



CLUB UPDATE

An Update to members from your Board

Best Wishes

The Directors once again wish all our members and staff well as life gradually returns to a new version of normal. .

Book a Table

To accommodate social distancing we have had to restrict both the number of tables and the number of seats within the bar and restaurant. We have thus introduced a table booking facility. Just phone the club on the day to book your table.

2020/21 Renewals

Just a reminder that this year's membership renewals are deferred until further notice.

Revised Opening Times

The Club will initially be open 4 days a week (Tuesday and Thursday 9am to 10.30pm, Saturday 9am to 6pm or Juniors end if later and Sunday 9am to 3pm).

Both the bar and restaurant will be open on all these days.

This will be reviewed as it becomes clear how many and how quickly members will be returning to utilise the Club. Our hope would be to move to normal summer time opening hours as soon as we can.

Re-opening July 26th

We are delighted to finally be able to say that our club is allowed to reopen! The Bowling Hall, bar and restaurant will all be open from Sunday July 26th.

See left for temporary revised opening times.

Note that the government's restriction on socialising indoors in groups of no more than two households will apply to our club for now. (Anyone in your support bubble counts as your household). Currently this is interpreted as applying 'per table' within the bar and restaurant and 'per rink' within the bowling hall. The EIBA are still in consultation with the government around this point.

As a consequence, we are initially restricted to individual roll ups, games of singles and games of pairs involving no more than two "households".

We do hope that this two "household" restriction will be relaxed very soon, and the EIBA hope to come back to clubs on this point over the coming week.

What will it be like when we do re-open?

Things will be a little different.



To make everything safe for both staff and members we have had to make various changes around the club. All based on guidance given to us from the government and the EIBA. This even includes temporary changes to the laws of the game, as provided by the EIBA.

Volunteers



To Our Volunteers

Again, thank you to everyone who has already helped with getting the club ready for re-opening.

Thanks also to all those who have volunteered to help going forward.

Once we are able to assess the level of interest from members in returning to the club we can identify the right time to commit to further staff being brought back from furlough.

In the meantime, Ed Harris will be brought back immediately on re-opening, and Ed will liaise with our volunteers to ensure the smooth running of the club.

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Member Guidance

All of these changes will be explained, in full, in our new “Member Guidance” booklet.

This will be emailed out to members and made available on our website over the next few days. And for members who prefer to actually ‘see’ the changes in action, we will also be posting a video version of the Guidance next weekend.

There will of course also be plenty of signage in and around the club.

If, having viewed the above Guidance, any member feels that they need someone to run through the various changes with them in person, do let us know (email the club on the usual address, or send a web message to that effect, and a volunteer will get back to you). We appreciate that there may be a lot to take in when you return to your club!

Outdoor Seating

One topic of feedback from members following our last Club Update was provision of outdoors seating. Fortunately, the club has 18 plastic chairs suitable for use outdoors and we will source a couple of outdoor tables ready for re-opening.

If you have any suitable outdoor seating that you could donate to, or lend to, the club please let us know. We can arrange for it to be collected from you.

Will any summer bowling activities be organised?

For the first couple of weeks it will be casual play only. Once we have clarification on the two “households” restriction from the EIBA your bowling committee can then assess the level of interest from members in returning to bowling over the summer and activities appropriate to the remaining duration of of the summer season will be arranged.

Regards

Bernard, Matthew, Neil and Paul

