



## Valleywood Women's Thursday Evening 9-hole League

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We are excited to return to Valleywood for another season of golf with an amazing group of ladies! We have so much to look forward to this year at Valleywood including in-person league meetings and some course updates. The following information summarizes our league season, registration and costs for membership dues, green fee costs required by Valleywood, kick-off meeting logistics, and registration form.

### General Season Information:

League season is 16 weeks long and will start **May 5, 2022 and end August 18, 2022**. We play 9-holes on both sides of the course alternating weekly (front/back). Many members walk, push a cart, or ride during league so we encourage new members to choose an option that fits their needs to keep up with the pace of play. Tee times are assigned and remain the same for the duration of the season. Tee times are selected by lottery at the Kick-Off Meeting (see information in Kick-Off Meeting section). Those registering for league should review the handout titled "League Play" for more detail on weekly play and protocols. Our members have a range of golfing abilities and we also enjoy social activities during league. The Board tries to plan a balanced season of competitive play with fun events.

Weekly events are planned by our event co-chairs and we will have prizes for front and back nine winners. Our Handicap Chair tracks our league golf achievements for recognition at the end of the season (birdies, eagles, hole-in-one). We also conduct an annual league tournament for all members to compete for bragging rights and cash prizes.

At the end of the season we plan a fun group scramble and banquet to celebrate our golf achievements. This season the Board will plan monthly events for members such as free drink nights, range night, and giveaways. The board will announce all league events via email so please check your account regularly. It's a fun 16 weeks of golf that passes by faster than it should so be sure to register to secure your spot at Valleywood.

### Registration Options and Membership Dues:

Registration is required for new and returning members each league season. The registration form is attached to the end so please submit your contact information and pay dues to secure your place on the league ASAP. The following summarizes the registration options available this season:



- 1) Returning Member keeping 2021 tee time: Returning members from the 2021 season that wish to retain their tee time for 2022. Dues and Green Fees must be paid on time to retain your assigned tee time. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of your tee time. Attendance at the kick-off meeting is encouraged but not required.
- 2) Assign to play with existing team: Returning teams with an available tee time (either from the past season or anticipated for 2022) may authorize direct assignment of the available tee time to a registering member. If you are registering for this option, please include the team names and the Board will contact the team for authorization and assignment. Attendance at the kick-off meeting is encouraged but not required.
  - a. Last year this new option for registration was suggested and approved by the membership to be implemented this season. The purpose of this option is to encourage flexibility for existing teams that may have an unassigned tee time available on the roster or expected change for the 2022 season (i.e., someone not returning) to invite someone to play at their tee time.
- 3) Returning Member requesting new tee time: Returning member from 2021 season but would like to be assigned a new tee time. Teams wishing to obtain a new tee time as a group must register all members as a returning member needing a tee time. Each member will enter Lottery A for first pick of available tee times at the kick-off meeting.
- 4) Returning members from the 2021 season with a temporary tee time will be given second pick for a new tee time at the kick-off meeting in Lottery B.
- 5) New members that did not play last season will be assigned a tee time at the kick-off meeting in Lottery C.

For those returning members with COVID-19 concerns or temporary health conditions (injury or other) wishing to “opt out” for this season should contact the Board by March 31<sup>st</sup>. We can discuss options for returning in 2023. All members must also pay the required green fees by May 5<sup>th</sup> or your tee time will be forfeited.

**Membership dues are \$60. Registration form and payment to the League are due April 7th for all members.** Membership dues pay for GHIN handicap (\$25 annual cost per person) through MGA. This is a valuable membership for any golfer because you can post your scores online or via app, receive monthly handicap revisions, a subscription to Minnesota Golfer Magazine, and play in MGA tournaments and member events. MGA does an excellent job engaging with women golfers and plan events for golfers of all abilities. Keep up with MGA in the future to take advantage of your membership! Your dues also pay for prizes for events, prizes, weekly games, and league tournament. Check your email frequently throughout the season to see what we have planned!



Please mail the registration form and enclose a check for dues with your registration form to Mary Barnidge, our league Treasurer. Payment via check is only available at this time please do not send cash. Due to limited tee time availability, late registrations will not be accepted.

