

APRIL 17, 2020 LEAGUE UPDATE

For the foreseeable future we will be providing you with a weekly update on all things related to CUSA and the status of soccer as we are aware. Just a reminder that the CUSA Office will remain closed to the public with staff working remotely for foreseeable future. To reach any staff member please communicate by email. General questions can be sent to info@cusa.ab.ca and will be directed to the staff member responsible to respond. Phone messages are being received intermittently and response time will be slower than by email.

Indoor 2019-20

- **Indoor Boarded Provincial Divisions:** We will be applying onto the Indoor Boarded Provincial Divisions the fees applied to all teams for provincials. ASA has announced that the Indoor Provincial Competitions for 2020 have been cancelled rather than postponed until late fall.
- **Indoor Team's Credits on Account** Given the number of refunds applied onto a large number of Indoor Team accounts as we reconcile the abrupt end of the season we will be issuing cheques to either your team's designated financial contact or your team contact who registered the team last fall. We anticipate these cheques to be mailed by Friday, April 24. If your address has changed or you have a change in contact please contact us ASAP at patti@cusa.ab.ca.

Outdoor 2020 and Coed Summer 2020 Programs

We still have no definitive date for when we will be able to resume Outdoor programs and as such cannot define what those programs will be or will look like. Our goal remains to assist getting the CUSA Membership playing quickly once it is safe to return to group activities and contact sports. The health and safety of our membership will remain a priority when we do return to activity.

Alberta Soccer continues with their bi-weekly conference calls with all the Districts. The call answered some questions that we all have, and left others to be determined:

- **Duration of suspension of play:** The suspension of all soccer activities is extended throughout April with no date yet announced of it being lifted into the future. **City of Calgary has suspended athletic park permits until end of June.** We anticipate a further update on this in the coming weeks.
- **ASA & CSA** are discussing a regional approach to resuming play recognizing that different provinces and areas within provinces are experiencing different recovery rates. All decisions related to resuming activity are contingent on directives from Health Officials.
- Until the directive is changed we recognize it is not possible to organize teams. As the weather shifts to spring, we must stress **do not organize team training sessions.** Sanctions can be applied by not only CSA but by municipal and provincial enforcement agencies.

The current restrictions have also impacted other parts of our business operations. Given we are unable to hold large gatherings the **Annual General Meeting** that was originally scheduled for June 17th has been moved to September 28th. Further updates on the AGM will be circulated as the summer commences.

The date for the **CUSA hosted Casino**; originally set for July 11, 12 has been changed. We have not yet been provided with our new dates. When they are announced we will again look to our membership for your support of providing additional volunteers.

Missing the game and have some time on your hands?

Canada Soccer as released [Canada Soccer Nation Inside](#) You will find an extensive and growing list of resources and activities there. Canada Soccer's **[Men's EXCEL 101 webinar](#)** featuring Men's National Team Head Coach and Program Director, John Herdman and National EXCEL Program staff on Saturday, May 2 at 3:00 ET/12:00 PT.

There are also numerous [online technical discussions](#) and a vast array of online courses available.

Coach Education: ([Resource link here](#))

Community Stream: Active Start, FUNDamentals, Learn to Train, Soccer for Life

Licensing Stream: C-License & B-License Part 1 (Date TBD); B-License Part 2, Youth License, Children's License

Referee Education: ([Resource link here](#))

Referee Refresher courses for registered, returning referees.

Fitness activities for you and your family.

[AB Gov't Be Fit](#)

Stay safe and healthy. If you have other questions don't hesitate to reach out. We will be happy to help you out!

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