

Dear WA rowing family,

Please distribute widely amongst your rowing networks

RE: 2020 WA Regatta Season Update

As you have seen across Australia and the globe there has been a widespread shutdown of sporting events to stop the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) through reduced mass gatherings and increased social distancing.

With the Rowing WA 2020 regatta season due to commence on 4 April, the Rowing WA Board met on Tuesday 17 March 2020 to discuss our requirements and responsibilities to play our part in reducing the impact of the spread of COVID-19 and keep the WA rowing fraternity as safe as possible.

Based on the current government requirements and recommendations the Board has determined:

to suspend the commencement of the 2020 regatta season until Saturday 24 May, which would see the Perth to Fremantle as the first regatta of the revised season.

This suspension will see the current Masters season significantly impacted and a revised Masters program (including Championships) will be determined through consultation with the Masters Committee at the appropriate time.

Rowing WA is constantly reviewing Government information and will provide updates as information impacting the 2020 regatta season comes to hand.

Rowing WA has today also released a Position Statement related to club activities which is available on our <u>website</u> where we have established a dedicated page to include all COVID-19 related updated from Rowing WA.

I must stress that Rowing WA is keeping up with advice as much as possible, however any Government directive will supersede advice provided by Rowing WA.

Stay safe, look after yourselves, your families and friends and through unity we will get through this unprecedented time.

Kind Regards,

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