

Googonian Gazette

THE GOOGONG COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER - ISSUE 23 - APRIL 2020

First homes open
in new **Display Village**

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OPENS



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Community
Project



A message from Malcolm

GOOGONG'S PROJECT DIRECTOR

Given the situation with COVID-19 we want to let you know we are committed to supporting the health, safety and wellbeing of everyone at Googong including residents, customers, builders, visitors and staff. Your wellbeing remains our highest priority, which is why we are continually monitoring the latest Federal and State Government advice and taking steps to put in place necessary changes.

We currently remain open for business and are here to support our customers and residents during this challenging time.

Development is proceeding with the necessary precautions recommended by Government and Health Authorities, but progress will no doubt be affected by the impacts of COVID-19.

Googong's new main entry road, Wellsvale Drive, is complete and is expected to open in April 2020 pending final approvals. In the coming months, a major entry statement will be installed on the intersection of Wellsvale Drive and Old Cooma Road. The feature will be constructed from precast concrete and rusted steel (corten steel), will be approximately 18m wide, 6.5m tall and be lit at night with colour changing LED lights.



The Wellsvale Drive entrance statement will be completed in the coming months.

Construction of the new display village showcasing innovations in home design continues in Courtney Street, and is due to open progressively from April 2020. We have recently relocated our sales office from Club Googong to a temporary building within the new display village, which we opened on 4 April 2020.



DJ Homes is the first of our 19-home display village to open.

Construction within the Googong Common North sports and recreation precinct is well underway with completion due mid-2020. The first stage of development within this precinct will see the establishment of six outdoor netball courts, a public toilet block, a temporary bike pump track, boardwalks across Montgomery Creek linking the



Our new Sales Office is at 12 Courtney Street.

sports precinct with the existing path system within the Common, BBQ facilities and off-street parking.

The associated carpark is nearing completion and is surfaced with a product called Reconophalt, Australia's first asphalt product that contains high recycled content from materials such as soft plastics, glass, toner and reclaimed roads.

A kilometre of road (two lanes) paved with Reconophalt can contain 500,000 plastic bags and packaging equivalents, 165,000 glass bottle equivalents and toner from 12,000 used printer cartridges. The carpark will serve as a trial for the product in the hope that it can be used more widely on the remaining roads at Googong.



Reconophalt is a road surface product made from recycled materials, and is being installed at the netball courts in Googong.

The Googong Township / Molonglo Conservation Group \$1m co-funded Pink-tailed Worm Lizard Saving our Species initiative is underway with the installation of a perimeter fence to start soon. Mapping of the species has been completed which will allow solid works planning going forward over the remaining 5 years of this project. These works include establishing or improving habitat for the species in specific areas, weed management, native grass improvement and creating an education sanctuary with the installation of walking trails which will be used by the Molonglo Conservation Group for guided tours.



The vulnerable Pink-tailed Worm Lizard (*Aprasia parapulchella*).

The final stage of the PTWL Conservation area has been established and is currently undergoing a development application. Rock relocation of specific rocks (favoured by the PTWL for hiding under) into the conservation area to encourage population growth for the species and the southern boundary fence are complete. Once the DA determination is complete, the conservation zone will be gifted to council.

Googonians will have noticed construction fences installed around basins along the township's eastern margin. These basins have been intensively managed as temporary sediment retention basins by Googong while residential construction was at its highest. As residential construction nears completion across the catchment, Googong will convert and establish these basins to their permanent form as a biofiltration basin. You will have noticed the work on the basins has been infrequent due to the wettest start of a year Googong has had since commencing on site in 2013 – but of course we're not complaining about the drought breaking!

We welcome the exciting news from John Barilaro on behalf of the NSW Government that it is commencing preliminary works for the development of a new primary school in Googong. With more than 4,500 people living in this thriving new town, the development of the community's second school is an important milestone.

The public primary school – and the public high school which is yet to be developed – will complement The Anglican School Googong which opened in 2015 and is currently taking enrolments from Early Learning to Year 9, with projections to grow each year to year 12 by 2023.

This announcement highlights the options residents will have when they raise their families in the community.

Take care over these next few months.



