

# - TOURING - THE LINKS

## - The Village Links of Glen Ellyn | Spring 2021 -

### *Welcome to the 2021 Golf Season!*

As we look ahead to the 2021 golf season, the Village Links of Glen Ellyn would like to thank all our members and guests who supported us in 2020. We appreciate your patience with us during the fast evolving guidelines to help us establish a safe environment for you and our staff. Much of our operation will hopefully soon return to normal, while some of our new operations will become permanent. 2020 inspired our team to learn new ways to operate efficiently while maintaining the service levels we all expect. Whether you are an avid golfer or beginner in the game of golf, we are excited to see you return once the weather permits.

### *V.I.P. Cardholders*

Non-Residents can enjoy discounted golf all year round with our V.I.P. Card! The popular V.I.P. Card is \$50 per year; \$30 if you only play the 9-hole course. V.I.P. Card holders save 20% on every green fee, plus save 10% on all golf shop merchandise. See inside for more details. We now offer junior and senior V.I.P. discounts on both courses.

## *Mark Your Calendar*

- March 10 -  
**2021 Weekend Perm  
Time Lottery**

- March 27 -  
**Spring Tournament**

- May 1-2 -  
**VL Amateur  
Qualifying Event**

- June 4-5 -  
**Have One On Us  
(register May 20)**

- June 12-13 -  
**VL Amateur Event  
(must qualify May 1-2)**

- July 16 -  
**Ed Posh  
Scholarship Gala**

- July 26-27 -  
**VL Jr. Championship**

- August 1 -  
**Couples Championship**

- August 15 -  
**Glen Ellyn Open**

- September 19 -  
**Fall Scramble**

- October 2-3 -  
**Links Cup**

- November 14 -  
**Iron Man Open**



The advertisement features a smartphone displaying the Village Links Golf App interface. The app screen shows a golf course scene, the Village Links logo, and a photo of a clubhouse. To the right of the phone, the text reads: "VILLAGE LINKS GLEN ELLYN", "Download our Village Links Golf App!", "GPS Yardage", "Online Check-in", "Scorekeeping", "Book Tee Times and more!". A QR code is located at the bottom right of the ad. A golf ball with the Village Links logo is shown in the bottom left corner.

## - 2021 Course Information, Lessons, and Events -

### - Superintendent's Corner -

#### *When Will the Courses Open?*

When will the golf courses open in 2021? We wait until the frost is out of the greens, typically around March 15th. We have opened as early as February 15th (1977) and as late as April 12 (1983). Last year we opened March 4th. Please watch the website for updated opening information, [villagelinksgolf.com](http://villagelinksgolf.com)



Andrew Cross, Village Links Golf Course Superintendent with goose-chasing dogs, Kane Elizabeth and Stella.

#### *Greens Aeration Plans*

In an effort to create firm, smooth, healthy greens, aeration is a necessary evil. With soil testing we can determine our thatch levels and choose the right program to achieve this. Last year this was done solely with solid tine aeration, verticutting, and sand topdressing. This spring we plan to do the same process which is a gentler process than core aeration yet still achieves similar results.

#### *Tree and Landscape Area Removals*

If you played in late November or have stopped by this winter, you may have noticed some landscape area and tree removals. Tree removals initially are being done to remove dead trees that have been killed by insects, disease, or storm damage. As we progress through these, we will remove additional trees that have detrimental effects to playing surfaces (Greens, Tees, and Fairways). In a few landscape areas we will be removing overgrown landscaping to increase airflow and turf health, as well as improve vistas across the golf course (aesthetic and safety reasons).



### - Junior Golf Camps -

#### *2021 Half-Day & All-Day Junior Golf Camps*

Juniors can choose from 33 All-Day Junior Golf Camps in 2021. The morning instruction segment of each camp includes a visit to multiple learning stations to cover every aspect of the game. After a supervised lunch, the juniors play the 9-hole course. Instruction is tailored to the progress of each individual, allowing juniors to sign up for multiple camps. The \$75 camp fee includes instruction, lunch, and a supervised 9-holes of golf.

