

THE HUB



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TOURISM TAKES OFF

BALLINA BYRON BAY FLIGHTS COMMENCE

Canberra Airport has announced the commencement of direct flights between Canberra and Northern NSW, in partnership with the Ballina Byron Gateway Airport and regional airline Fly Pelican.

From 3 July, FlyPelican will fly direct from Canberra Airport, with the launch price of flights starting from \$229 one-way. It is an opportunity to boost ACT and the regional economy and expand domestic travel to sought after destinations including Ballina, Byron Bay and Tweed Heads.

Head of Aviation, Michael Thomson, said Canberra Airport

welcomes the new partnership with the Ballina Byron Gateway Airport.

After months of disruption to the aviation and tourism industry, the Canberra to Ballina Byron flight link will bring a much-needed boost to the local economies of both our regions. Domestic travel is slowly getting back to normal and Canberra Airport is determined to facilitate the recovery.

"We are not yet back to full capacity, but with close to 100 flights per-week linking Canberra with Sydney, Newcastle, Brisbane, Melbourne and now Ballina there is a lot of opportunity for people to travel," Mr Thomson said.

This comes after ongoing negotiations to re-establish links between Canberra and other closed states including South Australia and Queensland. The Canberra to Ballina Byron link is a positive step in reopening other travel gateways across Australia and across the Tasman Sea.



[LEFT] NEPAL AIRLINES LANDING IN CANBERRA. [RIGHT] QANTAS REPRESENTATIVE COLIN THOMAS, SECRETARY OF DFAT FRANCES ADAMSON, CANBERRA AIRPORT MANAGING DIRECTOR STEPHEN BYRON, AND CANBERRA AIRPORT HEAD OF AVIATION MICHAEL THOMSON.

REPATRIATION FLIGHTS BRING AUSTRALIANS HOME

MORE THAN 480 AUSTRALIANS HAVE RETURNED HOME SAFELY VIA CANBERRA AIRPORT

On Friday, 15 May, 180 Australian citizens returned on a charter Qantas flight from Delhi, India and on Tuesday, 9 June, Nepal Airlines brought 300 Australians home from Kathmandu, Nepal.

The repatriation flights were coordinated by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade as a consular response within India, in conjunction with Qantas, Australian Federal Police, Australian Border Force, ACT Health, and Canberra Airport.

Head of Aviation, Michael Thomson, said, "We were very pleased at Canberra Airport to play a small part in helping our fellow citizens return home, and we wish them all the best in getting back to their own homes, to see their friends and family."

All passengers had been in isolation prior to travelling to Australia and their health was monitored before travel, and in transit. On arrival, the passengers were transported safely to a Canberra hotel to spend two more weeks in isolation to ensure they were free of COVID-19, and safe to return home.

BODY TEMPERATURE SCANNING FOR PASSENGER SAFETY

CANBERRA IS THE FIRST MAJOR AUSTRALIAN AIRPORT TO INTRODUCE BODY TEMPERATURE SCANNING

Operating at security for the past two months, the camera is an additional safety measure to fight the spread of COVID-19.

Head of Aviation, Michael Thomson, said that Canberra Airport is open for business and the body scanning was one of a suite of measures the airport is taking for passengers to feel secure to fly. "Passengers departing Canberra arrive at airport security as usual and as they pass through security a camera takes their image and records their temperature in real-time," Mr Thomson said. "If a passenger has a body temperature over 37.8 degrees Celsius, they will be attended by a registered nurse immediately.



THE BODY TEMPERATURE CAMERA IS MOUNTED AT SECURITY SCREENING.

"If a passenger continues to display signs of high temperature or fever then the passenger and the airline, they intend to travel with will be informed."

ACT AMA president Dr Antonio Di Dio said that he believed this action to be responsible and prudent and showed leadership in how we can minimise and mitigate risks for all travellers to and from Canberra.



HEAD OF AVIATION MICHAEL THOMSON, MLA ZED SESELJA, AND DIRECTOR FOR PLANNING AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS NOEL MCCANN IN THE DEPARTURES HALL.

THE FUTURE MAPPED OUT IN MASTERPLAN

CANBERRA AIRPORT HIGHLIGHTS GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT IN AVIATION.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, Michael McCormack has given official endorsement of the Canberra Airport 2020 Master Plan.

"The airport and these developments are expected to indirectly support more than 36,000 jobs and generate \$6.8 billion in economic activity by 2040." Mr McCormack said.

