#### **River Valley Country Club Newsletter**

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello members of RVCC,

RVCC has been through a lot of challenges and changes in the past couple of years. I first would like to thank all current members that have volunteered, whether it was for golfing functions, flooding disasters, or course and club house improvements. These contributions are what makes River Valley feel like more than just a golf course! To know, if and when called upon for aid, members of RVCC respond quickly and with an abundance. It's an AWESOME and special feeling to witness.

So what can we expect in 2022? Currently with the economic uncertainty, rising inflation, and workforce shortages there are undoubtedly going to be some financial challenges. We as a Board with dedication from committee members are working to explore other avenues for generating income and to develop and implement ideas for capital improvements. We will continue to work towards our mission of providing a golf and social facility for the enjoyment of its members and guests.

Thank you

#### Jim Brarens, President

## FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

I would like to echo Jim and extend thanks to the countless volunteers we have who step forward when help is needed which is about every day. We certainly can't afford to pay for all of the required help to run a golf course. This help is invaluable to our survival.

As Jim mentioned above, we are looking for ways to increase funds. One uncomfortable feeling I have is that the changes we make to generate more revenue are looked upon as negatives for our members. Please review the financial section on page three to get a better understanding of our financial state. If we don't find a way to cover rising expenses, it is probable that we won't have a golf course here. None of us want that. So, please try to understand that we are all here for River Valley!

Spring is here and golf is underway ! Dennis and his crew have the course in great shape for this time of year. As with every spring, the weather varies and thus we are not open every day. Some days we will have frost delays, cart restrictions, etc..

We are still hiring staff for the 2022 golf season. If you have not paid your membership dues yet, please do so by April 30th.

A copy of this year's Tournament Schedule is included in this newsletter. As always, we have a few changes, additions, etc.. We are continuing to work on the right balance of "open golf days" with tournaments that have good participation and help build needed revenue. Leagues will start in early May so please get signed up ASAP. For more details see "leagues" section on a later page.

#### April 2022

#### RVCC 2022 Board of Directors

**President** Jim Brarens

**Vice President** Jeff Goodolf

**Secretary** Brandon Hackett

**Treasurer** Jay Frey

#### Directors

Jim Edgcomb Shawn Ianson Ben Howe Ryan Vargeson Cale Mead

The Board will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00

#### THE STAFF

**General Manager** Larry Moon

**Director of Grounds** Dennis Fitzwater CGCS

**F&B Manager** Bill Gaillard

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Dennis helped lead a kitchen renovation project this spring on top of preparing the course for play. He helped find an inexpensive hood and recruited the necessary help to install the exhaust hood system along with rearranging many things in the kitchen requiring carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and gas work. A special thanks to Mike Baker, Jim Rounds, and Jeff Goodolf for their work along with Dan Kohut, Ryan Hoke and "crew" for help installing the new hood for a deep fryer. Our food menu will now include deep fried food that golfers love. This project was done at a very reasonable cost thanks to those who helped. See page five for more news from Bill about Food & Beverage (F&B).

We have several new members to welcome to River Valley this year and I hope this newsletter gives them some helpful information as well.

So, welcome back golfers! Bring your best attitude to brighten the day for all. Have fun as time is a fleeting commodity as a few of us realize. No time for anything but fun. Be thoughtful of others, give a little, make it a good experience for everyone. Realize the people working here are doing it at a price most of us wouldn't accept. If we all do this, we will have a great year and we want a great year! Now put on a smile and get ready for a lot of golf!!!

#### Larry Moon, GM

## Membership

Our new member program started in 2019 has been successful so far. All of us here at River Valley would like to welcome our newest members to the RV family. Please help continue recruiting new members!

#### **2022** (24 new members)

| Dylan ChristmanJohn MelkoTom RossMarlin WeaverSteve Cornell | Gary and Linda Bulas<br>Ben Chesko<br>Bob Chesko<br>Dylan Christman | Mike and Christine Koons<br>Don Lahr<br>Matt Learn | Landon Pierce<br>Jake Rice<br>Ryan Rieppel | Devyn Smith<br>Cooper Sunderlin<br>Wendy Swartz<br>Dustin VanZile<br>Marlin Weaver |
|---|---|--|--|--|
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#### **2021 (44 new members)**