44 Half-Day Junior Golf Camps are geared towards boys and girls with little or no golf experience. The \$50 fee includes concentrated instruction, fun activities that complement and nurture fundamental skills, and a certificate for free nine holes of golf (restrictions apply). Morning and afternoon sessions are available.

Registration online for 2021 camps opens on February 1. Half-Day and All-Day Camp schedules are available at [villagelinksgolf.com](http://villagelinksgolf.com).

#### *PGA Junior Golf League*

The Village Links will again host the very popular 13 & under **PGA Junior Golf League**. Juniors of all abilities will compete each week in a little league baseball type format. Space is limited. Details at [villagelinksgolf.com](http://villagelinksgolf.com).

*We're excited to announce...*



**New Carts  
for 2021!**

*Ride in Luxury  
at the Village Links!*



### - Hit Range Balls Year Round -

#### *Driving Range Offers Great Turf or Mats*

The driving range is open year round, even in the snow! Our grass tee has 30 spaces, with hitting stations with artificial turf mats for when the weather is wet and sloppy. It's the best of both worlds—firm level mats in wet or wintry weather, and nice natural grass during the rest of the golf season. Purchase a Village Links 15 Bucket Smart Card for \$135 and save over 30% on driving range balls. The 15 large buckets are credited to your Links ID Card.

- 2021 Resident Cards -

*Pre-Season Discount Deadline—March 15*

**Who qualifies for a Resident Card?**

Applicants must reside within the corporate limits of the Village of Glen Ellyn. Apply in person at the Golf Shop to have your photo taken. Proof of residency is required. Resident Cards must be renewed annually and expire on December 31.

**What are the benefits of a Resident Card?**

Resident Card holders receive discounts on their green fees, and receive preferred access to tee time reservations. You can use your "Village Links Card" immediately.

**Why should I apply for my Resident Card now?**

Adult Resident Cards are \$10 before March 15 and \$20 thereafter. Junior Cards are \$5 and \$10 after March 15. Cards must be renewed annually and expire on December 31.

- Handicap Information for 2021 -

The World Handicap System in association with the USGA is available through membership in the Chicago District Golf Association for an annual fee of \$50, or \$40 if you participate in their auto-renewal program. Handicaps are used in most Village Links competitions and enable golfers of varied abilities to compete on an equitable basis. **Village Links handicaps may only be purchased or renewed online through [cdga.org](http://cdga.org).**

- 2021 Multi-Play & V.I.P. Cardholder -

*Multi-Play Resident Discount Rounds*

**Multi-Play Resident Discount Rounds**—Resident card holders can pre-purchase 20 or more 18-hole green fees at a discounted multi-play rate. These multi-play rounds may be bought in any combination of weekend or weekday 18-hole rounds and must be used by the end of the 2021 season. As an additional benefit, multi-play purchasers can bring up to three accompanied guests to play at the resident rate. Some restrictions apply. Multi-play purchasers may play free with a family member after 5:30 p.m. every day.

**Redeeming Pre-Paid Rounds**—Pre-paid rounds are credited to your "Village Links Card" for immediate use.

*2021 V.I.P. Cardholders*

**27-Hole V.I.P. Card—\$50, 9-Hole Course Only—\$30**

The popular V.I.P. Card is \$50 per year; \$30 if you only play the 9-hole course. V.I.P. card holders save 20% on every green fee, plus save 10% on all golf shop merchandise.

The **V.I.P. Premium Card** is \$100 per year; \$60 if you only play the 9-hole course. Premium members may extend their discounts to up to three accompanied guests every time they play, all year long. The special guest rate is not valid for league play or permanent tee times.

**V.I.P. Card & Multi-Play Card Holders Receive an Added 10% Discount on All Regularly Priced Golf Shop Merchandise Purchased in 2021.**

