

# Strikes n' Strokes

Bowling and Golf news

GOLF COURSE REVIEW - BAY VALLEY

## Bay Valley Resort & Conference Center

### Summer Rates

Weekdays (Mon thru Thur)

18 holes w/cart \$44

9 holes w/cart \$25

Weekend Rates (Fri. thru Sun)

18 holes w/cart \$49

9 holes w/cart \$28

### Spring/Fall Rates

Opening day thru end of May

Sept. 14 thru end of season

18 holes w/cart \$35

Replay 18: \$20

9 holes w/cart \$23

Replay 9: \$15

Twilight after 4 p.m.

**Golf and resort packages range from \$139 to \$339 call (800) 241-GOLF (4653)**

*Bay Valley has spacious greens and generous landing areas along with many risk and reward shots.*

*Water can come into play on 13 of its 18 holes.*

*The No. 14, 554-yard par-5 hole (photo). Long hitters can try to cut the corner on this dogleg left hole by landing in the island area.*

*For those that want to play it safe can take the trip around the water.*

*However, in hitting the shot to the green, if you pull it, splash.*



## BAY VALLEY GOLF COURSE

2470 Old Bridge Road, Bay City MI 989.686.5400 • [www.bayvalley.com](http://www.bayvalley.com)

Just minutes off Exit 160 on I-75.

### Par-35

#### Front (yards)

Black 3,262

Blue 3,016

White 2,707

Red 2,266

### Par-36

#### Back (yards)

Black 3,399

Blue 3,159

White 2,922

Red 2,823

### Par-71

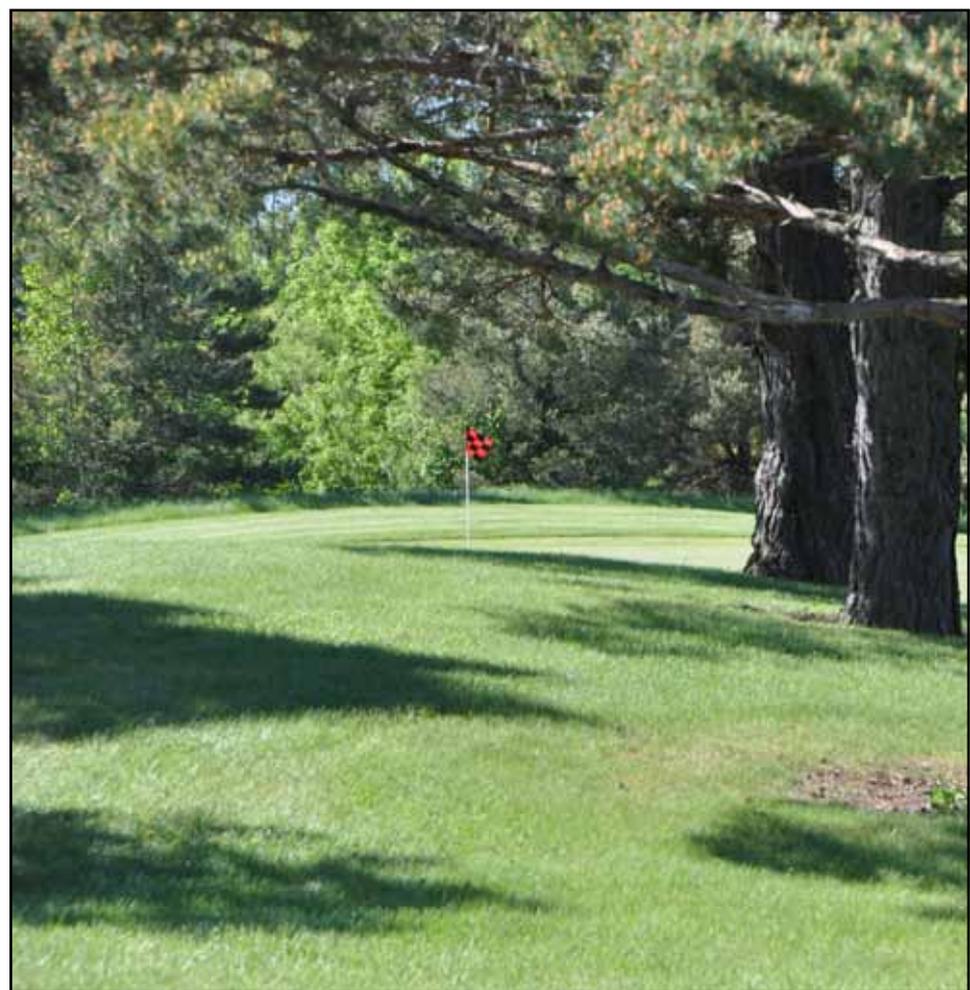
#### Total (yards)

Black-slope 131 6,661

Blue-slope 125 6,175

White-slope 119 5,629

Red-slope 121 4,923



*Above, Bay Valley has very visible 150-yard markers in the middle of their fairways. The top two photos are the first hole, 346 yards from the tips. Trees with low hanging limbs separate the fairway and the driving range. Bottom left, is the second hole. When playing the whites, it becomes a driveable hole for the longer hitters at 262 yards.*

*Bottom right, the third hole is first that has water that come into play. Trying to cut the corner, a slice can find itself in the creek that runs parallel with the fairway after the bridge.*





Hole No. 4 is a dogleg left. A 200-yard shot from the white tees puts you in position (see cart above) for your second shot.

If you hit it toward the right side of the fairway, the ball should trickle to the left.

Below right, Looking at the No. 6 hole from the No. 5 tee.

Below left, a golfer tries to hit his into the bottom tier of the fairway on the No. 6 hole.





*This is the view of the No. 13 hole, par-3. There is a 67-yard difference between the tips and the white tees. Notice, another large green, with a couple of distinct tiers of slopes on this green.*



*Above, is a closeup of the No. 15 green, a par-3. Again, there is a big difference between the back tees (174 yards) and the whites (145 yards).*

*From the tips, it is all carry to the green. Water flanks the front and left side of the green.*

*Right, the No. 17 hole, 519 yards, par-5, has a generous landing area.*

*However, the fairway narrows with trees lining both sides of the fairway.*





*Above, if your second shot is right on No. 17, a low punch shot is needed to reach the green.*

*Below, another large tiered green on No. 18. Water runs all the way down the fairway with some it jutting out in front of the green. Below right, Bill Miller, of Kingston, hams it up a bit, posing as the as the logo shown atop of the Bay Valley Resort.*





*The Signature Hole, No. 5 which measures 174 yards from the tips. It is all carry to the green. The rough in front of the green slopes away from the green and toward the heather. Too long of a hit puts the ball in the trap in the back of the green. As you drive around to the back of the green, there is a pop and candy stand waiting for you.*