

LDMGA Tee to Green

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THE LAKE DOSTER

MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

The primary objectives of the Lake Doster Men's Golf Association are to promote and encourage competitive golf programs, to provide golfing contacts among the members and to provide golf handicaps to implement such programs. We invite you to join if at all interested. The LDMGA sponsors golf events throughout the summer. These events include the weekly Tuesday league, 8 Saturday events, 5 two day tournaments and 7 mixed events. The next page gives the schedule for these events. We believe you would enjoy the opportunity to meet and play with the members of LDMGA. All men who have season memberships to the Lake Doster Golf Club are welcome to join LDMGA. We would be pleased to have you join the association.

TUESDAY LEAGUE

This is a nine hole weekly league played from early May until late August for 16 weeks of competition. The format has been individual net Stableford points using 100% of the player's handicap with a maximum of 23 points allowed. The league nine may be played anytime on Tuesday, but tee times are blocked out from 4 to 6 for the majority of league play. Special (optional) two man events are run each week along with the league with a separate entry fee and a cash pay out.

INFORMATION MANUAL

The LDMGA publishes an "Information Manual" which gives the objectives of the association and describes the tournaments and rules, along with phone numbers for all members.

DUES STRUCTURE

The basic dues for LDMGA are \$50 to be paid by the first day of Joey The Jet Derby, our first major tournament. You must be a paid member of LDMGA to participate in the tournaments (and, to win any prizes). The dues include membership in the Golf Association of Michigan which handles our handicap system.

Also included is "hole-in-one" insurance which credits \$150 toward your celebration if you score a hole in one at Lake Doster.

The LDMGA issues a newsletter 8 to 10 times a season which is sent out on the internet with a few printed copies for those without an internet connection

Budget permitting, we also purchase items to make the course or club house are more attractive or playable.

The Tuesday league membership is an additional \$20 for the 16 week season. Each tournament has an entry fee, varying from \$10 for most Saturday events to \$400 or so for the Member-Guest event.

A membership application is on the second page of this newsletter.

SENIOR LEAGUE

Golfers, 55 and over, whether they are members of LDMGA or not, play each Wednesday morning in an informal weekly event, followed by donuts and coffee (included in the \$5 entry fee). Teams are made up by lottery after everyone arrives prior to the tee time.

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BLOODY MARY SCRAMBLE

This is the first event of the season. It is held on a Saturday in early April (April 6 in 2013) so the weather is unpredictable. Three man scramble teams are selected by the tournament committee to mix golfers of various handicaps and new and old members. The entry fee is usually \$5 with prizes paid to the top few finishers. This event is open to all men who wish to play. You do not have to be a member of the LDMGA.

The annual spring general membership meeting of LDMGA is held on this same day, preceding golf, while the weather warms.

WEB SITE

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>

GOLFER OF THE YEAR

The golfer of the year is decided by a point scheme as described in the Information Manual. Each time a member plays in an LDMGA event and is on the winning team, he gets points based on his finish and the type of event. The season winner receives a sizable discount on the membership for the coming year.

JOEY THE JET DERBY

This is the first two day tournament. Two man teams play net best ball for the two 18 hole rounds using 90% of handicap. The prize for 1st place has been single memberships to the Lake Doster Golf Club for the following year. Other leading teams are awarded substantial gift certificates. This is a popular and fun event.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

This is a match play tournament flighted and played by handicap except for the championship flight which plays scratch from the blue tee markers. Trophies are awarded to all flight champions at the fall banquet.

PRESIDENT'S CUP

This is an annual 36 hole individual event with a gross division and a net division. The winners have their names engraved on a standing trophy as well as a personal trophy. The presentations are made at the fall banquet.

SATURDAY EVENTS

On two Saturdays each month, excluding major events, we play an organized 18 hole tournament. Sign up is required, usually by the preceeding Thursday evening. The teams are usually 4 man and selected by draw. The entry fee is usually \$10 with 3 to 5 places paid depending on the number of entrants.

MEMBER-GUEST TOURNAMENT

This two (or three, optionally) day event is planned to give all participants a pleasant time both golfing and socializing. The entry fee includes drinks and lunches for the players as well as food for four on Saturday evening. There are many special door prizes and, usually, a chance to win other prizes.

MIXED EVENTS

In cooperation with the Lake Doster Ladies' Golf Association, we co-sponsor eight mixed events during the summer. Most are held on Sundays. The format varies with some using husband-wife teams and others using couples selected by draw. You may sign up as a single with the possibility of being matched with an available lady if you don't have a golfing spouse.

MEMBER-MEMBER(S)

This 36 hole event creates more interest than any other. The format has been 1 day of best ball and 1 day of total net with the total of the 2 days winning the big prize.

A Senior Event is held in September played under a different format, played as 2 net best balls of a threesome, in a one day event

2013 SCHEDULE

Tentative

- April 6 Bloody Mary Scramble* & Spring LDMGA Meeting
- April 11 Senior League* Starts
- April 20 Saturday Event
- 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 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 22 Saturday Event
- June 25 Special Tuesday Event
- July 7 Couples Club Championship
- 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 24, 25 Member-Member**
- August 27 Special Tuesday Event
- September 2 Labor Day Mixed Event*
- September 7 Saturday Event
- September 19 Senior Event
- September 21 Saturday Event
- October 5, 6 Fall Classic
- October 13 Derby Day, Mixed
- October 15 Fall Banquet & LDMGA Meeting

Non-members may be invited to these events.

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
	\$ _____

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