

Covid-19 Fact sheet

Dear Member/parent/guardian

Access

Access to the track is now through the Sports Centre, and the facilities there are now fully open.

All members and coaches are asked to access the track by following the path on the right of the track to the “sign in cabin”, and then on to the barrier gate along the back straight only. Similarly, exit from the track should be via the gate at the bottom of the track only so there is no congestion on the narrow path.

PPE

The track is an outdoor venue and as such, PPE such as masks and gloves are not required. The only exception to this will be the volunteers in the sign in cabin who will wear masks and gloves. Road runners are asked to carry masks as a precaution.

Masks and gloves have also been added to First Aid kits for use by first aiders only.

Sanitation

Where sports equipment is used, eg. javelin, pole vault, etc. the equipment must be sanitised before and after use by the user, and not shared during use. Coaches will have supplies of sanitising gel for this purpose.

The exit barrier will be kept open at those times when it will be most used. There will be a supply of sanitation gel at the barrier for use by anyone who needs to open/close the barrier.

We would ask members to keep and any personal possessions they bring to the track, eg, spare shirt, water bottle, etc. in a single sports bag which they keep physically separate from other members' bags.

Signing in

All members and coaches are required to sign in on every visit. Members are encouraged to pay session fees by standing order to minimise handling of cash. Payment on the night will be accepted but we would ask members to bring with them the exact money if at all possible. Club volunteers at the “sign-in cabin” will ask members for their names and complete the register of attendees to avoid the sharing of pens.

Social distancing

All athletes are expected to maintain a social distance from other track users of a minimum of 2m at all times.

Social distancing also applies to parents and guardians who bring their children to the club and spectate during the training sessions – and who are expected to stay behind the barriers at all times.

There should only be one parent or guardian per athlete, and they should remain trackside for the duration of the training session within a designated area which will be sign-posted.

Athletes are asked not to share drinks or food of any kind whilst at the track.

A maximum of two volunteers will be allowed in the “sign in cabin” at any one time – and no other club members.

Group/class numbers

All groups are limited to a maximum of 15, including coach(es). Each group will be led by a minimum of one coach, or two coaches if total numbers exceed 12.

Accidents

In the event of an accident, eg. an athlete tripping and falling during a training session, members are asked, wherever possible, to allow athletes to recover from these unassisted, unless those administering help are from within the same household. If the accident is serious, the coach will arrange for professional assistance, eg. contacting club First Aiders or phoning emergency services.

Road runners are asked to identify an ICE (In Case of Emergency) contact who can be contacted during a run in the event of an incident, and carry mobile phones with them.

Contact with members

It is essential that the club can contact members when this is necessary – and has accurate information of which athletes have attended which training sessions. All members must therefore complete a pre-activity questionnaire - which includes contact details - before they start attending training sessions, and coaches will maintain a dated register of attendees for each training session for which they are responsible.

Sharing of personal data

In the event that there is a local report of suspected coronavirus infection, members are expected to report this to **Mike Hills**. Personal data may be shared in accordance with the government’s Track and Trace initiative.

These safety measures are necessary to help keep us all safe and we would ask for your full co-operation please. We will be monitoring compliance and will take appropriate action in the event of non-compliance.

Derek Mason

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