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Mike Sneesby

Nine Chief Executive Officer



Nearly 18 months ago, Nine was given the extraordinary privilege of bringing the Olympic Games to Australian audiences in a relationship that starts this year with Paris 2024 and continues through to Brisbane 2032. Since then, our teams of producers, commentators, journalists and tech and product specialists have been dreaming – and dreaming big. The result will be Australia’s first truly integrated multi-platform coverage of the Olympic Games spanning television, streaming, audio, publishing, digital platforms and Stan Sport.

For some time now at Nine our purpose has been captured in three simple words: Australia Belongs Here. The Olympics has made me look at that purpose again and consider why it seems so fitting. This is where I’ve landed. It puts our audience, and its expectations, at the centre of everything we do. It embraces every part of our incredible country. It’s a phrase with a sense of welcome and unity.

Just like the Olympics.

The experience, commitment to excellence and determination to deliver the best Olympic coverage Australia has ever seen is inspiring – and part of a responsibility we all carry carefully and with pride.

Of course, Australia’s passion for sport is legendary, but the Olympic spirit is bigger than just sport. There is no more unifying event on earth, and no competition that more closely mirrors Australia’s national character. The Olympics bring people together, celebrate outstanding performance, and give us reason to applaud fair-mindedness. They are about competition followed by a handshake, mateship across borders, and proving that what seems impossible isn’t. They are an event that unites us.

As Australia’s media company, we strive to do that too. We couldn’t be happier to be your home of the Olympics.

“Because Australia Belongs Here.”



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Michael Healy Nine's Director of Television



Nothing delivers the emotion, the precision, and the seemingly unbelievable moments of elite sport more than television. Through our legendary Wide World of Sports production unit, the 9Network has become synonymous for capturing the sporting zeitgeist for generations of Australians.

We don't take being the custodian of the broadcast rights in Australia lightly. Playing a role in the Olympic movement and its promotion of unity, wellness and peace is one of the greatest honours a broadcaster can have.

It's why we've assembled some of the most renowned sporting names – in front of and behind the camera – to ensure Paris 2024 comes alive like never before. No matter where you are in Australia or what device you have access to, the 9Network and 9Now have you covered.

We will deliver coverage that is nothing short of mind-blowing to the millions of viewers who will tune in for 19 days from July 24. Nine's around-the-clock Olympic programming will be the biggest event ever undertaken by an Australian network, and is the next chapter in our longstanding commitment to bring the very best of sport and culture to the nation's passionate fans.

With decades of sporting broadcast excellence, the Wide World of Sports team knows all too well that the true power of sport is letting the focus be on the athletes. They are the true stars of the Olympics and Paralympics, and we will share their stories with all Australians to celebrate, admire and marvel at. We have delivered outstanding sport programming again and again, and the 9Network has become the benchmark others measure themselves against. That bar will be raised even higher with Paris 2024.

I am immensely proud of our teams across the business who have run their own marathon over the last 18 months to ensure the Games of the XXXIII Olympiad 2024 mirror that of the Olympic motto: Faster, Higher, Stronger – Together.

“We can't wait for you to join us.”



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Brent Williams Nine's Director of Sport and Olympics

For over 50 years, Wide World of Sports has been the industry leader in sports broadcasting and the Olympic Games Paris 2024 is without doubt the biggest undertaking in our storied history.

Our Olympic journey coverage starts well before the cauldron is lit. A series of documentaries will take viewers Beyond the Dream, telling the inspiring stories of what it takes and what it means to be an Olympian. Nine Audio's podcast series, 9Now's Road to Paris offering an athlete feature stories embedded in Nine's programming will entertain and educate Australia on the athletes to watch and their stories. Once the Games begin, Nine's Olympic offering will comprise 46 hours a day of content across two free to air channels - Channel 9 & 9Gem. In addition to this, live coverage and comprehensive highlights of every sport will be available on 9Now, plus unrivalled access and coverage from the 9News team.

One of Wide World of Sports key pillars is a commitment to presence, to 'being there' when the big moments happen and the Olympic Games Paris 2024 will be no different. We will have a presence across multiple production hubs around the globe - including our Paris studio, every Olympic venue, the famous *Teahupoó* surf break in Tahiti, exclusive access to the inner sanctum of the Athletes Village and news resources right across Australia. Nine's dynamic, interactive TV studio will be located in the historic Trocadero area of Paris, just a stone's throw from the Seine and with the iconic Eiffel Tower in our backyard. Wide World of Sports will be unleashing the power of augmented reality, propelled by high powered gaming engines to amplify our studio space with cutting edge technology, graphics and analysis. Never before seen levels of 'behind the scenes' access, athlete social content, first person drone and aerial coverage, plus additional data feeds will further enhance the viewer experience.

However, the Olympic Games is not just a sporting competition - they are a global event that has the ability to unite the world. As such, we have a team of experienced hosts and reporters from Nine's sport, news and entertainment divisions fronting our coverage, plus a suite of Olympic legends and superstars who have more than 50 Olympic Games between them and a collective 19 Gold Medals. And behind it all, the creative storytelling of over 300 dedicated and talented producers, directors, camera operators, editors and graphic designers.

But for all the logistics and planning that go into bringing an event of this magnitude to life, this is not about us! The athletes, the moments and the memories are at the centre of everything we do. It is our job to help tell the stories of our athletes, share their dreams and to live the spine tingling Olympic moments with the whole of Australia.



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Michael Stephenson Nine's Chief Sales Officer

The Olympic movement represents far more than just athletic competition; it embodies the convergence of sportsmanship, culture and innovation on a grand scale.

It is within this dynamic environment that Nine's media ecosystem shines brightest. With our unparalleled reach and diverse array of platforms, Nine offers partners and advertisers a unique opportunity to engage with audiences across every conceivable touchpoint.

As July 26 approaches, the world will unite when athletes from over 200 National Olympic Committees (NOC) and the Refugee Olympic Team (EOR) travel down the River Seine during the Opening Ceremony of Paris 2024. At Nine, we recognise not only the inherent thrill of this momentous occasion but also the unprecedented marketing potential it presents. No other media company can cover the Olympics like Nine.

Across 2024, Nine's Olympic and Paralympic total media programming will reach 98% of Australia, delivering 360-degree coverage through one unified content ecosystem.

Utilising the acclaimed Wide World of Sports brand and its world-leading way of telling the stories of athletes, our mega marketing platform will deliver gold for partners and sponsors who are joining us on the Road To Paris. We are thrilled to partner with some of the biggest brands in the country to help ignite the Olympic spirit, and engage and connect Australians like never before. With extensive coverage across all of our platforms, our partners, sponsors and advertisers will gain access to millions of Australians every day, ensuring brands will reach an unrivalled audience at unprecedented scale.

The Olympic Games Paris 2024 will go down in history as the biggest digital event of our time and the most addressable Games ever for our advertisers. Our teams have spent considerable time to ensure the bar has been raised for our viewers' experience on 9Now. These Games will set the course of 9Now's future and be the legacy of Nine's digital transformation.

As we look ahead to Paris 2024, I invite you to join us on this extraordinary journey – a journey fuelled by passion, innovation, and the boundless potential of Nine's media ecosystem.



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It is the greatest sporting and cultural event on Earth, where for 16 days the world unites as one as athletes perform superhuman feats and national pride runs high.

Rarely does an event bring the world together quite like the Olympic Games. And right beside our athletes will be Nine, Australia's home of the Olympics.

The Games of the XXXIII Olympiad will unite Australians like never before across an unrivalled platform of television, streaming, digital publishing and audio, ensuring that viewers, listeners and readers feel like they are in the ultimate front-row seat to every sport and every venue.

The Olympic Flame has sailed across the Mediterranean from Athens to France. Athletes from across the globe are nearing the pinnacle of their training. And now it's time to declare that Nine's coverage of Paris 2024 begins here.

It starts with an Olympic Special Presentation live from Paris on Wednesday, July 24, on Channel 9 and 9Now at 7.30pm. Let The Games Begin will feature a selection of the 9Network's Olympic hosts broadcasting from our Trocadero studio directly opposite the Eiffel Tower and include live crosses to the men's and women's Flag Bearer announcement, feature stories, guests, interviews, and the latest from inside Team Australia.

With the 9Network's broadcast drawing on the rich history of one of the world's most renowned sporting broadcast production units, Wide World of Sports, our team of experts – Olympic superstars, world champions and sporting legends – will deliver stats, facts and insider knowledge.

**“The Games of the XXXIII Olympiad
will unite Australians like never before”**



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Viewers will be guided through the competition by Australia's most accomplished television hosting team, waking up with **Sarah Abo** and **Karl Stefanovic** (6.30am-11.00am AEST), followed by **Todd Woodbridge** (12.00pm-3.00pm AEST), **Leila McKinnon** and **Dylan Alcott** (3.00pm-7.00pm AEST), **Ally Langdon** and **James Bracey** (7.00pm-1.00am AEST) and **Eddie McGuire** (1.00am-6.30am AEST). On 9Gem, coverage will be helmed by **Sylvia Jeffreys** (5.00pm-10.00pm AEST), **Nick McArdle** (10.00pm-3.00am AEST) and **Sam McClure** (3.00am-8.00am AEST), with hosted long-form replays from 8.00am-5.00pm AEST.

A superstar expert and commentary team will reveal what it takes to perform on the world's biggest sporting stage. The lineup includes **Cate Campbell**, **Ian Thorpe**, **Giaan Rooney**, **Ellie Cole**, **Mat Thompson** and **Roz Kelly** taking viewers poolside to be alongside every stroke of what is considered one of Australia's strongest ever swim teams.

Track and Field events will be led by **Gerard Whateley** - who will be the 9Network's voice of athletics - alongside Olympic gold medalist pole vaulter **Steve Hooker**, **Tamsyn Lewis-Manou**, **Dave Culbert**, Olympic four-time gold medalist sprinter **Michael Johnson** and **Tony Jones**.

As Team Australia competes through the two week event, viewers will feel they have a front row seat to every moment guided by renowned experts and commentators **Cadel Evans**, **Andrew Gaze**, **Phil Liggett**, **Kerri Pottharst**, **James Tomkins**, **Sam Fricker**, **Scott McGrory**, **Kate Bates**, **Caroline Buchanan**, **Mitch Tomlinson**, **Ryan Williams**, **Nick Boserio**, **Georgie Parker**, **Richard Fox**, **Andy Raymond**, **Todd Woodbridge**, **Drew Mitchell**, **Sera Naiqama**, **Grace Gill**, **Emma Snowsill**, **Will McCloy**, **Brenton Speed**, **Peter Psaltis**, **Adam Papalia**, **Russell Mark**, **Sean Maloney**, **Annabelle Williams**, **Matt Hill**, **Will Davies**, **Mark Taylor**, **Sophie Smith**, **Shane McInnes**, and **Jenna O'Hea**.



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“Women’s 400m Freestyle which is being dubbed the Race of the Century featuring Ariarne Titmus”



From the Opening Ceremony live on Saturday, July 27 AEST to the Closing Ceremony on Monday, August 12 AEST, the broadcast will come from the heart of Paris, in a state-of-the-art studio at the Trocadero overlooking the Seine and the Eiffel Tower.

Using augmented reality that brings the hosts and viewers into all-immersive Olympic action, the studio will be the most advanced hosting set Australia has ever seen. With one end of the set framing the view across the Seine to the Eiffel Tower, the surrounding areas will be a playground for augmented reality, bringing graphics and action to life right next to the presenters.

