



Building Designers
Association of NSW Inc.

2009

Conference

Friday 18th to Sunday 20th
September

Opal Cove Resort
Coffs Harbour

Designing Minds
& Surviving in the
Real World



Conference Registration Brochure



A note from the NSW State President

BDANSW extends to you a warm invitation to all BDA members throughout NSW to join us in Coffs Harbour for the 2009 State Conference and Design Awards Presentation.

This year we have invited 3 award winning building designers from NSW, Queensland and Victoria to share with you their own unique approach to interpreting a design brief. In addition you will be introduced to the mysteries of Basix, the BCA and the green world as well as working with other building designers to create your own masterpiece in design excellence.

We have also included some very contemporary sessions on business survival for today's economic climate – tools that support the business side of your practice.

Naturally there will be a very active social program including, for the non-golfers, a mini surf competition – so get out the board shorts and long board for a challenging experience.

Pencil in the dates now – 17th, 18th & 19th September, 2009 – Opal Cove, Coffs Harbour.

Ian Bassett

BDANSW State President



A Snap Shot of the conference

Thursday 17 September

BDA Golf Day – 1-5pm Opal Cove Resort

Inaugural BDA Surfing Safari – 1-5pm

James Hardie Study Tour (for delegates and partners) – 1.30 – 5.00pm

Welcome Reception & Sports Presentations – 6-7.30pm Opal Cove Resort

Friday 18 September

Conference Sessions – 9am-5pm

Dorrigo World Heritage Tour – 9.30am-3pm

Social Dinner – 7pm

Saturday 19 September

Conference Breakfast – 7.30 – 8.45am

Conference Sessions – 9am-3pm

Partners sightseeing tour to Nambucca – 10am-3pm

BDA NSW AGM – 3.30-5pm

State Design Awards Dinner – 7pm

Sunday 20 September

Whale Watching Tour – 9.15 -1.15 pm

Conference Program Highlights

Designing Minds

- Hear, and learn, from a panel of award winning building designers – **Stephen Kidd** (Qld), **Darren Evans** (Vic) and **James Cooper** (NSW) how they interpret a design brief in their own inimitable style.
- Learn about the finer art of designing for a green world from gurus **Dick Clarke** and **Chris Reardon**.
- Basix for Dummies – **Steve Collins** shows you the 'how to' secrets of getting those elusive 5 stars.
- A BCA View of the World – hear first hand from **Chris Summers** (who brought us the new Complying Development Rules) just what those pedantic Private Certifiers really look for when assessing your documentation.

Surviving in the Real World

- **Rob Pickett** will take you through the Security of Payments Act – this may just get those late fees coming in sooner.
- Hear from a business trainer just what you need to know about financial planning in your business – and how to make more money in the process.
- **Ian Bassett** will give you a practical take home tool to assist in how you can convince clients that your fees are really not too high or enable you to charge more than you do now!
- Copyright Protection – **Dean Stell** will show you how to protect your intellectual property and assess whether you may be infringing someone else's copyright.
- **Kellie Mills** will take you on a journey of communication – like how to communicate with your clients so wires don't get crossed.
- **Michael Enderby** will give you 5 tools to take with you to assist you in marketing your business and yourself.

The Conference program has been designed to give you practical advice, examples and tools to assist you in the successful running of your business. Travel beyond your existing boundaries and get practical information and tools to make that journey enjoyable.

All conference sessions and the trade display are being held at The Opal Cove Resort, Coffs Harbour.



Coffs Harbour

Great City - Great Conference

Coffs Harbour sits in a unique position where the Great Dividing Range, descends from the inland plateaux to meet the Australian East Coast. Offshore, are the Solitary Islands where the warm tropical currents meet the temperate waters from the south. In-between the forested hills and sparkling blue waters lies the sub-tropical city of Coffs Harbour.

To get a feel for the 'lie of the land' venture one thousand feet up to the Sealy Lookout, only 12 minutes drive from the city centre. Tall Flooded Gums, tree ferns and dense foliage frame the picture – below, a country town patchwork is laid out. Beyond, the crescents of golden beaches border the sea which reaches to the horizon where turquoise hues of sky and water touch.

