

# April Newsletter

## Club Closure

The Committee took the unanimous decision to close the club for an indefinite period following the announcement made by Boris Johnson on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. The situation will be kept under review.

## Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting due to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> March was postponed due to the corona virus emergency (CVE). The committee held their normal post-AGM meeting at the planned time for the AGM to ensure that the new committee was fully operative.

Robin Hayes, Edwin Bone and Brian Gardner were all standing unopposed at the postponed AGM for the three vacant positions on the Committee. As such, they were considered as duly elected and welcomed into membership of the Committee.

Sarah Hayes was proposed by David Magee (seconded by David Foulser) as the new Chair of the Committee and duly elected by unanimous approval. Julia Lowery was elected as Vice-Chair by unanimous approval.

Sarah Hayes expressed sincere thanks, on behalf of the Committee and the Club's entire membership, to the retiring Committee Members for their many years of continuous hard work and dedicated efforts in the service of the Club – namely Adam Moliver, Michael James, Russell Barter and Roger Willbourn.

## Emergency Procedures

The Committee agreed the following with immediate effect for the duration of the CVE only :

- Committee Meetings can be held not only in person but also through the medium of any internet-based application.
- Notices to Members will be circulated via the club website, email newsletters and/or individually delivered circulars. This is to ensure that no-one is required to visit the Clubhouse to view Notices and that no contradictory or unsafe messages are circulated.
- The formation of a Corona Virus Action Team (CAT) to be the focal point for discussion regarding the Corona Virus Emergency (CVE) and to make

recommendations concerning any acknowledged disaster or national emergency.

- To authorise the Committee to apply for any Government Grants or other funding or financial relief which may become available.

## **Corona Virus Action Team**

Adam Moliver, Eileen Magee and Deborah Albertsen are to be the members of the Corona Virus Action Team. Its purpose is to provide informed advice and recommendations to the Committee concerning all matters connected with the use and management of the Club during the national CVE. Information, recommendations for action and vital news are to be sent by the CAT to the Secretary for distribution to the Committee; any responses are to be fed back within a matter of hours, if they wish to be taken into consideration. The CAT members will be keeping up-to-date with the various releases from Government and Health Departments. It is anticipated that a CCC Buddy System will be created by them over the coming weeks.

## **A Message from Sarah**

Hello everyone,

Well – I didn't think that the first Newsletter from the new Committee would be when the Club would be closed! – with no play due till after end of May at the earliest.

The situation changes so quickly – each decision we make is cancelled out by Government announcements which makes planning very tricky. Believe me when I say that no-one is more disappointed than I about not being out there merrily bashing balls around.

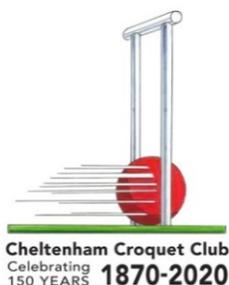
There are already some great ideas on the back burner for a number of different scenarios – we will try to ensure there will be plenty on offer when all this is over.

Your Committee still has lots to be getting on with – mainly administration plus lots of added extras including projections for the CA and questionnaires.

So – look after yourselves and, any questions may be sent to me on [burrowsarah5@gmail.com](mailto:burrowsarah5@gmail.com)

Best wishes, Sarah

## Cheltenham 150 Celebrations



The celebrations due for 30th May have been postponed, owing to the CVE. Members are asked to keep **Saturday 19th September** clear in their diaries, as it is possible that we may be able to hold our celebrations on that day (in an amended form), depending upon how matters with the CVE evolve

The Fund-Raising Raffle being managed by Naomi Whitehead will go ahead. However the date of the draw will no longer be 30th May. It is hoped that a new date can be fixed within the next month or so. It is possible that this may be 19th September but that is not certain. Given the current constantly evolving environment, the Committee does not believe that a new Draw Date should be fixed now, only for it to be changed yet again at a later date. All tickets already bought will still be valid for the draw even though the date is to be changed.

## Barbeque – Saturday 1st August

The barbeque planned for Saturday August 1st is, of course, under review.

## Club Competitions 2020

All tournaments have been cancelled up until 31st May and all club internal competitions are also suspended until that date. This provision will be kept under constant review by the Committee between now and 31st May.

## 100 Club

The April draw for the monthly prizes of the 100 Club has resulted in the following winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Deborah Albertsen; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Maryse Roberts; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Peter Petrie

## PFC Mallets “Try & Buy”

This has been postponed to an indefinite date.

## Editor’s Note

As Sarah has said already, I’m sure that none of us expected to be in this position now – I for one haven’t hit a croquet ball since before Christmas (I find I

get too cold in January and February) and was looking forward to playing in the Easter Handicap.

Very best wishes to all of you, and please take care.

By the way, in view of today's date, I postponed circulating this newsletter until after 12 noon!

John Gilden, 1 April 2020