

Members of NVSUA

I suspect by my silence there hasn't been anything to report or at least nothing of real importance. Here is some of the most current information I have:

VHSL: on Thursday, May 7th the VHSL board made the decision to officially cancel all spring sports. That ever so small glimmer of hope we had of some type of season is now officially gone. I believe they are trying to sort through what carries over to next year and what doesn't in terms of payments, fees, etc. I have also heard that VHSL will not entertain any rules changes for next season and all rules and books for 2020 will carry over into next year. If you haven't logged into whistle since the test closed out, might be worth some time to review what you got right and what you got wrong.

USA Softball: of Virginia has sent a letter and is waiting on the governors response asking what phase outdoor sports might be included in under the Three Phase plan. All tournaments have been canceled through May. He is canceling them 2 weeks at a time unless there is reason to scrap the entire month. We are seeing states not allowing teams from outside that state in to play in tournaments, several have done that already. On the National Tournament side of things, we believe it will be an all or nothing approach, if all the scheduled tournaments across the country can't play, none will. For the USA 14U in Salem, last week approx 6 teams from across the country dropped out so that isn't looking promising either at this point. If tournaments are allowed to be played but the Nationals are canceled, USA Softball of VA is thinking about hosting an Invitational...will see how that plays out. Another aspect that is being taken into consideration is insurance liability and what will be covered or not covered.

USA Softball Guidance: attached are 3 documents that were released earlier this week. One deals with conditions to return to the field and what precautions should be taken, the next two discuss insurance liability.

Condolences: over the past month we have had two members lose family members, never an easy thing and under these circumstances makes it that much harder. Eddie Mallard and his family lost his brother last month and the mother of Bill Collins passed away on May 2nd. Please keep all in your thoughts and prayers.

General Membership Meeting: we will hold a virtual general membership meeting on **Jun 22nd @ 7pm**. The purpose of this meeting is to continue to maintain contact with the membership as well as introduce a proposed by-law change that will potentially impact elections in November. Several days prior to

the meeting your will receive an email with a link to attend the meeting virtually via zoom.

The board has continued to meet every month since March to stay on top of the ever changing situation as it applies to the world of softball. As always if you have any questions, please let me know. I will continue to keep you up to date with the latest to the best I can. Thanks

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