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Minister urges public to support football double-header

Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation Andrew Barr today joined with players from Canberra United to help promote this Saturday's football double-header at Canberra Stadium.

The double-header kicks off with Canberra United playing Central Coast Mariners at 4.15pm in the Westfield W-League, before the Central Coast Mariners play Adelaide United at 7.00pm in the Hyundai A-League.

“This Saturday promises to be a great opportunity for local football fans to cheer on Canberra United witnessing the first full competition points double-header to be played in Canberra,” Mr Barr said.

“I urge Canberrans to get out to the games, which will help show Football Federation Australia the level of support that exists for high-level football in the local region.

“With the tight nature of the competition in the W-League, the game is also a crucial one for Canberra United so a vocal local crowd will be crucial in ensuring they secure maximum points from the game.

Mr Barr said having high-level matches in Canberra is great news for local football fans and tourism operators.

“Games such as this provide local football fans with more top-level sporting action and give people from interstate even more reasons to visit the ACT, providing a boost for ACT tourism operators and the thousands of Canberrans they employ.

“Tickets for the double-header start at just \$7 for kids under 12 which represents good value. Tickets are available from Ticketek at www.ticketek.com.au.”

Mr Barr said the ACT Government is a proud supporter of Canberra United.

“We have provided \$65,000 in 2009/10 under the national league team funding program, acknowledging the positive way in which they represent our city but also encourage female participation in sport.”

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