

DIAMONDS TO HOST SILVER FERNS IN HISTORIC ADELAIDE TEST

An international netball Test will be held in Adelaide for the next three years, starting with the historic 80th game between the Australian Diamonds and arch-rivals the New Zealand Silver Ferns in this coming October.

Netball Australia has announced the fierce battle will be held at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre on 26 October.

Australia and New Zealand will compete with England in six Tests as part of the Holden Netball Test Series in October.

Events South Australia General Manager Hitaf Rasheed said it was an honour to host such an important game between Australia and New Zealand.

“The rivalry between these teams is fierce and I am sure this Test will be no exception”, Ms Rasheed said.

“This is great news for South Australian netball fans and I am sure the Test will be a popular addition to the netball calendar.

“We are also delighted that Adelaide will host an international Test for the next three years which is a boost to the South Australian economy and further enhances our State’s brilliant blend of events.”

The excitement starts with a three Test series between Australia and England in Newcastle, Canberra and Sydney. The Diamonds will then play the Silver Ferns for a further three Tests in Perth, Adelaide and Melbourne, competing for the Constellation Cup.

Netball Australia Chief Executive Officer Kate Palmer said the Adelaide Entertainment Centre was a deserving venue for the historic game between the two traditional rivals.

“We are delighted to be able to present the world’s best netball in a state of the art venue that is close to the city,” Ms Palmer said.

“Our partnership with Events South Australia means that we will bring an international Test to Adelaide for the next three years which is great news for SA netball fans.”

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Adelaide will also host Jamaica in 2012 and the Silver Ferns in 2013.

Tickets to the Holden Netball Test Series go on sale later this year. For details visit www.netball.asn.au

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