| Bill Allen<br>Matt Baker<br>Larry Brought<br>Justin Button | Pete Finch<br>Tim Freeman<br>Gary Frost<br>Mike Gerow | Casey McLaughlin<br>Brian McCorkle<br>Bryan Miller<br>Stella Northrup | Ralph Salvadge<br>Brad Sargent<br>Sunny Scarborough<br>Kenny and Mary Shupp Jr |
|--|---|---|--|
| Tom Byrne  | Aaron Goldsmith                                       | Kevin and Cindy Patt  | Tyler Smith  |
| Grant Cole   | Steve and Marybess Hazlett                            |   | JC Sunderlin   |
| Perry and Nicole Doan Jr.                                  | Glenn Jarema  | Dylan Price   | Jason and Jodi VanGorden   |
| Anthony and Heather English                                | Steven A. Lyon  | Richie Rivardo  | Tyler Vanskiver  |
| Larry Finch  | Shane and Charissa Mascho                             | Cody Rowe   | Danny White  |
| -  |   | -   | Jeffrey Wilson   |

## **RECALL OUR MISSION**

The *Mission* of River Valley is to provide a golf and social facility for the enjoyment of its members and guests.

#### How can you help?

- 1. Recruit others to join the club
- 2. Help promote a positive culture for all members and guests at the club. Lead by example!
- 3. Participate in leagues and tournaments.
- 4. Spend some money on food, beverages and in the Pro Shop.
- 5. Be a productive member with ideas and solutions to problems. We also do appreciate the volunteer work and welcome where possible.

## **CLUB FINANCIALS**

As you can see below, the club has lost money three of the past four seasons. The current state of the economy will continue to make things difficult to get ahead. We will continue to provide a great golf course to play at the fairest price possible. A major goal this season is to have an increase in rounds of golf played especially from non members who are helping carry the freight to keep your dues down. Without more golfers playing, our chances of being open for years to come keeps getting bleaker.

To put things in perspective, we have roughly 230 memberships. If we were a private club, that would mean every member would need to spend about \$2,400 on golf, food, drinks and the pro shop to cover Expenses for the year. There are several members who do contribute that much money being very active supporters of the club every season.

| Year | Income  | Expenses | Net Income |
|------|---------|----------|------------|
| 2021 | 503,738 | 551,409  | - (47,671) |
| 2020 | 461,838 | 434,951  | + 26,887   |
| 2019 | 430,520 | 443,791  | - (13,271) |
| 2018 | 418,809 | 450,414  | - (31,605) |

## **DO'S AND DON'TS!**

| Do   | DON'T   |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Make tee times and maintain pace of play.  | Please don't park in the road when loading<br>or unloading your cart. We have had some<br>complaints from our neighbors who travel<br>up and down this road that golfers are in<br>their way and they have to slow down to<br>almost a complete stop. |  |  |  |
| Please check in before you go out on course to play.   | Don't ride in the back of golf carts or yank down on rain covers.   |  |  |  |
| Help take care of the course. Fix ball marks on the green, repair divots, pick up loose trash.             | ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES <b>MUST BE</b><br><b>PURCHASED</b> AT THE CLUB - PLEASE REFRANE FROM<br>BRINGING YOUR OWN TO THE FACILITIES. OUR LISCENCE<br>DOES NOT ALLOW FOR THIS AND WILL BE STRICTLY<br>ENFORCED.  |  |  |  |
| Empty the trash out of your cart at the end of your round.   | Don't be the last one to bring your cart in when it is past sunset<br>and too dark to get the cart cleaned!   |  |  |  |
| Help promote a positive culture for all members<br>and guests at the club. Lead by example!                | Don't be late paying for Membership Dues.   |  |  |  |
| Support the club by playing in events and visit the bar for some food and drinks after playing your round. | he If you've got a Bluetooth speaker in your cart, be mindful of<br>those around you. Make sure the music is not to loud and<br>please listen to tasteful music without vulgarity.  |  |  |  |
| Help recruit new members.  |   |  |  |  |
| Volunteer. Propose some solutions to problems.   | Stay away from negative people. They have a problem for every solution.   |  |  |  |

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- Albert Einstein

## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GROUNDS

#### Welcome back to the golf course!

The grounds staff has been diligently working to prepare the course for many great rounds of golf. We hope you will enjoy the course again this season and build upon your game bringing many wonderful memories of playing at RV.

As always ,our staff focuses daily and yearly on our two number one assets.

- 1. The putting greens
- 1. The players-members and guests

As we strive for excellence, we will continue our effort of improving the putting surfaces and the venue of the course layout. You will find us from time to time doing work on greens as you are playing. We ask you to be patient and allow us to perform our tasks as we will work with you to play through and possibly at times ask you to play around us and come back to that hole later in your round. Remember when you see the grounds crew performing what is asked of them it is for your benefit. Our goal to the players is to provide a venue that provides 18 consistent putting greens with a quality course that is aesthetically pleasing and provides great value.

