



# FIREWORKS





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## Who we are

We have been supplying Queensland with quality, value for money fireworks displays for nearly 30 years. Over this time our pyrotechnicians have performed thousands of displays in almost all circumstances without incident. We are fully licensed and compliant with the DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND MINES requirements. We carry public and property liability insurance to \$20,000,000.00 and have never made a claim.

We can design and supply special effects for your concert or theatre production. Including, a large range of blank fire rifles, pistols and other weapons.

Whether you need a modest display for family celebrations, spectacular effects, or a signature event display, Contact MASTER PYROTECHNICIAN, CRAIG TATNELL to discuss your requirements.

## We provide displays for

- Major Community Events
- Councils
- Show Societies
- Rodeos
- Centenary and Similar Events
- Weddings
- School Fetes
- Community Festivals
- Theatre Productions
- Movie Productions

For any pyrotechnic display or effects, we can guarantee a quality display with outstanding professionalism, safety and value.





## Special Events

We do not only provide spectacular pyrotechnic displays. The photo on the right is of a full sized fire breathing dragon our staff created for the Townsville River Festival. "Max Grrrr" as he became known was electrically driven by an on board operator and he can breath fire to about 10 metres.

Max was a big hit as was the spectacular fireworks display that concluded this annual event.



## Corporate Functions

If you need that WOW factor to launch a new product or service, look no further. Craig can design a package that will delight your clients.

With the use of high tech fire projectors, close pyrotechnic effects, and skilled performers we can have your audience on the edge of their seat.

Lance work set piece displays are also popular to display a corporate name or logo in fire and effect. These displays are custom made and can emulate any logo or design.





## Why Us?

Craig can resource displays and fire shows that are unique. Regardless of your venue restraints or remote location he can design a spectacular package to suit your event from one or two performers to twenty or more!

He has the safety record you need when considering a fireworks display. You can be confident that everything will run smooth on the day through thorough planning and good procedure.



**CRAIG  
TATNELL**

My name is Craig Tatnell. I have owned ABOVE GROUND ZERO FIREWORKS since 1995 and I have worked for this company, and other fireworks providers, for many years before that.

I have travelled Queensland extensively staging displays for thousands of events. My family literally grew up on the road to displays and events. This has given my girls a practical insight into the fireworks industry that no training could ever give them. There are age restrictions on handling explosives so in the early years they helped with security and setup of non explosives props or sets etc. Now that they are all of age and have been able to obtain licenses we have been able to expand our operations by establishing CQ FIREWORKS servicing Central Queensland.

I am proud of what my business has become with the family completely involved. It is my desire that one day my kids will take over the reins and I will be able to sit and watch them at work doing what they, and I, love.



**KIMBERLY  
TATNELL**

My name is Kimberly Tatnell, I am the eldest of the 4 Tatnell girls. I am a qualified chef. I hold a Queensland Fireworks Operator licence and, through the family business, I have been involved with fireworks for most of my life. I have travelled all over Queensland with our business and in recent years have seen a rapid expansion for us. I am trained in all aspects of pyrotechnic displays including close proximity and special effects. I have staged many displays in all corners of the state and I often travel away to a display with one or more of my sisters.

We are a close family, although we do have our moments. I hope that we are able to expand our business throughout the nation maybe even the world someday.



**LISA  
TATNELL**

Hi my name is Lisa Tatnell, I was born in Wollongong NSW in 1991 and currently live in Emerald Queensland with my partner Jamie and Daughter Stephanie. I have three sisters, Kimberly, Sarah and Julie. Almost all our lives we have travelled Queensland with our Dad, Craig, delivering exceptional pyrotechnic displays.

In the last few years Above Ground Zero Fireworks has expanded quite dramatically which has lead to us becoming licensed Fireworks Operators. This has allowed us to compete for more displays. I am looking forward to my young family travelling Queensland, as I did.

We have all had our roles from time to time, whether it be fire twirling at the Tully show, lighting fireworks for the New Years celebrations on Daydream Island, building fire breathing dragons for the River Fest or just sitting back and watching, we all contribute to the success that is Above Ground Zero Fireworks.



**SARAH  
TATNELL**

I'm Sarah Tatnell, third eldest daughter of Craig Tatnell. Since my very first hands-on fireworks show in Hughenden, I have been involved with Above Ground Zero Fireworks completely. I often travel along side my eldest sister Kimberly. Together, the two of us travel all around Queensland providing excellent firework displays. Participating in this business has had a major impact in my life, and I would like to continue in this profession.

