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Greetings again to all Bowlers trust this finds everyone well.

Pennant Competitions Season 21-22. Pennant Committee have requested that I formally communicate that our Season will not commence as planned on the schedule dates.

The Government documented "Victorian Roadmap Delivering the National Plan" is based on double Vaccinations percentages. Interpretations of "Restrictions" easing is all dependent on public health advice as to the current epidemiology. In addition, easing at 70% and 80% fully vaccinated will be subject to health system capacity.

It is not expected sufficient changes will be in place by next Tuesday 5th or Saturday 9th of October allowing Pennant, as we know it, to commence. Who knows when this will occur? More communications on this will be forthcoming.

Pennant Fixtures. These are being fine-tuned and will be released as "Final Versions" to Clubs by the end of the week. Fixtures will also be loaded onto our new Web Page. **BowlsLink** fixtures will not be published by Pennant until we have an actual start date.

GBR Rules for Pennant have been documented and aligned with BV documented Regional Conditions of Play. They also are being finalised and will be published on our web site. 2 Printed copies' will be distributed to each Club.

Bowls Vic Webinar – "Role of Managers". This webinar was conducted yesterday and having viewed this 1-hour session, like many other Bowlers, I need to emphasise it contained a very high percentage of information relating to Metro Pennant. The commentary provided by John Roberts – Umpires Chair was extracts from Metro Conditions of play and has no reflection or influence on GBR & Regional Conditions of Play.

GBR – Role of Mangers. Feedback is necessary from Clubs relating to the need for follow-up training in regards to Mangers and Results etc. Please contact me if needed.

Members Status. Club Administrators need to ensure all members are <u>Affiliated</u> and hold <u>Full Status</u> and have a <u>Green Dot</u>. If these are not shown against your members you will be unable to select them for pennant team. If you need help with this just ring

GBR Championships. Entry forms have been sent out to Clubs and are available on our new web site along with the seasons Calendar. Click on tab GBR events, then select GBR Championships. Our web address is www.geelongbowlsregion.bowls.com.au

GBR (BV & State Events) Postponement. Championships have postponed the Over 60's Singles previously and have <u>now postponed the Over 60's Pairs</u>. Both events will be rescheduled at a later date. Entries for the O 60's Pairs will stay open until further notice.

BV Victorian Open. Posts on BV Facebook and BV Web site have indicated today the Victorian Open in November has also been cancelled for 2021.