!

We would like to wish Vanessa Brettell & Hannah Costello a heartfelt congratulations for recently being announced as the recipients of the 2025 ACT Local Hero award. It is fantastic to see the hard work and dedication that happens everyday in Strathnairn (& Dickson!) being recognised at this level!

We would also like to congratulate Philippa Seldon & Jenny Edwards for their nominations for ACT Australian of the year. Both Philippa & Jenny have contributed tremendously to the construction industry in the Capital region. And we can't forget Jo Farrell, the 2024 ACT Australian of the Year and the fantastic work she did on the Strathnairn Charity House!

Projects & Initiatives



We've tried to make it as easy as possible for you to stay up

to date with different projects throughout Ginninderry. This website is updated as new information becomes available. If you ever think something is missing please let us know via **community@ginninderry.com** so we can check for updates.



Life in Ginninderry, now even more rewarding.

Inspire your friends to join our growing community. If they buy land on your recommendation, you'll each receive \$2,500!* Refer a friend & get \$2,500 each^{*}



2025 Draft Community Event Calendar

Community Workshop 7 December 2024

Share your thoughts at our last workshop for the year on Saturday 7 December from 3pm – 4:30pm at The Link.

Saturday 15 February	Sunday 2 March	Saturday 15 March
Community Workshop	The Link	Kippax Uniting Church
Sat 12 April Easter Picnic		Saturday 17 May
		Community Workshop
1st - 31st July	Saturday 16 August	Saturday 13 September
MyGinninderry Photography Competition	Community Workshop	Kite Festival







2024 in pictures













Get involved with establishing Ginninderry's Residents Association

Building on the discussions from the community workshops, we invite our fellow neighbours to help establish a Resident's Association. Everyone is welcome.... we need your help.

Get involved, help out with...

- Naming the association
- Confirming the purpose of the association
- Establishing the membership requirements

More information is available in the Facebook group – so come join in the conversation.

For more information contact Attila on **0450 030 155** or **attila@ovari.biz**.



Spark Programs in 2025

SPARK is Ginninderry's unique training and employment initiative that was born out of our commitment to improving the education, social, and economic outcomes of residents within the Capital Region. In the first half of 2025, programs covering construction, early childhood education and conservation will be offered.



March - April

Construction Taster Program



April-June

Conservation and Ecosystem Management Taster Program



March - November

Early Childhood Education & Care Program



To register your interest and receive more information for any of the programs please scan the QR code or contact Mel at **spark@ginninderry.com**



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Did you know it is turtle migration season?

Eastern Long-necked Turtles are very common around the Canberra region. If you stop to look in a slow-moving body of water like a dam, pond, lake or creek, you may just see one!

You may find some of our turtle friends wandering around trying to get to a new place. If you see one on a road, carefully pick it up by the shell (holding it away from you to avoid an odorous defence) and place it off the road in the direction it was moving.

Thanks for looking out for them and keeping them safe!

in the corridor!

The Conservation Trust is very excited to share that an additional track has opened in the corridor. The River Descent Track is a steep track down to the Murrumbidgee River that covers about 1.7km one way. Access will be available from Macnamara straight into the corridor in mid 2025 to the public, in the meantime access will be available from The Link or Shepherds Lookout carpark.

Remember to stay safe around waterways and look out for your mates!

The beautiful Murrumbidgee River is ever changing and flows can vary from low and slow to fast and deep, so take care and don't put yourself in danger.

For more information about river safety check out this useful link https://www. parks.act.gov.au/before-you-go/safety

Stay Connected

Stay up to date on Facebook and Instagram with what's happening around Ginninderry: **Ginninderry Residents:** Join the Facebook group Ginnindery Locals (@ginninderrylocals)

The Conservation Corridor: Ginninderry Conservation Trust (@ginninderrytrust)

Ginninderry Community: **Ginninderry** Community (@ginninderry)

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