

Media release

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The new Deane's Transit Group – Making life easier for you.



Public transport for the Canberra and Southern New South Wales region is set for change with the newly established Deane's Transit Group. The new group identity brings together Deane's Buslines Capital Region, Deane's Buslines South Coast, AirLiner, Transborder Express, and Lever Coachlines. The group will become the largest provider of passenger, charter and school bus services in Southern New South Wales, including Queanbeyan, Canberra, Yass, Bega, Merimbula and Eden.

With a combined fleet of 120 modern city, school and charter buses and coaches operating out of four bus depots, the Deane's Transit Group will employ a professional group of 160 staff including drivers, maintenance crews and office personnel.

Whilst continuing to provide award winning quality public transport, The Deane's Transit Group will introduce public transport initiatives that benefit the community by listening to customers travel needs, and implement where possible bus and coach services to enable people to get where they want to go quicker and easier.

The new Deane's Transit Group motto will be "making life easier" and summarizes the groups new objectives to make public transport quick, comfortable and environmentally friendly for all its customers.

Deane's Buslines has enjoyed its standing as an innovative leader in the New South Wales bus industry and will ensure a high focus is maintained on customer service and safety across all services it plans and operates.

Group General Manager Steve Bushby said "Deane's Transit Group was born following the purchase of Transborder Express by the Deane family who already own and operate Deane's Buslines in Queanbeyan and the South Coast. The purchase of Transborder Express will allow us to review our current services and create cross regional bus travel throughout the region linking Queanbeyan, Canberra, Yass, Braidwood, Bungendore, the Snowy Mountains and the South Coast".

"Deane's Transit Group will give us the ability to become a one stop shop offering comprehensive route and school services. We will continue to increase our standing as the regions premier coach company with a wide range of coach and tourist services as well as transfer and charter capabilities from small groups to very large and complex movements" Mr Bushby said.

Deane's Transit Group comprises an extensive selection of bus and coach fleet which under its Fleet Replacement Program includes older vehicles being replaced with comfortable air-conditioned low floor accessible state of the

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art Euro 4 low diesel emission vehicles which will reduce the company's impact on the environment.

Deane's Transit Group will be launched by Member for Monaro Steve Whan MP on Wednesday, October 15, 2008 at 10:30am at Kamberra Wines Devine Function Centre Lyneham.

The launch will co-inside with the promotion of the "Pink Ribbon Bus" which is a joint initiative of the Deane's Transit Group and National Breast Cancer Foundation to support breast cancer in the community. Any charter that the "Pink Ribbon Bus" will make will equate to a donation from the Deane's Transit Group of \$10 to the National Breast Council Foundation.

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