Day one of the Olympics will provide a feast of entertainment, with more than 20 sports beginning their Olympic campaigns. Fourteen gold medal events will be up for grabs, including the Women’s 4x100m Freestyle which is being dubbed swimming’s ‘Race of the Century’, featuring Ariarne Titmus, USA’s Katie Ledecky and Canadian teen sensation Summer McIntosh.

With the swimming schedule now featuring an extra day of competition for the first time, there will be action in three of the most anticipated sports globally – athletics, artistic gymnastics and swimming – on the same day, on what will become a “Super Saturday and Sunday”: August 3 and 4. Our outstanding journalists will unearth the human stories behind the Games live from venues and inside the Team Australia headquarters, and reveal the determination and sacrifice that has helped to create every Aussie Olympian. And our cutting-edge technology won’t just be helping us tell the story of Paris 2024 – it will deliver it to Australians live and on demand, across every sport and from every venue from Tahiti to Saint-Denis.



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Paris 2024 has been years in the making. It will transform the City of Lights' breathtaking boulevards and palaces into competition venues full of rivalry, and the River Seine into a stunning platform for triathlon and open water swimming.

The sprawling Champ-de-Mars at the foot of the Eiffel Tower will host Beach Volleyball; BMX Freestyle, Breaking and Skateboarding will compete at an urban park set up at Place de la Concorde. The manicured gardens of the UNESCO-listed Palace of Versailles will form a stunning backdrop for equestrian events while Fencing will be at the Grand Palais. Football will kick off in stadiums in Paris and in six of France's dazzling regional cities, and the world's best surfers will gather at breathtaking Teahupo'o in Tahiti. Paris 2024 promises competition, beauty and grandeur on an epic scale, with the Games ensuring audiences experience a visual feast.

But incredible locations are just the start of what our Olympic coverage will deliver. Nine will use the full power of its assets to bring the exhilaration, sights and sounds of Paris 2024 to every Australian, from the outback to the coast.

Channel 9 and 9Gem will offer all-day coverage; 9Now will stream every moment of every event free and in full HD across more than 40 dedicated channels. Daily recaps and full replays of Aussies in action and the Games' most awe-inspiring moments will start early on each day.

Nine's radio stations **2GB, 3AW, 4BC and 6PR** will give listeners live updates and commentary – featuring Ray Hadley from Paris in his seventh Olympics – and broadcast the excitement of everyday Australians as they soak up the Games' drama and thrills. 2GB's Ben Fordham and 3AW's Ross and Russ will also broadcast live from Paris.

Full coverage, including real-time blogs and breaking news, will be delivered across Nine's suite of publishing platforms: The Sydney Morning Herald, The Age, Brisbane Times, WA Today, The Australian Financial Review, nine.com.au and wwos.com.au. With a commitment to promote the Olympic movement, Nine's unrivalled cross-platform coverage will ensure Paris 2024 is the most inspiring ever for the next generation of Olympians and Olympic fans heading into Brisbane 2032.

“Paris 2024 on Nine: Australia belongs here.”



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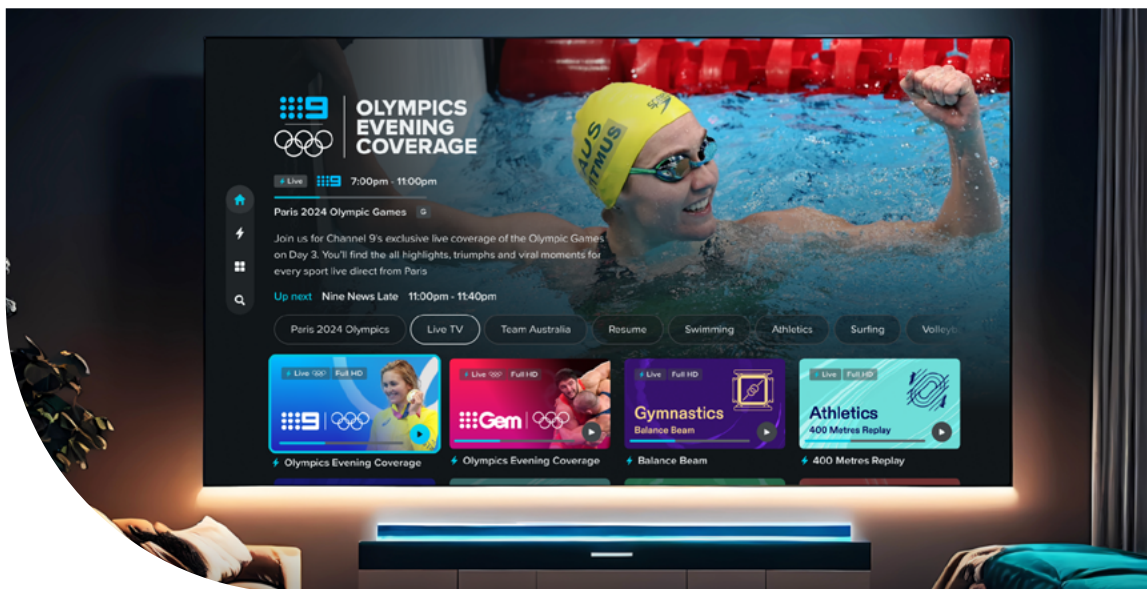
A Marathon of Olympic Programming

With around-the-clock coverage across metro and regional television, streaming, audio, publishing, digital and subscription video on demand, Nine's investment in telling inspirational stories on every single platform will ensure the best of the Olympic spirit is shown like never before.

Two dedicated Olympic channels on Channel 9 and 9Gem, produced by the globally renowned Wide World of Sports team and screening in High Definition, will be filled with Olympic content 24 hours a day. Combined, the two linear channels will present more than 750 hours of free-to-air coverage.

No matter what time of the day viewers tune in, the 9Network will ensure Australians are on top of the latest Olympic action and news.

“The centrepiece of the Olympics broadcast will see 24-hour-a-day action across the 9Network and streaming on 9Now.”



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6.30am-11.00am AEST

Sarah Abo and Karl Stefanovic: As Australia wakes up

11.00am-12.00pm AEST

9News Bulletin

12.00pm-3.00pm AEST

Todd Woodbridge: Capturing the Magic Moments of the Day

3.00pm-6.00pm AEST

Leila McKinnon and Dylan Alcott: As Live Sport Begins

6.00pm-7.00pm AEST

9News Bulletin

7.00pm-1.00am AEST

Ally Langdon and James Bracey: All the prime-time action

1.00am-6.30am AEST

Eddie McGuire: From Paris including Competition Finals



5.00pm-10.00pm AEST Sylvia Jeffreys

10.00pm-3.00am AEST Nick McArdle

3.00am-8.00am AEST Sam McClure

8.00pm-5.00pm AEST Hosted long-form replays



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Coverage on Channel 9 and 9Now begins on Wednesday, July 24 at 7.30pm

With the special Olympic preview program, Let The Games Begin, broadcasting from Nine's Trocadero studio. The program will include live crosses to the men's and women's flag bearer announcement, feature stories, guests, interviews and the latest from inside Team Australia.

Following the preview show, competition kicks off with the Men's Rugby Sevens and the Men's Football, both screening from 11.00pm AEST. The following night the Matildas start their Olympic medal campaign.

The Opening Ceremony coverage will begin at 3.00am AEST on Saturday, July 27 on Channel 9 and 9Now and will be replayed on Channel 9 and 9Now. Competition will close with Women's Basketball, and in a break with tradition, the Women's Marathon, not the Men's Marathon will close the athletics program – an Olympic first. Paris 2024 will end with the Closing Ceremony on Monday, August 12.

With the award-winning journalism of 9News, Today, A Current Affair and 60 Minutes, there will be unrivalled broadcast news coverage from Paris and back in Australia, including Today's Sarah and Karl in the Trocadero studio while Alex Cullen and Brooke Boney will be out and about amongst the excitement in the French capital.

9News journalists including Melbourne news host **Alicia Loxley, Tony Jones, Roz Kelly, Brenton Ragless, Matt Pavlich, Jonathan Uptin and Clint Stanaway, as well as news reporters Damian Ryan, Christine Ahern, Alison Piotrowski, Edward Godfrey, Josh Bavas and Luke Bradnam**, will report with unrivalled access to Team Australia athletes and venues.



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Olympics coverage **22 hours a day**
with Wide World of Sports commentary
News Hours: 11am and 6pm daily



Olympics coverage **24 hours a day**
with Wide World of Sports commentary
15 hours live/ 9 hours of hosted replays



40 Streams in FHD, screening live every
event featuring an Australian athlete
with Wide World of Sports commentary.
Live Streams, replays, highlights
and behind the scenes



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THE ROAD TO PARIS

Programming Snapshot

Beyond the Dream

On the path to Paris 2024, Beyond The Dream documentary series continues, going beyond the headlines with unprecedented access to discover the untold stories of some of the world's greatest athletes.

Beyond the Dream: Matildas

Tuesday, July 16 at 7.30pm AEST

It's been a legendary, meteoric rise to fame and success, but now the Matildas face their biggest battle yet. Our cameras go behind the scenes with the team that captured the nation's hearts as they train for Olympic glory.

Beyond the Dream: Race to Paris

Monday, July 22 at 8.00pm AEST

An incredible insight behind closed doors as our athletes reveal how they train and push themselves to the limits for a chance to earn their place at Paris 2024.

Let the Games Begin Preview

Wednesday, July 24 at 7.30pm AEST

Olympic Competition Begins

Wednesday, July 24 at 11.00pm AEST with Football and Rugby Sevens

Matildas Kick-Off

Friday, July 26 at 3.00am AEST



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Opening Ceremony

Saturday, July 27 from 3.00am AEST

Day 1

Saturday, July 27/Sunday, July 28

With a massive schedule including swimming gold medals

Today in Paris

Monday, July 22 to July 26 6.30am-11.00am AEST

Every morning live from Paris

A Current Affair Olympic Special

Monday, July 22 to Friday, July 26 7.00pm AEST

From Paris in the week leading up to the Opening Ceremony

9News Bulletins

Monday, July 22 to Monday August 12 6.00pm AEST

Daily state bulletins (Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth)
hosted from Paris

9News Morning Bulletins

Monday, July 22 to Monday August 12 11.00am AEST

9Now

40 live streams, curated channels, minis, replays, start over button and
on-demand, plus Channel 9 and 9Gem

24/7 Dedicated Olympic Linear Channels

Channel 9 and 9Gem from Friday, July 26 through to Monday, August 12

Closing Ceremony

Monday, August 12 from 4.00am AEST



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AUSTRALIA'S OLYMPIC HOME OF FREE STREAMING

9Now will lead Australian into a new era of Olympic streaming with a world class audience experience never seen before in an FTA Broadcast Video On Demand (BVOD) app.

Set to be the first Olympic broadcast on an Australia FTA BVOD app available in 1080p, 9Now will feature more than 40 individual channels, with every single Olympic sport screened on 9Now - and with over 2500 on-demand highlights, curated on an all new interface, will take viewers to the heart of Paris.

Beautiful Olympic moments will be brought from Paris into fans' living rooms in Full HD, 1080p, 50fps (frames-per-second) and 5.1 Dolby Surround Sound alongside the popular start over button to ensure you never miss the start of a big match.