Visit www.coffscost.com.au for further details about this great part of Australia.

Location & Climate

Located on the East Coast of Australia, approximately 550km from Sydney and 430km from Brisbane, Coffs Harbour is in Australia's most temperate area, which makes it one of the most livable environments - a sub tropical climate that averages maximum 24 degrees and minimum 13 degrees.

In September the temperature varies from 16°C to 25°C and we recommend that you bring a light pullover for the social evening and also for the air conditioning during the conference.

Air Travel

Qantas, Virgin Blue and Brindabella Airlines operate regular flights from Sydney, Brisbane and Port Macquarie to Coffs Harbour Airport, the largest regional airport in NSW. There are convenient connections to all capital cities.

Getting To Coffs Harbour

Driving - Sydney to Coffs Harbour via the Pacific Hwy is approximately a 6hr drive. Brisbane to Coffs Harbour via the Pacific Hwy is approximately a 5hr drive. Coming from the west? Travel via New England along the scenic Waterfall Way.

Qantas - www.qantas.com.au or call 131313

Virgin Blue - www.virginblue.com.au or call 136789

Brindabella Airlines -
www.brindabellaairlines.com.au

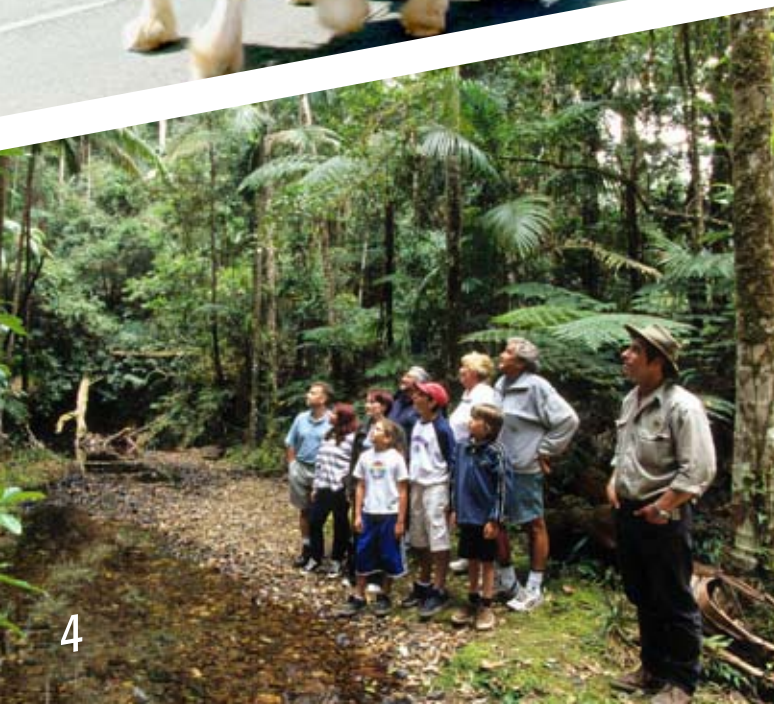
Coffs Harbour Train Station – (02) 6651 2757 or
Country Link 13 22 32

Coffs Harbour Taxis – 131008

Holiday Coast Limousines – (02) 6658 9999 or
0409 131 908

Coffs Coast Visitors Information Centre – 1300
369070

Coffs Harbour Train Station and Airport are approximately 12kms from Opal Cove Resort



The conference venue

The Opal Cove Resort

With its entrance located on the Pacific highway just 7 kms North of Coffs Harbour City centre, Opal Cove Resort commands an absolute beachfront position on the beautiful beach of Korora Bay. Just a few minutes' drive from local tourist attractions in Coffs Harbour in Northern New South Wales.

The luxurious 4 star resort offers you a chance to unwind in an almost perfect climate amidst the sub tropical surroundings of banana plantations and rainforest covered hills.

