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Lake Valley Golf Club Member Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

January



- 1st—New Year’s Day Holiday
- 4th—Texas Hold’em Tournament @ 6 PM
- 6th—Hand and Foot
- 8th—Party Bridge @ 9:30 AM
- 11th—Chili Cook-Off
- 13th—Hand and Foot
- 15th—Party Bridge @ 9:30 AM
Green Committee @ 5 PM
Board of Directors @ 6 PM
- 18th—Texas Hold’em Tournament @ 6 PM
- 20th—Hand and Foot
- 22nd—Party Bridge @ 9:30 AM
- 23rd—BUNCO
- 25th—Bingo @ 7 PM-10PM
- 27th—Hand and Foot
- 28th—Stag Night
- 29th—Party Bridge @ 9:30 AM

February



- 2nd—Super Bowl Party
- 3rd—Hand and Foot
- 5th—Party Bridge @ 9:30 AM
- 10th—Hand and Foot
- 12th—Party Bridge @ 9:30 AM
- 14th—Valentine’s Day
- 17h—Hand and Foot
- 19th—Party Bridge @ 9:30 AM
Green Committee @ 5 PM
Board of Directors @ 6 PM
- 20th—Bunco –Dinner @ 6 PM
 Play starts @ 7 PM
- 24th—Hand and Foot

From Your Board of Directors

Our Christmas Cheer Party on the 8th of December seemed to be a big hit. Had a great crowd and lots of good comments. Thanks go out to the Social Committee for all the food they brought in. It was wonderful.

Don’t forget to sign up for the New Year’s Eve Party. We are getting several people signing up. It should be a great time.

Watch the newsletter for other socials coming up, such as the Chili Cook-Off on January 11th and the Super Bowl Party on February 2nd. Also there will be BINGO on January 25th.

At our last board meeting we discussed our new marketing program. Our new website will be up and running soon. We are expecting great things. We have a great committee working on this and hope to have a great 2014.

There will be a January Stag Night on Tuesday, January 28th. We will order off the menu. There will be a bar sponsor that night. (See Stag Night Flier in the newsletter for more information n Stag for 2014.

If you have any concerns of questions, please call one of your board members.

Happy New Year!

Steve Sutton, President

Remaining Board of Directors:

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| Ken Hulett, Vice President | Jim Krupa, Treasurer | |
| Priscilla Stuart, Secretary | Sharon Bevolo | |
| Kathy Gale | Cole Glascock | Paul Ivey |
| Dale McElwee | Don McGowen | Sam Willcut |

2014 Men's Golf Association Event Schedule

Kickoff Breakfast & Scramble – April 27

Monday Men's League Begins – May 5

MGA Match Play Tournament Begins – June 1

The "Draft" Tournament – June 21-22

MGA Event – June 23

MGA Event – July 28

Men's League Playoffs & Fun Night – August 18

MGA Event – September 8

MGA Event – September 22

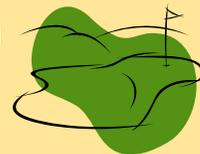
MGA Event – September 29

Fall Blow-Out Event – October 5

The annual MGA dues billing will be included with your January statement. Please remember to make a separate check for MGA payments made payable to "Lake Valley MGA"

Hello & Good Day,

Happy New Year! I would like to thank all the staff at Lake Valley. Their help and hard work have made my transition an easy one. I thank the Board of Directors and Green Committee for their dedication and passion for the club and golf course. We will be trying new and exciting things to improve turf health and playability. We look forward to 2014 and hope to see everyone playing more golf.



Thanks and Happy 2014,

Scott Crowell

Course Superintendent



Hole-in-One Congratulations to Dale McElwee for his recent Hole-in-One on hole # 15 while playing on a windy and frigid November 26th. His perfect shot was enjoyed by his fellow eskimos: Ken Hulett, Ed Foster and Dennis Wright. Fortunately for Dale, the lousy weather that day made for a small bar bill after the round. **Congratulations Dale!**

2014 Lake Valley Tournament Schedule

Men's Fourball – May 16-18

Lake Valley Scholarship Scramble – May 26

His & Hers Scramble – June 6-8

Ladies Scramble – July 11-13

Golf Brawl at the Lake – July 25-27

Men's Scramble – August 8-10

Fall Couples Scramble – October 17-19

Frost Reminder – With the coming of colder temperatures we have begun the daily frost watch. Since the golf course is located in a valley next to the lake we often have frost even when others around the area do not. The golf course will remain closed each day until such time as the frost thaws enough to make playing safe for the turf. If you have an early tee time, you can call ahead to check on the day's conditions.



GOLF NEWS

Bag Storage and Locker Rental – The club offers golf bag storage and locker rentals for both men and women. If anyone would like to take advantage of these handy services, just contact Dan or Andi and we can get you signed up. The annual billing will go out in January. If you currently utilize either of these services and no longer want them, please notify the Pro Shop to prevent being billed.

Winter Golf Cart Traffic – New this year, golf cart traffic will remain "90 degrees" unless weather dictates something else. We do ask that you use cart paths whenever possible and drive in the "Green Grass" areas as much as possible when not on the paths. Please continue to keep the carts away from the tees and greens to avoid damage to these sensitive areas.





BUNCO: Don't forget to sign up for BUNCO on the 23rd of January. Call Priscilla to sign up.



Party Bridge: Lake Valley has started a Lake Valley Party Bridge group that meets each Wednesday at 9:30 AM. Call Nancy Hanks at 346-5458 or Linda Martin at 346-5872 for

more information.

