



MEDIA RELEASE

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Fans spoilt for choice in big 2011-12 international summer

Australian cricket fans will be treated to a huge variety of international cricket action this summer with three of the best teams in world cricket – India, New Zealand and Sri Lanka – gracing our shores.

Across up to 47 days of scheduled international cricket there will be six Vodafone Tests, two KFC T20 INTLs and the return of the ODI tri-series with at least 14 Commonwealth Bank Series encounters.

The tri-series returns to the cricket calendar in February after a four-year hiatus and will pit the top three ranked one-day international teams – Australia, India and Sri Lanka – against each other in a 12-match (plus finals) Commonwealth Bank Series.

The Vodafone Test Series will visit every state capital city this summer starting in early December with the Aussies taking on the Black Caps in two Vodafone Tests for the Trans Tasman Trophy in Brisbane and Hobart.

India then arrives before Christmas to play four Vodafone Tests, starting with the traditional Boxing Day match at the MCG, before heading to Sydney for the New Year Test, then Perth and finishing in Adelaide with the Vodafone Test over Australia Day.

Australia's two largest cities, Sydney and Melbourne, will host one KFC T20 INTL each.

Additionally, Canberra will also enjoy plenty of action, hosting the traditional PM's XI game against Sri Lanka, whilst also playing host to the CA Chairman's XI v India tour game in the lead-up to the Christmas.

Cricket Australia Chief Executive Officer James Sutherland said cricket fans will be spoilt for choice with three of the world's best teams visiting our shores this summer.

"Fans will certainly have plenty of variety this summer," Mr Sutherland said.

“ICC Cricket World Cup winner India is also the number one-ranked Test team in the world at the moment.

“Sri Lanka has also been in great form as we saw in the World Cup, while we know New Zealand is always a formidable opponent that thrives when playing Australia.

“With the commencement of the ICC World Test Championship we know that every Test win is vital and the Australian team will be keen to start the home season positively against New Zealand,” he said.

All international matches will be broadcast in Australia on the Nine Network, on ABC Radio and on Vodafone mobile handsets. Additionally, Sky Sports New Zealand will broadcast the Black Caps Tests back across the Tasman, while ESPN Stars Sports will take the India and Sri Lanka matches back to viewers in the sub-continent.

Cricket.com.au will have all the live scores, as well as behind the scenes action on CATV or via iPhone mobile application ‘Cricket Live’.

The 2011-12 Women’s International Series will be played between the Commonwealth Bank Southern Stars and the New Zealand White Ferns in early 2012 with match dates to be confirmed.

Australian cricket fans are encouraged to register as an Australian Cricket Family (ACF) member to be kept up to date on all the latest cricket news and information, including updates on ticket sale announcements. Fans can register to become an ACF member at: <http://www.cricket.com.au/acf>.

Fans interested in travel packages are encouraged to contact the Cricket Australia Travel Office (CATO) website: www.cricket.com.au/travel

Ticket on-sale dates

Australian Cricket Family gold priority access (invite only):	15 August 2011
Australian Cricket Family priority access period:	16 – 22 August 2011
General Public:	22 August 2011 9am onwards

All tickets go on sale at 9am local time.

Tickets will be available from the following ticket agencies.

State	Ticket Agent	Website	Phone
NSW, SA & VIC	Ticketek	www.ticketek.com.au	13 28 49
QLD, TAS & WA	Ticketmaster	www.ticketmaster.com.au	1300 136 122

For more information, visit www.cricket.com.au/tickets

International action city by city:

Adelaide (Adelaide Oval):

4th Vodafone Test v India (24 – 28 January)

Game 4, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v India (12 February)

Game 5, Commonwealth Bank Series: India v Sri Lanka (14 February)
2nd Final, Commonwealth Bank Series (6 March)
3rd Final, Commonwealth Bank Series (8 March)

Brisbane (Gabba):

1st Vodafone Test v New Zealand (1 – 5 December)
Game 7, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v India (19 February)
Game 8, Commonwealth Bank Series: India v Sri Lanka (21 February)
1rd Final, Commonwealth Bank Series (4 March)

Canberra (Manuka Oval):

Tour Match, Chairman's XI v India (18 – 21 December)
Prime Minister's XI v Sri Lanka (Date TBC)

Hobart (Bellerive Oval):

2nd Vodafone Test v New Zealand (9 – 13 December)
Game 9, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v Sri Lanka (24 February)
Game 11, Commonwealth Bank Series: India v Sri Lanka (28 February)

Melbourne (Melbourne Cricket Ground):

1st Vodafone Test v India (26 – 30 December)
KFC T20 INTL v India (3 February)
Game 1, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v India (5 February)
Game 12, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v Sri Lanka (2 March)

Perth (WACA Ground):

3rd Vodafone Test v India (13 – 17 January)
Game 2, Commonwealth Bank Series: India v Sri Lanka (8 February)
Game 3, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v Sri Lanka (10 February)

Sydney (Sydney Cricket Ground and Sydney Olympic Park):

2nd Vodafone Test v India at SCG (3 – 7 January)
KFC T20 INTL v India at Sydney Olympic Park (1 February)
Game 6, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v Sri Lanka at SCG (17 February)
Game 10, Commonwealth Bank Series: Australia v India at SCG (26 February)

2010-11 Australian international summer of cricket

Vodafone Test Series

1 – 5 December	Australia v New Zealand	Gabba
9 – 13 December	Australia v New Zealand	Bellerive Oval
26 – 30 December	Australia v India	MCG
3 – 7 January	Australia v India	SCG

13 – 17 January	Australia v India	WACA Ground
24 – 28 January	Australia v India	Adelaide Oval

KFC T20 INTL

1 February	Australia v India	Sydney Olympic Park
3 February	Australia v India	MCG

Commonwealth Bank Series

5 February	Australia v India	MCG
8 February	India v Sri Lanka	WACA Ground
10 February	Australia v Sri Lanka	WACA Ground
12 February	Australia v India	Adelaide Oval
14 February	India v Sri Lanka	Adelaide Oval
17 February	Australia v Sri Lanka	SCG
19 February	Australia v India	Gabba
21 February	India v Sri Lanka	Gabba
24 February	Australia v Sri Lanka	Bellerive Oval
26 February	Australia v India	SCG
28 February	India v Sri Lanka	Bellerive Oval
2 March	Australia v Sri Lanka	MCG
4 March	1 st Final	Gabba
6 March	2 nd Final	Adelaide Oval
8 March	3 rd Final	Adelaide Oval

Tour matches

18 – 21 December	CA Chairman's XI v India	Manuka Oval
TBC	PM's XI v Sri Lanka	Manuka Oval

* **Note** – Schedule current as at 14 June 2011. Cricket Australia reserves the right in its absolute discretion to change or amend the international program at any time, without notice.

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