

AYC TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Thursday, May 28, 2020

To All Clubs & Players

Season 2020 / 2021

At it's meeting held on March 15 the Committee voted 7 – 2 in favour of putting to the Annual Meeting that the all Divisions of the pennant be run in the short roster format for the next two or perhaps three seasons.

The main reasons for the support for this proposal are the reduced commitment required from players to participate and the flexibility it provides to Clubs when selecting teams given the two possible starting opportunities.

In addition, the demonstrated effectiveness of the short rosters played in Division 01 and the X's lend support to the concept of all rosters being played in this format.

Since that decision was taken all tennis has been suspended and at this point in time organised tennis looks like it is still a little way off.

With this in mind and the uncertainty that we are sure many players feel as to when, how or even if, they may resume playing pennant tennis it seems unreasonable to arrange a roster that locks players in, or perhaps out, for the entire season.

We understand that this proposal will not please everyone but hope that you can understand that the pennant has been in decline for twenty years and requires some significant changes to ensure it's ongoing viability.

While a date for the AGM is yet to be confirmed we felt it important to communicate our position to you. Things may change over the coming weeks and months as the rules around returning to tennis become clear.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Association by email at ayctas@gmail.com if you wish to provide any feedback.

See you at the AGM.

Regards

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SECRETARY