

IMPORTANT CLUB STATEMENT ON CLUB POLICY RE COVID 19

As the situation around the Covid19 continues to evolve at a rapid pace the Club are constantly looking at what the best options are for the wellbeing of our members and staff. The Officers met to discuss the next steps for the Club and below is a summary of the actions that were agreed which will come into effect as of 10pm Tuesday 17th March 2020.

The golf course and professional shop will remain open for business, however all areas within the Club will close from 10pm Tuesday 17th March 2020.

This will be kept under continuous review.

- The clubhouse will be closed from 10pm today, Tuesday 17th March 2020.
- The course will remain open for casual play only
- All Club competitions have been cancelled.
- For GUI/ILGU competitions please check relevant websites.
- All tee times for casual golf MUST be booked via the BRS booking system. This is to ensure that we have full traceability of all members who come to the Club and controlled access to the course.
- Groups may only start on the 1st hole or 10th hole as stipulated by the course manager. Two tee starts or cutting in are PROHIBITED. You can only tee off at times scheduled on the BRS system. We have staff working on the course and we need to ensure they are given adequate time to prepare and maintain the course and for their safety.
- No visitors or guests will be permitted to the Club and this includes family members who are not members of Belvoir Park.
- Any member who has returned from travels overseas in the last 14 days are asked to please refrain from visiting the club for at least 14 days from the date they returned to Northern Ireland.
- The locker room and trolley store will be open from 07:30 to 20:00 each day until Friday 20th March 2020 so that members can collect their clubs/equipment. There will be no access to the other areas of the Clubhouse. Internal doors from the locker rooms to the main Clubhouse areas will be "taped off" and we would ask all members to respect this restriction, except in the case that a fire may present itself. CCTV is in operation to monitor compliance with this requirement.
- The showers will be out of service and all towels will be removed.
- The on-course toilet will be closed.
- Juniors will be permitted on the grounds of the club provided they have a booked BRS tee time. It is anticipated that they will arrive not more than 30 minutes before their booked tee time and must be collected no later than 30 minutes after their round has finished. This policy must be adhered to and will be strictly enforced.
- The practice facilities, which includes the short game area, chipping green, putting green, practice nets and practice area by the 1st and 18th hole are all closed.
- Buggies will no longer be available.
- The Pro Shop will be open but can only be accessed through the main Pro shop door.
- We ask that members respect a strict policy of no more than 4 people in the Pro shop at any one time.
- The Pro shop will operate on a zero cash basis. All payments must be via contactless or chip and pin debit/credit card facilities. The machine will be wiped clean after every transaction.
- The administration office will be closed, and contact can be made via phone or email.
- Members are asked not to remove or tend the flag while on the golf course. Use a gimme rule where possible to limit the interaction with the cup. Bunkers will be GUR and rakes removed. Airlines for cleaning shoes will be switched off.

All our Club policies and procedures will be kept under review as we closely follow the updates from the NHS and Government Departments to ensure we are taking the necessary steps to ensure the wellbeing of all those who visit the Club. We would advise everyone to regularly check the <https://www.nhs.uk> for updates which outlines measures that are being taken.

It goes without saying that these are exceptional circumstances and this decision has not been made lightly. We trust that everyone will understand that the health of our members and our staff is of paramount importance. We acknowledge that this also has an impact on our house, social, spousal and corporate members and appreciate your continued support.

There will obviously be severe financial implications for the Club and we hope that you will all support your club where possible.

We will continue to keep the members informed as the situation evolves.

The Club Officers
Belvoir Park Golf Club