

# - TOURING - THE LINKS

## - The Village Links of Glen Ellyn | Spring 2023 -

### *Welcome to the 2023 Golf Season!*

The past three seasons have been full of excitement the golf industry has not seen in many years. We have been very fortunate to see many new players entering the game, as well as welcoming back players that had previously left. "Committed to Excellence in Golf since 1967", our entire staff at Village Links of Glen Ellyn and Reserve 22 are eagerly preparing for the return of ALL our wonderful members and guests. Whether you come to enjoy the challenging layout and amazing conditions of our 27 holes of golf, participate in any of our great instructional programs or fun golf leagues, dine with us inside or on the best outdoor patio around, or attend one of the many spectacular banquets we host, we promise to provide you with superior service and create remarkably memorable experiences.

### *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 8 -  
**2023 Weekend  
Perm Time Lottery**

- March 19 -  
**Spring Scramble**

- April 29-30 -  
**VL Amateur Qualifying**

- June 2-3 -  
**Have One On Us  
(register May 18)**

- June 11 -  
**Parent/Junior  
Tournament**

- July 10-11 -  
**Junior Championship**

- July 30 -  
**Couples Championship**

- August 13 -  
**Glen Ellyn Open**

- October 1 -  
**Fall Scramble**

- October 7-8 -  
**Links Cup**

- November 12 -  
**Iron Man Open**



  
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## - 2023 Course Information, Lessons, and Events -

### - Superintendent's Corner -

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

When will the golf courses open in 2023? We wait until the frost is out of the greens and the threat of multiple deep freezes has subsided, typically around March 15th. We have opened as early as February 15th (1977) and as late as April 12 (1983). In 2022 we opened on March 16th. Please watch the website for updated opening information, [villagelinksgolf.com](http://villagelinksgolf.com).

#### *Greens Aeration Plans*

In an effort to create firm, smooth, healthy greens aeration is a necessary evil. With soil testing we can determine our Organic Matter levels and choose the right program to achieve our goals. This spring we will again forego aerification as we are achieving great results with our fall aerification and heavy winter topdressing. We make every effort to minimize surface disruption during the season and we continuously monitor performance and will return to both spring and fall aerification if needed.

#### *Ball Mark and Divot Repair*

This is a friendly reminder that it is the responsibility of every golfer to do their part to leave the golf course better than you found it. The easiest way to achieve this is by repairing ball marks on the greens and filling or replacing divots on Tees and Fairways. Visit [villagelinksgolf.com/course-repair](http://villagelinksgolf.com/course-repair) for a great tutorial from the USGA. Now for divot repair, the big question is whether to replace the divot or fill it with sand. Simply if the divot is intact and has soil attached, replace it, step it down flat and carry on. If it breaks apart or you are unable to find it, fill the divot with sand and smooth it with your foot. With these simple steps you can help your maintenance team as well as your fellow golfers.

#### *Future Facility Improvements*

We are excited to announce some facility and clubhouse improvements are planned to begin shortly. Please "pardon our dust" as we prepare to refresh the halfway house and golf shop, including the men's and women's golf restrooms and adjoining hallway. The renovations are expected to begin this Spring.

In addition, this past summer, the Village Links of Glen Ellyn hired Greg Martin of Martin Design Golf to develop a Master Plan for our 27-hole golf course. Village Links staff has identified areas we would like to address such as bunkers, expanding par 3 tee sizes, drainage and cart paths. Greg has been on-site multiple times and has worked closely with Certified Golf Course Superintendent Andrew Cross to put together his first draft for staff review. We will continue to provide updates as we develop the Master Plan and any strategies necessary to minimize disruption to our operations.



### - Junior Golf Camps -

#### *2023 Half-Day & All-Day Junior Golf Camps*

Juniors can choose from 33 All-Day Junior Golf Camps in 2023. 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 \$89 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 \$59 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 2023 camps opens on February 1 at 10:00 a.m. Half-Day and All-Day Camp schedules are available at [villagelinksgolf.com](http://villagelinksgolf.com).

#### *Village Links Junior Golf League*

The Village Links will again host the very popular 13 & under **Village Links 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).

