

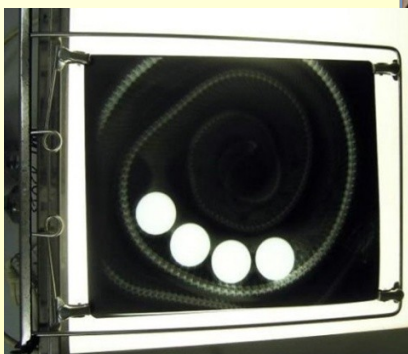


## NW Spring Golf

*Sometimes the rain gets to us in the northwest, but we have to remember that every part of the country has its downsides.*

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Snake's x-ray



*You might want to just take a drop and add a stroke!*



# **Junior Spring Clinic**

## **March 23-24**

**....with Steve Nightingale**

### **Second Weekend Junior Clinic**

*During Saturday's clinics the newer players got a lot of one-on-one work with Steve Nightingale and the more experienced team members played a step-aside scramble. My team (Samantha Swanson, Sam Heller, Jimmy Brant and I) came in first at two under! Coach Têtu promised to give us 5 Lobo bucks each!*

*Sunday, Steve started the day with a brief classroom lecture on thinking your way around the golf course, asking the kids which clubs they'd use on holes 2 and 9 to assure an optimal score. Small groups then worked on long putts, chipping, pitching, getting out of trouble under trees and staying mentally in tune with your game under various conditions. The final day ended with pizza and lots of gratitude from the kids. Steve also enjoys this event a great deal, saying it's the highlight of his year! Joyce*



## **Thank You Sue Cook!**



*Take a look at the beautiful sectional Sue donated to the clubhouse! The ladies kept trying to figure out what to do with the old couches...recover them, re-cushion them, replace them? Now we don't have to worry about them anymore. This new addition is in beautiful condition and even has a pull out bed in case anyone parties a little too much. Quite a group showed up to help move this couch....Mark Dawson, Dick Bangsund (with his trailer), Herb Schiessl and 3 of our juniors: Samantha Swanson, Will Fields & Adrian Perez.*

*Thanks for all the help and especially to Sue for the donation!*

**ALL Events Are Posted On Our Website**

**<http://lopezislandgolf.com/>**



# Workday-March 27



*Thanks to all who showed up for the first workday of the season. There is always a lot to do on the course after a long winter and we had a great showing of 18 members to help out and they accomplished a lot! Clean up happened in the main clubhouse, the locker barn restrooms and also the course restrooms which are now open. Benches were placed around the course and our high school team members put out the trash cans, some divot repair containers and weeded some of the bunkers. There was lots of weedwhacking and flower bed weeding. One of the largest jobs was starting the clean up of the large tree that fell partly into the pond on #9....branches, pinecones and tree debris were raked up.*



*Our workers ended the morning with a great chicken enchilada lunch served by Ed Gutkowski & Geoff Coiley.*





**Welcome, welcome, welcome!**

**New Members**

**Bill & Carole White**

**Jim & Jeanne Paton**

**April**

**Aces**

**Lynn Hall**

**Bob Hall**

A  
Family Affair

## **Golf Truths**

Since bad shots come in groups of three, a fourth bad shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three!

## **Saying Goodbye**

*It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to Sue Cook but I know I speak for all the ladies and wish her happiness in her new home. There were 21 who showed up on Monday the 8th to bid Sue farewell.... not all golf ladies but a goodly part thereof. It just goes to show what kind of lady she is, having touched so many lives while she was here. Thanks Sue for all your years of friendship.*





**Not the only  
game in town?**

## **7 BRIDGES EXECUTIVE GOLF COURSE**



*Leave it to our ladies to seek out yet another golf course on our island. Shhhhh! Our lips are sealed as to the 'where'. It is a private course....by invitation only....and knowing what a classy group of ladies we are, dang*

*if we didn't git ourselves invited! Eat your heart out fellas.*

*It is a Par 3 twelve hole course.....no that's not right. There are 12 tee boxes, 1 green and 3 holes. Holy cow, what does that make it. There were two teams of 3. First one on the green for each team got to decide which hole to shoot for.*

