



CGA Newsletter

June 2017

2017 CGA KEY DATES

Timeframe & Deadlines	Functional Area	Activity	CGA Action Required	New /updated
Mon to Fri 5-Jun to 28-Jul	Press Operations	Press Organisations accreditation approval process		
Fri 30-Jun	Logistics	Supplier delivery manual v1 distributed		◆
Fri 30-Jun	CGA Relations and Operations	Chefs de Mission Manual v2 to be distributed		
Mon 3-Jul	Logistics	Distribution of Freight Guide	✓	◆
Jul to 30-Aug	Medical	Chief Medical Officer or lead medical representative: Nominate a Chief Medical Officer (CMO) or lead medical representative for your CGA. This information should be provided, in writing, by the CGA Chef de Mission to CGAmedical@goldoc.com.	✓	
on to Fri 3-Jul to 8-Sep	Ticketing	Phase 2 CGA ticket requests – CGAs are given the opportunity to request further tickets, and request refund up to 25% of the phase one ticket allocation via the online Client Ticket Portal (CTP).	✓	
Wed to Sun 19-Jul to 23-Jul	CGF	Commonwealth Youth Games, Bahamas		
Tue 1-Aug	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	Deadline for all Delegate Registrations and Hotel Bookings	✓	
Tue 1-Aug	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	Australian visa application process commences	✓	
Tue 1-Aug	Accreditation	CGA Accreditation Applications live	✓	
Sun to Thu 19-Aug to 31-Aug	Event	Southeast Asian Games, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia		
Mon 21-Aug	CGA Relations and Operations	Team Size Calculator v3 distributed to CGAs		
Thu 31 Aug	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	Deadline for Arrivals and Departure details to be submitted for the Chefs de Mission Seminar	✓	
Thu 31 Aug	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	Australian Visa Application process deadline for Chefs de Mission Seminar	✓	
Sep to Oct	CGA Relations and Operations	CGA Visit Block Out Period		
Sep - 30-Nov	Medical	Notification of medical team members: Provide a list of all practising CGA healthcare professionals accompanying the CGA team at GC2018 to CGAmedical@goldoc.com.	✓	
Sep - 30-Nov	Medical	Doctor registration: For each practising CGA team doctor, complete and return an intention to practise notice to CGAmedical@goldoc.com.	✓	
Fri to Sun 15-Sep to 24-Sep	Event	5th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan		
Wed 20-Sep	Accommodation	60% of total payment DUE. The Accommodation Contact Centre issue invoice 30 days prior to this date	✓	

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Fri 22-Sep	CGA Relations and Operations	CGAs submit Team Size Calculator v3 to Gold Coast 2018	✓	
Fri 22-Sep	CGA Relations and Operations	1 st instalment of Travel Grant payment of 20% (on receipt of Team Size Calculator v3)		
Fri 22-Sep	Sport	Entry by number deadline	✓	
Fri 29-Sep	Accreditation	Deadline for CGAs to return the Dignitary Accreditation Information Request Form (DAIRF)	✓	
Sun 30-Sep	Ticketing	Confirmation of phase 2 tickets provided to CGAs via email. Invoice distributed for the outstanding balance from phase 1 and total amount from phase 2, less any approved returns. Payment due in October 2017.		
Oct	Sport	Sport Handbook (version 2) distributed - includes sport fact sheets and guides to sport entries and para-sport		◆
October - 1-Jan 2018	Medical	Medications and medical devices: Provide a full list of all medications and medical devices the CGA team is bringing to Australia to CGAmedical@goldoc.com.	✓	
Sun to Thu 8-Oct to 12-Oct	CGA Relations and Operations	Chefs de Mission Seminar, Gold Coast, Australia	✓	
Sun 8 Oct	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	CGA arrives to the Gold Coast PM – CdM Welcome & Kick Off session	✓	
Mon 9 Oct	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	All day – CdM Seminar	✓	
Tue 10 Oct	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	All day – CdM Seminar	✓	
Wed 11 Oct	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	All day – CdM Seminar	✓	
Thu 12 Oct	GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar	Optional Venue Tours AM – Option #1 Brisbane Venue Tours (Track Cycling & Shooting competition venues) All day – Option #2 Cairns & Townsville Venue Tours* (Basketball competition venues and regional village locations) * CGAs to cover cost of flights and accommodation CGA Departures	✓	
Sat 14-Oct	Medical	Distribution of V2 Medical Handbook and Pharmacy Guide and V1 Anti-Doping Standards	✓	
Mon 30-Oct	Ticketing	Final Payment for all Tickets to be received by Gold Coast 2018	✓	
Wed to Wed 1-Nov to 29-Nov	Accommodation	Up until 29 Nov 2017, CGAs can cancel (release) up to 100% of rooms (10% cancellation fee applies)		
Fri 3-Nov	Logistics	Supplier delivery manual v2 distributed		◆
Sun to Mon 5-Nov to 4-Dec	Rate Card	Late Order Period	✓	

