



FEBRUARY 2024

Hopefully,
Mother
Nature will
cooperate a
bit more in
the month of
February
than January!



KELLY'S CORNER

With the recent frigid temps and large amount of precipitation, it is more important than ever to follow cart guidelines with the wet conditions and wide changes in high & low temperature swings in short periods of time. Much of the turf is a bit more fragile this time of the year anyway with the limited growing season.

When the cart rules have permitted carts to leave the paved paths, there have been considerable cart traffic issues around several greens and tees so far this Winter. Golf carts have been running on the same areas over and over again 10 to 20 feet from greens and literally on top of the tee boxes. These areas are within several feet of the cart paths where the majority of the carts should remain anyway.

Because of this continued issue, we will require carts to stay on the paths on Par 3's until further notice. Carts should never be closer than **30 feet** from the greens unless signage permits.

If we all do our simple part in using good sense on where to drive the carts, the course will be in a great place when the spring growth spurt begins.

Please do not drive through areas that already have limited turf, stay at least 30 feet from the greens, and have your cart on the path at the green and remain on the path until teeing off on the next hole.

Thanks for helping keep Valley View a great course for all to play!

VALLEY VIEW ICICLE OPEN 2024

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24



FORMAT - TWO PERSON SCRAMBLE

GROSS & NET PAYOUTS (can only receive one prize).

Team handicaps figured based on following:

Low player: 50% handicap

2nd low: 20% handicap

Round up at .5 and add the 2 numbers for the team handicap. Handicaps are from the tees each player is playing from. Max individual event handicap is 22 before reduction...players above 22 will be lowered to 22. The event will be pre-flighted if entry numbers merit doing so...otherwise we will pay the top 30 % of gross teams and top 30% of net teams. All ties broken from Hole 18 backward.

TEES

Men 49 & Under: Green Tees (6500)

Men 50-64: White Tees (6000)

Men 65 & Over: Gold Tees (5600)

Ladies: Red Tees (5100)

ENTRY FEE

Valley View Members: \$42 (plus appropriate cart fee)

Non-Member*: \$92 (includes golf/cart & prizes)

Entry Fees also include BBQ Lunch buffet after golf

*Any event participant deciding to join Valley View Golf Club as a new Member, event day or prior, will have their Initiation Fee waived (up to a \$350 savings) from their new Membership and pay the Member Entry Fee plus appropriate cart fee for this event.

SHOTGUN START

This event will be an 10 am Shotgun Start (EST).

Soup/Scoring will be done in the Pavilion after golf.

DEADLINE:

THE ENTRY DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST AT NOON OR THE FIRST 50 TEAMS TO ENTER.

ELIGIBILITY...

Teams with at least one (1) Valley View Member can sign up anytime. **STARTING FEBRUARY 12TH**, this event will be open to all players. Players must have verifiable USGA handicaps from an authorized golf facility (No "Apps") taken. Any players without a verifiable handicap will be placed as scratch.

SIGN UP BY EMAILING TOM AT...

tom@valleyviewgolfclub.org

or by stopping by the Golf Shop and signing up on the sign in board.



Lockers & Bag Storage

We have been updating our Locker Room and gathering information. We currently have a pretty good handle on the status of all of our Member Locker customers, but could use a little help. In changing the locks on the lockers this past summer, we discovered a number of lockers in both the Men's & Ladies Locker Rooms that contain items and no one is on the list as having rented those lockers and no one has been in to get new keys for those lockers. We will soon be removing these items and storing them until they are claimed, so please let us know if you had been using the locker and wish to rent it moving forward.

We will also be offering a secure place to store clubs in the back room off of the Men's Locker Room for those who do not wish to store clubs in your locker as an add on to locker use. Clubs will be cleaned after the round and for those calling in at least one hour before your tee time, we will have your clubs brought to the bag drop and/or loaded prior to your round.

The cost for the service(s) will be...

LOCKER ONLY RENTAL: \$ 50.00

LOCKER & CLUB SERVICE ADD ON: \$100.00

Lockers and Club Storage are only offered to Valley View Golf Club Members & Afternoon Program players.



FEBRUARY EDITION 2024

2024 Membership/Program Options

MEMBERSHIPS	Annual	Monthly
Family Membership*	\$2195	\$205
Includes spouse/partner & children 17/under		
Single Membership	\$1303	\$122
Young Professional	\$ 994	\$ 93
Age (24-30)		
Young Adult	\$ 529	\$ 50
Age (18-23)		
Out of Town	\$ 457	\$ 43
Must live 100 miles+ from Valley View with no owned local Residence.		
Junior	\$ 351	\$ 33
17 & under...play anytime on non-holiday M-Th & after 2 pm on weekends & holidays.		
PROGRAMS	Annual	Monthly
Afternoon Program	\$ 791	\$ 74
Restricted to 1 pm & after daily.		
Afternoon "Add-On"	\$ 550	\$ 53
Play restricted to 1 pm & after daily...can be added to the Single, Young Professional, or Young Adult Memberships or Afternoon Program.		
MEMBER CART FEES		
9 Holes: \$9/player	No "Single Rider" Carts without	
18 Holes: \$18/player	upcharge unless group size dictates	
Private Cart Trail Fee:	\$495/year	

