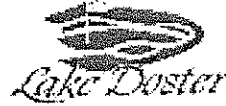


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December, 2011

YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gentleman:

Thanks to Past President/Poet Laureate Mike Hills and the 2011 Board for a job well done! We also have an outstanding Board in line for 2012. I am honored that you have chosen to place your trust in me as President. Following are my thoughts for 2012...

We have this organization that successfully creates friendship and camaraderie. It has traditions and vernacular that are unique and meaningful, for example...."Joey the Jet"... "Any ***can make the 2nd one!"... Over the years Board Members molded our organization, and with much thought, codified the LDMGA Constitution, which I strongly encourage every member to read (on website). The Constitution provides the framework for running the LDMGA, and we have re-established the 8 committees outlined for that purpose. Its a goal to solidify the committees by delegating responsibility and authority, much like what has been practiced by the handicap committee.

The Board has also budgeted to publish the 2012 Information Manual in the spring, so please be sure to update your contact info when you pay your 2012 dues. The cost of dues will remain the same as 2011.

The website address has been updated and easy to remember: www.LDMGA.org Check for updates thru winter. Our DRAFT 2012 calendar is also in this newsletter. We are looking at earlier dates for the Tin Cup, for year 2 of our 3 year event commitment with Lynx GC

Finally, to keep your golf embers glowing over the winter, I suggest reading "The Unsinkable Titanic Thompson" a true story written by Carlton Stowers.

Best Regards,
Your 2012 President,

Dave Fortune

2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dave Fortune, President

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Larry MacDonald, Treasurer

Dennis Carman, Secretary

Mike Hills, Past President

Directors: Marlin Kleckner, Jack Kellogg, Tom VanHerweg,

Jerry Bray, Ivan Henman, Dennis Carman, Larry Stratton,

Andy Kristen, Rick Zane

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The committee appointments have been set for 2012 and are as follows. Volunteers are welcome if you are willing to help in any of them.

1. Publicity: Marlin Kleckner; Ivan Henman; Dave Fortune
2. Tournaments: Mike Fitzsimmons; Mike Hills; Tom Vanherweg; Larry Stratton; Rick Zane
3. League: Dennis Carman; Andy Kristen; Larry Stratton, Dave Fortune
4. Handicap & Rules: Mike Fitzsimmons; Dennis Carman; Ivan Henman; Marlin Kleckner; Rick Zane
5. Mixed/Couples Events: Jack Kellogg; Jerry Bray; Andy Kristen
6. House/Greens: Mike Fitzsimmons; Larry MacDonald; Tom Vanherweg; Dave Fortune
7. Prizes/Trophies: Larry MacDonald; Jerry Bray; Rick Zane
8. Past Presidents Council: Mike Hills; Jack Kellogg; Jerry Bray; Marlin Kleckner; Rick Zane

THE 2011 LDMGA GOLF SEASON

The handicap records kept by the Golf Association of Michigan (GAM) show that 4357 rounds at Lake Doster were entered by our members during the "active season" from April 1 until November 1. There were also 758 scores entered for "away" courses for a grand total of 5115 rounds for the season. The average USDA index for these rounds was 15.1 (which equals a 16 handicap for our white tees).

For the season, 32.8% of our members had an improved handicap over the season. 4.1% had no change, but 63.1% saw their handicaps rise.

Rounds posted by members varied from 1 to 100 with 37 members posting 50 or more rounds.

RULES CHANGE FOR 2012

The definition of "addressing the ball" has been changed to say that a player has addressed the ball when he has grounded his club immediately in front of or behind the ball. Taking a stance is now irrelevant. Therefore, since you do not ground your club in a bunker or water hazard, you never address a ball in a hazard. The penalty under Rule 18-2b remains the same for a ball which moves after you address it – one stroke and you must replace the ball. However, a new exception has been added to Rule 18-2b. This exception says that if it is known or virtually certain that the player did not cause his ball to move, the penalty does not apply. So – if you have addressed your ball, and then a gust of wind moves the ball, there is no penalty and the ball is played from its new location. But, remember – it must be known or virtually certain that the player did not move it!

2012 LDMGA MEMBERSHIP

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Birth Date _____

LDMGA Dues \$50.00 Tuesday League Dues \$20.00

Enclosed \$ _____

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

TENTATIVE 2012 SCHEDULE

- April 7 Bloody Mary Scramble* & LDMGA Meeting*
- April 11 Senior League Starts*
- April 21 Saturday Event
- April 29 Sunday Mixed Event
- May 4 & 5 **JOEY THE JET DERBY**
- May 8 Tuesday League starts
- May 11 Friday Couples begins*
- May 12 Saturday Event*
- May 20 Sunday Mixed Event
- May 26 Saturday Event
- May 28 Memorial Day Mixed Event*
- June 9 Saturday Event
- June 10 Tee Shirt Open (Mixed)
- June 16 Start of **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**
- June 17 Father's Day Event*
- June 23 Saturday Event
- June 26 Special Tuesday Event
- July 8 Couples Club Championship
- July 10 Second Half of Tuesday League Starts
- July 19 Member-Guest Practice Round
- July 20 & 21 **MEMBER-GUEST**
- July 28 Saturday Event
- Aug. 11 & 12 **PRE SIDENT'S CUP**
- Aug. 25 & 26 **MEMBER-MEMBER**
- Aug. 28 Special Tuesday Event
- Sept. 3 Labor Day Mixed Event*
- Sept. 8 Saturday Event
- Sept. 13 Senior Event*
- Sept. 22 Saturday Event
- Oct. 6 & 7 **FALL CLASSIC**
- Oct. 14 Derby Day
- Oct. 16 Fall Banquet; LDMGA Meeting*

* Non-Members are Welcome

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October, 2011

YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Fall Harvest is here,
One of the best times of year.
Because it's time for our banquet feast,
Mr. Shepard will slice the roast beast.
I'll enjoy this one final toast,
Mostly Cuz it's my last as your host.
Not that I haven't enjoyed my time,
You've given me plenty to rhyme.
But now I must put the pen aside,
And let another take up the stride.
Who will it be? Is an interesting question,
Our current V.P.? or is there another to mention?
This issue may cause trouble, but that's fine,
Cuz now it's your problem, not mine!
Thanks for the laughs,

Your 2011 President,

Mike Hills

FALL LDMGA BANQUET IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER

18

The price is \$10 for a buffet dinner. Beer and soft drinks will be compliments of LDMGA.

