



WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER, SQ291 TOUCHES DOWN AT CANBERRA AIRPORT.



SINGAPORE AIRLINES EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT COMMERCIAL MAK SWEE WAH, CANBERRA AIRPORT EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN TERRY SNOW AND ACT CHIEF MINISTER ANDREW BARR.



## CANBERRA WELCOMES SINGAPORE AIRLINES

IT'S OFFICIAL! CANBERRA IS NOW AN INTERNATIONAL DESTINATION.

Singapore Airlines' Capital Express now connects Canberra to Singapore and Wellington, New Zealand.

The Boeing 777-200ER arrived at Canberra Airport on Wednesday, September 21 with 240 people on board.

The arrival marked the beginning of four services linking Singapore, Canberra and Wellington each Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

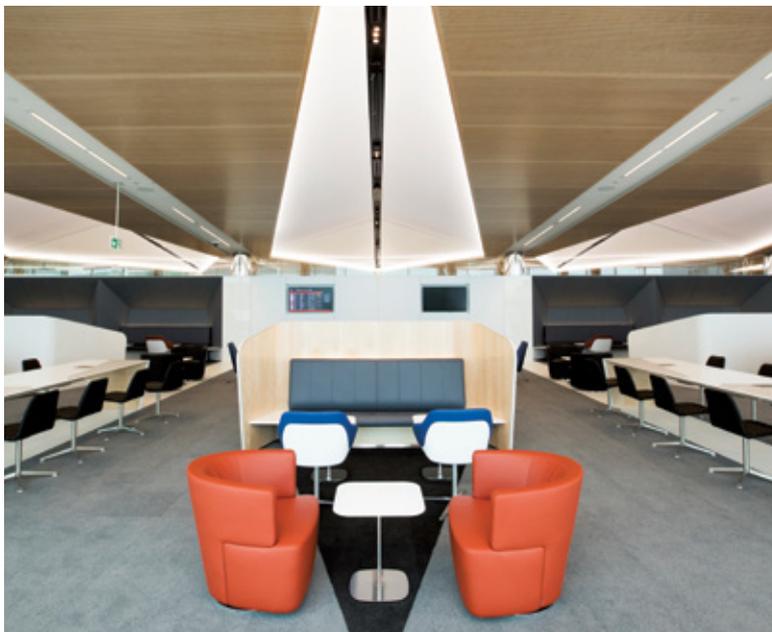
Canberra Airport Managing Director Stephen Byron said Australia deserved an international service into its national capital.

"Overseas travellers, especially those from Asia, have expressed surprise that Australia is one of the very few countries in the world which does not have direct flights into the capital city", Mr Byron said.

Mr Byron said the beginning of the international service was also an economic story. "It also offers new options for producers who have previously used Sydney airport as a freight hub".

ACT Chief Minister Andrew Barr said international flights were the single biggest economic development action possible for the ACT.

"Direct international flights will transform our economy. They will bring significant benefits in jobs, trade, investment, education, tourism and regional freight. Like all smart cities, we now have the connectivity to the fastest growing economies in the world," Mr Barr said.



## NEW INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL OPENS AT CANBERRA AIRPORT

CANBERRA AIRPORT'S STYLISH NEW INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL PRAISED AS ONE OF THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY AFTER WELCOMING SINGAPORE AIRLINES PASSENGERS.

The new international terminal features duty free shopping, free Wi-Fi and a café bar. Luxurious furnishings by Walter Knoll and a striking sculpture by Japanese artist Hariyuki Uchida complement stone floors and floor to ceiling windows, which provide natural light and a clear view of the runways.