Guests can unwind in the sun by the heated swimming pool, play a leisurely round of golf on the resorts 9 hole golf course; have a hit of tennis on the day/night flood lit courts; be pampered in our own day spa; plunge into the spa; sweat the stress in the sauna; exercise your good intentions in the gym; wander on the secluded beach in front of the resort; do it all or do nothing at all!!

With a huge range of features and facilities available, your stay at Opal Cove Resort can be as active or as relaxing as you choose. You may choose to undertake one of the many activities available or simply relax by the pool taking in the magnificent ocean view - the choice is yours.

Resort Accommodation

With a range of accommodation including hotel style rooms and self contained villas there is something to suit every taste or budget. Rates for BDA delegate are as follows:

Resort Rooms

\$140 single \$150 double
(rates are per night and include buffet breakfast)

Self Contained Villas

\$222 per night for a 2 bedroom villa

\$283 per night for a 3 bedroom villa

Villa rates are 'room only' un-serviced, for minimum 2 night stay and are subject to availability

One nights accommodation deposit is required to secure your booking for the above (or you may pay the entire amount due if preferred). Please complete the

accommodation section on the registration form to book your accommodation. For accommodation alternatives please contact the secretariat with your requirements or for further information and advice.

All accommodation bookings must be made through the conference secretariat by completing the enclosed registration form.

Resort Transfers

Opal Cove Resort offers complimentary airport transfers for guests staying at the resort. To book transfers simply include your flight details in the accommodation section of the conference registration form.

Partners Activities

A number of tours are on offer for partners (see page 7). Partners are also encouraged to participate in the conference by attending the sessions and meal breaks. A subsidized registration fee applies for this level of participation. Partners are also encouraged to attend the social functions and pay the nominated ticket prices detailed on the registration form. There are an amazing array of attractions in and around Coffs Harbour (many of them free!), as well as a multitude of shops to explore! Spend some time at www.coffsc coast.com.au for some ideas!



Social Program

Thursday 17th

Corporate Golf Day



(proudly sponsored by Austral bricks)

A social day only with once a year “hackers” very welcome. The day commences at 1.00PM on the Thursday at the Opal Cove Resort’s course and finishes up at around 5pm. Ticket price for golf is \$20 and includes golf fees and some light refreshments on the course. Please complete the relevant section on the registration form to make your booking.

Thursday 17th

Inaugural BDA NSW ‘Surfing Safari’



(proudly sponsored by Austral bricks)

Why not consider participating in our very first ‘Surfing Safari’? To participate you must have some surfing experience, and ideally be able to bring your own board (although the locals can arrange a few boards if required). The specific location will be worked out on the day (to ensure we find the best surf) and will depart from the resort at 1pm. There is no cost however bookings are required and can be made by indication on the registration form. For further details on what to expect contact George Watt on 02 6585 5455.

Thursday 17th

Welcome Function and Golf/Surfing Presentations

Join us at the magnificent Opal Cove Resort as we welcome delegates and sponsors to the conference. A few presentations will be made for those that participated in the golf and surfing activities in the afternoon. Price for the function is \$35 and includes drinks & finger food. Delegates must then make their own arrangements for dinner (the Resort restaurant is open for dinner). Please complete the relevant section on the registration form to make your booking for this function.

Friday 18th

Social Dinner – the Big Banana

A social dinner with a difference! Think the Big Banana (sounds OK) then add in a ‘Bollywood’ theme featuring the boppy music and Coffs best Indian Chef (sounds fun) and then throw in an ice skating rink with 100 building designers on skates (sounds outrageous!). We are telling you now - you just have to be there!! Ticket price is \$45 and includes transfers from the resort, dinner and entertainment (drinks are pay own). The night promises to be ‘a whole bunch of fun’ and not to be missed.