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Mon 6-Nov to Games Time	Ticketing	Phase 3 ticket requests – CGAs can contact the GOLDOC Ticketing team for any further requests. These tickets will come from available inventory and must be paid for immediately at time of confirmation.	✓	
Fri 24-Nov	Accreditation	Accreditation deadline for CGAs (Ac, Ac**, Aa, Ab, Ao, Am and P)	✓	
Fri 24-Nov	CGA Relations and Operations	2 nd instalment of Travel Grant payment of 50% (on receipt of accreditation information)		
Wed 29-Nov	Accommodation	100% final payment DUE. The Accommodation Contact Centre issue invoice at least 30 days prior to this date	✓	◆
Thu 30-Nov	Accommodation	On or after 30 Nov 2017, CGAs can cancel (release) up to 100% of rooms (100% cancellation fee applies)		
Thu 30-Nov	Accreditation	Deadline for Games Time Visa applications for participants in the Ac, Ac**, Aa, Ab, Ao, Am and P categories	✓	◆
Nov	Ticketing	GOLDOC to process seat allocation for all CGA tickets		
Nov	Medical	Distribution of V2 Medical Handbook and Pharmacy Guide and V1 Anti-Doping Standards		
Nov	Arrivals and Departures	Distribution of Arrival and Departure Guide / Forms		
Dec to Games Time	CGA Relations and Operations	CGA Visit Block Out Period		
Sat to Sat 2-Dec to 16-Dec	Event	Mini Pacific Games, Port Vila, Vanuatu		
Mon to Fri 4-Dec to 15-Dec	CGA Relations and Operations	Pre-Delegation Registration Meetings (Pre-DRMs)	✓	
Fri 22-Dec	Accreditation	Accreditation deadline for submission of Dignitaries and CGA Guests (CGA, CGA**, G, G**, Gi, Gi** and Gt)	✓	
Mon 25-Dec	Gold Coast 2018	100 days to go until GC2018		
Mon 25-Dec	QBR	Queen's Baton arrives in Australia		
Sun 31-Dec	Accreditation	Deadline for Games Time visa applications for participants in the CGA, CGA**, G, G**, Gi, Gi** and Gt categories	✓	◆

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Early 2018	Medical	Therapeutic Use Exemptions: Apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) or mutual recognition of an existing TUE, through the Commonwealth Games Federation TUE Committee.	✓	
Thu 4-Jan	Sport	Sport Entries System goes live (CGAs to enter athletes by name in to Sports Entries System)	✓	