A message from Googong: **We're here for you**

The effects of COVID-19, and the impact it has on each of us, continue to evolve rapidly. It's times like this that community is extremely important.

We wanted to get in touch to let you know we are committed to supporting the health, safety and wellbeing of each of our customers, residents, visitors and staff. Your wellbeing remains our highest priority, which is why we are continually monitoring the latest Federal and State Government advice and taking steps to put in place necessary changes across all of our estates.

We are making these measures to ensure we can remain open for business and be here to support our customers and residents during this challenging time.

Our sales office remains open and we have made necessary changes to enable our staff to continue to support interested purchasers with any queries they might have. We're taking the

required extra cleaning and sanitation steps so that people can feel comfortable coming to our sales office and feel confident about their health and wellbeing.

If you're purchasing and would rather look at alternative ways to speak with one of our team, we are flexible and can accommodate meetings via video, phone or other digital channels.

Equally, if you've recently bought with us, rest assured that we're moving things forward and will be in touch with you shortly to support you through this process.

We know that it is people who give each community its unique and positive identity. The role of community has never been more important than it is today. Although we have had to unfortunately cancel our community events in line with new regulations, we ask you to support one another, check in on your neighbours and continue to follow State and Federal Government advice.

We've moved

The Googong Sales Office has moved from Club Googong to a bright new space within our next Display Village.

Our office will be open from 10am-5pm Saturday to Wednesday. We ask that visitors please call ahead to make an appointment with our staff to minimise the number of people and ensure we can clean surfaces between visitors.

Please be mindful of current distancing, health and hygiene practices. Alternatively, we are happy to take appointments via Skype, Zoom, Teams or whatever platform you prefer. We thank you for your understanding.

Googong Sales Office

12 Courtney Street Googong NSW

Open 10am-5pm Saturday to Wednesday

Phone 1300 446 646 | Email enquiries@googong.net

And suddenly,

the away games at Googong became your home games.



The Fields, new land now selling where an active lifestyle is on your doorstep.

Wouldn't it be nice to walk to and from your kids' home games? The Fields (East + West) gets you close to Googong's great playing fields and playgrounds so you'll find it easy to have an active lifestyle here. Plus, Googong Common is located in the heart of town. It's our biggest green space, offering parks, playgrounds, netball courts, and eventually the town's sports precinct—with another eight playing fields, an indoor pool and sports centre, Sports Club, and tennis facility. Live where you play, at The Fields (East + West) in Googong.

So visit googong.net today to see a stage plan and lot prices. Lots are now selling on a first-come first-serve basis by contacting our sales team on 1300 446 646 or visiting the Googong Sales Office by appointment (open 10am–5pm, Saturday to Wednesday).

Priced from \$274,000 to \$377,000 (Average \$313,318). Sizes from 337m² to 568m² (Average 432m²).



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[visit googong.net](http://visit.googong.net)

WINNER MASTERPLANNED COMMUNITY – UDIA NSW 2019 AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE



Our new Display Village

Our Googong Builders are finalising details on our next stunning 19-home display village, which will open progressively from 4 April 2020.

