

# August 2014

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### **Golf Shop News**

The 2014 Arbre Cup will be played on September 20<sup>th</sup> at Elm Lake. This 27 hole competition between us and Green Oaks is a friendly match that consists of 3 separate 9 hole matches. Be looking for an e-mail about signup for this competition. Signup is open to all active Elm Lake members.

We would like to encourage volunteering for the Handa Cup at Old Waverly on September 27, 28<sup>th</sup>. Please see Joseph in the golf shop if you would like be a volunteer for this event.

The ladies of Elm Lake would like to invite you to their 9 hole Monday scramble. Play for this fun and social event begins at 6:00pm. All ladies are encouraged to attend regardless of skill level.

Players, please understand and know that the driving range is closed on Wednesday evenings beginning at 5pm. The range must be mowed on Thursday mornings and it will not open until complete. Please do not hit range balls that are in private carts, on putting green or found anywhere else onto the driving range. Cut golf

balls cost are an expense that is unnecessary and can be avoided. Please contact the golf shop if you are unsure about times the range is open.

Members you can now book your tee times online. Simply go to our website and click on 'Book a Tee Time' and go to 'Member Tee Times'.

All golfers must check in with the golf shop prior to play. Please make your tee times and check in with the golf shop attendant when you arrive.

All golfers are required to share a golf cart. Cart fees are based on double occupancy, not single. Only golfers who own their own cart are privy to playing without a rider. Thank you for your understanding in this manner.

#### **Clubhouse**

Elm Lake will be host to the Lyndsi Hill Memorial Classic golf tournament on Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. The 3 player scramble begins at 1:00pm shotgun and will be a full field event. All carts must be off the course at 12pm noon so please plan your tee times accordingly. This event is open to the public at a cost of \$100 per player.

Ladies Lunch and Crafts will be meeting on Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 11AM. Contact the clubhouse for a supply list. Invite a friend or neighbor to join you for lunch and crafts.

Elm Lake is now offering Associate/Social Memberships for residents who do not play golf. Associate Memberships are \$50 per month. Please see Joseph for further details and a list of benefits.

The 2014 Match Play Championship is still ongoing. About half of the matches have been played so for with the semifinals and finals still to be played. We have seen some good matches thus far but will likely wait until August to see them play out; after the temporary greens are no longer in play.

#### From the Course

All 19 putting greens were aerified on Monday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. The process went very well with the only hiccup being that rocks were present in the topdressing sand. The maintenance crew took time to remove rocks with backpack blowers and were successful in doing so. We applied 100 pounds of organic fertilizer per green before topdressing with a sand/peat moss mix. We used organic fertilizer and peat moss to increase the amount of organic material in the greens for the continued nematode battle. The greens recovered very quickly from the process and are now soft and smooth. We will continue to work on the bad/thin areas of the greens and to maximize grass growth.

Beginning on Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> we will begin play on the greens for holes 1, 5 and 9. It is possible that we will go back and forth with the temporary greens for the remainder of the year to give them a chance to heal. We are doing all that we can to maximize grass coverage before the winter season.

PLEASE remember to fill divots and fix ball marks at all times. This is extremely important to ensuring the course is at its best in the future.

## From The Grill

Elm Lake Grill is open:

Tuesday – Friday 11am – 7pm Saturday 8am – 5pm