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Mon 8-Jan	Ticketing	CGAs can schedule appointments to collect tickets from GOLDOC Headquarters either personally or via a courier service	✓	
Fri 19-Jan	CGA Relations and Operations	Chefs de Mission Manual v3 to be distributed		
Fri 2-Feb	Accreditation	Non Valid Pass (NVP) mail-out complete		
Fri to Sun 9-Feb to 25-Feb	Event	2018 Pyeongchang Winter Olympics		
Mar	Medical	Distribution of Final Medical Handbook and Pharmacy Guide and Anti-Doping Standards		
Mar	Sport	Hard copies of Sport Guides for Team Leaders and Technical Officials' Manuals (per sport) are available		
Wed 7-Mar	CGA Relations and Operations	CGAs submit Team Size Calculator v4 (Entries by Name) to Gold Coast 2018	✓	
Wed 7-Mar	Sport	Individual Sport Entries deadline (by Name)	✓	
Wed 7-Mar	Sport	Team Sport Preliminary Squad Submission deadline (by Name)	✓	
Wed 7-Mar	Arrivals and Departures	Submission of Arrivals and Departures information	✓	
Mon 12-Mar	Event	Commonwealth Day		
Mon 19-Mar	Sport	Team Sport Final Squad Submission deadline (by name)	✓	
Tue 20-Mar	Village Operations	Soft Opening of Commonwealth Games Village		
Tue 20-Mar	CGA Relations and Operations	Delegation Registration Meetings (DRMs)	✓	◆
Tue 20-Mar	Transport	Fleet Services in operation		◆
Sun 25-Mar	Press Operations	Main Press Centre opens		◆
Sun 25-Mar	Sport	Training Venues (Gold Coast and Brisbane) open		◆
Sun 25-Mar	Transport	Bus Service commence (A&D and training shuttles)		◆
Sun 25-Mar	Village Operations	Official Opening of Commonwealth Games Village		

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Mon to Tue 26-Mar to 3-Apr	Village Operations	Team Welcome Ceremonies		
Fri to Mon 30-Mar to 2-Apr	Public Holiday	Easter		
Sat 31-Mar	Sport	Regional Training Venues Open (Cairns and Townsville)		
Sat to Wed 31-Mar to 11-Apr	Village Operations	Regional Villages Open (Cairns and Townsville)		
Tues 3-Apr	Gold Coast 2018	Commonwealth Sport Ministers Conference		
Apr	CGF	CGF General Assembly, Gold Coast		
Mon to Sun 3-Apr to 15-Apr 2018	Technology	Deadline for CGAs to submit Spectrum requests for radios and Wi-Fi (TBC)	✓	
Wed 4-Apr	Ceremonies	GC2018 Opening Ceremony		
Wed to Sun 4-Apr to 15-Apr	Gold Coast 2018	Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games		
Sun 15-Apr	Ceremonies	GC2018 Closing Ceremony		
Wed 18-Apr	Village Operations	Closing of Commonwealth Games Village		
Wed 18-Apr	Transport	Fleet services cease operations. Bus services cease operations.		
Fri 4-May	CGA Relations and Operations	Travel Grant will be released subject to any adjustments being made for any money owed by the CGAs for Village/Rate Card damages, any additional accommodation charges remaining unpaid		

Social Media – Follow Us, Like Us, Join Us

Is your CGA on social media? Please engage with our official GC2018 channels as listed below. GOLDOC encourages you to actively use social media to engage and inform your community of your participation in the Games. Proudly use the #GC2018 in your positive GC2018 stories!



Use the official

#GC2018

Channel	GC2018 Account
Website	gc2018.com
Facebook	facebook.com/gc2018
Twitter	twitter.com/gc2018
Instagram	instagram.com/gc2018
Youtube	youtube.com/gc2018
Hashtags	#GC2018 #SHARETHEDREAM #QBR2018

CGA Relations & Operations FA Update

Recruitment Update, CGA Relations Manager – Africa



Gabe Behr joins GOLDOC after the completion of his role with the Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games as the National Olympic Committee Relations Coordinator – Asia, where he worked with 15 NOCs including the Refugee Olympic Team. Gabe's diverse Games background spans from London 2012 as NOC Relations Coordinator – Africa; Technical Advisor at the 2014 African Youth Games in Gaborone, Botswana and as Sport Manager for Judo, Wrestling, Taekwondo and Karate at the 2015

Pan-American Games in Toronto. Gabe speaks English, Portuguese and Spanish and despite being Brazilian prefers to snowboard rather than surf and play rugby rather than soccer.

