

With Governor Walz's new executive order he signed on Friday, golf courses can now be open for play. We are excited about this new development and recognize that with proper precautions, golf can be a safe and healthy outdoor activity for each of us at Alexandria Golf Club.

As communicated in the President's Message on Friday, our goal was to open the golf course by Wednesday, April 22nd. The management team worked tirelessly over the weekend to prepare for a mid-week opening and much was accomplished in a short period of time.

We are pleased to announce that starting Tuesday, April 21st at 10:00AM, the golf course, driving range and practice greens will be open. The course will be available for anyone wanting to walk or for anyone who owns a private cart. The AGC cart fleet will not be available until the following day, Wednesday, April 22nd.

The below listed processes, guidelines and rules will promote health, safety and social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is important to note that failure to adhere to these rules and guidelines could result in golf courses across the state being closed once again by the governor. This would result in our inability to utilize the golf course and, more importantly, would jeopardize the health and safety of our members, staff and guests. We thank each of you in advance for your help in ensuring AGC is a safe place to enjoy some healthy outdoor activity. If you have questions regarding any of the below, please let us know as soon as possible:

GOLF

- Initially, we are requesting everyone to enter the AGC property via the main entrance between the Clubhouse and Pro-shop. We will check you in and provide important information to each member or guest at that point.
- All staff, golfers and visitors to AGC must adhere to the CDC Social Distancing guidelines at all times. The minimum standard distance is six (6) feet and the distance should be extended whenever possible.
- **Please - No congregating of groups anywhere on property, including, but not limited to, practice greens, driving range, the first tee and the parking lot.**
- Due to a nationwide shortage of hand sanitizer, it is expected that members and guests provide their own sanitizer for regular use while at the club.
- Tee time reservations must be made for all play. Please call the pro-shop at 320-763-3605 to make a tee time. Until further notice there will be no online tee time option. Members may book tee times 7 days in advance and non-members may book tee times 5 days in advance. The pro-shop phone will be staffed from 10:00AM – 5:00PM tomorrow (Monday, April 20, 2020) to begin taking tee time reservations.

- Payment is expected via phone at the time of booking in the form of member charge or credit card.
- We ask that golfers arrive no more than 60 minutes prior to their tee time and preferably no more than 30 minutes prior to tee time to avoid congestion in and around the pro-shop, range and practice greens.
- No groups of more than 4 players. No five-somes allowed until further notice.
- While the government restrictions are in place, we will not be providing club storage in the back of the pro-shop. We ask you to take your golf clubs with you each time you leave the premises. This will minimize touches of bags, clubs and pull-carts. Once the government restrictions have been lifted we will resume normal golf equipment storage policies. If there are extenuating circumstances that make this difficult for someone, please talk to Kyle Lee.
- The Handicap Computer will not be available until further notice. Please post your scores via the GHIN application on your mobile device or laptop. The pro-shop staff will post anyone's score that asks.

CARTS

- Golf carts will be limited to one player per cart at all times, unless two (2) riders are immediate family members. Carts will be available on a first come, first served basis and we will turn the carts around as quickly as possible following completion of a golfer's round. Each cart must be cleaned and sanitized following each use.
- We encourage members and guests to walk and will have our fleet of pull carts available for use on a first come, first serve basis. Again, each pull cart must be cleaned and sanitized following each use.
- We will open the private cart storage garage door in the morning and close it in the evening so members can avoid touching the door for access. We encourage you to remove your clubs from property after use. Clubs stored on private carts are done so at the owner's risk.
- Members who have private carts will be responsible for cleaning and maintaining their own golf carts.

COURSE

- Flags on the greens must remain untouched at all times. The cups will be set in the greens upside down about 1 to 2 inches below the surface so you can retrieve your ball and not touch the inside of the cup or the flag.

- There will be no ball washers, water coolers or rakes on the course. Should your golf ball find a bunker, please use your feet to smooth your footprints when you leave the bunker. Lift, clean and place within 12 inches will be played from all bunkers until we can begin using rakes.
- Our on-course bathrooms will be closed initially. The Pro-shop bathroom will be open for use although we will limit one person in the pro-shop at a time and request appropriate social distancing at all times. We will have three (3) portable toilets that include cleaning stations on the AGC property for convenience of our members and guests. One will be located near the clubhouse and pro-shop, and two (2) will be on the golf course – one on hole 7 and one on hole 13.

RANGE

- The driving range ball dispenser will be operated by an electronic card system for 2020. Each member will receive a card similar to a credit card that will allow you to dispense balls for the range. Tokens will no longer be used and will not operate the range ball machine. Guests may use a credit card to purchase range balls from the machine. Member range cards will be distributed to members when they check in at the pro-shop for the first time this year.
- Driving range stations will be spaced appropriately to ensure social distancing while hitting range balls.
- Please leave the range baskets on the driving range. A staff member will regularly retrieve the baskets, as we will be sanitizing the baskets and range balls after each use.
- Until further notice, no range balls may be used on the practice green. If you would like to chip or putt on the practice green, please use your own golf balls. This will help minimize the touching of range balls and provide a safer environment until the risk of virus infections has diminished.

CLUBHOUSE

- The locker rooms will be closed for regular use until government guidelines are lifted. You may access the locker rooms through the northwest door of the clubhouse from 12 Noon – 3PM Monday through Thursday. Please try to remove all items you will need from your locker and keep them in your car or at home until it is appropriate for AGC to reinstate regular locker room usage.
- The Clubhouse food and beverage services will not be available until early May...we will provide additional information to everyone in the next couple weeks.

- Please note, it is illegal to furnish, consume or bring outside alcohol onto AGC property. Results can lead to a heavy fine and loss of liquor license for the club.

Again, if you have any questions we will be happy to address them and we promise to do everything possible to make your experience at AGC pleasant and fun.

We understand that there are a lot of guidelines and rules listed above. We feel strongly that our ability to adhere to these guidelines and rules will be critical to the health of our members, staff, guests and community. They will also be important to ensure we have access to enjoy our golf course and the game we all love.

These are certainly challenging times that require numerous protocols that are not necessarily convenient for everyone. That said, we are grateful for your help and understanding as we all navigate some uncharted waters. We look forward to the opportunity to enjoy some enjoyable recreation time outdoors at Alexandria Golf Club and especially look forward to seeing each of you at the club!

All the best,

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