



**European Championships in Australian Football
Malmö, Sweden and Copenhagen, Denmark
August 1 - August 7, 2010**



Media release:

Schedule Announced: 2010 EAFA European Championships in Australian Football

Tuesday 1st June, 2010 - (Malmö, Sweden & Copenhagen, Denmark) – The Danish Australian Football League (DAFL), Australian Football League Sweden (AFL Sweden) and the European Australian Football Association (EAFA) today announced the official schedule for the inaugural 16-a-side 2010 European Championships in Australian Football.

The schedule outlines the sixteen (16) matches that will ultimately determine the European Champion until the next European Championships in 2013. The participants are Europe's best locally developed (non-Australian) international teams representing 8 different nations. As favorites, Ireland will be looking to continue its dominance in Australian Football in Europe, but will have strong competition from Great Britain and Germany, as well as host nations Denmark and Sweden. As for Finland, Croatia and Iceland, they will be looking to make an impact, test themselves against the experienced teams, and use the tournament to continue preparations towards the 2011 International Cup in Melbourne, Australia.

The best European developed talent from all corners of the continent will converge at Stefan BK, in Copenhagen for the opening round of matches at 12:00 pm, Sunday August 1st, 2010. On Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th August split rounds, matches will be played simultaneously at Stenvadsskole in Farum, Denmark and Limhamnsfältet in Malmö Sweden. For the Finals round, all nations will come together at 11am, Saturday 7th August at Limhamnsfältet in Malmö, Sweden where the European Championships Grand Final will be played.

"The release of the pool divisions and match schedule is really the moment where we enter the final stages of the organization of the tournament" said AFL Sweden President Jörg PAREIGIS. "The local organizing teams in Denmark and Sweden can start to get excited, and get ready to support their national teams", stated PAREIGIS. "It is always exciting to see the schedule announced, it allows for a greater sense of anticipation as teams start to think about matchup's and strategy" stated DAFL President Daniel MCCLAER.

The tournament will commence with the first ball up at Stefan Boldklubb in Copenhagen, Denmark on Sunday, August 1st, 2010 at 12:00 noon (GMT+1) in a game between co-hosts Sweden and Croatia. The gold medal game will take place on Saturday, August 7th, at 5:00 p.m. (GMT+1) with the Awards ceremony taking place thereafter.

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About the Danish Australian Football League (DAFL)

Australian Football has been played competitively in Denmark since 1991. From the humble origins of three Copenhagen-based social teams, it now has senior and junior clubs from as far wide as Jutland and across to Scania in southern Sweden. Every year over 300 seniors and 100 juniors play Australian Football in Denmark.

About the Australian Football League Sweden (AFL Sweden)

AFL Sweden was formed in 2008 bringing together and representing both leagues and clubs based in Gothenburg, Karlstad, Falun, Stockholm, Helsingborg and Malmö. As of this year, there are more than 200 senior and 50 juniors playing Australian Football in Sweden.



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About the European Australian Football Association (EAFA)

The European Australian Football Association was formed in 2010 to unite and represent all European based Australian Football representative bodies and associations. Australian Football can be found in 20 European nations comprising some 25 leagues, 100 clubs and 3000 active players – senior, women and junior - across the continent.

Tournament Pools

Denmark Pool
Great Britain
Denmark
Finland
Iceland

Sweden Pool
Ireland
Sweden
Germany
Croatia

Tournament Match Schedule

Round	Match	Date	Time	Home	Away	Location
1	2	Sunday, August 1	12:00:00	Sweden	Croatia	Stefan, Denmark
	1	Sunday, August 1	14:00:00	Great Britain	Finland	Stefan, Denmark
	4	Sunday, August 1	16:00:00	Ireland	Germany	Stefan, Denmark
	3	Sunday, August 1	18:00:00	Denmark	Iceland	Stefan, Denmark
2	5	Tuesday, August 3	17:00:00	Great Britain	Iceland	Farum, Denmark
	6	Tuesday, August 3	17:00:00	Ireland	Croatia	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden
	7	Tuesday, August 3	19:00:00	Denmark	Finland	Farum, Denmark
	8	Tuesday, August 3	19:00:00	Sweden	Germany	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden
3	9	Thursday, August 5	17:00:00	Finland	Iceland	Farum, Denmark
	10	Thursday, August 5	17:00:00	Germany	Croatia	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden
	11	Thursday, August 5	19:00:00	Denmark	Great Britain	Farum, Denmark
	12	Thursday, August 5	19:00:00	Sweden	Ireland	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden
Finals	13	Saturday, August 7	11:00:00	SE Pool 4	DK Pool 4	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden
	14	Saturday, August 7	13:00:00	SE Pool 3	DK Pool 3	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden
	15	Saturday, August 7	15:00:00	SE Pool 2	DK Pool 2	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden
	16	Saturday, August 7	17:00:00	SE Pool 1	DK Pool 1	Limhamnsvältet, Sweden



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Venue addresses

[Stefan Boldklubb](#)

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2400 Copenhagen, Denmark

[Farum](#)

Hvilebækgårdsvej
3520 Farum, Denmark

[Limhamnsfältet](#)

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216 13 Malmö, Sweden

National team pictures of Denmark and Sweden



Danish Vikings at the International Cup 2008 in Melbourne



Swedish Elks at the International Cup 2008 in Melbourne