



Venue Media Information

1. Usage at Gold Coast 2018

Lawn bowls

2. Location

169 Surf Parade, Broadbeach, Queensland, 4218

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): Broadbeach Bowls Club is approximately a 1km walk from the Main Media Centre. The spectator entry on Chelsea Street can be used by accredited clients arriving on foot.



There is no TM service for this venue, but it is serviced by the accommodation shuttle, which drops off on Surf Parade, 300m from the accredited entry.

Accredited Media Load Zone (AMD): In the same position as the accommodation shuttle drop-off, 300m from the accredited entry.

Taxi stand: Old Burleigh Road, southbound between Britannia Avenue and Australia Avenue.

Passenger pick-up: Australia Avenue, approximately 380m from the accredited entry.

Public transport:

G:Link: Florida Gardens Station, approx. 500m walk to the accredited entry.

Bus: 705 to/from Broadbeach Boulevard (southbound) and Britannia Avenue (northbound), approx.. 220m walk from the accredited entry.

Visit Translink.com.au for more transport information

Bicycle parking: On The Esplanade, near Broadbeach Boulevard.

4. Dates of competition & medal events

April 5-April 13 and 10 medal events (including two Para lawn bowls).

5. Training venues

Competition venue: All athletes have the opportunity to train at the competition venue. Media can attend any open session.

There is no access to athlete training in the competition venue once competition starts.

Standalone training venue: Musgrave Hill Bowls Club, Corner Musgrave Avenue and Kumbari Avenue, Labrador, Queensland 4215.

Training session open to the media are held on Greens 1 and 2 only.

A schedule for athlete training is available on GamesInfo. Session status may change at short notice, so always check before travelling.

6. Venue Media Centre

Opening dates/hours:

- 25 March-5 April, Limited services. Request service: media can access venue only for athlete training sessions that are indicated as open to media
- 6 April, 09:00-17:30, non-competition day
- 7 April, 09:00-17:00, non-competition day
- 8 April, 07:00-20:00, competition day
- 9 April, 07:00-20:00, competition day
- 10 April, 07:00-20:00, competition day
- 11 April, 07:00-19:00, competition day
- 12 April, 07:00-18:15, competition day
- 13 April, 06:30-20:00, competition day



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- 14 April, 07:00-20:00, 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.

There are always options for press to purchase refreshments and meals inside venues.

7. Media Opportunity Event Space (MOE)

Media conferences or opportunities will only be held when there is demand; this will primarily be after medal ceremonies, but they may take place after any session. There is a MOE at Broadbeach Bowls Club.

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.

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

*Received a \$3.3m upgrade to transform the club into a world-class facility for the Commonwealth Games.

*BLB hosted the 2017 World Junior Championships and will host the 2020 World Bowls Championships.

*More than 2000 people visit the club every week.

*The clubhouse's redevelopment included water-efficient fixtures, solar panels and energy-efficient LED lighting.



**Broadbeach Bowls Club
(BLB)**

Lawn Bowls



*Retirees Barry and Colleen Gilbert saved the club just under 10 years ago, when it was about to be taken over by Kurrawa Surf Club. They headed up to the Gold Coast with retirement on their minds after 25 years running pubs, but decided to give themselves six months at the Broadbeach Bowls Club. The rest is history.

13. Venue contacts

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