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Canberra's Bai through to quarter-finals of Australian Open wildcard play-off

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Canberra's Alison Bai booked a quarter-final spot against top seed Olivia Rogowska after coming from behind to beat Isabella Holland 1-6, 6-2, 7-5 in the first round of the Australian Open wildcard play-off in Melbourne on Tuesday.

Queenslander Holland dominated Bai in the first set, before the eighth seed recovered. The world No. 486 had not contested the wildcard play-offs since 2010, when injury robbed her of any chance of upsetting former star Alicia Molik in the semis.

Bai told acelandtennis.com.au she plans to go on the attack on Thursday against Victorian Rogowska, who dismantled wildcard Seone Mendez 6-1, 6-0. "I haven't played her in a while and she's had an amazing year, hopefully I can come out swinging," Bai said. "She's very solid off the back, so I have to play my game and be aggressive."

Bai's Canberra Velocity teammate, Alex Nancarrow, was knocked out by Maddison Inglis 6-3, 6-1, having carried an ankle injury into the tournament sustained in Velocity's Asia Pacific Tennis League East conference title win on Friday.

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