

Glasto date for Bond



NEW COMMISSIONS: The Glastonbury tent (above) and the striking domes at Harewood House in Yorkshire.



MARQUEE manufacturers Bond Fabrications has been making rather more than its standard marquees and linings recently – among the more unusual commissions it has won have been three geodesic dome covers, a gift wrapped house and a bright orange printed marquee for Glastonbury.

Bond was given only one week's notice to gift-wrap an entire house - complete with giant pink hearts and a huge bow - as an outside Valentine's present from celebrity photographer Jasin Boland to his girlfriend.

Rather more technical were the three silver, white and clear fabric Geodesic domes.

Bond was put in touch with Geodesics Unlimited who were designing and supplying the complete structures to the 2007 Game Fair venue, Harewood House outside Leeds, to make a spectacular new visitor attraction.

With each dome comprising 98 individually shaped triangles, covering 500 sq m and weighing 400kgs being craned into place in one piece there was no room for error.

In June, the company supplied 1,300 sq m of marquee cover double printed all over with an orange-coloured design via Cake Media for the Orange Chill 'n' Charge Tent at Glastonbury.

Managing director Nick Acland said: "These projects combined with our award winning and ground breaking T-System which is enjoying its first season in the hire market, are all helping our growing reputation for providing original and creative solutions for customers. It's a growing part of the business and also good fun."