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# GLASGOW 2026 NETBALL MATCH SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Glasgow 2026 has unveiled the official Netball match schedule for next summer's Commonwealth Games, with 12 of the world's best teams set to go head-to-head over nine days from Saturday 25 July to Sunday 2 August 2026.

Playing with the stunning backdrop of the iconic Hydro, at the Scottish Event Campus (SEC), the 12 competing nations have been divided into two pools ([World Netball \[WN\] World Rankings](#) as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 in brackets):

- **Pool A:** Australia (1), England (4), South Africa (5), Malawi (8), Tonga (9), Northern Ireland (12)
- **Pool B:** New Zealand (2), Jamaica (3), Wales (6), Uganda (7), Scotland (10), Trinidad & Tobago (11)

The tournament gets off to an explosive start with an action-packed first day of competition on 25 July, as hosts Scotland play the opening game against WN World Ranked number two New Zealand at 09:00 (BST). All home nations will be in action as England play Northern Ireland at 14:00 (BST) and Wales go head-to-head with Uganda at 16:00 (BST).

Fans from around the world will be treated to a not-to-be-missed clash between historic rivals Australia and England at 11:00 (BST) on 26 July, with the England Roses hoping to replicate their historic 52–51 victory over Australia in Gold Coast 2018, which was sealed by Helen Housby's iconic, last-second goal.

Later that evening, the New Zealand Silver Ferns will play Birmingham 2022 silver medallists, the Jamaican Sunshine Girls, with the aim of going one better than 2022's semi-final match when Jamaica beat the Silver Ferns 67-51 to seal their place in the final.

**Emily Nicholl, Scottish Thistles Co-Captain** said "Now that the schedule has been finalised, it brings a whole new level of excitement with it. The countdown to the Games is well and truly on! To have the honour of playing in the opening game is massive for Scotland and I can't begin to imagine how special it will be to hear Flower of Scotland being belted out by thousands of fans. This is a massive opportunity for Netball and we can't wait to run out at the Hydro, to the world-renowned Scottish roar and show how exhilarating the sport is."



**Natalie Cunningham, Director of Sport, Glasgow 2026** said: “This schedule reflects the incredible depth and global reach of the sport. Fans can expect fast-paced, high-energy matches from day one to the final whistle. With Australia, New Zealand, Jamaica and England among the top contenders—and Scotland eager to make home advantage count—the stage is set for a tournament that will capture the imagination of fans here in Glasgow but also across the Commonwealth.”

**World Netball President, Dame Liz Nicholl DBE** said: “It is fantastic to see the full schedule for the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games now live. The Commonwealth Games is always a highlight in the international netball calendar for the players, officials, and netball family, and with these unmissable matchups between the 12 teams now confirmed, I have no doubt that Glasgow 2026 will live up to all expectations. From the very first whistle, when our hosts Scotland take to court against New Zealand, please make sure you show your support for our world class athletes both in the Hydro and online, around the world.”

A full copy of the match schedule is available on the Glasgow 2026 website.

Tickets for Glasgow 2026 are on sale now, with Netball tickets priced from £17-65 for non-medal matches and £26-85 for medal matches.

To find out more, visit [www.glasgow2026.com](http://www.glasgow2026.com)

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## **About Glasgow 2026**

Glasgow 2026 promises an altogether brilliant Commonwealth Games, paving the way for a new era of Commonwealth Sport.

Taking place from 23 July to 2 August, Glasgow 2026 is an 11-day celebration that combines world-class sport with a future-focused vision, built and delivered by the vibrant spirit of Glasgow.

Set within a concentrated, eight-mile corridor that brings the Games closer to the fans than ever before, Glasgow 2026 will deliver:

1. A record-breaking Para sport programme – 47 events across six sports
2. The biggest Track Cycling, Swimming and 3x3 Basketball competitions seen at a Commonwealth Games
3. Groundbreaking events like the return of the Commonwealth Mile in Athletics

10 exhilarating sports across four of the city's iconic venues; from Scotstoun Stadium to the Scottish Event Campus (SEC), the Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome and Arena, to Tollcross International Swimming Centre.

Glasgow 2026 will see 3,000 volunteers, alongside thousands of fans, and communities from across the city join together to welcome 3,000 athletes from 74 nations and territories to the city.

Led by Chair George Black CBE, an independent Board and Chief Executive Officer, Phil Batty OBE, Glasgow 2026 Limited is the Organising Company (OC) which will deliver the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow next summer.

Based in the city centre, the OC will directly employ around 200 people and is privately funded, securing its income through Commonwealth Sport, corporate sponsorship, broadcast rights, global partnerships and ticket sales, which will see almost £150 million local spend into the city of Glasgow, with no cost to the public purse to deliver the sporting competition.

## **About Commonwealth Sport**

Commonwealth Sport is the organisation with responsibility for the direction and control of the Commonwealth Games and Commonwealth Youth Games, and for delivering the vision of the Commonwealth Sport Movement: 'Our Commonwealth, united through sport'.

Our mission is to deliver inspirational and impactful Games; to excite and empower athletes and young people; and to drive equality in sport and society across the Commonwealth. Established in 1930, the Commonwealth Sport Movement brings together 74 independent nations and territories creating a diverse Commonwealth community of over 2.5 billion individuals, representing one-third of the world's population.

Together we stand as a beacon of unity, diversity, and equality, completely integrating Para athletes, driving gender equality and advocating for legacy and social change through sport.



### **About Commonwealth Games Scotland**

Commonwealth Games Scotland (CGS) is one of 74 Commonwealth Games Associations who are members of the Commonwealth Games Federation.

Commonwealth Games Scotland is the lead body for Commonwealth sport in Scotland, and is the organisation responsible for selecting, preparing and leading Team Scotland at the Commonwealth Games and Commonwealth Youth Games.

Scotland has competed in every Games since the first Empire Games in 1930 and has hosted the Games three times - twice in Edinburgh 1970 and 1986 and most recently in Glasgow in 2014.

Working closely with Scotland's national governing bodies of sport and the sportscotland institute of sport, Commonwealth Games Scotland aims to have the best prepared team possible at every Games, creating the right performance environment and giving athletes every opportunity to excel at the Games, as part of a world class sporting system.

Commonwealth Games Scotland and its member sports rely on investment, including National Lottery support, from sportscotland, the national agency for sport. CGS also actively seeks additional support for team preparations from commercial partners, fundraising activities and the Commonwealth Games Endowment Trust.