### - 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 \$150 and save over 30% on driving range balls. The 15 large buckets are credited to your Links ID Card and never expire.



- 2023 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 2023 -

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).**

- 2023 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 2023 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.

*2023 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 2023.**

2023 GOLF FEES		RESIDENT CARD	REGULAR (NON-RESIDENT)	V.I.P. CARD
<b>WEEKEND</b>	18-Holes	\$54.00	\$72.00	\$57.60
	18-Holes Twilight after 3:30 p.m.	\$27.00	\$36.00	\$28.80
	9-Holes	\$24.00	\$32.00	\$25.60
	9-Holes Twilight after 6:30 p.m.	\$12.00	\$16.00	\$12.80
<b>WEEKDAY</b>	18-Holes	\$42.00	\$62.00	\$49.60
	18-Holes Twilight after 3:30 p.m.	\$21.00	\$31.00	\$24.80
	9-Holes	\$19.50	\$25.00	\$20.00
	9-Holes Twilight after 6:30 p.m.	\$9.75	\$12.50	\$10.00
	Senior 18-Holes 62 & older	\$32.00	\$41.00	\$32.80
	Senior 9-Holes 62 & older	\$15.50	\$20.00	\$16.00
	Junior 18-Holes 21 & under	\$32.00	\$41.00	\$32.80
	Junior 9-Holes 21 & under	\$15.50	\$20.00	\$16.00





## - 2023 Golf Leagues -

### Monday Men's League

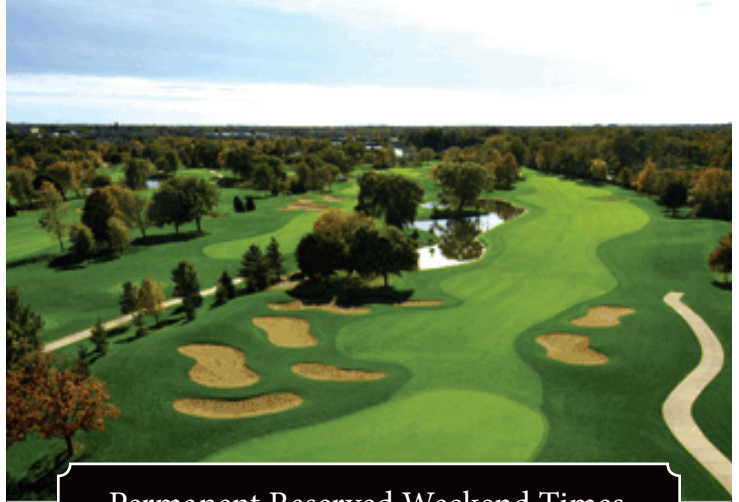
The **Monday Men's 18-Hole Golf League** plays Monday mornings at 7:30 a.m. This is an individual full handicap league, open to golfers of all abilities, playing a variety of formats throughout the season. Runs 4/3 to 9/25.

### 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 54 holes of scores (both 9- or 18-hole rounds) to compute a handicap and are expected to play 10 rounds during the 20-week season. Email [cesces@aol.com](mailto:cesces@aol.com) for more information.

### Wednesday Senior Men's Golf League

The **Wednesday Senior Men's Golf League** will hold its permanent time drawing on Wednesday, March 22 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 1 through August 20.

Starting Times will be distributed by a **weighted lottery drawing** at the Village Links, 7:30 p.m. **Wednesday, March 8.** 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 5,** 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 10 to receive a full refund on all pre-payments.

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



## - 2023 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 \$89 per golfer.

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

RESERVE

**22**

RESTAURANT BAR EVENTS

**Host Your Next  
Private Event  
at Reserve 22!**

**Daily Specials at R22**  
*(through March 2023)*

**Wednesday**  
Half-priced R22 Burger

**Thursday**  
Tom's Fried Chicken \$15

**Friday**  
All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry \$17

**Saturday**  
Herb-Roasted Prime Rib Au Jus \$27

**Sunday**  
Kids Eat Free

\*See website or server for details



Call Angela at  
**630-469-5550 x223**