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From The President's Desk

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Dear Member,

HAPPY DIWALI.

On behalf of the General Committee, I would like to wish you and your families good health, happiness and prosperity.

COVID has ravaged the entire world. We remember with extreme sadness the passing away of so many Club members and our near ones. They will always be missed. It has been a tragedy of such immense proportion.

Over the last few months, we had slowly started the sporting activities in the Club. While we had a truncated Football and Rugby Season, members continue to enjoy Tennis, Gym, Swimming and Darts. Quite a number of members have shown interest in Basketball – hence the old shamiana site has been earmarked for their practice. Our Darts Section has organised an Inter Club Darts competition at our Club between 20th November and 5th December.

The ground is being prepared for the Cricket Season. Extensive work is being done there, including preparation of the pitches, deweeding, putting soil and fresh grass in patches and levelling. We hope that this exercise will be completed by this month end and Cricket Season will commence in early December. We are hopeful of a full season including the popular T10 and Corporate Tournaments. We are also in talks with CAB to host a few Ranji Trophy matches here.

While on Sports, it is our wish to enhance the lights on the high masts during this month. This will provide better facilities for Sports and tournaments played in the evenings. Cricket net practice should be commencing after Diwali and the Section will notify the members.

We had not revised the food prices of our Club Kitchen for quite a few years now. Due to the rising cost of inputs, raw materials and commodities, the Catering Section had undertaken the exercise of a complete cost study of all items. While prices of some items have been increased, wherever possible, prices have also been reduced for certain items while some prices remain unchanged. The new Menu Card will be available soon.

With the Govt. easing certain restrictions, we had a couple of Club events the last two weekends – Bijoya Sammilani and Pre Diwali celebrations. It was heartening to see good turnout for both events – hopefully members and their guests enjoyed the events.

We have plans for hosting the normal year end activities in December and we are hoping that the COVID situation will be much improved by then. Renovation work of some facilities will be undertaken once the year end festivities are over.

Goodricke Group has agreed to sponsor the downstairs Pavilion. It will hence be called the Goodricke Lounge effective this month. We thank them for the support.

We will look forward to soaking in the winter sun, some good cricket and some gorgeous weather in the coming months.

Wish you, all a good Festive Season. Stay safe, stay well.

Warm regards,

(Deepankar Nandi)