

Well here we are on the 1st of May, and hopefully things are slowly heading back to the normal as we knew it.

Still a way to go, and if everyone plays by the rules, we should be in good stead to beat these things.

No cases in Whakatane doesn't mean we can be complacent, and I will go through the rules for playing golf under level 3 again, as it seems there are some who are pushing the boundaries.

The impact for people breaching the rules won't just affect our Club, but the whole of New Zealand and golf in general.

The attitude of 'I want to play therefore I will' is pretty selfish in these times, and I know the majority of people are playing ball, and I really appreciate that.

Those that aren't, please think long and hard about our members who can't get out here at the moment, those waiting for surgeries that have been postponed, those with frail or infirmed family members, and keep us all safe.

I have changed the booking system from Monday so that only one person can book off a tee (sorry to those couples who complied), and you book off 1 & 10. You can still play as a pair, but the second person will need to sign in on the register outside the Pro-Shop. I can already hear the comments of "I can't be bothered with that malarky" etc etc etc, well, rules breakers have caused this so tell them, not me.

Also, the rules of etiquette and golf still apply, so consider your fellow golfers on the course, don't disturb their play, hit up on them, interrupt their play with your behaviour, or generally be a nuisance.

I realise that sounds like a huge moan, and to be honest I would rather not do it, but (I want us to get back up and running full on just as soon as you do, and this is a reflection of the comments/phone calls/ emails I have received. I appreciate that I got some things wrong at the start, and have put my hand up for that, but let's get this sorted and get to normal.

GOLF UNDER LEVEL THREE:

YOU CAN EITHER PLAY ON YOUR OWN, OR WITHIN YOUR BUBBLE -

You can extend your bubble to include an
1. a couple or single person if they live alone,

2. a caregiver,
3. close family/whanau.
4. some-one who needs care.

BUT YOU STILL NEED TO MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING AT ALL TIMES AMONG YOURSELVES AND OTHERS OUT HERE. I know of lots of people who have 'bubbled up' as two singles, or taken a single into there bubble. Well done you guys.

USE THE ON-LINE BOOKING SYSTEM, as this is our contact tracing system. There is also a sign-in register by the Pro-Shop for your extra person from next week, or those who didn't book on-line. Please remember the 10 minute spacing between tee off's.

REMEMBER - NO FACILITIES ARE OPEN - that includes the building, course toilets, ball washers, drinking fountains or card printing facilities.. This is for your safety

COME READY TO PLAY AND LEAVE ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR ROUND

Now I don't intend to be out here waving a big stick and telling people off, and I know there is chatter out there about who is whose bubble, etc etc, but the bottom line we are adults, and we are trusting that you are taking this situation as seriously as we are, and not endangering others.

COURSE HANDICAP TABLE

I am putting up new sheets of these for you, but only the basic ones so fa behind the glass at the front of the building.

You can also check these out on My Golf as they relate to you.

There is a DotGolf App for your phones, but please don't ask me, I haven't the faintest idea what this is, or how it works, but I do know lots of our members do. Ask your friends if they can help, and I will keep looking for instructions for this,.

GOOD NEWS

I have been getting great feedback from our sponsors and how we are supporting them during this time. As more and more businesses open, more of

our sponsors will be back at work and looking for your support.

One generous member want to support Kris Gundersen during this time, and is prepared to subsidise pre-booked and prepaid coaching lessons by 10%.

Contact Kris directly on 0274253914 to take advantage of this generous offer.

Thank you Lewis for your thoughtfulness and consideration during this time.

I can't say I was surprised at the queues they showed of people waiting to get takeways once the restrictions lifted, but I am really concerned that the queue will be longer at the hairdressers.

There are some hilarious videos doing the rounds of home cuts, and looking at some, I think people are brave putting them up. One of my friends gave her husband a racing stripe from his chin to the top of his head! He wasn't impressed.

Keeping staying safe folk, if we all abide by Level 3, the light at the end of the tunnel is getting bigger and bigger. I think we have done a tremendous job so far, and it would be disastrous if it was all thrown away now.

Don't forget to tell your friends that this email is on our website and a link on Facebook as well.

Catch you next Friday.

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From January 1st 2015, New Anti-Money Laundering (AML) legislation requires that all real estate operators seek more information from clients relating to their identity and source of funds.