#### We ask that you continue to also help improve our playing conditions around the golf course.

#### • <u>General Golf Etiquette</u>

- ⇒ Repair ball marks on greens please use the pull it forward method
- $\Rightarrow$  Replace divots—Teeing areas, fairways and rough
- ⇒ Fill divots on par 3 tees boxes—please use the divot mix in the boxes. Place a scoop in your divot then step down on it.
- $\Rightarrow$  Rake bunkers when you use them
- $\Rightarrow$  Refrain from using the fairways for practice areas.
- ⇒ Hole 16 is not a practice area please refrain from hitting multiple practice shots into the green. The tee boxes are small and very difficult to grow grass on and the green takes plenty of punch marks from the daily rounds of golf.

Pushing the bottom of the depression upward only tears the roots, and kills the grass. **Right:** Using the prongs to push grass at the edge of the depression toward the centre **Wrong:** Using the prongs as levers to push up the bottom of the depression **Wrong:** Using the prongs as levers to push up the bottom of the depression

#### • <u>Carts</u>

- $\Rightarrow$  Please use all cart paths when they are available on the hole you are playing
- $\Rightarrow$  Keep carts 30 feet from all GREENS
- $\Rightarrow$  Follow signs
- $\Rightarrow$  Use caution when going up and down hills

Thank you for coming and enjoying this magnificent layout with heavily sloped greens and beautiful views.

#### PS—Please tell the grounds staff how they are doing!

#### Dennis Fitzwater, CGCS, Director of Grounds

## FROM THE BAR AND KITCHEN

Welcome back hackers. Hope you are looking forward to an enjoyable and successful season at River Valley. We are proud to announce a renovated kitchen featuring an enhanced menu while still offering daily specials. During off hours we will provide a more limited bar menu.

We will be focusing on daily dining and take out orders. In addition to our members, non golfers and spectators are welcome to enjoy the food and view as well.

With membership support supplemented by outside sales and takeout orders, we believe we can build on and increase the total golf experience. If we can cater a family function or office party, let us know. Looking forward to a healthy season with some good payback for last year's weather.

See below for a copy of the Spring menu and our hours of operation. We are still ramping up for the season and our hours and menu will vary based on staffing levels, how busy we are, time of season and what seems to sell best.

#### Bill Gaillard, Food & Beverage Manager

## Appetizers

| Tater Tots  | 3.75     |  |  |
|---|----------|--|--|
| French Fries  |          |  |  |
| cheese sauce (\$.75)<br>cheese sauce & (chili or bacon) (\$1.75 | -)       |  |  |
| cheese sauce & (chill or bacon) (\$1.75                         | <i>v</i> |  |  |
| Onion Rings   | 5.00     |  |  |
| Breaded Mushrooms   | 5.25     |  |  |
| Mozzarella Sticks (4)   | 5.35     |  |  |
| Fried Cauliflower   | 5.00     |  |  |
| Macaroni & Cheese Wedges  | 5.15     |  |  |
| Corn Fritters   | 5.50     |  |  |
| Fried Zucchini  | 5.00     |  |  |
| Chicken Fingers (5)   | 8.50     |  |  |
| Spicy Cheese Curds  | 5.75     |  |  |
| Pretzel Bites   | 5.25     |  |  |
|   |          |  |  |

Sauces (extra \$0.35): Ranch, Honey Mustard, BBQ, Horseradish Cream, Marinara

Sauces (extra \$0.50): Garlic Bleu Cheese, Bleu Cheese. Buffalo (Mild, Medium, Hot)

## Sandwedge Platters

**Toppings:** Mayo, Onion, Tomato, & Lettuce. Served with French Fries and a smile ©

| Hamburger  | 9.75                    |
|--|-------------------------|
| Cheeseburger Deluxe  | 10.25                   |
| Bacon Cheeseburger Deluxe  | 11.25                   |
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| Marinated Grilled Chicken  | 10.75                   |
| Grilled Chicken Club   | 11.75                   |
|  |                         |
| Fried Chicken Sandwich   | 11.00                   |
| Bunker Buster  | 12.00                   |
| Fried chicken sandwich/cheese and  |                         |
| Theo chicken sanowich cheese and   | Dacon                   |
|  |                         |
| Chicken Parmesan Sandwich  | 11.50                   |
|  |                         |
| Cheese Steak   | 11.50<br>11.00          |
| Cheese Steak<br>Add onions & peppers (\$.075)  | 11.00                   |
| Cheese Steak<br>Add onions & peppers (\$.075)<br>Pizza Steak   |                         |
| Cheese Steak<br>Add onions & peppers (\$.075)  | 11.00                   |
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| Cheese Steak<br>Add onions & peppers (\$.075)<br>Pizza Steak<br>Add onions & peppers (\$.075)<br>California Cheese Steak | 11.00<br>11.50<br>11.50 |
| Cheese Steak<br>Add onions & peppers (\$.075)<br>Pizza Steak<br>Add onions & peppers (\$.075)                            | 11.00<br>11.50          |

