

Churchdown Club June newsletter

Firstly, welcome to June and officially the start of the summer! We hope you and your families are all well. Recently at the Club there has been an electrician in and further decorating going through into the Function Room, we promise to bring you updated images later as we are very excited about how everything is looking.

Refurbishment update

With the new bar top in place and flooring ready to be laid the last thing we want is our old flat roof leaking onto the shiny new surfaces which is why we are prioritising funding the roof replacement. We have offered members a couple of ways they may wish to support the Club to achieve this:

- either a 10-year or a 5-year membership, allowing you to secure your membership at the current price!
- Or through donating an amount of your choice through a donation page: <u>GOFUND</u>
 <u>ME ROOF DONATION PAGE</u>

(there is the option on the page to completely anonymise your donation) Both options have already received enquiries and support and we are grateful to everyone for considering supporting us especially at this time, if you wish to secure your membership please email: <u>cclub.secretary@btconnect.com</u>

Reopening update

At the moment we are continuing to keep a close eye on the regular Government updates and are putting in some exciting plans that should we have a date confirmed will allow us to serve our customers and allow for social distancing, as you can imagine a lot of planning goes into this and has involved the bowls, tennis and club committees all working closely together and we really appreciate their support – we are now all Zoom meeting experts, something most of us hadn't even heard about before Covid-19!

Get to know your Club!

Over the coming months we would like to allow you to get to know staff members and committee members so will be running a 'Get to Know Your Club' section in the newsletter. Kicking off we have a fairly new face to the Club – Gail, our Club Manager! Hi Gail......

Hi,

Growing up in faraway Norton, attending Winston Rd Comprehensive and now living in Longford, I am sort of local. My mum and stepfather both grew up in Churchdown, and I still have family living here.

Family now consists of Mark (he's the bar top fitter), 3 grown up children and 4 grandchildren.

Having had a varied career, market trader, Timber merchant, landscaper, JCB driver amongst them (who does know what they want to do at 16?), I absolutely love working within the hospitality industry and have owned and run café's and pubs. The most recent being The Kingsholm Inn, otherwise known as 'The Jockey', where some of you may recognise me from if you are Gloucester RFC supporters

Admittedly, I did not expect to become club manager and then have the whole industry shut down within a few weeks, but it has, and so am working hard to move the club forward. Plans are in place to open as soon as we can with new interiors, bar, menu, children's area and thanks to the Bowls and Tennis sections, some outdoor space.

With the club centenary next year, we have exciting times ahead of us and I personally, can't wait 😳

I look forward to meeting and seeing you all on a regular basis in the very near future.

We hope you enjoy receiving your monthly newsletter, we can't wait to get back to serving you food and drinks and planning suitably socially distanced events to see us through the rest of the year!

Best Wishes From the staff and Committee at Churchdown Club.