



# Knighton Heath Golf Club

Dear Member

In my previous update, I mentioned that Manco was working with the figures for running the Golf Club and how difficult it was – well we have argued and discussed the various options, including the reintroduction of a joining fee. We have arrived at a final decision, one that we feel is fair to all members, whilst representing the present climate that we find ourselves.

We have used the worst-case scenario, which means no help from Government, Societies or Visitors.

1. We have frozen subscriptions to last year's rates
2. We have based our figures on real time, up to and including December.
3. We have cancelled any out goings (costs) apart from essential to running the Club.
4. We will continue to investigate all available schemes, both local and national that might be of benefit to the running of the Club – without putting the Club in any debit.

By adhering to the points above we believe we can get Knighton Heath GC to the end of 2020 – but we will need help from you the members – to that end we are instigating the following plan to get us there:

**We will be setting the subscriptions at 50% of each category's annual cost for 2020.**  
(Rule 5.1 of the Memorandum & Articles of Association will still apply)

We believe that the Club will survive – trust me it will be difficult; we will not have any spare cash for unexpected expenses.

No one knows how long this shut down will last and no one is going to guess, hence our forecast to December. If things change before then, we will obviously be in a better place. When we get to December, we will assess the position that the Club is in and look at the realistic running costs to get us to June 2021.

At that time, we will come to the membership for another injection of funds to get us to June 2021. By following this plan, we are hoping to incorporate some sort of recompense for the loss of playing golf during this period.

The year 2020/2021 is going to be the strangest one that probably any of us will ever experience in our lifetimes. Manco believes that most of the membership will understand our reasoning behind this plan. There will be those who will never be happy with whatever decision we arrive at – to you I say you have an option.

When the invoices arrive (1 May 2020), you will have two options to choose from:

1. Pay 50% of the annual subscription plus the EG/DCGU/DCLGA fees.
2. Pay the full amount if you feel you want to or can – your choice.

These are unknown and frighten times – this year requires a different way of thinking to the norm, Manco are hoping that this pragmatic approach will get Knighton Heath GC to the other side of this pandemic in a good operational condition – with your help there is no reason why we should not – **Remember Knighton Heath is your golf club.**

I personally wish every member good health during this pandemic – **remember Stay at Home and stay safe.**

*Jim Airth*

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