



Dear members,

The committee has been closely monitoring all information received from the FFA, FootballWest and the State and Federal Governments with regards to COVID-19 and mirroring our discussions on how to proceed, on Tuesday 17 March 2020 the FFA made the announcement that:

“After careful consideration and having regard to the feedback received from the grassroots community, FFA advises that effective from 12:00am on 18 March 2020, all sanctioned grassroots football activity in Australia will be suspended until 14 April 2020”.

Unfortunately, this isn't an ideal way to start our 50th year as a club, but with well over 600 members we have the responsibility towards all players, coaches, managers, family and friends as well as the general community, to act in the best interests for all.

While some people may not agree or be happy with this decision, it is in the best interest of the whole community.

Hopefully the developing evidence that social distancing helps with delaying the onset of COVID-19 in a large proportion of the community proves correct and this “Flattening of the Curve” will enable the health care system to cope with the inevitable increased number of people infected with the virus.

We will continue to monitor the situation as it unfolds and will keep our members updated on any new developments.

If members want to keep abreast of the situation themselves, Football West place announcements on their [home page](#) regularly. Plus all new and old news items can be found [here](#).

Keep safe and keep well.

Simon Collins

President

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P.S The full transcript of the FFA announcement can be found [here](#);