



Media Release

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EXCELLENCE IN WA HOSPITALITY RECOGNISED

Standards of excellence in Western Australia's hotel and hospitality industry were recognized at the XXXX Summer Bright Lager Ball and the presentation of the 2010 AHA Aon Hotel Awards for Excellence held in the Grand Ballroom at Burswood Entertainment Complex last night.

Finalists and winners across 50 categories were recognized for their achievements across a range of categories including standards of excellence in service; presentation; the responsible service of alcohol; innovation; redevelopment; tourism and accommodation.

Australian Hotels Association (WA) CEO, Bradley Woods, said the night's celebrations took on greater importance given the regulatory landscape in which the industry has to operate.

"The industry has never faced such scrutiny, regulations and red tape. Restrictions on the hospitality industry, whether they be lockouts, restrictions on the type of beverages that can be supplied, limitations on trading hours or planning and health-related compliance issues, always loom as a threat," Mr Woods said.

"Yet the standard of what we offer our customers and guests has never been higher, our food and beverage offerings have never been more premium, our service standards have never been so professional.

"The community expects quality venues to be open seven-days every week offering breakfast, lunch and dinner. We offer the complete package to locals and international and domestic tourists alike, and we operate in every region in Western Australia from Perth's vibrant and white-collar orientated CBD, to country towns where the local pub sits at the centre of the community."

The AHA De Bortoli/6PR Perth Pub of the Year award was presented to the Whistling Kite in Secret Harbour. Mandurah's 'M on the Point' took out the Regional Hotel/Tavern of the Year Award, and the Sheraton Perth Hotel once again won the Deluxe Accommodation Award.

Industry icon Neil Randall received the Hospitality Industry Lifetime Achievement Award.

Bradley Woods said the AHA Aon Hotel Awards for Excellence reflect the high standards prevalent across the industry.



"The hospitality sector is continually upgrading and improving services and standards, which is one of the reasons our industry is among the best in the world," he said.

"The AHA Aon Hotel Awards for Excellence continue to be the most prestigious awards night for the industry and I would like to congratulate all our finalists and winners."

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2010 AHA-AON HOTEL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE WINNERS

Aon Risk Services Community Service Award

WINNER

The Gate Bar and Bistro

The Lion Nathan Bar Presentation & Service Award

WINNER

The Breakwater

Responsible Service of Alcohol Award sponsored by Coca-Cola Amatil

WINNER

Burswood Entertainment Complex (Hall of Fame inductee 2010)

