



Illini State Pullers

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We hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. With the uncertain times we are in we would like to clear up a few questions and concerns. Illini State Pullers is still hopeful for a summer full of pulling. At this time, we are continuing business as usual and we are preparing for a long 2020 season. As a Pulling Organization we are contracted by our promoters to put on a show for their audience. Ultimately it is not our decision whether the events are canceled or not. If the event is to take place then we will be there, ready to provide the show we agreed on. No matter the number of events that we end up with for the 2020 season, we look forward to them all and plan to make the most of each of them.

To our Promoters: We have some good news pertaining to insurance. After consulting with our insurance company, we have found out that due to the COVID-19 our insurer is allowing us to cancel events with no penalty and a full refund. This means that if you need to cancel your event there is no need to worry, we will issue you a refund or we can roll it over for 2021. As a reminder you don't owe us anything else until the completion of your event either. We do however, need all signed contracts in so we can get our schedule to the insurance company to get everyone covered. Please give me a call if you have any questions. We want you all to know that we are here to serve you in anyway we can and look forward to putting on another great truck and tractor pull for you and your full stands.

To our Sponsors: We greatly appreciate all you have done for us in the past and moving forward. As I said we are continuing on as usual in hopes of normality returning in time for the 2020 season. This being said, we will continue to ask for your contributions for this season. We have made the decision to draw the line at 15 events (half the season +/-). If we have 15 or more events that are NOT canceled due to COVID-19 then your sponsorship will be applied to the 2020 season. If we are left with 14 or less events because of COVID-19 then all sponsorship money will be rolled into 2021. No matter the number of events we are left with for 2020 all sponsors will be given their proper advertising for the 2020 season. Please contact Nathan Rogers, our advertising agent, with any questions related to advertising.

To our members: First off, due to the virus and this late notice we have decided to extend the membership deadline to Friday May 1st. Like normal, after that date the late fees will apply. Like the sponsorship money, we have drawn the line at 15 events. If we have 15 or more events NOT canceled due to COVID-19 then the season will go on as normal. This means that all memberships paid for 2020 will be for 2020 and we will payout points for all events that are held. If we have 14 or less events due to COVID-19 then we will roll all memberships over to 2021 or issue a refund if you would like. What this means is if there are 14 or less events, we will not have dues or sponsorship money for 2020 because it will all be rolled into 2021 therefore, we will not have a points fund and we will not be paying points at the end of the year. Our club is based off of the generous sponsorship that we get each year and it will be very hard to split 1 years worth over 2 seasons. We feel this is the only fair way to make it work in this difficult time. All events that are still held will be paying out as normal, that will not be affected, it is only the points fund. Our hopes are that by rolling the membership over that this will help soften the blow for the 2020 season and make 2021 that much better. I hope everyone understands, we have to set some guidelines so that we all know where we stand as a club, and how we will be handling the summer. The hopes are to make this as fair as possible for everyone in all classes and also make it fair for our sponsors because without them, there would be no points fund. This is our current stance and may change. Hopefully none of this will matter as we roll into a full 4 months of pulling COVID free.

Stay Safe and Stay Healthy,
Mike Sauter
ISP President