



## MEMBERS UPDATE

MAY 2020

I am pleased to inform our members that after 9 long and arduous weeks of being forced to close our club, the NSW Premier has announced a relaxation of restrictions which now allow for a partial re-opening of Clubs, Hotels, Restaurants and Cafés throughout NSW commencing June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Although we welcome the announcement, we are still waiting on a significant degree of additional information and instructions from the Government on the conditions and additional restrictions we will be required to comply with and specific clarification on patron entry requirements, registrations, Venue management enforcement obligations on social distancing guidelines etc.

To be honest, this announcement as welcome as it is, has surprised many of us whom had up until last week been previously advised that this event was not likely until July at the earliest, and as such our management planning had been based around those timeframes.

In the Club's previous announcements, we had informed our membership that when opening was scheduled, it was our intention based on those assumptions to restrict our trading in the initial period to the Eden Country Club until such time a complete re-opening could be staged and we had time to re-access the level the business activity arising from those constraints.

As such, over the course of the past six weeks, management had been working on plans to make a series of interim internal changes to the Country Club's gaming, food and members lounge areas to best accommodate a restricted trading operation prior to an expected reopening.

These changes were designed to comply with the limited 4 metre per person social distancing requirements which significantly restricts the Club's ability operate gaming machines and bar activities.

As these works will have not been undertaken as at June 1<sup>st</sup>, the decision to re-open the Recreation Club has been made to best accommodate and comply with the restrictions and maximise the most amount of patrons permissible under the new rules. This simply would not have been achievable at the Country Club within the timeframes announced.

The social distancing requirements for Venue Operators to comply with have also played a major factor in determining our trading times and associated conditions in regards to food service, gaming operations and general bar activities.

Put simply, life will NOT be the same as it was when re-open, or least for the foreseeable future until all bans and restrictions are removed.

As such, there will no raffle events, badge draws, Bingo or live entertainment for the foreseeable future until greater relaxation of the legislation is confirmed by both State and Federal Governments.

Unfortunately, due to the limited spacing requirements, the Club will NOT be operating its Courtesy Bus service as this is time.

### **NEW TRADING TERMS**

Opening of licensed venues is approved and regulated under the terms set down by NSW Health.

All licensed venues electing to re-open must be registered and comply with the strict conditions set by the Government.

Patron activity is restricted to "Designated Dining Areas only".

### **COVID -19 RESTIRCTIONS IN PLACE**

- **No standing within the licensed premise- patrons must be seated at all times.**
- **Maximum 50 patrons per designated Dining area**
- **All members and visitors must register contact details upon arrival**
- **Strictly maintain 1.5m social distancing (same household families exempt)**
- **No sharing of food plates/ bowls.**
- **Temperature screening may be in use upon arrival**
- **Our staff reserve the exclusive right to reject entry to any Patrons displaying flu like symptoms.**
- **Designated Covid- Safe Marshalls will be present on duty to monitor and advise patrons of safe distance behaviours.**

## REVISED TRADING TIMES

### RECREATION CLUB

Upstairs Dining Room	50 patrons
Fred Woods Lounge / Café areas.	50 Patrons inclusive of Gaming / TAB / Keno lounge

### TRADING HOURS

Monday to Thursday	11.30am - 9pm
Friday & Saturday	11.30am - 10pm
Sunday	11.30am - 6 pm

### “NEW“COAST BAR & GRILL

Buffet suspended until further notice.  
New a La Carte Menu Format.

### Booking Policy:

#### Lunch

No Reservations - First in Basis

#### Dinner

Bookings can be taken for the following dining sessions

Monday - Sunday

Lunch 12 Noon to 2 Pm

Monday - Saturday

Dinner 1<sup>st</sup> Dining session 5 pm - 6.30pm  
2<sup>nd</sup> Dining Session 6.45pm- 8pm

Tables will be held for advance bookings for a maximum of 10 minutes only.

### EDEN GARDENS COUNTRY CLUB - Effective as at 1st June.

Members Lounge including gaming area Maximum 50 patron capacity

#### Chefs Choice

Monday - Thursday

CLOSED

Friday

11.30 am - 9 pm

Saturday

10.30am - 9 pm

Sunday

11am - 8pm

#### Chefs Choice

Lunch 12 noon - 2pm

Dinner 5 pm - 8 pm \*

\*Take-away / Delivery available

Bowls restrictions still in place. Maximum 10 plyers per green.

Further review of trading times will be made upon commencement of Bowls competitions.

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

The annual 2020/2020 Membership renewals have been sent out by email or mail, if you have not received yours in the coming days please contact 6496 1577.

Regrettably given the events experienced within the past six months, the Club has had no option but to make necessary increases in the social and sporting affiliation fees.

In previous years, the additional income generated by tourists and social golfers has offset the bulk of true costs of the annual golf and bowls membership fees relative to the annual cost of operations, however this year we experienced a 70 % decline in social golf rounds given events at hand.

The increases in respect to Golf and Bowls this year despite rising, still reflects a significant subsidy in respect to the "retail" value of the membership which would equate to \$1,500 per membership for the golf and bowls facilities to be fully self-sufficient.

## **RENEWAL PAYMENTS**

### **EFT**

We encourage Members to use electronic forms of payment of EFT and direct transfer.

### **IN PERSON**

Renewal payments can be made in person at the Reception counter of Recreation Club (Only) between 11am -3 pm Monday to Friday.

Memberships may be left with the Supervisor outside those time and will processed next working day.

The Board, Management and Staff are looking forward to seeing our valued members back in the near future and if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to see one of our friendly staff members.

Andrew Terry  
Chief Executive Officer  
Behalf Board of Directors  
Eden Fishermen's Recreation Club