



Temporary Closure in response to Federal Government COVID-19 ruling

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The health, welfare and safety of our membership and staff is the highest priority for City Gym. Following a Federal Government decision to help limit the spread of coronavirus, gyms nationwide have been ordered to close. We will therefore be closing from midday today, until further notice.

All Direct Debits will be suspended as will all paid-in-full memberships. As soon as the Government authorities give the all-clear all memberships will be reactivated.

We value our role as a community leader and will fully co-operate with the ruling. We will continue to offer our loyal members our full support during this difficult time.

City Gym has taken the utmost precautionary measures to ensure a safe environment for patrons and staff during the developing coronavirus crisis. Notwithstanding our actions, the Federal Government's extreme social distancing measures are intended to arrest the aggressive spread of the virus.

It will be a difficult time for all, but while the gym is closed, be assured that we can be contacted for any enquiries. We will continue to closely monitor the COVID-19 situation during the coming days and weeks, and keep members informed of any updates.

As you may be aware, City Gym is undergoing a major \$1.5million refurbishment. The

gym will be refreshed and ready to reopen as soon as the Federal Government gives the word.

“While the Federal Government decision comes as a significant blow to us in a time of renewal, the health and welfare of our community is what we value most,” says co-owner Billy Kokkinis.

“We’ve been through highs and lows before but we have powered through,” adds Billy who started at City Gym in 1986. “We will be back and be stronger than ever.”

“It’s something we need to work together to overcome, and we gain strength from those best wishes we have already received from our staff, personal trainers and our members who we treat as extended family.”

● *For further information, go to:*

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert> <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>
<https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/news-and-updates/coronavirus-covid-19>

You can also call the National Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080. It operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.