

BEACH VOLLEYBALL STADIUM, BONDI BEACH

Client
Olympic Coordination
Authority

Location
Bondi Beach, Sydney

Value
\$15m

Completion
2000



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The Olympic Beach Volleyball Venue was one of the most exciting, and controversial Olympic Overlay projects undertaken.

The \$15m dollar project consisted of a 10,000 seat stadium, a 400 seat grandstand, training and warm-up courts on Bondi Beach, back of house services and facilities in Bondi Park.

The Bondi Beach stadium was the home of beach volleyball at the Sydney 2000 Games with 20 sessions of competition over 10 days.

Construction of the project commenced in March 2000 on the community benefit works to the Bondi Pavilion, and the construction of the main temporary stadium commenced in May 2000. The entire project was completed on time for the Sydney 2000 operations team bump-in during August 2000.

The construction of the grandstand and beach works was carried out in half of the original planned time to honour commitments made by the OCA under a Master Agreement with the local Waverley Council.

The stadium was completely temporary and was dismantled immediately after competition leaving no evidence that it was ever there.

However, the project will leave lasting benefits for the Bondi community in the form of one million dollars of upgrade works to the Bondi Pavilion, including improved accessibility, a lift, and painting. These works were managed concurrently with the temporary overlay works.

The project attracted a high level of media and public interest about its presence on Bondi Beach. APP managed the project through the politics, site conditions and scrutiny and took a proactive role in managing the day to day relations with stakeholders.

The project drew international acclaim for the success of the venue and quality of the project, both functionally and visually as a world class, environmentally sensitive temporary Olympic facility.



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Mr. John Taylor
APP Corporation Pty Ltd
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5 June, 2000

Dear John,

Re: Olympic Beach Volleyball venue

I wish to commend Graham Edmonds, Nick Boyd-Turner and Greg Carmichael for their work in containing the effects of rough seas at the beach volleyball venue at Bondi last week. Their services were beyond the call of duty. Graham's contribution in co-ordinating the project management team during the period is particularly laudable.

Please thank them for efforts under trying circumstances.

Kind regards,



John Barraclough
Executive Director

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