Cocktails at 6:00. Dinner at 7:00.

2011 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

All flights have completed play with the following winners:

Blue Tee Scratch - Jim Fodell
White Tee Scratch - Larry Stratton
White Tee Handicapped Flight 3 - Eriks Kildiss
White Tee Handicapped Flight 4 - Bud Jensen
White Tee Handicapped Flight 5 - Del VanBruggen
White Tee Handicapped Flight 6 - Mark Pulver
Gold Tee Handicapped Flight 7 - Larry MacDonald

All LDMGA members were entered into this match play event, and placed in flights of 16 according to their handicap indices.

FALL CLASSIC

This event was played on Saturday and Sunday, October 1 & 2. It was played as 4 nine hole events with a different 2 man format for each nine.

The front nine on Saturday was won by Dave Deweerd and Brian Gonzales. At a tie for 2nd were Pete Torres/Bill Rhodes with Dan Conway/Dave Fortune. The back nine was also won by Deweerd/Gonzales. Gary Stewart/Dan Conway got 2nd; Rick Zane/Eriks Kildiss, 3rd.

On Sunday, one nine was won by Alan Ave/Brewece Larkin. Second went to Torres/Dennis Carman; 3rd to Tom Morin/Bud Jensen. The other nine was won by Greg Deward/Gary Stewart. Second went to Morin/Jensen and 3rd to Deweerd with a draw.

There was lots of chili and cornbread following Sunday's round.

John Light and Dennis Carman chaired the event.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS FOR LDMGA BOARD

One of the items on the agenda for the Fall Banquet/LDMGA Meeting is the election of 4 directors for the Board. As of "presstime", Mike Fitzsimmons, Rick Zane, Andy Kristen and Dave Fortune were the nominees. Others can be nominated at the meeting. The terms run for 3 years.

CHANGE IN HANDICAP REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MEMBER-MEMBER

The LDMGA Board voted to allow use of the member's current handicap for play in the 2012 Member-Member. Also, there would be no requirement to have 3 tournament scores, or 6 scores in the Tuesday league. The requirement to have at least 10 18 hole rounds played at Lake Doster prior to the event would continue.

The membership will be encouraged to maintain the "peer review" of all members to be sure all scores are entered promptly and accurately.

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**October 18 Fall Banquet &
LDMGA
Meeting**

GOLFER OF THE YEAR

For the 2011 season, the results are:

Jim Fodell 425
Golfer of the Year

Runners up:

Bud Jensen 330

Dennis Carman 307

Larry Stratton 265

Steve Henderson 260

Jack Kellogg 252

Eriks Kildiss 215

Dave Deweerd 205

Nom Young 200

Del VanBruggen 200

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September, 2011

YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The member-member is a rich event,
for the players that play, money is spent.
For most it will be an expensive lunch,
Just a few will get paid to munch.
The event was won by Plumber Bob and Dennis the
Sandbagger.

Look at em now, walking the club with such
swagger.

Now these winners took home a big big prize,
But they will not say how much, no big surprise.

How else can they to avoid a big tax bill.

The IRS will take the edge off any thrill.

So to the victors goes a silent toast.

May they spend their fortune without the need to
boast.

Your 2011 President,

Mike Hills

2011 SENIOR OPEN

39 men participated in the "Senior Open" on September 8. Three
man teams were selected by draw to put A, B, and C players on
each team. The format was 2 net best balls on each hole using
100% of handicaps.

First place with 128 went to Bob Peterson, Mark Pulver and Ned
Roethlisberger. Second at 131 went to Don Ampensee, Jerry Bray
and Don Meitz. A tie at 132 for 3rd-4th was broken by the LDMGA
method, awarding 3rd to John Light, Dean McBeth and Ivan
Henman. 4th went to Virg Williams, Steve Henderson and Bob
McLelland. 5th (133) went to Rick Riffin, Lou Gabany and Ken
Kozioł.

Don Meitz, Jerry Bray and Dave McConnell ran the event.

2011 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Five of the seven flights have completed their matches.

Results for those completed:

White Tee Scratch

1st-Larry Stratton

2nd-Norm Young

3rd-4th Dave Deweerd, Paul Mulka

White Tee Handicapped, Flight 4

1st-Bud Jensen

2nd-Dave McConnell

3rd-4th Dave Jones, Hank Norton

White Tee Handicapped, Flight 5

1st-Del VanBruggen

2nd-Bob Green

3rd-4th Keith Bacon, Bruce Bowen

Results continued on page 2.

MEMBER-MEMBER, AUGUST 27 & 28

The "6 pack" entry style was used.

Three teams tied for 1st on day one at 62 best ball net, 90%
handicap: Dean McBeth/Bud Jensen; Tim VanBruggen/Bill
Rhodes and Dennis Carman/Bob Peterson. McBeth/Jensen
won the 3 hole playoff for 1st place. Brian Gonzales/Todd
Hartson and Tom Morin/Dave Deweerd both had 64 to tie for
4th-5th.

