

## Sydney FC have confirmed the signing of former Sky Blues youth team captain Jacob Tratt on a short-term injury replacement contract.



The 24-year old defender will provide extra defensive cover for Steve Corica's men following a foot injury to centre-half Ben Warland last month.

**Tratt skippered** Sydney FC's Foxtel Youth League squad to the 2014 Championship and claimed the title again two years later, as a member of the Hyundai A-League 2015-16 squad. **He joined** Wellington Phoenix the following season before returning to captain the Sutherland Sharks in the NSW NPL 1 last year. **Tratt Captained** the Sky Blues' youth squad to the Championship in 2014.

**He will** re-join the Sky Blues following a successful trial and is overjoyed to be returning to where it all began. **"I'm very** happy to be back and to have all my family and friends around me, being family orientated, is a blessing," said Tratt. **"To be** able to play for the biggest club in the country and to be surrounded by family and friends, I couldn't be happier.

**"You can** see everyone at the club has purpose to what they are doing every day and you feed off that mentally. **"I would** like to get some game time and show what I've got and eventually extend that contract." **Head Coach** Steve Corica, who coached and installed Tratt as skipper during the successful 2013-14 youth league Championship season,

is delighted to welcome him back to the club. **"Jacob is** an excellent player and will fit into our winning culture and strengthen our defensive options," he said. **"I've known** him for a number of years now and he is a fantastic person who is fully deserving of this opportunity to be a part of our squad." **Tratt will** wear the number 18.

## Caltex Socceroos v Korea Republic & Lebanon (International Friendly)

**Caltex Socceroos** Head Coach Graham Arnold named a 23-player squad for Australia's international friendly against Korea Republic at Suncorp Stadium in Brisbane next Saturday, and explained that he will name a second list of 23 players on Sunday, 18 November 2018 for his team's clash with Lebanon at ANZ Stadium. In total, 27 players will convene in Brisbane from Monday onward, with Arnold having rewarded the strong Hyundai A-League form of Thomas Deng (Melbourne Victory), Rhyan Grant (Sydney FC), Craig Goodwin (Adelaide United), and Dimitri Petratos (Newcastle Jets) with places as train-on players for the November window as he continues to cast his eyes over as many players as possible ahead of the 2019 AFC Asian Cup in the United Arab Emirates. **The second** 23-player list for the Caltex Socceroos' international friendly against Lebanon will include Jamshedpur FC attacker Tim Cahill, who will make his 108th and final appearance for Australia in a farewell match against the 'Cedars' at ANZ Stadium on Tuesday, 20 November 2018. **Over the** course of the September, October, and November FIFA windows, Arnold has called up a total of 39 players. The Hyundai A-League Championship and Premiership winning coach explained that it has been important to include as many players as possible to ensure that the pool is deep when it comes time to select his final squad for the 2019 AFC Asian Cup. **"We made** some great progress in Turkey in September, as well as in the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait last month,"

Arnold said. "However, this window will be exceptionally important for us as we have only had 15 days to work together as a team on the training pitch. In training, and in our friendlies against Korea Republic and Lebanon, we will be looking to introduce more players to the Socceroos system and reward a number of locally based players for their performances in the Hyundai A-League and FFA Cup." **"With limited** opportunities and matches to prepare for next year's AFC Asian Cup it is important that we make the most of every day that we have together, and by calling in additional train-on players from Hyundai A-League clubs this will ensure that more players are exposed to our style and standards as we edge towards the tournament. **"Several players** who have been in and around the squad over the past 12 months, such as Andrew Nabbout and James Jeggo, will also be reintroduced to the group as we continue to add depth to the national team player pool," he said. **Scottish Premier** League side Hibernian FC could be represented by as many as three players when Australia takes to the field against Korea Republic in Brisbane, after Martin Boyle received his clearance to represent Australia recently. Boyle will be joined on the journey to Australia this weekend by Hibs teammates Mark Milligan and former Brisbane Roar attacker Jamie Maclaren. **Premier League** stars Mathew Ryan and Aaron Mooy will also return to Australia this month after the duo missed Australia's 4-0 win over Kuwait last month due to minor injuries.

*Caltex Socceroos 23-player squad for Australia v Korea Republic – Saturday, 17 November 2018 – Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane*

Name	Club, Country	A-International Caps (Goals)
Mustafa AMINI	AGF Aarhus, Denmark	3 (0)
Aziz BEHICH	PSV Eindhoven, Netherlands	27 (2)
Martin BOYLE	Hibernian FC, Scotland	0 (0)
Milos DEGENEK	Red Star Belgrade, Serbia	18 (0)
Alex GERSBACH	Rosenborg BK, Norway	5 (0)
Jackson IRVINE	Hull City AFC, England	23 (2)
James JEGGO	FK Austria Wien, Austria	0 (0)
Tomi JURIC	FC Luzern, Switzerland	39 (8)
Matthew JURMAN	Al-Ittihad Jeddah, Saudi Arabia	4 (0)
Robbie KRUSE	VfL Bochum, Germany	68 (5)
Mitchell LANGERAK (Gk)	Nagoya Grampus, Japan	8 (0)
Mathew LECKIE	Hertha BSC, Germany	57 (8)
Massimo LUONGO	Queens Park Rangers FC, England	37 (5)
Awer MABIL	FC Midtjylland, Denmark	1 (1)
Jamie MACLAREN	Hibernian FC, Scotland	6 (0)
Mark MILLIGAN	Hibernian FC, Scotland	72 (6)
Aaron MOOY	Huddersfield Town AFC, England	37 (5)
Andrew NABBOUT	Urawa Red Diamonds, Japan	6 (1)
Josh RISDON	Western Sydney Wanderers FC, Australia	12 (0)
Tom ROGIC	Celtic FC, Scotland	41 (8)
Mathew RYAN (Gk)	Brighton & Hove Albion FC, England	47 (0)
Trent SAINSBURY	PSV Eindhoven, Netherlands	39 (3)
Daniel VUKOVIC (Gk)	KRC Genk, Belgium	2 (0)

### Caltex Socceroos Train-On Players – FIFA Window – November 2018

Name	Club, Country	A-International Caps (Goals)
Thomas DENG	Melbourne Victory, Australia	1 (0)
Craig GOODWIN	Adelaide United, Australia	3 (0)
Rhyan GRANT	Sydney FC, Australia	0 (0)
Dimitri PETRATOS	Newcastle Jets, Australia	2 (0)