



## **BOXING AUSTRALIA INC. (BAI)**

### **10 TH ARAFURA GAMES 2009**

#### **BOXING COMPETITION**

**DATES:** 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY TO 15 MAY 2009

**HOST ASSOCIATION:** BOXING NORTHERN TERRITORY

**VENUE:** MARRARA SPORTING COMPLEX

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Arafura Games is recognised as a leading international sporting competition for developing athletes of the Asia Pacific Region. Held every two years in Darwin it attracts competitors from nations not only throughout the Asia Pacific region and beyond but also from all Australian States and Territories. The Arafura Games began in 1991 as the Arafura Sports Festival. By the time the eighth Games were held in 2005, participation had soared to more than 3,000 athletes representing 32 nations, with competition in 30 sports.

The 2009 Arafura Games celebrates the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Games. These games are recognised as one of the Asia Pacific Region's premier sporting events and boxing is one of the major sports featured at the Arafura Games. The Boxing competition is conducted under the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Rules in accordance with the Boxing Australia Incorporated (BAI) By-Laws.

The 2009 Arafura Games attracted boxers from eight nations, six Australian states and territories, the National Talent Identification Development Program (NTID) and the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS). Both male and female boxers were entered in the various weight divisions. A summary of the number of competitors competing in the boxing competition is provided as Attachment 1.

#### **COMPETITION DIRECTOR & COMPETITION MANAGER**

At the request of the Arafura Games Organisers Boxing Australia Incorporated (BAI) appointed Mr. Phillip Goodes (BAI Director) as the Competition Director and Mr. Boyd Scully (Northern Territory BIA Council Delegate) as the Competition Manager for the 2009 Arafura Games Boxing Championships.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF JURY**

The Jury appointed for the 2009 Arafura Games Boxing Competition was:

Mr. Lohial Nuau MBE (Papua New Guinea)	AIBA Vice President
Mr Patrick McCrory (Northern Ireland)	AIBA, Secretary-Referees& Judges Commission
Mr. Keith Walker (New Zealand)	AIBA Referees and Judges Commission.
Mr. Phillip Goodes (Australia)	BAI Director

## **OFFICIALS**

Boxing Northern Territory (BNT) appointed the officials to oversee the conduct of the Arafura Games Boxing Competition. They reported directly to the Competition Manager (Mr. Boyd Scully and included:

- Announcer
- Timekeepers
- Gloving Stewards
- Dressing Room Stewards
- Whips
- Dress Stewards
- Medical Doctors
- Ring Attendants
- Weigh-In Stewards

All officials were both competent and professional in the exercise of their responsibilities. BNT are to be congratulated on the commitment of their officials who were a major contributing factor to a successful 2009 Arafura Games Boxing Championships. They operated as a team and BAI recognises the cooperation of Mr. Boyd Scully in providing a committed and professional team of volunteers. BAI appreciates that without the commitment of volunteers it would not be possible to organise and conduct successful boxing tournaments.

The medical support doctors were very professional in the exercise of their duties and responsibilities. Mr. Boyd Scully is to be congratulated on being able to organise and provide the services of these key officials.

Every effort was made to ensure that officials were able to undertake their responsibilities effectively. The Field of Play was set up in time for the conduct of all sessions. The Back of House arrangements allowed for the efficient flow of boxers from the warm up area to the Field of Play.

## **COMPETITION VENUE AND EQUIPMENT**

The competition venue (Marrara Sporting Complex) was appropriate for the conduct of the 2009 Arafura Games Boxing Championships. This venue provides for the setting up of an outdoor boxing competition facility. Stands were provided for spectators who were able to view the competition from all four sides of the Competition Ring. The venue functioned efficiently throughout the tournament with the Field of Play (FOP) and Back of House (BOH) providing an efficient flow of competitors entering and exiting from the ring.

The FOP area provided spectators with a very good view of the boxers and allowed all officials including referees and judges, timekeepers, announcer and jury members to operate efficiently and effectively throughout the Championships. There was no delay between bouts and the BOH set up included a warm up area that ensured the boxers were thoroughly prepared prior to entering the ring.

The computer scoring system was set up with the assistance of Wayne Rose (Chairman, BAI Referee & Judges Committee) and Mr. Max Sulejmani (Secretary, BAI Referee & Judges Committee)

### ***OPEN SCORING***

Open Scoring was provided in accordance with AIBA requirements. Screens were located at strategic locations around the competition ring allowing spectators to see progressive scores throughout a bout.

### ***WEIGH – IN & MEDICAL EXAMINATION***

The Official and daily weigh-in and medical Examination were conducted at the Darwin Exhibition Centre.

The BAI Referee and Judges Committee undertook responsibility for overseeing the conduct of the official weigh-in and the daily weigh-in. All attending Referee and Judges assisted in the weigh-in process over the entire competition. The weigh-in set-up was satisfactory with producing minimum confusion and the process was completed in a timely fashion.

The BAI Referee and Judges Committee Chairman (Mr. Wayne Rose) supervised the weigh-in and conducted the draw with assistance from Mr. Seru Whippy and Mr. Maksim Sulejmani on the computer. The draw was conducted with no major issues affecting this process. Two PNG female competitors were unable to be matched as there were no other entries in their divisions. It was requested that they be allowed to enter in the higher weight divisions; however, AIBA rules prevent a boxer from competing outside the division for which they weighed due to safety issues and therefore this request was denied. It was arranged to provide special bouts for the two female PNG boxers.

### ***COMPUTER OPERATOR***

Mr. Maksim Sulejmani supervised the Computer Operator throughout the Championships in a competent and professional manner.