2024 PUBLIC PLAY RATES

Monday-Thursday (non-holiday)

18 holes with cart:	\$52
18 holes (no cart):	\$34
9 holes with cart:	\$29
9 holes (no cart):	\$20

Friday-Sunday & Holidays

18 holes with cart:	\$62
18 holes (no cart):	\$44
9 holes with cart:	\$35
9 holes (no cart):	\$26

Discounts for Seniors (62+), Juniors (17 & under), Active Military.

Frequently Asked Questions concerning the CART PLAN PHASE OUT...

With the Unlimited Cart Plan Phase Out, here are a few notes on the most frequently asked questions so far (examples)...

- "I am currently a Single Member with Cart Plan, but I expire at the end of March...what are my options?"
To continue your Annual Membership, you would pay the Annual Single Member Plan (No Cart Plan) for the next year (would expire the end of March, 2025). You do have the option to extend your cart plan through June of 2024 at \$80/month (Would pay for April, May, and June...or \$240). You would have unlimited cart through June of 2024 and then start paying as you play for cart fees starting July 1, 2024. This Cart Plan extension through June will only be available if paid on or before February 10th of 2024. Paying your Membership Fee by February 10 will also get you the 2023 membership Rate.
- "I don't like carrying cash or credit cards...the Cart Plan was more of a convenience for me...anything we can do?"
You can always keep your card on file in your account at the course, or you can add money by check or cash to utilize your available "Customer Credit Account." This balance will show up in your Customer Credit which can be used to make purchases of any type at the Club, including Cart Fees. You have online access to your account which will show all purchases if you wish.
- "I heard that there were 2 other potential options if I play a lot of golf...is that true?" Yep...here they are...
1. The first option (10 available) involves a 5 year "Unlimited Cart Plan" that can be added to any Annual Membership Fee. The cost is \$7500 (\$11000 for Family Membership). This fee is paid up front, but your actual Membership Fee is paid annually. You can actually transfer this to another Member after 12 months, but any transfer has to last at least 12 months with the new holder.
2. The second option is actually a 10 Year "all inclusive" Single Membership of both Membership fees and unlimited cart. The cost is \$25000. There will be an option for 2 installments. This option is also transferable. Both of these options will greatly help our Club reduce our current debt, which is a high priority in our financial goals.

2024 FULL GOLF SCHEDULE COMING BY MARCH 1...

The full schedules will be coming by March 1st, but here are a few dates to mark for now for some of the bigger events/special dates for the 2024 season...

- INDIVIDUAL GROSS MATCH PLAY Starts 4/29
- INDIVIDUAL NET MATCH PLAY Starts 4/29
- SPRING GREENS AERATION (Mon/Tue, 5/6 & 7)
- FRIDAY COUPLES 5/24 through 8/23
- TEAM NET MATCH PLAY Starts 6/1
- RED, WHITE, & BLUE 7/4
- CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP July 20/21/27/28
- FALL GREENS AERATION (Tue/Wed, 10/15 & 16)

HANDICAPPING FOR THE UPCOMING SEASON AT VALLEY VIEW



HANDICAP INFORMATION...Score posting will start on March 1st in the state of Indiana.

For Members of Valley View...

If you had a handicap in 2023, you should already be in the system unless you did not post any scores in 2023. You will have been deactivated if no scores were posted. If you are a Member and wish to restart a deactivated handicap, just call the Golf Shop. If you are a new Member and wish to have a handicap, simply stop by the Golf Shop and leave a note for Tom, Josh, Zach, or Brad. We will need an email address, and your date of birth.

For non-Members, go to...

www.indiangolf.org and follow the instructions under Handicapping. You can pay your yearly fee online and classify your home facility. If you have had your handicap at Valley View in the past and not a Member at Valley View, you simply re-activate by paying your 2024 IGA Membership.

NOTE FROM 2023 AT VALLEY VIEW...

Although there are only a few isolated cases, please remember to post all scores when playing. There were a few "frequent players" that participated in a number of events the past season that posted *little to no scores* in 2023. As long as you are not playing alone, you are required to post all 9 or 18 hole scores when playing, no matter where you play. Golf has the best handicapping system of any sport, but is only effective if it is utilized the way it is supposed to be...which means posting all scores...the good, the bad, and the ugly.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT HANDICAPPING?....

Copy and paste the following address into your browser and see how it all works!

<https://www.usga.org/handicapping.html>

COMING TO THE GOLF SHOP IN 2024...

