

NOTICE TO MEMBERS



135th Anniversary

COVID-19 Preventative Measures

Dear Member,

I am writing to report on the recent closure of the Club as a consequence of a member who entered the club Premises at 8.56 pm on Wednesday 24th February and who tested COVID-19 positive on Friday 26th February. The member used one of the Golf Simulators on the 3/FI from 9 pm to 10 pm and then used the Men's Changing Room on the 2/FI from just after 10 pm. He left the Club at 10.30 pm. The Club was first made aware that a COVID-19 infected person had been in the Club late on the evening of Friday 26th February when we were informed by another member who had received a message from the Leave Home Safe app. The Club was not informed by Leave Home Safe itself that a COVID-19 infected person had entered the Club on Wednesday 24th February and the Leave Home Safe app provided to the other member no details of the identity of the COVID-19 infected person, the time of his entry to the Club or where he went in the Club. We have established that only members who were in the Club in the evening and had scanned the app on entering had received any message from Leave Home Safe. As soon as we became aware of the position we decided to close the Club for deep cleaning purposes which we duly did after close of business on Saturday 27th February.

Going forward, and in order to tighten up ingress/egress procedures we are installing Membership Card readers at the Front Entrance where every member will be required to swipe their membership card on entry to the Club (and on leaving the Club). If you do not have your membership card with you then you will have to use the Leave Home Safe app. Similarly, all Guests/non-members entering the Club will now have to use the Leave Home Safe app – there will no longer be a “sign-in” facility available. This new access procedure will start from Thursday 4th March 2021. I trust that all Members will comply with this new procedure and that any Guests etc are made fully aware, prior to coming to the Club, of the new procedures for their entry to the Club in order to avoid any unnecessary embarrassing situations.

In closing, I would ask that any Member who becomes aware that they have been tested positive for COVID-19 directly informs the Club as soon as possible, which they can do by email on covidinfo@hkfc.com.

Michael J Wood
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