TO: Lake Valley Men

FROM: Steve Sutton, Stag Night Chairman

SUBJECT: Stag Nights 2014

This letter is written to invite ALL men members of Lake Valley Golf and Country Club to join Men's Stag for 2014. It occurred to me that some of you might not be aware of Stag Night and how it is operated so here it is in a nutshell.

1. There are 8 Stag Nights each year and they are on the fourth Tuesday of the month from March through October.
2. I am sorry to report that due to the rising cost of food, the cost to be a member of Men's Stag will be \$50 for 2014. The \$50 membership fee will include 6 raffle tickets when you pay your fees. Becoming a member also means that you are assigned a month to work and prepare the meal for the other members.
3. If you do not join Men's Stag, you can still come to the dinners as a guest. The cost for a "guest-member" of Lake Valley will be \$15 per dinner for 2014. The cost for a "guest-non-member" of Lake Valley will be \$10 per dinner for 2014. These costs will include 6 raffle tickets.
4. Each Stag Night there is a drawing for prizes from the Pro Shop. Raffle tickets are \$5 for 6 tickets. All six tickets can be a winner.

In addition to the meal, there are bar sponsors, so your drinks are also free. These drinks include soda from the fountain, beer, wine, vodka, whiskey, gin, scotch, and rum.

It is my hope that there will also be a stag night in February and November in 2014. Both of these would be "Bonus Stag Nights" and their cost would be in addition to the \$50 membership fee. The cost would be \$10 per person and would include dinner and 6 raffle tickets.

I will also attempt to have a Stag Night in January and December. There will be a bar sponsor for these nights but we will just order from the menu.

I am always looking for bar sponsors. If you would consider being a sponsor, please let me know. The cost is \$175 for half the bar and \$350 for a full bar sponsorship.

We need to hear from you!

As we begin a new year the Board of Directors and Staff want to know how we are doing. During the upcoming year the Board has directed staff to increase their focus on customer service. With that in mind we need to understand the expectations of our customers – the members and visitors of Lake Valley. We are asking everyone to take a few minutes and answer the following questions. Responses can be sent via mail, e-mail, given to a Board member, dropped off at the Greenside Café.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
How would you rate the course condition in 2013?	_____	_____	_____	_____
How would you rate the customer service in 2013?	_____	_____	_____	_____
How would you rate the pro shop in 2013?	_____	_____	_____	_____
How would you rate the kitchen in 2013?	_____	_____	_____	_____
How would you rate the beverage service in 2013?	_____	_____	_____	_____
How would you rate the cleanliness of the facilities?	_____	_____	_____	_____

What area(s) would you like to see improvements / changes next year? Be specific.

Optional

Name (please print): _____

Contact information _____

Phone, Address, or e-mail



Inside the *Greenside Bar and Grill*

Remember Greenside Restaurant kitchen is open 9am - 4 pm daily with our regular menu and limited menu of appetizers and pizzas till close on those cold snowy days and nights when not playing golf, so come out and enjoy your club.

Christmas Cocktail Cheer Social Event Was a great time -Thank you social committee for providing free appetizers from the Lake Valley Cook book recipes, Betty Beal for being the M/C of the white elephant gift exchange and Carol Goldman for providing the Lake Valley Golf scene attendance prize.

The Month of January

Saturday, January 11th enter in our Chili Contest taste and judging starting at 5 pm \$6 per person to include finger sandwiches and chili dog set-ups.

January 4th & 18th We will have a Texas Hold'em tournament at 6pm each night

Saturday, January 25th Lake Valley Bingo 7 - 10 pm come out and enjoy the fun and socialize .

Event Change—

The 50's Party has moved from April 12th to April 19th due to a catering function.

Create your special moments with us! With our banquet facility! Wedding Ceremony, Wedding Reception Dinner, Bridal Shower, Bachelor Party, Rehearsal Dinner, Family Reunion, Class Reunion, Birthday Party, Fund Raiser, Baby Shower.

We have a Lake Valley Party Bridge Group that meets every Wednesday at 9:30am call Nancy Hanks at 346-5458 or Linda Martin at 346-5872 for more information if you would like to play.

John Fitzpatrick

jfitzpatrick@lakevalleygolf.com

Request for E-Mail Addresses- In an effort to better communicate with the membership, we are asking that everyone please give your current e-mail address to the Business Office. You can either include it with your monthly statement or e-mail it to DRobertson@lakevalleygolf.net . We are currently missing many member addresses



from our current listing and would like to have everyone included in all e-mail future communications. Thank You!



Lucky number: The lucky number this month is #3222. If this is your number call Priscilla or Dan to claim your prize. There was no winner last month.

*We
Need
Your
Help!*

We are in the process of updating all of the Lake Valley brochures and are asking for help from the members. If you have any photos you have taken of the course and facilities and would like to share them please give them to Priscilla. If you have any questions call Priscilla or Dan.



Meet Dan Robertson Lake Valley's General Manager and Head Golf Professional

Dan was born in 1960 and grew up in the St. Louis area. He began playing golf at the early age of 5. Dan received his Bachelor's degree in business administration from Baker University.

Dan started working at Lake Valley in 1982. He left in 1991 to work at Lebanon Country Club only to return in 2001.

Dan has been a PGA Class A member since 1986.

Dan married his lovely wife Diane in 1993 and they have four children and four grandchildren. Dan's hobbies are his grandkids – unlike most of us which would list golf as a hobby – golf is job – what a lucky guy!