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## **Seven serves up Australian Open**

**Seven's summer of LIVE tennis will reach fever pitch with the first Grand Slam of 2014, the Australian Open from Melbourne Park.**

Seven will commence continuous live coverage of the hotly anticipated Australian Open from 10am AEDT Monday January 13 until the tournament concludes on Sunday January 26.

Having hit their stride in a string of lead-up events on Australian soil, the brightest stars of world tennis are descending upon Rod Laver Arena for an adrenalin-soaked, two-week battle for grand slam glory.

Among them, Australian tennis stars **Bernard Tomic, Casey Dellacqua, Lleyton Hewitt and Samantha Stosur** will be chasing victory.

On Seven's Australian Open broadcast, fans will again be treated to rolling coverage as we switch to 7TWO from 6pm-7pm on weeknights for 7 News and Today Tonight, and 6pm-630pm for 7News on weekends.

A new highlights show each morning at 9am and the return of the preview show will keep viewers across all the news, views and action.

Sunrise will also be at Melbourne Park throughout the first week bringing all the entertainment and news from Australia's Grand Slam.

Seven's broadcast of the APIA International Sydney and AAMI Kooyong Classic will keep tennis fans on their toes in the lead up, until January 11.

Seven's summer of tennis is hosted by **JOHANNA GRIGGS, JIM WILSON, MATT WHITE, HAMISH MCLACHLAN, RYAN PHELAN, LUKE DARCY** and **BASIL ZEMPILAS**.

**BRUCE McAVANEY** will be in the commentary chair throughout the Open, with expert commentary from four-time Grand Slam champion **JIM COURIER** and when his playing commitments allow **LLEYTON HEWITT** will also return.

Joining them in the Seven commentary box will be the most successful doubles player in men's tennis history **TODD WOODBRIDGE**, along with **HENRI LCONTE, SAM SMITH, RENNAE STUBBS, NICOLE BRADTKE, JOHN FITZGERALD, PETER DONEGAN, DAVE CULBERT, ALLAN STONE, GEOFF MASTERS, KERRY PRATT, FRED STOLLE** and expert analyst **ROGER RASHEED**.

Around the courts of Melbourne Park, **REBECCA MADDERN, RACHAEL FINCH, SCHERRI-LEE BIGGS, NATHAN TEMPLETON** and **NEIL KEARNEY** will bring all the colour, characters and fun of the Open.

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