



**INFORMATION IN RELATION TO COVID-19 (Coronavirus) 1.4.2020 #2
RE-OPENING OF THE GOLF COURSE**

Dear Member,

Last Monday as the Board was meeting to discuss and implement changes to comply with conditions announced by the Prime Minister on Sunday night, we were advised by Golf NSW that we were to close the course altogether. We closed from midnight that night.

This morning the Minister for Sport, Dr Geoff Lee made the official announcement that the closure directive was a mistake and golf courses could re-open. However, the social distance regulations remain and will be enforced.

We will re-open the course from 7am Friday morning. All Practice facilities will remain closed until further notice.

Do not bother arriving at the club greater than 20 minutes prior to your tee time.

CHANGES TO COMPETITIONS

1. Tee times will be between 7.15am & 2.15pm.
2. From Sunday when DST ends, tee times be 6.15am to 1.15pm
3. 6 min intervals from 10th tee only.
4. Singles Stableford comp only.
5. Monday Competitions will be Open Medley comps
6. Players encouraged to Call Up on all par 3's.
7. Strict adherence to the 3 min lost ball rule.
8. Online and phone tee bookings only. All golf must be prebooked
9. All existing timesheets up to Friday 10th April will have all previous tee bookings deleted with the online booking system reopening for pairs to book in from Friday 3rd April at 7am.
10. All subsequent timesheets will release 8 days in advance online in the members portal at 9am

NOTE: These conditions are in addition to those previously announced in relation to the introduction of local rules relating to flagsticks, rakes, and scorecards, along with alcohol being prohibited on the course etc.

SOCIAL PLAY

Social play will be limited to two players per group and you must book a tee time on the sheet.

All social distancing conditions outlined above must be strictly adhered to.

PRO SHOP CHECK IN

No more than two players will be permitted into the Pro shop at any one time.

If you are waiting to enter the Pro Shop you must maintain social distancing.

We consider the situation so serious that if you deliberately breach any of the above conditions, you will be told to immediately leave the course with possible sanctions from the Board to follow.

I'm sure there are any number of suggestions as to how we can do things differently. However, please bear in mind that we have put these conditions in place in a relatively short space of time. I make no excuse for the lengths we have gone to and ask that you consider;

- * if we are seen to not be taking this virus seriously, we could be closed overnight.

- * the Police Commissioner has indicated that, whilst he supports people exercising on a golf course, if there are more than two people congregating around a pro shop, \$1000 fines will be issued.

- * other sports and businesses have been forced to close so I am sure that we will be under the microscope.

There are a lot of 'what ifs' and 'don't knows'. We don't know how big the fields will be going forward with many members having made the decision to stay away until we come out on the other side of the virus. We may well have members who miss out on a game due to the lesser number of spots. Rest assured we will be continually monitoring all issues and do the best we can to be fair to all members. We must work together if we hope to continue playing and exercising on the course.

Finally, if applicable, you should consider the Government advice that people over

the age of 70 should stay indoors, self-isolate and limit contact with others as much as possible. This also applies to people 60+ who have a chronic illness.

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