





A MESSAGE FROM MALCOLM

GOOGONG'S PROJECT DIRECTOR

In a major milestone, February 2024 marks 10 years since the first Googonians moved into Googong. It has been exciting to watch the township grow steadily ever since and there are now about 2,600 homes occupied, with the population standing at around 7.400.

The first three stages of Googong West are complete and the fourth stage is under construction and due for completion in May 2024. A signalised intersection will connect the fourth Stage to Old Cooma Road and will be constructed in the second half of 2024. Works are also underway on the remaining public streets within the Town Centre.

The DA for the first Stage of the Googong Town Centre has been approved and the project team is actively working on options for its delivery. It is hoped a more definitive program will be able to be announced in the next newsletter.

The DA for the pub was approved in late 2023 and the pub owners are now working on preparation for construction. The Stevens Group has lodged their DA for the fast-food outlets, petrol station and childcare centre within the Town Centre and the DA is currently being assessed by Council.

The process to hand over the site for the public high school is well advanced and should be completed within the next couple of months paving the way for the Department of Education to get on with the design of the school in preparation for its promised opening in 2027.

A DA for the Multi-Purpose Community Centre and Library was submitted in late 2023. This building is situated in Bunyip Park and at the fringe of the Town Centre, currently programmed for construction completion and hand over to council in 2026.

After community consultation regarding proposed amendments to the LPA with respect to the configuration of the pool within the Indoor Sports and Aquatic Centre, Council have now confirmed that the facility will include an 8 lane 25m pool and a zero-depth splash play area. Design work will now be finalised, culminating in a DA submission in early April.

It was with great anticipation that Scentral Bark opened to public access in early February. The dog park has been split into 2 sections to separate bigger dogs from smaller dogs and both sections will include an array of dog play equipment.

Construction work of the first stage of Common South is almost complete. Currently programmed to be open in June, the area includes a 7-hole putting golf course, a beginner and intermediate asphalt BMX track, a 7-piece gym station and more than 500 lineal meter extension to the 2.5m concrete footpath along Montgomery Creek. Eventually, this area will be infilled with 2 more sports fields, an 8-court tennis court facility, carparking and playground.



ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF MAIN ENTRY TO THE PROPOSED GOOGONG MULTI PURPOSE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND LIBRARY

With 138mm of rainfall in January, being the highest monthly total for January since development commenced at Googong in 2013, many of the parks and streets around Googong are overgrown with long grass and weeds. A joint effort between council staff and GTPL contractors is underway in an effort to get everything back under control in the shortest possible time.

On behalf of the project team, I would like to extend my thanks to all Googonians who have shared the journey to bring this township to reality over these past ten years, and we are excited to see the culmination of our planning come to fruition in the next ten.

Sincerely

Malcolm Leslie PROJECT DIRECTOR



\$10k rebate for your next Googonian land purchase.

If you already own your own slice of Googong, then here's a deal worth some serious consideration!

Right now, current Googong landowners will get a big \$10,000 rebate and a tiny 5% deposit on a new block of land at Googong.

Whether you're looking to upgrade to a bigger block, or you're considering investing in a second property, this is a deal you just can't go past.

For more information visit the Googong Sales Centre or call 1300 446 646 – it's for a limited time only!













HOUSE AND LAND PACKAGES



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DISPLAY VILLAGE

Our brand-new Googong Display Village is open from 11am-4pm weekends (except some public holidays) on Edward Drive, Googong NSW.



The Display Village will open progressively over the coming months with exciting homes showcasing the latest trends and great ideas. The first seven of our builders' homes are now open for your inspiration:

- 1. BBS Homes
- 2. BLD Homes
- 3. Burbank Homes
- 4. DJ Homes
- 5. Eureka Homes
- 6. G.J. Gardner Homes
- 7. JD Homes

Our thirteen builders will eventually showcase a huge 17 homes between them, so there's plenty of reasons to pop back a few times over the coming months to take-a-look at the newest additions. In fact, contact us to find out about the latest new homes as they open, call 1300 446 646 or email enquiries@googong.net (7 days).

All builders offer a range of house and land packages, or house options, for sale. There is no obligation to build with any of these builders, but they are a great place to start looking.

Our Googong Sales Centre is located a few hundred metres from the Display Village, at 5 Glenrock Drive Googong. We have information on all our builders, land sales, house-and-land packages, and more. There's even a model on display there so you can see what's planned for the whole township.

Pop in and grab a coffee or visit the Bunyip Park (bunyip themed!) playground next door to burn off the kid's excess energy!

THE ANGLICAN SCHOOL GOOGONG



Top marks for The Anglican School Googong's inaugural HSC cohort.

The inaugural Year 12 cohort of The Anglican School Googong have distinguished themselves with exceptional results in the 2023 HSC examinations.

Principal Dr Clayton Massey congratulated all students on their exceptional performance, saying "This was a cohort who were defined by application to their studies as well as their support of each other, so it doesn't surprise me that they all did incredibly well".

From the outset, The Anglican School Googong has been committed to offering a full suite of HSC courses and opportunities. The twenty-one members of The Class of 2023 undertook study in sixteen different HSC courses.

Three students made the NSW HSC Distinguished Achievers Merit List, achieving marks over 90 in three different subjects. The Anglican School Googong congratulates Andre Maras (Business Studies), Chloe Crampton (Maths Standard 2) and May Kent (Business Studies and Mathematics Advanced) on their inclusion in the 2023 HSC Distinguished Achievers List.

In another exceptional performance, every single student in Business Studies, Music, Textiles and Design scored results over 80.

