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Warm up at the National Sports Museum's Winter Warmup Festival

With no AFL matches scheduled on the weekend of June 20 and 21, the National Sports Museum is holding a *Winter Warmup Festival* to help Melbournians survive a weekend without footy.

Circus Oz performer Matt Wilson will create his own death-defying elite sport by climbing a stack of wobbly chairs, and the museum's infamous *Spills and Speckies* quiz show will focus entirely on all things trivial to do with football.

There will be roving performances from **Tubby the Robot** and wacky sports-allrounder **Sammy Starr**, talks from the museum's curators and **The Band Who Knew Too Much** will perform their own brand of high-energy jazz rhythm inside the Gate 3 entrance.

Kids will be treated to a special display of the new, highly skilled brain-sport craze **Robot Soccer**, where specially designed robots endeavour to play soccer better than humans. Plus, a series of historic racing cars will be on show outside the museum's entrance at Gate 3 of the MCG.

Add to that the new attractions at the National Sports Museum, including the **Game On** interactive gallery, **NSM Cinema Sport** (currently screening three short films about Peter Brock, surfing and the extreme winter sport Skeleton) and the *League of Legends* exhibition that celebrates 100 years of Rugby League in Australia, and you've got a whole day of body-warming activity.

The National Sports Museum's *Winter Warmup Festival* is on Saturday June 20 and Sunday June 21 from 10.00am-5.00pm.

MCG Tours operate from 10.00am-3.00pm daily. Entry to the *Winter Warmup Festival* is included in museum admission prices.

Visit www.nsm.org.au for opening times and other information.

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