



Gerry No. 5 VFA

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GERRY 5 VFA NEWSLETTER

TEMPORARY CHANGES – ELECTION AND DUES

Dear Gerry Members,

We hope that this message finds you safe and healthy. We remain in unprecedented times.

Our July 2020 Special Edition explained that due to Clubs and Bars being moved to Phase 4 of the reopening plan, the Board of Directors decided to take advantage of the opportunity to open as a restaurant in the current Phase (3). We proceeded to have a limited reopening under the Mass COVID Restaurant reopening guidelines. We originally opened on Thursday and Friday evenings and expanded to include Saturday and Sunday. We want to thank those members who have returned and participated in our limited reopening. As of now, we plan to operate in this mode until Phase 4, which currently does not have an estimated start date.

The limited reopening has been holding its own and we are able to operate in a limited capacity. We appreciate the volunteers who have assisted and continue to assist with renovations, improvements, and activities. This has been somewhat of a saving grace in keeping our costs at a reasonable, affordable level.

Give our current situation and the COVID restrictions, the Board of Directors has made two very important decisions that affect all members.

2020 ELECTION – The Board voted to suspend the election for 2021 due to the COVID restrictions regarding capacity. All but one of the current Officers and Directors have agreed to remain in their positions through 2021. The one exception is the Treasurer who gave his notice in January 2020. We asked for applicants and have made a tentative selection, pending Board approval. The final announcement regarding the Treasurer position will be made ASAP to ensure a smooth transition of duties.

2021 DUES – Dues are an integral part of keeping the Club operating. The renovations and improvements we've made since March were accomplished thanks to dues and to very cooperative workers and volunteers. A 2021 Renewal Form for membership is attached to this notice. Please pay your dues starting in November 2020 as usual. The due date for payment will remain the first Wednesday in February (**February 3, 2021**). **Please pay your dues as you can to help with on-going operating costs.**

2020 APPLICANTS NOT VOTED UPON – We have an estimated 11 applicants who paid their dues and processing fee prior to the March shutdown but were never brought to a membership vote. The Board has agreed with the Membership Committee’s recommendation that these applicants be rolled over to 2021. They will be voted upon by the membership a future date to be determined. In the meantime, they may access the Club under the restrictions normally placed on applicants. The Membership Committee will notify the applicants of this decision.

As we continue our efforts to serve our members during this trying time, we ask for your continued cooperation and patience. We also invite you to join us for this phase of the reopening. Days, hours, menus, are posted on the website (gerry5.com), the Facebook pages, and the weekly event reminder email.

Please address questions or concerns to the Manager and/or the Board of Directors.

Thank you.



Chris Husband
President

PHASE 3 REOPENING Hours*

Thursday and Friday – Gerry Grill
4 – 8 p.m.

Doors open at 4 and close at 8 p.m.
Kitchen closes at 7 p.m.

Saturday @ the Gerry

2 – 9 p.m.

Food Available

Sunday Stadium Bar & Grill

Noon – 8 p.m.

Menu TBD

*House subject to change. Please check the website, Facebook, or your weekly update for details and changes.