Training Initiative Award sponsored by Hospitality Group Training

WINNER

Burswood Entertainment Complex

Hotel Innovation Award sponsored by HFM Asset Management

WINNER

Greenhouse St Georges Terrace

Marketed Hotel Award sponsored by Premium Beverages

WINNER

The George

Retail Liquor Outlet Award sponsored by ME Bank

WINNER

Steves Fine Wine & Food

Safe Cellar Award sponsored by BOC

WINNER

The Shed

Small Bar Award sponsored by 21st Century Business Equipment / IMPOS

WINNER

Elba Cottesloe

Mixology and Cocktail Menu Award sponsored by Pernod Ricard Australia

WINNER

Greenhouse St Georges Terrace

Late Night Venue Award sponsored by Easy Payroll

WINNER

Niche Bar

Environmental Initiative Award sponsored by Synergy

WINNER

Eco Beach Wilderness Retreat



Tourism Initiative Award sponsored by Tourism Western Australia

WINNER

Eco Beach Wilderness Retreat

Redeveloped Venue Award sponsored by MegaVision Sound & Lighting

JOINT WINNERS

The Generous Squire / The Kewdale Tavern

Outdoor Area Award

WINNER

The Gate Bar and Bistro

Winery Cellar Door Award sponsored by Mosman Glass & Ceramic Printers

WINNER

Sandalford Wines, Swan Valley

Boutique Brewery Award sponsored by BOC

WINNER

Duckstein Brewery at Saracen Estates, Margaret River

Marketed Accommodation Hotel Award sponsored by Advans Exhibition Services

WINNER

Pinctada Cable Beach Resort & Spa

Conference and Banquet Award sponsored by Perth Convention Bureau

WINNER

Burswood Entertainment Complex

Front Office/Guest Services Award sponsored by City of Perth

WINNER

Sheraton Perth Hotel

Mid-Range Accommodation Award sponsored by Mal Atwell Indoor Leisure Group

WINNER

Ibis Perth

Superior Accommodation Award sponsored by Furniture Options

JOINT WINNERS

Esplanade Hotel Fremantle / Rydges Perth Hotel

Deluxe Accommodation Award sponsored by HotelsApart - Bedcovering & Curtain Specialist

WINNER

Sheraton Perth Hotel (Hall of Fame Inductee 2010)

Apartment/Suite Accommodation Award sponsored by Easy Payroll

WINNER

Seashells Yallingup



Resort Style Accommodation Award sponsored by Vocational Training Services

WINNER

Cable Beach Club Resort and Spa (Hall of Fame inductee 2010)

Bar Services Employee Award sponsored by DIAGEO

WINNER

Jason Juraszek - Universal Bar and Café

Cookery Services Employee Award sponsored by Vocational Training Services

WINNER

Benjamin Beaton - The Publican Bar & Café

Front Office Services Employee Award sponsored by HOSTPLUS

WINNER

Joanne Barnes - Crowne Plaza Perth

Food and Beverage Services Employee Award sponsored by Staging Connections

WINNER

Carla Mancini - White Salt

Administration Employee Award sponsored by HOSTPLUS

WINNER

Meg Coffey - The George

Excellence in Service Award sponsored by hospitalitybiz – hospitalityjobsforU

WINNER

Els Jennings - The Breakwater

AHA - HGT Hotel Industry Rising Star Award

WINNER

Taryn Spicer - Holiday Inn City Centre Perth

Venue Manager Award sponsored by HISCO Hospitality & Healthcare

WINNER

Caroline Watson - The George

TAB Hotel/PubTAB Venue Award sponsored by Racing & Wagering WA

WINNER

The Gate Bar and Bistro

Sporting Entertainment Venue Award sponsored by FOX SPORTS

JOINT WINNERS

Burswood Entertainment Complex (Hall of Fame Inductee 2010) / The Gate Bar and Bistro

Live Entertainment Venue Award sponsored by APRA / AMCOS

WINNER

Settlers Tavern

Themed Bar Award sponsored by Coca-Cola Amatil

WINNER

Durty Nelly's Irish Pub



WA's Best Steak Sandwich Award sponsored by Meat Direct

WINNER

Inglewood Hotel (Hall of Fame Inductee 2010)

Bar Menu Award sponsored by Customers ATM

WINNER

The Breakwater

Bistro Award sponsored by Constellation Wines Australia

JOINT WINNERS

The Queens / The Gate Bar and Bistro

Restaurant Award sponsored by Robert Oatley Vineyards - Wild Oats

WINNER

Restaurant Amusé

Restaurant Within A Hotel Award sponsored by 92.9

WINNER

The Breakwater - ISHKA Restaurant

Restaurant Within An Accommodation Hotel Award sponsored by HLW (WA)

WINNER

Assured Ascot Quays Apartment Hotel - 150 East Riverside Bar Restaurant

Hotel Wine List Award sponsored by Miles From Nowhere

WINNER

Steves Fine Wine & Food

Accommodation Hotel Wine List Award sponsored by Samuel Smith & Son

WINNER

Cable Beach Club Resort and Spa - Club Restaurant

WA's Best Regional Venue 2010 sponsored by H & L Australia

WINNER

M on the Point

AHA De Bortoli / 6PR Perth's Pub of the Year

WINNER

Whistling Kite

WA's Best Hospitality Venue 2010 sponsored by The West Australian

WINNER

The Breakwater

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