Carman/Peterson shot 138 on day two, total net, 100%
handicap to win 1st. Two teams were at 143 to tie 2nd-3rd:
Larry Stratton/Gary Stewart and Erks Kildiss/Jim Gesmundo.

Three teams tied at 147 for 4th: Mike Lee/Fred Anderson,
Jollie Allen/Mike Fitzsimmons and VanBruggen/Rhodes.
First overall with 200 went to Carman/Peterson. Second at
208 were Stewart/Stratton; third with 209, VanBruggen
Rhodes; fourth with 211; Kildiss/Gesmundo. Three ties at
213; Allen/Fitzsimmons, Paul Murray/Jim Fodell and
Morin/Deweerd.

The 2 day Ringer, Combined best ball went to
Carman/Peterson at 54. Second went to Allen/Fitzsimmons
with 55; 3rd to VanBruggen/Rhodes at 56; third to George
Dunn/Hank Norton with 57. Three tied at 58;
McBeth/Jensen, Larry MacDonald/Steve Henderson and
Stewart/Stratton.

Tom VanHerweg chaired the event.

2011 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, CON'T.

White Tee Handicapped, Flight 6

- 1st-Mark Pulver
- 2nd- Steve Henderson
- 3rd-4th Dick Nowling, Dave Shepard

Gold Tee Handicapped, Flight 7

- 1st-Larry MacDonald
- 2nd-Stan Dombroski
- 3rd-4th Dzintar Abuls, Dennis Carman

AUGUST 20 SATURDAY EVENT

This "Birdies or Better" format was tied at 13 between Bud Jensen/Jack Kellogg and Reed Neilson/draw. Tied at 12 for 3rd-wth were Scott Cool/Don Meitz and Rick Zane/Billy Martin.

Pete Torres and Dave Fortune chaired this event.

TUESDAY LEAGUE

The second half of the league was won by Steve Henderson. Jim Fodell was 2nd; Dennis Carman, 3rd; Jack Kellogg and Bob Green tied for 4th.

Overall winners (1st - 4th)

Fodell, Dean McBeth, Carman, Kellogg.

Dennis Carman and Dave Fortune handled the league.

SHOOTY-SHOTTY TOURNAMENT

Phil Baker ran this event on Tuesday, August 30, with 56 players participating.

Top 3 scores in each group:

Snotty's:

Dave Fortune/Andy Kristen - 57 (lowest score ever in this event)

Don Meitz/Bob McLelland - 59

Rick and Bill Riggins - 60

Snooty's:

Dennis Carman/Jeff Bronkema - 59

Larry Stratton/Mark Pulver - 59

Ken Watson/Mark Bond - 60

Rick Zane/Casey Jones - 61

Team Winners:

1. Snooty's - 893 strokes

2. Snotty's - 895 strokes

Lowhandicappers prevailed again!

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Ivan Henman, Dennis Carman, Larry Stratton

2011 SCHEDULE

September 24 Saturday Event
 October 1,2 Fall Classic
 October 18 Fall Banquet & LDMGA Meeting

HOLES IN ONE

Two more have been reported:

Bill Mason on #8

Dave Shepard on #12

GOLFER OF THE YEAR

Through September 1, the leaders are:

Jim Fodell 265

Jack Kellogg 252

Dennis Carman 232

Norm Young 200

Dean McBeth 172

LYNX-DOSTER TIN CUP

The Tin Cup matches were played Saturday, Sept. 17, at Doster and Sunday, Sept. 18 at The Lynx. All matches were played at scratch.

Representing Lake Doster were:

Jeff Bronkema, Jim Fodell, Pete Torres, Abe Young, Norm Young, Virg Williams, Bud Jensen, Hank Norton, Tim VanBriggen, Dean McBeth, Bob Sursley, Fred Anderson, Alan Awe, Bill Stephenson, Dan Conway and Gary Stewart.

The Saturday score was Doster, 8 1/2 to Lynx, 7 1/2. On Sunday, the Lake Doster men crushed The Lynx 14 to 2 at their home course for an overwhelming 22 1/2 to 9 1/2 victory.

Larry Stratton chaired this event with Jeff Bronkema's help.

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August, 2011

YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bet none of you knew at all,
The President's Cup was sponsored by Geritol.
The combined age of the winners, Kellogg and Young,
Was way above One Hundred thirty one.
How did they make it around that day?
With canes, walkers and carts I say.
I ragically the tournament was cut short,
Mother Nature was not such a good sport.
But when Mother Nature turned on the water like
Niagara,
The winners ran home to their wives - to celebrate with
Viagra.
We must all tip our hat for our old guard winners,
Their grace makes us all look like hopeless sinners.
Two majors down, and one under way,
Member-Member is next, better not delay.
So get out to practice and play while you can,
The twilight of summer is facing each man.
Good luck, congratulations Jack and Norm.

Mike

REVISED SENIOR MEMBER-MEMBER!

The Committee (Jerry Bray, Don Meitz and Dave McConnell) plans to change this annual event to be the "Senior Open" so that all seniors, 50 years and older, who play at Lake Doster, and have established handicaps, can enter.

The event is scheduled for Thursday, September 8. Three man teams, A, B and C players, selected by draw, will play a best ball competition.

Sign up at the bulletin board by the handicap computer.

2011 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Please get those final matches played ASAP!

All flights should be completed by September 4.