With all of us becoming of age and working alongside each other, our business has grown immensely, and continues to grow. Whether it is a major display or a simple display that you are after, the Tatnell family has got you covered.



**JULIE  
TATNELL**

Hello there! I'm Julie, the 'baby' of the family. Ever since I can really remember, fireworks have been a part of my life. Travelling around the country side, packed in a van with my 3 other sisters are some of the best memories I have. I only really started getting involved in fireworks around about my 13th birthday, when I went from watching to participating. Not with explosives, but setting up other equipment and crowd control etc.

I have attended fireworks shows for the Daydream Island annual new years displays, the Airlie Beach new years displays, and major displays in Brisbane, Townsville, and Cairns. I would like to further develop my knowledge of the fireworks industry and I would also like to own a restaurant or café one day.





## Local Sponsorship Program

Community support is very important and we strive to assist community organisations where we can. Over the years we have made it possible for many community groups to have a fireworks display where they might not have otherwise. This is possible through our local sponsorship program.

You must be a community group organised not for profit. When planning an event with a limited budget let us know early and we can tailor a package that will include a sponsorship element. This may be additional fireworks products, included fire shows, or donation of prizes or trophies etc. We have donated laptop computers, stereos and other gifts regularly to our loyal clients and other community groups. These gifts are over and above the great value displays that we always provide.

All we ask is that our contribution is acknowledged through advertising or other promotional material. If you need more information please contact us.



**OUR LOCAL SPONSORSHIP  
PROGRAM CAN BENEFIT  
YOUR COMMUNITY EVENT!**











## Testimonials

On June 19th 2011, Craig and his team staged a firework display for Jupiters Townsville as part of the property's 25th birthday celebrations, and what a display it was!

The fireworks spectacular was a talking point of the night and guests who attended the celebrations continue to talk about it months after the event.

We have gone on to use Craig and the Above Ground Zero Fireworks Team for other events at Jupiters and they are always very professional and efficient in what they do.

I am more than happy to refer Craig and his business to anyone looking for fireworks at their event or private function because the team always go above and beyond, leaving nothing unturned, to please and give the ultimate wow factor.

Thank you!!

**Jupiters Townsville  
Hotel & Casino**

**Jupiters**  
TOWNSVILLE

I just wanted to say a huge thank you for all of your assistance with our recent events. The fireworks shows have been fantastic and the quality and creativity was spot on and exactly what we were looking for. I appreciate all of your input and ideas and thank you for being such a pleasure to work with.

I am continuously recommending you to both our clients and friends and I can't wait to work with you again.

Thanks again,

**Out of the Blue Events**

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event hire and styling

Tully & District Show has been using Craig & his girls from Above Ground Zero for as many years as I can remember, they are like family. They have never missed a Tully Show through all the rain which we are renowned for. They have treated the community with the latest fireworks display with amazing colours and designs, to make all ages GO AAAAHHHAHAHAHA. It's the highlight of our show and the families love it.

One year we made a backpacker write down what she had told us at the office. She was so amazed at the fireworks display she claimed it was better than the fireworks she saw in Sydney on the bridge for New Year's Eve. We thought that said it all. Tourists are amazed at the quality of the performance.

Tully and District Show thank Above Ground Zero for the wonderful service they have always given.

*Tully & District  
Show Society*

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I have worked with Craig Tatnell from Above Ground Zero Fireworks for many years now. When looking for an affordable alternative for fireworks for the Whitsunday Reef Festival, it was also a bonus that Craig is a long time North Queensland local and very willing to support the local community. For many years since then he has put on spectacular fireworks shows to 'Rock the Reef' and additional shows such as the Whitsunday Tourism Awards on Daydream Island and other events I've been involved with. Craig is always very professional, very accommodating and always puts on a good show. I would highly recommend his services.

**Tourism Whitsundays**

*The*  
**Whitsundays**  
Queensland 7-8 Island Whitsundays



## ORGANISING A DISPLAY

If you have never had anything to do with the fireworks industry it seems to be a great mystery to many. How much does it cost? What do we get? What do we have to do?

That's where we come in! We strive to streamline things as much as possible so there are no surprises on the night. We will meet all statutory requirements and keep you informed about your responsibilities through out the process. We will deliver a portfolio of documents before the display which includes;

- Licence copies
- Insurance certificate
- Notification forms
- Risk assessment forms
- JSA documents if required

And any other notes of interest we may have made during the course of planning the display.

