

## Rolleston Club Newsletter.

Welcome to the May edition of the Rolleston Club newsletter.

I hope everyone is keeping safe and well! Although there hasn't been a great deal happening at the club recently, for obvious reasons, there are things happening in the background, so I'll keep you up to date on those items.

We are still in negotiations with the brewery regarding refunds for the unused beers which are currently sat in the cellar. They have agreed to refund us for their own products e.g. Carling, but we are still trying to get them to agree to refund for items such as Pedigree and Bass. These talks are ongoing, and I will let you know what happens!

The outside of the club is being looked after. We are keeping an eye on the weed situation and making sure all the plants are kept watered. We will also be making up some hanging baskets, and hopefully these will be up by the end of May. We have also had the benches at the front repainted along with the shed at the top of the car park. They are now looking a lot better.

The staff handbook has been updated and all staff will soon have access to the new copy.

The club rules have also been undergoing lots of editing over the last year. Following a perusal by one of our members recently, some more minor alterations have been suggested. These will be considered by the committee in the near future and when everything is agreed, the rules will be put on display in the club for when we reopen, ready to be voted on by the members at the AGM, when we can eventually hold it.

The bowling green is looking good. Keith and Mick have been doing a great job looking after it. Technically it's open, but in reality, we can't use it. Sorry about that!

Some more bad news has just been announced I'm afraid. The Gala Committee have decided that due to the current situation, this year's Gala has been cancelled. There are too many potential problems to be able to successfully arrange and run the event. Hopefully, everything will be back to normal next year, and the Gala will be back on the calendar.

Some good news now! The club has been granted planning permission for all six projects which we have in the pipeline. For those who haven't heard, the proposals are: replacing the bay windows in the lounge; adding an extension to the bowling pavilion for extra storage; adding an accessible toilet to where the current ladies toilets are on the car park; replacing the flat roof over the main hall with a pitched roof (still under consideration by the committee); remodelling and extending the kitchen; converting a brick outbuilding to an office.

The committee are committed to developing the club premises and improving it for future generations to enjoy.

A local builder has already been approached to do some of the work and it has been agreed that he will initially do the office conversion and the kitchen remodel. If we can get the kitchen completed whilst we are closed, that will save us more disruption later. It is hoped that these two projects can be started in the second week of May.

I hope that's given you an insight as to what's happening during the shutdown of the club. I know it looks deserted, but we are squirrelling away in the background! Now where did I bury my acorns??

That's all for this month, if you have any items that you would like included in a newsletter, please email us at [secretary@rollestonclub.org.uk](mailto:secretary@rollestonclub.org.uk) and we will make sure we publish them.

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