

To New Members of Elkdale Country Club

From the Elkdale Management Team

Welcome to Elkdale Country Club. The following information is provided for you to help you get to know Elkdale. We are happy to have you as a new member and want to make you feel at home right away. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

Janice Mendell – Golf Operations Manager 716-945-5553 ext. 1

Denny Lord - Clubhouse Manager 716-945-5553 ext. 2

Dave Mosbacher – Grounds Superintendent

T – Times:

- Please make a tee time reservation every time you play. If you show up without a tee time, check in at the golf shop and we will pair you with another group or assign you a time if one is available.
- Tee times can be made online through our website or by calling the golf shop. The online tee time booking site takes only a few minutes for the first time you register but once you are registered, booking your times is quick and easy.
- Members can make tee times 10 days in advance and have exclusive first choice for Saturday and Sunday morning tee times from opening to 10:30. Once members have booked their tee times 6 – 10 days in advance we will sell unused morning times to non-members.
- On busy days we pair singles and doubles together to better utilize our available times.
- Flex Members can only book tee times Sunday after 1:30 & anytime Monday – Thursday.
- After 4pm members can only book after 4:00pm Sunday – Thursday

Bag drop station:

- Please utilize the bag drop located in the parking lot beside the golf shop. Carts will not be allowed in the parking lot pre-play.

Check in before you play:

- Please check in at the golf shop before you play, even if you are walking, we need to know when you are out there playing. The golf shop will charge you for your golf cart if you are riding. You may pay cash or use a credit card. The credit card you use to register for the online tee time is saved securely and may be used for any purchase at the club.

Golf Carts:

- Golf carts will need to be assigned every time you play and is required by our insurance company. Golf carts are numbered so be sure cart number matches your key tag number. There is a two-person max per golf cart. Please keep golf carts at least 30 feet from greens and tees. If white lines are painted around greens, do not cross the white lines. If a cart path is available near the green, park on the path. Do not park just off the path or have two wheels on the path and two wheels off. All four wheels must be on the path. Do not drive golf carts on steep slopes. You must be

16 years of age and have a driver's license to operate a golf cart. Avoid wet areas. Adhering to these rules helps keep the turf green and playable.

- No more than two (2) golf carts are permitted for a foursome. Singles in a foursome will be required to pay the full cart fees.
- Walking is permitted for members anytime.

Pace of Play:

- We strive to play 9 holes in 2 hours or less and 18 holes in 4 hours or less. Please keep pace with the group ahead of you. If you have a gap in front of you and players behind, you must pick up the pace.
- When making the turn we ask groups to limit their stop in the clubhouse to just a few minutes. Food and drinks can be ordered ahead by calling the clubhouse when on the 8th tee. Stop at the clubhouse on the turn, pick up your order and immediately proceed to the 10th tee. Groups are not permitted to stop in the clubhouse between nines. The clubhouse team will see you after your play and look forward to hearing all about your great game!

Care for your course:

- Replace divots or fill them with sand from the containers provided on the golf carts.
- Fix ball marks on the greens and while you're at it, fix another one.
- Rake bunkers.
- Garbage cans are provided on the course.
- On occasion we have a Marshal presence on the course but as a member you can help police our course. Do not hesitate to call the golf shop to report unacceptable behavior that interrupts your play.

Clubhouse:



The clubhouse bar and grill is open for lunch throughout the golf season. On Friday, the dining room is open for dinner (reservations are required). On Sunday mornings the dining room is open for breakfast. The clubhouse is also available for parties, meetings and weddings. Call Denny Lord for menu options, pricing and availability.

Club Storage:

- Club cleaning and storage is available at the golf shop for an annual fee.

Golf Shop:

- The golf shop is stocked with Elkdale Logo golf apparel for both men and women. We stock balls, tees, gloves, hats, golf shoes and other accessories.

Reciprocal Clubs:

- We have reciprocal arrangements with eight clubs. To make a tee time at the reciprocal club, contact our golf shop and we will call the reciprocal club to make the arrangements. Most clubs allow play on weekdays or weekends after noon. Reciprocals are NOT available to the after 4:00 pm members. Flex Members may only use reciprocals Monday through Thursday. The cost when playing a reciprocal club is \$25 - \$30 depending on the club, and guests must pay the going green fee rate. Our website will have a list of participating clubs.

Handicaps:

- All members are eligible to have a USGA handicap. The purpose is to provide greater enjoyment for all who play the game by enabling players of any ability, from anywhere in the world, to play and compete with others on a fair basis. Ask the golf shop staff to set it up for you if you are interested. For members who are playing in leagues or tournaments, a USGA handicap will be required. The golf shop staff will show you how to post your scores using the USGA/GHIN app or one of the club score posting computers.

Leagues and Tournaments:

- As a member you are eligible to play in a Men's League on Thursday evening. We also host a Monday night co-ed fun league and a Tuesday night Ladies League. You do not need to be an Elkdale Member to play in the Monday or Tuesday League. You may sign up for these leagues by contacting the golf shop.
- ETC – Our Elkdale Tournament Committee from time to time will promote a tournament for member only play. These events are historically on Sunday mornings. Members may participate in them for a nominal fee + cart fee. There is a calendar of club tournaments on the club website and posted outside the golf shop on the event wall.

Hours of Operation:

- Golf shop and Clubhouse hours of operation change slightly during the spring and fall. You can see our hours of operation on our club website.

Member Page:

- Our website has a member page where we post newsletters, updates, and FYI's that we want you to know about. More details will follow with your completed application.

We look forward to having you as a member and hope to see you throughout the season.