

# Media Release

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## NETBALL LOCKS IN FOR ANOTHER MAJOR GRAND FINAL IN VICTORIA

Victoria has cemented its position as the home of elite sporting deciders – with Melbourne now locked in to host the 2025 Super Netball Grand Final thanks to the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Steve Dimopoulos today joined Netball Australia CEO Stacey West to announce next year's Super Netball premiership decider will be played at Melbourne Park, as the partnership between Visit Victoria and Netball Australia continues to deliver netball events across the state.

The current Netball World Cup and Constellation Cup champions played England in Bendigo earlier this week, ahead of a Constellation Cup battle with New Zealand at John Cain Arena on Wednesday 30 October – with both games drawing fans from across the state and country.

The Labor Government is proud to back the Diamonds – the number one ranked national netball team in the world, and a constant source of inspiration for young netballers coming up through the ranks. Across Australia, netball has the highest level of participation among young women for any sport.

Last year's epic Suncorp Super Netball Grand Final drew thousands of fans from interstate, with a sold-out crowd of more than 9,600 fans witnessing a thriller between New South Wales Swifts and the Adelaide Thunderbirds and providing an economic boost of \$6.93 million.

Today's announcement comes off the back of yesterday's blockbuster AFL Grand Final, which provided a huge boost to local businesses after an influx of interstate visitors flocked to the state.

According to STR, as of Monday hotel occupancy was at 79 per cent for Grand Final Day and there are 40 additional return flights to Melbourne Airport from Sydney and Brisbane to accommodate for 130,000 people flying to Melbourne for the Grand Final.

The Allan Labor Government's partnerships with major sporting bodies continue to deliver world-class events for the state – and the 2025 Super Netball Grand Final is just another example of an event that matters to Victorians.

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Steve Dimopoulos

*"Yesterday we witnessed sporting history made at our iconic G' – and today we are keeping the momentum rolling by announcing that the Super Netball Grand Final will be back in Melbourne in 2025."*

*"This weekend our hotels are packed and our restaurants are buzzing, and we continue to give people reasons to book a trip and experience all that Victoria has to offer."*

### Quote attributable to Visit Victoria CEO Brendan McClements

*"The 2025 Super Netball Grand Final in Victoria is an incredible addition to our calendar of sporting and cultural events, driving visitation and inspiring the next generation as part of our proud partnership with Netball Australia."*

### Quotes attributable to Netball Australia CEO Stacey West

*"The Suncorp Super Netball Grand Final has been a sell-out for the past three seasons and Melbourne will continue the tradition in 2025."*

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*“Demand for netball is stronger than ever. Netball is the most popular team sport for women and girls in Australia, and hosting the Grand Final in Melbourne will be a fantastic opportunity for our world-class athletes to inspire new generations to play the sport.”*