

Dear Valued Member

Following the recent announcement by the government and Wales Golf we are pleased to inform you that the golf course will reopen on Monday 18 May.

Whilst we understand you are all keen to get out on the course we ask that you all abide by the guidelines set out below in order that everyone is able to play and enjoy the course.

Please be mindful of the following information from Wales Golf regards travel and exercise.....

'Golfers will only be permitted to play locally, with travelling distances by vehicle to undertake exercise still banned in Wales.'

The term local is defined by Welsh Government below:

- **What do we mean by local?**
- **People should not travel a significant distance from their home to exercise.**
- **We have deliberately not defined this more precisely as it could be seen to be arbitrary and it will also depend on the circumstances – what people perceive to be “local” in Cardiff on the one hand, and in Mid Wales on the other, could be quite different.**
- **People are asked to exercise good judgement and common sense. If you live in Cardiff and have driven to Porthcawl to exercise, you haven't stayed local**

We understand that Powys County Council will be making unannounced visits to courses when they re-open to ensure that the guidelines are being adhered to. Anyone not doing so could be fined and this could result in the Course being closed down

John & Alex have worked hard to keep the course in the best condition possible however some areas are not where John would like them to be at this time of year and further essential maintenance is required to get them back up to standard.

Even though the course is open our Greenstaff will remain halved and therefore we have set specific start tee times to enable them to get ahead of golfers teeing off, we ask that you respect this and stick to the official opening hours. Please remember Greenstaff have priority on the course.

We know that these measures are cumbersome but have all faith that members will respect the requirements set out herewith and enjoy playing golf again albeit with these necessary restrictions

Stay safe and stay well

Rob Goodwin, Club Captain

Before you play your Round

- **Bookings**
 - Tee times are available between 8am – 6:30pm daily.
 - Bookings **must** be made on line (if you do not know your log in then please contact Emily who will ensure that you are given a user name and password).
[The booking sheet will open at 10am on Saturday 16 May 2020.](#)
 - Booking can only be made 7 days in advance
 - Golfers are limited to one round of golf per day and a maximum of two rounds per week. (This will be monitored and changed as necessary)
 - **Golfers can play as a single player or in two's if from the same household *[this has been determined by Wales Government and Wales Golf]***
 - A minimum of 10 minute intervals **must** be observed between tee times.
- **Arrival and Waiting to Play**
 - The clubhouse, toilets and locker room facilities will be closed.
 - Please ensure you arrive no more than 15 minutes before your tee time, thus allowing you time to change your shoes in the car park
 - You **must** observe the social distancing 2 meter rule whilst in the car park and waiting to tee off.
 - Access to the first tee must be via rear of the changing rooms entering from the top end of the putting green.
 - The putting green will remain open however you **must** once again observe the 2 meter rule and give priority of use to the players in the next group due to tee off
 - You must use your own golf equipment
 - No trolleys, carts or other items to be available for hire if you have your own buggy you will be able to use this weather permitting.
 - The Driving Range and Practice nets will remain closed for the foreseeable future

During the Round

Stakes defining areas of the course remain and should be treated as immovable obstructions and **must** not be touched at any time, if your ball is behind one of these then you **must** take a drop

- **The following on-Course Items have been removed:**
 - Benches, bins and ball-washers
 - Ball retrievers around ponds

- 150 yard markers and red & white marker posts on fairways
- Drinking fountains have been turned off, please ensure that you bring plenty of water with you
- **Hole and Flagstick**
 - Flagsticks have been removed. A notice at the first tee will inform you of the hole position for that day
 - The hole cup has been inverted for simple, contact free ball retrieval
- **Teeing Areas**
 - Tee markers have been removed, this will help spread the wear on the tees and enables ease of mowing for John and Alex,
 - Golfers **must** maintain 2 metres apart when teeing **off**
- **Bunkers**
 - The bunkers have had no attention since storm Dennis and should be treated as ground under repair and appropriate relief taken
- **General**
 - Golfers **must** stay more than 2 metres apart when walking to their ball, searching for a ball and playing shots.
 - Please do not touch stray balls.

After the Round

- On completion of your round please leave the course via the exit at the back of the Proshop, to ensure that social distance is observed with those who may be waiting to tee off.
- Social distancing is as important after your round as it is during the round, when your round is over you **must** leave the course and the club facilities immediately so that there are no gatherings in or around the clubhouse area or car park.
- Members must call or email the golf club with any post round health issues or COVID-19 related queries at the earliest possible opportunity

Rules of Golf Related Matters

- **Forms of Play**
 - Social golf only is allowed
 - There **must** be no competition golf for the foreseeable future.

- Score cards will not be available until such time as it is deemed acceptable to play competition golf

Disclaimer

When you arrive for your booked time at Cradoc Golf Club during the period of COVID-19 outbreak, you agree that you are entering at your own risk and agree to adhere to all restrictions mentions above and any verbal instructions given to you when you arrive at Cradoc Golf Club.

You also understand the following:

If you have:

- **COVID-19**
- **Been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, or is suspected to have COVID-19 or is in self isolation**
- **A fever (i.e. 37.5 degrees or above) or respiratory symptoms (e.g. sore throat, cough, shortness of breath)**

You are NOT permitted onto the car park or golf course at Cradoc Golf Club