

American Cornhole Organization (ACO) Celebrates 20th Season Milestone, Revolutionizing Cornhole the Sport Worldwide

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The American Cornhole Organization (ACO) is celebrating a big milestone with its 20th season, showcasing its significant role in the world of cornhole. Since Frank Geers founded it in 2005, the ACO has played a crucial part in turning cornhole from a casual backyard game into a recognized competitive sport that's enjoyed worldwide by both players and fans. This season highlights two decades of growth, change, and reaching new heights.

As the official governing body for the sport, the ACO has worked hard to create a professional and standardized way to play the game. Through organizing major events like the ACO World Championships of Cornhole and the ACO Pro Series, the organization has given players a stage to show off their skills and talents. These events have become very popular, changing how the sport is seen and experienced. To explore the array of tournaments organized throughout the year, players can find more details on their official American Cornhole website.

The ACO has made its mark with innovations in cornhole equipment and cornhole rules that set new standards. Moving from corn-filled bags to resin-filled bags improved both durability and performance, changing gameplay for the better. When ACO PlayersChoice bags were introduced, with their dual-sided design for slick or sticky shots, it offered cornhole players strategic shots that weren't possible before. These changes in equipment have affected how the game is played and understood, for both beginners and seasoned players, adding consistency to their sport no matter where the game is played.. Those interested in purchasing ACO Certified Cornhole Equipment and playing by ACO Official Sport of Cornhole Rules can visit the online shop or website.

Beyond equipment and rules updates, events like the ACO Pro Series Skins Competition and the inaugural

ACO Europe Major held in Manchester UK in 2024 and the Canada Major to be played September 2025, in Charlottetown, PEI, show the organization's efforts to take the sport beyond American borders, promoting it worldwide. Information on the world standings and player rankings is available on the official ACO site.

Inclusivity is central to ACO's mission. Partnerships with groups like the National Senior Games Association and adaptable game formats highlight that cornhole is a sport for all, welcoming participants of various abilities. These efforts make sure everyone can participate, enjoy, and compete. For those interested in joining this vibrant community, ACO offers memberships which include exclusive access to events globally.

The ACO isn't just visible on the court. It has increased the sport's popularity through its media efforts. Their YouTube Channel shares tournament coverage and highlights, reaching fans everywhere. With shows like "Hole Nation" hosted by Rich Pyle and the longstanding podcast TACO (Talkin' ACO), the organization engages more deeply with the cornhole community. Appearances on ESPN and TNF, collaborations with 'Cornhole the Movie', and publication of the '100% Official Cornhole Cookbook' have also helped raise the sport's profile.

Frank Geers, the Cornhole Dude, reflected on ACO's journey, saying, "The impact ACO has had on cornhole is profound. We've taken significant steps to professionalize the sport while ensuring it remains accessible and enjoyable for everyone." He also shared, "Celebrating our 20th season is not just a milestone for the ACO but a testament to the dedication and passion of everyone involved in the cornhole community."

A standout achievement was the declaration of ACO World Cornhole Day, celebrated on the last Saturday of July each year. This day honors cornhole's history, its growth, and the community spirit it fosters. It highlights the sport's dual role as a competitive event and a tradition that creates friendships and unity.

In sum, the American Cornhole Organization remains a driving force in shaping the sport. With a strong foundation built over 20 seasons, the ACO is set to continue fostering the growth and recognition of cornhole worldwide. Their dedication to advancing the game ensures that the ACO's impact will keep influencing the sport for the future.

For more on the American Cornhole Organization, visit their official website, catch their events on the YouTube Channel, or learn about the ACOO history on Wikipedia.

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