

Dear Members,

On behalf of your club board, we wanted to reach out to all of you as we navigate through this public health crisis. This is an unprecedented situation for all us with new federal or state guidelines seemingly announced daily. For now let us share with you the following.

First and foremost please accept our best wishes for your health and the health of your family. While we all cherish the time we spend at our club recreating and socializing your health is our first concern. Please be safe. Experts agree that “social distancing” – minimizing close proximity and contact with others – is one of the best ways to slow and prevent the spread of this virus. Please prioritize everyone’s well-being, practice appropriate social distancing and wash your hands frequently. We ask that while you are at the club please do not congregate in groups larger than 10, avoid touching surfaces, and maintain good social distancing practices.

Based on the most recent government guidelines our restaurant will be closing effective immediately. We will reassess in two (2) weeks and keep you updated on the plans and timeline for the re-opening.

The golf course will remain open however you will notice some changes. We are removing all the bunker rakes to avoid handling. Likewise we will be bringing in all the ball washers for the same reason. The flagsticks will remain but we are advising all players to leave them in the hole and to not handle the flagstick. We will continue to make carts available but will be enforcing a one player per cart rule. We do of course encourage you to walk if possible. Sand bottles will also be removed. There will be no water coolers as well. PLEASE bring your own water to stay hydrated.

All of this will also affect everyone who makes a living through our club. To the degree that you can, please remember to support our staff as they soldier on. This includes our pro shop, and when it reopens, our kitchen. This will be sincerely appreciated.

In this dynamic situation, there is no rulebook to cover every possibility. We are relying on the good judgement of members to do the right things for themselves, for our staff, for their families, and for our community.

We have already seen how our club comes together during challenging times and we are confident that Packanack Golf Club will once again come through this stronger than ever.

Once again please accept our very best wishes for you all during these most unusual times.

Sincerely

Christopher Tooman
Club President