GC2018 Chefs de Mission Seminar Update

The Chefs de Mission (CdM) seminar will be held from 8 -12 October 2017 at the Mantra on the View, Gold Coast.

An email was distributed to all CGAs in the first week of May, requesting the name of your appointed Chef de Mission. If you have not already done so, please provide your CGA Relations Manager with the name and email address of your Chef de Mission.

For any queries regarding the Chefs de Mission Seminar program or other Gold Coast information, please contact Michelle Cowley(michelle.cowley@goldoc.com).

The registration portal for the Chef's seminar is **NOW LIVE**. The portal will close on 1 August 2017.

CGA CALL TO ACTION: GC2018 CHEF DE MISSION APPOINTMENTS



Please advise GOLDOC when you have appointed your GC2018 Chef de Mission so we can include their details in our database and provide them with the link to register for the Chef's seminar.

Team Size Calculator v2

GOLDOC distributed the GC2018 Team Size Calculator (TSC) v2 on 5 May 2017. The TSC was due back to your CGA Relations Manager on **Friday 2 June 2017**.

CGA CALL TO ACTION: TEAM SIZE CALCULATORS



Your estimated team size is a critical component for GOLDOC functional areas to plan accordingly. Please submit TSV v2 back to your respective CGA Relations Manager ASAP if you have not already done so.



Chefs de Mission Manual v2 New Release Date

Version 2 of the Chefs de Mission Manual is due to be released to CGAs on Friday 30 June. **It will now be distributed on Monday 17 July 2017**, this is to ensure we have the most current solutions and updates post Coordination Commission to assist with your planning.

2018 CGF General Assembly & 2018 Sport Ministers Meeting

The Commonwealth Games Federation General Assembly is set to take place on 31 March 2018 at the Games Family Hotel. A reminder that the Sport Ministers meeting will take place on 3 April 2018. More details to follow in the coming months.

Commonwealth Nations & Territories Visit Gold Coast

GOLDOC was pleased to host Commonwealth Games Associations from Falkland Islands and New Zealand on the Gold Coast.

While attending the Badminton Annual General Meeting, Steven Dent of Falkland Islands was able to visit recently opened Carrara Sports & Leisure Centre. Steve was also able to tour the Belmont Shooting Centre in Brisbane and was very impressed with the venue.

Team Services Coordinators, Toni and Evelyn, from Team New Zealand popped over for two busy days of meetings with functional areas and competition venue tours. It was their first time visiting the GOLDOC offices and they are looking forward to a very exciting games!



Accreditation FA Update

CGA Accreditation Registration Package

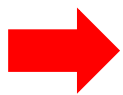
On the 5 June 2017, CGAs received the Accreditation Registration Package by email from accreditation.cga@goldoc.com. The Accreditation Registration package consisted of the following items:

1. Accreditation Registration Package cover letter
2. CGA Accreditation Manual
3. Organisational Consent Form
4. User Account Application Form
5. Applicant Notice
6. Dignitary Accreditation Information Request Form



A reminder that the GOLDOC Accreditation team will require your CGA to nominate an Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO) to act as the point of contact on behalf of your CGA for all accreditation related matters. GOLDOC strongly encourages you

CGA CALL TO ACTION: Accreditation Package



CGAs are required to submit organisational consent forms and user account application forms prior to **28 July 2017**. If you have any questions regarding the CGA accreditation and visa process, please email accreditation.cga@goldoc.com

Workforce FA Update

CGA Assistants Interviews

The CGA Relations team will be conducting Volunteer interviews towards the end of June at the Volunteer Selection Centre. The team will meet in excess of 450 Volunteers to secure our 300 quality CGA Assistants.

Village FA Update

Time Lapse

[Click here](#) to view a time lapse of the Commonwealth Games Village.