PRESIDENT'S CUP

A heavy rain shortened this event, played on August 6 and 7, to 27 holes. The scratch division, played from the blue tees was won by Norm Young with 114. Second went to Paul Murray with 119; third, Dave Deweerdt, 118; fourth, 119 tie, Jim Fodell, Reid Neilsen and Jim Gesmundo.

The net Stableford division was played from the white tees with the winning total of 61 between Jack Kellogg (who won the tie-breaker) and Fred Anderson. Third went to Bud Jensen with 60 and fourth to Ivan Henman at 59.

Past-President Rick Riggan chaired the event

MEMBER-MEMBER

The "Six Pack" format will be used again this year with an added wrinkle - a "Two Day Ringer" score which will get 20% of the pot

Pick your partner and sign up. The event is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, August 27 & 28.

Handicaps will be based on your lowest for this season.

To qualify for this major event without penalty, you must have 10 eighteen rounds at Lake Doster, of which 3 are from tournament play, or you have at least 8 scores posted from Tuesday league play (during this season).

2011 OUTING DATES AT LAKE DOSTER

The Club has scheduled several outings during the season. Note that these are represented in all CAPITAL LETTERS in the 2011 Schedule



JULY 30 SATURDAY EVENT

A Blue and Gold format: Played 3/4 from blue tees on front nine and 3/4 gold tees on the back nine. The winners had 194: Jim Fodell, Bill Mason, Bill Rhodes and Mike Fitzsimmons. Second, at 200, were Paul Mulka, John Light, Tom VanHerweg and Dave Fortune. Closest to the pin winners were #3, Mulka; #3, Rhodes, #12, Dick Bryck, #15, Gary Stewart.

Dave Fortune chaired the event.

KINGS AND QUEENS

This best ball format was played on Sunday, July 31. Partners were selected by draw. The winning team of Andy Kristen and Jill Rhodes shot 61. Bill Rhodes and Susan McDonald had 62 for second. Bob Sursley and Nancy Lee shot 63 for third. Tied at 64 were Del VanBruggen and Dawn VanBruggen with Bud Jensen and Janine Latkin. The VanBruggen team was awarded 4th after the card match back.

Rules of Golf

Gimmees? Match play, yes; Stroke play? NEVER!

The rules are clear - you can concede any putt, hole or match when playing match play. {The only person(s) involved is your opponent(s).} However, in stroke play you cannot give any putt as the whole field in the event must be protected.

Rule 3-2. "Failure to Hole Out

If a competitor fails to hole out at any hole and does not correct his mistake before he makes a stroke on the next teeing ground or, in the case of the last hole of the round, before he leaves the putting green, he is disqualified."

However, if the ball was moved by a fellow competitor without permission, he may replace the ball and continue play without penalty - Rule 18-4.

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2011 SCHEDULE

AUG. 19 11:00 SHOTGUN
 August 20 Saturday Event
 AUG. 22 10:00 SHOTGUN EYWTF
 August 27,28 Member-Member
 AUG. 29 8:30 SHOTGUN
 August 30 Special Tuesday Event
 September 5 Labor Day Mixed Event
 September 8 Senior Member-Member
 SEPT. 14 10:00 SHOTGUN EYWTF
 September 17, 18 Lynx Tin Cup
 September 20 Saturday Event
 October 1,2 Fall Classic
 October 18 Fall Banquet & LDMGA Meeting
 *Non-members may be invited to these events
 EYWTF=Eat Your Way To Par

SPECIAL TUESDAY EVENT;

SNOOTYS/NOOTIES

Sign up with a partner for this fun event on August 30, chaired by Phil Baker.

The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

GOLFER OF THE YEAR

Through August 9, the leaders are:

- Jack Kellogg 207
- Norm Young 200
- Jim Fodell 180
- Dean McBeth 172

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July, 2011

YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Member Guest was a great event,
who knew it would have an international bent.
Herb and the Spaniard, Victor, would battle for two days,
Now they were in the shootout, Victor was in a haze.
Herb and Victor made it past holes ten and eleven,
Onward to the final hole, just that close to heaven.
But there on 12 stood Murray and Peterson the Pro,
They too had found the par 3, and were ready to go.
Murray and Peterson teed off both hitting the green.
Two putts for par, easiest you've ever seen.
Herb also would par this hole.
Now the Spaniard must dig deep in his soul.
Victor gave a mighty slash, it appeared the ball was sculled,
It screamed to the left, thankfully the crowd had not been lulled.
Patrons were diving to the ground,
As the ball rocketed at the speed of sound.
But as the dust settled, the ball had found its rest,
It skidded to a stop in the bunker, nestled as in a nest.
Now bunker play is not the mix,
Generally speaking for a 36.
Sand flew up, the ball flew right,
The flag was left, no where in sight.
The ball finally stopped, still on the green,
but the putt would be long, Victor's wits must be keen.
Now the Spaniard had a chance to become a hero,
Remember he gets two strokes and is now lying zero.
Lining up the putt, Herb was of great help,
now knowing line - confidence Victor felt.
He putted the ball with all his might,
the ball rolled close, but did not disappear from sight.
It came so close, it seemed to peer in,
To miss the next putt would've been a sin.
The match was over, team international had won,
Honor and glory were theirs under the bright summer sun.
For this event the tale has been told,
But for the next, another story awaits to unfold.
See you there,

Your 2011 President,

Mike Hills

2011 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Many matches have been played, but 7 failed to be played by the extended deadline. These may be withdrawn so subsequent matches can continue. The final matches in all flights should be played by September.

Be sure to report the result of your matches to the Pro Shop upon completion of your match.