*Thankfully our hosts acted as spotters. You talk about rough! They also provided floater balls....by the way I still owe for some of those floaters that got buried in the bank! We had a ball even though my team (Rita, Lynn & Chris) were the big Looosers.*

*Winners were Pat, Joyce and Beth...although Pat & Joyce really should have given all their winnings to Beth who played like a pro. Then of course we all went out to lunch and had a great meal at the Soda Fountain where we were seated in a private room with a white linen tablecloth!*

*We thank our hosts immensely for a great outing!*





# Breakfast Club

## April 13th



*The first ever and first of the season's breakfast club was a huge success thanks to Mary & Ray Ellener! They put on a feast and served 20 people on Saturday April 13th. And I do mean 'served'.....there was no buffet style - 'get it yourself Bob' dining here. People poured their beverage and as soon as they sat down Ray or Mary would serve them an elegant plate of egg strata with ham, cheese, spinach & mushrooms along with home style breakfast potatoes and home made scones and jam. If you didn't attend you missed a real treat!*

*The Elleners took just a wee stipend that I'm sure didn't cover their costs and the rest went to the club....\$120!!! Thank you Ray & Mary and everyone who attended.*





# Opener Twilight Spring April 14th

Heavy sigh, I am such a dunce. All who know me know that I go nowhere without my camera. Well here on the very first twilight of the season I forgot it!

Dick & I and Miki Straughan put on this event and we really lucked out with the weather. Even though it was threatening most of the day, we had a gorgeous evening for golf.

The format was unusual. We played blind teams which meant the 'playing foursomes' had nothing to do with the 'scoring team.' The actual team members were drawn out of a hat at the end of play by Miki and were composed of 2 high handicap & 2 low handicap individuals. Consequently your actual team members knew not how you played..... kind of nice when you whanged it into the airport a few times. We also played red/white/blue indicating which tee box the whole group drove from with everyone playing their own ball from tee to hole with a maximum double par pick up at each hole.

## **Winning teams:**

1st: Bob Gerfy, Ed Carpenter, Jon Avent & Chris Bangsund

2nd: Brian Lynch, Perry Brown, Nancy Lynch & Miki Straughan

3rd: Joyce Kruithof, Carole White, Pat Goodfellow & Bill White

## **Closest to the Pin #4 from the blue tee:**

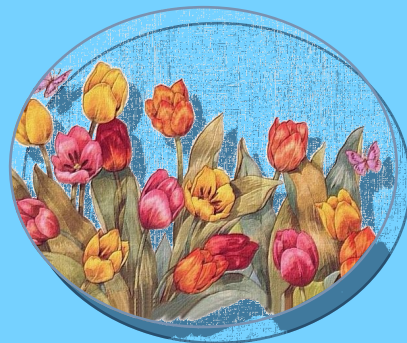
Manny Hidalgo @ 22+ ft    Joyce Kruithof: 29+ ft

## **Long Drive #7 from the "whoops" blue tees:**

Heavy sigh.....I screwed up again! So my foursome comes along and I tell them we are playing from the red tees. Bill White and I hit and we both had fabulous drives...I'm 130 yds and Bill is 100 yds to the pin. We're strutting up there, grab the markers and I put mine WAY past Bob Gerfy's marker and I'm thinking.... "Chump, I outdrove Bob!" And Bill, walking like a rooster, put his marker way past mine. Along comes Brian Lynch who drives short of my marker and says....."that sweet adorable lady outdrove me"....well, it was some comment like that. And his fellow team member Pat Goodfellow said, "hang on, no she didn't. There's something wrong here." Yes, something was wrong there. Bill and I had incredible drives...from the wrong tee box and neither of them got to count! I guess we know who the chump is now. And consequently no one else's got to count because who knew who might have outdriven Bob Gerfy & Barbara Reiswig. Yes Bob, I can still hear you whining!