9Now will also stream curated Channel 9 and 9Gem content live in full High Definition, 1080p, 50fps (frames-per-second) and 5.1 Dolby Surround Sound.

9Now's comprehensive coverage of Paris 2024 will utilise the iconic, globally-renowned Wide World of Sports production team and commentators. Steering viewers across 32 sports in 329 events, curated content on the homepage will highlight these amazing stories, Australian athletes and specific sports such as swimming and football as we fight for gold in Paris.

With Team Australia being an important focus, there will be curated channels using Wide World of Sports commentary specifically following Aussie athletes, Top 10 Moments and Team Australia recaps. There will also be specific channels focusing on an Australian athlete capturing the hearts of a nation, or a sport that Team Australia is excelling in.



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With the rollout completed across Apple TV, Android TV, Google TV, Amazon Fire TV, 9Now.com.au, iOS and Android Apps, soon any Australian will be able to experience the new 9Now on a Samsung, LG, Hisense, and FetchTV device during the Games.

Nine.com.au will feature a comprehensive event schedule and streaming guide linking audiences through to 9Now ensuring Australians can keep on top of all the events that are underway at any given minute.

As Australians wake up, they will instantly be updated with any action that occurred overnight, with bulletins and wrap-ups leading coverage across Nine's assets that will continue throughout the day and into prime time live action. Viewers will wake up to comprehensive 9Now morning updates, with daily highlights that sum up all the action that occurred overnight.

Daily recaps will go live at 6am, while each day, we'll serve up the Top 10 Olympic moments of the past 24 hours and a live medal tally. *'Follow the Aussies'* will spotlight our sporting heroes, showcasing their road to Paris and exclusive interviews.



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OLYMPIC COVERAGE LIKE YOU'VE NEVER HEARD BEFORE

2GB
SYDNEY

3AW
MELBOURNE

4BC
BRISBANE

6PR
PERTH

PODCASTS

Nine's premium audio assets –2GB, 3AW, 4BC and 6PR – will cover the Olympics like no other audio network has ever done before, with a three-fold approach into how Australians consume Paris 2024.

RADIO

With more than 150 hours of live Olympic coverage, no matter where listeners are they will receive premium coverage on linear, digital streaming or podcasts.

Featuring outside broadcasts from Paris, exclusive live audio coverage of events, special Olympic editions of Wide World of Sports radio and a raft of podcasts, Australia's leading talk network will tap into listeners' love of talking about the Olympics and sharing their joy.

Daily coverage will start at 6.00pm AEST with a national edition of Wide World of Sports that will flow into non-stop live coverage from 7.00pm right through the night until the beginning of the Breakfast shows at 5.30am.



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With live commentary of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, and blockbuster sports swimming and athletics helmed by lead commentator **Ray Hadley**, listeners will be guided through Paris 2024 with audio's most comprehensive Olympic coverage ever undertaken by an Australian network.

Commentating at his seventh Olympic Games, Hadley will be joined at Paris sporting venues by two-time Olympian and President of Athletics Australia Jane Flemming, three time Olympic gold medalist swimmer Libby Trickett and Matthew Hill.

Their commentary will continue through to 5.30am AEST when the Breakfast shows begin. Broadcasting live from Paris will be 2GB's **Ben Fordham** and 3AW's **Ross & Russ**, covering the swimming and athletics finals. It will be fast-paced and vibrant radio, as both shows cross between coverage of local issues in Australia and every aspect of the Olympic Games.

Radio reporters in Paris will include 3AW's award-winning journalist **Shane McInnes**. There will be hourly Olympic updates and medal tallies, and the on-ground coverage will be complemented by a team of hosts and commentators broadcasting across numerous sports from an interactive Olympics studio in Sydney, which will be the Australian HQ for all Paris 2024 audio.

PODCASTS

9Podcasts will play an integral role in making Paris 2024 the most comprehensive and unique audio offering of any Games broadcast in Australia. With a daily podcast voiced by **Shane McInnes**, listeners will be kept up-to-date with all the Olympic news, intrigue and the biggest topics of the day.

The daily podcast will sit alongside the inspirational series The Road To Paris – which launched in March – a 16-part podcast series hosted by Wide World of Sports swimming commentator **Mathew Thompson**. The series is a fly-on-the-wall candid conversation with some of Australia's greatest Olympians and Paralympians **including Anna Meares, Kieren Perkins, Ellie Cole, Curtis McGrath, Andrew Gaze and Ariarne Titmus.**



AUSTRALIA'S LEADING JOURNALISTS WILL TAKE READERS INSIDE THE OLYMPIC GAMES

With Nine's various digital publishing assets and mastheads reaching more than 16 million readers, Paris 2024 will be comprehensively covered like no previous Olympics.

Our websites [nine.com.au](https://www.nine.com.au), [wwo.com.au](https://www.wwo.com.au) and the Pedestrian Group will build on Nine's broadcast of the Olympics, while Australia's most respected titles The Sydney Morning Herald, The Age, Brisbane Times, WAToday and The Australian Financial Review will provide world-class editorial and breaking news from across France.

With innovative digital product upgrades, readers will have unrivalled digital access to video highlights, live streams, top-class visual storytelling and dedicated results, tables and schedules – all in one place including on smartphones. With a team featuring award-winning journalists, photographers and editors in France, Australia's most respected mastheads will be represented by 18 of the best sportswriters, analysts, feature writers and reporters in the game.

The diverse and experienced team includes the Herald and Age chief reporters, the Europe Correspondent, and the reigning Walkley Award-winning portrait photographer of the year. All up, our mastheads have covered 29 Olympic and Paralympic Games and won 60 major awards.

Our team of journalists will deliver unparalleled coverage of the Olympic Games that don't just focus on results and records. Paris and its people will come alive through their news stories and features.

As well as reading the results, subscribers will immerse themselves in incisive, colourful and thought-provoking analysis on the stories they'll want to spend the day talking about.

With 24-hour coverage featuring daily national blogs and newsletters, the road to Paris will see special edition magazines and inserts celebrating the very best of what Paris 2024 has to offer.





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Stan will deliver Australians an unrivalled and uninterrupted streaming experience on Stan Sport to showcase Paris 2024. In a first for Olympic coverage in Australia, all 329 events at Paris 2024 will be available ad-free, live and on demand on Stan Sport with the biggest moments in 4K Ultra HD.

In a world first, eight live and exclusive **international channels** will also be available on Stan Sport, making the Olympics accessible to more audiences and communities in Australia than ever before. This includes tailored and curated official live Paris 2024 coverage from the UK, France, Spain, Italy, Germany and Greece in their native languages from Eurosport, plus live coverage from Sky New Zealand and Viacom18's official Indian coverage in English. This unique offering will, for the first time, provide communities with a comprehensive and culturally relevant Olympics viewing experience, only available on Stan Sport.

Viewers will have the choice between the largest range of Olympics coverage, including more than **40 individual sport channels**, **four exclusive feature channels** crossing between the best action and an exclusive **24/7 Olympic News channel**.

This extensive range of channels will be complemented by the most comprehensive **on demand** offering including replays, highlights and exclusive minis on Stan Sport ensuring Australians won't miss a minute of the action.

Viewers can also watch Stan Sport's two exclusive daily shows, **Olympics Daily** and **Paris Preview** available throughout the Games. The shows will be hosted by the experienced **Tara Rushton** and **Adam Peacock**, with **Michael Atkinson** and **Chris Stubbs** reporting from on the ground in Paris. A world class lineup of some of Australia's most trusted Olympic voices will also provide expert opinion and analysis each day including **Ash Barty** (tennis), **Jamie Dwyer** (hockey), **Grant Hackett** and **Steph Rice** (swimming), **Shane Heal** (basketball), **Nick Green** (rowing) **Michael Hooper** (rugby sevens), **Elise Kellond-Knight** (football), **Stuart O'Grady** (cycling) **Nova Peris** (athletics & hockey), **John Steffensen** (athletics) and more.

Subscribers can expect a premium, elevated and distinct viewing experience, with Stan Sport's user interface completely enhanced for Paris 2024 to help navigate thousands of hours of live and on demand action.

Discovery and search has also been upgraded to meet the diverse needs of customers and serve up the content most interesting to them, in the simplest way possible. A built in schedule and dedicated and curated feeds including Gold Medal Moments, Aussies in Action and Daily Top 10 will also be available to ensure viewers won't miss the biggest moments.

Stan Sport subscribers will also enjoy features including 5.1 surround sound and an enhanced seamless in-player viewing experience. Improved live switching functionality across TVs, set-top boxes, and for the first time, mobile and web, will enable easy navigation between live Olympic sports.

All Stan subscribers can also get their Olympics fix in the lead up to Paris 2024 with a new lineup of documentaries to enjoy. This includes the recently announced **Stan Original Documentary Trailblazers** which captures the incredible rise of women's football and the Matildas in Australia and **Freeman**, an award winning documentary that explores Cathy Freeman's heroics at Sydney 2000.

To watch Stan's Paris 2024 coverage, customers will need an active Stan Sport subscription.

Learn more at: <https://www.stan.com.au/olympics2024>



OLYMPIC GAMES WIDE OPEN

Paris 2024 By Numbers

5000

Approximate hours of content during Paris 2024 that will go to air across Nine's linear stations and 9Now

400 +

Staff including commentators, journalists and production crew in Nine's Olympic team

10,500

The number of athletes competing at Paris 2024

987

The number of gold, silver and bronze medals up for grabs

100

Years since Paris last hosted the Olympics. This is the third Olympic Games in Paris, having already hosted the 1900 and 1924 Games. Paris 1900 were the first to feature

6

Kilometres travelled by each national delegation along the River Seine during the Opening Ceremony

50-50

The gender split at Paris 2024, making it the first Olympic Games to reach gender parity

50

Australia's best medal tally away from home: Athens 2004 (17 gold, 16 silver, 17 bronze)

35

The number of venues for Paris 2024

329

The number of medal events at Paris 2024



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OLYMPIC GAMES WIDE OPEN

Paris 2024 By Numbers

15,700

The distance in kilometres between Paris and the Olympic surfing venue in Tahiti

45,000

Volunteers at the Olympics

11

Medals won by Australia's most successful Olympian, Emma McKeon

10 million

Tickets available for Olympic events

26,000

Media from across the globe on hand to cover the Games

1

The number of new sports at Paris 2024: *Breaking*

20

Mixed gender events at Paris 2024 which will include race walking, sailing, archery, badminton, equestrian, judo, table tennis, tennis, triathlon and swimming

13 million

The number of meals that will be served at Paris 2024, across athletes, volunteers, spectators and media

The amount in grams of wrought-iron from the Eiffel Tower that will be used in each Olympic medal. To celebrate the return of the Olympic Games to France, each medal is embellished with an original piece of the Eiffel Tower. This is also the first time the medals have been designed by a jewellery house, in this case the globally renowned Chaumet

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COUNTLESS Stories to tell

OLYMPIC HOSTS

Sarah Abo and Karl Stefanovic

6.30 - 11am AEST

Sarah Abo – Host, Paris 2024

Sarah Abo joined Channel 9's Breakfast program, Today as co-host with Karl Stefanovic in January 2023. She is one of Australia's most accomplished journalists, widely trusted and highly regarded by audiences for her intelligent, capable interviewing and understanding of current affairs. These skills were front and centre during her year with Nine's flagship current affairs program, 60 Minutes.

