

AROUND THE GROUNDS

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Wow. Sydney Showground is really living up to its reputation of hosting Big Events & providing Big Experiences. After the recent success of the mammoth Caravan Camping Outdoor Lifestyle Expo 2018, it is now that marks the beginning of the busiest ever event period outside of our world famous Royal Easter Show.

This event period highlights all of the major activities inside Spotless Stadium making the 'Spring Summer Series -Spotless Stadium' the perfect venue for all spectators. This event period is worth watching with its varied national and international events.

We also welcome back a few major corporate clients for the third successive year for their 1,500 pax national conference and gala dinners. Our Pop-Up Christmas Carnival is back bigger and better than ever with some great new corporate companies. We will also be plating up over 50,000 meals for the competitors, their friends and family as Sydney Showground becomes 'Invictus House' for the Invictus Games. That's a lot of food and festivity!

It never ceases to amaze me the variety and complexity of events that we manage at Sydney Showground. This is a testament to our team to be able to deliver these events on behalf of our valued clients.

It is nice to see this recognition through our latest nomination - 'Best Achievement in Venue Management' at the forthcoming Australian Event Awards.

SPRING SUMMER SERIES - SPOTLESS STADIUM

As summer approaches, Australia's best boutique stadium will be sizzling this season with a jam-packed calendar of events offering something for everyone.













YOU GOT THIS



Within Sydney Olympic Park there are over 45 different food and beverage options, including, Thai, Vietnamese, Modern Australian, Ribs and Burgers, coffee shops, bars and a variety of fast food outlets.

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Experience the world's biggest and best action sports competition on the planet! See the world's biggest names compete for X Games Gold in Skateboarding, BMX and Moto X, plus the X Fest festival experience with live music, activations, giveaways and more!	19 – 21 October 2018
This two-day Irish extravaganza will play host to the exhilarating Irish national game of Hurling, headlining musical acts, an array of bars, food outlets, stalls and amusement rides. The festivity continues with traditional Irish dance performances, hurling clinics and plenty of family friendly activities right across the weekend.	10 - 11 November 2018
Australia's biggest RNB Party is coming to Spotless Stadium. Watch this amazing line- up perform all their hits on one stage. Usher, Lil Jon, Salt n Pepa, T-Pain, Trey Songz, Eve, Naughty by Nature, Ginuwine, Estelle, Next, Hosted by Fatman Scoop, Plus DJ Horizon and Yo! Mafia.	17 November 2018
Playing for pride and playing with passion, come cheer on the Western Sydney Wanderers as they take on their opponents in the 2018/2019 Hyundai A-League	23 November 2018 7 December 2018 9 February 2019 24 February 2019
Join the Thunder Nation for all the excitement of the 2018/2019 KFC Big Bash League. Big hits, big scores and big entertainment!	24 December 2018 2 January 2019 8 January 2019 13 January 2019 22 January 2019
Sydney 7s is the ultimate weekend experience. Three days of high energy entertainment, live music and amazing rugby that is unrivaled in any sporting arena.	1 – 3 February 2019
This will be the biggest show in Nitro Circus history, as the best in FMX, BMX and Skate push themselves to their absolute limits on the biggest ramps in action sports. Adding to the fear factor, in true Nitro Circus style, You Got This will feature a host of new crazy contraptions that have no business flying through the air	16 February 2019

UPCOMING **EVENTS**

X Games Australia 2018 19 October – 21 October 2018

Cheer & Dance Nationals -November 2018 2 November 4 November 2018

Special Edition Pregnancy Babies & Children's Expo 2018 10 November – 11 November 2018

The 2018 Sydney Irish Festival 10 November – 11 November 2018

RNB Fridays Live 2018 17 November 2018

Hyundai A-League - Round 5 Western Sydney Wanderers v Newcastle Jets 23 November 2018

Knockout - Games of Destiny 2018 8 December 2018

Hot Import Nights 2018 15 December 2018

BBL08 -Sydney Thunder v Sydney Sixers 24 December 2018

BBL08 -Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers 2 January 2019

BBL08 -Sydney Thunder v Brisbane Heat 8 January 2019

BBL08 Sydney Thunder v Adelaide Strikers 13 January 2019

BBL08 -Sydney Thunder v Melbourne Renegades 22 January 2019

HSBC Sydney 7s 2019 1 February -3 February 2019

World Travel Expo 2019 2 February -3 February 2019

Hyundai A-League - Round 18 Western Sydney Wanderers v **Central Coast Mariners** 9 February 2019

Nitro Circus Live 2019 16 February 2019

- Round 20 Western Sydney Wanderers v Perth Glory 24 February 2019

Sydney Royal Easter Show 12 April –

SYDNEY SHOWGROUND NOMINATED FOR BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN VENUE MANAGEMENT

Sydney Showground are a finalist for 'Best Achievement in Venue Management' at the forthcoming Australian Event Awards, to be held at the Novotel Twin Waters on the 21 November 2018.

The nomination highlights Sydney Showground's commitment to excellence and our customers. The submission involved a variety of consumer and corporate events run between July 2017 and June 2018. Thank you to all our clients and suppliers that make these nominations possible.





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- but fun!

- Talkative.
- Ben Affleck.

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Sydney Showground's Pop-Up Christmas Carnival will

run from Saturday 24 November – 9 December for

private bookings. With over 80% of last year's clients

rebooking and over 4,000 people due to attend this

year's carnival. We only have a limited number of

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24 NOVEMBER - 9 DECEMBER 2018

This year's offering will be bigger and better

food and beverage. To find out more

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click here or contact our sales team on

with unlimited carnival rides and our award winning

POP-UP CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL – LAST CHANCE

Hyundai A-League

23 April 2019

5 MINUTES WITH... **DWANE GOODMAN** HEAD OF CATERING AND **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

1. HOW DID YOU BECOME INTERESTED IN CATERING AND **CUSTOMER SERVICE?**

I'm a chef by trade but made the switch to front of house about 8 years ago. As much as I love food I always felt there was more to events and catering than cooking and I wanted to broaden my horizons. Once I started on the front of house path I felt it was the best decision I have ever made. I love being out of the kitchen and looking at our business holistically, but having that formal cooking training behind me has given me great confidence to make sound decisions for the department

2. WHY DO YOU ENJOY WORKING AT SYDNEY SHOWGROUND?

No two days are the same, no two clients are the same and we get to work on some incredible events. We get to create custom events and menus for a lot of our clients, working on concepts that are outside the box and interesting. We have access to all of the best produce in the country and the ability to deal directly with our primary producers. I also get to work with a fantastic team of people who make the workforce not only interesting

3. WHAT IS THE MOST CHALLENGING PART OF YOUR JOB? Managing the teams and the customers' expectations all at the same time, it's a balancing act.

4. WHAT WAS YOUR VERY FIRST JOB? Bakers assistant, mostly icing doughnuts.

5. HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN ONE WORD?

6. WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES OUTSIDE OF WORK? Anything to do with sport and the family.

7. WHO WOULD PLAY YOU IN A MOVIE ABOUT YOUR LIFE?