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W-League returns to ABC TV

W-League 2015/16 season kicks off this Sunday

In an exciting boost for women's football, ABC TV has partnered with Football Federation Australia (FFA) and FOX SPORTS to bring the W-League back to free-to-air television.

Fans around Australia can cheer on their favourite teams each Sunday afternoon as ABC airs a live (AEST) broadcast match of the round, which will be staged as a double header with the Hyundai A-League match.

Providing commentary during the games will be ABC TV sports presenter Stephanie Brantz along with former Matildas Amy Duggan and Sarah Walsh.

Kicking off the season are the Westfield W-League Champions Canberra United as they take on Brisbane Roar in the first broadcast match, live (AEST) this Sunday from 2pm on ABC.

ABC TV and FOX SPORTS will also broadcast the two Westfield W-League semifinals on 23-24 January as well as the W-League 2016 Grand Final on 31 January, which will be a standalone event.

"We're thrilled to be able to bring back the W-League season to our audience thanks to the great collaboration between the FFA, FOX SPORTS and the ABC. Now fans and audiences across Australia can continue to enjoy this growing sport on free-to-air television," said Richard Finlayson, ABC's Director of Television.

ABC TV will broadcast the below matches live (AEST) each Sunday:

- 18 October Brisbane Roar v Canberra United
- 25 October Melbourne City v Melbourne Victory
- 1 November Western Sydney Wanderers v Sydney FC
- 8 November Canberra United v Melbourne City
- 15 November Brisbane Roar v Perth Glory
- 22 November Adelaide United v Newcastle Jets
- 29 November Western Sydney Wanderers v Canberra United
- 6 December Adelaide United v Perth Glory
- 13 December Newcastle Jets v Melbourne City
- 20 December Sydney FC v Brisbane Roar
- 27 December Melbourne Victory v Sydney FC
- 3 January 2016 Newcastle Jets v Melbourne Victory