In an outstanding and varied career, Abo has secured Australian-first interviews with climate activist Greta Thunberg, Ukrainian first lady Olena Volodymyrivna Zelenska, and one of the Taliban's most powerful leaders, Suhail Shaheen. She has covered major world events including the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Brazil, the 2015 Paris Climate Conference, the 2016 US presidential election, the ongoing conflict in Afghanistan, and the 2017-18 refugee crisis in Lebanon, Turkey and Greece.

She has also hosted the Carols by Candlelight. Born in Damascus, Sarah moved to Australia with her family when she was four. A proud Melburnian, Sarah now lives in Sydney, and is a diehard Collingwood fan.





Karl Stefanovic – Host, Paris 2024

Karl Stefanovic hosts Today alongside Sarah Abo and has hosted the Olympic Games London 2012 for the 9Network. In one of television's most enduring tenures, he has reported on everything from the Bondi stabbing attack, bushfires, COVID-19, economies in freefall, Black Lives Matter protests and the Beirut explosion to US elections and American politics in turmoil. Regardless of the subject matter, Stefanovic is trusted, informed and incisive.

He has hosted coverage of major global events including the Christchurch earthquake, the Japanese tsunami, the Bali Bombings, the terror trials in Guantanamo Bay, the funerals of Ronald Reagan, Ray Charles and Marlon Brando, the Oscars and the Golden Globes. His outstanding career and enviable audience connection saw him win the 2011 Gold Logie for Most Popular Personality on Australian television and the Silver Logie for Most Popular TV Presenter. He was nominated for a Gold Logie again in 2022.





Todd Woodbridge

12.00pm - 3.00pm AEST

Todd Woodbridge – Host, Paris 2024

As Nine's lead commentator for the Australian Open, Todd Woodbridge is a former world No.1 doubles player and Olympic gold medalist. Winning 83 doubles titles during his elite career, he won many of those with compatriot Mark Woodforde, including Olympic gold in Atlanta in 1996. The Woodies formed one of the most successful doubles combinations in history with 11 Grand Slam titles. In total he won 22 Grand Slam titles, and in 2010 was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame. He has also been immortalised in bronze at Melbourne Park.

Woodbridge's broadcasting career began in 2006 and he has since hosted the Olympics, the Commonwealth Games, tennis, cricket, and golf tournaments. In 2021, he joined Postcards, Channel 9's Victorian travel program, as a presenter, and currently hosts ratings winner Tipping Point on the 9Network.





Leila McKinnon and Dylan Alcott

As Paris wakes up

3.00pm - 7.00pm AEST

Leila McKinnon – Host, Paris 2024

Leila McKinnon's media career spans 30 years. She is one of Australia's most familiar and trusted media figures, hosting the summer edition of A Current Affair, and as a host on Today and Weekend Today. In 2012, she co-hosted Channel 9's award-winning coverage of the Olympic Games London 2012, and did the first live television interview with Princes William and Harry.

McKinnon's commitment to journalism has landed her sought-after exclusives and media roles. As foreign correspondent for 9News she was the first reporter to track down Jayant Patel, the doctor later extradited to Australia to face charges of negligence related to the deaths of patients in a Mackay hospital. She was at Guantanamo Bay covering the trial of accused terrorist David Hicks.

Away from television, McKinnon is the editor of Australia's Favourite Recipes, a cookbook that raises money for the charity Legacy and features the family recipes of ordinary Australians. She is on the board of The Ricky Stuart Foundation, a charity committed to creating an inclusive Australia for individuals with autism and their families, and is an ambassador for the Gidget Foundation.



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YOUR HOME OF THE OLYMPICS



Dylan Alcott AO – Olympic and Paralympic Host, Paris 2024

Australian of the Year, Australian Paralympian of the Year, and Graham Kennedy Award winner at the TV Week Logies for Most Popular New Talent. Accolades follow Paralympic champion Dylan Alcott and little wonder: he has achieved one of the rarest feats in tennis, the Golden Slam in 2021, which he added to his doubles Grand Slam in 2019.

He is also one of the elite few to win Olympic/Paralympic gold in two sports: wheelchair basketball (Beijing 2008) and tennis (Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020).

Alcott was awarded the prestigious Newcombe Medal in 2016 and 2021. He retired in 2022 after winning 23 Grand Slam tennis titles. His broadcasting career has been equally notable. He is a commentator for the 9Network's coverage of the Australian Open and in 2019, he became the first Paralympian to win a Silver Logie for Most Popular New Talent.

His profile has grown alongside his eponymous foundation, which helps young Australians with disabilities gain confidence, fulfil their potential and achieve their dreams. He was named Australian of the Year in 2022, the first person with a disability to receive that honour. He is also the author of *Able: Gold medals, Grand Slams and Smashing Glass Ceilings*.





Ally Langdon and James Bracey

Prime-time action

7.00pm - 1.00am AEST

Ally Langdon – Host, Paris 2024

Author, ambassador, interviewer and host, Ally Langdon is a compelling storyteller and one of Australia's finest journalists. Her reporting ranges from the frontline of Somalia's brutal civil war to the raging heart of the dangerous Mount Marum volcano in Vanuatu and Canada's remote wilderness, where she came face-to-face with apex predators, grizzly bears.

She is host of A Current Affair, Australia's No.1 current affairs program, having previously co-hosted Today and Weekend Today, reported for 60 Minutes and presented the 6.00pm 9News Sydney bulletin.

Langdon was the only Australian journalist to make it into Cameroon to cover the plane crash that killed six Australian mining executives in 2010, and a compassionate co-anchor of the 9Network's coverage of the Queensland flood disaster in 2010-11.

She is the author of the 2007 book *The Child Who Never Was – The Tegan Lane Story*, an ambassador for the mental health charity R U Ok?, the Mirabel Foundation, and the Gidget Foundation, and is a lifetime fan of the Sydney Swans.



YOUR HOME OF THE OLYMPICS



James Bracey – Host, Paris 2024

For James Bracey, too much sport is barely enough. The Olympics are familiar territory for Bracey. He covered three Olympic Games (Beijing 2008, London 2012, Rio de Janeiro 2016) and two Winter Olympics (Vancouver 2010, Sochi 2014) during his previous role as sports reporter for Sky News. His experience includes reporting on the 2010 Commonwealth Games in Delhi and the 2011 Rugby World Cup in New Zealand, and hosting the 9Network's State of Origin series and NRL Grand Final coverage. He has hosted the Presidents' Cup golf tournament and co-hosts Nine's Australian Open tennis coverage.

He has been a master of the sports round since his first days in journalism almost two decades ago. He hosts the 9Network's NRL coverage, 100% Footy, and is 9News Sydney's weekday sports presenter. He is also an authoritative anchor for some of the highest rating sport broadcasts in the country.

Bracey is an ambassador for JDRF, which supports research into Type 1 diabetes, and the Gidget Foundation, which supports the emotional wellbeing of expectant and new parents.





Eddie McGuire

Covering the day's action from Paris including the Swimming Finals

1.00am - 6.00am AEST

Eddie McGuire – Host, Paris 2024

Eddie McGuire is an accomplished businessman and one of Australia's most acclaimed media personalities. McGuire's passion for sport is no secret. He has hosted coverage of international events including the Olympic Games London 2012, the Vancouver Winter Games, Commonwealth Games and the Australian Formula One Grand Prix.

His working-class background saw him take his first job gathering AFL statistics at the age of 14. His drive and determination over 40 years led to roles ranging from CEO of the 9Network to hosting ratings blockbusters including The Footy Show and Who Wants to Be a Millionaire and Hot Seat.

He received the Australian Sports Medal in 2001 for service to Australian Football and was named a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 2005 for service to the community and to broadcasting. He has also played a pivotal role in charity concert Australia Unites.



YOUR HOME OF THE OLYMPICS



Sylvia Jeffreys

9Gem

5.00pm - 10.00pm AEST

Sylvia Jeffreys – Host, Paris 2024

Sylvia Jeffreys is the co-host of Today Extra alongside David Campbell. She also files stories for A Current Affair. As a former ACA journalist, 9News Watch host on Facebook, and former news presenter for Today, she is established as one of the most versatile members of the 9Network's top-rating news and current affairs team.

Jeffreys' television career began with Nine in Brisbane. Her reports, including coverage of the devastating 2010-2011 Queensland floods which claimed 38 lives and the destructive tropical Cyclone Yasi in early 2011, won high praise from the network.

She joined A Current Affair in 2019 and covered a wide range of stories, as well as filling in as co-host of Today Extra in 2019. As a long term ambassador for charity YoungCare, Sylvia is a vocal supporter of youth issues.



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Nick McArdle

9Gem

10.00pm - 3.00am AEST

Nick McArdle – Host, Paris 2024

Nick McArdle's career spans more than three decades in the Australian media across radio and television. Paris 2024 will be his fourth Olympic Games, along with a number of Commonwealth Games and World Swimming and Athletics Championships. McArdle - who appears on 9Gem as an Australian Open host - has also hosted and reported on numerous Rugby and Cricket World Cups, Ashes tours, Grand Slam tennis tournaments and World Alpine Ski Championships.

Usually you'll see him fronting Nine's Stan Sport Rugby. His other passions include charity work as an ambassador for the Humpty Dumpty Foundation, the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter, Brothers IV Brothers cancer charity and the Fight Duchenne Foundation.



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Sam McClure

9Gem

8.00am - 5.00pm AEST

Sam McClure – Host, Paris 2024

Sam McClure spent six years at 3AW from 2011, producing, reporting and contributing across various programs. In 2017, he joined radio station SEN as a reporter on the Breakfast program. He also worked as a football reporter for the 7 Network. Long known as “Scoop McClure”, in 2018 he joined The Age as a sports reporter, and in 2020 he joined the Footy Classified program on the 9Network.

The Australian Football Media Association awarded him the Clinton Grybas Rising Star Award in 2015, while in 2021 he won the AFL Brown Award for most outstanding football journalist of the year.

McClure took on hosting duties for Wide World of Sports from Monday to Friday on 3AW in 2022 and is joined by some of the biggest names in sport each night.



YOUR HOME OF THE OLYMPICS

EXPERT & COMMENTATORS

Ian Thorpe

Swimming – Hall of Fame Legend and Olympic Gold Medallist

To his rivals in the pool, he was a Herculean opponent. To swimming fans worldwide, he was a legend. To Aussies at home, his formidable speed saw him dubbed simply “*the Thorpedo*”.

Ian Thorpe is one of the greatest athletes of all time. His trophy cabinet contains five Olympic gold medals, 13 World Championship titles, 23 world records (some earned breaking his own title) and a litany of firsts. A giant of the sport, both in the pool and out (he stands 6’5”/196cm), he was the first person to win six gold medals at a World Championship (2001) and the first world champion to win the same event three times (400m freestyle in 1998, 2001 and 2003).

He was the first Australian to win five Olympic gold medals. At 13, he broke an astounding 10 national age group records in a single meet. In nine years of competitive swimming, he took on every distance from 100m to 1500m and was a four-time World Swimmer of the Year. Thorpe starred in the Australian team at the Sydney 2000 Olympics, winning three gold and two silver, and in the same year was named Young Australian of the Year. He was inducted into the Sport Australia Hall of Fame in 2008 and the International Swimming Hall of Fame in 2011. He was made a Member of the Order of Australia in 2019. In 2021, he was elevated to Legend status by the Sport Australia Hall of Fame.

