

# Next Gen Coaches: Fact sheet for media



From **1 July 2026**, NSW TrainLink will roll out a new generation of regional coach services – expanding and modernising the state’s coach network to make travel **easier, safer and more comfortable and accessible**.

Informed by the first whole of network review in a decade, under new contracts, 14 coach operators will run 49 routes across the NSW TrainLink network, specifically **designed to better serve rural and regional communities**. Coaches will reach 360 destinations across NSW and into Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and the ACT

**Four new routes** will be delivered to the network including three in the state’s north-west and one in the south. Other routes have been optimised to better meet community needs.

## North Coast region changes

### Additional frequencies and new services:

- Route 135 and 136 Broadmeadow to Taree and return will increase in frequency from Monday to Friday to daily.
- Addition of Taree Manning Street and Newcastle Interchange stops.
- Enhanced service between Port Macquarie and Wauchope, providing both northbound and southbound connections. This enables journeys from North Coast and Queensland centres such as Grafton, Coffs Harbour, the northern rivers, Gold Coast and Brisbane to and from Port Macquarie for the first time.
- Enhanced services to the Alstonville, Ballina, Lennox Head area which will improve frequency, simplify the network and reduce journey time.
- A new route to operate on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday between Armidale and Port Macquarie and return, providing an Armidale to North Coast connection three days per week. At Wauchope the coach connects with rail services giving access to and from Coffs Harbour, Grafton, the Northern Rivers, Gold Coast and Brisbane.

### Some services combined:

- Some routes servicing the far north coast have been simplified or combined to reflect passenger demand, but the same levels of service have been kept for most destinations.
- Two locations have been removed from the network:
  - Robina, -to reflect passenger demand. Other local transport options exist for passengers to access Robina, including the Gold Coast bus network
  - Eltham, to reflect passenger demand.

## North West region changes

### New services:

- A new route to operate on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday between Armidale and Port Macquarie and return, providing an Armidale to North Coast connection three days per week. At Wauchope the coach connects with rail services giving access to and from Coffs Harbour, Grafton, the Northern Rivers, Gold Coast and Brisbane.
- A new route operating Monday to Friday between Tamworth and Muswellbrook and return, providing a new day-return link to and from Newcastle via rail interchange at Muswellbrook.

### Additional services:

- Additional Wednesday service on Routes 361 and 362 between Tamworth and Dubbo and return. The service now operates Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in each direction.

### Improved local access:

- New Armidale CBD stop for Routes 327, 328, 337 and 338 Tenterfield to Armidale and return and Inverell to Armidale and return. The new stop is at Central Beardy Street Mall, Faulkner Street.

### Reduced travel times:

- Timetables reviewed and adjusted where necessary.

## South region changes

### New and additional services:

- New route Wednesday and Saturday, Yass Junction to Young, and Thursday and Sunday, Young to Yass Junction, connecting with rail services to provide a faster, more direct service between Young and Sydney.
- All Condobolin-Wagga and Wagga-Condobolin services will operate via Lake Cargelligo seven days a week.
- Jindabyne will receive increased service frequency to daily and Bombala will be served by a new, more direct route to Cooma.
- The Goulburn-Canberra-Goulburn day-return service will operate seven days a week, providing a weekend service for the first time (in conjunction with rail services).

### Optimisation of services:

- Simplification of Condobolin to Wagga Wagga services, serving the same stops seven days a week and increasing frequency to several locations.
- The Mildura to Cootamundra route has been repointed to Wagga Wagga to improve local connections.
- The Griffith to Cootamundra route (formerly part of Mildura to Cootamundra) has revised timings and days of operation to provide a more seamless rail connection at Cootamundra, delivering a massive two hour journey time saving for Griffith and Temora passengers travelling to and from Sydney and Canberra.
- Coach services to Gundagai, Tumut, Batlow and Tumbarumba have been revised to provide better connections to and from Wagga Wagga and improved rail connections at Cootamundra, providing a two hour journey time saving for journeys to and from Sydney on selected days.
- Cooma passengers will have the choice of morning and afternoon services to Canberra daily (both with ongoing rail connections to Sydney).
- Other minor changes to days of operation and service timings to better connect with train services.

