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## PEARCE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER

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### NEXT MEETINGS

We invite all members of the Pearce community to join us for our monthly meetings to discuss any issues or events going on in the neighbourhood. Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7.30pm in the SHOUT meeting room, Pearce Community Centre. Our next meeting is on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May. The April 24<sup>th</sup> meeting is cancelled because of proximity to Anzac Day.

tree is located at the northern end of Whitelaw St. in Pearce.

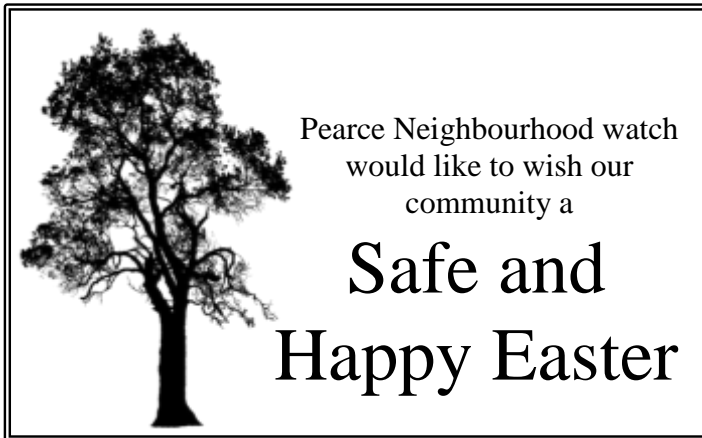
For more information on this historic site, or any other of Canberra's numerous historical locations, visit [www.canberratracks.act.gov.au/heritage-trails](http://www.canberratracks.act.gov.au/heritage-trails)

### DEATH CAP MUSHROOMS

Please be advised that Death Cap Mushrooms (toadstools) have been spotted in Canberra. Do not pick or eat wild 'mushrooms' as all parts of Death Cap are lethal. Be aware of young children and pets in areas where these 'mushrooms' may grow.

Death Cap mushrooms are among the deadliest in the world and are found in older suburbs around Canberra, including Pearce. They often grow in shaded areas and often appear after wet weather.

If you suspect you have ingested any of these mushrooms seek urgent medical attention. Report any sightings of these mushrooms to Access Canberra on 13 22 81



### LOCAL HISTORY

On the boarder of Pearce and Chifley there lies a special piece of Canberra's, or moreover, Woden's history. Long Gully Road, which used to run through here.

Long Gully Road was one of two major roads running through Woden, It began at Woden's eastern edge, near what is now the tip, and worked its way across Woden toward what is now Western Creek. The nature strip which is found at the boarder of Pearce and Chifley made up part of the route toward Western Creek and now contains the only remaining segments of the original road.

This nature strip currently contains a bike track, but on closer inspection you will be able to find the only remains of the original road which runs roughly 200m down this stretch of bushland.

You will also be able to find some of the gum trees that surround the road. In addition to this, there is also a historical river red gum tree, known as the 'Coolamon Tree,' because of the scar left on the tree from the removal of bark to make a coolamon for an Aboriginal woman. This

### CANBERRA LIGHT RAIL

Canberra's light rail will begin operating for the public from April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019. While the rail system does not yet head toward Woden, many of us will interact with it throughout the city. Some things for us to be aware of include:

- Traffic signals – the tram, as it runs along Northbourne Avenue, has its own set of signals as it meets each intersection; these are called T-lights. Only trams should respond to these lights – other vehicles should follow regular traffic lights as normal.
- Traffic light sequencing will change due to the insertion of the T-lights. Please ensure that you wait until you receive a green light prior to proceeding through an intersection.
- Canberra Trams make low amounts of noise so please be careful when walking or driving nearby.
- Do not queue across intersections as this can hinder a tram's ability to proceed through the intersection and can cause traffic build up.

### DINNER IN JULY

Residents are reminded that our Annual Pearce NHW Dinner will be held again this year on **Wednesday 24 July**. The dinner will replace the normal meeting. Please keep this date free. We will give details in our next newsletter and will ask for bookings at that time. This event has proved to be popular in the past and has been well attended.

### FIRE SAFETY IN THE HOME (PART 1)

Candles used for any reason including decoration, aromatherapy or lighting can pose a fire risk.

- \*Make sure candles are extinguished when leaving the room or going to sleep
- \*Never let children have lit candles in their room
- \*Never spray an aerosol near a candle
- \*Do not put candles on windowsills
- \*Avoid putting candles where pets or children can knock them over.
- \*Avoid walking with a lit candle

### POLICE REPORTS – FEBRUARY

1 Assaults other – Marr St.  
1 Other Thefts – Sheehan St.

### POLICE REPORTS – MARCH

1 Assaults other – Low Pl.  
4 Other Thefts – Marr St (2) , McLaren Crs,  
Leighton St.

*Other Thefts = thefts other than burglary of dwellings*

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Emergencies (life threatening)	000
Police Attendance (minor crimes)	131444
Crime Stoppers	1800 333 000
Graffiti Hotline	13 22 81
Canberra Connect	13 22 81
State Emergency Service	132500
Area Coordinator	6286 9999
ACT Policing website	<a href="http://www.police.act.gov.au">www.police.act.gov.au</a>

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Sat: 8:00-3:00

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