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## Sydney FC to face Perth Glory in the Hyundai A-League 2019 Grand Final

Sydney FC will face off against Perth Glory in the Hyundai A-League 2019 Grand Final at Optus Stadium on Sunday 19 May after the Sky Blues defeated their rivals 6-1 this evening.

**Sydney FC** got off to the perfect start in the 50th edition of the Big Blue with Aaron Calver scoring in just the 3rd minute after the Melbourne Victory goalkeeper, Lawrence Thomas, fumbled a corner. Sydney FC captain, Alex Brosque, doubled his team's lead with a volley from inside the box in the 43rd minute. Just before the half-time whistle, Sydney FC's lead was extended to 3-0 when a Leigh Broxham headed in an own goal.

**Sydney FC** scored their fourth after Georg Niedermer fouled Adam Le Fondre in the box and a penalty was awarded. Adam Le Fondre then made no mistake from the spot. Le Fondre then added to his tally in the 69th minute when he broke into the box and slotted the ball to the far post. Milos Ninkovic completed the scoring for the Sky Blues with a volley at the far post in the 88th minute. Melbourne Victory scored a consolation goal through Ola Toivonen in the finals minutes of the match from close range, but Sydney FC were triumphant with a very memorable win that puts them into the Hyundai A-League 2019 Grand Final.

**Tickets for** the Hyundai A-League 2019 Grand Final will go on sale to Members of Perth Glory and Sydney FC members at 9am (AWST) Monday (13 May 2019). Tickets will then go on sale to the Football Family from 9am (AWST) on Tuesday (14 May), and to the General Public from 2pm (AWST) on Tuesday (14 May).

**Hyundai A-League** 2019 Grand Final tickets will be available via www.a-league. com.au/tickets.

**The Hyundai** A-League 2019 Grand Final will be broadcast LIVE on FOX SPORTS (Channel 505), 10 Bold and MyFootball Live App, Live Fast and Data Free for Telstra mobile customers.



## Sydney FC exact sweet revenge on Victory in stunning seven-goal Semi Final

Sydney FC healed old wounds and stormed into a mouth-watering Grand Final against Perth Glory with a 6-1 hammering of Melbourne Victory at Netstrata Jubilee Stadium on Sunday.



**Adam Le** Fondre's brace and one from mastermind playmaker Milos Ninkovic completed the carnage after a three-goal first half as the Sky Blues exorcised the demons of last season's dramatic Semi Final loss.

**Steve Corica's** side led from as early as the third minute and will be full of confidence when they meet the Premiers at Optus Stadium next Sunday, May 19. **Sydney FC** drew first blood in fortuitous fashion with Brandon O'Neill's inswinging corner slipping out of Lawrence Thomas' grasp and trickling in off Aaron Calver.

**Victory struggled** to turn their possession into chances at the other end and were given a mountain to climb as the first half came to an extraordinary crescendo. **Alex Brosque,** named in the starting XI for the first time in almost a month, first blasted in a brilliant finish when Ryan Grant's cross squeezed through to him at the far post.

**Then, in** the second minute of added time, Leigh Broxham inadvertently nodded Siem de Jong's right-sided cross into his own net.

**Kevin Muscat's** men impressed in the second half of their Elimination Final triumph over Wellington Phoenix but, against their rampaging rivals, encountered only more misery after half-time.

**Georg Niedermeier** scythed down Le Fondre in the box to gift the Englishman his first from the spot and a second followed five minutes later.

**Ninkovic this** time played his striker in behind and Le Fondre produced a cool finish across Thomas to extend the margin to five by the 68th minute.

**The Serbian** star grabbed one for himself in the closing stages, volleying in Josh Brillante's delightful dinked cross, before Ola Toivonen nodded in the most hollow of consolations for Victory, whose 12-month reign as Champions came to a crushing conclusion.