



# Staff News



## **THANK YOU FROM THE PALL MALL COMMITTEE**

The past six months have been a period of uncertainty and upheaval for the Club with a lockdown, the challenge of furlough, social distancing, the closure of the clubhouses and then a gradual easing including the reopening of the clubhouses and restarting of activities.

The Pall Mall clubhouse has faced its own particular challenges. Even as regulation permitted the gradual re-opening of Woodcote Park - because of its outdoor facilities - at Pall Mall you have had to put up with the frustration of a much slower pace of re-normalisation. But you have worked brilliantly to create and adapt to the new procedures necessary to allow us to make the most of our facilities within the evolving regulatory constraints.

Over the past few weeks, the Pall Mall clubhouse has gradually begun to come back to life. It has been a slow process, as people are cautious of braving public transport - as I am sure you are too - and the centre of town is still so deserted: but each time members come in to the Club not only do you make them feel safe - which is crucial - but your warm and good-humoured welcome really lifts the spirits. Members tell us how much they appreciate the staff and how pleased they are to see familiar happy faces. So the clubhouse is beginning to feel a bit busier again. This is a great achievement; and one for which you all deserve our great respect and gratitude.

Throughout this difficult period the tenacity, determination, and professionalism of you, the Club's staff, has been more than the members could have hoped for. We would like you to know that we as a Committee speak for all the members when we say how much we appreciate it, and how grateful we are.

### **Laurence Mutkin**

Chairman, Pall Mall Committee  
On behalf of the Committee

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