



LABOR'S AMBITION FOR CANBERRA

SPORTS



Sport is one of the best ways to
bring Canberrans together.

And Labor will make sure that we
can continue to play, and enjoy,
great sport in our backyard.



Big Bash Teams for Canberra

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Big Bash Teams for Canberra

We will work with Cricket ACT to create Canberra's very own T20 Big Bash Franchise, with a Mens and Womens team playing regular games at Manuka Oval.



An aerial photograph of a large, modern stadium with a complex, curved roof structure. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter. The stadium's seating tiers and the central field are visible through the red overlay.

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We will build a new, 30,000 seat Canberra Stadium as part of the Bruce Sports, Health & Education precinct. We will undertake detailed design and business case development to have the stadium ready for construction in 2028-29.

An architectural rendering of a modern aquatic center. The scene features a large, curved building with a glass facade and a flat roof. In the foreground, there is a paved area with several lounge chairs and large, striped umbrellas. People are depicted in various activities: some are sitting on the lounge chairs, others are walking, and some are near a swimming pool area on the left. The background shows lush green trees and a clear blue sky. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter.

「A new CBR Aquatic Centre

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We will build a new aquatic centre in Commonwealth Park having secured support for the land use from the Albanese Government





「Convention centre & more elite sports

A new convention centre and entertainment precinct

As work starts on the new aquatic centre, Labor will progress planning and design of a new convention centre. It will provide a venue for major indoor sports like basketball, tennis and netball.

A National Basketball League team for Canberra

We will support efforts to bring back a professional mens basketball team to the ACT.

Backing Canberra's elite womens teams

We will continue to back our elite sporting team in national competitions, with increased funding for our local womens sporting teams like Canberra United, ACT Meteors and the Canberra Capitals.

The return of the National Capital Rally

We will support the return of the National Capital Rally for another lap in the bush at Kowen Forest and Tidbinbilla.



An aerial photograph of a large sports field, possibly a soccer or rugby pitch, with visible mowed stripes. In the background, there is a densely wooded hillside under a clear sky. The entire image is covered with a semi-transparent red filter.

More support for local sports



More funding for local sports

We will invest more into your local sporting team, by increasing our annual sports grants funding.

Better local sports grounds

We are investing in local sporting infrastructure right across the ACT, including:

- A new basketball centre in Belconnen.
- New playing fields in Taylor, Throsby, Mount Stromlo and Stirling.
- A new ice skating centre in Tuggeranong.
- A new tennis centre in Amaroo.
- Lighting upgrades in Gordon, Stirling, Latham and Waramanga.
- Pavillion upgrades at Gordon, Jamison and Latham.
- Better mountain biking tracks at Mount Stromlo.

ACT Skate strategy

As we build new and improved skateparks across the city, we will work on a new Skate Strategy for the ACT to drive future investment into the growing sport.

Women's Umpiring and Coaching Scholarships

ACT Labor will provide grants to help more women become umpires, coaches and officials of sporting teams or codes. This will increase women's participation and leadership roles in community sport.