



2024 LBRCA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

23-24 FEBRUARY 2024
THE RANGE, WAGGA WAGGA



WELCOME TO WAGGA WAGGA

We invite you to attend the 2024 Livestock Bulk and Rural Carriers Association Annual Conference, being held on 23-24 February at The Range Function Centre in Wagga Wagga.

With over 250 attendees and 30 exhibitors, this conference promises to pack exceptional value into 2 days - including sessions featuring inspiring, informative, and insightful keynote speakers and an exhibit hall packed with products and solutions that will increase your effectiveness.

Over the past 12-18 months, the LBRCA has been tackling some of the hard issues such as improving road train access, increasing of participation in the Farm Gate Access Network, reducing the cost of doing business in NSW, enforcing the primary producer registration concession in NSW, and addressing an ageing workforce, inadequate licencing regulations and overall driver shortages, just to mention a few.

We will address these challenges as well as provide you with advice and guidance on financial and succession planning and reducing the cost of doing your transport business in NSW.

LBRCA conferences are also a big hit for their friendly social events. We have organised excellent entertainment including an Australian Country Music Golden Guitar winner, speed painter, livestock trailer conversion challenge as well as a social round of Clay Target Shooting. There is also a chance to win a prize package to the value of \$2,500 as part of our 'Sponsor Passport' initiative.

The weekend will conclude with our Saturday night Blue-Ribbon Gala dinner that includes a three-course dinner, entertainment, and the not-to-be-missed industry auction. So why not take the weekend and make the investment to come along to your association conference? ***I know you won't regret it!***

I look forward to seeing you there.



Wade Lewis
LBRCA President



HOST CITY - WAGGA WAGGA

Wagga Wagga is nestled on the banks of the Murrumbidgee River and is the largest regional city in NSW. In 1965 Council adopted a city flag, at the time it negotiated a "Coat of Arms" through the College of Arms in London. The flag was designed by Mr H Ellis Tomlinson, MA, FHS.



The stalks of wheat and other motifs incorporated in the design were suggested by Council. The design of the city flag was taken from the central motif of the shield of the Coat of Arms, with the design being made square.

The name "Wagga" is derived from the **local Wiradjuri Aboriginal language**. It is widely accepted that "Wagga" means "crow" and to create the plural, the Wiradjuri people repeat the word. Therefore, Wagga Wagga translates as 'the place of many crows'.

The Chiko Roll made its first appearance at the Wagga Wagga Show in 1951. It was inspired by the Chinese spring roll and was designed to be eaten with one hand whilst drinking a beer with the other.

VENUE/S

Date	Event/s	Address
Friday 23 February 2024 9.00am – 11.00pm	All events (Excluding Partners Program)	The Range Function Centre 308 Copland Street, East Wagga
Saturday 24 February 2024 9.00am - 4.00pm	Saturday Conference (Excluding Partners Program)	The Range Function Centre 308 Copland Street, East Wagga
Saturday 24 February 2024 6.30pm - 11.00pm	Saturday Blue Ribbon Gala Dinner	Wagga Wagga RSL Club Kincaid & Dobbs Street, Wagga

The Range is located at the Australian Clay Target Association's National Grounds in Wagga Wagga and is a state-of-the-art facility able to host events for up to 1200 people.

The venue incorporates a café, fully licenced bar, ample heavy vehicle and equipment display space and a verandah over the southside of the building that overlooks the shooting traps.

The Wagga RSL Club has recently been renovated and includes state-of-the-art décor perfect for hosting our Gala dinner.

Guests will enjoy canapes and beverages upon arrival before enjoying a three-course fine-dining experience coupled and show-class evening entertainment.



ACCOMMODATION

LBRCA has arranged special conference pricing for delegates:

► Wagga Wagga RSL Club Motel

Located at the Wagga RSL Club, guests have access to all of the Club's restaurants, entertainment and conference facilities. The Wagga RSL Motel offers 4.5 star quality accommodation, outstanding service and recently renovated rooms with stylish décor. Easy access to the Club gives you the option to charge back to your room.

Standard single rate including breakfast	\$169
Standard twin or couple rate including breakfast	\$189
Apartments including breakfast	\$350

Please reserve directly with Wagga RSL Motel on 1300 79 70 79 and mention 'LBRCA' to receive the special rate.

► Mercure Wagga Wagga

The Mercure Wagga Wagga is a 4 star motel located in the heart of the city. 86 guestrooms are available and all feature a minibar, pillowtop bed, complimentary wireless internet access, free parking, and complimentary toiletries. There is an outdoor pool, concierge services as well as a fully licenced restaurant and bar that serves breakfast as well.

Standard room (excluding breakfast)	\$179
Breakfast pp	\$ 15

Please reserve directly with Mercure Wagga Wagga on 02 6939 7200 and mention 'LBRCA' to receive the special rate.



CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

FOCUSSED CONTENT AND SPEAKERS

Our 2024 conference program content is focussed on the issues that matter most to our members, and we've matched our program with relevant speakers and decision-makers!

