

AIRLINES



CANBERRA AIRPORT CHAIRMAN TERRY SNOW WITH SINGAPORE AIRLINES CEO GOH CHOON PHONG AND ACT CHIEF MINISTER ANDREW BARR AT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF DIRECT INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS FOR CANBERRA AIRPORT.

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## CAPITAL EXPRESS CONNECTS CANBERRA TO THE WORLD

SINGAPORE AIRLINES BRINGS DIRECT  
INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS TO CANBERRA

Singapore Airlines will be the first international airline to operate regular international flights from Canberra starting September.

The new Capital Express route will provide two direct international destination options with flight SQ292/291 operating Canberra-Singapore and Canberra-Wellington.

Singapore Airlines CEO, Mr Goh Choon Phong, said the new service linking Singapore, Canberra and Wellington reflects the close ties between the three countries.

"We are excited about the prospects for our new 'Capital Express' route, which we are confident will appeal to leisure, government and corporate travellers," he said.

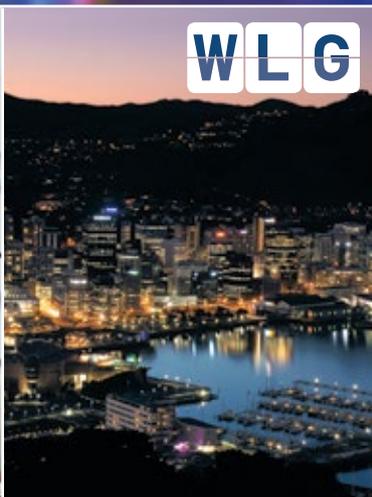
"We are especially pleased to be bringing more convenient travel options to customers with Canberra's first regularly scheduled international flights and the first non-stop links between the capitals of Australia and New Zealand."

Since it was purchased in 1998 Capital Airport Group has invested more than \$2 billion in facilities at Canberra Airport, investments that

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SINGAPORE AIRLINES WILL OPERATE 266-SEAT BOEING 777-200 TO AND FROM CANBERRA.

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will help it make history on 21 September when it welcomes the first Singapore Airlines flight.

Canberra Airport Chairman, Mr Terry Snow AM, said the decision by Singapore Airlines to begin operations was justification of the long-term vision that Canberra Airport has had for many years.

"From day one, my family set about creating a world-class gateway for the national capital. As long-term locals committed to the prosperity of the capital region, our campaign to see Canberra become linked directly to the rest of the world has been constant," said Mr Snow.

"We have worked closely with the ACT Government and VisitCanberra, and particularly Chief Minister Andrew Barr, who over many years has been unwavering in his passion and support for our quest to gain direct international flights.

"I can think of no better partner than Singapore Airlines with its reputation for quality and excellence to be the first to set Canberra Airport on this historic course."

## SINGAPORE

### A THRILLING HUB OF ACTIVITY

With world class cuisine, shopping, festivals and attractions, Singapore has something for everyone. Nature lovers, culture buffs and thrill-seekers can experience a range of leisure options on the island. Whether it's the festive celebration of Chinese New Year or the roar of Formula 1 motorsport, there's always a vibrant festival or event happening in Singapore. The melding of Singapore's rich tapestry of cultures into a harmonious collective is the country's biggest attraction.

## WELLINGTON

### A HAVEN OF CULTURE AND CUISINE

New Zealand's capital is known for its vibrant arts scene, world class café and restaurant culture, and active outdoor lifestyle. Set around an attractive waterfront, the city's outdoor playground can be explored by bike, foot, boat or train. Visitors to Wellington can enjoy interactive museums, theatres and galleries, boutiques and markets. Dubbed the culinary capital of New Zealand, Wellington was also named as one of the world's top 8 coffee cities by CNN.

# SINGAPORE AIRLINES FLIGHTS ON SALE

## EIGHT SERVICES WEEKLY TO WELLINGTON AND SINGAPORE

Tickets for the new Capital Express service are now on sale with economy class fares starting from \$650 all-inclusive for Canberra-Singapore return and \$469 all-inclusive for Canberra-Wellington return. Business class fares start from \$3,166 all-inclusive for Canberra-Singapore return and \$1,450 all-inclusive for Canberra-Wellington return.

Singapore Airlines' Alliance partner Virgin Australia will codeshare on flights between Canberra and Singapore, providing Virgin Australia customers with greater access to Singapore, Asia and Europe.

The new Canberra service will add to Singapore Airlines' already extensive Australian network. The airline's Australian network currently includes flights between Singapore and Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney.

Singapore Airlines' new Wellington services will complement existing services between Singapore and both Auckland and Christchurch, and come in a year in which it celebrates its 40th and 30th anniversaries serving the cities, respectively.

Singapore Airlines also has an extensive partnership with Air New Zealand.

The Capital Express service will be operated with 266-seat Boeing 777-200, fitted with 38 Business Class seats and 228 Economy Class seats.

