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What a sight as stars ring in 2008

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Harbour view ... Elle Macpherson at Double Bay last night. Picture: Mark Stanley
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ALL eyes may have been skyward for the New Year's Eve fireworks but it was home-grown and international stars who made the biggest bang on Sydney Harbour last night.

Supermodel Elle Macpherson, *Australia* star Nicole Kidman, her country crooner hubby Keith Urban and visiting superstar Sting all took up centre position in superyachts for the spectacular display.

The Body held a party on board a luxury boat for her family - including sons Flynn, 9, and Cy, 4, and a select group of friends, including her Australian personal trainer James Duigan.

Currently renting a holiday house at Palm Beach, the 44-year-old glamour has done a good job blending in with the locals.

She has been spotted wandering around Palm Beach and nearby Avalon in board shorts and is also taking surf lessons from Byron Bay-based US surf champ Rusty Miller.

On Sunday night she enjoyed a relaxed meal with her two boys and her parents in the al fresco dining area at Cranzgots Pizza Cafe in Avalon ahead of her trip to the city last night.

And if you couldn't enjoy a vantage point on the Harbour, tickets to the Lord Mayor's New Year's Eve ball were the most sought-after, with the city's most prominent figures all vying to have the ultimate view from the Sydney Opera House.

Elsewhere on the Harbour, Roosters star Braith Anasta partied with girlfriend Erin McNaught at

Woolloomooloo Wharf.

There is still plenty of partying to come, with two recovery parties in Sydney today competing for the A-list crowd.

Myer babe Jennifer Hawkins, model Miranda Kerr and footy fella Luke Ricketson are among the curious celebrities expected to back up for the Oneday party today. The knees-up at Justin Hemmes highly anticipated new venture the ivy in George St begins at lunchtime today.

But the Eastern Suburbs set are set to flock to Bondi Icebergs as usual for its annual charity bash.

ARIA-award winning artists Sneaky Sound System and DJ Miss Annie are performing at the star-studded event, which hopes to raise \$50,000 for Norman Andrews House in Bondi.