FATHER'S DAY EVENT

Eleven twosomes participated with Herb and Mary Ayres getting first place with a net best ball 60. Stewart-Stewart had 63 for second. There was a 4 way tie at 65 for third: Torres-Torres; VanBruggen-VanBruggen; Jensen-Jensen and Fred Greaves-Mike Colliest.

Dennis Carman chaired the event.

MEMBER-MEMBER

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MEMBER-GUEST WINNERS

First Flight - Paul Murray and Clark Peterson
Second flight - Billy Martin and Don Gwin
Third Flight - Rick Riggan and Tom Garling
Fourth Flight - Larry MacDonald and Dale Michael
Fifth Flight - Herb Ayres and Victor Girela
Wild Card Qualifier - Ivan Henman and Hank Heynen

**Shoot out winner & Member-Guest Champs
Herb Ayres and Victor Girela**

2011 OUTING DATES AT LAKE DOSTER

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JUNE 25 SATURDAY EVENT

This designated hitter event was won by the team of Larry Stratton, Steve Sleeman, Tom Vanherweg and Dick Nowling with 192. Pete Torres, John Light, Mike Rabe and Dave Fortune shot 197 for second. A score of 199 gave Jim Fodell, Mike Lee, Keith Bartlam and Bill Rhodes third place.

TUESDAY LEAGUE

First place for the first half of the Tuesday league was tied between Bob Sursley and Dean McBeth. Jim Fodell got third. There was a 3 way tie for third among Jack Kellogg, Don Meitz and Dennis Carman.

SPECIAL TUESDAY EVENT

A "Mini Member-Member format was played with 56 guys entering on June 28. The front nine was played as 2 man combined net, 100%, with Hank Norton and Steve Sleeman winning at 62. Keith Bartlam and Rick Riggin had 67 for 2nd. Greg Deward/Don Meitz and Rick Zane/Bill Riggin tied for 3rd at 69. The back nine was played as 2 man net best ball 90%, and won by Del VanBruggen/Gary Stewart with 29. Four teams shot 30 to tie for 2nd: Mike Fitzsimmons/Herb Ayres; Norton/Sleeman; George Dunn/Alan Awe and Dick Nowling/Tom Morin. Overall (total front and back nines) was won by Norton/Sleeman with 92. Three teams tied at 100 for 2nd: Fitzsimmons/Ayres; Zane/Bill Riggin and Bartlam/Rick Riggin.

COUPLES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Del and Sharon VanBruggen won the 2011 Couples Club Championship with 77 total Stableford points. Dick and Pat Nowling got 2nd with 74 points. Dave and Sandy Jones had 73 for 3rd.

TEE SHIRT OPEN

This event was played on Sunday, June 12. The first place low net best ball score went to Dick and Pat Nowling at 60 after a tie breaker with Erik's Kildiss/Susan McDonald. Bob Sursley/Bambi Fedesna won 3rd with 62. The best Tee Shirt vote went to Ruth Dwoinen. Bruce Larkin got the runnerup prize. Ruth Dwoinen/Bill Mason chaired the event.

HANDICAP INFO

We have a "new" computer thanks to the generosity of **Hank Norton**. You will find it works much faster than the old one. Dave Fortune installed it with new accessories. If you have your email address registered with GAM, you will get your updated handicap on the 1st and 15th of each month. Go to GAM.org and login using your name07 as username and password (for most members). If you get a handicap followed by "R", it has been reduced for "Exceptional Tournament Play". If your handicap is followed by "L", it means you should use it only for "Local" events. It shows too few scores entered for the handicap to be used for inter-club tournaments.

2011 SCHEDULE

JULY 18 9:00 SHOTGUN EYWTP
JULY 22 9:00-11:00 RESERVED
JULY 23 9:00 SHOTGUN
July 30 Saturday Event
JULY 30 2:00 SHOTGUN
July 31 Kings & Queens
August 6,7 President's Cup
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HOLES IN ONE

After a slow start this season, there were 3 holes in one during the last month.
Jeff Bronkema #8 June 16
Mike Lee #3 June 17
Scott Cool #8 July 3
Congratulations to all!

GOLFER OF THE YEAR

Through July 12, the leaders are:
Dean McBeth 132
Bob Sursley 130
Jim Fodell 120
Steve Sleeman 95
Fred Greaves 90
Dick Nowling 90

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June, 2011

Your President's Message,

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One of our distinguished members left me a voice mail message, it was rather salty, I listened to it several times and found the logic faulty.

I had a quick and crafty poem drafted and ready to go,

But my wife took one look and all she said was NO!!!

So I thought I would take this rhyme in a different direction,

Spending time and paper with some positive reflection.

We are all volunteers, trying our best,

Some even have jobs, and don't get much rest.

We give of our precious time for love of the people and the game,

Not that we are somehow going to achieve money and fame.

Several members go above and beyond stepping up to the plate,

They are very rarely recognized, but it's not too late.

We do accept criticism, and take it very well,

Just when you give it, try not to yell.

The moral of the story is whether you are on a committee, the board, chair an event or just out there playing golf - we can all be:

Gentlemen

Positive

Supportive

Uplifting

And we all have fun.

Your 2011 President,

Mike Hills

2011 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Only 3 eligible members elected not to play in the 2011 championship. There is no entry fee as trophies are covered by your LDMGA dues.

The flights are all set based on the June 1 handicap updates. The first flight consists of the members with the 16 lowest handicaps. They will compete at scratch, playing the blue tees. The next flight, which includes the next 16 lowest handicaps, playing scratch from the white tees. Four members with handicaps too high for automatic inclusion in this flight were given (at their request) the opportunity to play qualifying matches to get into the flight as 16th seeded golfer.