Known for his humility and philanthropy, Thorpe retired from swimming in 2006.



Giaan Rooney

Swimming – Olympic Gold Medallist

Swimmer Giaan Rooney knows how it feels to be one of the fastest women in the pool ever. She won the 200m freestyle World Championship at Fukuoka in 2001 and swam the lead off backstroke leg for Australia's world record-breaking 4x100m medley team at the Athens 2004 Olympics.

Her trophy cabinet includes Olympic gold and silver medals, three Commonwealth Games gold medals, winning two individual World Championship gold medals, the 200 Freestyle in 2001 and the 50m backstroke in Montreal in 2005.

Rooney retired from competitive swimming after the 2006 Commonwealth Games, turning to a career in the media. Since then she has appeared on Nine's coverage of the Olympic Games London 2012 and Vancouver Winter Games, as well as television shows including Wide World of Sports, Getaway, Dancing on Ice, What's Good For You, The Footy Show and 20 to 1.

In 2007, Rooney was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia. In 2019, she authored a children's book, Lemon the Llama, which celebrates inclusiveness and diversity. She lives on a macadamia and beef cattle farm in northern NSW.



Ellie Cole

Swimming – Paralympic Gold Medallist

Ellie Cole is Australia's most decorated female Paralympic athlete. She has a jaw-dropping 17 medals from four Paralympic Games (Beijing 2008, London 2012, Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020). At London 2012, she landed four gold medals and a world record as part of the 4x100m freestyle relay team. At Rio 2016, she medalled in all six of her events, including two gold. She also has 10 World Championships and four Commonwealth Games medals.

Cole has never let challenges get in her way. After her right leg was amputated above the knee when she was just three, swimming instructors said it could take her up to a year to swim in a straight line. It took two weeks. She had double shoulder surgery in 2013, but by the 2015 World Para Swimming Championships she was back in breathtaking form, winning five medals including three gold, and breaking the 100m world backstroke record twice in one day.

It's little wonder she received Swimming Australia's Golden Moment the same year. Ellie was awarded an OAM in 2014. A regular on Wide World of Sports, she was the flag-bearer for Australia at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Closing Ceremony and in 2022 won for Most Outstanding Woman in Sport at the Australian Women in Sport Awards. She is a mentor for young swimmers and an advocate for disability, inclusion, equality and women's rights, and has recently become a first time mother.



Mat Thompson

Swimming – Wide World of Sports Commentator

Mathew Thompson is one of the leading sports broadcasters in Australia best known for his calls on the Wide World of Sports' NRL coverage.

He will be a key pillar of Nine's coverage as the lead swimming caller. He has broadcast two world championships in the lead-up to the Paris Games and is in a privileged position to describe Australia's Olympic gold medal quest. Highlighting his versatility, Thompson hosts a suite of podcasts, including documentary series Road To Paris, based on intimate interviews with Australia's greatest Olympians; Six Tackles with Gus alongside the legendary Phil Gould. He was responsible for the writing, development and presentation of the highly successful Stories of Origin podcast series.

Mat has been involved in successful radio programs and continues to feature on popular radio panel programs, including Wide World of Sports and The Continuous Call Team, for which he also broadcasts NRL matches.



Cate Campbell

Swimming – Olympic Gold Medallist and Expert

Cate Campbell is one of Australia's greatest ever Olympians and is regarded as Australia's greatest ever relay swimmer. Born in Africa as the first born of five siblings, she moved to Australia in 2001 where she took up competitive swimming. Within six years she was a Youth Olympian, at the age of 16 she was on her way to the Beijing 2008 Olympics, returning with two bronze medals.

It was London 2012 where she earned her first gold medal, in Olympic record time in the 4 x 100m relay. She backed it up in the same event at Rio 2016, this time with her sister Bronte and setting a new world record in the process.

In her fourth Olympic Games at Tokyo 2020, Cate was awarded the honour of being the Opening Ceremony Flag Bearer for the Australian Olympic Team, alongside Patty Mills.

In the same week she anchored another World Record breaking swim to win her third successive Olympic gold medal in the same event. She backed it up with another gold medal in the 4x100m medley relay.

In doing so she became just the third Australian Opening Ceremony Flag Bearer to claim gold at a Summer Games and Australia's Oldest Olympic swimming champion. After missing out on Paris 2024 Olympic selection, Cate retired from competitive swimming with four gold, one silver and one bronze at the Olympics. Her brother's journey with Cerebral Palsy inspired her desire to provide commentary at the Paralympic games for Swimming.



Roz Kelly

Swimming – Wide World of Sports Presenter

Sports broadcaster, Roz Kelly, is the host of Nine's long-running national show, Wide World of Sports, and 9News Sydney's 6pm weekend sports bulletin. Roz is also a key member of Nine's award winning Wide World of Sports team as co-host of the network's Australian Open coverage.

Previously, she hosted the acclaimed Big Bash League coverage on Channel 10 alongside Australian cricket legend Adam Gilchrist for three seasons. During her time at Channel 10, Roz also hosted the 10 News First national weekend sports bulletin with Chris Bath, co-hosted much loved sports news show, Sports Tonight, and was an integral member of the 10 Sports team - fronting the network's major broadcasts such as the Formula One Australian Grand Prix, Melbourne Cup Carnival, Bathurst 1000, Australian MotoGP and Glasgow Commonwealth Games.

In an 18 year career as a sports journalist, Roz has clocked up thousands of air miles travelling the globe reporting on the ground at Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Rugby World Cup, Ashes series ... to the Champs-Élysées as Aussie Cadel Evans made history in the Tour de France and even as far as remote breaks off Tahiti and Fiji for the World Surf League.



Gerard Whateley

Athletics – Athletics Commentator

A deep reservoir of knowledge and a capacity for emotive and brilliant storytelling makes Gerard Whateley one of Australia's pre-eminent sports broadcasters. His career has taken him to the world's biggest stages, captivating audiences with agenda-setting analysis and compelling commentary and delivering some of the most enduring calls in sport.

Having broadcast the Super Bowl into Australia seven times, a fixture at arguably the world's biggest annual sporting event. His call of Black Caviar's historic victory at Royal Ascot remains one of his most treasured experiences, along with the numerous Ashes series he has broadcast in Australia and England.

Whately's work has been recognised again and again. Accolades include Best Radio Program for his morning radio show at the Australian Football Media Awards, something he achieved five times in its six years on air. He has won the prestigious Alf Brown Award for Outstanding Achievement and Leadership in Sports Broadcasting four times, and received repeated recognition as Australia's Best Radio Caller. In 2023, he won the Australian Sports Commission Media Award for Best Coverage by an Individual (Broadcast) and the Australian Commercial Radio Award for Best Sports Presenter (Metro).

His great broadcast skills have featured at Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, the Melbourne Cup and AFL Hall of Fame, among many other major sporting events. His 2012 book *Black Caviar, The Horse of a Lifetime* featured in best seller lists for almost two years.



Michael Johnson

Athletics – Olympic Gold Medallist and Superstar

Michael Johnson is widely regarded as one of the greatest athletes of all time. In the 1990s, the four-time Olympic gold medallist dominated the 200m and 400m.

Starting in 1993, Johnson embarked on an incredible sequence of 400m races in which he was undefeated 58 times, and he was soon being hailed as “Superman”. The pinnacle of his track career came at the Olympic Games Atlanta 1996 where 83,000 spectators saw Johnson, in his golden running shoes, complete a remarkable 200m-400m double, an achievement never matched before or since in men’s athletics.

His times were remarkable too: 19.32 seconds for the 200m – a world record that stood for 12 years until being broken by Usain Bolt – and 43.49 seconds for the 400m. On August 26, 1999 in Seville, Johnson set a new 400m world record of 43.18 seconds which stood for 17 years.

In a decade at the top, which culminated in a final Olympic gold in the 400m at Sydney 2000, Johnson amassed eight world and four Olympic titles (never once a silver or bronze). He retired from competition in 2001.



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Steve Hooker

Athletics – Olympic Gold Medallist

To call pole vaulter Steve Hooker a high-flyer is an understatement: at his peak he made astounding vaults higher than 6m on seven occasions. Only four men have jumped higher than his personal best of 6.06m.

Hooker won gold at Beijing 2008, soaring over the bar to set a new Olympic record and becoming the first Australian male to win a gold in track and field in 40 years. He triumphed at the World Championships in Berlin the following year and has won World Indoor, IAAF Continental Cup and Commonwealth championships.

He is one of only two people to win two Sport Australia Hall of Fame Don Awards (2008 and 2009), which recognises the athlete who most inspired the nation. Steve was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 2009 and inducted into the Australian Sport Hall of Fame in 2017.



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David Culbert

Athletics – Olympics Finalist and Commentator

David Culbert's passion for sport has taken him from the heights of competition to sports marketing and broadcast roles that have made him one of the best-regarded commentators in the country. A dual Olympic long jumper (Seoul 1988, and a finalist at Barcelona 1992), his trophy cabinet also holds two Commonwealth Games medals and three Australian championships.

Culbert has worked on every Summer Olympics and Commonwealth Games since 1998, along with other major events including the Winter Olympics, World Athletics Championships and the Australian Open tennis tournament.

He moved into sports marketing at the end of his competitive career and is now one of Australia's leading sports business strategists. He is a life member of Athletics Australia and was previously an Athletics Australia selector. In 2022, he won the Sport Australia Media Award for Best Broadcaster. He is co-chair of the Australian Olympians Association and co-founder and director of Aussie Aths, a health and fitness program for kids based on athletics.



Tamsyn Lewis-Manou

Athletics – Olympian & World Champion

Tamsyn Lewis-Manou dominated athletics in Australia for well over a decade, claiming 18 Australian titles during the period 1998-2012. She is also a three-time Olympian. Her most successful event was the 800m, in which her shining moment came in 2008, winning the World Indoor Championships in Valencia and beating champion Maria Mutola.

She was also part of three consecutive gold-medal relay teams in the 4x400m at the Commonwealth Games in 1998, 2002 and 2006.

Tamsyn has always been passionate about athletics and is now continuing that passion in the commentary box. She was an expert commentator for the track events for the Olympic Games Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020 as well as the 2018 Gold Coast and 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games.



Tony Jones

Athletics – 9Network Sports Presenter

Tony Jones has long been at the heart of Australian media, delivering unmissable coverage across news and sport. A skilled television host and trusted presenter, Jones has been a central player in teams covering the 2006 Melbourne Commonwealth Games, 2010 Winter Olympics from Vancouver and the 23rd Winter Olympics from Pyeongchang, and is a host of Nine's coverage of the Australian Open.

Joining Channel Nine Melbourne in 1986, his reporting has spanned the nightmare of Australia's Black Saturday bushfires and the elation of retrieving Lauren Burns' Olympic gold medal for taekwondo, meeting South African President Nelson Mandela.

In 2017, he took over hosting on The Sunday Footy Show, a role he originally held in 2006. He has also been the sports presenter on TODAY. Jones celebrated 35 years with the Nine Network in 2021, and remains a fixture on Melbourne radio, regularly filling in for Tom Elliott on 3AW's top-rating Morning Show.



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Andrew Gaze

Basketball – Olympic Legend

NBL's 1984 Rookie of the Year Andrew Gaze went on to become a five-time Olympian, competing at Los Angeles, Seoul, Barcelona, Atlanta and Sydney which is the most appearances of any Australian basketballer.

