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1. Sport England have an emergency funding pot for Sports clubs. Several Staffs golf clubs have applied and received funding of up to £10000. If your clubs need some financial assistance and you have not applied, do so now. https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds/community-emergency-fund

2. England Golf are about to release guidelines on what measures golf clubs should put into place when a resumption of playing is announced by the Government. The document is called “Play Golf, Play Safe”. https://www.englandgolf.org/a-letter-from-our-ceo/

3. The results of the England Golf Club survey on engaging with Independent Golfers is now available to read https://www.staffsgolf.co.uk/men_news

4. The World Handicap system is still on track to start on the 2nd November 2020, the official Rules of the new system have now been signed off, clubs can expect to receive copies of the Rules booklet during the summer months, there will be an advertising campaign to promote the system as well.

5. SUGC have cancelled all county fixtures/meetings, squad and individual coaching sessions until the 7th June in line with England Golf guidelines. All our county teams Midland League matches have been cancelled for 2020 to free up diary space for clubs. We will update the position early in May and are hopeful that we can rearrange some of our county championship fixtures for later in the year, subject to Government restrictions being lifted.

6. A bit of Staffs nostalgia, back to the 1970’s a period when Staffs were winning England Golf National County Finals in 1971 and 1975 and narrowly losing out in 1974. The team included some legends of Staffs golf. Who do you recognise?

Stay strong everyone, it will not be long before we are back playing the game, we all love.