The other 5 flights will play using the full difference in handicaps for their matches with the difference in strokes falling on the holes as handicapped for their tees. The 7th flight will be played from the gold tees using the member's gold tee handicaps and the gold tee hole by hole handicaps. Handicaps in effect for the day the match is played will be used for all matches.

The first round pairings will be posted and also sent to members with email addresses. **It is up to you to set up the match with your opponent.** A list of phone numbers for all members is in the tray by the handicap computer. The Pro Shop number to get your tee time is 685-5308.

Your first match should be completed by June 29! Subsequent matches (for winners) should be played within 3 weeks. Any problems in arranging matches should be brought to the attention of the Handicap Committee. If disputes cannot be resolved, the match will be forfeited.

Be sure to report the result of your matches to the Pro Shop upon completion of your match.

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MAY 28 SATURDAY EVENT

The format was a progressive best balls with 2 counting on the first 6 holes; 3 on the second 6; and all 4 on the last 6; using 100% of handicaps.

The winners with 204 were Mike Lee, Ivan Henman, Dan Guldenzoph and Tom VanHerweg. There was a 3 way tie for 2nd among: Dave Deweerd, Greg Deward, Casey Jones and Bud Jensen; with Bob Sursley, Eriks Kildiss, Jerry Bray and Dzintars and Abuls; and with Jim Fodell, Steve Sleeman, Dick Bryck and Marlin Kleckner.

President Mike Hills chaired the event

MATCH PLAY RULES

The rules for match play differ from those for stroke play. Review Rule 2 in "The Rules of Golf". Because of this, it is not desirable to play a match at the same time you are competing in a stroke play event.

One major difference is described in Rule 2-4:

A player may concede a match at any time prior to the start or conclusion of that match.

A player may concede a hole at any time prior to the start or conclusion of that hole.

A player may concede his opponent's next stroke at any time,.....

A concession may not be declined or withdrawn.

Other differences for match play are scattered throughout the "Rules of Golf".

See Rule 6-2, Rule 7-1, 7-2, Rule 10-1 (Describes the order of play in matches). Rule 15-3, etc.

The Club Championship is our only event played as individual matches.

It is different, but most find it memorable!

MEMORIAL DAY COUPLES EVENT

26 couples played in this event on May 30. The format was best ball of the couple for 18 holes.

Bud and Chris Jensen won first with a 62. there was a three way tie for second at 63 among Dean and Carol McBeth, Gary and Cheryl Stewart and Nancy Snyder/Dave DeWeerd. Dick and Pat Nowling shot 64 for fifth.

Jerry and Anne Bray chaired the event.

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2011 SCHEDULE

June Club Championship Begins

June 11 Saturday Event

JUNE 11 2:00 SHOTGUN

June 12 Tee Shirt Open, Mixed

JUNE 13 10:00 SHOTGUN EYWTP

JUNE 18 8:30 SHOTGUN

JUNE 18 2:00 SHOTGUN

June 19 Father's Day Event

June 25 Saturday Event

June 28 Special Tuesday Event

July 10 Couples Club Championship

July 14 Member-Guest Practice

July 15,16 Member-Guest*

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JULY 22 9:00-11:00 RESERVED

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July 31 Kings & Queens

August 6,7 President's Cup

AUG. 19 11:00 SHOTGUN

August 20 Saturday Event

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August 27,28 Member-Member

AUG. 29 8:30 SHOTGUN

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September 5 Labor Day Mixed Event*

September 8 Senior Member-Member

September 10,11 Lynx Tin Cup

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September 20 Saturday Event

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meeting

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EYWTP=E at Your Way To Par

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May, 2011

Your President's Message.

[Explicit Language] This poem was inspired by James Fodell.

“Hey. Hey! HEY! SHUT
THE @\$% UP!”

I'm sure none of you have ever done this,
But some on the course just whip it out and piss.
Unbelievable as this may sound,
Criminal Intent could be found.
Indecent Exposure is a crime most heinous,
To go unpunished would pucker my anus.
So lets find someone to deputize,
And make sure they have good eyes,
Because the culprits probably lack in size,
The deputy then can minutely scrutinize,
And the offender, he will be justly penalized.
Ok, enough with this uncivilized presentation,
And on to a more pleasant conversation...
The Bloody Mary was cold and wet,
I haven't congratulated the champions yet.
But that's not surprising you see,
Because the champion, alas, it was not me.
I never said I was a good sport,
So on the next event I will report.
Many teams entered Joey the Jet,
The champions, I haven't congratulated yet.
But that's not surprising you see,
Because the champion, it was not me,
I'm not a very good sport you see,
That's the message you get from me.
Your 2011, President, *Mike Hills*

¹ Bloody Mary Champions: Steve Sleeman, Stefan Johnson and Jud McMichael

² Joey the Jet Champions: Bill Mason and Fred Greaves

STROKE ADJUSTMENT RULES

Before you enter your score in the GAM system for handicap purposes, you must adjust your hole by hole scores according to the following:

If your handicap for the course played is 9 or lower, the maximum score allowed for any hole is a double bogey.

If your handicap for the course played is 10 to 19, the maximum score allowed for any hole is seven (7).

If your handicap for the course played is 20 to 29, the maximum score allowed on any hole is an eight (8).

If your handicap for the course played is 30 or over, the maximum score allowed on any hole is nine (9).

If you enter your scores in the GAM system hole by hole, it will alert you to any scores that are too high.

2011 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

All LDMGA members are encouraged to play in this match play event.

The membership list with tentative assignment to flights will be posted on the bulletin boards soon after the May 15 handicap update. If you choose NOT to play in the event, scratch your name off the list (or, tell one of the Handicap Committee) The final assignment to flights will be made after the June 1 handicap update. There will be a blue tee scratch flight for the lowest 16 handicap indexes; a white tee scratch flight for the next 16 indexes and handicap flights for all others.