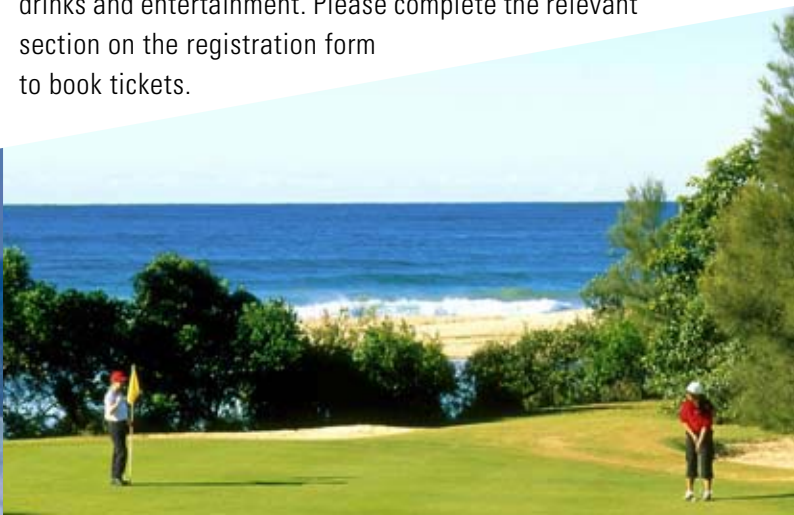
Saturday 19th Conference Breakfast

Join your delegates for a hearty breakfast at the resort with special guest speaker (to be confirmed). No additional charge for delegates staying in the resort (excludes villas). If not staying in house, the additional charge for breakfast is \$20.

Saturday 19th

NSW State Design Awards Dinner

The winners of the prestigious State Design Awards will be announced at the formal awards dinner being held in the Banquet Hall at the Opal Cove Resort. Tickets to the dinner are not included in the standard conference registration fee and can be purchased individually for \$100 each. Tickets price includes a 3 course dinner, drinks and entertainment. Please complete the relevant section on the registration form to book tickets.



Tours for Partners & Delegates

JAMES HARDIE SMARTER DESIGN STUDY TOUR



(Thursday – 1.30 to 5pm)

The design tour will showcase some of the Coffs Harbors' newest and best residential housing and medium density developments. The tour will give delegates a guide to developing distinctive built form character that reflects the Australian natural and cultural setting. The tour will visit North Sapphire Beach Estate where the focus is contemporary sustainable design with a distinctive coast character. We will then visit Corindi Beach Estate plus two medium density developments, one of which is called "Surfside" which is 6 Contemporary Beachfront Homes designed by award winning Coastal Architects, Simon Youngleson and. The tour will return to the resort around 5pm.

*There is no charge for the tour but **bookings are essential.***

DORRIGO WORLD HERITAGE TOUR (Friday – 9.30 to 3pm)

Today we will depart the hotel at 9.30am. A stay on the Coffs Coast would not be complete without a visit to the world recognised Park. Travelling through the scenic Bellinger Valley we will have time for a short stop and stroll through this country town famous for its arts and crafts. We then head up the Waterfall Way to Dorrigo. You will be taken out to see Dangar Falls and then view (entry not permissible) a vast collection of railway memorabilia. There will be time to take lunch (cost not included) from an assortment of providers and for a short walk in this historic township before heading to the Dorrigo National Park and a walk on the skywalk. Trip will return to the hotel approximately 3pm.

Cost \$55.00 per person .



NAMBUCCA TOUR (Saturday – 10am to 3pm)

Departing Coffs Harbour at 10am the coach will travel south to Nambucca and there to visit the famous V Wall. The wall is a giant outdoor gallery for graffiti artists and is a major tourist attraction. From there we will head out through the Nambucca Hills to Bowraville and visit a fascinating country museum before taking a light lunch at the Phoenix Gallery and Caf_ (cost of lunch not included in tour fee). This world famous eatery/gallery is staffed by adults with an Intellectual Disability and is a great credit to them. On the way home we will call into the Honey Place at Urunga and experience "all things honey", including seeing a working bee hive. Trip will return to the resort approximately 3pm.

Cost \$50.00 per person.