Pictured above: An aerial view of the CGV including the beautiful Gold Coast skyline.

Additional Space Requests

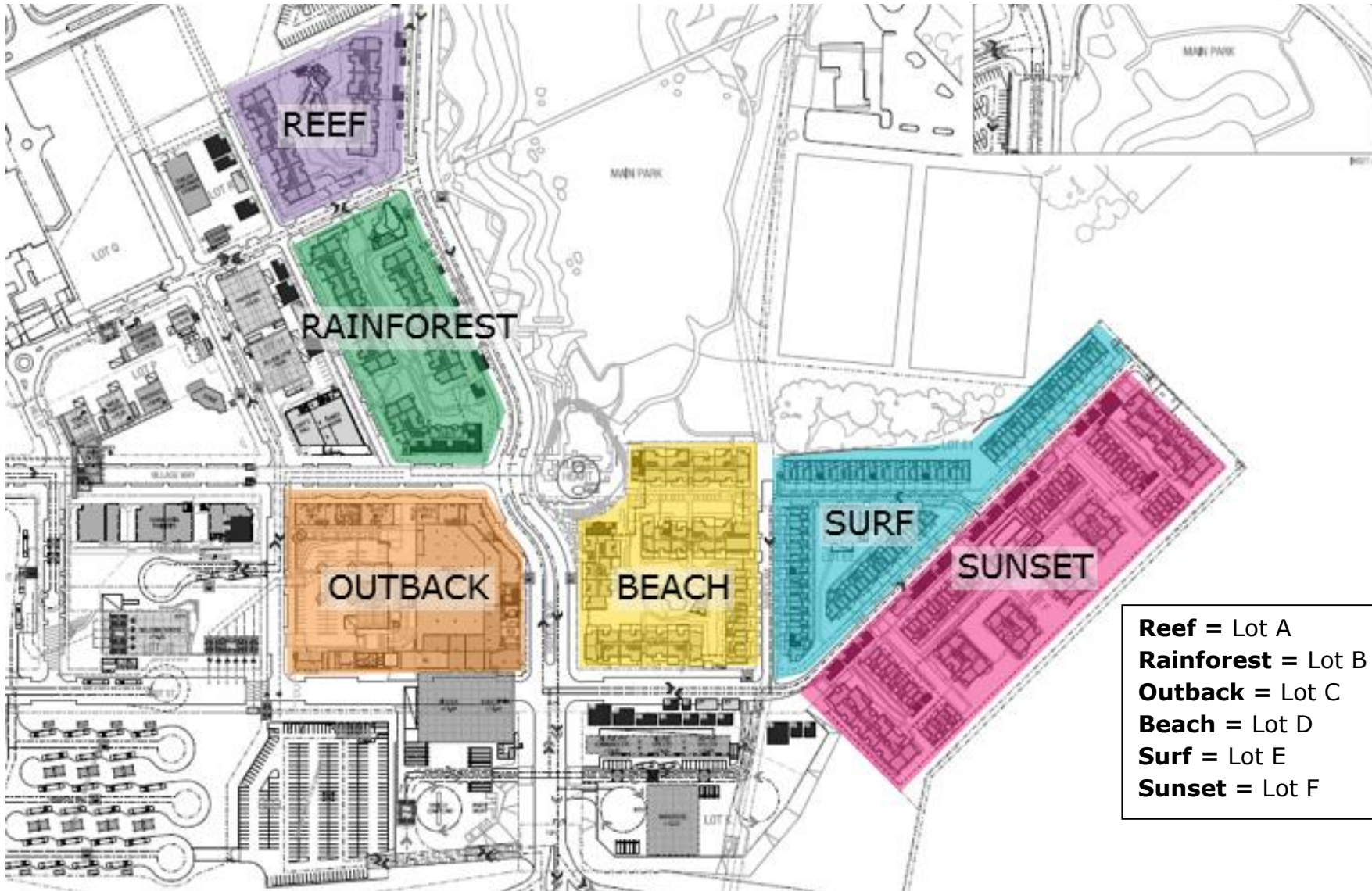
The Village team is working closely with the developers to ensure timely and efficient handover of the Village to GOLDOC prior to the Chefs de Mission Seminar in October. GOLDOC appreciates that some CGAs may have additional space requirements over and above the Operational space provided as per the CGF guidelines. As space within the Village is limited, additional space **if approved** will most likely be placed within the lot basements.

