



Tuesday 17 March 2020

To All Clubs, Teams and Players,

Aligned Leisure have been closely monitoring advice from the Australian Government as the Covid-19 situation continues to unfold, and in consultation with the Pakenham & District Basketball Association and advice from Basketball Victoria, supported the suspension of domestic competitions as of 13 March 2020.

The health and safety of our community continues to be of the highest priority, and following this decision Aligned Leisure and the Pakenham & District Basketball Association have been working together to determine the most appropriate way to support clubs, teams and players in finalising the 2019/20 season in light of the current situation.

At a meeting held on Monday 16 March a joint decision was made to conclude the season effective immediately, with no further games to be played. It was also determined that the fairest way to award place getters would be based on ladder positioning and votes as of the season's end date.

As a result of these decisions, teams that finished first will be awarded premiers, with the second placed team awarded runners up. MVP winners will be based on the highest number of votes at the season's end date.

We wish to thank all teams on their efforts throughout what's been another highly competitive and successful season, with a huge congratulations going to all clubs and players who have now been awarded the top standings.

In celebration of these successes, winning clubs or teams will be contacted directly to organise a time for the collection of any trophies or medals at a pre-arranged time. This will be limited to one representative from each club or team.

While we acknowledge that this is not an ideal outcome, based on the current information available it was agreed to be the most appropriate way forward to support the health and safety of those involved.

Dates for the Winter 2020 domestic season have not yet been confirmed, with advice from the Government and Basketball Victoria being closely monitored to assist with any decision making. Further communication will be shared with you as information becomes available.

We look forward to being able to welcome you back as soon as practical and thank you for your understanding at this time.

If you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact Aligned Leisure by email at sports.cardinia@alignedleisure.com.au or the PDBA at general@pakenhambasketball.com.au.

Kind Regards,

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