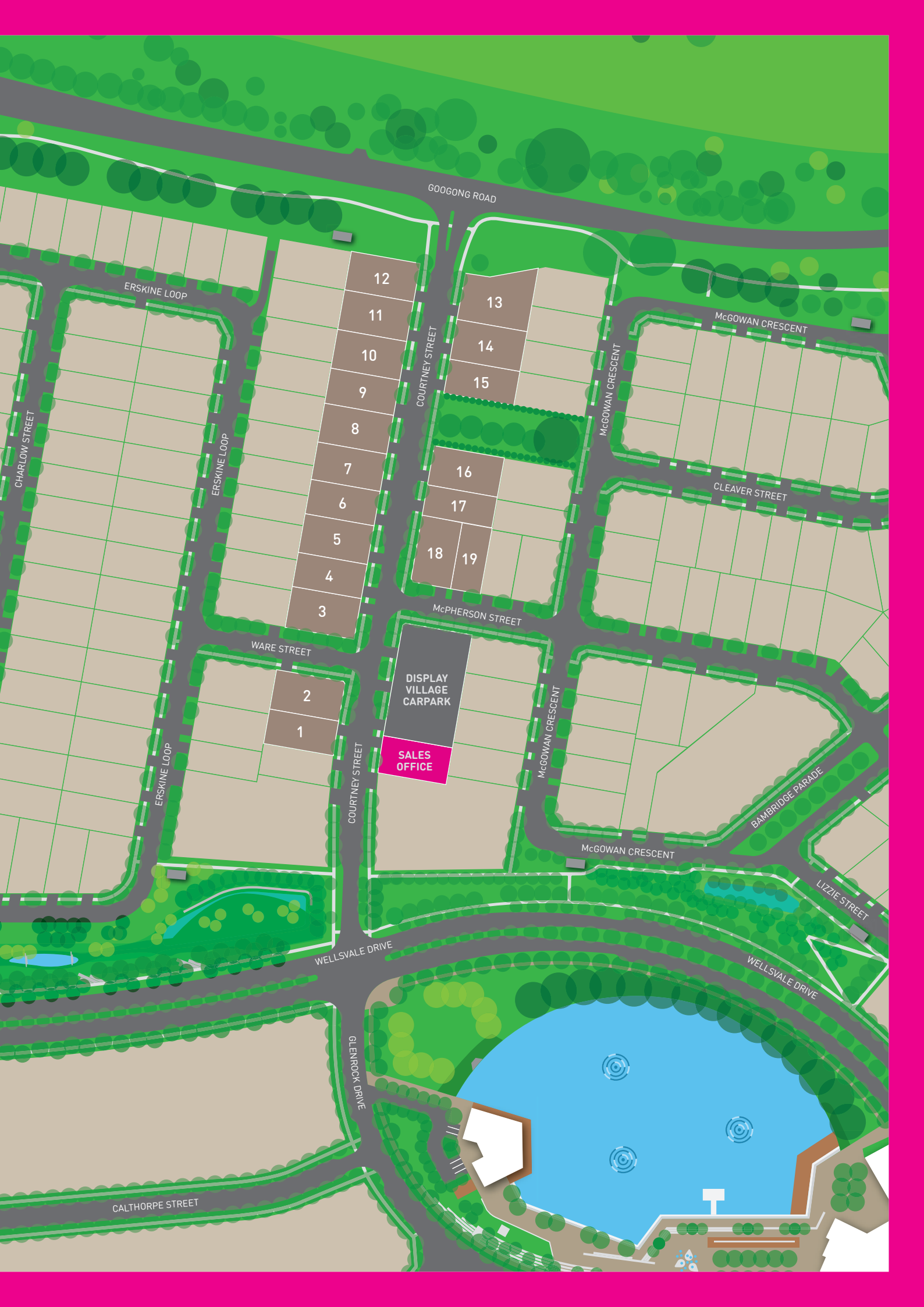
All homes demonstrate how quality design, value and environmentally conscious features can go hand in hand.

Our sales team can advise which homes are open. Appointments may be required, so please contact the builder directly to arrange a time.

See googong.net for opening hours.