**50/50 Raffle:** Our new member Carole White drew the winning ticket and waahoo, Pat Goodfellow, who says she never wins anything, took home \$50 with the other \$50 going to the club!

All in all, I think everybody had a fun time and are looking forward to the next twilight!





# April LIGC Sponsored Junior Golf Fundraiser



WOW! Thank you to all who participated, helped with, sponsored holes and donated in some way to this very successful event. We've raised at least \$3500 to date and there may still be some funds coming in! Golf is a great sport....one that you can play from age 9-90, alone or in a group. It teaches etiquette and patience and gives opportunity for physical and mental exercise. Thanks to all for supporting our future golfers.

Our day was chilly with the wind, but no real rain.....always a plus in the northwest. We had 37 individuals who golfed with 11 juniors from the Lopez high school team. We can be so proud of our juniors. We had only positive comments about how polite and helpful they were. When they were done playing, they helped with clean up and kitchen duty. Coach Têtu has taught them well. It is a pleasure to be around them and have them as part of our golfing family. Perhaps with a little urging from our adult members the juniors will participate in more of our summer events.

PGA Pro Steve Nightingale & Vinney Morgan attended. They sponsored juniors to play and Vinney herself played while Steve took photographs and helped with serving food. We thank them for caring about our juniors and making the trek to Lopez to support them.

Bob Gerfy & Joyce Kruithof organized the teams and the games. They chose a fun way to calculate (I use that term lightly) the handicaps for each team. The junior member of each team would throw dice. That number determined the team's handicap. Here are the winners:

1st place: Ron Metcalf, Joe Reynolds, Vinney Morgan, Sarah Reeve and Jim Paton

2nd place: Steve Bryson, Bill White, Dodie Schiessl and Mike Reeve

3rd place: Jim Ghiglione, Dirk Elings, Brian Swanson, Samatha Swanson and Jon Avent

KP: #1/10 Marne Cook & Bob Gerfy #4 Rob Nou

Long Drive #7: Rob Nou & Sarah Reeve

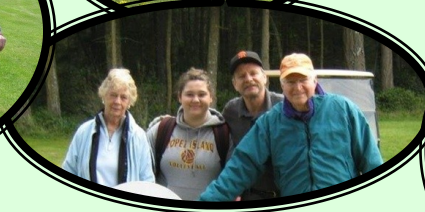
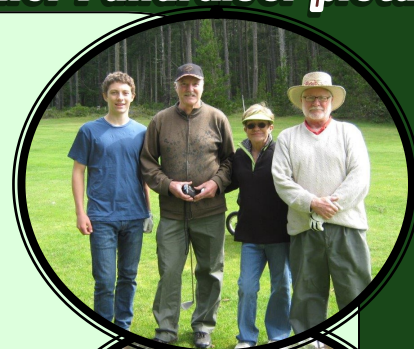
Closest to the line #6: Sue Crockett

Herb & Dodie Schiessl raffled off a whole list of donated items and brought in nearly \$500. Miki Straughan & Chris Bangsund handled the breakfast and lunch with the LVM donating all the groceries. Many of the local businesses, members & parents sponsored a hole @ \$100 per hole.

## A heartfelt thank you to all!



# ...more Junior Fundraiser pictures



The Juniors would like to thank all who were responsible for this event.

## Raffle Donors

Carole White  
Dodie & Herb Schiessl  
Galley Restaurant  
Heidi Strong, Masseuse  
Island Body & Fitness  
Lopez Bookstore  
Lopez Island Soda Fountain  
Mary Ellener  
Paper Scissors on the Rock  
Sally Moore  
South End General Store & Restaurant  
Seraphim Soaps  
Steve Nightingale, PGA Pro  
Sue Crockett & Jim Pinkham