WHALE WATCH TOUR (Sunday – 9.15am to 1.30pm)

We depart the resort at 9.15am in time to board the Spirit of Coffs Harbour for the 10AM Whale Watch Cruise. This will last approximately an hour and a half (includes complimentary tea and coffee). We will then head south past the University and the International Stadium to the village of Sawtell. We should enjoy spectacular views to both north and south from the Sawtell headland, before returning to Coffs via the highway and then on to the Big Banana. Lunch (cost not included) can be taken and a visit here would not be complete without a picture taken in front of Australia's biggest banana. A trip up Bruxner Park Road to Sealy Lookout and a view over the city then return to the hotel. Trip will return to the hotel approximately 1.30pm.

Cost \$55.00 per person.

**ALL TOURS WILL OPERATE SUBJECT TO
MINIMUM NUMBERS.**

Registration Information

How to Register

Simply complete the attached registration form (one per person) and fax or post it to the address provided. Registration form is also available from the BDA of NSW website at www.bdansw.com.au

Acknowledgement of Registration

All registrations will be confirmed in writing upon receipt of completed registration form with full payment. Registrations received without payment will not be processed until payment is received (this includes accommodation bookings). The attached registration form is an approved Tax Invoice by the Australian Tax Office.

Early Registration Bonus

Register and pay for the conference as a delegate, partner or sponsor by Friday 14th August and you will receive a \$100 discount on your registration fee.

Conference Package Rates

The packages below are available for those wishing to participate in all aspects of the conference.

Conference Website

Keep your eye on the conference website located at www.bdansw.com.au for updates on the program and speakers as well as links to relevant sites. Additional registration forms are also available from the site.

Cancellation Policy

If canceling your registration on or before Friday 4 September you are entitled to a full refund of all monies paid, less a \$88 administration fee. After September 4 no refunds are available however substitute delegates may be sent. Accommodation may be altered or cancelled up until 14 days prior to your scheduled arrival without penalty. Accommodation cancelled within 14 days of arrival will forfeit the deposit paid. **ALL cancellations and amendments must be made in writing** to the conference secretariat via fax or email.

For further details about attending the conference contact Bradley Hayden on:

BDA Conference Secretariat

PO Box 5013

ALBURY NSW 2708

Ph (02) 6023 6555

Fx (02) 6023 6355

Mob 0412 461 392

Email: events@bdansw.com.au

Package	Inclusions	Rate before 14th August	Rate after 14th August
Standard Registration	Attendance at conference sessions on Friday & Saturday, conference satchel, M/Tea, lunch & A/Tea each day	\$350	\$450
Partner Registration	Attendance at conference sessions on Friday & Saturday, conference satchel, M/Tea, lunch & A/Tea each day	\$175	\$275
Delegate package A	Standard registration (inclusions as per above), welcome function, Friday night social dinner, Saturday Breakfast, NSW State Design Awards dinner	\$480	\$580
Delegate & Partner package A	Standard registration for delegate & partner (inclusions as per above), 2 tickets to welcome function, Friday night social dinner and NSW State Design Awards dinner	\$800	\$900
Delegate package B	Standard registration (inclusions as per above), Friday night social dinner, NSW State Design Awards dinner	\$440	\$540
Delegate & Partner package B	Standard registration for delegate & partner (inclusions as per above), 2 tickets to Friday night social dinner and NSW State Design Awards dinner	\$730	\$830
Day Registration	Attendance at conference on selected day, conference satchel, M/Tea, lunch & A/Tea	\$200	\$300
Optional Tickets			
Corporate Golf Day	9 holes golf, afternoon refreshments	\$20	\$20
Welcome reception	Finger food and drinks from 6.00 – 7.30pm	\$35	\$35
Friday Night social dinner	2 course dinner	\$45	\$45
Saturday Breakfast (included if staying in resort)	Buffet breakfast	\$20	\$20
NSW State Design Awards dinner	3 course dinner, entertainment and drinks	\$100	\$100

We thank and acknowledge the JVP sponsors of the BDA of NSW





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Conference Secretariat
Countrywide Conference Management
PO Box 5013, ALBURY, NSW 2708
Ph (02) 6023 6555, Fax (02) 6023 6355
E-mail: corporate@bdansw.com.au

