

MEMORANDUM

To	Netball WA Member Association Presidents & Primary Contacts; WANL Presidents
From	Simon Taylor, Chief Executive Officer
Re.	2020 Netball WA Competitions
Date	20 March 2020

UPDATE ON 2020 NETBALL WA COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS

Following a meeting of Netball WA's Critical Action Team (CAT), we would like to provide the following updates regarding a number of Netball WA competitions and events and the steps we have taken to ensure the continuation of our sport at all levels in 2020.

FUEL TO GO & PLAY ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

Netball WA has made the decision to reschedule the 2020 Fuel to Go & Play Association Championships to a date to be determined in late September/October 2020.

As one of the largest participation events on the Netball WA calendar, this decision will ensure our netball community has the greatest opportunity to take part in 2020. The official date will be advised once finalised.

REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Wheatbelt Goldfields (16-17 May) and North West (19-21 June) Regional Championships will be rescheduled to a later date.

Netball WA is committed to delivering these important regional events later in the year and we are currently looking at a range of options.

All other Regional Championships will go ahead as scheduled. Netball WA will monitor the situation regarding COVID-19 and will review these dates if required.

GOLD INDUSTRY GROUP WEST AUSTRALIAN NETBALL LEAGUE

Round 1 of the 2020 Gold Industry Group West Australian Netball League season is on track to commence on Friday 5 June as scheduled.

A range of initiatives are currently being considered including the streaming of additional matches, to ensure our community can continue to follow and support our GIG WANL Clubs.

Please note that the Pre-season Challenge, scheduled to start on Friday 1 May, will be cancelled. Netball WA will work with clubs to develop alternative opportunities for match practice during the pre-season period. It is also recommended that clubs cancel





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all scheduled training sessions until further notice. Netball WA will monitor the situation regarding COVID-19 and will review this directive on Friday 17 April.

ORIGIN ENERGY METRO LEAGUE

The remainder of the 2020 Origin Energy Metro League season has been cancelled, effective immediately.

There will be no awards declared across the divisions as the full set of qualifying fixtures were unable to be completed.

Having nearly completed it's second full season, the Origin Energy Metro League has been a wonderful new addition to the Netball WA competition calendar since 2019 and we look forward to it returning bigger and better in 2021.

The health and wellbeing of our netball community – our athletes, coaches, umpires, officials, volunteers, fans and staff - is paramount, and the potential impact on our people was at the forefront of these decisions.

Netball WA thanks our associations and clubs for their support during this challenging time. Please direct any queries to David Lindsay, Netball WA Community Operations Manager – david.lindsay@netballwa.com.au.

Netball WA will continue to monitor the situation regarding COVID-19 and will communicate with all stakeholders regularly.

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