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Dear Member,

## COVID-19 and Cricket at Shawholm

It has been a very strange 7 weeks since I last wrote to you all. Unprecedented times and a change of lifestyle for everyone which has come at a very high cost to the country with so many deaths from COVID-19 across the UK.

The Scottish and UK Governments continue to place restrictions on the general population including the complete shutdown of all sporting activity across the country which continues at present. It is ironic that weather wise this would have been the best start for the season for many a year.

Cricket Scotland have indicated, in their statement of 23 April, that no cricket training should take place until at least the 1 June and this would be reviewed in early May although the ECB have gone further by stating no review until 1 July. I think the stark reality is that any form of competitive cricket is unlikely with social distancing restrictions looking like being in place for many, many months to come but we will continue to monitor this evolving situation.

As a committee, we continue to monitor the running costs of the club to allow us to maintain the buildings and grounds – you may have noticed that some essential groundwork has been done to tidy up around Shawholm and I am grateful to our groundsman, Adam Richardson, for his work here – however the restrictions imposed stating that no activity can take place within the grounds of Shawholm still apply until further notice – please do not be tempted to come down for a net.

We have attempted to make savings where we can, and we are extremely appreciative of all members who have continued to pay their monthly subscriptions over this time. I would like to encourage all cricketers, both senior and junior to continue to do so over this time so that the club will still be operational when lockdown eventually ends.

Please continue to view updates via our website, Facebook and Twitter accounts. I also know that the fitness section (BodyFit Camp) are striving to keep people fit and healthy via lockdown and I would encourage you all to support Adam and Stuart during this time if you can.

You can find them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Shawlandsbodyfitcamp/> and on their website [www.body-fit-camp.com](http://www.body-fit-camp.com)

In the meantime, to all members and their families – keep safe and well throughout this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,

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