

LDMGA Tee to Green

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YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gentlemen:

In the Spring Meeting I reviewed the Three Objectives of the LDMGA as defined by our Constitution. I also reviewed the critical role of the Handicap Committee in making sure we adhere to the patented USGA Handicap System, which is licensed to the Golf Association of Michigan (GAM), which we are members of as part of your annual dues, and is required to maintain your handicap rating.

For many years Ivan Henman has served in the role of Administrator of the Handicap System and as the primary contact to GAM and has done an outstanding job. Ivan has decided to step down, and as a result the Handicap Committee has appointed a new Administrator, Dennis Carman. Dennis is joined on the committee by Marlin Kleckner, Rick Zane, and myself (ex-officio due to being President). We would like to have five members on the committee, and I ask that you consider who should fill that role and that you please contact me or one of the Handicap Committee members with your recommendation. You do not have to be a Board Member to sit on the Handicap Committee.

See page 2 for more on handicaps.

Thanks for your continued support of the Association.

Best Regards

Dave Fortune

Volunteer for Senior PGA Event, Harbor Shores, May 2014?

Lake Doster might be the lead club on Hole #17. It is a par 3 right along the street. Most of it is roped off so it shouldn't be a real difficult hole to marshal. Right now we have about 12 people signed up to marshal. Depending on how much everyone would be willing to work, we would need about 8 – 10 people per shift and would have to provide the hole captains. Contact Dave Fortune or John Roggow if you are interested.

2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dave Fortune, President

Larry Stratton, Vice President

Larry MacDonald, Treasurer

Dennis Carman, Secretary

Mike Hills, Past President

Directors:

Marlin Kleckner, Jerry Bray, Ivan Henman,
Andy Kristen, Rick Zane, Tim VanBruggen,
Brewce Larkin, Paul Murray

BLOODY MARY SCRAMBLE

27 brave men played in this handicapped scramble event on a chilly April 6.

Three threesomes tied for first at 61, eleven under par:

Herb Ayres, Tom Vanherweg & Fred Greaves

Pete Campbell, Greg Deward & Steve Sleeman

Bill Mason, Phil Baker & Bud Jensen

GOLFER OF THE YEAR

The nine guys in the 3 teams tied for 1st in the Bloody Mary got 20 points each as a start toward Golfer of the Year.

LDMGA WEB SITE

Pictures of event winners and other information along with the LDMGA Newsletters are placed on a web site that can be viewed by all who have internet access.

The address for the web site is:

<http://www.LDMGA.org>

YOUR HANDICAP SYSTEM

LDMGA membership includes membership in the Golf Association of Michigan (GAM). GAM administers the USGA handicap system which we use for the "Rules of Golf" and to provide individual handicaps for members. The handicaps are updated twice a month based on the scores which you enter either at the computer in the clubhouse or by your personal internet connection. Scores must be entered promptly and accurately with slope adjustment for maximum score per hole based on your handicap for the course played:

Handicap 9 or less	Double bogey
Handicap 10 -19	7
Handicap 20-29	8
Handicap 30-39	9
Handicap 40	10

You are encouraged to enter your score hole by hole. The system will note any score exceeding the stroke adjustment rules for your handicap. Also, the program develops a history for assigning handicaps to holes.

The GAM internet address is GAM.org. You will need your username and password to get into their server (which seems to work at a snail's pace).

Once you reach their home page, you can click on "View Handicap/Post Score" on the left side. There is a huge amount of information available about the USGA handicap system within the GAM site.

Their help number is 248 478-9242

2013 Membership Application for Lake Doster Men's Golf Association

Name _____	LDMGA Dues
Address _____	\$50.00
Email Address _____	Tuesday League
Phone _____	\$20.00
Birth Date _____	Total Enclosed
	\$ _____

Send to Larry MacDonald, 9000 Milo Road, Delton, MI 49046

2013 SCHEDULE

- April 22 EYWTP*
 - April 28 Sunday Mixed Event
 - May 3 & 4 **Joey the Jet Derby**
 - May 7 Tuesday League Begins
 - May 10 Friday Couples Starts
 - May 11 Saturday Event*
 - May 19 Tee Shirt Open, Mixed
 - May 20 EYWTP*
 - May 25 Saturday Event
 - May 27 Memorial Day Mixed Event*
 - June 8 Saturday Event
 - June 15 **Club Championship Begins**
 - June 16 Father's Day Event
 - June 17 EYWTP*
 - June 22 Saturday Event
 - June 25 Special Tuesday Event
 - July 7 Couples Club Championship
 - July 15 EYWTP*
 - July 18 Member-Guest Practice
 - July 19,20 **Member-Guest***
 - July 27 Saturday Event
 - July 28 Kings & Queens
 - August 10,11 President's Cup**
 - August 12 EYWTP*
 - August 24,25 Member-Member**
 - August 27 Special Tuesday Event
 - September 2 Labor Day Mixed Event*
 - September 7 Saturday Event
 - September 11 EYWTP*
 - September 19 Senior Event
 - September 21 Saturday Event
 - October 5,6 Fall Classic
 - October 7 EYWTP*
 - October 13 Derby Day, Mixed
 - Oct. 15 Fall Banquet, LDMGA Meeting
- *Non-members may be invited to these events.*
- EYWTP* = Eat Your Way To Par