

KCRG 9.2 showing IWSL games Sunday

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The Iowa Women's Softball League has hit the TV jackpot.

All three games in the IWSL this Sunday will be televised live by KCRG 9.2, with the tripleheader beginning at noon on Busse Field at Mount Mercy University.

Local sportscaster Bob Bruce and former Linn-Mar softball coach Jon Harms will be calling the action.

The first game will feature Emil's Hideaway against Hawkeye Convenience Stores. The second game, scheduled for 1:45 p.m., pits Emil's Hideaway against Ironside Apparel. And the third game, scheduled for 3:30, matches Hawkeye Convenience Stores against Ironside Apparel.

"We greatly appreciate the good folks at 9.2 for putting us on their schedule again this year," said Jim Ecker, the director of the Iowa Women's Softball League. "This will be great exposure for college softball and a big boost for the league. I know the girls will love it."

The IWSL is the only women's college softball league in Iowa and features 80 players from 36 different schools, including 19 players from NCAA Division I institutions.

KCRG 9.2 televised two league doubleheaders last season, which was the first year for the new program.

The IWSL uses a continuous batting order and free defensive substitution, to keep the playing time as equal as possible. No new inning will start after 90 minutes, even if the game is tied, to protect the pitchers and limit their pitch counts.

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The Hawkeye Convenience Stores are the title sponsor for the IWSL. Ironside Apparel and Emil's Hideaway are gold medal team sponsors. Bosch Financial and Adcraft Printing are silver medal sponsors. Butz Insurance, TSF Structures and Acoustics by Washburn are bronze medal sponsors.