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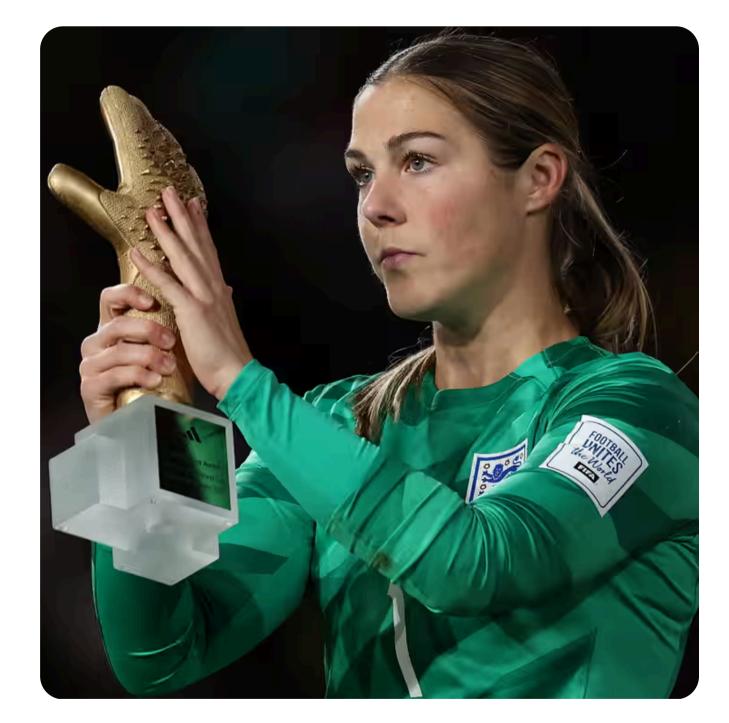


Mary Earps Goalkeeper Jersey

The England goalkeeper Mary Earps' penalty save in the Women's World Cup final was one of the most nail-biting moments of the tournament and there was a public outcry from fans when Nike refused to sell replicas of her green jersey.

A petition in support of Earps, who won the tournament's Golden Glove award, and "all female goalkeepers around the world" has gained more than 150,000 signatures, while the Conservative MP Tracey Crouch, a former sports minister, submitted a motion in parliament calling on Nike to release a jersey.

Goalkeeper jerseys are often more expensive for athletic wear brands to produce, as they tend to have a smaller fanbase and their distinctive design requires a separate manufacturing run. However, they are available for the men's England team, and Earps pointed out that her goalkeeper shirt for Manchester United in the Women's Super League was sold out last season.



Source: The Guardian. 25 Aug 2023







Mary Earps goalkeeper shirts sell out in five minutes on England online store

The latest batch of replica Mary Earps England goalkeeper shirts sold out within five minutes in the England online store on Monday.

Kit supplier Nike was subject to a backlash after failing to produce any keeper shirts during the World Cup, in which England were beaten finalists.

Earps said it was "hurtful" fans could not buy a replica keeper's shirt.

Nike released a batch in October which sold out in hours and Monday's release saw the shirts sell out even quicker.

It is understood that the number of shirts available was comparable with the amount of goalkeeper kits on the website for previous men's tournaments.



