

April 9, 2020

Dear DCC Members,

RE: Dunany Country Club closed until further notice

As promised in our last correspondence on March 24th, we are following up with you regarding our Dunany Country Club as we continue to deal with the COVID-19 global pandemic.

As the health and safety of our members, guests, staff and volunteers remains our utmost priority, your DCC Board has formed a COVID-19 Committee who are closely monitoring the situation. We are committed to staying informed and following the latest guidelines put forth by the Quebec Government, health officials, Municipality of Wentworth, Golf Canada, Golf Quebec and L'Association des clubs de golf du Québec (ACGQ).

Here are the current restrictions:

- 1- The Quebec Government has mandated the shutdown of all sports complexes, including golf clubs, for an undetermined amount of time.
- 2- On April 1st, the Quebec Government decreed access to the territory of the MRC Argenteuil closed except for essential travel.

As the Government has imposed the shut down of all golf courses in Quebec, and closed access to our Municipality of Wentworth within the MRC Argenteuil, the DCC has no choice but to remain closed for the foreseeable future. As we continue to monitor the situation, our golf course and its facilities are closed until the situation changes, possibly for the entire season. This also means our water is turned off and not available for public consumption. In light of these difficult circumstances the Board has decided that we will operate at a bare minimum of fixed costs in order to maintain the golf course, our primary asset, for the long-term viability of the club.

Our COVID-19 Committee held a videoconference on April 5th, 2020 and put forth the following decisions which have been approved by the DCC Board.

Annual Dues

As the DCC is a member-owned, not-for-profit organization; annual dues and social events are what keep us alive. We will most likely lose the profit from our social events, so now, more than ever we depend on our annual dues in order to function. While we are making every effort to cut spending and reduce expenses during this time, we simply would not survive without the ongoing support of you – our valuable members.

In the coming weeks, we will be sending out your invoice for approximately 65% of your regular fees. This will not include greens / social tickets.

There will be no \$100/member assessment for the Clubhouse Renovation Project this season.

At this time we will not be honouring any changes in membership classifications or resignations. However, we absolutely recognize, that all of us as Members, are facing personal uncertainty on many fronts. We want everyone to feel assured that, for those among us facing financial challenges, we as a Club have always and will continue to work with our Members to find satisfactory financial solutions. Reach out to Ingrid and Stephanie at ingrid.gratz@gmail.com or stephanielogothetis@gmail.com and let them know you would like to discuss options available to you. All discussions will remain confidential.

We require this level of reduced dues across all members to simply cover the minimum costs needed to preserve the golf course and have it ready to return to playability when the course re-opens. The Board has been monitoring a number of golf clubs in Quebec and Ontario and each of those clubs have invoiced for 100% of their member dues. We think the 65% rate, excluding tickets, is very reasonable approach given the circumstances we face. This is about saving our club and preserving our future.

Rest assured that we will continue to monitor the situation and keep in touch with you. If at some point we are indeed permitted to open the DCC we will re-asses the situation, make any relevant changes and keep you updated. We will post updates regarding any developments on the DCC website, so do check into our site. https://www.dunanycountryclub.com/

For more information from Wentworth & the Provincial Government, please click on the following links:

Wentworth Municipality: April 3rd message from Mayor Jason Morrison

Jason Morrison en Français

Québec Government: 2 avril - affiche.FR-ENG.pdf

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me, <u>dunanypresident@gmail.com</u> or to any Board Member with your questions, suggestions and feedback.

Please take good care of yourself and your loved-ones as we hope to be together in Dunany soon.

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