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## Santos signs on to support Australian Women's Rugby

Proudly Australian natural gas explorer and producer Santos is a new official partner of Australian Women's Rugby, backing both the Women's Sevens team and the Wallaroos.

The agreement between Santos and Rugby Australia will see the company provide sponsorship for both the Buildcorp Wallaroos and Qantas Australian Women's Sevens teams for the next three years.

The Santos logo will feature on the shorts of both teams as well as on the sleeve of the team polos. It will be first seen when the Aussie Sevens play in round two of the World Series currently being held in Dubai.

The company is also pleased to announce that Aussie Sevens star, Charlotte Caslick will become a Santos ambassador.

"As a proud Aussie, it's great to be representing an Australian company that first started over 60 years ago in the Outback," Ms Caslick said.

"For Santos to be supporting the Aussie Sevens and the Wallaroos is a testament to the hard work both teams are putting in on the world stage and shows how far not only women's Rugby, but women's sport has come."

Santos Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Kevin Gallagher said the company is delighted to become a major supporter of the hugely successful Australian Women's Sevens team and the Wallaroos.

"A proudly Australian company, Santos is a leading supplier of natural gas, a fuel for the future providing cleaner energy to improve the lives of people in Australia and Asia," Mr Gallagher said.

"For 65 years, Santos has been working in partnership with local communities, providing jobs and business opportunities, safely and sustainably developing Australia's natural gas resources.

"We're passionate about promoting women's sport, recently providing additional investment to elevate the professional ranking of the Santos Women's Tour Down Under and ensure all four stages of the cycling race are broadcast."

This deal also builds on the company's recent partnership with Queensland Rugby Union at the elite and grassroots level.

"We're proud to welcome Santos to the Rugby Australia family and it's great to be bringing together two outstanding Australian brands," Rugby Australia Chief Commercial Officer, Cam Murray said.

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“This partnership will be incredibly beneficial for our Australian Women’s Sevens and Wallaroos programs and the connections between the two brands run deep. Both pride themselves on their service to Australia and performance, tenacity and precision permeates everything they do.

“Today’s announcement is just the beginning of this partnership, and we are looking forward to working with Santos to build a long and successful relationship that benefits both organisations and the communities that we reach together.”

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