

PERMOBIL

Delivering innovative solutions that make the lives of people living with disabilities more enriching.

Eden Park aspires to become a more universally designed venue. This process began with a “Street to Seat” audit several years ago, and since then, we have been on a journey to ensure the stadium can meet, and exceed, the expectations of a diverse range of people.

Eden Park is proud to be a stadium for everyone, and through our partnership with Permobil, we have collaborated on a number of accessible areas and events.

Permobil Comfort Zones

The Permobil Comfort Zones have been created in collaboration with Sophia Malthus, a previous corporate receptionist at Eden Park and friend of the stadium. These industry-leading areas, conveniently located close to amenities and emergency egress, include roof-mounted TV screens to make viewing action replays and video streaming content easier from a wider range of sightlines, heaters to assist with regulating body temperatures, new flooring, and barriers for security.

Power in the Park

This annual event is a free community open day, celebrating accessibility with hands-on activities, education sessions, competitions, stadium tours and have-a-go opportunities. Attendees even get the chance to test their skills in wheelchair rugby, hand-cycling and wheelchair parkour!

Proposal at the Park

Eden Park provided the backdrop for two people to create some special memories. In May 2013 Matt sustained life-changing injuries from a motorcycle accident just 7 months out from his planned wedding with Kerryn. Matt & Kerryn travelled a difficult road since then, postponing their marriage as Matt navigated life in a wheelchair and Kerryn supported him on the journey. In 2024 Matt decided it was time to re-propose to Kerryn.

So, Eden Park and Permobil made it happen. Using Permobil's state-of-the-art wheelchair technology, Matt stood up again for the first time again and asked Kerryn to marry him – all on New Zealand's biggest stage!