- 1 JD HOMES**
The Morrison
🏠 212m² 🚗 139m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 2 DJ HOMES**
The Cascade
🏠 251m² 🚗 138m² 🏠 4 🚿 3
- 3 MCDONALD JONES HOMES**
Cranbourne
🏠 273m² 🚗 136m² 🏠 4 🚿 2.5
- 4 MCDONALD JONES HOMES**
Veuve Executive
🏠 195m² 🚗 136m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 5 RAWSON HOMES**
Bedarra MkII 36
🏠 267m² 🚗 136m² 🏠 5 🚿 3.5
- 6 RAWSON HOMES**
Eden 26
🏠 194m² 🚗 133m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 7 BURBANK**
The Harlech 395
🏠 332m² 🚗 145m² 🏠 5 🚿 3
- 8 BURBANK HOMES**
The Jarvis 279
🏠 224m² 🚗 136m² 🏠 6 🚿 3
- 9 BBS HOMES**
The Stanley
🏠 198m² 🚗 137m² 🏠 4 🚿 2.5
- 10 IDEAL BUILDING SOLUTIONS**
The Chifley
🏠 193m² 🚗 141m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 11 GJ GARDNER HOMES FYSHWICK**
Coolum 306
🏠 213m² 🚗 139m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 12 DIXON HOMES**
SL0272
🏠 207m² 🚗 139m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 13 EXCEED HOMES**
The Tóra
🏠 241m² 🚗 138m² 🏠 4 🚿 2.5
- 14 BLD HOMES**
The Owen
🏠 198m² 🚗 139m² 🏠 4 🚿 2.5
- 15 VOGUE CONSTRUCTIONS**
The Abbey
🏠 218m² 🚗 140m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 16 ACHIEVE HOMES**
Pretoria 31
🏠 224m² 🚗 139m² 🏠 4 🚿 2
- 17 ACHIEVE HOMES**
Santorini 34
🏠 261m² 🚗 138m² 🏠 4 🚿 3
- 18 APA HOMES**
The Henderson
🏠 257m² 🚗 143m² 🏠 4 🚿 2.5
- 19 THRIVE HOMES**
Epsy 22
🏠 154m² 🚗 135m² 🏠 4 🚿 2



