



Communities@Work

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Communities@Work Celebrates its Thirtieth Anniversary in Canberra

Communities@Work, one of Canberra's major child care and community services organisations, will celebrate thirty years of service to the Territory at a "Making History" Morning Tea at the Legislative Assembly on **Wednesday, 10 October at 10.30 a.m.**

Mary Porter, MLA will host the morning tea. Mary was at the first meeting of the initial steering committee set up in 1977 to gauge the extent of the need for community support services in the Tuggeranong Valley. Mary will speak on what making history has meant to her.

Frank Cassidy, freelance journalist and long-time Canberra resident will speak on his experience of compiling *The Story of Tuggeranong Community Service and Communities@Work*, chronicles the early beginnings of the organisation when Tuggeranong was first being settled. It tells how groups of people first came together in the 70's and onwards to pioneer a new community in brand new suburbs. The book includes many of their individual experiences and stories. (Copies of the book will be available).

The magnificent **Community History Quilt**, (picture attached) constructed by volunteers, which incorporates many photographs taken over the years, including ones from the earliest days will also be on display.

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