## West region changes

### Improved local access:

- Dubbo Airport will be serviced on routes to and from Nyngan, Bourke and Broken Hill.
- New day-return option connecting Wilcannia, Cobar and Nyngan with Dubbo on Tuesdays.
- The Broken Hill to Mildura day-return service on Fridays will operate via Menindee and Pooncarie, providing improved access for these isolated communities.

## Summary of new coach stops

- Newcastle
- Taree Town
- Grafton Town
- Newcastle Interchange
- Armidale Town
- Uralla Town
- Boorowa
- Dubbo Airport
- Menindee Sunset Strip
- Menindee Town
- Pooncarie
- Mildura Shopping Centre
- Muswellbrook Station
- Aberdeen Station
- Scone Station
- Murrurundi
- Willow Tree
- Quirindi
- Werris Creek

## Next Gen Coach Routes

### Important information

Please note that connections are subject to final route validation.

Route	Origin	Destination	Days of Operation
135	Broadmeadow	Taree	Daily
136	Taree	Broadmeadow	Daily
141	Grafton	Moree	Tue,Thur,Sat
142	Moree	Grafton	Mon,Wed,Fri
143	Grafton	Ballina	Daily
144	Ballina	Grafton	Daily
161	Casino	Surfers Paradise	Daily
164	Surfers Paradise	Casino	Daily
172	Surfers Paradise	Casino	Daily
173	Casino	Surfers Paradise	Daily
162	Tweed Heads	Casino	Daily
165	Casino	Tweed Heads	Daily
167	Casino	Tweed Heads	Daily
168	Tweed Heads	Casino	Daily
175	Casino	Brisbane	Daily
176	Brisbane	Casino	Daily
181	Port Macquarie	Wauchope	Daily
182	Port Macquarie	Wauchope	Daily
183	Wauchope	Port Macquarie	Daily
184	Wauchope	Port Macquarie	Daily
187	Port Macquarie	Wauchope	Daily
188	Wauchope	Port Macquarie	Daily
185	Macksville	Nambucca Heads	Daily
186	Nambucca Heads	Macksville	Daily
311	Tamworth	Inverell	Daily excl Tue
312	Inverell	Tamworth	Daily excl Tue
337	Armidale	Inverell	Tue
338	Inverell	Armidale	Tue
327	Armidale	Tenterfield	Daily
328	Tenterfield	Armidale	Daily
329	Narrabri	Burren Junction	Fri
330	Burren Junction	Narrabri	Fri
331	Narrabri	Wee Waa	Mon
332	Wee Waa	Narrabri	Mon
333	Narrabri	Wee Waa	Mon
334	Wee Waa	Narrabri	Mon
335	Narrabri	Burren Junction	Fri
336	Burren Junction	Narrabri	Fri
351	Muswellbrook	Tamworth	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
352	Tamworth	Muswellbrook	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
361	Dubbo	Tamworth	Mon, Wed, Fri
362	Tamworth	Dubbo	Mon, Wed, Fri
371	Port Macquarie	Tamworth	Mon

