

Schedule of events

OPENING DAY

Tuesday, October 30

Pre-opening activity commences at 7am at the Yambil Street entrance with:

- A free barbecue breakfast in conjunction with Star FM and 2RG and sponsored by Ritchies Supa IGA
- Free showbags for the first 250 people
- Free balloons
- Roving music with Jazz Dogs, Unicycle and balloon modelling
- Curious George and The Man in the Yellow Hat

7am to 8am

- Free barbecue breakfast with free showbags for the first 250 people. Other bags will be given away during the radio broadcast and throughout the day

7.45am

- Official opening ceremony

8am

- Doors open
- Free balloons and face-painting, unicycle and balloon modelling will be happening throughout the day.

8am to noon

- Live on site radio broadcast with 2RG's Allan Wallat and StarFM's Brad George

■ Jazz Dogs

8.15am and 9.15am

- Curious George and The Man in the Yellow Hat

11am to 2pm

- Kozi & Pinky: Free face-painting, unicycle, balloon modelling

1pm to 3pm

- The Great Gizmo

2.30, 3.30 and 4.30

- The Cat in the Hat character meet and greet

4.30pm

- Griffith Country Line Dancers

OPENING WEEK

Wednesday, October 31

10am to 2pm

- The Point (roving music)

10am to 1pm

- Curious George

Thursday, November 1

All Day

- Free face-painting

10am to 3pm

- Roving Butterfly

4pm to 7pm

- Roving music - Ross Maio Piano

■ Accordion

7pm

- Griffith Country Line Dancing

Friday, November 2

9am to noon

- Ross Maio (roving music)

4pm

- Dolly's Dance Academy

Saturday, November 3

10am to 2pm

- Grant Luhrs - roving minstrel

1pm

- Dolly's Dance Academy

2pm

- Anne Maree Barbaro Singers

Sunday, November 4

11am to 1pm

- Free face-painting and balloons

11am

- Dolly's Dance Academy

11.30am

- Ann-Maree Barbaro Singing Group



Mayoral address

AT A time when some regional cities and towns are facing particularly difficult economic times it is refreshing to see such enthusiasm and confidence in the future for our community that has been displayed by the Peninsular Development Group in creating this fantastic centre for Griffith.

It is also pleasing so many major retailing operators have signed up to be a part of this new venture, for they too have identified Griffith as a centre of growth.

Griffith is a city that is thriving, and that is due in a very big way to people believing in it as a place

that has a prosperous future.

The site of Griffith Central has historical importance for this community and much of the centre has been dedicated to recording this part of our past.

I welcome all of the business operators who have become part of this centre, established on such a strategic and historical part of the city.

Investment in community is the key to economic growth and this investment is one that will provide a unique retail option to this wonderful city of ours.

Dino Zappacosta
Mayor

Opening week promotional activities

The celebrations of the opening of Griffith Central continue for a week, with promotional activities, competitions and giveaways for shoppers.

- The grand opening competition will run from opening day until Saturday, November 24. The major prize is a KTM Motorcross package valued at \$15,000 and includes an off-road adult motorbike plus a children's bike. Also included in the prize are helmets, safety gear and riding jackets. All you have to do to be in the running is make a purchase from any store at Griffith Central and put the entry coupon

you receive into the orange barrel. The winner will then be drawn on Saturday, November 24 at 1pm.

- Free showbags will be handed out to the first 250 people, with more being handed out in various promotions during the day. These showbags contain special offers and items from participating stores in Griffith Central, giving shoppers more great chances to walk away with opening bargains.
- Raffle tickets for Country Hope will be on sale in the centre for the opening week. Babs Donaldson and other Country Hope volunteers will be selling tickets for \$1 each to help local families

benefit from financial assistance during illness.

Prizes are a framed painting by Neva Dalla, a basket of linen, and a stunning doll in a knitted outfit, complete with capsule, made by Irene Davis.

■ Many of the stores will be having opening specials and discounts throughout their store on opening day, with many continuing for the following weeks.

■ Around 40 volunteers will be available throughout Griffith Central for the first week to help shoppers with general enquiries, competition entry forms and directions.

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