Source: BBC Sport. 11 Dec 2023



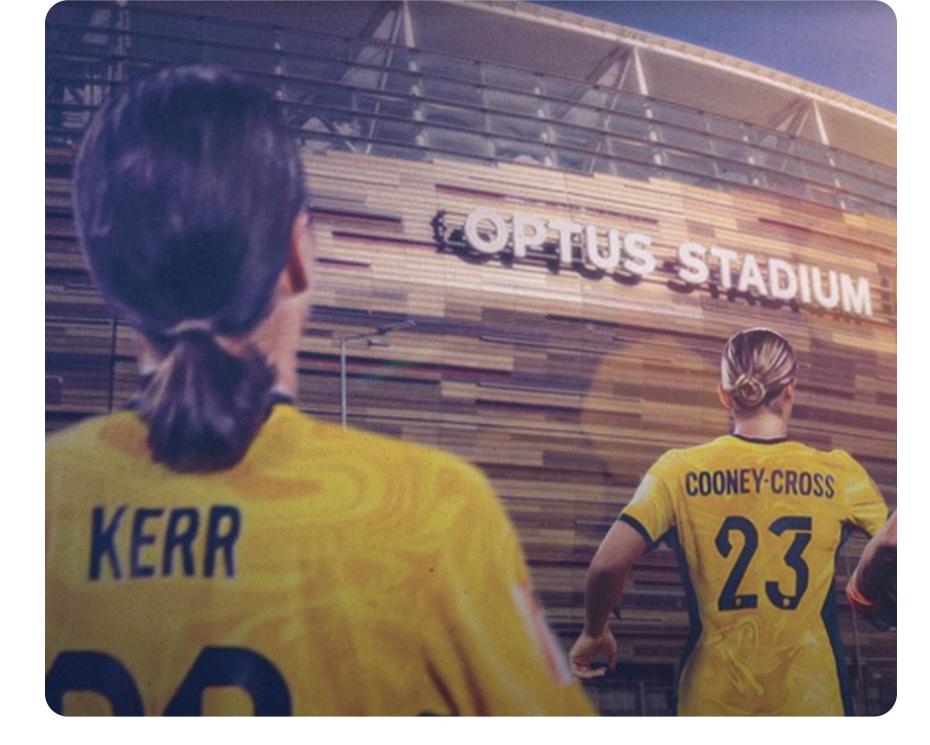




Strong demand moves CommBank Matildas to Optus Stadium

Reflecting soaring demand for fans to cheer on the CommBank Matildas, more football fans will now have the opportunity to do so this October as Football Australia and the Western Australian Government announced that Match Day 2 of the AFC Women's Olympic Football Tournament Paris 2024™ Asian Qualifiers Round 2 (Asian Qualifiers) on Sunday, 29 October will be moved to Optus Stadium in Perth.

The shift of the Sunday, 29 October 2023 matches from HBF Park (20,000-capacity) to the 60,000-capacity Optus Stadium follows the exhaustion of allocated tickets for all three Group A match days at the FIFA Women's World Cup^{TM} venue.











World Cup Broadcasting Rights

"The Matildas' future FIFA Women's World Cup matches have been added to the anti-siphoning list, making it "more likely" Australians will be able to watch them play for free, the federal government says.

The anti-siphoning scheme prevents subscription television from gaining the rights to broadcast an event before giving free-to-air television the opportunity to acquire those rights first.

Last month, the Matildas' World Cup semifinal against England made history by becoming the country's most-watched TV program since the current audience measurement system began in 2001. The Matildas' previous quarterfinal win over France had recorded an average audience of 4.17 million."

The viewership for each of these matches surpassed the audience for any AFL or NRL grand final, as well as any State of Origin match. The review also found that the composition of the anti-siphoning list needed to be reconsidered with respect to women's sports and Para-sports.



Image source: Trailblazers

Source: ABC News. 14 Sep 2023





Matildas players set to cash in as details of whopping \$165m World Cup bonus scheme revealed

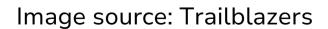
As FIFA confirmed more than 1 million tickets had been sold for the World Cup, being played in Australia and New Zealand, the cash windfalls for all teams were revealed.

Players from the winning team will each receive \$404,000 with every player involved in the tournament guaranteed to receive at least \$45,000. The payouts will come from an overall performance-based fund for the finals of \$165 million, more than three times what was on offer at the 2019 World Cup in France, with the players sharing more than 44 per cent of that.

World players' union FIFPRO praised FIFA "for listening to the voice of players" on the issue of pay after a group of 150 players from 25 national team wrote to the governing body last October last year calling for equal conditions and for a guarantee that at least 30 per cent of prize money would be allocated to players.

