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State and Territory Associations, Clubs/Associations and all members of the Australian table tennis community

RE: TTA Update Statement – Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Following on from previous correspondence, Table Tennis Australia Ltd. (TTA) has continued to monitor the rapidly developing situation regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19), including liaising with relevant Government authorities and all peak bodies. TTA is acutely aware that COVID-19 continues to cause concern and uncertainty amongst the table tennis community and we will continue to provide regular correspondence to assist all stakeholders with their decision making. TTA provides the following update:

CLUB/ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED

The Federal Government announced stricter measures on Sunday 22 March 2020 in relation to closures related to COVID-19. In particular, from midday today, Monday 23 March 2020 onwards, indoors sports facilities are required to close. TTA requests that all clubs/associations take immediate action to follow the Federal Government requirements and cease operating until further notice. TTA has also suspended all National Squad training sessions until further notice.

While this is unfortunate, the health and safety of everyone in Australia is the top priority, including the table tennis community.

NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Multiple National/International events were scheduled in the coming weeks/months. The current status on all upcoming events is listed below. Note that where any event is listed as cancelled or postponed, TTA will make contact with all impacted people regarding the next steps.

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EVENT	LOCATION & DATES	CURRENT STATUS
2020 ITTF-Oceania	Hamilton, New Zealand,	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
Hopes Week &	2-8 April	
Challenge		
2020 New Zealand	Christchurch, New Zealand,	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
Veterans Test Match	9-14 April	
and 2020 New Zealand		
Veterans National		
Championships		
2020 National Senior,	Brisbane,	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
Youth & Para	10-18 April	
Championships		
2020 TTA National	Gold Coast,	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
Hopes Camp	13-17 April	
2020 ITTF-Oceania	Brisbane, 18 April	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
AGM		
2020 TTA AGM	Brisbane, 19 April	PROCEEDING, TO BE HELD BY TELECONFERENCE
TTA post-AGM Forum	Brisbane, 19 April	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
2020 ITTF-Oceania	Brisbane,	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
Championships &	19-25 April	
related events		
2020 ITTF World Tour	Bangkok, Thailand,	WILL NOT PARTICIPATE
Thailand Open	29 April-3 May	
2020 ITTF World Junior	Bangkok, Thailand,	WILL NOT PARTICIPATE
Circuit Thailand Open	5-10 May	
2020 ITTF Slovenia Para	Lasko, Slovenia,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Open	13-16 May	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND AWAITING
		CONFIRMATION FROM EVENT ORGANISERS AND ITTF
2020 ITTF World Tour	Geelong,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Australian Open	dates TBC	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND AWAITING
		CONFIRMATION FROM EVENT ORGANISERS AND ITTF
2020 ITTF-Oceania Cup	Port Moresby, Papua New	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
	Guinea,	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND AWAITING
	30-31 May	CONFIRMATION FROM EVENT ORGANISERS AND ITTF-
		OCEANIA

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2020 World Veterans	Bordeaux, France,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Championships	8-14 June	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND AWAITING
		CONFIRMATION FROM EVENT ORGANISERS
National Para Training	Sydney,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Camp	12-14 June	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS
2020 ITTF World	Busan, Korea,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Championships	23-28 June (tentative new dates)	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND AWAITING
		CONFIRMATION FROM EVENT ORGANISERS
National Para Podium	Melbourne,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Camp	3-5 July	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS
2020 National Junior	Mandurah, WA,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Championships	5-11 July	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS
2020 Olympic Games	Nishiwaki City, Japan,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Preparation Camp	14-21 July	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS
2020 Olympic Games	Tokyo,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
	22 July-10 August	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND AWAITING
		CONFIRMATION FROM EVENT ORGANISERS AND IOC
2020 Paralympic	Osaka, Japan	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
Staging Camp	17-19 August	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS
2020 Paralympic Games	Tokyo,	YET TO BE POSTPONED/CANCELLED, PENDING
	25 August-6 September	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND AWAITING
		CONFIRMATION FROM EVENT ORGANISERS AND IPC
TTA Corporate Cup	Sydney 3 April, Sydney 24 April,	POSTPONED, NEW DATES TBC
Finals	Brisbane 27 March, Melbourne	
	27 March, Adelaide 3 April	

USEFUL LINKS

- Australian Institute of Sport (for high performance sport): https://ais.gov.au/health-wellbeing/covid-19
- Federal Department of Health: https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert
- World Health Organisation: https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019

TTA will continue to provide further updates as they arise.