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FOOTBALL WEST AND PERTH GLORY JOIN FORCES FOR FLOODS

Football West is pleased to announce that a special fundraising match between the WA State team and Perth Glory will take place on Saturday 19 February at Carnarvon's Festival Grounds.

Carnarvon, like Queensland, was tragically affected by flooding in December last year following torrential rainfall.

The match will be part of a host of activities over three days where both teams and a group of Perth Glory women's team players will be involved in school visits, club training sessions and other community promotions.

A host of major companies have all come to the aid of the weekend, including corporate giants Chevron, Rio Tinto, Bankwest, Skippers, Atlas Iron, Horizon Power, ANZ Bank and Citic Pacific Mining.

Other supporting organizations include the Shires of Carnarvon and Upper Gasgoyne, The Northern Guardian and Hot Hits 99.7, the WA Police Union and the CFMEU, and the State Government's Royalties for Regions program.

WA legend and former Socceroo Robbie Dunn will coach the WA side made up of players from the All Flags State League and there will also be a couple of spots made available on the team for some local Carnarvon senior players.

Last year saw the Glory edge out WA 3-1 after scoring two very late goals at a packed out E&D Litis Stadium.

Football West Chairman, the Honourable Bob Kucera, says the weekend's football activities and the match between WA and Perth Glory provides a perfect opportunity for Perth to show that the regions are not forgotten.

"Over the last few months we have all witnessed the devastation and heartbreak that the elements can bring to communities," he said.

"I am sure I speak on behalf of the complete WA football community when I say that we will not forget our players, spectators and supporters in the outlying towns and cities and we will do we can to bring some relief through the sport and all it has to offer."

All proceeds from the match will go towards people affected by the recent Carnarvon floods and the 2011 Gasgoyne Flood Relief Appeal.

Kick-off will be at 6.00 pm and the main match will be preceded by a curtain raiser involving local teams.



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