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For members of the Donalda Club

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Members,

I am excited to bring you the wonderful news that our Locker Room/ Indoor Golf Academy project is being completed on time and on budget. The locker room will be fully open by the time you read this, and Indoor Golf opens on April 7. When the Board and I toured the construction site we were very impressed with the quality of the workmanship and the way it was progressing. The Men's Locker Room features a luxurious atmosphere, superior finishes and a style that is in keeping with the entire Clubhouse. The Indoor Golf Academy sports incredible new technology and is perhaps the first of its kind in a Canadian private club. It promises hours of pleasure and camaraderie amongst the members. More details about the Academy are found in our feature article on page 10 of this issue. Congratulations to General Manager **Charles Powell**, Clubhouse Manager **Daniel Cameirao**, Maintenance Manager **Tim Cortes**, architect **Peter Hossack**, interior designer **Gary Nicholls** and our construction manager **The Dalton Company Limited** on an exceptional job. Members will be truly proud and will be enjoying the renovated areas for many years to come.

Our Open House on Sunday, April 7 (2:00-4:00 pm) is an exciting event which will showcase the complete locker room and Indoor Golf Academy project to Members and guests. Let me emphasize that the Open House is for EVERYBODY – it's a chance for all Member families to view the new facilities, try out the Indoor Golf Academy, talk to our dedicated team of professionals and find out more about everything that Donalda has to offer. Bring your children to meet our new Children's Program Manager, **Stephanie Weese**, and be sure to bring your skates for the annual Skate-Out.

Even though I am writing this on a sub-zero March day, spring is fast approaching and we will be golfing very soon. **Michael Horsley**, our new Head Golf Professional, has been working hard in preparation of the new facility and is looking forward to seeing as many members as possible in the coming weeks and on April 7. He has established a tremendous golf team for the coming season with the addition of **Andrew McCarthy** as Associate Golf Professional and **Conrad Riley** as Associate Golf Professional and Merchandising Manager. Both are university graduates who went on to study Professional Golf Management at Humber College where they graduated with honours. Andrew has worked at several clubs including Hockley Valley Resort and Copper Creek Golf Club, while Conrad worked at Eagles Nest Golf Club and Lambton Golf and Country Club.

Golf Course and Grounds Manager **Scott White** has been working diligently with his team all winter to prepare the equipment for the new season, and has also been busy with preparations for the golf course construction in the fall, such as ensuring that all the necessary permits are in place. The planning for the course construction continues to be right on target, so we are well prepared for both the upcoming golf season and the fall construction. Congratulations, Scott.

On the membership side, I also have very good news for you. Families who are looking for a friendly, high-quality family style club continue to be attracted to Donalda, and we presently have a number of ap-



plications in hand for Full, Activity and Dining membership. **Brett Mance**, our Membership and Marketing Manager, has been very busy conducting tours and responding to queries. He welcomes any questions you may have about how to assist friends and acquaintances who may be interested in Donalda, and can be reached at 416-446-5872 or bmance@donaldaclub.ca. Since we do not advertise, we depend on Member referrals for new memberships, a process which has served us very well for the past 53 years.

Come out and enjoy your Club this spring, as the goals that we outlined in our Master Facility Plan are, one by one, becoming realities to create the best golf and multi-activity family club in the country.

Jay Lilge
President