

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



135th Anniversary

All F&B Outlets move into Mode of Operation C

Dear Member,

You will have recognised by now that we have been able to achieve the necessary levels of Staff vaccination that allows the Club to move into Mode of Operation C in our F&B Outlets. This means that members and their guests are able to enjoy seating for up to 6 persons as well as extended operating hours in all F&B Outlets. I am sure you will all agree that this is a very positive outcome.

In line with this, Government regulations require that everyone using the Club's F&B Outlets have to use the Leave Home Safe (LHS) app to gain entry to each and every F&B Outlet. The General Committee and Management have debated this issue at length and it is apparent that from both an operational and efficiency point of view the only practical way to administer use of the LHS app would be to have every member (and their guests) using the LHS app at the Front Entrance of the Club. **This means that from Thursday 1st July onwards, members will no longer have the option of swiping their Membership cards at the Front Entrance and the means of entry to the Club for both members and guests will be by using the LHS app only.** Once on the Club Premises there will be no further requirement to use the LHS app.

The safety and welfare of our staff and members are of paramount concern and I am sure you will agree that this is the sensible means of implementing these Government mandated regulations.

If there are members or guests that are aged over 65 or under the age of 16 (who are not accompanied by an adult), who do not possess a smart phone (as opposed to refusing to download the LHS app onto their smart phone) then please draw this to the attention of the Security team at the Front Entrance. In this instance a Government regulated form is required to be filled out which will be held by the Club for 31 days.

I would also note that there has been easing of the social distancing measures at the Swimming Pool Complex which means that we are able to have up to a maximum of 80 members in the Pool itself at any one time, and up to 125 members in total within the Swimming Pool Complex. However, the no Guest rule at the Swimming Pool Complex will remain in place until further notice. As a result of this it has now been decided to remove the 2 hour pool sessions and that members will be allowed in the Swimming Pool Complex on a first come first served basis. Please think of other members and look to be reasonable as to the amount of time you spend at the Swimming Pool Complex. A reminder too, that the Pool Lifeguards (and members of Staff from the Sports Department) manage the Swimming Pool Complex so please look to their direction at all times.

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