GOOGONG ROAD

ERSKINE LOOP

CHARLOW STREET

ERSKINE LOOP

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McPHERSON STREET

McGOWAN CRESCENT

CLEAVER STREET

WARE STREET

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DISPLAY VILLAGE CARPARK

SALES OFFICE

COURTNEY STREET

McGOWAN CRESCENT

McGOWAN CRESCENT

BAMBRIDGE PARADE

LIZZIE STREET

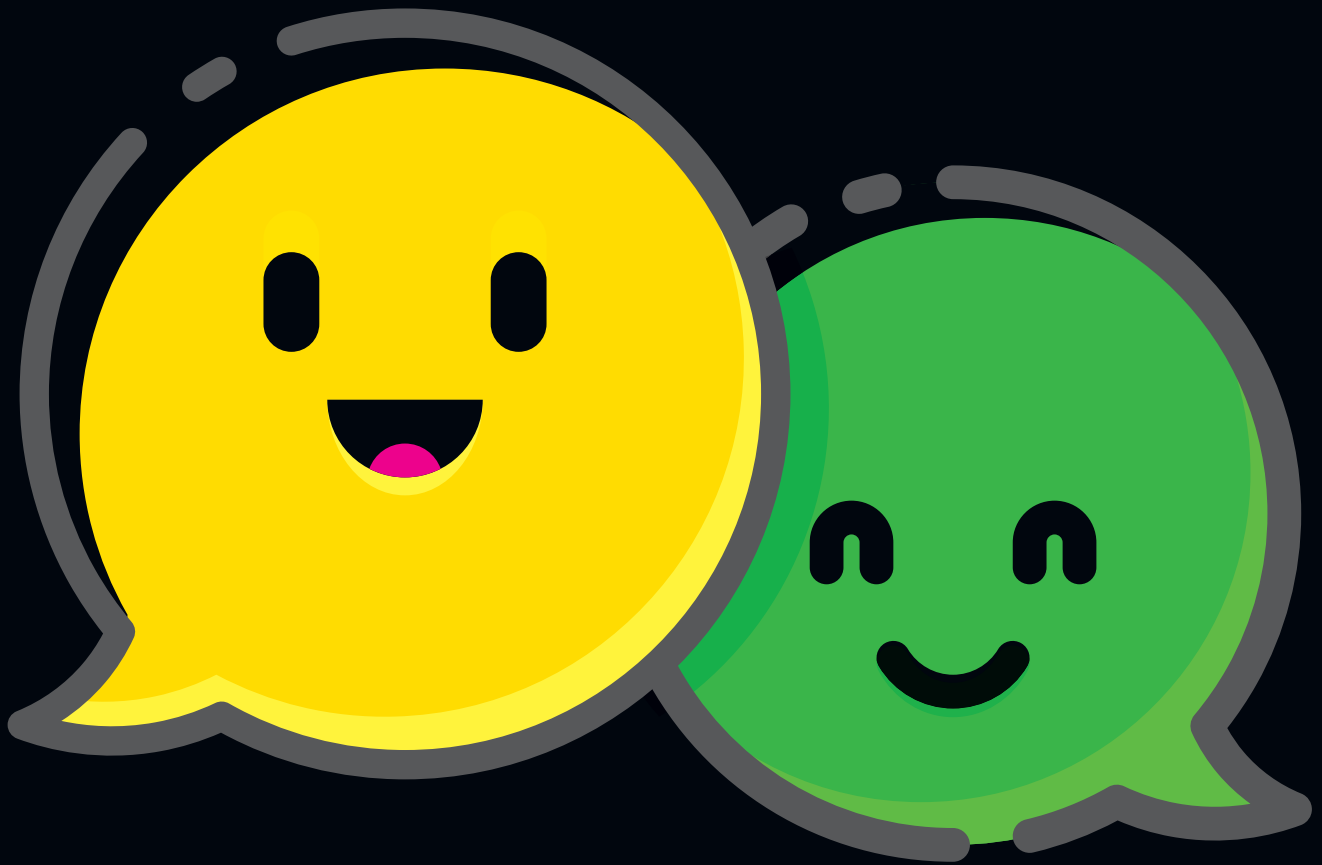
WELLSVALE DRIVE

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GLENBROOK DRIVE

CALTHORPE STREET

Our \$1K giveaway.



Get a mate to go Googonian and you'll get a \$1,000 referral bonus.*

You've made Googong your home, so now it's time to roll out the welcome mat for friends and family. We are giving \$1,000 to Googong residents who refer someone they know to buy in our thriving township, before 31 December 2020.

Simply complete the referral form at googong.net and pass it on to your referred friend or family member to hand in at the Googong Sales Office. We're at 12 Courtney Street and open 10am–5pm, Saturday to Wednesday.

For more details, contact our sales team on 1300 446 646 or enquiries@googong.net

*Terms and conditions apply see googong.net/news-and-events for details.



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GOOGONG INTEGRATED WATER CYCLE PROJECT INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE STAGE D EXPANSION WORKS

We are inviting you to comment on the next component (Stage D) of Googong's Integrated Water Cycle project.

Googong's Integrated Water Cycle system is designed to deliver recycled water to every home in the township for toilet flushing and garden watering, as well as providing irrigation for parks and open spaces. Our aim is to reduce potable water consumption by over 60% compared to a typical development.

Stages A, B and C of the project are complete and have been handed over to Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council for operation. We are now starting the planning and approvals for Stage D, which includes the preparation of a Review of Environmental Factors.

The proposed works for Stage D includes an upgrade of the existing water recycling plant located on Googong Dam Road and installation of a new concrete reservoir tank to hold the recycled water at the existing site on Old Cooma Road.

This is another step towards a more sustainable and low environmental impact Googong community.

You can find out more about Stage D of the Integrated Water Cycle project and comment on issues you would like to see addressed in the Review of Environmental Factors by visiting the News section of the Googong website.

googong.net/news-and-events/news



Googong's Public Primary School to open in 2022

The NSW Government has promised the Googong Primary School will be ready in 2022.

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END OF
FINANCIAL YEAR
OFFER

SAVE UP TO

\$15K*

ON SELECTED LOTS

*Exchange is required on or before 31/5/20 and settlement is due on or before 30/6/20. The offer is applicable to selected lots and cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer. Rebates are GST inclusive and are paid at settlement.



Googong Family Practice



The Googong Family Practice opened in late March 2020. Drs Yemisi & Thanh, supported by the nursing and admin team, look forward to providing quality health service to the Googong and surrounding community.

The Practice is registered with Australian General Practice Accreditation Limited (AGPAL), and complies or exceeds the Royal Australia College of General Practitioners 5th Edition Standards of Care.

The Practice values are Respect, Quality, Care and Lifelong Learning. Quality improvement, continued education and search for knowledge is at the core of the organisation.

Appointments can be made online 24/7 by visiting our website, www.googongfp.com.au or by calling 5104 9595 during business hours (Monday to Friday 8.00am–5.30pm).

