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# News

## **April 2017**

# "Making the right moves in selling and renting"

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#### Allhomes Price Increase

Please note: as of 1 April 2017 the Allhomes website cost for advertising rentals will increase to \$249.

Electronic Statements
If you do not currently
receive an electronic copy
of your monthly statement
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# Buying an investment property?

Don't forget to claim depreciation. We can provide you with a flyer and discount voucher from a property depreciation specialist. A depreciation schedule is especially useful for all newly purchased investment properties. It is important that you have an accurate depreciation schedule for your investment property as this may save you many dollars in tax. Should you have any queries feel free to call Peter Andrighetto on 6257 2700 or email sales@wrightdunn.com.au

# **Property Management News**

#### Market

The rental market remains very quiet, not much movement of tenants out of, or into properties. Properties are still renting fairly quickly when they are available, with tenants preferring properties with adequate heating going into the winter season.

#### Land Tax/Rates

You will be aware that Land Tax is payable for residential properties rented within the ACT. IF you have opted to pay your own rates and are receiving them, you should also be receiving land tax. If you are receiving rates and not receiving land tax this means ACT Revenue doesn't know your property is rented and you could be subject to an audit by ACT Revenue and interest on unpaid land tax will be payable. If you have further queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

#### Maintenance

Maintenance is part of our everyday job of managing properties, below is the section of Schedule 1 of the legislation that we are bound by when dealing with maintenance issues and may help you in knowing the legislation around responsibilities of tenant and landlord when dealing with maintenance in a rental property.

### **Lessor** to make repairs

- 55 (1) The <u>lessor</u> must maintain the premises in a reasonable state of repair having regard to their condition at the commencement of the tenancy agreement.
- (2) The <u>tenant</u> must notify the <u>lessor</u> of any need for repairs.
- (3)This section does not require the <u>tenant</u> to notify the <u>lessor</u> about anything that an ordinary <u>tenant</u> would reasonably be expected to do, for example, changing a light globe or a fuse.

  56 The <u>lessor</u> is not obliged to repair damage caused by the negligence or wilful act of the <u>tenant</u>.
- 57 Subject to clause 55, the <u>lessor</u> must make repairs, other than urgent repairs, within 4 weeks of being notified of the need for the repairs (unless otherwise agreed).

#### **Urgent repairs**

59 The tenant must notify the lessor (or the lessor's nominee) of the need for urgent repairs as soon as practicable, and the lessor must, subject to clause 82, carry out those repairs as soon as necessary, having regard to the nature of the problem.

60 The following are urgent repairs in relation to the premises, or services or fixtures supplied by the <u>lessor</u>:

- (a) a burst water service;
- (b) a blocked or broken lavatory system;
- (c) a serious roof leak;
- (d) a gas leak;

- (e) a dangerous electrical fault;
- (f) flooding or serious flood damage;
- (g) serious storm or fire damage;
- (h) a failure of gas, electricity or water supply to the premises;
- (i) the failure of a refrigerator supplied with the premises;
- (j) a failure or breakdown of any service on the premises essential for hot water, cooking, heating or laundering;
- (k) a fault or damage that causes the residential premises to be unsafe or insecure;
- (I) a fault or damage likely to cause injury to person or property;
- (m) a serious fault in any door, staircase, lift or other common area that inhibits or unduly inconveniences the <u>tenant</u> in gaining access to and use of the premises.

# Tenant may authorise urgent repairs in certain circumstances

- 61 If the <u>lessor</u> (or the <u>lessor</u>'s nominee) cannot be contacted, or fails to effect the urgent repairs within a reasonable time, the <u>tenant</u> may arrange for urgent repairs to be effected to a maximum value of up to 5% of the rent of the property over a year.
- 62 The following procedures apply to urgent repairs arranged by the tenant:
- (a) the repairs arranged by the <u>tenant</u> must be made by the qualified tradesperson nominated by the <u>lessor</u> in the tenancy agreement;
- (b) if the lessor has not nominated a tradesperson, or the nominated tradesperson cannot be contacted or is otherwise unavailable—the repairs must be performed by a qualified tradesperson of the tenant's choosing;
- (c) if the repairs are arranged by the <u>tenant</u> in accordance with these procedures—the <u>lessor</u> is liable for the cost of repairs and the tradesperson may bill the <u>lessor</u> direct;
- (d) if the <u>tenant</u> does not act in strict compliance with this clause—the <u>tenant</u> is personally liable for the cost of any urgent repairs arranged by the <u>tenant</u>.

Kind Regards, Sam Andrighetto 0419 219 262

## Properties currently for rent

AINSLIE 4 bed home \$560pw BRADDON 1 bed apart F/F \$460pw CAMPBELL 1 bed apart \$350pw CARWOOLA 4 bed home \$800pw CITY 2 bed apart \$590pw GOWRIE 3 bed home \$Negotiable KAMBAH 3 bed home \$450pw TURNER 3 bed home \$540pw

## Sales News

April 2017 has continued the strong activity seen in early 2017. Prices in most suburbs have moved up, with some suburbs experiencing over \$100,000 increase since early 2016.

Buyers are now accepting that \$800,000 in inner areas is pretty much entry level buying.