<b>372</b>	Tamworth	Port Macquarie	Mon
<b>373</b>	Port Macquarie	Tamworth	Sun
<b>374</b>	Tamworth	Port Macquarie	Fri
<b>376</b>	Armidale	Port Macquarie	Wed, Fri, Sun
<b>377</b>	Port Macquarie	Armidale	Wed, Fri, Sun
<b>313</b>	Walcha Road	Walcha	Daily
<b>314</b>	Walcha	Walcha Road	Daily
<b>701</b>	Queanbeyan	Wagga Wagga	Mon, Fri
<b>702</b>	Wagga Wagga	Queanbeyan	Mon, Fri
<b>703</b>	Queanbeyan	Wagga Wagga	Tue, Thur, Sat
<b>704</b>	Wagga Wagga	Queanbeyan	Tue, Thur, Sat
<b>719</b>	Wagga Wagga	Condobolin	Daily
<b>720</b>	Condobolin	Wagga Wagga	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun
<b>720</b>	Condobolin	Wagga Wagga	Tue, Thur, Sat
<b>723</b>	Cootamundra	Tumbarumba	Wed
<b>723</b>	Cootamundra	Tumbarumba	Thur, Sun
<b>724</b>	Tumbarumba	Cootamundra	Wed
<b>724</b>	Tumbarumba	Cootamundra	Thur, Sun
<b>727</b>	Wagga Wagga	Tumbarumba	Mon, Tue, Fri
<b>728</b>	Tumbarumba	Wagga Wagga	Mon, Tue, Fri
<b>725</b>	Cootamundra	Griffith	Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri, Sun
<b>726</b>	Griffith	Cootamundra	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri Sat
<b>731</b>	Wagga Wagga	Mildura	Daily
<b>732</b>	Mildura	Wagga Wagga	Daily
<b>733</b>	Wagga Wagga	Echuca	Mon Wed, Fri, Sun
<b>734</b>	Echuca	Wagga Wagga	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun
<b>735</b>	Wagga Wagga	Griffith	Sat, Mon
<b>736</b>	Griffith	Wagga Wagga	Fri, Sun
<b>741</b>	Albury	Echuca	Tue, Thur, Sat
<b>742</b>	Echuca	Albury	Tue, Thur, Sat
<b>749</b>	Moss Vale	Wollongong	Daily
<b>751</b>	Moss Vale	Wollongong	Daily
<b>752</b>	Wollongong	Moss Vale	Daily
<b>754</b>	Wollongong	Moss Vale	Daily
<b>755</b>	Moss Vale	Wollongong	Daily
<b>756</b>	Wollongong	Moss Vale	Daily
<b>771</b>	Canberra	Eden	Daily
<b>772</b>	Eden	Canberra	Daily
<b>774</b>	Bombala	Cooma	Mon, Wed, Fri
<b>773</b>	Cooma	Bombala	Mon, Wed, Fri
<b>775</b>	Canberra	Jindabyne	Daily
<b>776</b>	Jindabyne	Canberra	Daily
<b>777</b>	Campbelltown	Goulburn	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
<b>778</b>	Goulburn	Campbelltown	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
<b>779</b>	Campbelltown	Goulburn	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
<b>780</b>	Goulburn	Campbelltown	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
<b>781</b>	Queanbeyan	Yass Junction	Daily
<b>782</b>	Yass Junction	Queanbeyan	Daily
<b>783</b>	Goulburn	Canberra	Daily
<b>784</b>	Canberra	Goulburn	Daily
<b>785</b>	Yass Junction	Young	Wed

<b>785</b>	Yass Junction	Young	Sat
<b>786</b>	Young	Yass Junction	Thur, Sun
<b>791</b>	Cootamundra	Dubbo	Mon, Wed, Sat
<b>792</b>	Dubbo	Cootamundra	Sun, Tue, Thur
<b>793</b>	Cootamundra	Bathurst	Sun, Tue, Thur, Fri
<b>794</b>	Bathurst	Cootamundra	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat
<b>511</b>	Dubbo	Bourke	Tue, Thur, Fri, Sun
<b>512</b>	Bourke	Dubbo	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat
<b>523</b>	Dubbo	Bourke	Wed
<b>524</b>	Bourke	Dubbo	Thur
<b>513</b>	Dubbo	Lightning Ridge	Daily
<b>514</b>	Lightning Ridge	Dubbo	Tue, Wed, Thur
<b>582</b>	Lightning Ridge	Dubbo	Mon, Fri, Sat, Sun
<b>517</b>	Coolabah	Brewarrina	Tue, Thur, Fri, Sun
<b>518</b>	Brewarrina	Coolabah	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat
<b>525</b>	Coolabah	Brewarrina	Wed
<b>526</b>	Brewarrina	Coolabah	Thur
<b>519</b>	Orange	Parkes	Mon, Wed, Fri
<b>520</b>	Parkes	Orange	Tue, Thur, Sat, Sun
<b>521</b>	Orange	Parkes	Tue, Thur, Sat, Sun
<b>522</b>	Parkes	Orange	Mon, Wed, Fri
<b>531</b>	Bathurst	Grenfell	Mon, Wed, Fri
<b>532</b>	Grenfell	Bathurst	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sun
<b>585</b>	Broken Hill	Adelaide	Mon, Fri
<b>586</b>	Adelaide	Broken Hill	Tue, Sun
<b>587</b>	Broken Hill	Mildura	Wed
<b>588</b>	Mildura	Broken Hill	Wed
<b>587</b>	Broken Hill	Mildura	Fri
<b>588</b>	Mildura	Broken Hill	Fri
<b>589</b>	Dubbo	Broken Hill	Daily
<b>590</b>	Broken Hill	Dubbo	Daily excl Tue
<b>590</b>	Broken Hill	Dubbo	Tue

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