#### Sandwedges A `La Cart

| Ham & Cheese Sub          | 7.50 |
|---------------------------|------|
| Turkey & Cheese Sub       | 7.75 |
| Italian Sub               | 8.00 |
| Tuna Salad Sub            | 8.00 |
| Fish Sandwich             | 7.50 |
| Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich | 7.50 |

**Toppings**: Mayo, Onion, Tomato, Lettuce, Vinegar, Oregano

#### Soup & Salad

| Chili 5.00   Soup of Day ( <i>ask server</i> ) 3.50/4.50 | - |
|--|---|
| House Salad 4.5  | 0 |
| Tuna Salad 8.5   | 0 |
| Chicken Salad 8.7  | 5 |
| Grilled Chicken Salad 11.0                               | 0 |

Choice of dressing: Ranch, Italian, Bleu Cheese, Honey Mustard.

### Dinner Platters

| Served with French Fries and a smile @  |        |       |  |  |
|---|--------|-------|--|--|
| Chicken Fingers (4  |        | 9.75  |  |  |
| (6  | piece) | 12.75 |  |  |
| Buffalo Fingers (4  | piece) | 10.50 |  |  |
| (6  | piece) | 13.50 |  |  |
| Grilled Chicken Pla   | tter   | 10.75 |  |  |
| Fried Boneless Chi  | cken   | 11.25 |  |  |
| Chicken Parmesan  |        | 12.00 |  |  |
| Chopped Steak and Onions  |        | 11.00 |  |  |
| Fried Fish Snack  |        | 9.50  |  |  |
| Fried Fish Dinner (2 piece)   |        | 11.50 |  |  |
| Shrimp Basket Dinner 11.00  |        |       |  |  |
| Sauces (extra \$0.35): Ranch, Honey Mustard,<br>BBQ, Horseradish Cream, Tartar, Cocktail,<br>Marinara |        |       |  |  |
|   |        |       |  |  |
| Sauces (extra \$0.50): Garlic Bleu Cheese,<br>Bleu Cheese. Buffalo (Mild, Medium, Hot)                |        |       |  |  |

## Now Offering

Dine-in or take-out 814-367-2202

Hours of Operation:

Monday (11am to 7pm) Tuesday (11am to 4pm) Wednesday (11am to 7pm) Thursday (11am to 7pm) Friday (11am to 7pm) Saturday (11am to 7pm) Sunday (CLOSED)

Hot Dogs (all <u>beef)</u>3.50 Relish or Sauerkraut on request

Texas Hot 5.00

Fountain Beverages (Pepsi products) 1.75

## FROM THE PRO SHOP

We have a few items still on sale as we make room for new inventory for 2022. We are continuing to downsize merchandise available in the pro shop as we can't compete with the online world and make enough money for the effort to maintain inventory.

#### 2022 Golf Rates

|                                   | 18 Holes | 9 Holes |
|-----------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Green Fee + Cart (adult under 65) | 47       | 32      |
| seniors age 65+                   | 40       | 27      |
| twilight after 3pm                | 37       | 27      |
| Walking (adult)                   | 30       | 20      |
| junior age 17 and under           | 15       | 8       |
| Cart Rental                       | 17       | 12      |
| Cart Trail Fee                    | 4        | 2       |
| Replay                            | 17       | 12      |
| Rider                             | 15       | 10      |
| Reciprocal                        | 25       | 15      |
| Military (active)                 | 30       | 20      |

#### **Pro Shop Hours**

Daily: 7 am to 6 pm

In the spring and fall, hours will vary based on weather and staffing levels.

