

The Muddeford Club

Dear Member

Time for another mid-month update on what's happening, and hopefully we won't need to do many more! It's not good news for everybody however - spare a thought for the conspiracy theorists - over 16M people now jabbed and nobody has dropped dead or become a zombie controlled by Bill Gates!

Of course, with that particular fantasy now looking about as credible as it deserves, people have found something else to make up stories about. We have learned this week that the latest rumour is that the Club will never re-open! Well, if anyone tells you that, please tell them they are talking rubbish and then pass them on to me and we can arrange a little side-bet, name your stake!

There isn't a great deal to report this month. Possibly the only positive effect of this whole pandemic is that due to reduced turnover predicted for the year, we managed to save a few hundred quid on the Club insurance policy, which is now in effect.

You may have heard on the news a story about changes to the terms for repaying Covid loans. Geoff Cossey has been all over this one and we are in the process of changing our payback period to 10 years to reduce monthly outgoings. Also, when repayments are due to begin in the summer, we will take a 6 month repayment holiday on the capital and pay just the interest until Christmas, to allow us to start getting some cash building up - with any luck! This will allow another two such payment holidays to be taken during the term of the loan.

Cricket Club

Let's finish on a positive note. The Cricketers have decided to organise a charity fundraiser for March and you can read the full detail [here](#), in today's Echo.

Basically, to try and help both the mental and physical wellbeing of the players, in March they will try to run the equivalent distance to visiting every UK County Cricket Ground - some 1008.6 miles!

All money raised will be split equally between the Club (who lost almost all their match-fee income last season) and Macmillan Caring Locally.

If you would like to make a small donation, you can do it (and get more info) on [this page](#). And please, for the social media savvy, share this wherever you can.

Please, take care and get those jobs as soon as your turn comes around.

Richard Leyshon
On behalf of the Management Committee