### ***APPOINTMENT OF REFEREES AND JUDGES***

This responsibility was undertaken by the BAI Referee and Judges Committee.

### ***MANAGER’S MEETING***

A team managers meeting was held prior to the commencement of the official weigh-in and draw. At future competitions this meeting needs to be advertised more widely with the assistance of BAI and an agenda for the meeting provided. This meeting is essential since it provides an opportunity for the Competition Director and Competition Manager to explain procedures associated with the conduct of the tournament including; meal arrangements, procedures associated with the conduct of the official weigh-in, official medical examination and official draw.

During the course of the meeting the Chairman of the Referee and Judges Committee (Mr. Wayne Rose) provided a briefing to Team Managers on essential AIBA Rules associated with the boxing competition.

### ***REFEREE AND JUDGES COMMITTEE MEETING***

No Referee and Judges Committee meeting was held during this competition.

## **RESULTS**

The results of all Finals Bouts are provided as an attachment 2. Gold Medals were won by the following Teams;

Female	Indonesia	1
	Western Australia	3
Male	Malaysia	2
	Northern Ireland	4
	Indonesia	1
	Western Australia	2
	Queensland	1
	Australian Capital Territory	1

## **COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

The introduction of Open Scoring had a significant impact on the success of this event. It is essential that it be provided at any future international events conducted by Boxing Australia Inc.

The standout aspects associated with the conduct of these championships included:

- The provision of a well organised Field of Play and Back of House area.
- The provision of an appropriate ring and competition venue.
- The provision of a suitable weigh-in and medical examination area.
- The provision of a suitable and well planned dressing room area for the boxers.
- The conduct of effective and efficient procedures for the conduct of the weigh-in, medical examination and official draw procedures.
- A tournament that flowed without any interruption and ensured that boxers entered the ring in accordance with a set time table.
- Excitement and entertainment for all spectators.
- A strong sense of cooperation and team work between all officials and volunteers.
- Cooperation between BNT and BAI in the organisation of the tournament.
- The improvement by the Referees and Judges through the mentoring of Mr. Pat McCrory and Mr. Keith Walker was commendable.

Boxing Australia Inc. must continue to provide strong support for the Arafura Games Boxing Championships. The Arafura Games boxing competition offers opportunities for promising and talented young boxers to obtain access to a very well organised competition at an international level.

The Arafura Games promote amateur boxing throughout the Northern Territory, Australia, the Oceania and Asian region. The Games are strongly supported by the Northern Territory Government and enjoy considerable support from the local community. All sessions of boxing were conducted before a significant and appreciative audience.

**RON PENGELLY**

BAI Director

**ATTACHMENT 1****SUMMARY OF ENTRY PARTICIPANTS**

<b>TEAM</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>FEMALE</b>	<b>MALE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Indonesia	INA	5	11	16
Malaysia	MAS	0	12	12
Northern Ireland	NIR	0	8	8
New Zealand	NZL	0	2	2
Papua New Guinea	PNG	1	14	15
Singapore	SIN	1	2	3
Thailand	THA	0	4	4
Timor-Leste	TLS	0	7	7
National Talent Identification Program	NTID	0	4	4
Australian Capital Territory	ACT	0	1	1
Australian Institute of Sport	AIS	0	1	1
New South Wales	NSW	1	6	7
Northern Territory	NT	0	3	3
Queensland	QLD	0	4	4
South Australia	SA	0	2	2
Western Australia	WA	3	8	11
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>100</b>

**ATTACHMENT 2****RESULTS of FINALS  
SESSION 5****Friday 15 may 2009**

Bout	Weight	Corner	Name	Code	Winner	Result	Decision
61	46Kg Fem	RED BLUE	ROTTY Yunke NURCAHAYA Nurc	INA INA	RED	PTS	6:1
62	54Kg Fem	RED BLUE	McGrath Kelly PARIAMA Welimi	WA INA	RED	PTS	11:3
63	57Kg Fem	RED BLUE	BUSIRA Yunike Abigal Walker Roxanne	INA WA	BLUE	PTS	9:5
64	57Kg Fem	RED BLUE	KAORE Debbie Baki BOUQUET Jessica	PNG WA	BLUE	PTS	15:14
65	48Kg Male	RED BLUE	MOHD REDZUAN Muhamad Faud SAHULEKA Frejhon	MAS INA	RED	PTS	7:2
66	51Kg Male	RED BLUE	KIAKAI Camilo CONLAN Michael	PNG NIR	BLUE	PTS	10:1
67	54Kg Male	RED BLUE	LUMOLI Yulieus WOODS Jared	INA WA	RED	PTS	17:4
68	60Kg Male	RED BLUE	PAULIS B PAYONG Fernandos PEVINSKY Mark	MAS WA	BLUE	WO	
70	64Kg Male	RED BLUE	HAEWSUNO Oatchariya DONNELLY Stephen	THA NIR	BLUE	PTS	12:5
71	69Kg Male	RED BLUE	AH-SEE Sam MURDOCK Rohan	NTID QLD	BLUE	PTS	9:8
72	75Kg Male	RED BLUE	AJDUKOVIC Rocky WEAVER Ross	WA WA	RED	PTS	+1:1
73	81Kg Male	RED BLUE	SACCO Michael WARD Steven	NT NIR	BLUE	PTS	18:5
74	91Kg Male	RED BLUE	SWEENY John SQUILANCE Giancarlo	NIR WA	RED	PTS	9:8
75	91Kg Male	RED BLUE	BAMIN Gareth MUKHIN Alexey	NTID ACT	BLUE	PTS	8:4