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FOOTBALL WEST GETS READY TO KICK PINK

Football West, along with Perth Glory Women and Melville City Soccer Club, are joining up with Team Pink to support the National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF).

Wednesday June 15 will see an extravaganza at Booragoon's Len Shearer Reserve, with raffles, auctions, sausage sizzles and much more on show, with all proceeds going to the NBCF.

On the field, there will be a series of exhibition matches kicking off from 5pm and culminating in the Melville Ladies Division One side taking on the combined Under 15 and Under 17 Girls National Training Centre (NTC), wearing Perth Glory tops.

Melville City's junior girls and women's sides are playing in pink strips in season 2011, all in the name of raising money for breast cancer research.

The incidence of breast cancer is increasing, especially in younger women, with one in nine women being diagnosed with the disease in their lifetime; this is why research is vital to finding a cure. Early detection also plays a vital part in reducing deaths from breast cancer.

Football West General Manager of Football, Rechelle Hawkes, says: "This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase some of the young talented female footballers we have in this State, and at the same time promote a very important message about breast cancer through the National Breast Cancer Foundation."

Event Organiser Janine Waltman says the issue which is one that is close to her heart.

"With me being a young breast cancer survivor (33 years old when diagnosed), I wanted to raise the awareness of this disease in younger women," she said.

"One does not need to be over 50 to get breast cancer, have a family history or have a lump.

"Early detection such as self breast checks and regular mammograms are vital in reducing the number of deaths and illness as a result of breast cancer.

"Our goal is to raise as much money as we can throughout the season for the National Breast Cancer Foundation for research into a cure."

Football West and Perth Glory Women are huge supporters of the NBCF, and hold a breast cancer fundraiser match each Westfield W-League season.

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**Attached is a flyer regarding the event*

**NCBF Fundraiser
Wednesday June 15
Len Shearer Reserve, Booragoon**

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- 5.00 – 6.00 pm Melville G13P v Safety Bay G13's
- 6.00 - 7.00 pm Melville G17P v Melville G17D1
- 7.00 – 7.30 Speeches, Raffles and Auction
- 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm Melville Ladies Div 1 v combined NTC G15/G17 (playing in Perth Glory tops)

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