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Palmerston's Christmas Wonderland – The Goyder Square lights will brighten your night!

The time has come! The gates of Goyder Square will officially open today where inside you will discover a fun-filled, light-lavished Christmas Wonderland.

Grab your family and friends and make your way to Palmerston CBD, where you can enjoy the Frances Drive light show before chasing Santa Clause and his elves through Goyder Square.

You will be greeted by Santa's Express train which will take you on a magical journey featuring:

- The magical snow tent
- Fairy truss
- Tulips galore light installation
- Twinkle tunnel
- Santa's house
- Large candy cane light installation
- Musical floor
- Optic fibre lilies; and
- The spectacular Goyder Square Christmas tree.

City of Palmerston Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell invites you all to join in on the Christmas festivities.

"I have spoken to Santa and he is very excited to be here in the Top End. He has brought along his polar bear friends and his reindeer, ready to celebrate at Palmerston's Christmas Wonderland."

"With Christmas looking a little different in 2020, we wanted to provide Palmerston with a free, end of year celebration to boost morale, support local businesses and bring the community together." The Mayor said.

The opening of Goyder Square will also feature the lighting of the Christmas tree, which will be streamed on Facebook Live at 5pm, as a Virtual Event for all to enjoy.

There will be lots of Christmas games, fitness programs and activities on offer at the Palmerston Swimming and Fitness Centre including a Christmas Pool Party, free morning tea and daily competitions.

The Palmerston Library and Recreation Centre are also hosting a range of activities including colouring-in, balloon twisting, Christmas ornament making and more.

Christmas Wonderland will run from 5pm to 9.30pm each night until 24 December 2020. Pop-up carollers will be singing Christmas carols and spreading festive cheer at all locations and parking is free in the Palmerston CBD.

To view Palmerston's Christmas Wonderland program and to download the event calendar, go to palmerston.nt.gov.au/palmerstons-christmas-wonderland.

Council is committed to ensuring compliance with COVID-19 guidelines to keep the community safe. Contact tracing will apply on entry at all City of Palmerston events and locations, and pre-bookings are required for craft activities.

Image: Palmerston's Christmas Wonderland entrance.

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