

Dear Member,

Please find below an update from the management committee on our plans for our 140th anniversary evening:

Against the backdrop of the ongoing pandemic situation, the management committee has decided to move towards a dinner-only event rather than a dinner dance. From the feedback we have received following our email of 14th September, we fully understand while many members would support a dinner dance, some members remain cautious about such an event at this time. The committee is therefore putting alternative plans in place for a dinner-only event at the Argyllshire Gathering Halls, Oban on Saturday 30th October 2021 at 1830 for 1900hrs. A new members reception will take place beforehand at 1800hrs.

The evening will follow our traditional supper format. At this time, we do not anticipate a speaker. This change will allow members more time to catch up with friends old and new. The bar will remain open after dinner.

We would therefore invite any members wishing to attend the dinner to please contact the Secretary to book tickets. Tickets are priced at £32.00 per person, inclusive of wine with the compliments of the Club.

For those that have already paid towards a dinner dance, if you can re-confirm you would like to attend the dinner. We can then arrange repayment of the difference, or a refund in full if not attending.

Given the continuing situation, we would ask that anyone displaying symptoms of Covid-19, or having been in recent contact with anyone with these symptoms whether being contacted by Track & Trace or not, should consider not attending as a courtesy to others. To remind you the common symptoms of Covid-19 are:

- a continuous cough
- a fever/high temperature (37.8C or greater)
- loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste "(anosmia)"

In line with government advice that we should do a twice weekly lateral flow test, it would be reassuring for everyone if we all did one in the 24 hours before the dinner. Lateral flow tests can be obtained from local chemists or online.

While plans to celebrate our 140th anniversary year may not have come together as hoped, we can instead meet up for a sociable evening and good company.

We look forward to seeing you!

**Kind regards,
Deborah**

Deborah Thomassen
Secretary RHYC