



Dear members, as we work our way through another week in the isolation of WFH, without the cheer of a beer and meeting friends to look forward to, I bring you good news.

Although still many weeks ahead, with the news that much of Europe is coming out of lockdown, we are keeping abreast of this and UK policy and can announce that our first social event, the Dave Scasbrook Memorial Cup Day [click [here](#) to book your team] on September 24 has been organised to comply with the practise of social distancing. There will be plenty of space between tee off times and the BBQ food will be on a 'take away' process, allowing everyone to come to a collection point one at a time. With the large patio area and club house it will facilitate the space to practice social distancing safely.

With respect to Congress, good news too that we are talking to the senior management at The Grand for the best use of the whole hotel for two days for the event. Obviously it means there is plenty of room to allow distancing and by the time we meet 23/25 November [click [here](#) to book your place] the Grand will have tested their practices many times and, along with us adding more tables with fewer people to the Gala Dinner, we are ready to go. In the spirit of entente cordiale we are also changing our Gala menu to a US Thanksgiving option (all other dietary choices will stay the same) as all of us attending may well feel we have thanks to give in some way ourselves.

Stay safe and well and we hope to see you soon, maybe at one of our planned virtual coffee meetings. More to follow....

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