



LONG REEF GOLF CLUB LTD.

1st April 2020

MEMBER UPDATE: COURSE CLOSED

There has been a great deal of media discussion today about whether golf courses should be open, as a form of exercise, or closed as part of the directive to protect people's health.

The Board has discussed our options today and made the decision that the course will remain closed until further notice.

In the spirit of transparency, our rationale really fell into two areas. We have a responsibility to play our part in protecting our Members and staff from the spread of COVID-19 and Ensuring total compliance with "social distancing" directives is virtually impossible and therefore, places the Club at financial risk of any breaches.

We understand that many Members would have welcomed the opportunity to get back out onto the course but we could not guarantee that could be accomplished safely.

As has been previously advised, after 14 days, any period of closure for COVID-19 will suspend Membership and the Membership year will re-commence when it is safe for the course to re-open.

We will obviously continue to monitor the situation and act accordingly but anticipating that the "social distancing" regulations will be in place for at least a month, we have advised Pete Donkers to proceed with major renovations of particularly the greens - remedial work which has not been carried out for decades and will ensure the best possible putting surfaces when we re-open.

The decision will no doubt be welcomed by some and disappoint others. I hope those Members that disagree with it, at least understand our position. If you have any comment that you wish to share, I'm putting my Email address out there again- <u>captain@lrgc.com.au</u>

Please stay safe and healthy and I look forward to seeing you back on the golf course as soon as practical.

All the best, Doug