To book your seat on the Capital Express go to [www.singaporeair.com](http://www.singaporeair.com)

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DIRECT FLIGHTS TO SINGAPORE AND NEW ZEALAND

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CANBERRA AIRPORT MANAGING DIRECTOR STEPHEN BYRON, THEN MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INVESTMENT ANDREW ROBB AND ACT CHIEF MINISTER ANDREW BARR AT THE CANBERRA REGION INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT SYMPOSIUM

## CANBERRA REGION GETS SERIOUS ABOUT INTERNATIONAL AIR FREIGHT

### SYMPOSIUM HIGHLIGHTS NEW EXPORT AND TRADE OPPORTUNITIES

Hot on the heels of the Singapore Airlines' announcement of direct international flights to and from Singapore and Wellington, Canberra Airport held an international freight symposium in February to discuss trade and export opportunities arising from direct air access to Asia and New Zealand.

Designed to get producers and industries, for whom Canberra Airport is the closest port, thinking about what they need to do to capitalise on the freight capacity of direct international flights link. The one-day air freight symposium also covered free trade agreements, the economic outlook for exports, access to Canberra Airport, and opportunities for regional collaboration.

A range of speakers included Minister for Trade and Investment Andrew Robb, ACT Chief Minister Andrew Barr, NSW Minister for Transport and Infrastructure Andrew Constance, representatives of Regional Development Australia and the Canberra Region Joint Organisation, air cargo and aviation experts.

Participants were also treated to export case studies from successful enterprises including the Australian Asparagus Council, Australia's Oyster Coast, Caernarvon Cherry Co and Pialligo Estate.

Almost 150 people from across central and southern NSW and the ACT attended the forum, considering opportunities and exchanging ideas and contacts.

The proceedings of the symposium are available on the Canberra Airport website at [www.canberraairport.com.au/freight](http://www.canberraairport.com.au/freight)



## MAJURA PARK SET TO WELCOME ALDI

### ESTABLISHING CANBERRA'S FRESH FOOD SHOPPING DESTINATION OF CHOICE

Majura Park Shopping Centre will welcome global supermarket chain Aldi this year, strengthening the centre's fresh food offering and overall retail mix.

The German discount retailer joins existing retailers Costco and Woolworths, establishing Majura Park as Canberra's fresh food shopping destination of choice.

The new store will be approximately 1600 sqm and situated between Big W and Toys "R" Us. Work commenced on the fit out in February and the store is expected to open by September.

Canberra Airport Head of Property, Richard Snow said Majura Park Shopping Centre had just delivered its best year yet for foot traffic and sales.

"Building on this momentum, the introduction of Aldi will bring another major international retailer to Majura Park, enhancing the offer and allowing us to remodel the southern area of the shopping centre to improve customer experience, external activation and vibrancy," he said.

To find out more go to [www.majuraparkshopping.com.au](http://www.majuraparkshopping.com.au)



CANBERRA AIRPORT MANAGING DIRECTOR STEPHEN BYRON WITH CHIEF OF DEFENCE FORCE AIR CHIEF MARSHAL MARK BINSKIN AT THE BRINDABELLA BUSINESS PARK SHOW AND SHINE.

## THE LONG RIDE TO A CURE

### CANBERRA AIRPORT PARTNERS WITH DEFENCE FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Canberra Airport is partnering with the Australian Defence Force in support of The Long Ride 2016 to raise awareness of prostate cancer.

The Long Ride will leave from Canberra Airport on April 8 with participants from all states and territories riding across the Nullarbor and finishing in Margaret River WA on April 16.

Funds raised will be donated to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia to continue research to find a cure.

Fundraising for The Long Ride kicked off in November 2015 with a Show and Shine at Brindabella Business Park.

Canberra Airport Managing Director Stephen Byron said The Long Ride helped start a conversation about prostate cancer.

"Canberra Airport is proud to support this important Australian Defence Force initiative and help raise awareness of prostate cancer, which is the most common cancer diagnosed in Australia," he said.

To find out more or donate to The Long Ride go to [www.pcfundraising.org.au/event/TheLongRide2016](http://www.pcfundraising.org.au/event/TheLongRide2016)



THE QUEST TO RID AUSTRALASIA OF RHEUMATIC HEART DISEASE

## TAKE HEART WINS 9 AWARDS



### THE SNOW FOUNDATION HELPS INDIGENOUS CHILDREN THROUGH GLOBALLY RECOGNISED FILM

A documentary supported by the Snow Foundation on the plight of Indigenous children with Rheumatic Heart Disease (RHD) has won nine awards at the prestigious Global Independent Film Awards.

*Take Heart: The Quest to Rid Australasia of Rheumatic Heart Disease* is a communications initiative designed to educate at-risk communities and health professionals and elevate RHD as a public health priority. It comprises a one-hour feature film, 14 short films, an action toolkit, two smart phone apps, a website, social media, touring films and photography exhibitions.

An estimated 6000 Indigenous young people in northern Australia are living with rheumatic heart disease, or have had acute rheumatic fever which can cause fibrosis of heart valves, leading to crippling valvular heart disease, heart failure and death.

Snow Foundation CEO Georgina Byron said: "We supported Take Heart to help increase awareness of RHD.

"It is shocking to have this condition prevalent in Australia today, when it is 100% preventable through simple administration of penicillin, and we are proud to be helping communities, health professionals, researchers and government work together to address this disease."

Take Heart premieres nationally in March. To find out more go to [www.takeheart.tv](http://www.takeheart.tv)

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