

PINNACLE

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What a wet season it's been! According to the Bureau of Meteorology, Darwin Airport recorded its 11th-highest daily rainfall total on record on Sunday 5 February, with 201.8mm falling in just 24-hours.

Despite the weather, there's been plenty of activity in, and around, The Heights, Durack, and it's shaping up to be a very exciting year for our residents and the wider community!

Construction of the 103-place child care centre commenced earlier this month with the slab pegged out and machinery arriving on site ready for earthworks to start. Thoroughbred Constructions Director Matt Kibble says the centre is on track to be completed by late this year.

Work to deliver a \$3.6 million project to relocate the overhead powerlines underground is now nearing completion. The new termination poles and cables have been installed and we've moved on to the final stage of works, which includes switching the power transmission from the overhead lines to the underground lines and removing the old electricity towers and overhead cables.

It's great to see the progress being made by McMahon NCC Developments on the \$35 million over 55s retirement living community, Durack Gardens – you'll find more information about that on page 3.

Despite the wet conditions, it's full steam ahead for the construction team over at the new Gateway Shopping Centre. Scheduled for opening this year, the exciting new shopping and entertainment complex will include Woolworths, Big W, Event Cinemas and more than 100 specialty stores, all just 500m from The Heights, Durack.

I hope you enjoy this edition of Pinnacle and look forward to seeing you soon at The Heights, Durack.

IT'S ACTION STATIONS AT THE HEIGHTS, DURACK



TOGETHER #wevegotthis!

Peet is very proud to be supporting the vital work of Alongside, a not-for-profit organisation providing support services for partners and families of those serving on the frontline.

It's part of a commitment the company made to mark its 120th year in the Australian property sector in 2015, to continue the legacy of its founder James Thomas Peet who was a strong supporter of defence personnel and their families.

There are approximately 103,000 Defence and 400,000 Emergency Services personnel serving on Australia's frontline, and a number have chosen to call The Heights, Durack, home.

Alongside was excited to open an office in Darwin late last year and is working closely with NT Police, defence and other emergency services organisations, individual personnel and their partners to close the gap in support by creating a comprehensive, proactive approach to services and education surrounding frontline life and in particular the stressors it can bring.

If you'd like to know more about Alongside's work including their local reach out support groups you can get in touch via hello@alongside.org.au, or to find out more about the great work they are doing visit alongside.org.au



HOMES UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT DURACK GARDENS

In an exciting milestone for the project, bulk earthworks have been completed and construction of Stage 1 of the \$35 million Durack Gardens retirement living community at The Heights, Durack is now underway.

The first stage will see 16 homes built by GJ Gardner Homes, including two display homes which are expected to open mid-year. It also includes the construction of the fully fitted out Community Centre complete with multi-purpose function rooms, a gymnasium, pool table, television lounge, library and a large modern kitchen.

When complete Durack Gardens will comprise 60 spacious residences, designed for residents to fully enjoy their retirement independently, offering energy efficient open plan living, two toilets, their own driveway, lock up garage and a private alfresco area.

The outdoor facilities at Durack Gardens will include a swimming pool, putting green and activities lawns, barbecue and recreation areas – perfect for relaxing or catching up with friends and family.



Construction of Durack Gardens is underway.



An artist's impression of the activities lawn at Durack Gardens.



An artist's impression of the high-quality open plan living areas on offer.

HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS

Vanessa Barrett and Darren Maxted met over their shared love of travel in 2006 when Vanessa, a travel agent, booked a trip for Darren.

A decade later they got engaged and were planning their lives together at The Heights, Durack.

Vanessa says they're happy enjoying their brand new home and getting to know their new surroundings, after carefully choosing the location and designing the four-bedroom, two-bathroom home themselves.

"Darren did a lot of research before we selected our block. We really liked the idea of the high standard the design guidelines ensure at The Heights, Durack," said Vanessa.

Award-winner Boa Homes turned their dream home design into a reality.

"Our home stands out a bit, it's unique in the street," she said. "And, part of the deal was landscaped gardens with reticulation, so when it was all done, the house was ready to walk straight in."

Vanessa says The Heights, Durack appealed because of the new infrastructure going into the community and the region.