Conference Registration Form

Please complete one form for each delegate attending

Delegate Details

Surname _____ Title (please circle) Mr, Mrs, Ms, Dr, Other _____

First Name _____ BDA Branch (if applicable) _____

Business Name _____

Postal Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Ph () _____ Fax () _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

Partners Name (if registering)

Surname _____ First Name _____

Accommodation Requirements – see registration brochure for details

Booking required:

Opal Cove Resort Single \$140 per room per night (inc B/fast) Double \$150 per room per night (inc B/fast)
 Twin \$150 per room per night (inc B/fast)

Smoking Non Smoking

2 Bedroom Self Contained Villas (un-serviced / room only) - \$222 per night

3 Bedroom Self Contained Villas (un-serviced / room only) - \$283 per night

Arrival date _____ Departure date _____ Number of nights _____

If sharing (twin or Villa) , who with ? _____

If family, name & ages of children _____

Airport Transfer required Flight Number _____ Airline _____ Arrival Time _____

Note – if you don't have flight details yet, you may advise them later via email to the secretariat above. To help our planning please indicate that you require a transfer but details are 'TBA'.

Special Requirements

Please indicate if you have any special dietary, access or other requirements _____

Cancellation Policy

Please ensure you have read and understood the cancellation policy on the attached registration brochure. By completing and submitting this registration form you are deemed to have accepted this policy.

Package (see registration brochure for inclusions)	Rate before August 14th	Rate after August 14th
Please circle requirements		
Standard registration	\$350	\$450
Partner registration	\$175	\$275
Delegate package A	\$480	\$580
Delegate & Partner package A	\$800	\$900
Delegate package B	\$440	\$540
Delegate & Partner package B	\$730	\$830
Day registration – Friday 18th September	\$200	\$300
Day registration – Saturday 19th September	\$200	\$300
Optional functions		
Please circle requirements		
Corporate Golf day – Excludes welcome reception	\$20 - No. Tickets Required _____	
BDA Surfing Safari	No charge - No. Tickets Required _____	
James Hardie Study Tour	No charge - No. Tickets Required _____	
Welcome reception - included in package A	\$35 - No. Tickets Required _____	
Friday Night social dinner – included in package A & B	\$45 - No. Tickets Required _____	
Saturday Breakfast Function – included if staying in resort	\$20 - No. Tickets Required _____	
NSW State Design Awards Dinner – included in package A & B	\$100 - No. Tickets Required _____	
Optional tours		
Please circle requirements		
Dorrigo World Heritage Tour - Friday 18th	\$55 - No. Tickets Required _____	
Nambucca Tour - Saturday 19th	\$50 - No. Tickets Required _____	
Whale Watching Tour –Sunday 20th	\$55 - No. Tickets Required _____	

Payment - see above & registration brochure for options and rates

Tax Invoice – Building Designers Association of NSW Inc – ABN 37 492 219 079

Registration type as circled above	Amount Paid
	\$ _____
Optional functions as circled above	\$ _____
Optional tours as circled above	\$ _____
1 night accommodation deposit (1 night rate for selected style, held as a credit for your arrival)	\$ _____

Note – if paying accommodation deposit by credit card, card will not be debited for this amount but used as a guarantee only

(ALL AMOUNTS SHOWN INCLUDE GST) Total amount being paid \$ _____

Cheque enclosed Charge my: Master Card Visa

Card Number _____/_____/_____

Cardholder's Name: _____ Expiry Date _____

Signature _____

If paying by cheque make payable to: "BDA Conference"

If paying by EFT transfer to: National Australia Bank - BSB Number 082-406 Account number – 63-642-9697 (please email confirmation of deposit)

Forward registration form to:	BDA Conference PO Box 5013 ALBURY NSW 2708	Ph (02) 6023 6555 Fax (02) 6023 6355 Mobile 0412 461 392 E-mail: events@bdansw.com.au
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