



Seven is set for the Rugby League World Cup and the Women's Rugby League World Cup across the Screens of Seven.

The Seven Network, Australia's most-watched broadcast television platform, will deliver an all-encompassing coverage of the Rugby League World Cup to be co-hosted by Australia and New Zealand from 27 October to 2 December 2017. Seven is also the network of the Women's Rugby League World Cup.

Seven's agreement for the Rugby League World Cup 2017 delivers all rights in Australia including free-to-air broadcast television and subscription television rights, online, mobile, and expands to Seven's digital and mobile platforms. Seven has also been appointed to undertake the host broadcast for international television of all games played in Australia in the Rugby League World Cup 2017.

Seven will deliver the Rugby League World Cup and Women's Rugby League World Cup across the Screens of Seven, with live simulcast streaming of broadcast matches through the 7Live app and 7live.com.au (both live and replayed matches). In addition, 7Live will also deliver exclusive live app only coverage of four women's matches.

Seven is also delivering across social media with video on demand and latest news and highlights through [facebook.com/7RLWC](https://www.facebook.com/7RLWC) and twitter.com/7RLWC (#7RLWC). Fans can 'join the RLWC conversation' on social via Facebook and twitter using @7RLWC and #7RLWC with updates from Seven's RLWC team.

Kurt Burnette, Seven West Media Chief Revenue Officer, and Event Director, Rugby League World Cup, Commonwealth Games and Olympic Games, said: "The Rugby League World Cup and the Women's Rugby League World Cup, live in primetime on Seven, underlines the power of television in delivering big audiences and powering the conversation and audience across all screens through video.

"We will see the best in the rugby league compete in our primetime. We have the best in the business to deliver an outstanding coverage. We are looking forward to being a partner with the Rugby League World Cup. It will be a remarkable event. And broadcast live in our primetime."

The Rugby League World Cup and the Women's Rugby League World Cup are the starting points for a remarkable six months of major sports events on Seven, including the Melbourne Cup, the major golf tournaments in Australia, the Australian Open Tennis, the Olympic Winter Games, the Commonwealth Games and the 2018 AFL season all in our timezone.

Seven has secured its key anchor, commentary and special analysts team for its all-encompassing coverage of this year's Rugby League World Cup and the Women's Rugby League World Cup.

Commenting, Saul Shtein, Head of Sport, Seven Network, said: "We're delighted to be the network of this year's Rugby League World Cup and the Women's Rugby League World Cup. We are also delighted to have secured such an outstanding group of people who will bring both Cups to millions, not only here in Australia but around the world. We are looking forward to being a partner with the Rugby League World Cup and the Women's Rugby League World Cup."

Seven's coverage will be hosted by Jim Wilson and Laurie Daley.

Also joining Seven's coverage will be Renee Gartner and Allana Ferguson, along with Benji Marshall.

Play-by-play commentators for the Rugby League World Cup 2017 are: Mark Braybrook, Andrew Moore and Dan Ginnane. Joining them are: Benji Marshall, Allana Ferguson, Gary Belcher, Adrian Morley, Brett Kimmorley, Ryan Girdler, Scott Sattler, Brent Tate and Andrew Ryan. Glen Larmer will be Seven's play-by-play caller alongside Daryl Halligan and Monty Betham in New Zealand. Covering the Women's Rugby League World Cup are: David Tapp, Drury Forbes, Bill Harrigan, Nathan Cayless, Andrew Ryan and Renee Gartner.

Mel McLaughlin, Michelle Bishop, Josh Massoud, Liam Cox, Shane Webcke, Pat Welsh and Chris Garry from Seven News also join Seven's Rugby League World Cup and Women's Rugby League World Cup team.

Seven's coverage commences on 27 October with the opening match between Australia and England:

Sydney	7.00pm LIVE on 7mate, 7.30pm LIVE on Channel 7
Melbourne	7.00pm LIVE on 7mate, 7.30pm LIVE on Channel 7
Brisbane	6.00pm LIVE on 7mate, 6.30pm LIVE on Channel 7
Adelaide	6.30pm LIVE on 7mate
Perth	4.00pm LIVE on 7mate

Seven's partnership with the Rugby League World Cup and the Women's Rugby League World Cup follows Seven's successful broadcast of rugby league's pinnacle event in 2013. The agreement also confirms Seven's commitment to bringing major events to all Australians and further strengthens our leadership as the television network of major international events held in Australia, building on Seven's coverage of the Australian Open, the World Swimming Championships, the Olympic Games in Sydney in 2000, the Rugby World Cup in 2003 and the forthcoming Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast in 2018. Seven is also the network of the Olympic Winter Games in PyeongChang in 2018 and Olympic Games in Tokyo in 2020.