

Dear Members,

Well, no great surprise, we have an extra month of restrictions coming our way but hopefully this will see the end of mask wearing and table service as of Monday 19th July - fingers crossed. Until then, we carry on pretty much as we are.

Events

Unfortunately, this means we will no longer be able to have our first live music since March last year on 3rd July but, if we can find anyone available, hopefully something a bit later in July or early August. Saturday's skittles, reduced to 8 teams seemed to work pretty well with good social distancing and hand hygiene so perhaps we can run another one of these in a few weeks, keep an eye out for posters.

Subs

We have now had 14 of the planned 28 subs sessions. There is a break of a few days now and sessions will restart on Sunday (20th June) at 1pm.

Times and dates may be found here.

The idea had been that we would have a number of sessions after restrictions are lifted so that any vulnerable members could feel safe coming in. However, we do need the subs finished by the time of the AGM.

So, we will add **one final date** on the first restriction-free day. The last subs session will therefore be **Monday 19th July from 12:30pm**.

Anyone who does miss the deadline can still pay with the usual £5 admin charge. We will accept late payments from Fri 23rd July until the end of August. Place your green membership wallet in an envelope with your subs (either £18 or £28) plus the £5 late payment charge. Make sure you include a contact phone number and/or email and include any changes to your details (e.g. new address) then leave your envelope behind the bar. Processed cards will be available for collection within 2-3 days.

AGM

When planning a date for the AGM, we did build in a few weeks for possible delays in easing restrictions, so this can go ahead on the planned date of Thursday 22nd July at 8pm. Please note that you must have a current (paid-up) membership card (your green wallet which needs a 2121 sticker inside) to gain entry and any members who failed to pay their subs in time cannot do it on the night!

Quiz

Quizzers please note that next week, due to the football (Eng v Czech Republic, shown in both bars), **the quiz** will move from Tuesday 22nd to Thursday 24th June, for one week only. Normal 8:30pm start.

Darts

We have been informed that Friday night League darts will resume on 3rd September. It sounds like the Monday and Thursday leagues may be starting at similar times and we'll let you know when we do.

Equipment failures

Apologies that the info screens in the Club are currently down due to failure of a device. This is an example of Sod's Law in the extreme. For 5 years, that equipment was covered by a rental agreement, but after 5 years, it was paid off and the kit became ours. It broke down less than a month later!

The replacement unit is due in the next couple of days and we hope to have things ready again in time for next week's Quiz, at the very latest.

And on that theme, months of not being used took it's toll on the coffee machine which also died, about 5 minutes after the warranty ran out. I am told that the replacement is being installed as I type so hopefully coffee/hot chocolate etc will be available again from today.

So, that's it for now. One extra month of mask wearing then, with any luck, and so many people jabbed, we can return to something like normal.

Richard Leyshon
On behalf of the Management Committee