## Hole Sponsors

Anne & Nigel Burton  
Cook's Appliance Repair  
Dan & Jill Schober  
Dodie & Herb Schiessl  
Homestead Group (Blossom, Village Arts, Vortex & Larkspur)  
Island Body & Fitness  
Jim & Jeanne Paton  
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Lopez Island Realty  
Lopez Islander Resort x 2  
Lopez Sand & Gravel  
Lopez Village Properties, Start to Finnish, déjà vu  
Lopez Village Market  
Lauren & Jamie Stevens  
Pat Goodfellow & Beth Hughes  
Rita O'Boyle & Bev Smith  
Scurvy Dog Restaurant  
Steve Levy  
Sue Crockett & Jim Pinkham  
Sunset Builders Supply  
Swal'lech Construction  
The Pack-Booster Club  
Tom & Melanie Weber  
Windsock Farms

## Other Donors

Beth Hughes  
Gary Blair  
Gary Hall  
Jerry Aaron  
John & Patsy Sangster  
Lopez Village Market  
Mary Peterson  
Nancy & Brian Lynch  
Viney Morgan

## The Committee

Joyce Kruithof: Registration & teams    Bob Gerfy: Signs & game    Rita O'Boyle: Hole sponsorships/Raffle Items  
Dodie Schiessl: Raffle    Chris Bangsund/Miki Straughan: Signs & Food  
Sue Crockett: Set up & Clean up



# Rules Tip

If a player's club strikes the ball more than once in the course of a stroke, the player must count the stroke and add a penalty stroke, making two strokes in all. Rule 14-4



## Hear Ye, Hear Ye

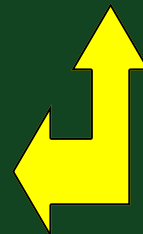
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## Lobo Golf Team



With one match to go, the lady Lobos are undefeated and the gentlemen only lost two matches, and those to non-league opponents. The top five players on the gentlemen's team are within 12 points of each other; the ratings are based on their three best scores and three latest scores.

On May 3, six gentlemen and five to six ladies will compete in the District #1 tournament at The Gallery, in Oak Harbor. From all the players competing, 8 gentlemen and 16 ladies will qualify for the Tri-Districts tournament of May 9, again at The Gallery in Oak Harbor. From that tournament, 8 gents and 15 ladies will move on to the state tournament held at Oakbrook, in Lakewood, on May 19 through 22.

All the members of the team want to thank the people who have supported them through organizing and participating in the benefit tournament and clinics; those weekend days at the course were wonderful. Coach Têtu

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Remember to check out the **EVENTS CALENDAR** in the **DIRECTORY** on the **WEBSITE** for specifics on all the events. <http://lopezislandgolf.com/>

## April:

30: High School Match 2-4

## May:

1: Business League 5:30 pm

2 / 7: Ace Tournaments

5: Twilight Golf Event 4-6 pm

7/9: McConaghy Tournament begins  
3 consecutive rounds for men (Th) &  
women (Tues)

11: Breakfast Club 9-11 am

19: Spring Membership Meeting 4 pm

25: Twilight Golf Event with 4-8 pm

New Member & Memorial Party

29: Workday 9-12 am

## Breakfast Club May 11 9-11

*The breakfast club continues. Bring your friends!*

### Menu:

Yogurt Parfaits: Vanilla Greek yogurt layered with fruit,  
granola, almonds & honey

Waffles

Bacon

Juice/coffee

*A \$5 donation per person is appreciated. Advance notice  
is also appreciated but not mandatory.*

*Sign up at the club or contact Mary Ellener @*

*468-2734 or marytobacco@comcast.net*

## New Member & Memorial Party

Once a year we come together to welcome  
our new members and honor our past  
members. Please join us after the twilight.

May 25th 6-8 pm

details to follow

## Business League Begins

Business League is back for the 3rd year! Normally  
the 1st Wednesday evening of the month

DATES: May 1, June 5, July 10, Aug 7, Sept 4

TIME: Sign in 5 pm; tee off 5:30

Cost: \$5 members; \$15 non-members

It's a 9-hole competition for a team you create. You  
can name it anything you'd like. If you don't have a  
team, Esa will assign you one.

Contact Esa for more information @ 468-3603 or

[Esa.turunen62@gmail.com](mailto:Esa.turunen62@gmail.com)

## May 5 & 25 Twilight Golf

Watch for sign up sheets at the club

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