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There's a New League in Town!

Get a group of friends together and have an evening of fun and competition in a nine-hole scramble for both members and nonmembers

Create your own three or four person team, and then *name* your team (that's half the fun). If you want to play and don't have a group, let the organizers know and they'll put you on a team.

The entry fee is \$5. There is also a \$15 nonmembers-only green fee.

The first event is scheduled to tee off August 18th at 5:30 PM. There is a signup sheet at the clubhouse, or contact Vaughan at 468-2922 or Margie at 468-2756 by August 15th to sign up.

Course Care

Please, please, please remember: No golf cars between the #4 pond and #4 green. Use the cart path east of the pond.

Hot This Month

Golf Clinics: John Quickstad will be giving two Beginner Clinics this month. Just a few open spots are still available. There is a minimal \$10 fee for each. Call the clubhouse soon if you want to join in.

- Putting and Chipping: August 1st, 3:30-5:30
- Pitching and Introduction to the Full Swing: August 23rd, 5:30-7:30

Let's Welcome July's New Members:

- Richard Lea
- Anthony Simpson
- Thomas Jenks

We hope you'll come out and join us during club functions.

Twilight July 16th



1st: Bob Hall, Rose McKelvey, Jimmy Billesbach, and Sue Crockett

KP: Jerry and Rose McKelvey

Closest to Line: Marc Zener and Joann Lange

Lost Pink Ball on 1st Hole: Carol Gregory, Jim Pinkham, Kendall Quaid, and Pat Goodfellow

Sponsors: Joyce Kruithof and Bob Gerfy sponsored this event and had it catered by the Galley

This was a fun event. Each team has one pink ball. A different member of the team shoots the pink ball for each hole, and that person's score counts as half of the hole team score. The other half of the hole score is made up of a scramble of the other three team members.... Confused yet? If you lose the pink ball, you are automatically out of the game! Pat Goodfellow's team (below) was the only team to lose the pink ball... and that was on the very first hole. Actually, that's not entirely true. Ian Lange shot the pink ball into the pond for his team, but he took off his socks and shoes to retrieve it! Way to go, Ian, sacrificing yourself for the betterment of the team!



Twilight July 25th

With perfect conditions prevailing, we had 39 members play the ten-hole course (with the practice green providing the 50-yard par three and closest to the pin). Participants enjoyed a best-ball step-aside scramble organized by Dick Reiswig. A close finish resulted, with the winning teams listed below.

While the game was in progress Ed and Deanna Carpenter were tending the kitchen and grill (see pictures below). Everyone enjoyed an excellent meal, featuring wonderful desserts by Bev and Rita.

A fund-raiser opportunity centered on the raffle for a 1983 bottle of Chateau D'issan Margeaux, rare and old, donated by Rita O'Boyle. It was won by a very happy Ruth and George Klein, and it brought in over \$100 for the new equipment fund.

Rita, Ed, Deanna, Dick, and Barbara enjoyed creating and producing this event together. They wish to thank Bev Smith for helping with the desserts, set-up, and raffle, Bob Hall for his grill assistance and for cutting the meat, Beth Hughes for the beautiful flowers, Margie for photography, and Judy Whitney and Ruth Klein for support in the production of this event.

It takes a village, and we are proud to be a members of this one.



1st: Rita O'Boyle, Jim Pinkham, Bev Smith, and Bob Gerfy

KP: Dolores Voorman and Bruce Worobec

Longest Putt: Larry Whitney and Ruth Klein



Tournament Results:

July Ace

Beth Hughes

Kendall Quaid

Membership Committee Report

Check out the new Bulletin board at the Lopez Village Market! Dick Bangsund donated his time to create this spot for us to advertise. We have slots for brochures and membership applications, which are disappearing at a wonderful rate.

We have also co-linked websites between a number of Lopez businesses and LopezIslandGolf.com, which we are hoping will draw more attention to our golf course.

We have set up an evening "Business League" nine-hole scramble to encourage members and nonmembers to get together for some fun competition.

Lastly, there is a subcommittee for welcoming new members. Our goal is always to encourage new members to participate in club events. The best way to do that, we feel, is to welcome them with a personal touch.



Hot Deals

Members: Don't forget that you may bring a guest free of charge to a Twilight or a regular Ladies/Men's day, one time per guest. Also, don't forget we have two great deals going for all your nonmember golfing buddies:

1) Frequent Use punchcards: Six 9-hole rounds for less than the price of five, \$99. Add another 9 holes immediately following for \$5 more. Good for three months, Mondays through Fridays.

2) Initiation Fee: This year and this year only we have dropped the \$300 initiation fee for joining the golf club... so give those golfing friends of yours a little nudge to join up!

