



## **COVID-19 UPDATE – STAGE 2 PLUS – Q&A**

### **How confident are you of the timelines for a restart of competition?**

The timeline we are working to is fluid, but is intended as a realistic guide. We don't see any prospect of a restart before June. Scott Morrison has openly stated that Australians should expect that restrictions will be in place for 6 months. If we look at overseas events, Wuhan took 4 Months before things started to get back to normal. The Australian situation is quite different, but it will depend on how well things are contained, which is an evolving situation.

### **Will the teams still want to play?**

Based on the contact we have had, people are still keen to play. Before competitions recommence, we will be engaging the delegates of all teams to ascertain if they are able to continue their participation based on their situation at that time.

### **What happens if teams don't want to play or their employers won't allow them?**

We totally respect the decisions of all parties, be that the participants or their employers. Teams who are unable to continue will be removed from competition draws and those remaining will complete the current season to a revised schedule.

### **Why don't you just give everyone a refund?**

Under our normal Terms and Conditions, if a team chooses to withdraw after the competition starts, there is no refund. The current situation is exceptional and unexpected, beyond the control of everyone, both as organisers or participants. We want to treat everyone fairly in these exceptional circumstances.

The intent of the current restrictions is to place society in a form of forced social and economic hibernation in an attempt to limit the spread of Caronavirus to the vulnerable. It is not intended to kill off social activity or business in the long run. By retaining current competitions we will be able to kick start things quite quickly once restrictions are lifted.

The position of Lunchtime Legends is that we will offer teams who choose to withdraw a credit for use in future competitions. This will be determined when competitions are cleared to restart.

### **How confident are you of your health protocols moving forward?**

We are very confident. We have consulted the offices of NSW Sport as well as NSW Health to determine their position. Our guidelines exceed their recommendations. As with the current restrictions, the effectiveness of these measures will be influenced by how well participants cooperate. So we will be encouraging everyone to observe the new protocols and work with us to achieve the best outcome.

### **What will happen with the upcoming Autumn / Winter competitions?**

Based on our current guidance, we expect that the current Summer / Autumn season will recommence from June onwards. Depending on how things eventuate, we expect we would skip the following season. So competitions who are late in the Summer season would complete that, skip the Autumn season, move to the Winter season. At the Domain, which is currently early in the Autumn season, we would complete that, skip Winter then move to the Spring season.