Apartments are selling well with buyers showing interest in inner area upmarket 2 bedroom ensuite apartments up to the \$600.000 mark.

As rents continue to rise in the ACT we should see a surge of investment driven activity from May - June 2017.

As always, please feel free to contact me any time on 0418 623 352 to discuss the value of your property and best marketing strategies.



Cheers, Peter Andrighetto

## On the market

#### DICKSON-35 Stockdale and 88 Dooring Street-

Development site of 1,478m<sup>2</sup> approx. RZ4 zoning, 80% plot ratio—3 storey unit development - subject to development controls. EER 2.5 & 2.5.

Expressions of Interest close 3pm Tues 16 May 2017

MAWSON—13 & 14/22-72 Mawson Place—Total first floor premises of 982m² in the heart of Southlands shopping precinct. Leased at \$180,000pa excl. GST—\$1.5m+

O'CONNOR—11/27 Berrigan Crescent—2 bedroom ens apartment, central inner north location. Easy access to Lyneham, O'Connor, ANU & City. EER 6—\$545,000

**TURNER—10/33 Moore Street—**Top level 2 bedroom ensuite apartment. 85m2 approx. living space + full length balcony. 1 basement car space. EER 6—\$550,000

### On the market soon

**BRUCE**— 3 bedroom ground floor apartment, office fit-out **FLYNN**—6 bedroom home with lots of potential **REID**—3 bedroom brick heritage home

## **Commercial properties for lease**

**BELCONNEN—4 Weedon Close—Unit 1 & 2**—250m<sup>2</sup> approx. shop front premises + arcade frontage.

**BRADDON—42 Mort Street—Unit 5—**211.5m<sup>2</sup> approx. open plan, contemporary styled 1st floor office premises.

**FYSHWICK—194 Gladstone Street—**308m² approx. + 98m² approx. yard. Fitted out for office and workshop.

MITCHELL—38 Dacre St. t—Unit 3—320m² approx. warehouse plus fro LEASTOR reception, 4 car spaces.

NARRABUNDAH—18 Iluka Street—1st floor—126m<sup>2</sup> approx. 3 separate offices, open central area, 2 kitchenettes TURNER—1B/9 McKay Street—93m<sup>2</sup> approx. office, full

length balcony, 2 car spaces

Contact Peter Andrighetto—0418 623 352

## **Featured property**



DICKSON—35 Stockdale and 88 Dooring Street Development site of 1,478m<sup>2</sup> approx.

RZ4 zoning, 80% plot ratio—3 storey unit development—subject to development controls.

Fantastic location—only minutes to Dickson Shopping Centre. 35 Stockdale Street—3 bedroom brick residence; living dining area; separate kitchen; double garage; EER 2.5.

88 Dooring Street—3 bedroom renovated home; open plan living dining; new kitchen and bathroom; reverse cycle air conditioning unit; rented @ \$500pw until July 2017; EER 2.5.

Opportunity to hold as land bank or build a boutique development.

Expressions of Interest close 3pm Tuesday 16 May 2017

## Sold/Under Offer

AINSLIE—7/95A Wakefield Gardens—2 storey 3 bedroom ensuite townhouse at Ainslie Shopping Centre, set in a boutique development of only 9. EER 5.5—\$748,000

BRADDON—83 Torrens Street—Development site of 1,528m<sup>2</sup>, RZ3 zoning, 2 storey unit development, 65% plot ratio—subject to development controls. EER 1.5—\$2,075,000

**CAMPBELL**—11/14 Chauvel Street—Upgraded 1 bedroom unit. Short stroll to Campbell shops. EER 2—\$275,000

CAMPBELL—29 White Crescent—2 storey 4 bedroom ensuite residence. Superb location. Short walk to Campbell shops. EER 2.5—\$820.000

**DICKSON—29 & 31 Wakefield Avenue**—Development site of 1,226m<sup>2</sup> approx. RZ4 zoning, 80% plot ratio—3 storey unit development subject to development controls. EER 2 & 0—\$1,800,000

**HAWKER—2/9 Jinka Street—**3 bedroom ensuite single level north facing townhouse in boutique development of only 7. Solar electricity. EER 4—**\$505,000** 

**KINGSTON—41/21 Dawes Street**—Luxury executive 2 bedroom ensuite apartment with north-facing courtyard in ultraconvenient location. EER 5.5—**\$650,000** 

**KINGSTON—111/20-22 Eyre Street—**2 bedroom top floor apartment, plenty of storage, north facing balcony, 2 car parks. EER 6—**Under Offer** 

**LYNEHAM**—66/58 Wattle Street—Renovated 2 bedroom unit, 2nd floor end unit location. EER 5—Under Offer

O'CONNOR—3/4 Hay Street—Modern 2 storey 2 bedroom ensuite townhouse set in a boutique development of only 7. Short walk to O'Connor shops. EER 6—Under Offer

**TURNER—10 Macleay Street**—Development site of 1,073m<sup>2</sup>. RZ4 unit development, 80% plot ratio – subject to development controls. EER 0—\$1,740,000



## Thinking of buying or selling?

If you are looking to buy a property, or interested in the current market value of your property with a view to selling please contact

Peter or Jane to arrange an appraisal. Ph: 02 6257 2700.





