



GOLF CLUB

## Important Announcement

### Coronavirus – Update No. 5

Erinvale Golf Club

Monday, 23 March 2020

Dear Members,

As indicated in previous Coronavirus Updates your committee and management are keeping the situation under constant review. Unless the situation is taken out of our hands by further restrictions under the State of National Disaster we will keep the golf course and clubhouse open. However, we are going to isolate as many areas as possible, limit contact, encourage social distancing and maintain extensive hygiene routines. We have consulted with Dr. Graham Ellis, monitored what other golf clubs are doing both locally and internationally and taken into account recommendations from GolfRSA.

As of tomorrow Tuesday, 24 March, the following measures will be introduced:

- No check in at the Pro Shop is permitted. This applies to both social golf and competition days. Competition fees, irrigation levy and golf cart hire (if applicable) will be deducted from your club account. By playing golf you are authorising the Club to debit your Club account with the appropriate amount. The Pro Shop will remain open for sales of merchandise and equipment.
- The Bag Drop area will be closed with immediate effect. Do not go to the Pro Shop to check in – go straight to the starter on the tee. If you have booked a golf cart it will be sanitised and ready for you on arrival with your name on the cart and the key in the ignition.
- For this process to succeed we request members to keep sufficient funds in their club account at all times. Please top up your account electronically – minimum top up R500.00. Nedbank is the Club's bank – please allow 48 hours for your EFT to reflect if you do not bank with Nedbank. The Club's account number is: 1060 0944 36, branch code 106012 . Your reference should indicate your Golf Club Membership number and name.
- The Handicap Terminal will be shut down. Please check your handicap online and enter your score online.
- Tee time reservations and golf cart bookings should be made online or by telephone with Carol Burger. Carol will be available to deal with membership issues - please respect social distancing rules.

- Halfway House will close with immediate effect. Golfers are permitted to bring their own snacks and soft drinks. Soft drinks and chocolates will also be available in the Terrace Bar. If you avail of this service after nine holes please do not consume these items in the Terrace Bar or Deck.
- No stopping in Halfway House or on the Deck is permitted. The marshalls will be on hand to oversee the new Halfway House rules. Access to the Ladies and Gents toilets as usual.
- The Gents Locker Room will be closed until further notice.
- Tuesday Ladies competitions, Eagles, Thursday and Saturday competitions will go ahead as normal. However, only one score card is required irrespective of the competition format. Only one signature is required on the score card which should be placed in the Score Card box on the Deck. Two clubs, jackpot and ball pool have been discontinued until further notice
- On the golf course the following rules apply: Leave the flag stick in at all times. Remove the ball carefully from the hole in order not to damage the rim of the cup. All rakes will be removed from the bunkers. Raking in the bunkers is optional, no nearer the hole, without penalty. Please rake the bunker with your feet or golf club. Your scores are eligible for handicap and for club competition purposes.

Some of these measures are extreme but necessary. It's up to our members to make them work and I earnestly request your patience and co-operation. If you need clarification on any matters please contact the Club's General Manager Blyth Reid or our Director of Golf, Julian Shaw.

For all previous Coronavirus Updates please log onto Spotlight or go to the Club's web site.

Let's hope we are allowed to continue playing. Stay healthy and safe.

Your Sincerely,

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