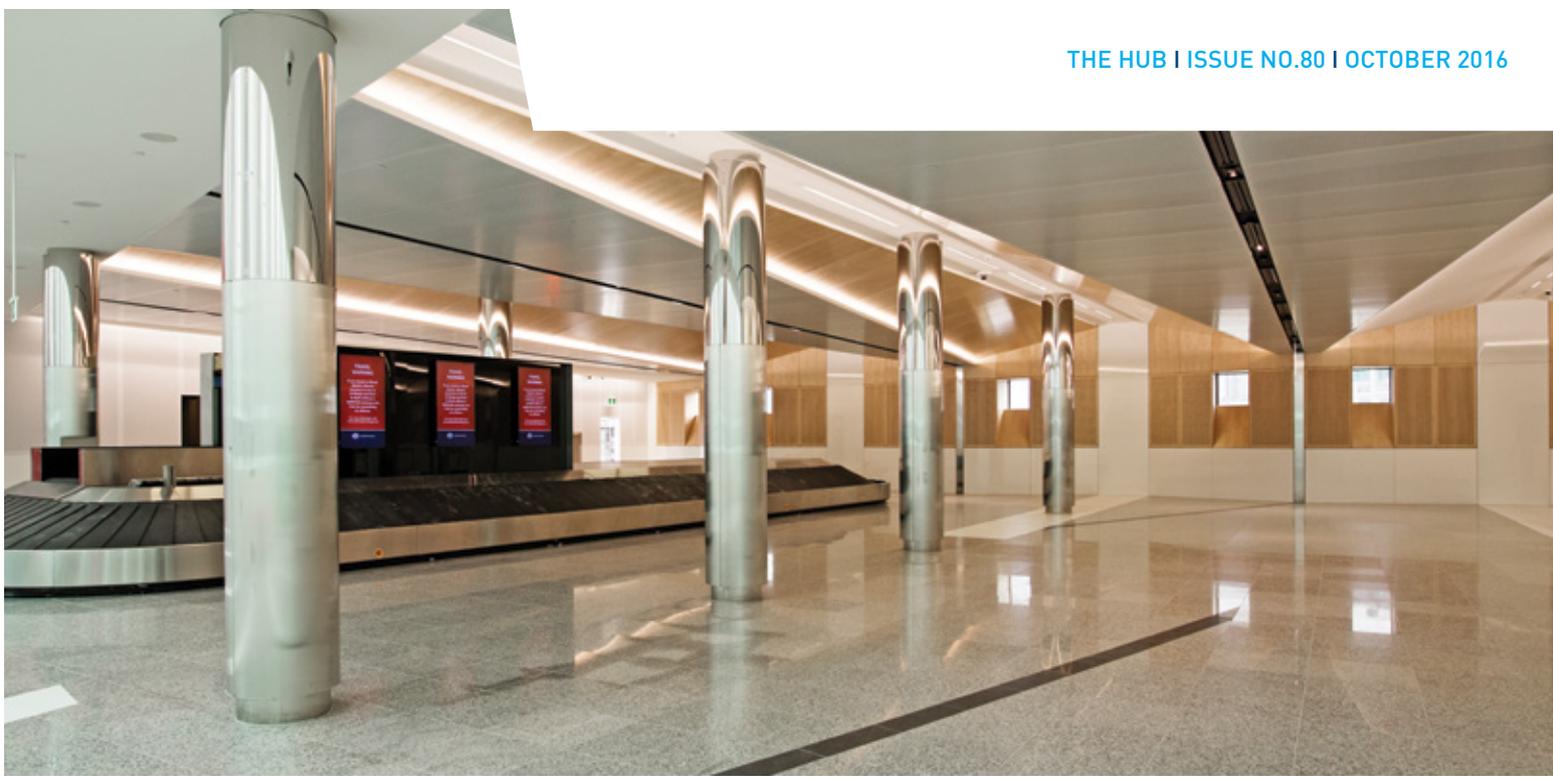
The Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, the Hon. Darren Chester MP, and the Executive Chairman of the Capital Airport Group, Terry Snow, officially opened the terminal in September to signal the beginning of a new era for Canberra and the surrounding region.

Mr Snow said the beginning of an international service would be seen as one of the big "game changers" for Canberra.

"Eighteen and a half years ago, we were determined to build the best little airport in the world, and this has been the completion of our dream. We have spent \$2 billion to realise this ambition in commercial infrastructure, and an airport designed to handle 12 million passengers", Mr Snow said.

Minister Chester said the opening of the terminal represented "a great day for Canberra, for the southern region, and a great day for Australia".