"There's a massive shopping centre which is nearly complete, the area is growing hugely and the quality of the

houses is getting better all the time," Vanessa said.

Their 550sqm block overlooks a park, with quiet walking paths that they both enjoy and where Vanessa takes blue staffie pup, Hank, for walks when Darren is on deployment with the Air Force.



Vanessa Barrett loves walking around the community with her blue staffie Hank.

LOVING LIFE AT THE HEIGHTS

One of the big attractions of life at The Heights, Durack for Bernard Kulda is the family atmosphere that he sees building in the community.

"There are always cars going past, looking at the new homes and what people have done with them. Some even pull up to have a chat about the house design," he said. "I'll talk to anyone, so if I'm out in the garden I'm happy to stop and chat. There's a really friendly atmosphere about the place."

"The majority of residents are owner-occupier families, they've built their homes and given them a personal touch," Bernard explained.

"There are kids playing on the footpaths and in the parks and I think that's great."

After three years of calling The Heights, Durack home he's very comfortable with life, particularly when he sits on the balcony and looks out across Darwin to the sparkling waters of Beagle Gulf, nearly 20km away.

"I watch the sunsets, and the changing colours. I've seen the seasons pass, I watch the storms come in, it's always different," he said.

When he's not enjoying the scenery on a run or walking his dogs, Bernard enjoys gardening or a game of social golf with mates at the Palmerston Golf and Country Club and having his mates around to watch the footy while cooking up a storm on the BBQ.

Bernard enjoys taking in the views from the balcony of his home at The Heights, Durack.



LIFESTYLE ON OFFER

A new lifestyle house and land package has been released at The Heights, Durack providing buyers the chance to purchase a brand new home that can be built in just 12-weeks.

The houses by Vantage Homes are priced from just \$479,550, and come complete with Westinghouse appliances and a stone benchtop in the kitchen, landscaping, irrigation and fencing, as well as a \$2,500 Betta Electrical whitegoods package.

Eligible first homebuyers receive the Territory Government's \$26,000 first home owner's grant, plus the \$2,000 household goods grant.



PUTTING OUR BEST FOOT-PATH FORWARD

Footpaths are an important part of the infrastructure in any community, providing a safe and healthy way to move around the neighbourhood. At The Heights, Durack we deliver them as part of each new stage construction so that residents can get out and about as soon as they move into their new home.

Footpaths are of course built for pedestrians, and while the footpaths at The Heights, Durack are built to the highest standard and are able to sustain the weight of a car or four-wheel drive, they are not designed to take the load of heavy trucks!

The cost to fix any damage to footpaths should be incurred by the party who caused the damage and so to avoid any confusion Peet has implemented a new process to make it easier for residents, builders and others working on-site.

- Peet will undertake a dilapidation survey prior to providing design approval, taking note of the condition of the verge and footpath. This report will be sent to both the owner and the builder and it is recommended, that at this time, the purchaser communicates the responsibility of protecting the verge and footpath to their builder and agrees that any damage done will be fixed by the builder, at their cost.
- Each site will be regularly monitored to enable immediate contact to be made with builders and sub-contractors if any issue is noticed.
- Peet will also actively contact owners as building nears completion to ensure a final inspection is undertaken before residents move in.

HOUSE & LAND PACKAGES



House & Land package
\$479,550

28 THOMSON STREET, DURACK

3 2 2

Builder:
Vantage Homes.

Lifestyle Housing Package

- 12-week construction timeframe
- NT First Home Owner's grant of \$26,000 is applicable
- Fully fenced with front sliding gate
- Landscaping and irrigation included
- Large laundry / storeroom area
- All site works including retaining walls and stormwater drainage
- Built in robes to all bedrooms
- Westinghouse appliances



House & Land package
\$646,000

LOT 495 PACKARD AVENUE, DURACK

3 2 2

Builder:
Alpha Homes.

Large family home

- Large family sized corner allotment, opposite lake and siding landscaped parkland
- Designed with space, light and style in mind
- Open plan living leading out to large alfresco entertaining area
- Oversized master bedroom with walk in robe and ensuite
- Fully completed package including all site works, landscaping, irrigation and fencing



House & Land package
\$498,000

1 TAMBLING STREET, DURACK

3 2 2

Builder:
Vantage Homes.