#### **HOW DO WE COMPARE ?**

(Note: Avg 1 round a week = \$47 x 30wks = \$1410)

|                     | Single | Couple | Senior | Junior | Cart<br>Single/Couple |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------|
| <b>River Valley</b> | 750    | 1050   | 675    | 200    | 400/525               |
| Туода               | 1460   | 1945   | 815    | 240    | 610/775               |
| Corey Creek         | 995    | 1576   | 995    | 582    | 575/910               |
| Coudersport         | ?      | ?      | ?      | 150    | ?                     |
| Indian Hills        | 1000   | 1390   | 800    | 300    | 700 / 1000            |
| Wellsville          | 1795   | 2955   | 880    | 500    | ?                     |
| Willow Creek        | 875    | 1125   | 775    | 350    | ?                     |
| Towanda             | 1200   | 1600   | 1000   | 200    | 695/895               |

#### **Golf Now**

We have signed a one year agreement with Golf Now to allow us to use their online booking system. Stayed tuned in as we roll this out in May. I am currently working with GolfNow to have an account created for all members which is done using your Email address.

#### Ghin

If you wish to keep track of your own handicap, please see the pro shop to signup for a Ghin handicap account. The cost this season is \$25. Accounts are typically activated in May.

## **CART RENTALS**

Due to the increase in the price of gas, cart rental prices have increased as well.

#### What are your Cart Rental Options ?

- 1. Pay for (one) seat each time you use a cart (\$12 for 9 holes and \$17 for 18 holes).
- 2. Buy a yearly **CART MEMBERSHIP** (Individual Seat = **\$400** or Couple = **\$525**)

#### How does a cart rental work?

- Each person pays for (1) seat in the cart. If two golfers are "sharing" the same cart, they **both** pay for (1) seat.
- If you bring a "friend" along to "ride" in your cart, they must pay a **<u>rider fee</u>**.
- If you play more than 18 holes in a given day, you must pay additional cart fees and make a 2nd tee time. Replay rate is <u>\$12 (for 9 holes)</u> and <u>\$17 for 18 holes</u> (*unless you have a cart membership*)

#### How does a Cart Membership Work?

- Cart memberships require an additional Trail Fee of \$2 for 9 holes and \$4 for 18 holes. Does not apply to tournaments.
- With your membership, you are entitled to **ONE CART** (one key) for either Individual or Couple Membership. Remember, each of the two seats are "available" for rental.

As a couple, you would use both seats and each pay \$2 per 9. We do expect couples to come and play together using **1** cart. The cart is only for the "couple" (*if you add a kid to membership, they are not entitled to use "your cart", they must pay for a cart*).

- We also are doing our best to allow a family to bring their kids with them and "ride" for free where possible. If you bring multiple kids, this may mean multiple carts. We will do our best to be FAIR with cost of renting extra carts. Kids **under 17** can play golf for free (*not including cart*) with no additional charges to your Membership dues.
- Also, an Individual Membership doesn't merely mean you are entitled to request a cart and ride alone at ALL times.

#### How late can I rent a cart in the evening?

• Last cart rental is at 6pm

#### When do carts need to be returned in the evening?

• Carts must be returned <u>before dark</u> so we can get them cleaned and put away! This of course varies with time of season.

## **Golf Etiquette**

For everyone to enjoy the great game of golf, consider the following from *Golf Digest* when you are out on the course.

#### 1. Don't be the slowest player

- Play "ready golf" (hit when ready, even if you aren't away) until you reach the green, be prepared to play when it's your turn on the tee and green, and never search for a lost ball for more than three minutes.
- Take no more than one practice swing.
- To keep pace moving along, walk or get in the cart after hitting your shot and place your club in the bag at the next stop.
- Be considerate and look behind you to see if you are holding up play.
- Slower players should allow faster players to play through
- The first person to putt out is the one to pick up the flagstick for placement so you can clear the green quickly.
- Do not stay on the green to record your score. Move to the next tee and record score there.

#### 2. Keep your temper under control

• Throwing clubs, sulking and barking profanity make everyone uneasy.

#### 3. Respect other people's Time

- Don't be late to your tee time or fall behind pace of play holding others up.
- 4. **Repair the ground you play on** (*Dennis explained this part well in his section*)

#### 5. Be a silent partner

- Stand still when another player is preparing to hit a shot
- Don't walk in someone's line
- Know where to stand and when to keep quiet. When a player is about to hit a shot, think of the fairway as a cathedral, the green a library.

#### 6. Make your golf cart 'invisible'

• Your goal when driving a cart should be to leave no trace you were there. Avoid wet areas and spots that are getting beaten up from traffic.

#### 7. Always look your best

• Your appearance speaks volumes about you as a person, and the neatly appointed golfer, like a businessman or someone headed to church, gives the impression he thinks the golf course and the people there are special.

