

Allan Border AO

Australian cricketing legend

Allan Border, or AB, as he is known, is a legend in Australian sport. Not only was he an exceptional cricketer and leader during his playing days - regarded by many as Australia's best batsman and captain - but he also epitomised the Australian fighting spirit.

Allan Border took over the reins of the Australian cricket team at its most turbulent time and, leading by force of will and example, took them to the threshold of world-champion status. In the space of five years, under his guidance, Australia won the World Cup in India and brought home the 1989 Ashes, beginning a dynasty against England that would last 16 years.

Allan's importance to Australian Cricket is recognised annually when the Australian player of the year receives the country's greatest cricket honour, the Allan Border Medal.

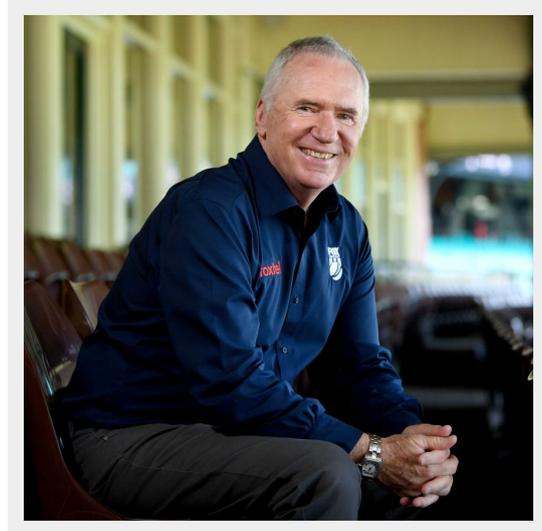
Allan Border's outstanding service to his country, sport and community were recognised through his Australian of the Year Award in 1989, Queenslander of the Year Award in 1994 and being awarded the Order of Australia in 1994.

In 2009, AB was selected as one of the 55 inaugural inductees of the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame and, in 2012, was nominated as one of Australia's 100 National Living Treasures. This title is conferred on exceptional Australians with substantial and enduring accomplishments in their field.

During his long and distinguished career, AB was committed to re-establishing the credibility and image of Australian cricket, which he did so successfully. He continues to be passionate about the development and growth of cricket in Australia and is committed to the sport remaining as popular as ever in this country. His involvement and love for the game continues through his relationship with Fox Sports where he is a regular commentator and expert analyst for both the domestic and international versions of the game. He was also the Chief Judge on Foxtel's *Cricket Superstar*, aiming to find the next cricket star to lead Australia to sporting glory.

Allan Border is the author of several books including *Cricket as I see it*, *Beyond Ten Thousand: My Life Story* and *Ashes Glory: Allan Border's Own Story*.

Allan Border has been heavily involved in charitable work throughout his career and during his retirement. He has previously trekked the Kokoda Trail for sick and underprivileged children and walked from Sydney to Brisbane, raising money for the Spastic Centre, Juvenile Diabetes Research



Foundation and the Children's Cancer Institute of Australia. He is also an ambassador for the 'Know Your Own Skin' campaign run through Leo Pharma, which aims to promote safe skin practices and the monitoring for potential skin cancer.

At the time of his retirement, AB had captained 93 consecutive Tests for Australia and held the world record for:

- Most career Test runs with 11,174 runs
- Most Test matches played (156) and most consecutive Test matches played (153)
- Most capped Australian player in Tests and ODIs
- Leading Australian run scorer in Tests and ODIs

Client testimonials

“ I just received a note from the Sales Rep saying that Allan Border was by far and away the best brand ambassador that they have ever seen. Believe it or not, people travelled from as far as 100km away to meet him and the line up of cars to get the venue's drive-thru was up to an hour long.

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