

Sport

Canberra has a great reputation as a healthy, active and inclusive city. We want all Canberrans to have the opportunity to participate in sport, which is why the ACT Government invests in our local high performance athletes and venues while also delivering education, training and grant opportunities for sports clubs and community facilities.

\$51.4 million

investment in local sport & recreation in 2018-19

We deliver **quality sports venues**, managing 280 hectares of ovals including 880 hireable sporting fields.

The ACT Government is supporting around **80 local sport and recreation providers; local professional sporting teams** across several codes, fostering Canberra's participation in elite-level sport and putting us on the national sporting map; and over **100 high performance athletes**, including 73 women across 12 sports through the ACT Academy of Sport.

IN THIS BUDGET:

 **Rugby League Centre of Excellence & Community Hub** at Northbourne Oval

 **More irrigation** for our sportsgrounds



Upgrading **Manuka Oval** to cater for international sporting events

Restoration, lights & new pavillion for Higgins Neighbourhood Oval 



PROGRESS ON STROMLO POOL

The ACT Government is **delivering a 50 metre swimming pool and splash park** within the broader Stromlo Leisure Centre at Stromlo Forest Park.

With design and procurement now approved, **work will begin on the pool in mid-2018**. The new centre is expected to open to the public in early 2020.

CANBERRA KIDS OUT & ABOUT

Nature Play CBR is an active recreation initiative that **reconnects children to unstructured outdoor play** to build skills and capability to lead an active life.

Over **20,000 Nature Play CBR Passports to an Amazing Childhood** have been distributed to Canberra kids since launching in January 2017.