



Highlights of this issue:

- ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 23rd @ 7:00 P.M.
- ACES Galore—but none paid \$\$\$\$
- Trees!
- Board of Director Resumes'

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Happenings at Lake Valley

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From the Board of Directors:

The Lake Valley Board of Directors met in regular session July 21, 2004. In addition to the regular business of the club we discussed a proposed by-law change to be presented to the General Membership Meeting Monday, August 23, 2004. A copy of the proposal will be found in this month's newsletter. The basic purpose of the proposal is to provide another membership option that will enable us to remain competitive with other local clubs. In the past month our membership has dropped to 350, while this is not a serious problem it is an indication that we must remain aggressive in our efforts to maintain a stable membership level. If you have questions or concerns about the proposal please feel free to contact any board member.

Another membership option that is already available is the Intermediate Membership. This option provided a due break for anyone under 30 years of age. This option may not be well known since we do not have any member currently taking advantage of this option. If you know of anyone interested contact Dan.

Board of Directors:

President—Mac Green
Vice President—Chris Day
Secretary—Chris McElyea
Treasurer—Jim Krupa
Jim Besancenez
Fred Goldman
Janice Ohmes
Dennis Schubert
John Watts

On another topic, the rains of this summer have hurt our weekend golf efforts this year. While we cannot replace these revenues we can help generate new revenues. Think about bringing a friend or friends to Lake Valley. If even half of the membership could do this it would help the club immensely.

Thank you for your support.
Remember "Bring a Friend"

Mac Green, President

IT'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TIME

AGAIN – The Men's Club Championship and Senior Club Championship are just around the corner. Sign-up sheets are now out for these events. Be sure to get your name on the list. The Senior Club Championship arrives first on August 16 & 18. With the regular Men's Club Championship following the next weekend. Each event will consist of 18 holes

on each day of the event. Participants must have certified handicaps and pay a \$10 entry fee per event in order to participate. More details for these events will be posted in the Pro Shop. Sign-up today!

MEN'S SENIOR SCRAMBLE STANDINGS

– **Again this year a special prize** will be awarded to the Senior Golfer who wins the most prize money in the Wednesday Senior Scrambles for 2004. The current leaders are:

Carl Hubbell	\$60.00
Lee Creech	\$53.00
Fred Lowtharp	\$49.50
Harold Schleicher	\$49.00

Reminder:

Anyone interested in running for the Board of Directors for 2005 please contact Dan or Priscilla. The Annual Meeting will be held Monday, August 23rd.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

- August 13-15 Men's 2-Man Scramble Invitational**
- August 16 & 18 Men's Senior Club Championship**
- August 21-22 Men's Club Championship**
- August 29 Wallace Memorial Scramble Tournament**
- Sept. 8-9 Ladies Club Championship**
- September 10-12 Ozark Invitational Golf Tournament (course closed A.M.)**
- Sept. 26 Lake Valley Couples Championship**

SUNDAY FOOD, GOLF & FUN:

Remember to sign up for the Sunday Food, Golf, & Fun at 4:00 p.m. each Sunday, providing the course is open. Call the Pro Shop for more information.



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Monday, August 23rd
7:00 p.m.
Lake Valley banquet room
Election of Board Members
Year in Review

From the Greenside

“Hi” from all the staff at Greenside.

We have a busy month coming up as summer is in full swing. Be sure to sign up for the Luau. What a great opportunity to get together for great food, dancing, & fun. Don't forget your lei and grass skirt!

Although there have been several ups and downs this last month we are still smiling. I would like to thank all of our members for your patience during this time. Also a high five for the staff for the extras that keep us up and running and still manage to smile.

