



Dear European Members,

Who could have predicted as we welcomed this new year 2020 just a few short months ago that we would encounter a global challenge of the magnitude that we are currently experiencing that would threaten and disrupt our way of life to such a degree.

As the impact and dangers of COVID 19 became more and more apparent the focus immediately was to protect our most vulnerable in society and it was great to see so many of our NOPFS make quick and decisive decisions to lock down on powerchair football activities and events.

Our thanks to all who on a daily basis now continue to keep our players and families safe and supported until we emerge from this in the future. When that happens there will be many leagues that will need to conclude and preparations for the start of new seasons.

Within EPFA our planned schedule of events for 2020 will obviously have to be reviewed, some planned activities in April and May will be postponed and other events later in the year in August and beyond will be monitored over the next month or two before decisions will be taken. Final decisions on future events will of course be dependent and led by improvement across Europe and beyond and the advice of governments and health authorities that normal living can return, sporting activities can resume and that travel is now possible again.

It is unlikely that we will all just at the same time be given that directive and assurance and each country will see that happen on a different timescale and phased basis.

There is so much information being shared and presented on COVID 19 but we would encourage you to follow the advice and facts from reputable sources like the World Health Organization [WHO](#) or from your National Health authorities in your countries.

We would also encourage you to keep up the contacts and messages between players and supporters across the powerchair football community and check in and see how others are getting on and share a little humour together.

COVID 19 will eventually be defeated and Powerchair Football will flourish again and roar back better than ever, each day is a day closer to that. Stay strong, stay safe and Be Positive.

Please get in contact with us anytime or for any information communication@europeanpfa.com

Yours in Sport
The EPFA Executive