2021 GOLF FEES		RESIDENT CARD	REGULAR (NON-RESIDENT)	V.I.P. CARD
<b>WEEKEND</b>	18-Holes	\$50.00	\$68.00	\$54.40
	18-Holes Twilight after 3:30 p.m.	\$23.00	\$30.00	\$24.00
	9-Holes	\$22.00	\$30.00	\$24.00
	9-Holes Twilight after 6:30 p.m.	\$9.00	\$15.00	\$12.00
<b>WEEKDAY</b>	18-Holes	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$48.00
	18-Holes Twilight after 3:30 p.m.	\$23.00	\$30.00	\$24.00
	9-Holes	\$18.00	\$23.00	\$18.40
	9-Holes Twilight after 6:30 p.m.	\$9.00	\$15.00	\$12.00
	Senior 18-Holes 62 & older	\$30.00	\$39.00	\$31.20
	Senior 9-Holes 62 & older	\$14.00	\$18.00	\$14.40
	Junior 18-Holes 21 & under	\$30.00	\$39.00	\$31.20
	Junior 9-Holes 21 & under	\$14.00	\$18.00	\$14.40





## - 2021 Golf Leagues -

### *Monday Men's League*

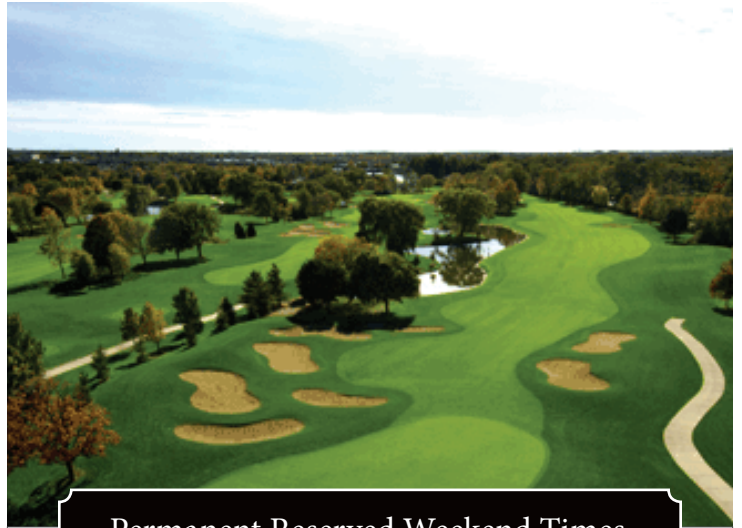
The **Monday Men's 18-Hole Golf League** plays Monday mornings at 8:00 a.m. This is an individual full handicap league, open to golfers of all abilities, playing a variety of formats throughout the season. Begins 4/12-9/27.

### *Swingin' Set Ladies League*

The **Swingin' Set Ladies Golf League** is comprised of separate 9-hole and 18-hole leagues that play Tuesday mornings May through September. New members need at least three scores to compute a handicap and are expected to play 10 rounds during the 20-week season. Email [Lgstanick@gmail.com](mailto:Lgstanick@gmail.com) for more information.

### *Over 60 Men's Golf League*

The **Over 60 Men's Golf League** will hold its permanent time drawing on Wednesday, March 24 at 3:00 p.m. The 9-hole league plays each Wednesday morning with a variety of competitive formats, April through September. For more information, please contact the Golf Shop at 630-469-8180.



## - Permanent Reserved Weekend Times -

### *Starting Times Are Available Now*

Permanent Reserved Weekend Starting Times are available on the 18-hole course beginning at 5:30 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, April 3 through August 22.

Starting Times will be distributed by a **weighted lottery drawing** at the Village Links, 7:30 p.m. **Wednesday, March 10.** Preference is given to Village of Glen Ellyn residents.

A complete foursome is required to enter the drawing and obtain a permanent time. **By 5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 7,** each individual entering the drawing must pre-pay a \$25 permanent time reservation fee and \$500 of pre-paid green fees to be used by that individual.

Permanent time applications and payments can be made at the Village Links Golf Shop, Tuesday–Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If a satisfactory time is not drawn, notify us by March 12 to receive a full refund on all pre-payments.

Complete rules are available at the Golf Shop or [villagelinksgolf.com](http://villagelinksgolf.com).



## - 2021 Adult Group Instruction -

### *Evening Adult Beginning Group Lessons*

Three one-hour weekly sessions cover the basics of the game. Classes start at 6:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m., with a maximum of six students per class. 32 classes will be offered May through early August. Cost is only \$75 per golfer.

For details and class schedules, or to register, visit [villagelinksgolf.com](http://villagelinksgolf.com) or call 630-469-8180.

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