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Adelaide Airport named Capital City Airport of the Year

Adelaide Airport has won the Capital City Airport of the Year award at the Australian Airports Association National Airport Industry Awards, held in Adelaide last night.

It was one of two major awards won by Adelaide Airport at the gala awards dinner held at the Adelaide Convention Centre. The airport also picked up the Infrastructure Award for its \$200m terminal expansion project, which was completed on time and on budget at the end of 2021 and despite the impacts of COVID.

The awards were presented at a gala dinner at the Adelaide Convention Centre last night.

Adelaide Airport Managing Director, Brenton Cox, said the awards were deserved recognition for the airport's management through COVID and for completion of the terminal expansion project that has seen a significant expansion pf the airport's international departures and arrivals areas and 80 per cent more retail space.

"We're delighted to receive this recognition from our peers," Mr Cox said.

"We know all airports have been doing it tough over the past three years, but I'm immensely proud of our team who have both managed the extraordinary challenges of COVID but also still managed to complete our biggest infrastructure project since 2005 when the current terminal was first opened.

"It's also recognition for our external partners involved in the terminal expansion project as well as helping us keep our airport 'airworthy' when aviation ground to a halt in 2020."

Mr Cox also paid tribute to former Adelaide Airport Managing Director Mark Young, who received the rare honour of a lifetime achievement award for his services to the airport sector over more than 20 years.

"Our success at these awards, and all of our achievements over the past two decades, would not have been possible without Mark's drive and vision," Mr Cox said.

"I recall that Mark's last day as Managing Director also marked practical completion of our terminal expansion project, so it's fitting that both Adelaide Airport and Mark have been honoured together at last night's event."