COVID-19 (CORONA VIRUS)

With the challenges being experienced by the whole community due to COVID-19, the clinic provides telehealth options where a physical examination may not be required. These consultations can be made online or by phone. This assists in protecting yourself, our staff and the community by reducing social exposure.

As the information and procedures regarding COVID-19 are changing almost daily, our website has a link to the latest NSW Health information on the front page.

If you feel unwell, stay at home. If you have a fever, cough or difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance so the clinic can make necessary preparations to treat you.



Message from **Cannons IGA**

We would like to thank the Googong community for their support and understanding during these challenging times. Many manufacturers have struggled to keep up with the unpredicted demand the past few weeks have presented, so a heartfelt thank you for the patience that has been displayed towards our team as we continue to try to secure as much stock as possible.

More than ever, the wellbeing of our team and customers is our priority. We've recently implemented new measures to help keep everyone safe in store. These measures include practising social distancing, increasing cleaning and sanitisation, regularly wiping down our baskets and trolleys, encouraging the use of tap and pay and temporarily not accepting reusable coffee cups.

We've also been working on a home delivery service to better serve the community — whether you're self-isolating or finding it difficult to visit the store at this time. If this is something you would be interested in, please call the store on 6171 8500 to find out more.

Our trading hours have remained the same and are 7am–9pm Monday to Friday and 7.30am–8.30pm Saturday and Sunday. (And for parents home-schooling their children, Liquor & Co. is open between 9am–8.30pm Monday to Saturday and 10am–8.30pm on Sunday!).

We're committed to supporting the community during this period and we want to make sure that your shopping experience continues to be as seamless as possible. From the whole Cannons IGA Googong team, thank you.

EASTER TRADING HOURS

Cannons IGA

Good Friday: 8.00am–3.00pm
Easter Saturday: 7.30am–8.30pm
Easter Sunday: Closed
Easter Monday 7.30am–8.30pm

Liquor & Co.

Good Friday: Closed
Easter Saturday: 9am–8.30pm
Easter Sunday: Closed
Easter Monday: 9am–8.30pm





Say, G'day!

Join the Googong Community Connection Project and stay connected to your fellow Googonians.

How it Works

Volunteers are connected with vulnerable members of our community through a combination of letter writing, phone calls and other physically distant means.

Sign Up or Volunteer

If you'd like someone to check-in with you from time to time, or you want to volunteer to join the project, call **1300 446 646** or email **community@googong.net**





Lucy Sparkles and Friends

DRAMA, MUSIC AND DANCE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Due to social distancing requirements we are now offering drama, music and dance classes online for your little people at home.

For the next 6 weeks we will be offering FREE online classes from Lucy Sparkles and Friends.

Classes will be live streamed from the Googong Township Facebook Page on Fridays at 10.30am.

It's a lovely way for your children to connect, engage and have some fun!

ONLINE CONCERT SERIES

Tune in to our special FREE on-line concert series. Great performers and cool tunes to end your week in the comfort of your own lounge room.

All you have to do is follow our live stream on the Googong Township Facebook Page, from 6.00pm – 7.00pm on Friday evenings over April/May.

 [googongtownship](https://www.facebook.com/googongtownship)



CLOSURE OF PLAYGROUNDS, SKATEPARKS AND OUTDOOR GYMS.

In line with the latest government restrictions to slow the spread of COVID-19, we advise that all playgrounds and dog parks at Googong are closed.

When utilising open spaces for exercise, social distancing and maximum numbers do apply.

We understand how important these community facilities are to everyone and that they will be dearly missed, and we thank you for doing your part and adhering to the Government's guidance. Stay safe and we'll get through this together.

Have you moved into your home at Googong?

If you have recently made the move into your new home at Googong, don't forget to let our Community Development Manager, Samantha, know so that she can add you to the community database. You can contact her via email at community@googong.net or by calling her on **1300 446 646**. It's also important to keep your contact details up-to-date with her so you can be advised of resident-only functions and events when we will be able to host them again. Samantha also has a welcome picnic hamper to give you – and while we will suspend this service over the coming months to ensure social distancing – we'd love to have your details updated so we can deliver this to you when we can.



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