Dianne

Greenside Schedule:

August 1:
Holley Wedding Reception

August 8:
Hilt Anniversary Party

August 10:
Caring & Healing Hearts

August 14: Men's Scramble

August 23:
**Annual General Member-
ship Meeting**

August 28:
LUAU

Mondays:
Ladies Hand & Foot Cards



Wednesdays:
Rotary—Lunch Bridge
Group

MEN'S AND LADIES' HOLE-IN-ONE CLUBS

Be sure to make those special shots pay off by joining the Men's and Ladies Hole-In-One clubs. Signup sheets are available in the Pro Shop. Remember, there is no cost until someone in the club makes a hole-in-one.

HOLE-IN-ONE ADDITION



The latest golfers to record perfect shots are: Dan Paulson, Stan Green, and Allen Nickel. Once again, none of these lucky golfers was participating in their Hole-in-one Clubs at the time of their ace. Don't be the next per-

son left-out of the Hole-in-One pot, sign-up today! 2004 has been a very active year for aces at Lake Valley. Who is going to be next? By the way Allen, the Bunco ladies were very excited about your Hole-in-One and wanted to know if you could do it again next month?



REMINDER – THE DRIVING RANGE WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAY EVENINGS AFTER 6:00 PM IN ORDER TO PREPARE IT FOR MOWING EARLY MONDAY MORNING. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY.

**Club Historian:
TREES!**

Play a round of golf at The Oaks, Kinderhook, or many of the other area courses and you quickly realize just how open and forgiving Lake Valley is. But, for as friendly as it is today, it was even more forgiving 30 years ago.

I recently surveyed the course and found that there have been at least **198 trees** added to the course since I joined in 1980!! I recently wrote about how the addition of bermuda grass and improved irrigation has changed the way the course plays, but you also need to consider the effects of the addition of nearly 200 trees. Picture the area to the right of #10 fairway without any trees. Only about 15 years ago the large sycamore tree was the last tree on the right side until you got to the large honeylocust about 60 yards from the green.

Combined with hardpan rough and a slope that fed balls back to the fairway, “the shot” off of #10 tee was to sling it out over the sycamore tree and let it bounce its way back into play. Today, there are 21 new trees between 10 and 11 fairways, making it unlikely that a shot in the right rough is going to find its way back to the fairway OR have an open shot.

While doing research for the 1998 Club History, I was told that the first group of trees added were about 5 or 6 that were planted to the right side of the dogleg on #6. Remember that we had the combination of un-watered rough, no trees, *and* no native area to the right. The large poplar tree that is just in front of #6 tee was not there either, so the long hitters simply teed it

up and hit it straight at the flag. At that time, the only problem areas on #6 were A) the original group of trees at the dogleg, and B) out of bounds left. By hitting it right and straight at the green both of these problems were effectively eliminated, plus, in the hardpan rough the ball would run a mile! Reportedly, Bill Whitfield, who was Head Pro at the time, got tired of watching Ray Carey regularly hit short iron second shots into #6 and ordered the trees planted.

The next time you’re out, take a look at the trees. It’s fairly easy to tell which ones have been added. Squint a bit and try to imagine the course without trees between #1 and #3; #14 and #16, and so on.

Dennis Jones



WW II Veterans wanted!

Last month we mentioned an upcoming column featuring interesting tidbits about club members. We know of several veterans of World War II, but are sure that there’s probably more of you we just don’t know about. If you, or one of your playing partners, is a WW II veteran, please let Dan, Andi, Priscilla, or Dennis know so that we can give recognition in an upcoming article.



RULES CORNER

We'll have a short Rules Corner this month, and address a question that comes up occasionally.

“What is the proper way to mark your ball on the green?”

Some people put their ball marker behind the ball. Others put it in front of the ball, or to the side. Which is correct? The answer is, it really doesn't matter, as long as when you replace the ball you place it

back in the spot from which it was marked.

What about if my opponent asks me to move my ball or marker out of his/her line?

First, you should always mark and pick up your ball where it lies. After you've marked your ball, use your putter head to measure from your mark to a new spot, aligning with a tree or other fixed object, then replace your mark. Remember to return to the original spot before you putt or it's a two stroke penalty!