#### 8. Turn off the cell phone

#### 9. Lend a hand when you can

• Watch for errant shots and help look for lost balls.

#### 10. Learn the little things

• An honest score is the best score! There are many more things not mentioned. Just know that golf has a way of returning favors, and every piece of etiquette you practice will be repaid tenfold. Maybe that next errant tee shot you hit into the trees will bounce out!



## How long should it take for 18 holes?

#### If you like math, lets hash this out! (*skip if you failed Math class*!)

- Suppose you are the first foursome out for the day and play the white tees which is roughly: 6,000 yds = 18,000 feet = 3.4 miles (if walked in a straight line)
- With all of the zig zagging you do with shots, lets make this <u>5 miles for 18 holes</u>.
- Assume you walk 3 miles per hour. You should cover 5 miles in <u>1 hour and 40 mins</u>
- The average player shoots about 90 and suppose they take 15 seconds to hit each shot. This amounts to 1,350 seconds or 22 mins and 30 seconds which we can round to (25 minutes of preparation).
- The foursome would be (25 mins x 4) totaling (<u>1 hour and 40 min</u>) in shot preparation.
- Walking takes 1 hour 40 min + 1 hour 40 min of shot preparation = (3 hours 20 mins).
- Well, we are not robots and need time for drinking our beer, bathroom breaks, lighting cigars, telling jokes, etc.. So add another <u>20 minutes</u> for this.
- You might need to look for balls so add another <u>20 minutes</u> for this.
- Your total for 18 holes is now (3 hour s 20 mins) + (20 mins) + (20 mins) = 4 hours

#### **Or...simpler math.**

| Players | 18 Holes | Par 5's | Par 4's | Par 3's |
|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1       | 2.5 hrs  | 10 mins | 8 mins  | 7 mins  |
| 2       | 3 hrs    | 12 mins | 10 mins | 8 mins  |
| 3       | 3.5 hrs  | 14 mins | 12 mins | 9 mins  |
| 4       | 4 hrs    | 16 mins | 13 mins | 10 mins |

#### Pace of Play Guidelines for RVCC...

Example: Foursome starting at 8am (2 hr per 9) would finish at noon.

| Hole | Time  | Hole | Time  |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| 1    | 8:13  | 10   | 10:15 |
| 2    | 8:29  | 11   | 10:29 |
| 3    | 8:39  | 12   | 10:39 |
| 4    | 8:52  | 13   | 10:52 |
| 5    | 9:02  | 14   | 11:05 |
| 6    | 9:17  | 15   | 11:21 |
| 7    | 9:33  | 16   | 11:31 |
| 8    | 9:46  | 17   | 11:47 |
| 9    | 10:00 | 18   | 12:00 |

## HOLE IN ONE CLUB

#### The Rules

- The annual fee to join the club is **\$10.00**. If you wish to join, see the pro shop.
- A hole in one can be recorded only during the club season which runs from May 1 through October 31 of each year.
- You must be with at least *two* other witnesses.
- *The golf round must be a recordable score.* You may not be hole jumping around the course playing holes multiple times during the round.
- You must play from your "regular tee" or back farther than you normally play. If you are a white tee player, you can't play from the red tees to claim prize even in a tournament. However if you are a white tee player, you can win if teeing off from the blue tees.
- Mulligans cannot be used to win hole in one prize money.

#### **Prize Fund**

- Money received each year will be dispersed at an equal percentage to each of the par 3's.
- We no longer have a cap on hole #12 as we have paid out two winners in the past few years.

#### Hole in One Winner(s)

- At the end of each season, hole winners will receive amounts equal to an even division of the money in that same hole. If there are no winners on a given hole, the pot of money for that hole, carries forward to the next season.
- There will be a \$500 reward for a hole in one on any par 4 hole.



## **LEAGUES**

| Day       | Season                     | Туре   | Time      | Format  |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------|-----------|---|
| Monday    | May 2—Sep 12<br>17 weeks   | Men's  | 3:00—6:00 | Two person team w/handicap<br>Low Ball/Low Total each hole<br>Bonus pts: +3 to –3 (based on hdcp) |
| Tuesday   | May 10 –Sep 13<br>19 weeks | Senior | 8:00—9:30 | Two person team w/handicap<br>Low Ball/Low Total each hole<br>Bonus pts: 1 for hitting hdcp       |
| Wednesday | May 11—Aug 10<br>14 weeks? | Ladies | 3:00—6:00 | Two person team w/handicap<br>Low Ball/Low Total each hole  |
| Thursday  | May 5— Sep 15<br>20 weeks  | Men's  | 3:00-6:00 | Same as Monday  |
| Friday    | TBD                        | Couple | 5:00      | Two person - "social type league"   |