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLAY TARGET SHOOTING

Fancy yourself to be a good shot, or just want to give clay target shooting a go for fun, now is your chance!

FRIDAY DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT

Come dressed in your best 'Cowboys & Cowgirls' get-up and enjoy a scrumptious dinner before dancing the evening away with quality Australian country music entertainment.

LIVESTOCK TRAILER CONVERSION CHALLENGE

Put your skills to action to compete for the title of Champion Livestock Trailer Converter in our conversion challenge.

SPONSOR PASSPORT INITIATIVE

Fancy taking home a prize package to the value of \$2,500? Get involved in our Sponsor Passport challenge.

SATURDAY GALA DINNER, AUCTION AND ENTERTAINMENT

Delegates can be assured our Saturday evening three-course fine dining experience, auction and surprise entertainment will not disappoint and will be a highlight of the three-day event. Saturday night Gala dinners acknowledge our Blue-Ribbon sponsors who provide year-round support to our Association to ensure we continue to provide you and your business with the best service possible.

INDUSTRY AUCTION

In the market for a new King Bars bull bar, a new ICEPACK, or some merchandise? Maybe you're in the market for some tyres or a gift for somebody else. Whatever it is you are after, look no further! You are sure to find what you are looking for in our industry auction.



ENTERTAINMENT



FRIDAY

Travis Sinclair - Musician

Travis Sinclair is one of Australia's most prominent male country music artists – with a string of Number one radio hits, awards and album sales he has established himself as an independent powerhouse in the industry.

Travis has become a fan favourite all over Australia and if you ask any of them why, you'll most likely get the same response: he's relatable. He is real, he is country and he sings about what he knows – and has built an impressive career out of doing so.

Travis was raised in a tiny highway town called 'Springhurst' in north east Victoria. Growing up as a Sinclair meant 22 wheels, country music and a daily injection of dieseline. His family has been in the transport industry for some 80 years so it was natural that he would follow, but his love for country music has always been strong and the desire to perform grew day by day.

After encouragement from the likes of Tania Kernaghan, he started playing gigs locally and interstate. Travis attended the Australian Country Music College in 2000, released his debut album 'rythm of the highway' in 2001 and he was honored to be chosen to tour Australia with "The Man From Snowy River Arena Spectacular" as understudy to Lee Kernaghan for ten weeks in 2002. In 2003 he became a Golden Guitar winner for 'best new talent'. Since then he has released three studio albums in total (Rush – 2005, Diesel boy 2011) and is currently writing for a new release. Grab your boots and get ready for a night of cowboys, cowgirls and country. This is a night not to miss!



SATURDAY

Sarah Rohan - Speed Painter

Sarah Rowan is an artist and thought leader who empowers individuals and organisations to ignite a better future through creativity.

As one of Australia's top-speed painters, she has lived and breathed the dynamic process of transformation for over 20 years, turning blank walls and canvasses into thought-provoking pieces of art, with limited time and often in front of a live audience. Merging her artistic talent with her passion for public speaking, Sarah has reimagined the role of the artist, pushing the boundaries of a studio-based pursuit into a trail-blazing performance genre that challenges the limitations of time and space. Take a seat, sit back and watch Sarah bring three blank canvasses to life.



PARTNERS PROGRAM

The 2024 Partners Program is packed full of lots of things to see and do as we visit the local attractions in Wagga and Coolamon.

Suzie Congram and Jenny Haslem will host our partners over the two days that includes lunches, winery tours, cheese tasting and two hands-on activities including making your own pottery chook and your own macramé clothes hanger.

FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2024

8.30am	Pick up hotels
9.00am	Best Art Studios – pottery activity
11.00am	Coolamon Cheese Factory
12.00pm	Lunch in Coolamon
2.30pm	Old n Dazed Wagga
3.30pm	Return to hotels

SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2024

8.45am	Depart Mercure/Wagga Wagga RSL Club Motel
9.00am	Creative Corner – macramé
11.30pm	Carlo's Café Wagga Lunch
1.00pm	Charles Sturt Winery – wine tasting and platters
4.00pm	Return to hotels

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2024

Minister Keynote

Tackling Driver Shortages

Heavy Vehicle Rollover Awareness Program Launch

Attitude and Enforcement session

Chain of Responsibility in the Livestock Industry panel

Breaking Down the Barriers in Bulk Transport

Telematics and Technology Session

Livestock Trailer Conversion Challenge

Clay Target Shooting (social activity)

Supplier Exhibition

Friday Night Happy Hour

Freightliner Friday Night Dinner and Entertainment

SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2024

Financial Planning and Succession Planning

'Fix My Truckin Issue' Launch

Reducing the cost of doing HV business in NSW

Fireside chat - NHVR Prosecutions

Supplier Exhibition

LBRCA Annual General Meeting

Blue Ribbon Gala Dinner, Entertainment, and Industry Auction
