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## **GNFL Signs OPR as Major Sponsor**

The Great Northern Football League (GNFL) is pleased to announce Oakajee Port and Rail (OPR) as a major sponsor for the 2010 football season.

The OPR sponsorship will fund general activities throughout the season including a series of football skill based clinics and promotion of the Country Week team.

Another major plank of OPR's support is to recognise the role of the league's indigenous players, through a monthly OPR indigenous player profile in the GNFL Football Budget.

The GNFL's President, Mr Paul Kosovich, says the OPR sponsorship provides a great boost, enhancing all activities of the League.

"With a focus on the skill clinics, developing indigenous players and general sponsorship, OPR is contributing to the future of mid-west football. The funding helps to continue our focus on developing the players of the mid-west."

OPR coaching clinics will be held at Mullewa, Meekathara, Cue, Mount Magnet, Yalgoo, and Pia Wadjarri.

Mr Kosovich says OPR support of the Country Week team continues the youth development focus.

"Country Week brings the best of regional Western Australia together and the competition allows our players to develop and shine. We can't do it without the support of sponsors, such as OPR."

OPR Chief Executive Officer, John Langoulant, says it's the third year OPR has chosen to sponsor the GNFL.

"We want to support the communities in which our project will operate. GNFL is a great way to do this. With around 600 registered players and their families and supporters turning out every week of the season, the GNFL allows us to reach out to the community."

OPR is the developer of the Oakajee Port and Rail project which will create a deepwater port, 25 kilometres north of Geraldton, linked to regional mines by approximately 570 kilometres of rail.

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