

Soccer fans keen to see Glory stars in action

ONLY four days remain until South West soccer fans get to see the Perth Glory play Gold Coast United at Hands Oval and tickets are selling out fast.

The match, scheduled for this Saturday at Hands Oval, will feature six current Socceroos squads members including big guns Jason Culina, Chris Coyne, Jacob Burns and Mile Sterjovski with both A-League teams likely to use the pre-season hit-out to test their formations.

The Glory squad arrives in Bunbury late this afternoon and will train at Westrac Stadium tomorrow at 7pm, along with South West Academy of Sport soccer athletes.

Gold Coast United meanwhile fly in to WA 2.45pm tomorrow afternoon and land at Busselton airport.

The teams will be signing autographs at Bunbury Forum and Centrepoint between 6pm and 8pm on Thursday night and will train at local soccer grounds throughout the week.

South West Phoenix chairman and match organiser John McCleary said the match would be a great spectacle for the South West sporting community.

"Australia is ranked 16th in the world and were heading to the World Cup again next year — soccer is on the rise in Australia and Bunbury is going to get its own slice," he said.

Tickets for the match are available at Hilzeez, Bankwest, Bunbury Forum Management Office, Centrepoint Newsagency, Eaton Newsagency, South West Sports Centre, Sport First Bunbury, Sports First Collie, Discount Autos Bunbury and at the gate on the day.

The match kicks off at 2pm.