



2009 SYDNEY TELSTRA 500

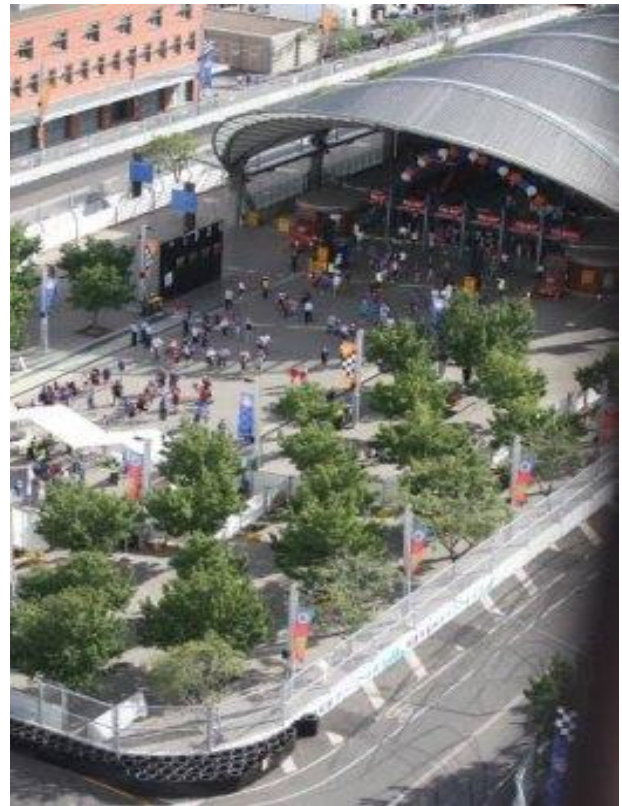
The inaugural Sydney Telstra 500 V8 Supercar Motor Race held at Sydney Olympic Park from 4 to 6 December 2009 was undoubtedly the most successful major event for NSW in 2009.

The Sydney Telstra 500 was the Grand Finale event on the V8 Supercar Championship Series calendar and provided a spectacular end to the 2009 V8 Supercar season.



In addition to the spectacular racing program, two incredible live music concerts were staged with Aussie rock legends Cold Chisel reforming for one night on the Saturday evening. Superb weather and a range of off-track activities around the precinct such as appearances by Roary the Racing Car, driver autograph sessions and freestyle motorcross contributed to the fantastic family atmosphere.

The Homebush Motor Racing Authority (HMRA) worked with a range of NSW Government agencies to develop sound transport, traffic and emergency management plans.



Bus and rail services ran to plan, no major incidents occurred and extensive measures were undertaken to ensure public safety.



V8 Supercars Australia has advised that almost 185,000 spectators attended over the three days, making the Sydney Telstra 500 the biggest sporting event held in the precinct since the 2000 Sydney Olympic and Paralympic Games.

2010 SYDNEY TELSTRA 500 3 - 5 DECEMBER 2010

The 2010 Sydney Telstra 500 will once again be staged over three days of the first weekend in December 2010.

Building on the success of the inaugural Sydney Telstra 500, V8 Supercars Australia has proven its credentials as "The Greatest Show on Wheels" by securing international music sensation Pink as the sport's ambassador from 2010 through to 2012.

HMRA will again co-ordinate Government services for the 2010 event and will continue to work closely with all Sydney Olympic Park stakeholders to ensure minimal disruption to the normal functioning of the precinct.

Planning is already underway for the 2010 event. Discussions at several de-brief meetings following the 2009 event, identified the need for a couple of design changes to the circuit. These will be pursued by V8 Supercars Australia in consultation with HMRA and the Sydney Olympic Park Authority. HMRA will also work with V8 Supercars and the Sydney Olympic Park Authority to review the bump in and bump out of temporary overlay to better assist the business community, particularly in that section of Dawn Fraser Avenue known as Eat Street.

REINSTATEMENT OF THE SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK PRECINCT

The vast majority of temporary infrastructure required for the event was removed from the precinct prior to 25 December 2009. A small portion remains outstanding. These items are currently being resolved, with reinstatement being completed to the satisfaction of the Sydney Olympic Park Authority.

One issue that arose from the 2009 event was quality of the road and asphalt at certain bends and corners. Due to the heat, and in some heavy brake load areas, the V8 Supercars caused small areas of asphalt to lift from the road surface. A long term solution to prevent road degradation occurring at future events is currently under investigation and will be worked through by V8 Supercars Australia, HMRA, the Sydney Olympic Park Authority and asphalt suppliers.

NEW AND TRANSPLANTED TREES GROWING NICELY

A mixture of some 445 new and established native and other trees have been planted in Bicentennial Park and other locations around Sydney Olympic Park as part of the commitments made to the Sydney Olympic Park Authority by V8 Supercars Australia.

The mass tree planting and transplantation program conformed to the requirements of the Sydney Olympic Park Authority Parklands Tree Planting Scheme and, at this early stage, has proved to be very successful.



Sydney Olympic Park staff supervised the planting program and reports to date are that they are pleased with the take up of the trees planted.

NOISE MONITORING

Prior to the 2009 event, several businesses and some residents in suburbs adjoining Sydney Olympic Park raised concern about the possible effects of noise disrupting their normal activities during the Sydney Telstra 500. As a result HMRA engaged a specialist acoustics firm, Heggies Pty Ltd, to undertake noise monitoring to record the prevailing noise levels at key locations.



In consultation with the community, noise levels were measured at 10 potentially noise sensitive locations in the vicinity surrounding Sydney Olympic Park. These sites incorporated residential, school and wildlife receiver locations and were chosen as being a representative cross-section of environs in the adjoining community.



The report presented to HMRA concluded that the noise levels recorded were well below the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS) requirements that restricts all V8 Supercars to a maximum noise level of 85 dBA measured at a distance of 30 metres.

The report also concluded that the noise levels were well below the NSW limits for occupational noise exposure, whereby higher levels require either administrative or engineering noise control measures to be implemented.

ADDITIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR 2010 EVENT

Whilst the inaugural event was an overwhelming success, it has been noted that certain infrastructure improvements will benefit future events.

The most major of these improvements is the addition of a second overhead pedestrian bridge at the intersection of Olympic Boulevard and Dawn Fraser Avenue.



The additional bridge will greatly assist the mass pedestrian movements that occur at this key ingress/egress point. V8 Supercars Australia are currently in discussions with HMRA about this proposal and other potential infrastructure works such as additional gates, race kerbing and the like.

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