He scored 789 points at the Olympics, a total beaten only by Brazil's Oscar Schmidt. He is Australia's greatest ever basketballer, captaining the Boomers for eight years, competing in 297 games for his country, playing 612 NBL games with the Melbourne Tigers (1984-2005) and winning their Most Valuable Player award seven times.

Gaze's stellar career includes NBA seasons with the Washington Bullets (1994) and San Antonio Spurs (1999). The Spurs' victory that year earned him a famed NBA championship ring. He is third in all-time in career points scored in International Basketball Federations (FIBA) World Cup history, and in 2013 was inducted into the International Basketball FIBA Hall of Fame.

He was the flag-bearer at the Opening Ceremony of the 2000 Olympics, captaining the Australian team. He was made a Member of the Order of Australia in 2002. In 2022, Andrew was elevated to legend status in the Australian Basketball Hall of Fame, just the sixth person to receive the highest honour in the sport.



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Jenna O’Hea

Basketball – Olympian and Former Captain of the Opals

Jenna O’Hea is a star of Australian women’s basketball, captaining the Opals at the 2018 World Cup, taking silver; the 2019 Asia Cup, where they won bronze; and the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Her superb team skills have made her the lead player for assists at international level and saw her start with the gold-medal winning Opals at the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Along with representing Australia, O’Hea has travelled the world competing in the Women’s National Basketball Association with the Los Angeles Sparks and Seattle Storm in the USA, and in France with Arras Pays d’Artois Basket Féminin. In the Australian Women’s National Basketball League, the towering forward was a three-time WNBL Championship player and has been named an All-Star Five on six occasions. In 2019, she was awarded life membership of the WNBL. Jenna is a strong advocate for mental health awareness and currently coaches with Basketball Victoria.

Brenton Speed – Wide World of Sports Commentator

Bio in Women’s Football



Kerri Pottharst

Beach Volleyball – Olympic Gold Medallist

Beach Volleyball champion Kerri Pottharst knows how to pivot – on and off the court. In a sporting career rewarded with a gold medal at the 2000 Sydney Olympics, eight Australian titles and multiple medals in a staggering 92 Federation Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB) competitions, Pottharst demonstrated how to shift, switch and keep moving, overcoming a knee injury that ended her national indoor volleyball career to head for the sand and Olympic glory. She is Australia's most decorated volleyball player.

She first tasted Olympic success at Atlanta 1996, winning bronze in the sport's Olympic debut. She took silver in the World Championships the same year and won the World Tour. Across 22 years of incredible achievement, she chalked up 25 podium finishes. She was named in the FIVB Team of the Decade 1990-2000.

Kerri was awarded an OAM in 2001 and has been inducted into both the Sport Australia and International Volleyball Halls of Fame. She has provided expert commentary at three Olympics and works in executive leadership and is a highly sought after speaker on the art of high performance. Her preparation for the Sydney Olympics included fire-walking, glass-walking, blindfolded rock climbing and tandem biking.

Todd Woodbridge – Host, Paris 2024

Bio in Hosts section



Caroline Buchanan

BMX Racing – Olympian

To win the Queen of Crankworx mountain bike title is no mean feat. Think four countries, five months, multiple disciplines and 25 relentless events. Australia's dual BMX Olympian Caroline Buchanan has been crowned Queen – twice. Not only that: she is an eight-time BMX and Mountain Bike World Champion, an 11-time Australian BMX champion, and has been named Australian Female Mountain Bike Rider of the Year three times.

Buchanan's BMX and mountain biking career has taken her across the globe competing at the highest international level. She excels in pump track Mountain Biking, dominates the Dual Slalom, and loves speed and style. She was Australian Cyclist of the Year in 2013.

She lives by the motto “overcoming what life throws at you makes you stronger”, no surprise given she has survived a life-threatening car accident and countless professional spills. An author and mentor, she is a forceful proponent for young women in sport.

Scott McGrory – Olympic Gold Medallist

Bio in Cycling section



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Ryan Williams

BMX Freestyle – BMX champion

Ryan “R Willy” Williams from the Sunshine Coast has more than seven million social media followers, is a five-time Nitro World Games Champion, and the only person to win three consecutive gold medals in BMX Big Air at the X Games. He had a passion for action sports from the age of eight after his first visit to a local skatepark.

Williams got his first taste of high-adrenaline fun with a pair of rollerblades. After taking up BMX racing he was drawn to the thrills of freestyle BMX’s jumps and flips. In 2005, he found his calling when he began riding scooters and later began honing his freestyle skills on a BMX bike. Soon he was progressing in scooter and BMX simultaneously.

After seeing an online video of his scooter riding, Williams received an invitation from Nitro Circus to show the crew his skills and soon became a hit. He has put his skills to the test against the world’s best in international competition, taking home numerous Nitro World Games Best Trick titles including Best Trick for scooter, as well as two BMX Best Trick. He is the first athlete since 2006 to win three BMX X Games medals at a single X Games.



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Mitch Tomlinson

BMX Freestyle – Skateboard & BMX Expert

Mitch Tomlinson hails from Newcastle and is passionate about action sports. Since his early years he has been immersed in the worlds of BMX, surfing, skateboarding and snowboarding.

These pursuits have taken him on a global journey. Over the years, as he travelled with his beloved boards, Tomlinson ventured into live-event commentary. This unexpected turn led to invitations to host and provide commentary for snow, surf and skate events in Australia and around the world.

Along with being co-founder of Life Without Andy (Youth Pop Culture Platform), Mitchell has lent his presenting and commentary talents to various skateboarding, surfing and snowboarding events and shows, in addition to his Olympic duties which began in 2014. He has also been a host and presenter on action sports such as XGames, Street League, Vans Park Series, Burton Open, NZ Winter Games, Rush TV, Fuel TV and more.



Andy Raymond

Boxing – Boxing commentator

A 34-year media veteran, Andy Raymond is one of Australia's most accomplished and recognisable faces in sports broadcasting.

He has been the soundtrack of Australian boxing during a golden era for the sport, commentating on thousands of bouts and many world championships. Versatility has also seen him covering a range of sports outside the boxing ring. Raymond is sharp, energetic, and a little cheeky at times too.

The grassroots nature of Olympic boxing is close to his heart, and he'll bring the moments that matter to life as we cheer on the Aussie boxers in Paris.



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Richard Fox

Canoe Slalom – Olympian and World Champion

He might have been born in the UK, but whitewater legend Richard Fox has had an inestimable impact on Australian canoeing. Leveraging a sporting career that reached the pinnacle of competitive canoeing, he was not only pivotal in international efforts to ensure slalom remained part of the Olympic program, but did it as the Sydney Olympics approached, leading to development of the Penrith Whitewater Stadium.

In a sporting career spanning 15 years in Britain, Fox was a 10-time world champion (five times in the K1 individual event and five times as part of the K1 team). He was the World Cup Series winner three times and won the then equivalent of the European Championship four times. He finished fourth in the K1 Slalom at the 1992 Barcelona Olympics and was awarded an MBE for services to British sport in 1986.

He moved to Australia in 1998 to take up the position of head coach with Australian Canoeing. He was team leader with the Australian Olympic Committee from 2000 to 2016, attending five Olympic Games, and vice-president of the International Canoe Federation. Richard stretched the talents of Australia's emerging canoeists as national performance director for Australian Canoeing 2005-16. In 2023, he was inducted into the Paddle Australia Hall of Fame and is now working to redevelop the Penrith Whitewater Stadium.

David Culbert – Olympics Finalist and Commentator *Bio in Athletics section*



Shane McInnes

Canoe Sprint – Nine Radio commentator

In a broadcasting career spanning over 16 years, Shane McInnes has cemented himself as a versatile, knowledgeable and accomplished broadcaster across multiple Olympics. He was in London in 2012 and Rio in 2016 and also covered the Tokyo 2020 Games, bringing listeners on Nine Radio all the colour and excitement.

In the lead-up to Paris 2024, he has worked as lead commentator on some of the nation's biggest swimming meets. Listeners to 3AW in Melbourne will be familiar with his weekly commentary on AFL matches, while he also appears as a regular fill-in host on Afternoons and Drive, and makes appearances on Today.

McInnes is a respected voice at Melbourne Park every January at the Australian Open, as well as trackside at the Australian Formula One Grand Prix, commentating and presenting on two of the nation's biggest annual sporting events for Nine Radio. He has reported from other global events including Commonwealth Games (2014, 2018) and multiple Super Bowls.

Earlier this year he was also awarded a prestigious Quill Award for his work on Nine Radio, highlighting his versatility and ability to host and broadcast across major sport and news events.

James Tomkins – Olympic Gold Medallist *Bio in Rowing section*



Kate Bates

Cycling Track – World Champion and Olympian

Cyclist Kate Bates knows a bit about chasing down the competition. The dual Olympian (Athens 2004 and Beijing 2008) claimed back-to-back wins in the individual pursuit in the World Cup in 2003 and 2004, then smashed all comers the following two years, winning three more World Cup titles, multiple Australia National Track Championships, and race stages in punishing events in the USA, Canada and Europe.

She took Commonwealth gold in points events in 2002 and 2006 and was World Points Race Champion in 2007. Bates first raced for Australia at age of 16. Two years later she was Australian Female Cyclist of the Year. As a pro she rode with prestigious Dutch and American teams. Chasing her third Olympics, she sustained a serious back injury and was forced to retire. She has stayed close to the sport she loves, providing insight and expert commentary for broadcasts of major events including the Olympic Games, the Commonwealth Games, World Championships and the Tour De France.

Kate was inducted into the Australian Cycling Hall of Fame in 2019. She is a former board and committee member at Sport Australia, Cycling Australia, Bicycle NSW and Sailing Australia. Today she runs the women's cycling community's Chicks Who Ride Bikes



Scott McGrory

Cycling Track – Commentator & Olympic Gold Medallist

It's hard to think of a more resilient athlete than cyclist Scott McGrory. This is the world-class madison rider who pushed through the final 50 punishing laps of the 1999 World Championship two-man event alone after a heavy fall by his riding partner, Brett Aitken. His gripping ride qualified the pair for the Olympic Games Sydney 2020. Then, just 10 weeks from the Opening Ceremony, Scott's infant son Alexander died. In the face of adversity the pair fought through heartbreak to win gold in one of the most inspiring performances in Olympic history.

Post-Sydney, McGrory returned to professional cycling, establishing himself as a relentless competitor on the cutthroat international cycling circuit. He emerged as a specialist in the Six Day event, winning five Six Day races in Europe in 2001 and 15 in total. His achievements include victories in multiple Australian Championships, stage wins in the gruelling Tour Des Pyrenees, Olympic bronze (Seoul 1988) and silver in the 1996 World Championships.

Scott retired from cycling in 2005, turning to a career as a broadcaster, coach and race director. He provided specialist commentary for the Olympic Games in London, Rio and Tokyo, and for three Commonwealth Games. He was inducted into the Cycling Hall of Fame in 2019.



Phil Liggett MBE

Cycling Road – The Voice of Cycling

Phil Liggett – The Voice of Cycling – is the world’s pre-eminent cycling broadcaster. He has commentated on 51 Tour de France races, 16 Olympic Games and major cycling events across the globe, including Australia’s Tour Down Under. His race calls are lauded for their emotion, expertise and passion, and has a long history with Channel 9 that stretches back to the 1990 Commonwealth Games.

