

---

## **VNEA 2020 World Championships Vegas UPDATE**

---

The VNEA Board of Directors has had to make a very difficult decision regarding the **40th Anniversary Championships in Vegas in May.**

The Corona-virus Pandemic has had an enormous impact around the World and especially in our industry the last few days. Several States/Provinces have closed bars and restaurants, many State/Provincial Tournaments have been canceled, the Canadian/US Border has been severely limited, there has been several other international travel restrictions, just last week Nevada's Governor announced that all casinos must close for at least 30 days and now many states are beginning to issue "stay-at-home" orders for all residents.

**With these recent actions, the uncertainty of the near future and the safety and well-being of our pool players worldwide, the Board has decided to cancel the 2020 VNEA World Championships at Bally's in Las Vegas on May 20-30.**

We did not say the "40th Anniversary" above because for the World Championships scheduled for May 27-June 5, **2021** at Bally's in Las Vegas we will still be celebrating our "40th Anniversary" and it will be bigger and better than it would have been this year as we have an extra year to plan.

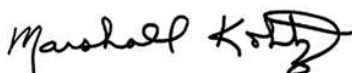
Also, stay tuned because as this pandemic improves and we get back to our normal lives, we hope to host some virtual Tournament events, contests, etc. this summer as your Association truly appreciates your loyalty and support and looks forward to great times ahead.

For now, we encourage you all to do your part in eradicating this horrific disease, comply with all CDC guidelines and wish you well in these extraordinary, challenging times.

Sincerely,



**R. Gregg Elliott**  
Executive Director



**Marshall Kohtz**  
President



**Room Reservations that were booked through the VNEA Room Block at Bally's or Paris have been automatically canceled.**

**If players booked outside the VNEA Room Block or elsewhere, be sure to let them know their reservations are still intact.**

*Michigan is one of the States that is under a "Stay-At-Home" order but I will be in the office (my second home) as much as possible to answer any questions, so do not hesitate to call as we work through this absolutely, unbelievable, unique situation together.*

**Stay safe...**