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2021 VICTORIAN COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Country Leagues Football Association (CLFA) wishes to formally advise the football community that due to the current lockdown restrictions and the information provided by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the 2021 Country Championships has been officially postponed, and will no longer take place in June 2021.

However, following further discussions with our member Associations and the Geelong Region over recent days, the CLFA Board are pleased to announce that the 2021 Country Championships are planned to be conducted over 1-3 October 2021 in Geelong. As you will know, we also looked at the weekend beforehand (AFL Grand Final weekend), but the October dates worked best for the majority of regions.

We appreciate that in rearranging the championships, choosing an ideal date that suits everyone was really hard - but hopefully given the notice between now and October, most Associations can look to rearrange their events at the end of the season to make these dates work.

The CLFA recognises the enormous effect COVID-19 has had across Victorian football communities, including participants and their families, coaches, officials, volunteers, partners and sponsors.

Whilst the decision to postpone the Country Championships is disappointing, we anticipate the rescheduling of the Championships will not only provide greater certainty across all regions, but also provide football communities to better prepare for what is a critical and much anticipated event on the regional football calendar.

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