

From The North, follow this lot;

From Mudgee make your way thru Capertee &, Blackmans Flat to 2nd Lidsdale Turn. Now take the direction notes from the (*) marking of the Coast, Metro directions over the page.

From The South-West, follow this lot;

You basically have three alternatives.

Alt. 1). Make your way thru to Cowra, then onto Bathurst and follow the “From The West” direction below. This offers sealed highways and is a suitable choice should the other alternatives not interest you.

Alt. 2). Goulburn, Crookwell, Binda, Tuena, Trunkey, Caloola, Bathurst and then follow the “From The West” direction below. Having travelled this route in Dec 2007 I can advise there is approx. 30-40km of unsealed surface that was corrugated and tight in places. It’s not my preferred route when towing.

Alt 3). Goulburn, Taralga, Black Springs, Oberon, Bathurst and then follow the “From The West” direction below. This would be my preferred route, as it is all sealed now. Before you elect this route you need to be aware there is a sign along the route advising it is not suitable for caravans. The sign relates to the very steep descent into the Abercrombie River and the equally very steep ascent out the other side. To negotiate this section requires 1st gear, so as you are in control both descending and ascending, so don’t mess around with the gear lever, put it in 1st and leave it there so you don’t miss a gear and grind to a stop or worse, bolt. If you have an Auto, select “L” for Low.

From The West, follow this lot;

Proceed thru Bathurst over the Macquarie River, thru Kelso and continue along the Great Western Highway 47km towards Lithgow. Once you cross the Cox’s River ascend Tunnel Hill a further 2km, staying in the left lane, as once you level off at the top you’ll take a left hand turn towards Mudgee via - 86. There is an RTA directional sign clearly indicating that Mudgee is to the left. Once you turn left there is another left turn to Mudgee again, clearly signed via-86.

Once you take the second left turn, reset your trip meter immediately.

Now take the direction notes from the ** marking of the Coast, Metro directions over the page.



1st Left Turn at top of Tunnel Hill



2nd Left Turn onto Mudgee Rd.
All Reset Trip Meter At This Point.

From The Coast, Metro Area’s, follow this lot;

From the Coast/Metro areas head over the Blue Mountains thru Katoomba, Blackheath down Mt. Vic. Pass thru Little Hartley, Hartley Valley and Lithgow towards Bathurst. Approx. 5.5km after McDonalds Lithgow you’ll cross a bridge and on your left are 2 old rail bridges. Immediately after this you’ll notice RTA directional signs to Bathurst via-32 or Mudgee via-86 as you begin to ascend Tunnel Hill. Be in the left lane as 1km beyond the bridges you’ll utilise the Left Exit to Mudgee. Once you have taken the exit you’ll pass over the Great Western Highway where you’ll notice a road coming in on your Left.

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1st Notice to Mudgee Exit



2nd Notice of Mudgee Exit.



3rd Notice & Exit you must use.

Reset your trip meter immediately at this point located in right image above.

This is the road the couples from the west will come in on.

** Proceed towards Mudgee on the Castlereagh Highway - 86 for 3.9km until you come to the right hand turn into Lidsdale and the Wollemi National Park.

Once you take the right turn, reset your trip meter immediately.

(*If you came from the North, **Turn Left and reset trip meter Immediately.**



Right Turn towards Lidsdale.

Proceed along this road, Wolgan Valley Road a further 0.7km to a “Y” Junction in the road.

At the “Y” junction, pictured on the right you need to proceed straight ahead, keeping the Pirtex Building on your left.



Proceed Straight Ahead at this point.

At 2km on your trip meter you should reach an 80km/h sign. Proceed straight on.

At 5.2km you’ll have reached Angus Place Colliery.

At 7.8km you’ll have reached the Garbage Tip

At 8.5km you’ll come to a minor “Y” junction. Proceed straight on via the left fork, remaining on the sealed road.

At 9.1km you’ll have reached the **Emirates Wolgan Valley** sign.

Take notice of the sign and tune to **channel 3 on your UHF** so you are notified of any truck movements ahead.

There is no mobile phone coverage beyond this point either.



At 9.5km you’ll have reached the beginning of Wolgan Pass, a steep and narrow descent into the valley below.

I suggest you pull off to the clearing on the right, turn your vehicle off, step out and look down into the valley and listen carefully for ascending vehicles. If you hear anything, just stop and wait until it arrives and departs. If you have a UHF radio, call ahead to be sure you don’t meet a truck along the way down. Be sure you are on channel 3 and then call

“Wolgan Valley Pass, Wolgan Valley Pass, Vehicle and Caravan Descending.” Any other vehicle with a radio will hopefully reply, working in with you. If all clear, begin your descent utilising low gear and your vehicles engine braking.



Clearing at top of Wolgan Pass.

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At 12km the gravel road begins and lasts for a further 22.5km to Newnes. It is narrow and corrugated in places so practice extreme care whilst braking etc. so as not to skid into a nasty predicament. If you have 4WD, engage it & don't forget to pop your pressure hatch in the van to keep the dust outside. Obviously, if it's raining, leave it closed.

At 15.9km you'll pass by the home of members, Doug & Sue Coates on the left. Be sure to thank Doug for the fire wood when you're cosy by a fire in the cool of the night.

At 16.2km there is a narrow bridge, approach slowly.

At 26.6km you'll have reached the site of the Emirates Resort, a multi million dollar resort all the way out here. Proceed straight on by and cross the ford. From this point On, the road narrows and is less maintained.

At 28.7km you'll reach and pass by a National Parks sign "Wollemi National Park" on the left.

At 34.4km you'll have reached our camp site. It is on the right side of the road.

On foot, proceed to the old Hotel. It is now the Kiosk and Office where you'll meet Thomas, the owner of our camp area.

He is the chap we all need to keep on side of. To do this, **do not** put chemicals in his toilets.



Gravel Road in the Valley.



Our Camp Site for the weekend.



The Old Hotel, Kiosk-Office-Museum



Your ensuite for the weekend.