

The board of directors has been in conversation over the last few weeks to discuss options which we may need to consider for the 2020 summer season. Based on Governor Raimondo's message on 3/28 that gatherings of >5 people are not permitted, we anticipate we will need to be prepared to react to scenarios from not being able to open at all, to a delayed opening, to the ideal situation for us all in the country, opening on time on first weekend of June as planned. Our hope, as we would expect it is for all of you, is that this current situation passes quickly and we can put it all behind us. We have confirmation from the RI Dept of Health that the virus will not live in chlorinated water but should the gathering size mandate be continued into and throughout the summer, it would determine when/if we could open.

Please be assured that regardless how this all plays out, any funds you have committed to a membership for 2020 will not be lost. We must take our lead from the RI State Officials and any policies they put in place when making the decisions for the club.

- If we are not able to open at all we would give you the option to have a refund of all monies paid or you could apply the amount to 2021 season. If of course your situation for 2021 turns out to be different than you anticipated we would provide a full refund should you request it, or you can of course alter your membership type selection as needed for 2021.
- If we decide that a delayed opening is feasible, we will be adjusting the membership costs accordingly.
- Lastly we know that some of you who have already committed monies for the 2020 season may now be unemployed or likely to be unemployed after today. If you find the need to have your funds returned now please send an email and we will get it in the mail as soon as possible.

We will be making the decision for the club once there is definitive information from the State in terms of what is and is not allowed for the summer months of 2020 and will share that decision as quickly as possible. We have all heard/seen information changes daily lately so our goal is to communicate with you as often as needed to keep you informed of what is transpiring for the club. In the meantime should you need to get in touch with us please call 465-3887 or email [sherlemonclub@gmail.com](mailto:sherlemonclub@gmail.com). We will respond as quickly as we can.

We plan to be updating the club web site to include the details from this note and also post future notices there after they are sent. Not sure at this point how fast that will be accomplished.

Thank-you for your past, present and future membership. Stay healthy and keep your distance from others so we can get through these tough times.

In an effort to reach as many current and 2019 members as possible some of you may receive the notice twice.

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