

Blog from Bharat Patel – Social director

As the year draws to a close, I wanted to take a moment to express my deep and sincere gratitude to everyone that has helped make a difficult year feel a bit more fun, a bit more enjoyable and a bit more sociable!

On behalf of Shirley Park Golf Club, I would like to start by thanking all of our valued members and their guests for coming along and supporting the variety of social events throughout the year.

I truly hope you have enjoyed, and will continue to enjoy, your time at the club.

All of these events would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our colleagues. For all of their efforts, I would like to thank Jan & the entire bar team and Alex & the entire catering team for continuously providing a great service. I would particularly like to thank the efforts of Rory and Jayne who helped organise these events.

It has been a tough 20 months, let's be honest! Despite the challenges, we still found the time and opportunity to have fun, laugh, eat and drink (and most importantly, played golf) at the club.

As you already know, the current situation and the on-going uncertainty has understandably made many of us rethink our plans about socialising over the festive period. As such, regretfully, the remaining two social events of the year have had to be cancelled ; Christmas eve carol singing and karaoke and New Year's Eve party. I know this will be disappointing to many of you, but I hope you will understand the reasons behind this difficult decision.

I know we are all looking forward to 2022 and being able to socialise more freely with our friends at the club again.

I will be sending around a social events calendar for next year very soon. As and when these planned events are finalised, I will send a notice to all members with further details; I hope you will attend as many of these events as you can – to make up for lost time!

As ever, I would welcome suggestions for social events you'd like to see held at the club. You can send your suggestions to me via email at [bharatkumar@payallc.com](mailto:bharatkumar@payallc.com).

And finally, I wish you all a very merry festive season. Let's make 2022 a truly fun-packed year at the club!

Cheers,

Bharat