Dear AGC Members,

I hope your 2023 has begun the way you had hoped. A new year always brings with it new goals, new dreams, and new opportunities. At Alexandria Golf Club, 2023 is filled with plenty of each! There has never been a better time in our storied history to be a member of AGC – the ongoing progress we are making continues to transform our club into one of the premier golf clubs in the state and, without question, one of the best values in the country! We are fortunate and blessed to be part of a terrific community and golf club that provides us with some unique benefits!

2023 will, once again, bring with it numerous enhancements to your club and membership at AGC:

- A beautiful state-of-the-art resting station near the driving range for added convenience for our members and guests
- A new practice chipping area and bunker to enhance your newly renovated practice facility
- A new pro-shop with an upgraded appearance, increased display area for improved golf shop merchandising, and an expanded check-in counter for more convenience and less congestion
- New siding on the clubhouse for a fresh new appearance
- A new software system for improved staff efficiency and more user-friendly capabilities for members
- A renovated 13th teeing area to enhance the playability and beauty of the hole while improving Donnacha's ability to meticulously maintain the surface area
- Several new tees to enhance the versatility and playability of the course for players of all skill levels
- And more that you will hear about from your Board of Directors as the year progresses

The plethora of improvements in recent years, along with those that will be implemented in 2023, are a direct result of:

- A well-conceived strategic vision for our future
- An intense focus on operational discipline by our staff and Board of Directors
- A growing AGC membership with a heightened focus on families
- A generous membership that is very engaged and unique to any club and community

One of the most significant improvements to our club and community is not yet listed in my summary above. I am convinced "The Little Darling Par 3 Course" will be one of the most important additions to AGC and the Alexandria community in our 108-year history. In a mere 6-month period we have made an incredible amount of progress to help make "The Little Darling Project" come to fruition:

- Couse layout and design complete
- Financial pro-forma and course operational model developed, documented, and approved
- Project Manager, Construction execution, and planned timing identified
- Fundraising Efforts in progress

I am happy to report that with only 65 individual pledges received thus far, we are approaching $1 million in committed funds for the project. THANK YOU to each of you for your generous contributions to help with this remarkable opportunity. We are almost two-thirds of the way to our goal of the needed $1.5 million to complete the construction of the course this year with less than 20% of our membership participating to date. WE CAN MAKE THIS HAPPEN!

To secure the appropriate scheduling with contractors and suppliers for a planned 2023 course construction we need to be confident we have the $1.5 million in pledge commitments in place by the end of February. This will allow us to finalize scheduling and plans for the 2-month construction in May and June. We would then hydroseed the course in July which would give us approximately 3 months of robust growing weather enabling us to target a "Little Darling" Grand Opening Event in the spring of 2024.

Many of you have conveyed a strong desire to contribute to make this project a success and the next 30 days will be a defining period for the project. Please remember that your contribution entitles you to significant long-term benefits as a founding member of The Little Darling Par 3 Course. The successful completion of the course will positively change our club and our community forever! Our promise to each of you is that not $1 of the money raised will be wasted. The Little Darling Par 3 Course is going to be something extraordinary and will have an amazing impact on the lives of our members and our youth for generations to come. Please consider a contribution and be part of something that will be very, very special!

This unique opportunity reminds me of a poignant quote from Winston Churchill:

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Thank you to everyone who has contributed in any way to The Little Darling Project thus far. Also, thank you in advance for your consideration to help us going forward – many lives will be positively impacted long into the future by this endeavor. It's an exciting time to be a member at AGC and I'm grateful to be part of such a wonderful club and be involved in such an incredible project!

Please contact David Kjos (320-760-5955 or Kjosnews@gmail.com) , Bruce Leland (320-805-0141 or Baleland@gmail.com) or myself (216-978-5497 or Jar5858@gmail.com) to make a pledge or for additional information. **THANK YOU!!**

All the best,

Jerry Rose
The Little Darling Project Chair