











## **AFL Outer East**

## (Yarra Valley Australian Football Commission Limited. ABN 84 160 417 818)

Good afternoon AFL Outer East community,

In light of the announcement of the cancellation of the Senior competitions for both the Eastern and Northern Football Netball Leagues, AFL Outer East wishes to provide the following update to our members and stakeholders.

We respect and understand the decisions of other competitions and leagues on their 2020 seasons, however these decisions will not impact or influence the process undertaken by AFL Outer East and it's clubs.

Over the past three weeks AFL Outer East has been meeting and consulting with its clubs on the best path forward. Key to this is a detailed set of guidelines and principles for football and netball to return in 2020. These will be released to the public on Friday, following feedback from our clubs. This document will provide clarity and will shape our decisions moving forward.

This will include our preferred start dates and alternative options across our various competitions. Our position remains that each competition will be considered independently and assessment made on a set of agreed principles agreed to by our clubs.

Our next meeting with clubs will be held on June 23rd following the next State Government announcement, where we will provide all of our stakeholders a clear indication of our next steps forward.

Our guiding principles will be supported with a detailed video on Friday, which we encourage everyone to watch. This will provide further clarity for all of our community.

AFL Outer East will continue to work collaboratively and in consultation with our clubs and our members and will continue to keep everyone informed as we progress through this key next three weeks. The health and well-being of our participants and the sustainability of our clubs is at the forefront of our decision making.

We thank everyone connected to the Outer East Seniors, Outer East Juniors and Yarra Ranges Umpire Association for their ongoing support and understanding as we work through this unique challenge. It remains our strong desire to provide our community the opportunity to play football and netball in 2020 and we will leave no stone unturned in trying to achieve this goal.

Yours in Football and Netball,

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