The Plan focuses on more inbound passengers on more aircraft, from more airlines, especially with increases in international and low-cost flights. The airport currently serves more than three

million passengers per year, but those numbers are forecast to rise to more than nine million by 2040.

Senator for the ACT Zed Seselja joined Canberra Airport Head of Aviation, Michael Thomson, and Director of Planning & Government Relations, Noel McCann at the launch and said, "The Master Plan sets out a number of proposed developments over the planning period, including a freight hub and the continued growth of the airport's business parks." he said.

"This Plan is good for Canberrans who want to travel, and for the Canberra economy opening more opportunity to bring tourists to our great city."

Michael Thomson said 'We are pleased the Government supports our plans for growing our aviation business, and we are optimistic about future growth. Our region has a lot to offer Australia, and the world.' The 2020 Master Plan is available to download for free on our website: canberraairport.com.au/2020-master-plan

CONSTRUCTION IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

THE BUILD MUST GOES ON!

Despite the challenges of COVID-19 Capital Airport Group is pushing ahead with essential construction works and developments. The Taxiway Bravo works continue with 1.6 km of taxiway extension under construction. This extension will provide more efficient and safer aircraft movements and reduce the amount of time aircraft take to taxi to the terminal. This project is due to be completed in August 2020.

The Airport Terminal new retail and food and beverage upgrades continue, including the construction of The Capital Brewing Co Tap Room, and Go Convenience. Across the airport precincts a new carpark has been completed at Brindabella Business Park, as well as a wellness hub including a gym, and café. Over at Majura Park, Oporto has undertaken a refurbishment, Costco Fuel has expanded, and Zambero will open in late June 2020.



THE NEW TARMAC NAMED TAXIWAY BRAVO AT CANBERRA AIRPORT.

To developments off airport, Constitution Place celebrated the 'topping-out' phase with the final level of the taller building being completed on 29 May, 2020. Construction continues at a steady pace into the 'roughing-in' and 'fit-out' phases of construction with the build due to be complete by November 2020. Stay tuned to our social media for videos and updates on these projects.



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RAPID RESPONSE IN CHALLENGING TIMES

SNOW FOUNDATION RELEASES MORE FUNDING

When community is in need, we know the power of collaboration, local leadership, and funding, can help ease the impact on charities by enabling them to adapt their service to vulnerable communities. Locally, we joined with Hands Across Canberra, and John James Foundation to deliver over \$570,000 to 63 projects to help local not-for-profits. In Sydney, we worked with Be Kind Sydney, and Sydney Women's Fund, to provide an immediate response to charities who support women and families, as they adapted to providing essential services online as demand increased.

We also partner with the Foundation of Rural and Regional Renewal to help build capacity and confidence in not-for-profits located in the Shoalhaven and Eurobodalla regions. Snow Foundation Chief Executive Officer, Georgina Byron said "This year we responded quickly to the places and partners we are deeply committed to, including several national partners, and to many within the Canberra community. Collaboration is needed now, more than ever, to continue building community organisations and charities to continue to operate and help those in need." As the world grapples with the health and economic crisis, we are faced with an unsettling future, and we continue to support our partners with flexibility, as we work together through this challenging time. With so much good work to celebrate, take some time to read uplifting stories in our 2019 Annual Report, and other positive stories on facebook.



SNOW MEDICAL FOUNDATION RESEARCH CHAIR TOM SNOW, AND FOUNDER TERRY SNOW.

INVESTING IN COVID-19 RESEARCH

THE SNOW MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION IS PROVIDING \$5.5 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR PRIORITY COVID-19 RESEARCH PROJECTS

The project targets the critical answers we need as a nation to return to work quickly and safely, and to rebuild our economy.

The funding will be given to four projects, which include more accurate tracking of the spread of coronavirus, a national bio-bank of samples from symptomatic and asymptomatic cases and research into genetic markers of the virus. The projects will be a collaboration of two infectious disease research institutes: the Centre of Research Excellence in Emerging Infectious Diseases and the Australian Partnership for Preparedness Research on Infectious Diseases Emergencies.

Tom Snow, Chair of Snow Medical, added, "We want to help Australia's best and brightest to focus their efforts on this huge national and global challenge.

This consortium is particularly notable because of its national reach and collaborative networks – it draws on research expertise from over 15 Universities and Medical Research institutes, their affiliated public hospitals, State Health Departments, public health authorities, pathology services and the Australian Red Cross Blood Service – to provide a truly national picture and coordinated approach to beating COVID-19.



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