"The confirmation of equal conditions and guaranteed per-player performance compensation at next month's World Cup represents not only the outcome of tremendous global collective action by over 150 national team players, under the umbrella of FIFPRO and its member unions, but a constructive negotiation with FIFA over the past months," FIFPRO said in a statement.





Source: Fox Sports. 9 June 2023





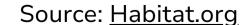


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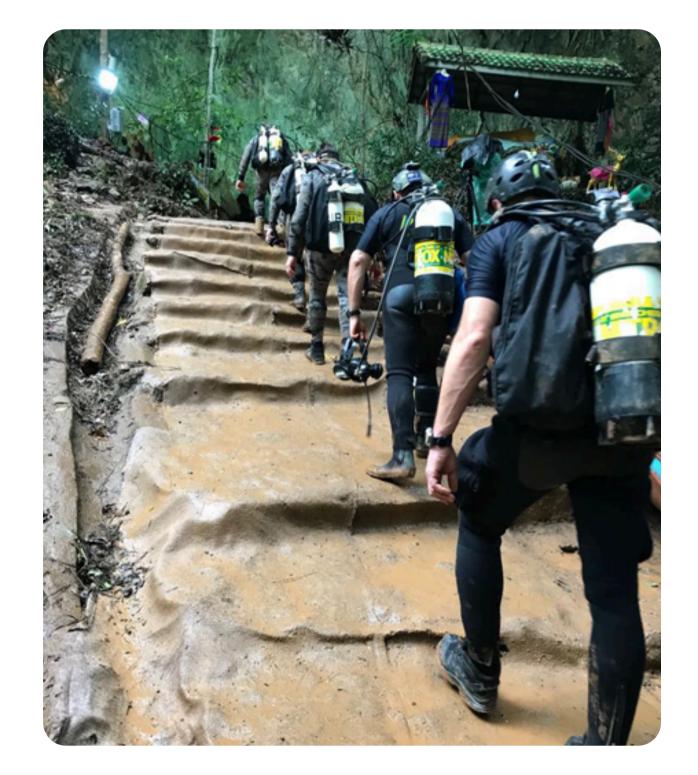


Tham Luang Nang Non Cave Rescue

Australia was delighted at the successful evacuation of the Wild Boar soccer team and their coach from the cave complex in Chiang Rai, Thailand. On Saturday, 23 June 2018, a Thai soccer team, consisting of 12 boys aged between 11-16 and their 25-year-old coach, entered the Tham Luang Nang Non cave in Chiang Rai province of Thailand. The team were not seen for nine days.

A rescue operation led by the Royal Thai Army found the group on 2 July. Two British civilian professional cave divers, who were a part of the operation, first found the boys. Up to 1000 people from Army Special Operations units, Navy Seals, other Thai government rescue organisations, and international responders, including Australia, assisted the rescue effort. The number of Australians that assisted at the cave site varied depending on the rotations of individuals, but up to 20 were involved at the cave site.

The Thai authorities demonstrated outstanding leadership throughout the rescue operation. The operation was a remarkable example of regional and international cooperation.











Franklin Dam and the Greens

In 1982 protesters and environmental activists worked with the Australian Government to stop the damming of the Franklin River in Tasmania. Support for the 'no dams' campaign exploded across the country.

Volunteers from the Tasmania Wilderness Society were encouraging people Australia-wide to make the Franklin Dam issue a federal concern when voting in federal elections. Many people across Australia wrote 'no dams' on their federal ballot papers that year.

As the federal government still refused to intervene in a state government matter, the blockade was designed to disrupt clearing and building works. During the blockade, about 1,400 people were arrested and jailed, including members of the federal and state parliaments.

The political success of the environmental groups involved ultimately led to the formation of the Greens, Australia's third most popular political party behind the Liberal–National Coalition and the Labor Party.