Valleywood Green Fees:

In addition to membership dues, each member will be required to purchase 10 rounds of nine-hole green fees to be used during the 2022 Thursday Evening Women’s League. These are purchased at Valleywood (league does not collect green fee payments) either online or Pro Shop. Please see the handout titled “League Play” for more information on weekly check-in and absences. 2022 Weekly 9-Hole rates are \$26. Greens fees do not include push or electric cart fees and will be the responsibility of the member to pay each week. League green fee requirements for 2022 are as follows:

2022 Cost	No Patron Card	Patron Card	Senior No Patron Card	Senior Patron Card
Round of 10	\$260	\$230	\$240	\$210
Per week*	\$26	\$23	\$24	\$21

*\*once pre-paid rounds are used, this will be your cost per week to finish the season*

Patron Card Information

- A Patron Card saves you \$3 off eligible green fees and you'll get a free 1 time use of a golf cart ((1) round of 18-holes or (1) round of 9-holes) for use at any time. Purchasing a Patron Card can save you some money if you plan to play 7 or more rounds for Apple Valley residents, 10 or more rounds for Seniors, and 13 or more rounds for Non-Resident. You must purchase the Patron Card prior to paying your 10-week league commitment to receive the discount on your league greens. This cost is optional and not required as part of membership on the league. Patron Cards are available for purchase from Valleywood.
  - Apple Valley Resident Patron Card \$20
  - Senior Patron Card \$30
  - Non-Resident Patron Card \$40

Green fees for our season will be available for purchase online in April (note the website refers to these as “ladies league dues” but its green fees) or you can purchase at the Pro Shop. You may purchase online at:

<https://e.cps.golf/ValleywoodWebstore/>

**Members MUST purchase required green fees by May 5.** Failure to pay by May 5 will result in your name being removed from the league roster.



## Kick-Off Meeting and Tee Time Assignment

When: Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup> 4:30p.m. – 7 p.m.

Where: Valleywood Golf Course

Driving range from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. for free range balls! Bring your clubs.

Kick-off Meeting for information and tee-time assignment from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

The annual kick-off meeting will be held at the Valleywood Clubhouse the week before our season begins so please hold the date for Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>. Like the format last year, we'll meet at the driving range (weather permitting) to hit some balls as a group then move to the clubhouse for a brief meeting followed by tee time assignments. Following the conclusion of tee time assignments, the Board will be available as needed for a new member questions about the league.

**Attendance at the kick-off meeting is required for all members seeking a new assigned tee time.** Tee times are assigned for the entire season by lottery so you or a member representing your team must be present at the meeting. If you cannot attend, please contact the Board. The following outlines the tee time assignment process:

### *Lottery Tee Time Assignment*

Lottery A (returning members requesting a new tee time) will have the first “pick” for available tee times. Lottery B (new members from 2021) will have second “pick” for available tee times. Lottery C (2022 new members) will have third “pick” for available tee times.

Attendees will select a number for lottery play (A, B, or C) at the kick-off meeting. Numbers will be drawn at random starting with Lottery A and the holder may select a tee time of their choice that is available. The tee time roster will be live updated as members select tee times so attendees know what is available. To ensure teams (pairs, threesomes, or foursomes) can change tee times with their group, any member of that group who's lottery number is called first may assign their all teammates to the same tee time during their draw. If you are assigned a tee time on someone else's' draw, you forfeit your number in the lottery (since you have been assigned a time) so please turn in your number to the board.

Please remain at the meeting until your lottery group has completed selection to ensure we are able to move onto the next lottery group for tee time assignment. Once you are



assigned, feel free to meet up with your team or stay after the lottery if you have questions for the board.

**You will find the registration form on the last page of this document. Please fill out this form and return it with your payment of \$60 postmarked by Thursday April 7, 2022. This date is required to set up tee times and determine open times for the season. You will be notified ASAP if you have been waitlisted.**

Sincerely,

Chelsa Johnson, President  
Mary Barnidge, Treasurer  
Mara Koenig, Handicap Chair  
Amy Graff, Co-Event Chair  
Deb Edlund, Co-Event Chair



**Please fill out this registration form and return it with payment of \$60 by April 7, 2022. Make checks payable to: Valleywood Women's Golf League. Cash will not be accepted.**

**Registration forms must be mailed to (postmarked by April 7):**

**Mary Barnidge**

13396 Havelock Trail

Apple Valley, MN 55124

(612) 325-4349 (Please call to arrange drop off, if necessary)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE:

(Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Senior (55 or older)? Yes or No: \_\_\_\_\_

Returning Members Only: What year did you join VWWL? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check one of the following registration options:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Returning member keeping last season's tee time (no lottery)

\_\_\_\_\_ Assign to play with existing team keeping last season's tee time (no lottery but approval required). Name of team member(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Returning member and need a tee time (Lottery A)

\_\_\_\_\_ New member in 2021 and need a tee time (Lottery B)

\_\_\_\_\_ New member for 2022 and need a tee time (Lottery C)

**\*E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail is required for new and returning league members.**