

To all members of Bashaw Golf and Country Club.

At our 2020 AGM I indicated we would try to communicate more with our members and as such I trust this email helps clarify what the board, the GM and his staff are doing.

I encourage everyone to read the minutes of our monthly board meetings and any other updates on our website at [www.bashawgolf.com](http://www.bashawgolf.com). Like other groups, we post minutes after they have been reviewed and approved at the following meeting to ensure accuracy with the exception of our annual AGM which are in "draft" until approved at the next AGM. Please also follow BGCC on Twitter and Facebook.

Your board and our General Manager and his staff are doing their best to adapt to the COVID-19 worldwide pandemic but we can't do it alone. It is up to each and everyone of us to follow the protocols set out by our Province and Alberta Health Services (AHS). These can be found at [www.alberta.ca](http://www.alberta.ca). As these are minimum protocols and can change quickly, businesses need time to adapt and may impose higher restrictions than those recommended to ensure safety of patrons. Thank you for doing your part and for supporting your board and our GM and his staff in our efforts to keep our golf course and camping open and safe.

**NOTE: If you or a member of your immediate household has a fever greater than 38 C, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, runny nose, has traveled outside of Canada in the last 14 days, been in contact in the last 14 days with someone who is being investigated or confirmed to be a case of COVID-19, are being investigated as a suspect case of COVID-19 or have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 10 days stay home and do not come out to the golf course or your campsite.**

I have received complaints and questions about fire pits and noise. As we are in the County of Camrose we are subject to their fire ban restrictions which can be found at [www.albertafirebans.ca](http://www.albertafirebans.ca) and their rules about fire pits which can be found at [www.county.camrose.ab.ca](http://www.county.camrose.ab.ca). Regarding noise (music on the course) this will be brought up at our next board meeting. I found an interesting article at [www.mygolfspy.com](http://www.mygolfspy.com) from June 18, 2019 that did a survey of golfers on the topic. Until the board makes a ruling on the same, remember that we all paid to play golf (and camp) and share the amenities so any actions you and your group do should not negatively impact others (keep music turned down, pick up your garbage, smoking butts etc.).

**Food service.** After considering several options and with what's happening (or could happen) with COVID-19, costs associated with operating our own kitchen, etc., the Clubhouse Committee has selected to have "Chow Hound" mobile food truck concession operate in our main parking lot while we operate our own beverage cart as well as having limited snacks/beverages available inside the clubhouse. This choice was not an easy one to make, however after considering member concerns about wages and to keep our costs as low as possible while providing food service, is deemed to be the best one for 2020. They will begin operations this Saturday from 10am-6pm (May 30) and intend to be available during busier

times such as our league times and weekends provided they are supported by sales. Should AHS/Provincial protocols relax further, there is the option (with all parties in agreement) to have them cater events (tournaments, etc).

**League play and socials.** Now that food service has been arranged, we are looking in early June to begin our league play subject to carefully following AHS/Provincial protocols so please check our website frequently for more details. At this time we are limited to a maximum of 50 participants for outside activities (including staff), physical distancing on the course and while eating, only sharing carts/tables with members of your immediate household, etc. Thank you for your patience and understanding for the delay and possible format change to ensure compliance with AHS/Provincial protocols.

I'm sure that you are aware, but just a reminder, your board is a group of volunteers that were voted in by a majority to oversee and provide guidance to the General Manager and the operations of the golf course and camping. We have paid the same amounts as other members to enjoy the amenities that BGCC provides. To respect board members personal time, if members have complaints please email to myself at [djonespfd26@hotmail.com](mailto:djonespfd26@hotmail.com) or our GM at [bashawgolfclub@hotmail.ca](mailto:bashawgolfclub@hotmail.ca) with your name, contact information, issue and any suggestions for possible solutions. If you're not willing to put it in writing for proper consideration or review we can't be expected to deal with it.

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