Dear Members,

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## MORE RESTRICTIONS GETTING CLOSER TO CHRISTMAS,

On Tuesday the government announced more restrictions in order to "suppress the flow of people", to quote our CE expression.

Despite the latest action taken still too many local cases with unknown sources are witnessed, hence the enforcement of more stringent regulations.

Pretty much we are going back to July situation.

The new restriction will take effect on:

## Thursday Morning until Wednesday 23rd at least.

All previous restriction under Cap 599 F and G remain in place and in effect.

As of Thursday all sports activities will cease until further notice. That includes on top of those already closed, the Gym, the squash court the snooker room and very sadly the Sailing center on Middle Island.

This year, despite trying to salvage the popular SANTA VISIT to the Club by a postponement to the 23<sup>rd</sup> December, **we now have to sadly cancel** it.

This is in keeping with the government trying to reduce mixing and mingling.

Other children activities such as ginger bread house and Christmas cookies decoration can still easily be run safely. All social distancing and protection will be applied, with a maximum of 20 children per event allowed on first come first serve basis.

All restaurants, bars and club facilities will be closed at 6pm, please do vacate the club at that time. Last orders for food and drinks will be 5:30 p.m. Any food or drink should not be consumed within the ABC premises after 6 p.m.

Middle Island will remain open Friday to Sunday with an early opening hour of 10am and early Christmas set lunch or a la a carte service from 11am.

Middle Island ferry and sampan will run as usual in the morning but last returning sampan and ferry will be at 5:45 pm in order for the staff to be back at 6pm at the main clubhouse.

**Takeaway menu is available from 11AM to 9:00PM,** though last collection must be made by 9:30PM

All take away and normal menu are available on our website and on this particular period all take away boxes charge will be waived but do bring your containers if you wish to enjoy the usual discount. To place an order call the coffee shop after 6pm at 2554 9494 or the general club line. The website menus are available at:

http://abclubhk.com/Christmas2020takeawayspecials.aspx

**Looking ahead** we intend, if those restrictions are to be extended after 23<sup>rd</sup> December, to still carry on with our major Christmas celebration events.

They will of course be tuned down drastically to fit Government directives. That is to say not more than 20 people per outlets, tables of two and where possible 1.5 meter apart or with separation on table as you could see in use already everywhere. The first 120 booking will be sprayed all over the club, booking will be treated on a first come first serve basis. Not ideal but the best we can do under these circumstances. Further information will be sent closer to each events.

One last word with this pandemic disturbing our normal life let's have a thought for the less fortunate and take the opportunity this year to fill up our boxes for

**"FEEDING HONG KONG".**The boxes are in the coffee shop and look very empty this year.

We sincerely are sorry for all these inconveniences.

"Let's be negative", a strange manner to stay positive.

Stay safe have a great weekend,

Sincerely yours,

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For more information please visit:

https://gia.info.gov.hk/general/202012/08/P2020120800780\_356123\_ 1\_1607440526936.pdf



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