

**CMCA Statement – Coronavirus/COVID-19**

**16 March 2020**

The board and management wish to inform members of the effects that COVID-19 will have on our Club. The health and well-being of the members, volunteers and staff of CMCA is paramount and will always be our first priority. Unfortunately, the virus is more likely to have a greater effect on a vast number of our members due to age and/or pre-existing medical conditions; so please be careful and remain vigilant.

Following advice from the Government and health authorities, we have made the decision to cancel the following events due to occur in the next three months - the West Australian State Rally in Boddington (WA), Solos Rally in Alice Springs (NT) and the Dam Fine Rally in Townsville (Qld).

A decision on the Christmas in July event in Mareeba (Qld) and the National Rally and AGM in Gympie (Qld) in September/October will be made in the coming weeks/months as the situation unfolds and further advice is received. We are also corresponding with ASIC and our solicitors on the implications regarding the AGM and our legal reporting requirements.

At present, a common-sense approach to chapter meetings is expected. Anyone suffering flu like symptoms or suspecting they may have been in contact with someone with the virus should not attend such events. It is always better to err on the side of caution if there is any doubt.

We are going through unprecedented times, not knowing when this virus will be under control; however, we are guided by the health authorities and the Government. We are asking members to abide by all guidelines that have been established re self-isolation, social-distancing and when and how to seek medical advice/treatment – for more information please refer to <https://www.health.gov.au/health-topics/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov>.

We recognise that whilst the Club is likely to be financially impacted, we are in a very strong position to handle it.

We will keep you informed as much as possible, so please keep an eye out for our social media, website or electronic communication posts. Thank you for your cooperation in assisting to bring this virus under control.

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