

NSDSA President's report AGM 2020

Who would have ever imagined last year that there would be no national convention this month or any square dancing as we know it for many months to come? As bad as the bushfire disaster has been for so many along with lives and losses to Australians, the COVID-19 epidemic is hitting the whole world in a much more severe way.

Up until the COVID-19 epidemic we had enjoyed progress in so many areas of square dancing all over Australia and I personally thank all those individuals, callers, cuers, clubs and of course all our hard working committee for all their efforts along the way.

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In particularly I feel sad for the very hard working 61St ANSDC team along with all those affected severely by all the cancellations and lost time and efforts of one and all. We hope we can all spring back with equal or more enthusiasm and celebrate.

With each day that I have waited to complete this report, there seems no 'quick' return to normal as we all know it and I suspect we may be relying on many more new ideas to speed up the return and recovery to full dancing at all levels including beginners. We will all have to work together and accept a lot of changes and be patient with all the different ideas and feelings of others. Please have some patience with our new Zoom meetings as we make a start in making the first of many changes to move forward again. My time has been so severely impacted by my ever changing security guard work that I have decided to step down and make way for a new leader with more time and enthusiasm to complete the necessary behind the scenes support work that is required in my position as president of the NSDSA. I thank everyone, particularly my great committee team for their support along the way and look forward to seeing new blood bring you all the rewards we all need. Julie and I look forward to returning to 'full swing' as soon as humanly possible.

Regards - Steve Longwood - President NSDSA