Liggett’s career in cycling started as a promising amateur rider. He turned down an invitation to turn pro with a team in Belgium, lured instead to the world of journalism – a decision that has seen him work for major American networks including the ABC, NBC and CBS, and in the UK for ITV, The Telegraph, The Observer, The Guardian, BBC radio and Channel 4.

He was the youngest person to be appointed a commissaire of the world governing body for cycling, the International Cycling Union, responsible for ensuring competitive cycling events ran smoothly, fairly and within the rules. In 2005, he was appointed a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) for services to cycling. In 2007, he received a Lifetime Achievement Award by the US Hall of Fame, and in 2009 he was inducted into the British Cycling Hall of Fame.

Phil lives in the UK and spends several months each year on his wildlife reserve in South Africa. He is patron of the Helping Rhinos organisation, which aims to keep rhinos safe in their natural environment.



Cadel Evans

Cycling Road – Tour de France Winner and Olympian

Cadel Evans is the only Australian to win the prestigious Tour de France. His 2011 victory ended Australia's long drought in the iconic 3600km race and remains one of this nation's greatest sporting feats. It came after two second placings (2007, 2008) and confirmed Cadel's place as Australia's greatest road cyclist.

The four-time Olympian (London 2012, Beijing 2008, Sydney 2000, Atlanta 1996) has one of world cycling's great CVs, being in an elite group of riders to finish on the podium in all the Grand Tours (Tour de France, Giro d'Italia and Vuelta a Espana) and also win the World Championships Road Race, triumphing in Switzerland in 2009. Prior to switching to road racing, Evans was a two-time winner of the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup, with his mountain bike handling skills proving a major asset during an illustrious road career. He won the Sport Australian Hall of Fame 2011 Don Award – for the athlete that most inspired the nation – and was inducted into the Sport Australia Hall of Fame in 2020.

He was made a member of the Order of Australia in 2013 and is the force behind the Cadel Evans Great Ocean Road Race.



Sophie Smith

Cycling Road – Cycling Broadcaster

Sports journalist and broadcaster Sophie Smith got hooked on professional cycling when she was assigned the round as a cadet. Now, with 16 years of experience reporting for major media outlets, she has done 11 Tours de France, five UCI Road World Championships, the Giro d'Italia, spring classics, London 2012, the UCI Track World Championships, Tour Down Under, Tour of California, Tour of Britain, UAE Tour, Tour of Oman, Saudi Tour and more.

Every year Smith travels the world to cover professional races for major Australian, UK and US media. She is the author of *Pain and Privilege: Inside Le Tour*, a book that goes deep into the sacrifices made to compete in the Tour de France and talks to team staff, sports scientists, psychologists, media and dignitaries to draw a complex and confronting portrait of one of the world's grandest sporting spectacles.

Scott McGrory – Commentator & Olympic Gold Medallist *Bio in Cycling Track section*

Kate Bates – World Champion and Olympian *Bio in Cycling Track section*



Sam Fricker

Diving – Olympic Diver

Sam Fricker is an Australian diver who competed in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Fricker is also a Commonwealth Games medalist and was awarded the Australian Sports Medal by the Governor of New South Wales.

On social, Fricker has over 6.6 million followers and accrues over a billion views annually. In 2024, he started the Diving Deep Podcast, where he interviews high performers about their success, challenges, and the skills they use to overcome adversity. Notable guests include the former Prime Minister of Australia and television host Osher Günsberg

Sam has a deep passion for environmental sustainability. At just 16, he founded Sam's Straws to combat the environmental impact of single-use plastics with eco-friendly wheat straws. In addition to his, he is an ambassador for the Starlight Foundation, Clean-Up Australia, and the Australian Olympic Committee's Change-Makers Youth Forum.



Mark Taylor

Diving – Legendary Cricketer & Wide World of Sports Broadcaster

Former captain of the Australian Cricket Team, Mark Taylor was a masterful opener and slip fielder. A reliable left-hander, he made 839 Test runs on his first England tour in 1989, and for most of his 104 Tests remained reassuringly solid.

He took over the captaincy from Allan Border in 1994-95 and displayed tactical vibrancy that, the following year, saw Australia topple the West Indies in the Caribbean to become unofficial world champions. Taylor's leadership and diplomacy marked him as one of Australia's greatest captains.

Taylor has dedicated his life to sport and his family. He grew up in the sports-mad Riverina region of NSW, playing Aussie Rules, rugby league and cricket. In retirement, he is still passing judgement at the top level. He has been a cricket commentator with Nine for well over 20 years, and is a regular panel member on Wide World of Sports.

He was named Australian of the Year in 1999 and his portrait was hung in the 2000 Archibald Prize.



Adam Papalia

Men's Football – Nine Radio commentator

Adam Papalia began his radio career as a sports producer at 6PR Perth in 2007. He then moved from producing to an AFL commentary role with 6PR, spending three seasons in Melbourne.

Adam's commentary has been heard around the country through 6PR and Fox Footy. He is currently the host of Wide World of Sports in Perth, 6PR's Sports Director and lead AFL caller.



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Grace Gill

Women's Football – Former Matildas midfielder and renowned commentator

To call Grace Gill a trailblazer is no overstatement: she remembers her playing days when women's football was lucky to have one game a week on the ABC to miniscule crowds. Fast forward to the Matildas' FIFA Women's World Cup campaign in 2023, which inspired millions of girls and fans who heard Grace's voice in homes across Australia, with her insightful commentary and analysis.

Gill's move to the media has proved a remarkable success. The former Matilda made 58 appearances for Canberra United in the Australian W-League, games with Slovácko in the Czech Women's First League. The former midfielder has since been part of commentary teams covering the A-League men's and women's competition as well as the FIFA World Cup. She's able to put herself into the shoes of the sport's household names, whether they're injured or elated. Paris 2024 will be Grace's first Olympics.



Brenton Speed

Women's Football – Wide World of Sports commentator

Brenton Speed is one of the most versatile sports commentators in Australia. He is the only person to provide television commentary for a national audience on NRL, AFL, A-League, cricket, basketball and tennis.

Speed's versatility has also been highlighted across three Olympics. In Rio in 2016 he called Kim Brennan's gold medal in the women's singles sculls and was also behind the microphone for the Canoe Sprint and Matildas' matches.

In Tokyo in 2021, he called the Matildas' memorable run to the medal rounds and was alongside Kerri Pottharst calling the women's beach volleyball team of Taliqua Clancy and Mariafe Artacho del Solar as they made it all the way to the gold medal match.



Georgie Parker

Hockey – Olympian, AFLW star & Commentator

In a hockey career characterised by grit, determination and raw good humour, Georgie Parker played more than 100 internationals with the Hockeyroos, including the Olympics (Rio 2016) and the World Cup. She was part of the sizzling outfit that won gold at both the Commonwealth Games and Oceania Cup and reached the final of the World Cup.

Parker's understanding of world-class sport, combined with a sparkling personality, opened opportunities off the hockey field as well. She has been the go-to for hockey commentary at major global events including the Olympics and the Commonwealth Games. She expanded this role at Beijing 2022, co-hosting the late-night segment and transforming it into must-see television.

In 2017, without a single AFL game to her name, Georgie's famed speed and athleticism led to a contract to play AFLW with Collingwood. She has since become a regular host and commentator for AFL. Georgie is an ambassador for the charity Cycle 4 Sam, which raises money for the families of those who have children in palliative care.



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Will Davies

Hockey – Commentator

Will Davies is a sports commentator, host and reporter who has covered the past six Olympic Games and was pitch-side for Australia's silver medal in men's hockey at Tokyo 2020 and gold medal in rugby sevens at the Rio Games.

He was the lead hockey reporter for the IOC's News Service in Rio and Tokyo, enjoying an almost unrivalled vantage point for the highs and lows of Australia's past two campaigns. Beyond hockey he has covered blue-riband Olympic events across swimming, athletics, rugby sevens, basketball and beach volleyball, and winter sports such as ice hockey, alpine skiing, snowboard halfpipe, moguls, cross country skiing, bobsleigh, skeleton and luge.

Davies has commentated on hockey for international networks and for the International Hockey Federation, and most recently can be heard on Nine and Stan's rugby union coverage.



James Tomkins

Rowing – Olympic Gold Medallist

A lynchpin of the fabled “Oarsome Foursome” that captured Australia’s hearts by winning gold at the 1992 Barcelona and 1996 Atlanta Olympics, James Tomkins is Australia’s greatest-ever sweep rower. Not only that: he is the only rower in the world to win world titles in all five sweep events.

He is one of just eight Australians to compete in at least six Olympic Games, and in 2012 was inducted into the Sport Australia Hall of Fame. He stands a towering 201cm (6’7” – as tall as fellow commentator and basketball champion Andrew Gaze). At the beginning of his sporting career he had to choose between rowing and AFL after being recruited by the Melbourne Demons in the 1989 pre-season draft.

His career highlights include the two Olympic gold medals with the Oarsome Foursome and then more gold in the pairs at the Athens 2004 Games, along with several World Championship successes. He also notched up 15 wins in Australia’s pre-eminent rowing event, The Kings Cup.

Tomkins was Australia’s flag-bearer at the Opening Ceremony of the Beijing 2008 Olympics and was awarded an OAM for his contribution to rowing in 1997. He was on the Australian Olympic Committee and a member of the International Olympic Committee Athlete Commission between 2012 and 2021. He was named the Victorian Father of the Year in 2008.



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Matt Hill

Rowing – Olympic Commentator

It began with a scholarship for young race callers and brilliant potential to make his mark in the sport of kings. It has since burgeoned into a career that has made Matt Hill the No.1 caller in Victorian racing and taken him around the globe at the microphone for some of the most prestigious sporting events in the world. From the Melbourne Cup, our nation's iconic Stawell Gift and Britain's epic Grand National to tennis, AFL and alpine skiing, Hill is the voice that has delivered riveting on-air calls to millions of sport tragics around the world.

Paris 2024 will be his seventh Summer Olympics. He cites Mo Farrah's astounding, come-from-the back win in the 5000m in London, a call that topped 15 minutes, as the highlight of his career. As well as track and field, he has called Olympic competition in athletics, equestrian, rowing, modern pentathlon, tennis, speed skating and curling, and has also been a key member of broadcast teams for two Paralympics, the Youth Olympics in Singapore in 2010, the Commonwealth Games and the Southeast Asian Games. In 2019, Matt was awarded the Bert Wolfe Award for broadcasting excellence.



Annabelle Williams

Rowing – Paralympic Gold Medallist

Annabelle Williams is a Paralympic gold medallist, international motivational speaker, diversity and inclusion advocate, TV presenter, lawyer and board director.

Williams captained the Australian Paralympic swim team and managed to balance sport with a successful and demanding corporate career as a lawyer. She competed in two Paralympic Games, broke five world records and won numerous medals for Australia, including gold at the London 2012 Paralympics.

She was a Mergers and Acquisitions lawyer at top-tier law firm Allens Linklaters and in-house counsel for the Australian Olympic Committee. A strong advocate for the rights of athletes, at the age of 24 she was awarded with the prestigious Medal of the Order of Australia for her service to sport. Annabelle is the founder and CEO of Grit & Gold, a director of Bond University, a member of the World Athletics Disciplinary Tribunal and the International Cricket Council Code of Conduct Commission.

