

Owners Evening 27th November 2018

Ian Smyth (Stadia Director) & Karen McMillan (Stadia Manager) welcomed 35 owners to a Romford stadium update with a question and answer session

Ian started by thanking Owners and Trainers for their ongoing support whilst the works continue

Ian explained the slight delay of the demolition of the main stand was due to the removal of the bridge (this joins the main stand to the admin building) – this has now been removed and works can continue.

The following questions were asked throughout the evening:-

- ≡ **What is happening with the racing schedule?**
- ≡ **The temporary schedule will continue until the end of March when it will revert back to our permanent schedule**
- ≡ **Could we keep the Monday evenings?**
- ≡ **Unfortunately that is not possible due to contracts with SIS so the schedule will go back to Monday afternoons**
- ≡ **Is the winning line moving?**
- ≡ **Yes although we do still need to finalise and confirm plans. We think the winning line will be flipped to the opposite side though dates are still to be confirmed.**
- ≡ **Will you retriail?**
- ≡ **If we do flip the track we will retriail which would take up to 4 days – this would mean trialling Monday to Thursday and racing would be resumed on the Friday evening – there will be more information to follow on this once plans are finalised.**
- ≡ **What's happening with the scoreboard?**
- ≡ **There is no update at the moment, this is something that is being looked at by our marketing department**
- ≡ **When the main stand comes down is that the car park if so why don't you keep that and put the car park the other side as it seems you are taking down the best stand?**
- ≡ **The main stand should be down by the end of February and this will then be a car park for up to 138 cars of which some will be for disabled parking, there are no**

entrances or exits for cars on the other side of the stadium bar the kennels so parking on that side would be impossible

‣ Will there be an owner's area in the new stand?

‣ If when the new stand is fully completed and we can then we will this will be looked into on the completion of the stand. We would like to incorporate an owners & trainers area somewhere within the track if we are able to.

‣ Could the owners' area be in the marquee?

‣ The marquee is a temporary structure so cannot be named as an owners permanent area

‣ Where can we park whilst the works continue?

‣ The Crown Car Park has now been sold however we have use of it until the end of May

‣ Will there be any work done on the kennels?

‣ Yes, we will be completing a refurb plus new kennel doors will be installed

‣ Will this affect racing?

‣ No – the works will be done around the racing schedule

‣ Will there be a restaurant in the new stand or will it be just the pavilion?

‣ Yes, the new restaurant will hold up to 180 guests and we have the option to retain the Pavilion as a restaurant holding 100 guests

‣ We really enjoyed the RGOA evening will this be done on a regular basis, the new trophies were lovely

‣ Yes, we will be holding a RGOA trophy evening every third Saturday of the month we will also be supporting by providing the trophies – thank you for your feedback – there will also be a raffle on the next RGOA evening on the 15th December with all monies raised going to them

‣ Is there any chance you could show some of the re-runs of the races on the screens say on a Saturday early evening from the Saturday morning or on a Friday before racing of the previous days

‣ This is something we would be interested in doing – good idea – we will come back to you with this

- ≡ **On Boxing day would it be ok to choose a drink of our choice instead of prosecco or bucks fizz as our complimentary drink as our group do not like either**
- ≡ **We will look into this and confirm nearer the time – this will come down to cost however if we can we certainly will – This has now been confirmed all guests will receive a complimentary drink of their choice (includes beer, wine, spirit plus mixer)**

We have a new owner's database due to the GDPR (general data protection regulation) please complete a form at reception or give them a call to be added to receive up to date information and key dates

Thank you for your on-going support and feedback any questions please do not hesitate to contact the stadium

Many thanks

Ian & Karen