San Juan Island Ladies Invitational: July 13th

The SJ Ladies as usual put on a classy show! Their theme this year was "Putting on the Ritz," and ritzy it was: gourmet breakfast, lunch, and a great sunny day. Eight Lopez women attended, and our own Rita O'Boyle was part of the winning group. Thanks so much to the San Juan Ladies!

Darren's Tip From the Pro

The Mental Game

Since I'm not a psychologist, I will not try to get deeply into how the mind works during a game of golf – who knows, anyway? Everybody's different, but whether you call it Golf Psychology, or Sport Psychology, or The Mental Game, The Mental Side of Golf, Trying to Get into the Zone, whatever you want to call it, from my experience the mental side of the game of golf really boils down to something simple:

The most important thing you can do mentally to give yourself the best possible chance of success is to focus your attention on what you *want* to have happen, and not what can possibly happen.

Yes, it is simple in essence. No, it is not always easy to do. Yes, there are distractions. No, it's not always a trivial matter to focus.

Example: You have a putt to win the Galactic Championship of Golf. Perhaps there are many things going through your mind. Do you focus your attention on thoughts of, "Oh, no, don't miss it! I'm putting to become the best golfer in the galaxy," or do you focus on the process of making the putt?

This is obviously easier said than done, but the fact is that you are the only one in control of where and how you focus your attention. If your attention is on something other than the immediate task, it seems unreasonable to expect a good result, doesn't it?

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Rules Tip

Here's a local rule that may help improve your score:

Sand Traps: A ball lying within the hazard in a depression not of its own making or in an improperly raked area may be lifted while the trap is properly raked, and then replaced. No penalty. Stones in sand traps are loose impediments.

Advertising

Green Club Car Golf Cart with canvas side curtains and cover for your clubs. Does need new batteries. \$1100. Contact Mike @ 360 468 2395.

This section is for YOU, the members! If you need or would like to sell any golf equipment, please contact chris.bangsund@lopezislandgolf.com. No fee to advertise.

Rack and Bric-a-Brac and Boot Sale: July 11th

The Ladies Golf Association had their "Rack and Boot Sale" on July 10th and earned approximately \$660 from the sale. The ladies worked hard to put this event on and had a good time doing it. A special "Thank You" goes out to Gretchen Gruenke, Pat Goodfellow, Diane Robertson, and Sue Crockett for sorting and marking donated items as well as working on the day of the sale.

Thank You also to Mary Brown, Sue Cook, Joyce Kruithof, Judy Whitney, Margie Zener, Rita O Boyle, Ron Metcalf, and Rob Nuo for all of their help, and of course to all the members who donated items.

Members working together on projects like this to help improve our club keep our golf club successful.



August Happenings

Tournaments:

Ace: Ladies, August 3rd. Men's, August 5th.

Club Championship: This is a three-day tournament for both the men and the women.

- **Women's Rounds:** August 3rd, August 6th (both starting at 9:00 AM), and August 8th (time to be determined).
- **Men's Rounds:** August 5th at 8:30 AM; August 6th and August 8th following the women's start.

Please bring an appetizer to share while results are tallied after the final round on August 8th. Even if you're not participating, it's always fun to watch the groups come in to the 18th hole – and it makes them feel like they're finishing the Masters!

Social Security Tourney: Sunday August 22nd, tee-off at 3:00 PM. You must be 62+ to enter. It's a nine-hole fun tournament. Lynn and Bob Hall are sponsoring the event and will provide the meal in a Hamburger Cookout style.

Twilights:

Sunday August 15th: Tee-off 4:00 PM.

Friday August 27th: Tee-off 4:00 PM.

As with all tournaments and twilights, signup sheets are in the clubhouse.

Workday: Don't forget that this month's workday is Wednesday, August 25th. The course will be closed until noon. Jim Pinkham and Sue Crockett will provide the lunch following all the hard work. (And thanks to Carol Gregory and Miki Straughan for July workday lunch.)

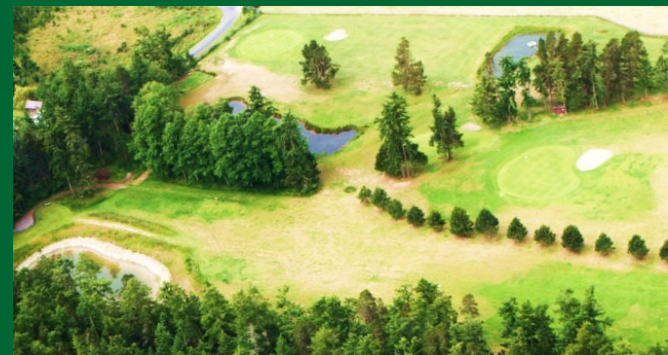
Club Needs

Costco: Needed – members with Costco cards willing to pick up club supplies. Please contact Sally, the clubhouse manager.

Golfism

The only sure rule is – he who has the fastest cart never has to play the bad lie.

- Mickey Mantle



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