GOLDOC requests that CGAs who require additional space to supplement GOLDOC's provisions, complete the form which can be found by [clicking here](#) and send it back to their CGA Relations Manager by 30 June 2017. Each CGA's submission for additional space will be assessed on an individual basis. All costs associated with the additional space and/or service requests, if approved, will be entirely at the CGA's expense. Any construction, maintenance and/or works within the Village must be carried out and completed by GOLDOC. Costs associated with an approved additional space and/or service will be presented once a full assessment has been completed. This will be considered and processed as a Rate Card order and procedures associated with Rate Card orders will then follow.

Look & Village Zones

The Villages and Look team have been working hard developing the Village Zones that will bring a colourful and vibrant feel to the Commonwealth Games Village next year.

The Village zones have been named after natural elements the Gold Coast is known for. Each of these elements will form part of the Village brand that will be released later in the year.



Sport FA Update

Rugby Sevens



As recently communicated by the CGF, each qualified Rugby Sevens team will be entitled to one Reserve Athlete. This Reserve Athlete is exclusive to Rugby Sevens and is entitled to a P category accreditation with access to the Rugby Sevens training and competition venues, Athletes' Village international and residential zones and the athlete transportation system.



Reserve Athletes do not attract an additional travel grant or a bed in the Village.

Entry by Number

A friendly reminder that CGAs will be required to complete their Entry by Number no later than 22 September 2017. This means that by this date, you will need to have prioritised your Primary Allocation across the 13 open-allocation sports/disciplines of: Athletics, Badminton, Boxing, Cycling, Diving, Gymnastics, Lawn Bowls, Shooting, Squash, Swimming, Table Tennis, Triathlon and Wrestling. Remembering that you will not be able to exceed your Primary Allocation in this process. In order to prioritise, we know that many of you are communicating national selection standards. If any CGAs are confused about how national selection standards could operate, please reach out to your CGA colleagues to discuss and share ideas. For those of you who have questions, you are also always welcome to reach out to your CGA Relations Manager who can arrange a teleconference with our GOLDOC Sport Entries Team.

Badminton – Surdiman Cup 2017

The BWF Sudirman Cup 2017 being held on the Gold Coast (21-28 May) created a great opportunity for GOLDOC to conduct a Badminton operational trial at the new competition venue, Carrara Sports and Leisure Centre. GOLDOC Badminton Manager, Peter Roberts ran the successful major international event capturing key learnings for GC2018. Through the operational trial, various functional areas attended as part of an observer program gathering critical information leading into GC2018 including the Field of Play, Athlete and Technical Official flows, spectator ingress and egress, Technical Official training and volunteers.



The competition was broadcast to a TV viewing audience of 500M and had an energetic and excited crowd in venue. China's 14 year winning streak of the event came to a surprise end with South Korea scoring an upset victory over China in the final. The entire South Korean team flooded the court in celebrations of cheers and tears upon the winning match point. Highlights of the finals can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2CI5GqOH13k>

Arrivals & Departures FA Update

System Testing

GOLDOC has partnered with Centium Software to build the Arrivals and Departures system who also provided the systems for Baku 2015 European Games and London 2012 Olympic & Paralympic Games. The Arrivals and Departures system will be able to accept an import of data from Plus 1% (Zeus). GOLDOC expects to test the system mid-2017 prior to the Chefs de Mission seminar. GOLDOC would like to invite CGAs to be involved in the testing of the system. CGA input will be of valuable assistance and provide early exposure to the Arrivals and

Departures system. If your CGA would like to be part of testing the system, please contact your CGA Relations Manager to express interest.