Can I mark my ball when I'm on the collar? Generally, No. However, if your ball might interfere with the play of another player in your group, they can ask that you mark the ball, in which case it is okay to mark and pick up your ball. But, you can't clean it until after you're on the green!

When is my ball considered to be “on” the green? It is on the green whenever *any* part of it is on the green.

Ladies Golf Association:

Hope everyone is enjoying the summer playing golf. Remember our next meeting is Thursday, August 5th at 8:00 a.m. followed by an 18-hole Scramble/mixer.

Make sure to mark your calendars for the Member Guest Day September 30th. It is always a fun event.



Congratulations to the winners of the match play this week. Girlen McClanahan won the 18 hole match play and Val Lieb won the 9 hole match play. We have had some very close matches.

We had 7 women from Lake Valley playing in the Central MO Women's Golf Tournament at Rolling Hills. Girlen McClanahan, Janice Ohmes, and Jan Cizek were all winners.

See you on the golf course.

Marge Sromek, President.

Men's Golf Association:

Hi, my name is Steve Butterfield and I have inherited the presidency of the MGA because John Stephens has moved to Texas. We owe John a huge “thank you” for all the work to make the MGA the successful organization it is today.

Also, Gerry McClanahan has retired from the MGA board. He undertook the thankless job of monitoring handicaps to provide a level playing field for the MGA membership, some 218 members strong. Thank you Gerry.

A different method of reviewing scores that is less labor intensive will be implemented in the future. At a recent MGA board meeting, a motion was passed that effective August 1,



2004, a round played without a recorded score will be entered as a 72, or your lowest previous score, whichever is the lowest number. So, please record a score and let's make the handicap system fair for everyone.

As you can see from the above, the MGA has lost two members and I am aware of three others wishing to retire. Please consider becoming a MGA board member so that we may have new ideas and input to continue a strong program.

My wife, Jean and I are chairing a mixed twilight event, so please mark your calendars for September 13th. More information will be available in the Pro Shop at a later date.

Steve Butterfield,
MGA President

SCOREBOARD:**Fourth of July Members Scramble**

Championship Flight Winners:	Babbs-Blair-Franklin-Herfurth	57
A Flight Winners:	Bearden-Bearden-Bearden-Bearden	63
	McGrath-McGrath-McGrath-McGrath	63
	McDaniel-Jones-Jones-Crainshaw	63
	Rahmoeller-Spangler-Hostetler-Osborn	63
B Flight Winners:	Vest-Vest-Vest-Vest	66
	Blake-Miller-Rich-Johnson	66
C Flight Winners:	Horrocks-Ryan-Weidner-Alloway	71
	Dewey-Dewey-Cisna-Fischer	71
	Sherrill-Sherrill-Sherrill-Sherrill	71

LVCC Ladies Scramble Invitational**A Flight**

Tie 3rd Place – Emily Storey-Shelly Rucker 147

C Flight

4th Place – Jan Cizek-Joyce Berra 163

Men's Golf Association Matchplay Tournament

Winner: Ben Salls

Runner-up: Don McGowen

Men's Member-Guest Tournament

Saturday Winners:	1 st Place - Rippee-Rippee	62
	2 nd Place – Blair-Atteberry	64
	3 rd Place – Treese-Treese	64
Sunday Flight Winners:	Blair-Atteberry	65
	Bearden-Bearden	66
	Morris-Warn	72
Weekend Flight Winners:	Rippee-Rippee	136
	Bearden-Bearden	145
	Babbs-Carlock	145
	Ohmes-Farner	156

RESUMES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CARL HUBBELL:

My name is Carl Hubbell and I am asking for your vote to be elected as a board member for 2004. I have lived here for seven years with my wife Barbara. We moved here from southern California in June of 1997 and joined Lake Valley that same month.

My education includes a Bachelor of Science degree from Oklahoma State University in 1958 and a Master of Business Administration from Pepperdine University in Malibu, California in 1975. I also graduated from the Marine Corps Command and Staff Col-

lege in 1977, the equivalent of a masters degree in Military Science.

