



Your Board practicing social distancing at their meeting on April 22.

Coronavirus Precautionary Measures

Guest ban extended until May 24

Last night, your Board of Governors unanimously voted to extend the current ban on guests and domestic caregivers up to and including Sunday May 24. In so doing, the Board reconfirmed its commitment to preserving the Club as a safe haven for Members, their children and our staff.

Determining how and when to lift the ban

Meanwhile, a working group of Governors and Supervisors is developing a set of criteria that must be met before the ban is totally or partially lifted and which might require a reinstatement of the ban later should circumstances turn for the worse. Such criteria would likely include things like the number of COVID-19 cases, the degree of community spread and the number of flights into Taiwan, to cite a few examples. The working group was being formed as this issue of e-news was finalized and their names will be posted in the "Board Briefs" section of the website ([click here](#)) early next week along with the highlights of the March Board of Governors meeting. "Board Briefs" from the February meeting have already been posted.



Member cooperation is appreciated and expected

The Board expects all Members to make themselves aware of the Club's well-publicized COVID-19 measures and to follow them to protect their fellow Members – particularly those who are most at risk among us. Due to the seriousness of the situation, the Board is taking a zero tolerance approach to Members who violate our COVID-19 policies and is saddened to have to report that five Members have been suspended to date for not complying with these policies. We thank our Reception, Security and Temperature Station staff for their vigilance and for their ability to quickly identify offenders and have them promptly leave the Club.

Many reasons to visit the Club

In addition to arguably being the safest place in Taipei, there are many reasons to visit the Club. These are summarized elsewhere in this issue of the e-news and in the May issue of Accent magazine, which you will receive in the first week of May.

Stay healthy,

Mike Brennand
President

The Club has put so much attention on keeping our Members and staff safe during the past two months. In last week's e-news, we saw how the cleaning staff focus their efforts to keep the Club clean and safe. In this week's newsletter, we are going to share more staff stories from this difficult time.

Teamwork makes the dream work:

"something good coming out of something bad"

We have seen that millions of people around the world have lost their jobs amid the current COVID-19 crisis. In contrast, the Club has redeployed the staff and encouraged employees to take their annual leave. In Food and Beverage alone, 147 vacation days and 171 public holiday worked have been cleared so far. No doubt you have seen Event Coordinator Amy or Marco from the Banquet Department on duty greeting Members at the temperature check/ sign-in station, while in Rendezvous, Banquet Manager Natalie is serving up cocktails and other delights. In addition to preventing lay-offs, this redeployment has the additional benefit of introducing our staff to new skills and on-the-job knowledge of how other departments function.



Marco and Amy in their temporary roles



Natalie goes back to her roots in the restaurant and bar industry