The Year 12 cohort also demonstrated outstanding personal success, obtaining entry to an impressive number of highly sought after university courses, including:

- Medical ScienceAustralian National University
- Engineering
 Mechatronic......Australian National University
- Engineering.....University of Sydney
- Computing.....Australian National University
- Marine Biology.....University of Technology Sydney
- Programming......AIE Institute
- Exercise ScienceUniversity of Canberra
- PsychologyAustralian National University
- Maths and LawUniversity of Wollongong
- LawUniversity of Canberra
- LawCharles Sturt University
- Nursing.....University of Wollongong
- Primary Education University of Wollongong

The Anglican School Googong also supports students in their desire to pursue vocational qualifications and pathways. In 2023, senior students successfully entered traineeships and school-based apprenticeships in Building Construction, Beauty Therapy, Diesel Mechanics and Early Childhood Education.

The Anglican School Googong is an open entry, K-12 school where all students are encouraged to dream, discover and grow.

If you would like to learn more about the school, call today to book a tour. Every day is open day, where you can see the TASG difference for yourself.



CANNONS IGA GOOGONG

If you stopped by our fifth birthday celebrations back in October, you might remember meeting Matt from Pialligo Harvest.

Pialligo Harvest is a small family business that grows fresh produce from the fertile soils in the heart of Canberra. They strive to create the freshest seasonal produce in natural and sustainable ways. The end result? Delicious, fresh produce that has been grown with love and care.

In exciting news, you can now find Pialligo Harvest's locally-grown pea shoots, salad mix and even select herbs in our fresh produce department.

Support and shop local at Cannons Googong.







Have you moved to Googong?

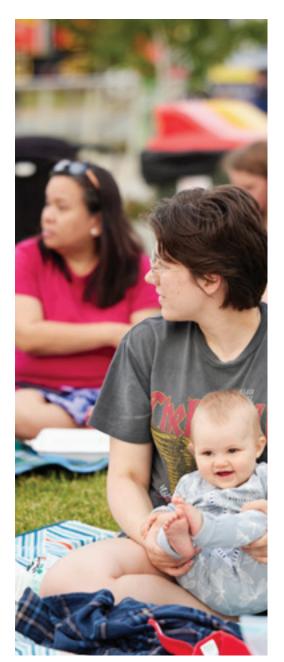
HELLO GOOGONIANS!

We are very fortunate to have a Community Manager, Samantha, whose job is to help foster community connections for residents.

She can help to connect you and your family members to like-minded individuals, groups, clubs, and others within the community. Her role also includes running events and activities (some public and some residents-only), supporting local sporting clubs and associations, assisting local businesses to establish themselves in the community, developing education programs to assist our stakeholders regionally, and helping the community come together.

If you want to stay on top of what's on, join our residents' database. If you think you may have unsubscribed, changed your email address, or are otherwise not on our residents' database, drop her an email with your details to community@googong.net and be sure to whitelist emails from enquiries@googong.net and community@googong.net so they appear in

your main inbox.



GOOGONG RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The executive committee and members hoped everyone had a wonderful festive Christmas and New Year. The committee looks forward to working with its members in 2024 to help grow this wonderful community we all share.

The Googong Residents' Association Inc. (GRA) represents its members in matters that impact Googong residents. The GRA executive is a committee of volunteer residents that work to advocate member interests to various entities such as Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council, government bodies, the township's developers, community, and corporate organisations.

The association aims to create a sense of unity and inspire community spirit, as well as develop, encourage, and foster community engagement among residents, sporting clubs, facilities, and other social interests.

If you are interested in the future of our town and you would like to become a member or committee member of the Googong Residents' Association, please email googongra@gmail.com. Please like our Facebook group at facebook.com/GoogongRA

COMMITTEE

President: Dean Martin Vice President: Kelly-ann King Secretary: Tracy Williams

Treasurer: Shane Taylor

Public Officer: Ian Grimmer General Member: Grant Toyer General Member: Craig Reynolds

There are year-round water saving measures to help conserve water for when we really need it.

Sprinklers / irrigation



In Spring, Summer and Autumn sprinklers and irrigation systems can only be used in the cooler parts of the day before 9am and after 6pm.



Watering plants / lawn

You can use a hand-held hose (with a trigger nozzle), buckets or watering cans at any time.

For more information on the permanent water conservation measures visit - iconwater.com.au/pwcm

Follow us on: () @ X



UPCOMING EVENTS: SAVE THE DATE



Googong Playgroup

9.30am-10.30am Friday mornings (during school term)

Googong Community Centre. Corner Gorman Drive and McPhail Way Googong.

Free to ACT Playgroup Members.



Defence Families Picnic

12pm-2pm Saturday 23 March

Bunyip Park, Wellsvale Drive Googong

Bring your own picnic, come down and enjoy an afternoon of free live music and yard games, and meet your fellow Defence Families.



ANZAC Day Dawn Service

Dawn (6am) Thursday 25 April

ANZAC Memorial

Bunyip Park, Wellsvale Drive Googong



Stay on the ball join the Googong resident database to avoid missing out on any residentonly events.

Email community@googong.net to update your details. Be sure to whitelist emails from enquiries@googong.net and community@googong.net so they appear in your main inbox.



THE GOOGONG **SALES CENTRE**

Visit our Sales Centre at 5 Glenrock Drive Googong, and say hi to the team. Grab a coffee, enjoy the view and see the latest changes to our township model.

We're open 10am-4pm daily, and till 5pm Saturday to Wednesday (except some public holidays).

1300 446 646 | enquiries@googong.net

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A IOINT VENTURE BETWEEN PEET AND MIRVAC





