

Hi JRIs

Don has asked us to give you all the below update that he has prepared.

Hi everyone and welcome to Just Rock Ipswich Newsletter email, and Facebook post for June 2020.

As a priority for the safety of all our members the Just Rock Ipswich Executive Committee suspended all activities in March 2020 due to COVID-19 and restriction imposed by state & federal governments and is still currently closed until further restrictions are lifted.

We are continuing to check information from the relevant health guidelines and follow government directives to reassess our stance. Even though there has been some easing of some restrictions dance is still not possible.

Our dance venue is still closed and could be for some time yet. Some of the issues we face are and not limited to; we can only have 20 people in the hall at any one time and that includes the teachers. Dance teachers must share the same residential address which means we have no one able to teach at this time that fit these requirements. There are to be no one in the risk factor present i.e. over 65 and 70. No spectators allowed. No walk ins; you must book prior to arriving for dance. There is Non-contact between couple unless living at the same address. There is no swapping of dance partners. We must maintain 1.5 metre distance between participants. We must have 4m² per person. When seated you must stay seated in the same seat. The area is to be cleaned before and after the lessons including seats, tables, toilets and anything that may have been used during practice. We must have a COVID-19 Preparedness and Risk Management Plan that is available on the web.

We will continue to communicate with you through emails and social media to keep you up to date as we become aware of any changes that may allow us to return to dance. We are aware that some other clubs are talking about returning but everyone has different circumstances and venues to us.

The full Just Rock Ipswich Executive Committee held a committee meeting on Wednesday night the 17 June 2020. A couple of items from the meeting are:-

1. Club membership was discussed and a decision was made that anyone who held club membership at the time of the shutdown in March 2020 would receive full membership till August 2021.
2. The reintroduction of Car Cruises was discussed and will hopefully start again in the next couple of weeks. Members will be advised as soon as we have a date.
3. The sale of the Old Club Trailer was discussed. It had been offered up to club members a couple of times in the beginning of the year but there were no takers. A decision was made to offer it for sale on other media sites at the best price we can get for it. It is currently unregistered.

We thank you for your support and understanding during this unprecedented time. We also appreciate your patience and we will communicate with you again as soon as possible.

Please stay safe, look after yourselves and your fellow human beings.

Thanking you

Don Noble
President of Just Rock Ipswich

*Bye for now
Jan and Des
JRI Newsletter Editors*