#### **REMINDERS ON LEAGUE PLAY**

- 1. Please do your part by communicating with each other making tee times and don't always default to the other team initiating the process. Everyone needs to help make this happen.
- 2. Arrive on time to take care of checking in and getting to the tee box on time.
- 3. Play ready golf and keep pace of play. Your goal for 9 hole should be 2 hours or less.
- 4. Do your best to get subs and not reschedule your matches.
- 5. If we have a rain out, "all" matches for the given week will be null and void even if you played earlier and got your match completed. Rainouts more than likely will not be rescheduled.
- 6. Focus on your next golf shot, not your golf score!

#### **LEAGUE HANDICAP**

- Each league player will have (1) handicap that is used for **all** leagues you participate in.
- **Handicap** = Average of Last 5 Scores 36 (36 being par)
  - $\Rightarrow$  Example: Suppose your last (5) scores are: 40, 44, 41, 39, 42 Average = 41.2
  - $\Rightarrow$  Handicap = 41.2 36 = 5.2 HDCP = 5 (round to nearest whole number)
  - ⇒ NOTE: This is a "league handicap" only. USGA sanctioned handicaps are calculated in a different manner. We can provide access to the GHIN handicap service if you wish to obtain an official USGA handicap.

#### **TEE IT FORWARD**

- We have been implementing the Tee It Forward concept in our leagues the past few years.
- TEE IT FORWARD encourages all golfers to play the course at a length that is aligned with their **average driving distance**. <u>Age</u> should **not** be used to choose the tee box.
- It is ultimately up to the player to fairly choose their tee based on integrity.
- Choose a tee where you **enjoy** the game and are **challenged** fairly. We believe the leagues can still be competitive, fair and enjoyable if everyone complies.

## **TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

As usual, there are a few tweaks to the schedule. In particular, Member/Member is a little later in July. Club Championship was moved back to end of August.

| 20       | )22 ' | Tou | rnar | nent Schedu  | ule   |          |       |                   |       |     |       | Last Update: 3/28/22 |
|----------|-------|-----|------|--------------|-------|----------|-------|-------------------|-------|-----|-------|----------------------|
| M        | AY    |     |      |              |       |          |       |                   |       |     |       |                      |
| 1        | 4/29  | Fri |      |              | 4/30  | Sat      |       |                   | 5/1   | Sun |       |                      |
| 2        | 5/6   | Fri |      |              | 5/7   | Sat      |       |                   | 5/8   | Sun |       |                      |
| 3        | 5/13  | Fri |      |              | 5/14  | Sat      |       |                   | 5/15  | Sun |       |                      |
| 4        | 5/20  | Fri |      |              | 5/21  | Sat      |       |                   | 5/22  | Sun |       |                      |
| 5        | 5/27  | Fri |      |              | 5/28  | Sat      |       |                   | 5/29  | Sun |       |                      |
| JL       | JUNE  |     |      |              |       |          |       |                   |       |     |       |                      |
| 6        | 6/3   | Fri |      |              | 6/4   | Sat      |       |                   | 6/5   | Sun |       |                      |
| 7        | 6/10  | Fri |      |              | 6/11  | Sat      | 9:00  | Cash Invite       | 6/12  | Sun |       |                      |
| 8        | 6/17  | Fri |      |              | 6/18  | Sat      |       |                   | 6/19  | Sun |       |                      |
| 9        | 6/24  | Fri |      |              | 6/25  | Sat      | 9:00  | Matt Wood         | 6/26  | Sun |       |                      |
| JL       | JLY   |     |      |              |       |          |       |                   |       |     |       |                      |
| 10       | 7/1   |     | 9:00 | Nick Clark   | 7/2   | Sat      |       |                   | 7/3   | Sun | TBD   | Red/White/Blue       |
| 11       | 7/8   | Fri |      |              | 7/9   | Sat      |       |                   | 7/10  | Sun |       |                      |
| 12       | 7/15  | Fri |      |              | 7/16  |          |       |                   | 7/17  | Sun |       |                      |
| 13       | 7/22  |     |      |              | 7/23  | <u> </u> | 9:00  | Member/Member     | 7/24  | Sun | 9:00  | Member/Member        |
| 14       | 7/29  | Fri |      |              | 7/30  | Sat      | 9:00  | Ladies Invite     | 7/31  | Sun |       |                      |
| A        | JGUS  | Т   |      |              | _     |          |       |                   |       |     |       |                      |
| 15       |       |     |      |              | 8/6   | Sat      | 9:00  | Moose             | 8/7   | Sun |       |                      |
| 16       | 8/12  |     |      |              | 8/13  | <u> </u> |       |                   | 8/14  |     |       |                      |
| 17       | 8/19  |     |      | Member/Guest | 8/20  | <u> </u> |       | Member/Guest      |       | Sun |       | Member/Guest         |
| 18       | 8/26  |     |      |              | 8/27  | Sat      | 9:00  | Club championship | 8/28  | Sun | 9:00  | Club championship    |
| S        | PTE   |     | R    |              | _     |          |       |                   |       |     |       |                      |
| 19       | 9/2   |     |      |              |       | Sat      |       |                   |       | Sun |       |                      |
| 20       | 9/9   |     |      |              |       | <u> </u> |       | Knoxville VFW     |       | Sun |       |                      |
| 21       | 9/16  |     |      |              | 9/17  | <u> </u> | 10:00 | TCFA              |       |     |       | Battle at Border @IH |
| 22       | 9/23  |     |      |              | 9/24  | Sat      |       |                   | 9/25  | Sun | 10:00 | Battle at Border @RV |
|          | стов  |     |      |              |       |          |       |                   |       |     |       |                      |
| 23       |       |     |      |              |       | Sat      |       |                   |       | Sun |       |                      |
| 24       |       |     |      |              |       |          |       | Cross Country     |       | Sun |       |                      |
|          | 10/14 |     |      |              | 10/15 | <u> </u> |       | Turkey Shoot      | 10/16 |     |       |                      |
| <u> </u> | 10/21 |     |      |              | 10/22 | <u> </u> | 11:00 | Halloween Mayhem  | 10/23 |     |       |                      |
|          | 10/28 |     |      |              | 10/29 | Sat      |       |                   | 10/30 | Sun |       |                      |
| 0        | THER  | EVE | INTS | TO NOTE      |       |          |       | outside event     |       |     |       | RV event             |