Medical FA Update

GC2018 Chief Medical Officer (CMO) – Connect your CMOs and Team Doctors

All CGAs travelling to Australia with medical and healthcare practitioners must meet a number of requirements prior to arrival in order for your practitioners to be able to treat members of your CGA. Connect with the GC2018 Medical team to ensure your CGA team's medical-specific requirements are met. You'll also be able to field medical-specific questions to the GC2018 medical team and Chief Medical Officer, Dr Anita Green in the lead up to Games.

Nominate your Chief Medical Officer or Medical Lead by emailing cgamedical@goldoc.com

Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) FA Update

RAP Launch

On Tuesday 30 May 2017 a large contingent, including the Minister for the Commonwealth Games the Hon. Kate Jones, GOLDOC Chairman the Hon. Peter Beattie AC, Reconciliation Australia CEO Justin Mohamed, Community Elders and other distinguished guests, celebrated the GC2018 RAP at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The celebration began with a Welcome to Country provided by Community Elder, Aunty Mary Graham and included performances by Torres Strait Islander dance group Malu Kiai Mura Buai and Yugambeh Aboriginal dancers. This celebratory event was another great showcase of the culture of First Nations peoples and demonstrated the many achievements so far, highlighting GC2018's commitment to reconciliation activities.

This historic initiative of the Queensland Government and GOLDOC, in partnership with Reconciliation Australia, was the first time a RAP has been developed for a major sporting event in Australia.

The RAP will deliver genuine outcomes and opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people relating to employment, procurement opportunities, education and training, sports participation and raising cultural awareness. It will increase the economic participation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and businesses; celebrate Indigenous culture, art and language; and create strong connections with communities.



Above: (Left to right) GOLDOC CEO, Mark Peters, Community Elder Ted Williams, and GOLDOC Chairman the Hon. Peter Beattie AC



Above: Minister for the Commonwealth Games the Hon. Kate Jones

Queen's Baton Relay FA Update



The Queen's Baton Relay (QBR) has been warmly welcomed as it makes its way around the tropical island nations of the Caribbean.

Under sunny skies and on sandy beaches similar to the Gold Coast, the QBR is showcasing heritage sites, visiting schools, meeting former and current athletes, and celebrating the culture of some of the most idyllic and exotic islands in the world.

Currently in Dominica, the Baton continues to unify the communities it visits in the spirit of friendship and pride, giving thousands of people the opportunity to be part of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018).

For highlights of the Baton's colourful journey through the Caribbean, including photos, video recaps and articles, go to gc2018.com/qbr

The GC2018 QBR has visited 24 Commonwealth nations since it was launched by Her Majesty from Buckingham Palace on Commonwealth Day in March.

The longest relay in history, the Queen's Baton will travel for 388 days across the Commonwealth, covering a staggering distance of 230,000 kilometres.

We look forward to continuing to receive CGA event plans and funding applications, which are required 60 days prior to the arrival of the Queen's Baton in your nation or territory. Please forward your event plans at your earliest convenience, to allow us time to provide relevant feedback and enable us to process the funding grant of AUD\$5000.

Direct your communities and stakeholders to follow the Baton at gc2018.com/qbr, and be sure to interact with us on social media @gc2018 and use the hashtag #qbr2018.



Merchandise International Shipping

You don't have to wait until Games time to get your very own Borobi! The GC2018 Online Store is now live for International Shipping.

[Full catalogue of products can be viewed online now!](#)



Gold Coast Schools Connect

The Queen's Baton Relay (QBR) start was an exciting milestone as students closely follow the baton's journey as it visits their adopted country. A gift bannerette from each of the 112 Gold Coast Schools will be taken on the road with the QBR Team and given to the connected school in their adopted nation or territory.

