



Club Bear Member Newsletter

Dear GTRS Bear Members,

We hope that everyone had a great holiday season! We are excited to announce the 2022 golf season, MGA and WGA calendar of events, as well as some other important updates from our golf team.

Please note that you can find important member related info under our member section of the Resort website. <https://www.grandtraverseresort.com/play/clubmembers/>

We will be reorganizing this section of the website to reflect all member events including golf as well as other important information that pertains to our membership.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out.

Thank you again for a great season!

Dawn Olsen
Director of Recreation and Spa

2022 MGA & WGA Info & Events

Below you will find a brief intro to our MGA and WGA committee members, their mission statements, and committee contact information.

The MGA (Men's Golf Association) is a seven member committee that seeks to increase Bear Member's golf participation and improve the "six majors" (Member/Staff Scramble, Match Play, Member-Member, MGA Invitational, Club Championship, and the Village Cup) at Grand Traverse Resort and Spa.

Your MGA Committee Members are:

Joe Van Antwerp	joev@homewaters.net
Rob Shields	robshieldsshoes@gmail.com
Dave Sperry	dave@sperrymortgage.com
Joe Hoedel	jhoedel@characterandleadership.com
Dave Della Vedova	ddv1722@gmail.com
Alec Moulton	almoult@gmail.com
Dan Kaidan	dankaidan@charter.net

The WGA Board's mission is to improve member experience, increase involvement and create more of a community at our Club.

Your WGA Committee Member are:

Nancy Kaltenbach	kalnancy964@gmail.com
Nancy Kelly	nancylynnkelly1@gmail.com
Adanna Nelson	adannalnelson@gmail.com
Dawn Terry	dawnrterry1116@gmail.com
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Cindy DellaVedova	cddellavedova@gmail.com

2022 MGA & WGA Events:

Please see our member golf events section below to register:
<https://www.grandtraverseresort.com/golf/member-golf-events>

2022 Bear Member Calendar of Events

Go to the link below to find the complete calendar of events:
<https://www.grandtraverseresort.com/golf/member-golf-events>

Bear Member Golf Updates

Cart Rate Increase

Bear Member per person golf rates will increase from \$22 to \$24 for 18-holes and from \$14 to \$15 for Twilight, 9-Holes or Replays for the 2022 golf season. These rates include the use of a golf cart as we have done in the past. The \$15 fee also applies to walking on Spruce Run. The Resort has not increased these rates since the 2017 season.

Other Bear Member Related Golf Rates

Tuesday will continue to be Bear Member Guest Day, as Bear Member Guests will pay no more than \$40 for their 18-hole round on any course. In General, Bear Member Guests will continue to receive 50% off the Public Rack rates, or \$5 less than any golf special we may be running, whichever is lower.

Bear Member Guests Golf Privileges – Five Time Limit per Season

A Member is entitled to have guests use the Club Facilities in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Club. The number

of times a guest may use Member Guest golf rate is limited to five (5) times per season. The Pro Shop staff are required to ask for the member guests names, so please be prepared to provide these names when reserving golf tee times or upon checking in for golf in the Pro Shop.

Superspeed Golf Training

<https://www.grandtraverseresort.com/golf/golf-academy>

SuperSpeed golf uses the concept of Over Speed training to increase club speed, and consequently, distance. All it takes is 20 minutes

3 days a week for 6 weeks. For every mile per hour you increase your club speed you gain 3 yards.

The average superspeed golf students

gains 15 years! The Golf Academy is open by appointment only. To register for private instruction or make reservations for simulators and

hitting bays, email mark.hill@gtresort.com or call 231-534-6550.

Golf Association of Michigan (GAM) Memberships for 2022 – Activating your Handicap

You may have received an email or notification from the Golf Association of Michigan (GAM) about renewing your GAM membership online for an increased rate of \$41 in 2022, that is \$6 more than if you are paid thru your member account as we give you a \$6 discount per person for the annual membership. If you had a golf handicap thru GTRS in 2021 and wish to continue that in 2022, you do not need to do anything as Tom McGee has reactivated your account and GAM membership. If you had a GAM membership in 2021 but do not wish to have that or a USGA handicap thru them in 2022, please contact Tom to let him know and he will deactivate your GAM Membership. If you did not have a GAM Membership and golf handicap in 2021, but wish to start one, please contact Tom and he will get that set up for you. The \$35 per person annual fee will be billed to your member account in April 2022. Tom can be reached via email at tom.mcgee@gtresort.com.

Additional Notes from the GAM:

- Golfers will continue to receive a Handicap Index® authorized by the USGA® as part of their GAM membership. This also includes access to Course GPS via the GHIN® Mobile App. A full list of member benefits is [HERE](#).
- Golfers who have not renewed online or have not been marked as "PAID" in GAM Club Admin will receive an email on January 6 alerting them that they will be inactivated on January 10.
- Golfers who have not renewed online or have not been marked as "PAID" in GAM Club Admin will receive an email on January 10 alerting them that they are currently inactive.
- The online retail price is now \$41 to be a GAM Member.