



## DEAR NEIGHBOUR

ARTC employs more than 500 people across the Hunter Valley and Central North West NSW, most of whom live locally. This means we understand local issues and take our role as a member of the community very seriously. We are committed to making a positive contribution across the region, from working 24/7 to keep people and goods moving, to managing the impact of our work on our nearest neighbours, to sponsoring local community groups.

ARTC and our region are already gearing up for another big year in 2024. With drier conditions expected after several wet years, we are all facing different challenges. For us, this may mean at times you will see us scheduling our works slightly differently or see some changes at our worksites to manage certain risks that the drier conditions present. If you ever have questions about our work, you can call or email our Enviroline team on 1300 550 402 or [enviroline@artc.com.au](mailto:enviroline@artc.com.au).

**Clinton Crump, Acting Group Executive - Hunter Valley Network, ARTC**

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## DAY/NIGHT TRACK WORK

2024

## JANUARY

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## FEBRUARY

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## DECEMBER

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**PLEASE NOTE** Highlighted dates indicate where parts of the rail network will not be operating due to track work.

## RAIL GRINDER AND TRACK MACHINE 6-MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Track machines are an essential part of our maintenance works, which operate 24 hours a day, most days of the year. This includes planned maintenance periods. It can be difficult to predict the exact location ahead of time, however we have included our planned program of upcoming track machine work to provide you notice of where they are expected to be in the coming months.

For detailed information on track machine activity visit [www.artc.com.au/events/](http://www.artc.com.au/events/)

LOCATION	JANUARY			FEBRUARY			MARCH			APRIL			MAY			JUNE		
	Early	Mid	Late	Early	Mid	Late	Early	Mid	Late	Early	Mid	Late	Early	Mid	Late	Early	Mid	Late
Islington to Sandgate				✓				✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
Sandgate to Maitland				✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
Maitland to Muswellbrook	✓			✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓			
Muswellbrook to Werris Creek	✓			✓	✓					✓			✓	✓	✓			
Werris Creek to Gunnedah	✓			✓						✓					✓			
Gunnedah to Narrabri	✓			✓						✓					✓			
Muswellbrook to Ulan	✓			✓						✓					✓			



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# Supporting our communities

Each year, ARTC Hunter Valley gives more than \$50,000 to community groups and charities across the region, ranging from local sporting teams to women's refuges and hospitals. Each of our provisioning centres chooses local causes that resonate with staff and which align with our values of safety, inclusion, diversity and wellbeing.

Pictured here are two of the Binnaway Bombshells rugby league team, showing off their 2023 season jerseys.

Guidelines and applications for 2024/25 funding will be available soon – keep an eye on our social media and website for updates.



## A visit from our future farmers

When we heard about the students of Hermidale Primary School in central NSW growing and selling their own wheat crop, we wanted to show them how their grain travelled to the Port of Newcastle for export.

We invited the school's 15 students and three teachers to visit our Network Control Centre in Newcastle for a rare glimpse into how the rail network is managed and to follow the journey their wheat took from Hermidale to the world.

The students watched our Network Controllers managing train movements across the Hunter Valley and Central North West, and plotted the route their grain took from Narromine to the port. We also talked about why we need to always 'stop, look and listen' at level crossings. Remember, it can take a train up to two kilometres to stop – which is the length of the Hermidale Public School cross country course!

## Steamfest 2024

Steamfest is just around the corner again! Returning to Maitland on 13 and 14 April, Steamfest 2024 is already shaping up to be another epic weekend of trains, vintage machinery, food, music and fun for all.

ARTC will be back on the Rally Ground, with live demonstrations, free activities and a return of the colouring competition, which had over 500 entrants last year! Our Network Control team will also return to the Station Precinct, to give you a sneak peak into how we operate the Hunter Valley rail network.

More information will be available at [steamfest.com.au](http://steamfest.com.au) and through Maitland Council in the coming months.



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