My first career was as an officer in the Marine Corps. I entered active duty on September 15, 1958 and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel on October 1, 1983. My career included a variety of assignments in the logistics field. Included in my 25 years of service were four overseas tours, one in Vietnam during 1967-1968. Upon retirement from the Marine Corps I was employed by Rockwell International in the aerospace industry until my final retirement in May, 1997.

During our seven years here at the lake, we have seen the

competition for the golfing dollar increase drastically. Old Kinderhook, Bear Creek, and Deer Chase have opened as new 18 hole facilities. Additionally, Sycamore Creek and Indian Rock have expanded from nine to 18 holes. It is my firm belief that in order for Lake Valley to continue its successful operation, we must meet this competition head-on. I believe that within budgetary constraints, we must continue to improve our facility and follow our master plan as much as possible. If elected, I will focus my efforts toward this goal over the next three years.

Carl Hubbell

MAC GREEN:

I have served on the Lake Valley Board of Directors since 2000. I have enjoyed the experience and feel honored to have represented you.

I am a sixth generation native of Camden County and a year round resident. My wife, Joyce and I have been married 46 years and have four children and

seven grandchildren. Before retiring in 1993 I was a teacher, coach, and school administrator.

In my opinion Lake Valley has the best club and golf course in the area. We have a tremendous staff and membership. However, all golf clubs may face many challenging issues in the months and years to come. I feel that

I have the energy, the experience, and the time to help deal with these issues.

I would appreciate your support.

Mac Green

Board Resumes (cont'd)**JOYCE OSSLER:**

Hi, I'm Joyce Ossler. My husband Bill and I have been married thirty-seven years. We have one daughter, three grandchildren, and one great grandson. I retired from AT&T after thirty-five years and moved to the lake full time. I am active in community affairs, having spent seven years on the allocation committee of United Way, five years as an officer of the Climax

Springs Booster Club, working in the emergency medical services at Coffman Bend Fire & Rescue, and help my husband with his duties on the board of the Camden Ambulance District. I started a bridge club at Lake Valley, and I am a member of the Red Hat Society.

Bill and I have been members of Lake Valley for almost ten years. We enjoy and support the golf and restaurant facilities at Lake Valley, as well as the social activities. We have

served on the social committee. I believe the function of the board is to hire a good General Manager, which we have, then to support and evaluate his performance. The board is responsible for the financial security of the club. It is not a board function to meddle in the day to day operation of the club. I love Lake Valley, and would be honored to server the membership as a board member.

Joyce Ossler

ADDRESS CHANGES & ADDITIONS:

Jerry & Dorothy Eidson—502 W. Hwy 54, Camdenton, MO 65020

Stephen & Diane Brenneman—83 Primrose, Camdenton, MO 65020

Margaret Leahy—182 Arrowhead Dr., Camdenton, MO 65020

Mary King—182 Arrowhead Dr., Camdenton, MO 65020

Doug & Kim McDaniel—731 Country Club Drive, Camdenton, MO 65020 (317-9324)

Pat & Kirsten Welch—PO Box 3631, Camdenton, MO 65020

GOLF COURSE

What a crazy summer...As soon as the taste of 90 plus degree weather combined with high humidity arrives it's as if someone says "go away". This has resulted in less irrigation use, and healthier cool-season turf. In fact, we have had to use a tractor mounted blower to scatter the grass clippings that tend to ball up when we cut the rough in the morning. The down side to the mild weather is that the warm season turf, especially the bermuda grass, doesn't seem to like the extreme temperature variations. It tends to get a little off colored. I would have to say that this been probably the mildest summer in quite some time. Unfortunately, the rain always seems to arrive just in time for the weekend.

I would like to thank everyone for all the compliments on the course condition. We are very fortunate to have a staff cares about the quality of their work. It takes a team effort to accomplish the job.

Thanks.....*Alex*