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It's not just the football World Cup that'll keep the sports fans hooked on to the action in the new year, there's plenty of other stuff too. TOI's ready reckoner ensures you won't miss any of the action

CRICKET

- JAN 1 TO 20:** Pakistan vs Sri Lanka, 3 Tests
- JAN 12 TO FEB 2:** Australia vs England, 5 ODIs, 2 T20s. :England were miserable in the Ashes. The limited-overs format gives them a chance to salvage some pride.
- JAN 19 TO FEB 18:** New Zealand vs India, 5 ODIs, 2 Tests.: Can India repeat their performance of 2009 and clinch the Test and ODI series?
- JAN 27 TO FEB 22:** Bangladesh vs Sri Lanka, 2 Tests, 3 ODIs and 2 T20s.
- FEB 12 TO MAR 14:** South Africa vs Australia, 3 Tests, 3 T20s. While the Ashes and the series against India always dominates headlines, Australia's contests against South Africa have always been ultra competitive.
- FEB 14 TO MAR 1:** ICC Under-19 World Cup. India won the last year's edition in Australia under Unmukt Chand. Who will it be this time in the sweltering heat of UAE?
- FEB 24 TO MAR 7:** Asia Cup. Hosts Bangladesh almost shocked Pakistan in the final of the last edition. After sweeping New Zealand 4-0, this is their chance to sizzle again on home turf.
- FEB 28 TO MARCH 13:** West Indies vs England, 3 ODIs, 3 T20s.
- MAR 16 TO APR 6:** ICC World T20, Bangladesh: West Indies won the last event in style in Sri Lanka. Will there be a new champion?
- APR 2ND WEEK TO MAY END:** IPL 7: After a controversy-filled last edition and the exclusion of Pune Warriors as a franchise, this will be an acid test for Indian cricket's biggest brand.
- MAY 22 TO JUNE 24:** England vs Sri Lanka, 5 ODIs, 2 Tests.
- JULY 9 TO SEP 7:** England vs India, 5 Tests, 5 ODIs, 1 T20: India suffered a clean sweep in 2011 and this is their chance at redemption. Will the new players be up to the task?
- SEP 3RD WEEK TO OCT 2ND WEEK:** Champions League T20: Can MI do a three-peat?
- OCT -NOV:** India vs West Indies, 3 Tests, five ODIs, one T20
- DEC:** Australia vs India, four Tests

OTHER SPORT

- FEB 7 TO FEB 23:** Winter Olympics: Sochi.
- JULY 23 TO AUG 3:** Commonwealth Games: After a stupendous show in the Olympics, Indian athletes will look to sizzle in Glasgow .
- SEP 19 TO OCT 4:** Asian Games: Incheon will be the venue for this quadrennial extravaganza. Chance for the hosts to stop Chinese juggernaut.

TENNIS

- JAN 13 TO JAN 26:** Australian Open: Novak Djokovic has been unstoppable at the Rod Laver arena. He may have lost the World No. 1 ranking to Nadal, but only a fool will bet against him clinching his 5th crown.
- MAY 25 TO JUNE 8:** French Open: Who will stop clay station champ Nadal from making it nine wins?
- JUNE 23 TO JULY 6:** Wimbledon: Andy Murray created history last year. After back surgery, the onus is on him to keep the legacy of British tennis alive and proving everyone that last year's heroics were no fluke.
- AUGUST 25 TO SEPTEMBER 8:** US Open:
- OCT 20 TO 25:** WTA Championships, Singapore: The women's season will now conclude in Singapore. Istanbul did a great job by hosting the event for the last five years.
- NOV 9 TO 18:** ATP World Championships, London: Can Rafael Nadal end his jinx to pocket the only crown that's missing from his glittering trophy cabinet?

FOOTBALL

- JAN 13, 2014:** Fifa Player Of The Year awards, Zurich,
- MAY 17, 2014:** FA Cup Final: Wembley.
- MAY 24, 2014:** Champions League final: Can anyone stop Bayern from an encore?
- JUN 12 TO JUL 13:** Fifa World Cup, Brazil: Brazil will be banking on a raucous home crowd to egg them on and go for title No. 6.



JUN 12 TO JUL 13
Fifa World Cup, Brazil



MAY 31 TO JUN 15
World Cup



SEP 19 TO OCT 4
Asian Games

FORMULA ONE

Sebastian Vettel made it a one-horse race in 2013. It will take a very special car and an equally special performance to stop him from going for his fifth World Championship crown

- MARCH 16:** Australian Grand Prix
- MARCH 30:** Malaysian Grand Prix
- APRIL 6:** Bahrain Grand Prix
- APRIL 20:** Chinese Grand Prix
- MAY 11:** Spanish Grand Prix
- MAY 25:** Monaco Grand Prix
- JUNE 6:** Canadian Grand Prix
- JUNE 22:** Austrian Grand Prix
- JULY 6:** British Grand Prix
- JULY 20:** German Grand Prix
- JULY 27:** Hungarian Grand Prix
- AUG 24:** Belgian Grand Prix
- SEP 7:** Italian Grand Prix
- SEP 21:** Singapore Grand Prix
- OCT 5:** Japanese Grand Prix
- OCT 12:** Russian Grand Prix
- NOV 2:** US Grand Prix
- NOV 9:** Brazilian Grand Prix
- NOV 23:** Abu Dhabi Grand Prix

GOLF

- APR 10 TO 13:** Augusta Masters: Augusta National Golf Club, Augusta, Ga.
- JUN 12 TO JUN 15:** US Open: Pinehurst Resort.
- JUL 17 TO JUL 20:** British Open: Royal Liverpool, Hoylake, England.
- AUG 7 TO 10:** PGA Championship: Valhalla Golf Club, Louisville, KY.
- SEP 26 TO SEP 28:** Ryder Cup: Gleneagles, Scotland: Europe have had an iron grip over this tournament for a number of years. How can the US get it back?

BADMINTON

- JAN 21 TO 26:** India Grand Prix Gold, Lucknow
- MARCH 4 TO 9:** All England Championships, Birmingham
- APR 1 TO 6:** Indian Open, New Delhi: Chance for Saina to end drought and PV Sindhu to show she is the heir apparent to Saina's throne.
- MAY 18 TO 25:** Thomas and Uber Cup, New Delhi.
- AUG:** IBL
- AUG 25 TO 31:** World Championships, Copenhagen

CYCLING

- JULY 5 TO 27:** Tour de France

HOCKEY

- JAN 10-18:** Hero World League Final for men: New Delhi: The culmination of a tournament that began in August 2012 and features eight big teams in action – Germany, Australia, Argentina, The Netherlands, Belgium, England, New Zealand and hosts India
- JAN 25 TO FEB 23:** Hockey India League: The tournament took the world by storm last year. Just ahead of the World Cup, it'll be a good way to size up teams and key players.
- MAY 31 TO JUN 15:** World Cup: The Hague, Netherlands. India finished with the wooden spoon in the Olympics. Can this be their redemption song?
- DEC 13-21:** Champions Trophy: Bhubaneswar. Argentina, Australia, Belgium, England, Germany, India, Netherlands and Pakistan in the fray for the eight-team bash among the biggies.