

TIMELINE

2 May 2017

Context:

2017 State League has grown by one Club, 10 teams (>12%), will fixture 676 games and utilise at least four venues State-wide. Capacity at the State Volleyball Centre is 70 teams and 420 games, adding layers of complexity.

Chain of events:

24 February - Team entry deadline

17 March - Public advice regarding fixture process and timelines on State League website

21 March - Final team entry confirmed

22 March - Correspondence direct to Delegates acknowledging circumstances, responsibility, and endeavours to remedy, copy below:

"Hello All

Please be aware we are very mindful of the angst amongst the community regarding the preparations for State League, ultimately the Office is responsible for managing the timely delivery of the fixture and related arrangements. This has been made all the more difficult with late submissions for team entries and the use of an external 'specialist' in the preparation of the season fixture, expertise we appreciate be able to access.

The fixture is at an advanced stage and will be released to the competition as soon as it is approved by the Office. At this time, we ask for a level of flexibility and understanding regarding the schedule, we do not believe it is practical to seek changes in the first week. We will be happy to entertain any issues that may arise for the subsequent weeks that give VVI and all impacted Clubs reasonable time to respond.

We are all vested heavily in State League and these delays are a result of seeking year on year improvements; the League has once again grown and we have sought to accommodate a range of requests.

If you wish to discuss this matter further, please don't hesitate to contact me at the Office this week. And if this email contact is no longer current for your State League contact, please also advise."

26 April - Advice to Delegates regarding release of rounds 6-15

27-28 April - Individual contact made with every State League Club Delegate to explain the situation

2 May – Fixture is finalised, three impacted Clubs contacted prior to release