The construction phase of the terminal provided employment for approximately 180 full time staff, with a total of 391 inducted people into the site. The ongoing operation of the terminal will initially provide 85 new direct jobs and more than 240 indirect jobs, and more jobs are expected to be created over the next 12 months and beyond.



## CAPITAL AIRPORT GROUP BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

THE TEAM BEHIND CANBERRA AIRPORT HAS BEEN NAMED ACT BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AT BOTH THE ACT TELSTRA BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARDS AND THE PROPERTY COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA ACT AWARDS.

The Property Council of Australia ACT awarded Capital Airport Group the ACT Business of the Year for its development of the airport precinct. Canberra Airport also won the People's Choice Award.

Capital Airport Group won two awards at the ACT Telstra Business Awards for best medium business and overall Business of the Year.

Andy Ellis, Telstra Business Awards Ambassador, said the winners of the 2016 Telstra ACT Business Awards demonstrate innovation, competitiveness and strong financial performance.

"Capital Airport Group has a long-term business model, demonstrating growth and complexity and resilience. The business is a tangible success story for Canberra and the region, bringing broader business opportunities to the community. Capital Airport Group also boasts great employee advocacy as a result of excellent recognition and validation of their staff," Mr Ellis said.





CANBERRA RAIDERS COACH RICKY STUART AND CAPITAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENTS MANAGING DIRECTOR STEPHEN BYRON.



PAKAO SORN, PRANJALI PALNITKAR AND JENNIFER LOWE FROM GLOBAL SISTERS AT THE SEPTEMBER MARKETS IN THE PARK AT BRINDABELLA BUSINESS PARK.

## RAIDERS TACKLE HOMELESSNESS

DENMAN PROSPECT AND THE CANBERRA RAIDERS FORM A WINNING PARTNERSHIP, RAISING \$34,000 FOR CHARITY.

The Green Machine's best season in decades provided a welcome boost to the Homes for Homes charity with every point the Raiders scored in home matches at GIO Stadium in 2016 turned into cash for homelessness. Homes for Homes received \$400 from every try and \$200 from every goal scored by the Raiders.

Currently, there is a critical shortage of affordable homes and thousands of Australians are homeless each night. With the Homes for Homes initiative, 0.1% of the sale proceeds of all land sold in Denman Prospect will go to towards more affordable housing.

Further there is a permissive voluntary caveat on the title of all future sales, meaning homeowners can choose to donate a tax deductible 0.1% of their property price to Homes for Homes at the time they sell. This fantastic scheme means that Denman Prospect and its community will forever be part of the solution to reduce homelessness.

Capital Estate Developments Managing Director Stephen Byron has applauded the Raiders Points for Cash – Homes for Homes Charity Promotion.

"Denman Prospect is the first entire suburb in Australia to commit to the Homes for Homes initiative. The social housing project is focused on reducing homelessness in the ACT," Byron said.

## GLOBAL SISTERS JOIN BRINDABELLA MARKETS

MARKETS IN THE PARK – A GREAT PLACE FOR VIBRANT BUSINESSES, INCLUDING PARTNERS OF THE SNOW FOUNDATION.

Snow Foundation CEO Georgina Byron said The Snow Foundation has strengthened its focus on collaborating with grant recipients and connecting them with opportunities to achieve their goals.

"It was great to see Global Sisters, Paperworks Inc, Outward Bound and the Tara Costigan Foundation at the Brindabella markets, taking the opportunity to raise awareness about the important work they do," Ms Byron said.

The markets provide a good platform for these organisations to grow their presence, especially true for Global Sisters who are expanding into Canberra thanks to funding from the recent Funding Network event.

"I'm delighted Pran, the new Canberra lead, is established here now to support women who would like to explore the possibility of running their own business." Ms Byron said.

Global Sisters sold beautiful handmade items such as dolls, soft toys, coin purses and makeup bags. More handmade goods were available at the Paperworks Inc stall including notebooks, cards and seed tiles. The Tara Costigan Foundation had merchandise and angel bears for sale and Outward Bound provided a demonstration of the outdoor education programs they offer.

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