



Dear all,

In the week that marks a year since the Vitality Netball World Cup in Liverpool, the electric atmosphere in the arena and fan park seem a million miles away from where we are now.

However, we're determined not to let the current climate stop the momentum that we created, and we're delighted to share with you the first steps on how we will collectively get back on court.

Following the Government's announcement on 9 July and our response [here](#), our return now seems a little bit closer. It is important to note that this is not a race and the pace of return for each sport needs to be considered against the exact nature of the game. We understand how frustrating it is to see sports like cricket return but the reality is, it is far easier to socially distance on a cricket pitch than on a netball court.

RETURN OF NETBALL

CURRENT STATUS UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS

- ✓ On our [Roadmap](#), we remain at stage 2, although we anticipate it won't be long before we progress to the next stage.
- ✓ We're now piloting possible modifications to the game with the support of the global Netball Family in Australia, New Zealand and the Isle of Man, where netball is not restricted. We are on track to conclude this, along with the medical analysis and we will make a submission to Government this week.
- ✓ Since the announcement, we have been busy collating medical data and formulating an action plan for netball's return to submit for Government approval. We've analysed hundreds of hours of match play to enable us to conclude the risks associated with each position on the court and at each performance level of the game, and reviewed how we can mitigate these risks. Due to the close contact nature of netball and regular social distancing breaches, this level of information is important to demonstrate to Public Health England that we can keep the Netball Family safe.
- ✓ Once the Government gives us the green light, we hope to see an enhanced form of netball activity taking place (in line with stage 3 or 4) in September with a competitive element returning slightly later.

INTRODUCING **#RISEAGAIN**

In order for netball to get the comeback it deserves, we are asking for Chelmsford Junior Netball Club's support (along with all regions, counties, registered leagues and clubs) to share a united message - **that with the help of our members, netball will #RiseAgain.**

We plan to launch the #RiseAgain campaign on 3 August to generate a movement of support for our sport. This movement is about rallying people together, enabling each and every one of us to celebrate netball's anticipated return, and encouraging the Netball Family to renew their membership before 30 September 2020. For more information about #RiseAgain [click here](#).

The #RiseAgain campaign is also about supporting you as a club to start getting ready for your return to court. Over the coming weeks we will be sharing with you a comprehensive #RiseAgain Care Package to help your club respond to COVID-19.

The #RiseAgain Care Package will provide our amazing network of volunteers with all the tools, resources, templates and mandatory requirements to safely get back on court. Our aim is to ensure every club and team are fully prepared before any netball training activity begins.

We've started collating some of this information already. Click on the button below to view the Care Package now.

[More Information](#)

WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AS A CLUB?

If your club is currently delivering netball fitness activity in line with stage 2 of our Return to Community Netball Roadmap, there are key actions you should take to ensure your activity has considered the risk of COVID-19. [Click here for details](#).

As we move to future stages of the Roadmap there are at least four key steps that all clubs, teams, leagues and netball organisers will be required to complete **before** they recommence netball training and/or competition. Don't worry though, we're working with our medical team to provide you with supporting templates and specific guidance to help with

each of those steps. Once those steps have been taken, we're confident that you will be 'Ready to #RiseAgain'.

Four key steps include:

1 **Appoint a COVID-19 Officer**

Every club, league, county and region will need this role. Click the button below for the role description to help find your perfect candidate

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2 **Watch a COVID-19 training video**

This will be made available to members once we have Government feedback on our submission

3 **Create a club management plan**

Complete a Club COVID-19 Management Plan including a Risk Assessment (a clear template will be shared once we have approval from Government)

4 **Renew membership**

Ensure all members, including your club's committee members, **renew their membership** with England Netball from 3 August to ensure your club's volunteers and participants are protected by England Netball's comprehensive programme of insurance. As a minimum, this should include your club's Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Safeguarding Officer, Data Protection Lead, coaches, officials and the new lead COVID-19 Officer, as well as all your players. For support on how you can help this **[click here](#)**.

#RISEAGAIN

WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP?

This year, when the 2020/21 membership renewal window opens for our members on the 3 August, and the #RiseAgain campaign launches, we are planning to do things a little differently.

To simplify the process of renewing (for both club volunteers and players) we will email all 2019/20 members* on the 3 August to invite them to join the #RiseAgain movement and renew their membership for 2020/21. The email will include a payment link that they can simply click on to pay, **without** signing into ENgage.

Discounted membership

Many members of our Netball Family will suffer financial hardship this year and we want to play our part in ensuring everyone who wants to, can return to the sport. Therefore, in recognition of this, and to thank members for taking a leap of faith and committing to their 2020/21 membership, for a limited-time-only, England Netball will be offering a 30% discount** payable against the national element of membership. The email that members receive will include a code that they can use to claim this.

We are extremely proud to be a not-for-profit membership organisation that puts every single penny back into our beloved game. Sadly, like so many businesses across the country, the financial strain caused by the COVID-19 pandemic stands to place considerable pressure on the sport we all love and England Netball. The membership discount is entirely optional, and where members are able to pledge the full fee to support the campaign and the #RiseAgain movement, this will go a long way in supporting the sport through this difficult period.

For more information on the details outlined above, please click the button below.

[More Information](#)

FINALLY...

We are very aware that there is a lot of information and actions you need to take, but we're with you every step of the way!

To share the #RiseAgain Care Package with you, discuss the requirements in full and give you more information about the #RiseAgain campaign, we're hosting a series of #RiseAgain Club and League Forums. These are taking place via video calls on 28, 29 and 30 July. [Click here to reserve your place.](#)

If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact us using this [direct support form](#).

With your help, netball will #RiseAgain and regain the momentum we were enjoying before the crisis began, we're sure of it. But we can't do it alone.

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*in the case of junior members the parent or adult who purchased their 2019/20 membership

**Excludes Social & Supporting membership and all group memberships, including Region, County, Secondary School and College / University memberships. Expires 30 September 2020.

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