



As everyone should be aware of by now, our league has been shut down again due to the London area being moved into the red level for controlling the Covid-19 virus. We will be shut down until the district is re-evaluated in 28 days. Let's keep our fingers crossed that we will see a good drop in positive cases in our area and we will be able to get back into action.

This year, as in the past we had decided to carry on with the long tradition of the "Ken Philips Christmas Food Drive", even through this pandemic. As food collection has been prohibited at the rink, we have instead asked members to make a monetary donation to the fund this year. Don Clayton and Al Fowler will follow up with the conveners for collection of your contributions. Your generosity has always made this a great success over the years, and during these times is more important than ever. If you have not had the opportunity to contribute before our shut down, please contact your captain for more info.

I am asking if you could also contact your captain to confirm your return to play when this shut down has been lifted. This information is important, so if we need to reorganize over this break, we can make it as smooth as possible. As usual, Stu Finlayson will tally our costs and we will then set the fee for the rest of the season. When this cost is determined, we will ask you for payment before your return to the ice.

During my communications with the Health Unit, they asked me to "thank your team members for taking precautions because it will help mitigate chances of spreading the disease". It's nice to get a positive feedback from them, so you can all give yourselves an 'atta-boy' for following our protocols. I know they are difficult and often a pain, and I want to thank all of you also. You are the guys who will keep this going for yourselves.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me.

I would also like to take this time to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy, and Improved New Year. Probably like most of you, I am hoping 2021 has to be an upgrade from this last year and I will be asking Santa for a vaccine soon to help us all.

Brian Laporte

President LSH