More details on the event will also be posted soon.

Handicap Committee: Ivan Henman, Marlin Kleckner and Don Amperssee.

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JOEY THE JET DERRY

Bill Mason and Fred Greaves won the event with a 36 hole total best ball score of 128. They led the first day with a 61. Jim Fodell and Gary Stewart had the low score on the second day with 63. Dick Nowling and Mike Fitzsimmons placed second overall with 130. Third went to Fodell and Stewart at 131. Pete Torres and Bill Repenhagen shot 132 for fourth place. Gene and David McDonald got fifth with 133. Five teams tied at 134 for sixth place.

Rule 26 WATER HAZARDS, INCLUDING LATERAL WATER HAZARDS.

The course is marked with red stakes for lateral "water" hazards and with yellow stakes for "regular" water hazards. When your ball is in a water hazard, or if it is virtually certain that your ball is in the hazard, you may under penalty of one stroke:

- a. Play a ball as nearly possible at the last spot from which the original ball was played (see Rule 20-6); or
- b. Drop a ball behind the hazard keeping the point where the ball LAST crossed the margin of the hazard directly between the hole and the spot where the ball is dropped, with no limit on how far behind the hazard the ball is dropped; or
- c. An additional option available only if the ball is in a lateral hazard; drop the ball within 2 club lengths of and not nearer the hole than the point where it LAST crossed the margin of the hazard.

The lateral hazards along many of the holes avoid the more severe penalty associated with a ball out of bounds where both stroke and distance are lost. However, if you decide to play the ball within the hazard, you must NOT:

- a. Test the condition of the hazard;
- b. Touch the ground in the hazard with your hand or club; or,
- c. Touch or move a loose impediment lying in or touching the hazard.

See Rule 13-4.

The hazard on the right front of hole #6 is a regular water hazard and should be played as such.

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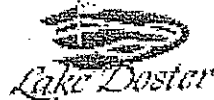
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Volume 19, Issue #3



April, 2011

Your President's Message.

[Explicit Language]

I Call This Poem "Stick em Up!"

I'm told you want another poem, I think Not!
All you people must be smokin Pot!
The Board is way too busy to be pen'in Lyrics;
Who do you think we are a bunch of French Clerics?
Besides in this club we have way too much
controversy;
Like the Member-Member, which bet will it be?
Do we conduct an auction or put your bet in a
bucket?
I'm taking all your money either way, so @#%\$-it.
Moreover, we hear tell of some score card violators;
Something must be done about these vile
perpetrators.
So we took a collection and thought about switch
blade razors;
In the end we decided on non-deadly force and
bought 3 tazers.
Now our Score Card Cops* will be walk'in the club
strapped;
So post your damn score or your gonna get zapped.
Now the Club Championship will begin the 18th of
June;
And everyone is supposed to tee off before noon.
But we all know people will shuck and jive;
Trying to keep their hopes alive.
Delaying the match a month, a week, a day;
The Board is begging you sir, get off your ass and

play.

One of the best tournaments of the year;
The Member-Guest, will soon draw near.
Master Riggin is again the leader of this
committee;
If you can't find a friend to play, twill be a pity.
Over the course of two days teams will grind it
out;
In the end some will win and others will pout.
But not for long because soon after play;
Shepard will serve food and beer, and sorrow
will wash away.
Finally people, the Presidents Cup;
I myself will set the pins up.
Dutch, Mike and I will spy each green;
Finding the cruelest spots, you know we can be
mean.
You will find yourself with decisions to make;
Should I lay up, or chance should I take.
So hoist up your skirt and shoulder that purse;
Go for it boy, YOUR life can't get worse.
So that's the President's word you get from me;
I hope to see you in the club or on the 1st tee;
Just somewhere to raise a toast to thee;
But if not, @#&% you here's to me!

Your Loving and Kind President,

Mike Hills

*Ivan Henman, Marlin Kleckner & Don Arperssee

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2011 OUTING DATES AT LAKE DOSTER

The club has scheduled outside play events as listed below. Please plan around these to avoid unexpected conflicts. This list may be expanded in the future and will be updated in the newsletter and on our website.

Saturday, 4/23 - 1:30 Shotgun; Monday, 5/16 - 10:00 Shotgun*; Saturday, 6/4 - 1:30 Shotgun; Saturday, 6/11 - 2:00 Shotgun; Monday, 6/13 - 10:00 Shotgun*;
 Saturday, 6/18 - 8:30 Shotgun; Saturday, 6/18 - 2:00 Shotgun; Monday, 7/18 - 10:00 Shotgun*;
 Saturday, 7/23 - 9:00 Shotgun; Friday, 7/22 - 9:00-11:00 Tee Times; Saturday, 7/30 - 2:00 Shotgun; Friday, 8/19 - 11:00 Shotgun; Monday, 8/22 - 10:00 Shotgun*;
 Monday, 8/29, - 8:30 Shotgun; Wednesday, 9/14 - 10:00 Shotgun*

* *Fat Your Way to Par Events*

BLOODY MARY SCRAMBLE

27 brave souls played in the cold, wet weather on April 2. The scramble team of Steve Sleeman, Stefan Johnson and Jud McMichaels won first place with a 60. Tied at 61 were the teams of Abe Young, Brian Gonzales and Matt Kneebone with Ken Pace, John Hoznegel and Dzintar Abuls.

Don Ampersee chaired the event..

