

Geelong RFL – 2008 event debrief notes

What worked?

- Central stage
- Vendor layout
- Candlelight ceremony ditto ditto ditto
- Opening ceremony ditto
- Closing ceremony ditto ditto
- Survivor walk and function ditto ditto ditto
- Bagpipes behind candles during closing ceremony
- No registrations on the day ditto
- Two speaker systems ditto
- Animal farm ditto ditto
- Media coverage
- Entertainment ditto ditto
- Golf buggies
- Traffic out ditto
- Duty roster
- Facilities re Beckley Park coordination
- Last lap ditto
- Lighting
- Sign boards (Kerrie and Stephen), signage and map ditto
- Tea and coffee ditto

What didn't work?

- Paint colour for sites
- Beckley Park as a venue (too open, track too long, no community spirit etc) ditto ditto ditto ditto
- Location of marquee for sitting and having coffee – should be closer to stage ditto
- More time needed to clear stage prior to candlelight and closing ceremonies
- Underage teams
- CCV signage and misleading signage
- Clean up at end of event, too few hands ditto ditto
- Sound at closing ceremony and PA on north side
- Lighting at candlelight ceremony too low (dangerous)
- Traffic in
- Location of vendors facing west/south-west
- Info tent layout – candle and merchandise sales in particular
- The drop
- Insufficient advertising of tea and coffee outlet
- Portable toilets not cleaned adequately
- Track lighting during night hours

What did you learn?

- Need to be more creative with Hope sign
- If we change location, storage for event equipment an issue
- More trailers needed in setting up and after event
- Roster needs revision re after event clean up
- Relationship with younger teams a challenge to be taken up
- Security hot spot area
- Difficult to be on the committee and have a team as well