

President's update Summer 2020

'Under normal circumstances, we would be easing into our summer break about now and I thought I should give you all an update. It somehow seems more than three months since we were dancing but there has been some activity taking place on your behalf by members of your de facto committee, in particular Angela House (assisted by Maggie Talbot) and Di Lewis.

Your committee has decided that it is unrealistic to expect to be dancing until the end of this year. With that in mind we cancelled our Autumn Dance in October but Maggie, after many attempts, has finally managed to contact PWMH with regards obtaining a provisional booking for Hogmanay and The Towncourt Room for 3rd Wednesday classes next year. St Paul's and PWMH have also been provisionally booked from January to end of May 2021 inclusive. Don's class on 2nd Wednesdays was held at the Harris Academy Orpington and we are considering asking those who took part earlier this year if they wish to continue if it safe to do so before making a provisional booking.

We have dates in the 2021 calendar for our usual dances, with provisional bookings for the venue and bands as necessary. Bookings have been made for Burns' Supper, March On, Summer and Autumn Dance. Maggie has contacted Frank Reid who was to be our band for Autumn this year, he has agreed to carry our deposit over to apply to our Summer Dance 2022.

We will have to rejig our calendar to set a date for our AGM which should have been held in April.

Di has arranged to pay our MCs for the work they did up to mid-March and we will acknowledge our accounts checkers, Maggie Talbot and Ken I'Anson with a gift voucher.

I can only hope everyone is keeping well and trying to stay positive, (but testing negative!) I know a couple of you have been infected but have recovered thank goodness. I know we will get over this and meet again, hopefully one of the vaccines under test will be approved later this year which could mean we can all be immunised in time for Hogmanay!!

Best wishes
Hadyn