



**MEDIA RELEASE**  
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## Going to the footy at the MCG? Visit the National Sports Museum beforehand

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**Entry to the new National Sports Museum at the MCG is half-price for ticket-holders on match days.**

Footy fans are invited to arrive early and get into the sporting spirit with a visit to Melbourne's newest attraction and Australia's first dedicated sports museum.

On match-days, entry to the museum for ticketholders costs just \$7.50 per adult, \$4 per child (aged 5-15) and \$5.50 for concession card holders. There is also a special event-day family ticket (\$22), which grants entry for two adults and four children.

See first-hand the original Aussie rules – hand-written by Australian football's founding fathers, pay homage to your team, and see material from AFL's greats past and present, including Alex Jesaulenko, Ron Barrassi, Kevin Bartlett, James Hird, Gary Ablett and more.

The National Sports Museum also has exhibitions about cricket, Olympic Games, the MCG, the Sport Australia Hall of Fame and a staggering array of artefacts including the 1948 'Invincibles' baggy green cap worn by Don Bradman, the first place medals awarded to Edwin Flack at the 1896 Athens Olympics and the Repco BT19 racing car Jack Brabham designed build and drove to victory in 1966.

Plus, kids can let off steam in *Game On!* - an interactive room that offers a range of hands-on sporting activities from cycling on a velodrome, testing your football or cricket fielding skills or firing an archer's arrow.

**UPCOMING AFL MATCHES AT MCG:  
NATIONAL SPORTS MUSEUM OPENING HOURS**

(Go to [www.nsm.org.au](http://www.nsm.org.au) to check the museum opening times, which vary on event days)

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| • Saturday May 31    | Collingwood v West Coast          |
| • Saturday June 7    | Richmond v Adelaide               |
| • Monday June 9      | Melbourne v Collingwood           |
| • Saturday June 14   | Western Bulldogs v Brisbane Lions |
| • Sunday June 15     | Collingwood v Carlton             |
| • Saturday June 21   | Hawthorn v North Melbourne        |
| • Sunday June 22     | Carlton v Essendon                |
| • Friday June 27     | Hawthorn v West Coast             |
| • Saturday June 28   | Richmond v Carlton                |
| • Sunday June 29     | Melbourne v Brisbane Lions        |
| • Friday July 11     | Carlton v St Kilda                |
| • Saturday July 12   | Collingwood v Adelaide            |
| • Sunday July 13     | Hawthorn v Sydney                 |
| • Saturday July 19   | Richmond v Essendon               |
| • Friday July 25     | Hawthorn v Geelong                |
| • Saturday July 26   | Essendon v Collingwood            |
| • Sunday July 27     | Melbourne v North Melbourne       |
| • Friday August 1    | Collingwood v Hawthorn            |
| • Saturday August 2  | Essendon v Melbourne              |
| • Friday August 8    | Melbourne v Geelong               |
| • Saturday August 16 | Melbourne v West Coast            |
| • Sunday August 17   | Richmond v Hawthorn               |
| • Saturday August 23 | Richmond v Fremantle              |
| • Saturday August 30 | North Melbourne v Port Adelaide   |
| • Sunday August 31   | Melbourne v Richmond              |

**Admission on non-event days**

- Adults \$15
- Concession \$11
- Children (aged 4-15) \$8
- Family ticket (two adults, up to four children) \$45

Enter via Gate 3, Olympic Stand, MCG (between Light Towers 1 and 2). For further media information, please call Katrina Hall (0421 153 046 or [kathall@ozemail.com.au](mailto:kathall@ozemail.com.au)) or Shane Brown (0418 353 431) or visit [www.nsm.org.au](http://www.nsm.org.au).

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