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KANGAROOS
JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

16 May 2020

Good afternoon,

I hope you are all staying healthy during these challenging times.

I'd like to provide you with an update following the recent Government announcements and what that means for junior football in the area.

Training

All clubs and leagues are now operating under the guidelines of AFL Victoria. Despite the recent easing of some restrictions and the Government announcement that groups of 10 can train together, AFL Victoria's position is that no sanctioned training can take place. We were advised in a President's meeting this week that AFL Victoria is seeking clarity around health and safety protocols, including insurance cover before any training can recommence.

If teams are found to be training, the club will be held responsible and sanctioned accordingly. There will also be a risk of impacting the return to training and play for the league or club.

Heatherbrae access

As we are tenants who would normally be operating at a council owned building, we also need to follow Cardinia Council restrictions. Currently all sporting pavilions are closed so we cannot access the rooms at Heatherbrae, including the use of the lights.

You can still have a kick on the grounds as long as you are meeting current restrictions (no more than 10 people, physical distancing etc) but I reiterate these are not club training sessions and no insurance cover is available in event of injury,

Return to play

There is no guarantee we will have a 2020 season as the league is reliant of government restrictions as well as other health, safety and insurance protocols. There is though a focus on being able to get kids back to footy once we can. This may mean a reduced 8 round season, a round robin tournament and playing into October. While there are several plans being drawn up, it appears we'll know by mid-July if junior football can be played.

If we can play, there is likely to be some distancing rules in place, with games being played at a number of grounds.

Fees

Fees are currently on hold until we know if a season will be held. If a season is conducted there is likely to be a reduction in fees, however we are unable to advise what this would be until we know what costs we need to cover.

In closing I'd like to acknowledge members who have been impacted by Covid19. If there is anything we can help with, even just an ear, please get in contact, reach out to someone. You are not alone.

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Kind regards,

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