Following the latest period of Lockdown, the Club is looking forward to welcoming all Members back very soon.

The Course opens on Monday 29th March with subsequent openings detailed in the recent Timeline post on the Forum.

The Booking system will open on Monday 22nd March at 7am. Golf can be played in 4 balls now, and we have introduced an 8-minute tee time spacing as this will get more golfers on the course. This does still require the necessary Social Distancing, so if any group on the Course does fall behind pace, then do let following groups through to avoid any congestion.

Please bear in mind that golfers all over the country will be desperate to book tee times, so there may possibly be some delays in making bookings. The Servers across England will be under pressure, but we have been advised that there should not be issues in connecting.

Once Members start the booking process, you will have a reduced time of 4 minutes to complete the booking, as this stops large batches of tee times being "held" in the system and unavailable to book. This is a positive action to help ease the booking process.

If any member has to cancel a booking, then it is vital that it is cancelled on-line, or phone the Pro Shop and ask them to do so. We are restricting the Course to Members only (no guests, no visitors) for the first 6 weeks or so, to thank Members for their tremendous support of the Club. It is really important therefore, that tee times are not "wasted" by no-shows. Many things happen between booking and the time you play, but if it is unavoidable, then please do cancel in good time for another member to take the tee slot.

Please also refrain from putting "guest" into any slot. As mentioned, Guests are not allowed yet, so any booking showing a "guest" will be reduced to just the Member.

The 11th Tee is open for play on Saturday and Sunday mornings, and Mick Taylor will be in the Pro Shop on the weekend of 27th & 28th March taking bookings for the following first weekend.

There are no Competitions in the pipeline just at this stage, but there is a Golf Committee Meeting next week at which decisions will be made as to which Competitions/Knockouts etc will be staged this coming season. This will be notified to Members as soon as possible.

Looking ahead to restriction free golf from June 21st (we hope)

As mentioned in the Q&A session held on Zoom last week, after the success of attracting so many votes for the AGM the Board decided to continue involving all members in making the most important decisions. The format for play on the full resumption of play is one such issue.

With that in mind, the Board will shortly circulate a Survey Monkey online survey form to all Golfing Members with a range of options for the full resumption of play.

The options to offer are currently under review and the Survey Forms will be with you within the next week or two.

Regards

Board of Directors