Lifestyle Housing Package

- Corner allotment close to parks and lakes
- Spacious front verandah and porch area
- Large laundry/store room
- Open plan kitchen and dining with a separate living area
- 16-week construction program commencing immediately

Whilst every care has been taken with the preparation of these particulars, which are believed to be correct, they are in no way warranted by the selling agent or its clients in whole or in part and should not be construed as forming part of any contract. Any intending purchasers are advised to make necessary enquiries to satisfy themselves on all matters in this respect. All areas and dimensions are subject to survey. Sales Agent: O'Donoghues First National Real Estate. (ACN 128 259 861) trading as licenced agent under the Agents Licencing Act (NT) Licence Number AL 962/RBL.

Experience a new level of living.



Take your lifestyle to new heights with a variety of titled land options available now, meaning you can start building as soon as you are ready. Choose the lifestyle that best suits you with a small low-maintenance block or a larger block for you and your family to grow.

All blocks are within 200m of a neighbourhood park or open space and close to beautiful lakes, with some enjoying lake views.

Build your dream home and you could have views towards Darwin and the harbour. In addition to parks and lakes, you will also be amongst open spaces, retained natural vegetation and wide roads. You will also have all of life's essentials on your doorstep with a community centre and childcare centre, existing local shops nearby and the future Gateway Shopping Centre under construction.

Keep your eyes peeled as there is new land to be released soon. Register your interest with our Sales Representative, Manning on **0414 797 782**.



WHAT'S ON IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD?

It's exciting to see so many fantastic workshops and classes on offer at The Heights, Durack Community Centre this year so make sure you stay up-to-date with the latest news and events by visiting The City of Palmerston website.

ARTISTS' CRAFT AND TEA

Date: Every Thursday night

Time: 6pm to 7:30pm

Cost: Free

Bring your art and craft projects to work on whilst you get to know, and enjoy the company of, other artists. If you feel like it, bring along a 'plate' to share with others while you work. No bookings required for this program.

ARTIST'S CRAFT & TEA

THURSDAYS 6-7.30PM

THE HEIGHTS, DURACK COMMUNITY CENTRE
33 PACKARD AVE., DURACK

A CHANCE FOR ARTISTS TO CONNECT,
WORK ON THEIR OWN PROJECTS
AND ENJOY SOME DINNER!

FREE USE OF THE ART WORKSHOPS

ALL ARTISTS AND ART MEDIUMS WELCOME

OPTIONAL BYO PLATE TO SHARE

BRING YOUR OWN ARTWORK AND
ENJOY MEETING NEW FRIENDS

**NO BOOKINGS
REQUIRED, JUST
TURN UP!**

WWW.PALMERSTON.NT.GOV.AU PALMERSTON

Beginner's Face Painting Workshop

Date: Monday 5 June

Time: 6.30pm to 9.30pm

Cost: \$110 per person

Please book directly with artist, Juliette on 0458 187 043.

Have you ever wanted to learn how to face paint like a professional? Book now for this professional workshop and learn:

- Line work, brush technique & painting in pairs
- Key elements such as flowers, sponging, blending, big cats, butterflies
- OH&S requirements

No previous experience is required.

SPUN @ Palmerston

Date: Saturday 3 June

Time: 6pm to 8.30pm

Cost: FREE

When does an interest become an obsession? And what lengths will people go to for the things they love? Come and find out at the next SPUN event where you'll meet a mechanic who's mad about stargazing, a man who doesn't wear clothes and a woman who adores jellyfish.

Bring along a picnic, pull up a rug and join us for this FREE Storytelling Event.

Presented by SPUN and City of Palmerston.

'ART BY THE LAKE' WORKSHOP SERIES

Each workshop in this series will showcase a different style of tactile art (art involving the sense of touch) from needle felt to screen printing. Places are limited at all the 'Art by the Lake' workshops and bookings are required.

Call 8935 9999 or email askus@palmerston.nt.gov.au for more information.

The Heights, Durack Sales and Information Centre

If you'd like to know more about how you can make The Heights, Durack home please stop by and

see Sales Representative Manning Jackson at the sales and information centre, conveniently located in the

community centre at 33 Packard Avenue – open from Monday to Saturday between 9am and 5pm.

theheightsdurack.com.au

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