She was formerly a board member of Swimming Australia and vice-president of the board of Paralympics Australia. She graduated from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, and has hosted and commentated on numerous swimming championships, the Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020 Games, as well as the Gold Coast 2018 and Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.

Fun fact: Annabelle was briefly Charlize Theron's stunt double in Mad Max 4: Fury Road.



Sera Naiqama

Rugby Sevens – Rugby Sevens Expert

What started as determination to show her brothers, NRL stars Wes and Kevin, she could do anything has blossomed into an international rugby career for Sera Naiqama. The Australian-born Fijian lock boasts 10 caps, played in the 2021 Rugby World Cup and debuted for the Wallaroos in 2022. Away from the international stage, she plays for the NSW Waratahs in the Super W competition.

Along the way, Sera – who has previously worked in marketing and communication – has parlayed her standout rugby skills into a broadcasting career as an insightful and articulate commentator. She works as an expert panellist with Stan Sport and ABC television, drawing on knowledge gained first in the NSW Schoolgirls 7s and later in the 15-person format with the University of Sydney. Her skill behind the microphone has made her a sought-after host, emcee and pundit on radio and television.



Drew Mitchell

Rugby Sevens – Rugby Sevens Expert

Wallaby number 799 Drew Mitchell is the highest try scorer in rugby World Cup history. Renowned for his speed and agility, he earned 71 caps between 2005 and 2016.

Mitchell began playing rugby as a schoolboy and captained Australia's under-21 team. As a winger and fullback he scored 14 tries at World Cups and 34 in Test matches, including one on debut against South Africa. His seven World Cup tries in 2007 set a new Australian record for a single tournament. At home, he played for the Queensland Reds, the Western Force and NSW Waratahs. He is one of the Waratahs' top 10 try scorers in Super Rugby history. Drew retired from rugby in 2017.



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Russell Mark

Shooting – Olympic Gold Medallist

Mark by name, world-class marksman by nature: simply put, Russell Mark is one of the world's finest shooters. He has frightening accuracy and a steely nerve. In 1992, he became the first Australian to hit more than 1000 targets in succession (he made it to 1177 hits in a row), breaking his own Australian record of 859 consecutive hits. He has competed at six Olympic Games (1988, 1992, 1996, 2000, 2008, 2012), a feat that makes him part of an illustrious group surpassed only by equestrian great Andrew Hoy. He took Olympic gold in double trap at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta and silver four years later in Sydney. As well, he won two individual World Championships, six World Cup Championships and two World Team Championships.

Mark's incredible talent made him the first shotgun shooter to win all four of the world's major individual titles: World Cup, World Cup Final, World Championship and Olympic Games. In the 20 years from 1988 to 2007, he won at least one Australian title each year. In 1997, he was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia. In August 2007, he was inducted into the International Shooting Sports Federation Hall of Fame as the greatest double trap shooter of all time, and in 2019 he was nominated to the Sport Australia Hall of Fame.

Russell has coached top shooting teams around the world and is now the trap coach of Australia's shotgun team.



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Peter Psaltis

Shooting – Wide World of Sports Commentator

Peter Psaltis, an esteemed sports broadcaster and seasoned rugby league commentator, has forged a distinguished career spanning nearly three decades, with over two of those spent at Brisbane's 4BC.

Currently at the helm of 4BC's Wide World of Sports show, he also lends his voice to Nine's NRL coverage and serves as a tennis commentator for the network.

Beginning his radio journey in 1997, Peter swiftly progressed from a panel operator for the Continuous Call Team to a valued panellist on programs like Peter Dick Afternoons and Greg Cary's Drive.

Venturing into sports commentary, Peter discovered his calling in football alongside Rod Tiley and Trevor Gillmeister in 2002. The following year saw him join esteemed colleagues, including John McCoy, Wally Lewis, and Brett Kenny, establishing himself as a definitive voice in Brisbane Broncos game broadcasts on 4BC. Peter has brought his expertise to coverage of numerous major events, including the Olympic and Commonwealth Games.



Nick Boserio

Skateboard – Pro-Skater

When skateboarding debuted at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, Perth native and pro-skater Nick Boserio was there to explain the sport's high-octane moves to the masses. A legend in the world of skateboarding, his style is fast, furious and fearless. Every handrail, every concrete slope, every sharp-angle road is a playground, and Nick is always ready to play.

He was born in England and lived around the world as a child before settling in Perth, then Melbourne, and on to the USA, before returning to Australia.

Boserio is part of Nike Skateboarding and pro for the skateboard brand Polar Skate Co. His videos, with their gravity-defying tricks and spills, have been watched by millions of people around the world. Unconventional and powerful on the board, he is known for skating the seemingly unskateable. Just as powerful is his contagious charisma and enthusiasm for the sport.

Mitch Tomlinson – *Skateboard & BMX Freestyle expert*

Bio in BMX Freestyle section



Will McCloy

Triathlon – Commentator

Will McCloy is a sports presenter, commentator and emcee who has worked across most major global sport events, including multiple Olympic and Commonwealth Games, World Cups, F1 Grands Prix, golf and tennis majors and international netball, as well as a range of niche sports from bull-riding to Padel.

An Australian national representative himself, McCloy's keen interest in triathlon resulted in him taking on the role of host and lead commentator of SuperTri, the short course triathlon world series, since its inception in 2017. Broadcast on 50 networks including BBC, ESPN and DAZN to a total of 200 territories across five continents, in season eight each round of SuperTri is now watched by over 20 million people.

Will was also executive producer and commentator on the Pho3nix Sub7Sub8 Project, which pitted four of the world's best endurance athletes against each other as they succeeded in breaking the mythical seven-and eight-hour barriers for the gruelling full-distance triathlon in Germany in 2022. He released his first young adult fiction novel, *Before I Slip Away*, in 2021.



Emma Snowsill

Triathlon – Olympic Gold Medallist

A powerhouse competitor, Emma Snowsill is one of the most awarded female competitors in the history of International Triathlon Union (ITU). A triple world champion, Emma won gold at the Beijing Olympics and took out the ITU World Cup an astounding 12 times. Taking out grand slams in the USA and World Triathlon Series (WTS) Grand Final in Budapest 2010.

Emma is known for her grace and fortitude – often in the most extreme circumstances. In 2003, she suffered a stress fracture to the femur that put her out of contention for selection in the Athens Olympics. In 2005 in Japan, Emma took vengeance and her second world crown, covering the 1.5km swim, 40km bike ride, and a 10km run in 35 °C temperatures and 90% humidity. In 2006 she became the first female triathlete to win 3 World titles despite contemplating not even starting after not being well. Dominating results in the lead up to Beijing 2008 she secured her spot early and went on to become an Olympic gold medalist.

Coming up through the junior ranks and part of the AIS development squad, Emma claimed Gold at the Sydney Junior Youth Olympics Festival in 2001. However her dreams of becoming an Olympian almost disappeared when she considered leaving the sport after the death of her boyfriend, triathlete Luke Harrop, in a tragic hit-and-run when she was just 20. Instead she found the fortitude of continuing in sport they both loved and she threw herself headlong into training and went on to claim triathlon's biggest titles. Emma retired from competition in 2014. She was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 2009 and was inducted into the ITU Hall of Fame in 2015. Four years later, she was inducted into the Sport Australia Hall of Fame.



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SAT 27 JULY	Rowing	Equestrian	Swimming	Diving	Men's Basketball	Men's Skateboarding	Beach Volleyball	Men's Hockey	Cycling Road	Men's Rugby	Canoe Slalom	Boxing	Men's Skateboarding	Surfing	Boxing	Beach Volleyball	Women's Water Polo	Swimming Finals
SUN 28 JULY	Rowing	Equestrian	Men's Water Polo	Swimming	Boxing	Women's Skateboarding	Women's Hockey	Women's Hockey	Women's Cycling Mountain Bike	Women's Canoe Slalom	Boxing	Women's Rugby Sevens	Women's Skateboarding	Men's Basketball	Surfing	Boxing	Swimming Finals	
MON 29 JULY	Rowing	Men's Hockey	Swimming	Diving	Women's Basketball	Equestrian	Women's Mountain Bike	Women's Cycling Mountain Bike	Women's Rugby Sevens	Boxing	Women's Hockey	Men's Gymnastics	Surfing	Boxing	Women's Rugby Sevens	Swimming Finals		
TUES 30 JULY	Men's Triathlon	Men's Shooting	Rowing	Judo	Men's Water Polo	Swimming	Men's Basketball	Women's Rugby Sevens	Men's Shooting	Women's Canoe Slalom	Judo	Women's Basketball 3x3	Surfing	Women's Hockey	Men's Hockey	Swimming Finals		
WED 31 JULY	Women's Triathlon	Women's Shooting	Rowing	Diving	Swimming	BMX Freestyle	Women's Hockey	Women's Water Polo	Women's Canoe Slalom	Women's Shooting	Judo	Men's Gymnastics	Women's Basketball 3x3	Women's Football	Swimming Finals	Women's Hockey	Men's Basketball	
THU 1 AUGUST	Athletics	Women's Basketball 3x3	Rowing	Men's Hockey	Swimming	Boxing	Tennis	Women's Basketball 3x3	Women's Basketball	Men's Water Polo	Women's Gymnastics	BMX Racing	Tennis	Women's Hockey	Swimming Finals			
FRI 2 AUGUST	Women's Basketball 3x3	Rowing	Athletics	Swimming	Diving	Tennis	Women's Basketball 3x3	Men's Hockey	Men's Basketball	Women's Water Polo	Athletics Finals	BMX Racing	Men's Trampoline	Tennis	Swimming Finals			
SAT 3 AUGUST	Rowing	Athletics	Swimming	Men's Golf	Men's Cycling Road	Women's Hockey	Men's Water Polo	Women's Football	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball 3x3	Athletics Finals	Boxing	Swimming Finals					
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MON 5 AUGUST	Triathlon	Athletics	Sport Climbing		Women's Hockey		Men's Water Polo		Women's Canoe Slalom		Cycling		Women's Hockey		Athletics Finals		Basketball 3x3				
TUES 6 AUGUST	Athletics	Sport Climbing	Men's Basketball		Canoe Sprint		Women's Skateboarding		Women's Water Polo		Men's Basketball		Cycling		Women's Football		Men's Basketball		Men's Basketball		
WED 7 AUGUST	Athletics		Women's Golf		Taekwondo		Canoe Sprint		Cycling		Men's Skateboarding		Cycling		Men's Skateboarding		Athletics Finals		Women's Basketball		
THU 8 AUGUST	Swimming	Women's Golf		Athletics		Diving		Canoe Sprint		Men's Hockey		Taekwondo		Diving		Men's Basketball		Athletics Finals		Men's Basketball	
FRI 9 AUGUST	Swimming	Athletics		Sport Climbing		Canoe Sprint		Weightlifting		Women's Breaking		Cycling		Men's Football		Athletics Finals		Women's Hockey		Women's Breaking	
SAT 10 AUGUST	Men's Marathon	Women's Golf		Sport Climbing		Canoe Sprint		Volleyball		Men's Diving		Weightlifting		Women's Water Polo		Cycling		Women's Football		Men's Breaking	
SUN 11 AUGUST	Women's Marathon	Cycling		Weightlifting		Women's Basketball		Volleyball		Men's Water Polo		Women's Basketball		Cycling		Athletics Finals		Weightlifting		Beach Volleyball	
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