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## **Dear Football Community**

I wanted to start by wishing all members of the Central Coast Football family all the best during these challenging times. I appreciate the level of uncertainty that the current situation creates.

We have discussed internally what a Football Competition may look like after lockdown finishes. At this point we have several contingency plans depending on possible restart dates. At this point we have managed to secure fields until the weekend of 18/19 September. Our current list of fixtures was due to be completed in mid-August and dependent on when we may be able to restart, and we have plans to complete competitions by rescheduling some of the postponed fixtures.

If we were able to resume on or before Saturday 21 August, we would be able to complete the competition with the minimum number of rounds.

CCF is under no illusions as to how difficult all of this looks at present. If we lose any further time beyond 21 August, it will become increasingly difficult to complete any competitions.

CCF will endeavour to get as many games played as possible using the following principles:

- Priority will be on playing league games over the final series and finals will be shortened (1v2 Grand Finals only) or cancelled before competitions games.
- BPL/MDIV1 promotion and relegation will only proceed if a minimum of 16 games are played in these leagues. If any less than 16 are played, then there will be no promotion and relegation.
- As many games as possible will be rescheduled, however any games lost to COVID will be abandoned with no score recorded.
- Games lost to wet weather (after we restart) will be recorded with a 0-0 draw.

We have also had several questions about refunds/credits. While we are not at that point yet rest assured that CCF will provide a proportionate refund/credit based on the policy we have had since the pandemic started which states:

"If less than 14 games are scheduled, then we will proportionally refund or credit for the reduction in games. i.e., if we only schedule 11 games players would be refunded or credited with 3/14 of the fee paid to CCF".

Hopefully, we get to play football again this season and we will continue to keep you updated as more information comes to hand.

Regards

Darren Sprod

Chief Executive Officer