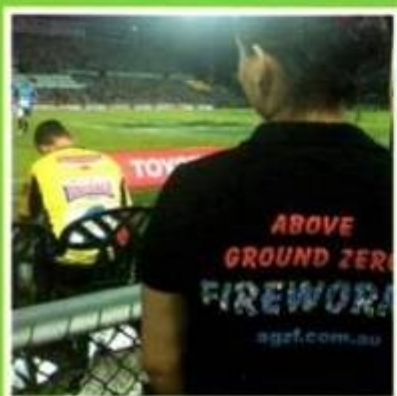


## LOOK OUT!

The budget that we negotiate for your event is fixed. There are never any hidden extras! **We do not ask for money up front, and if the display cannot proceed for any reason we don't charge a cent!** We are the only company who offer this. Most others will expect you to pay up to 50% of the display budget even if nothing is fired!

Some people in the industry are not very experienced. They do 2 or 3 shows a year and then expect to be able to fire a major display. It doesn't work like that! **Check that the operator has a good history of displays behind them.** We are all required to keep a log of every show so it's not hard to produce evidence.

**If you receive several quotes for your display some will stand out with huge quantities of product. The old rule! If it looks too good to be true it probably is!** We will always be available for any scrutiny of our displays. We stand up to the test!







## RULES AND REGULATIONS

To stage a display in Queensland a person must hold a **FIREWORKS CONTRACTORS LICENCE**. This means that the person operates a valid safety management system, is insured, has a staff training regime in place, and holds the required competencies as outlined by the Dept. of Natural Resources and Mines.

To actually fire a display a person needs a **FIREWORKS OPERATORS** licence. This means that the holder can fire a display for a **FIREWORKS CONTRACTOR** but they cannot provide a display to anyone on their own.

A fireworks operator cannot buy or sell fireworks. They can only possess fireworks that are allocated for a specific display. **A FIREWORKS OPERATOR cannot sell you a display, or make arrangements for the display without you having contact with their governing FIREWORKS CONTRACTOR.**

**If you are approached by any person offering you a display you must sight a valid FIREWORKS CONTRACTORS LICENCE.** We provide copies of all relevant licenses for every display.

The Dept. of Natural Resources and Mines have a prepared brochure which outlines your responsibilities if you decide to proceed with a display. It gives a good overview of what is expected from each party to the display. I have included a copy for you to have a look at.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

There are many other people who have put in a great deal of time and effort to make **ABOVE GROUND ZERO FIREWORKS** and **CQ FIREWORKS** what they are today and to these people I am sincerely grateful.

<b>MICHELLE SCOTT</b>	Choreography and Design
<b>MICHAEL NORRIS</b>	Armourer
<b>GEORGE ADAMS</b>	Fireworks Operator
<b>MARK TESSMAN</b>	Fireworks Operator
<b>JAMIE MARSHALL</b>	Fireworks Assistant
<b>ANDREW OLIVER</b>	Fireworks Assistant
<b>MAX BONNEY</b>	Fireworks Assistant
<b>GARETH EVANS</b>	Fireworks Assistant
<b>VICTOR DAISY</b>	Palm Island Coordinator

If you need a great display and want to work with great people, call us for a chat!

Thank You,

*Craig Tatnell*



TOWNSVILLE

CAIRNS

TATNELLS CREEK

# QLD FIREWORKS DISPLAYS

McKINLAY

CLONCURRY

PALM ISLAND

**CHINCHILLA**

**CHARTERS TOWERS**

**BRISBANE**

**CLERMONT**

**CAIRNS**

**EMERALD**

**PORT DOUGLAS**

**ALPHA**

**TOWNSVILLE**

ORPHEUS ISLAND

**WINTON**

**INGHAM**

**BOULIA**

**INNISFAIL**

**ROMA**

**AYR**

**NOOSA**

**BOWEN**

**CALOUNDRA**

**GEORGETOWN**

JULIA CREEK

**DAYBORA**

MOUNT ISA

**KURUMBA**

**AIRLIE BEACH**

**BURKETOWN**

**MACKAY**

**GREENVALE**

**ROCKHAMPTON**

**HUGHENDEN**

**CHILDERS**

**JULIA CREEK**

AIRLIE BEACH

**TOOWOOMBA**

HANGING ROCK

**CLONCURRY**

**MORANBAH**

**and everywhere in between!**

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