<u>Membership Application for Lake Doster Men's Golf Association</u>	
Name _____	LDMGA Dues \$50.00
Address _____	Tuesday League \$20.00
Email Address _____	Total Enclosed \$ _____
Phone _____	
Birth Date _____	
Send to Jerry Bray, 26 Eagle Greens, Plainwell, MI 49080	

2011 SCHEDULE

With Revisions

April 16 Saturday Event
 May 1 Sunday Mixed Event
 May 6 & 7 Joey the Jet Derby
 May 10 Tuesday League Begins
 May 13 Friday Couples Starts
 May 14 Saturday Event*
 May 15 Sunday Mixed Event
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Volume 19, Issue #2



March, 2011

Your President's Message:

I call this poem:

"Dean Drives His Cart Into A Tree"

The Kings and Queens of 2010,

Was a grand day for both women and men.

But one stood tall,

Amongst them all.

Dean McBeth on his Hawkeye steed,

Rode to the club, majestic indeed.

Lady Larkin, his Queen, upon Hawkeye she rode,

To Hole # 1, the adventure yet to unfold.

Golf clubs their weapons to use this day,

To forge a champion and hold the field at bay.

Holes One, Two, Three and Four,

Saw birdies galore.

McBeth and Larkin now had the lead,

McBeth had honors and driver he called to heed.

On #5 box, he struck a mighty blow,

But alas, into the Great White Oak his ball did go.

His Titleist had found a crevice in the great old Oak,

for his next maneuver he must be a creative bloke.

As Hawkeye drew closer to the tree in the morning mist,

Instead of slowing down, on the throttle he did persist.

Larkin looked into his eyes to see,

McBeth was crazed to drive up that tree.

Her Screams echoed in the valley with cries of need,

But she could not escape as the tree approached at speed.

McBeth hit that tree, it is said,

At 30 miles per hour, they both should be dead.

But up the tree Hawkeye did rise,

Half way to the top in search of his prize.

But Hawkeye did falter and through the branches they tumbled,

Ass over tea kettle to the ground they crumbled.

Silence fell with the dust as they lay humbled,

their blood on the ground as golfers gathered and mumbled.

Are they ok, are they alive,

Oh how could they survive.

But there was movement as McBeth opened his eyes,

Lady Larkin followed and both began to rise.

Gazing now upon Hawkeye's awkward position,

Vertically fixed to the tree, a crazy artist rendition.

Without hesitation McBeth did go,

To the back of the cart, now golf bags in tow.



Up the hill to continue their quest,

For the championship and metal to pin upon chest.

This blood spilling crash would deter lessor folk,

But not McBeth and Larkin, onward to the next

stroke.

But what would become of Hawkeye, fixed and stuck,

David Yaw would see it free, but had no luck.

Then around the corner came Scott's racing cart,

Upon sight of Hawkeye he stopped with a start.

Scott removed his chain saw from his bag of stuff,

The saw comes in handy in the thicker rough.

Putting saw to tree,

Hawkeye was soon free

And delivered to McBeth who intended to drive proud

and strong

But Larkin said the passenger seat was where his ass

now belonged.

(***The facts contained in this poem are loosely based on actual fact, but are largely exaggerated, altered or completely false)

Your Humble Ruler,

Mike Hills

BLOODY MARY SCRAMBLE

The first event of the 2011 season will be held on Saturday, April 2. Please show up and sign in for the assignment to teams so the play can begin by 9:00AM. There will be a short LDMGA membership meeting while the teams are selected.

This handicapped scramble is open to all, members or not. Invite your non-member friends to join us for a fun day of golf, weather permitting.

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2011 MICHIGAN GOLF SEASON

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2011 SCHEDULE

Tentative

- April 2 Bloody Mary Scramble* & Spring LDMGA Meeting
- April 8 Senior League* Starts
- April 16 Saturday Event
- May 1 Sunday Mixed Event
- May 6 & 7 Joey the Jet Derby
- May 10 Tuesday League Begins
- May 13 Friday Couples Starts
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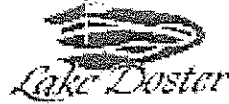
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Volume 1, New Year 2011



January, 2011

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, 7 Saturday events, 7 two day tournaments and 8 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 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 email.

Budget permitting, we also purchase items to make the course or club house area 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 2 this year) 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!

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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 fought 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 preceding 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 Member-Member is held in September played under a different format, usually 2 best balls of a threesome, a one day event

2011 SCHEDULE

Tentative

- April 2 Bloody Mary Scramble* & Spring LDMGA Meeting
- April 8 Senior League * Starts
- April 16 Saturday Event
- May 1 Sunday Mixed Event
- May 6 & 7 Joey the Jet Derby
- May 10 Tuesday League Begins
- May 13 Friday Couples Starts
- May 14 Saturday Event*
- May 15 Sunday Mixed Event
- May 28 Saturday Event
- May 30 Memorial Day Mixed Event*
- June 11 Saturday Event
- June 12 Tee Shirt Open, Mixed
- June 18 Club Championship Begins
- June 19 Father's Day Event
- June 25 Saturday Event
- June 28 Special Tuesday Event
- July 10 Couples Club Championship
- July 14 Member-Guest Practice
- July 15,16 Member-Guest*
- July 30 Saturday Event
- July 31 Kings & Queens
- August 6,7 President's Cup
- August 20,21 Member-Member
- August 27 Saturday Event
- August 30 Special Tuesday Event
- September 5 Labor Day Mixed Event*
- September 8 Senior Member-Member
- September TBD Lynx Ryder Cup
- September TBD Saturday Event
- October 1,2 Fall Classic
- October 18 Fall Banquet & LDMGA Meeting

Non-members may be invited to these events.

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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