Whilst visiting Mauritius, the GC2018 bannerette was presented to the students of Dukesbridge, the partner school of Coomera Rivers State School on the Gold Coast (pictured). The students of these two schools are



actively engaging with their international counterparts, sharing elements of their history, culture and customs via in-class Skype sessions, gift exchanges and videos as per below:

[Dukesbridge Mauritius students sharing their knowledge of Australia](#)

With 60 per cent of the Commonwealth's population under 30-years-old, youth engagement sits at the heart of the Commonwealth's sport movement and legacy efforts.

As the baton continues to travel around the Commonwealth, GOLDOC is actively encouraging the remaining CGAs to identify a school in their nation or territory for schools on the Gold Coast to connect and interact with.

The schools were also featured on national TV news talking about the [Schools Connect program](#).

CGA CALL TO ACTION: GC2018 Schools connection



If your CGA has not yet provided a school from your nation or territory to connect with a Gold Coast School, please [click here](#) to download the contact form and send it back to your respective CGA Relations Manager. **It is important for your school(s) to be connected in advance of the Queen's Baton Relay arriving to your nation or territory.**

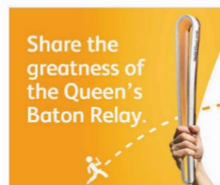
GOLDOC Highlights:

Volunteer Applications



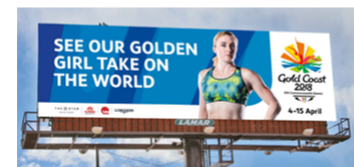
Received more than **47,000 volunteer applications** following a six week integrated communications and marketing campaign. Target 38,000

Baton bearer Nominations



Received an overwhelming **18,000 nominations** of which **over 12,000** of these were accepted by the nominee for the 1,727 Community Baton bearer positions available. Target 5,000 accepted nominations.

Ticketing Requests Phase 1



We received over **1.2 million tickets** requests in Phase 1 of the ticketing program.

Sponsorship FA Update

Official Furniture Provider



RGS Events Australia (RGS Events) is the Official Furniture Provider to the Games. RGS Events will be responsible for delivering the Games Furniture, Fittings & Equipment (FF&E) requirements as well as Bedding and Electrical goods. Ahead of the Games, RGS Events will acquire enough product to fill up over 170 shipping containers with 13,000 pallets of product including some 46,000 chairs, 40,000 coat hangers, 20,000 tables and 7,000 beds, mattresses and bed side tables.

Official Gymnastics Equipment Supplier Announced



SPIETH Gymnastics join the team as the Official Gymnastics Equipment Supplier for GC2018 and will supply all apparatus and podium equipment for use at both the training and competition venues. For further information, visit spieth-gymnastics.com

Official Event Management Company



Sold Out National Event Management has been announced as the Official Event Management Company for GC2018. Sold Out will continue to assist with the delivery of promotional and marketing events, including milestone events, Queen's Baton Relay events and GOLDOC community engagement activations.

Sustainability Update

New Embracing 2018 website launched

Queensland Government have recently launched the new [Embracing 2018 website](#) capturing the contributions of GC2018 to legacy, trade and investment, infrastructure development and more. Take a look around the new website to learn more.

Embracing 2018
QLD COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Legacy Program Infrastructure Get Set Trade 2018 Festival 2018

<p>Legacy Program</p> <p>The Legacy Program aims to inspire communities to get involved and maximise opportunities from hosting the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games</p> <p>Find out more ></p>	<p>Infrastructure</p> <p>Queenslanders will benefit from world class venues to train, compete and recreate in, in addition to community improvement projects</p> <p>Find a project ></p>	<p>Get Set for the Games!</p> <p>Find out about temporary changes and how to Get Set for the Games</p> <p>Find out more ></p>	<p>Trade 2018</p> <p>Diversifying the Gold Coast economy and strengthening Commonwealth trade and investment</p> <p>Find out more ></p>	<p>Festival 2018</p> <p>Festival 2018 is an arts and cultural program bringing diverse audiences and communities together to celebrate GC2018</p> <p>Find out more ></p>
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