## **RECIPROCALS**

Note: We have a couple new reciprocals in the list (highlighted in yellow). Also some rate changes at a few courses.

| Course                 | Location         | Phone        | Rate |
|------------------------|------------------|--------------|------|
| Bath Country Club      | Bath, NY         | 607-776-5043 | 30   |
| Bavarian Hills         | St Marys, PA     | 814-834-3602 | 25   |
| Bolivar CC             | Bolivar, NY      | 585-928-1266 | 25   |
| Corey Creek            | Mansfield, PA    | 570-662-3520 | 25   |
| Coudersport GC         | Coudersport, PA  | 814-274-9122 | 25   |
| Emporium CC            | Emporium, PA     | 814-486-7715 | 25   |
| Hillendale             | Ithaca, NY       | 607-273-2363 | 25   |
| Hornell CC             | Hornell, NY      | 607-324-1735 | 25   |
| Indian Hills Golf Club | Painted Post, NY | 607-523-8060 | 25   |
| Mark Twain GC          | Elmira, NY       | 607-737-5770 | 20   |
| Reservoir Creek        | Naples, NY       | 585-374-8010 | 30   |
| Shade Mountain         | Middleburg, PA   | 570-837-2155 | 25   |
| Shepard Hills          | Waverly, NY      | 607-565-9500 | 25   |
| Smethport CC           | Smethport, PA    | 814-887-5641 | 25   |
| Tioga                  | Nichols, NY      | 607-699-3881 | 25   |
| Towanda CC             | Towanda, PA      | 570-265-6222 | 25   |
| Twin Hickory           | Hornell, NY      | 607-324-1441 | 20   |
| Tyoga Country Club     | Wellsboro, PA    | 570-724-1653 | 30   |
| Watkins Glen Golf Club | Watkins Glen,NY  | 607-535-2340 | 25   |
| Wellsville CC          | Wellsville, NY   | 585-593-6337 | 25   |
| White Deer Golf Course | Williamsport, PA | 570-221-9116 | 25   |
| Willow Creek           | Big Flats, NY    | 607-562-8898 | 25   |

**REMINDER**: Reciprocal play is a privilege as part of being a member at River Valley Country Club. Please do not abuse that privilege as we don't want to lose our relationship with any of the area clubs.

Golfers are typically permitted (3-5) rounds per player per club, unless otherwise noted by the host club.

You may be required to present your membership card as identification at the golf course. Let the Pro Shop know if you need help scheduling a tee time and **most clubs do prefer to have us book for you**.