



SHOP TALK

ISSUES AND NEWS AFFECTING THE AUSTRALIAN SHOPPING CENTRE INDUSTRY

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QIRC ALLOWS TRADING ON BOXING DAY AND NEW YEARS DAY IN QUEENSLAND

The Queensland Industrial Relations Commission has rejected an application by the Shop Assistants Union to close non-exempt shops (i.e. large shops) on Boxing Day (26/12/10) and New Years Day (1/1/11) throughout Queensland, including those located in tourist zones. The application was opposed by the National Retail Association and the Shopping Centre Council ([Shop Talk 15/10/10](#)). This means that only non-exempt shops in areas which do not have Sunday trading (mainly in regional Queensland) will be required to close on these days.

QIRC PREVENTS A SEVEN-DAY SHUTDOWN IN REGIONAL QUEENSLAND AT CHRISTMAS

The QIRC has also granted an application by the National Retail Association, supported by the Shopping Centre Council, to allow non-exempt shops in parts of regional Queensland (i.e. the six-day trading areas) to open on Monday 27/12/10 and Tuesday 28/12/10 and on Monday 3/1/11 ([Shop Talk 15/10/10](#)). Non-exempt shops in these areas will be required to close on Christmas Day (25/12/10), Boxing Day (26/12/10), New Year's Day (1/1/11) and on Sunday 2/1/11. If the application had not been successful, non-exempt shops would have faced a seven day shutdown over the critical Christmas-New Year period.

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATIONS FOR ICSC 2011 RECON CLOSE ON 30 NOVEMBER

Discounted early bird registrations for the International Council of Shopping Centers' RECon, in Las Vegas, (on 22-25 May 2011), close on 30 November 2010. Attractive rates at several hotels are also available now. Click [here](#) for details.

WEST AUSTRALIAN RETAILING AWARDS FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Tanya-Marie den Boer, Assistant Manager, The Coffee Club Midland Gate, named as the Young Retailer of the Year at the Retail Traders Association of WA's Retail Awards for Customer Service Excellence last Friday. Please click [here](#) to view all the winners. The Shopping Centre Council was a sponsor of these awards.

2010 ICSC ASIA SHOPPING CENTRE AWARD WINNERS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to those Australian shopping centres and shopping centre companies who were winners at last week's 2010 International Council of Shopping Centers' Asian Shopping Centre Awards.

GOLD Award winners included:

- Castle Towers, Sydney (QIC) for *Advertising*
- Chadstone, Melbourne (CFS Retail Property Trust/The Gandel Group) for *Grand Opening, Expansion & Renovation*
- QVB, Sydney (Ipoh Management) for *Renovation or Expansion of an Existing Project*

SILVER Award winners included:

- AMP Capital Shopping Centres for *Business-to-Business Corporate*
- Wintergarden, Brisbane (ISPT) for *New Media*
- NeighbourhoodNet (Mirvac) for *New Media*
- QVB, Sydney (Ipoh Management) for *Grand Opening, Expansion & Renovation*

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