



## Venue Media Information

### 1. Usage at Gold Coast 2018

Badminton

### 2. Location

Nerang-Broadbeach Road, Carrara, Queensland, 4211

The Press and Photographers' Guide contains maps to all venues



### 3. Getting there and transport options

Parking around Games venues is severely restricted. For more information around parking, see the Press and Photographers' Guide.

**Media Load Zone (TM):** TM media transport from the Media Transport Mall is the most convenient and direct way of reaching the venue.



The Media Load Zone is located adjacent to the accredited entry.

**Accredited Media Load Zone (AMD):** Co-located with TM Load Zone on Nerang-Broadbeach Road, adjacent to the accredited entry.

**Taxi stand:** Birmingham Road, Carrara (near Emerald Lakes Golf Club)

**Passenger pick-up:** Birmingham Road, Carrara (Emmanuel College sports field)

**Public transport:**

**Train:** Nerang Railway Station is approximately a 2.6km (30-minute) walk from the venue

**Bus:** 745 to Neringang Railway Station (connect to shuttle to venue)

**Yatala Park 'n' Ride:** Corner of Eastern Service Road and Burnside Road, Yatala, Queensland, 4027

**Helensvale North Park 'n' Ride:** 31-47 Millaroo Drive, Helensvale, Queensland, 4210

**Venue shuttles:**

Nerang Railway Station

Broadbeach South G:link station

Surfers Paradise G:link station (Peninsula Drive)

Visit [Translink.com.au](http://Translink.com.au) for more transport information

Main Press Centre to Carrara Sports and Leisure Centre – around a 15-minute drive - [Click here to view map](#)

#### 4. Dates of competition & medal events

Badminton: April 5-April 15 and six medal events

#### 5. Training venues

**Competition venue:** Media can access training on the competition courts at this venue. Training on the warm-up courts is not accessible to media.

**Standalone training venue:** Oxenford Studios, Entertainment Road, Oxenford, Queensland 4210

Oxenford Studios, as well as being the competition venue for boxing, squash and table tennis, hosts training for badminton.

#### 6. Venue Media Centre (VMC)

Located within the Carrara Precinct, the new Carrara Sports and Leisure Centre hosts the badminton, weightlifting, Para powerlifting and wrestling competitions.

Opening dates/hours:

- 25 March-2 April, Limited services. Request service: media can access venue only for athlete training sessions that are indicated as open to media
- 3 April, 07:00-22:30, non-competition day
- 4 April, 07:00-01:30, non-competition day



- 5 April-6 April, 07:00-01:30, competition day
- 7 April, 07:30-00:00, competition day
- 8 April, 07:30-00:30, competition day
- 9 April, 07:30-01:30, competition day
- 10 April, 07:00-01:30, competition day
- 11 April, 07:00-01:45, competition day
- 12 April-13 April, 08:00-01:30, competition day
- 14 April, 08:30-01:30, competition day
- 15 April, 07:00-01:30, competition day

Each VMC has a Media Lounge with complimentary refreshment station providing tea, coffee and water. Drinking water is provided and press are encouraged to use the sports bottle provided in the press kit.

Press have access to dedicated user-pay catering concessions providing refreshments and meals at the Carrara Precinct. There are always options for press to purchase refreshments and meals inside venues.

### **7. Media Conference Room and Media Opportunity Event Spaces**

Media conferences or opportunities will only be held when there is demand; this will be primarily be after medal ceremonies, but they may take place after any session. Schedules are available in the VMC and on GamesInfo.

A Media Conference Room is available at Carrara Precinct. It's located in the VMC to service the stadium and Carrara Sports and Leisure Centre (athletics, badminton, weightlifting, Para powerlifting, wrestling, ceremonies).

A Media Opportunity Event space is also available at Carrara Sports and Leisure Centre, in addition to the Conference Room located in the VMC at Carrara Precinct.

### **8. Tribune**

Tabled tribunes for press are available. Rate card services to tabled tribunes are labelled and these positions are dedicated to those organisations which have purchased services. Remaining tabled positions are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Accredited press without dedicated Rate Card services cannot reserve tribune positions or label seats.

All tabled tribunes have complimentary Wi-Fi, power and shared TV screens showing the in-venue feed. Basic printed information is available on request. Weather protection is provided at outdoor venues for equipment only.

For some sessions, additional non-tabled press seating is available. All non-tabled press seats have access to Wi-Fi.

### **9. Mixed zone**

There are Mixed Zones at all competition venues. These provide an opportunity for press to interview athletes immediately after competition. A hierarchy is followed in the Mixed Zone, with the rights holding broadcaster taking place ahead of the press.

### **10. Internet/Wi-Fi**

Each VMC has workrooms for press and photographers, which are generally co-located. There is complimentary Wi-Fi throughout workrooms (to protect all network users, free Wi-Fi connections will be limited to 3Mbps).

### **11. Photographers' work areas**

Each VMC is equipped with:

- Help desk for enquiries, information, print and photocopy services and locker allocation



- Shared cabled positions in photo workrooms
- Workspaces with access to power
- Lockers (first-come, first-served basis)
- Printing from personal devices

## 12. Venue facts

\*The venue is part of the Carrara Sports Precinct, incorporating Carrara Stadium.

\*There are two mixed-use indoor halls connected by a pedestrian plaza.

\*The venue's previous incarnation as Carrara Indoor Stadium had the nickname 'The Greenhouse', due to its high temperatures, even in winter.

\*Was the home of former National Basketball League team the Gold Coast Rollers, who played there from 1990 to 1996.

\*Regularly used for soccer, basketball, figure skating and other exhibitions and functions.

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