



## Media release

The Honourable Jann Stuckey MP  
Minister for Tourism, Major Events,  
Small Business and the Commonwealth Games

### **New Big Day Out venue for the Gold Coast**

The Big Day Out is being given a new home at Metricon Stadium on the Gold Coast.

In January, the State Government and BDO came to an agreement that guaranteed the event.

BDO organisers have secured a new site for the music festival, ensuring its economic benefits stay within the region.

The move from the Parklands site was necessary to make way for the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games athletes village to be built, with preparation and early works underway later this year.

Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games Jann Stuckey said the outcome was a win-win for local businesses and festival goers on the coast.

“This decision brings certainty not only for the event organisers but also for other businesses and music lovers benefitting from the festival,” Ms Stuckey said.

“BDO is a major event for the Gold Coast which this year attracted 45,000 festival goers from Queensland and interstate, delivering about \$30m to the local economy.

“Metricon Stadium is a great choice as the new venue and confirms BDO will remain on the Gold Coast for another five years, which is a great outcome.”

Big Day Out’s CEO Adam Zammit said: “Big Day Out founder Ken West, myself and our partners C3 Presents are very excited to be moving into a great new venue for 2014, a year which will see our biggest and best line-up in years.”

“The Gold Coast show is the first stop on the Australian run of Big Day Out dates and for the many international acts who have never visited Australia, it’s always great to fly them into the Goldie first.”

“Our new venue meets the highest of our expectations and standards and we hope will be the home of Big Day Out for years to come.”

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