

12th July 2020

To our SEMNC Members,

In light of the recent reinstatement of a COVID-19 Stage 3 lockdown within Metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire, SEMNC provides the following updated statement with regard to a return to netball in 2020.

The SEMNC Committee have recently met to discuss the future of netball at SEMNC for the remainder of 2020 and beyond.

Whilst the SEMNC Committee acknowledge that the prospect of any netball competitions being played in 2020 and managed by Casey Netball Association is unknown at this stage, the SEMNC Committee wishes to advise that in the event Casey Netball Association decides to provide a shortened netball season in 2020 (if COVID-19 restrictions are eased to the point that such is a possibility), the SEMNC Committee have made the decision to **not** enter teams into any such shortened netball season.

The SEMNC Committee has made this decision taking into consideration that ensuring the health and safety of our members is paramount but also to give our members some certainty and clarity around a return to competition play in the current environment.

The SEMNC Committee is in the meantime, looking at other options of providing our players with some Pre Season Programs that will concentrate on their fitness, development, building strength and conditioning, so that our players are more than ready to take the Courts when Competition is back up and running.

We hope to have more information to announce in the coming weeks regards to an online training program which we can utilise whilst heavy restrictions are imposed and then start back with smaller group sessions once restrictions are eased and build from there, so our players can engage with their friends and get back to some Netball Fun and Interaction in a Safe and Professionally Managed Environment.

With regard to fees which our members have paid for the Autumn 2020 season, credit notes to applicable members will be issued within the coming weeks. And of course such credit notes can be used towards payment of future fees, regards to refunds and any fee enquiries please email Allison Trotter treasurer@semnc.com.au

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions: exec@semnc.com.au

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