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Club Championship Winners

As always in August, it's club championship time. A 3-day event all in one week requires stamina and consistently good play to win. Awards are handed out for Low Gross and for Low Net.

For the men, Jimmy Gouge had 3 good days and took the championship with a low gross score of 224. Although several were within striking distance after day #2, none could hold up on that 3rd day. Runner Up was Esa Turunen with a 236. Low Net scores changed things around quite a bit with Dick Bangsund taking the Low Net Award with a score of 197...followed by Marc Zener at 201.

For the ladies....Mary Brown had a commanding lead after day 2 but on day 3, Twanette Porter gave her a run for her money and closed that gap to within 3 points. Mary Brown prevailed with a score of 258 and Twanette was Runner Up with 261. Low Net was Lynn Hall's all the way scoring 178.... Nancy Lynch was next with a 190. Congratulations to all the winners!



Club Championship.... The Event!



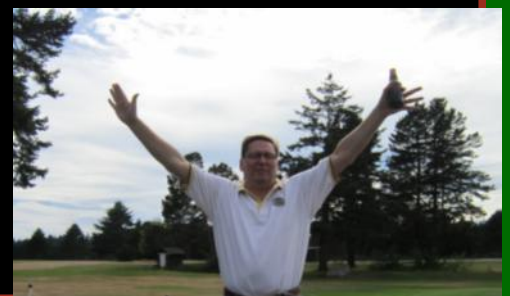
Club Championship is about more than just the winners, so I would be remiss to end it there. It is the culmination of a season's worth of fun, camaraderie and hard work. It's about the "end of the season" for individual competition. Day one brings hope and anticipation. Day 2 is either fighting to recover or to maintain good play. Day 3....well for those of us too far behind to catch up, it was party time ...and try to avoid getting run over by the pack.



Others, who weren't in the competition came out on day 3 to watch the leaders finish....and we had quite a group this year.



Bruce Worobec did his best to hold down the roar as the final foursomes came onto the 18th green to finish.



President's Post.....

DEAR MEMBERS,

We, the board, continue to work towards providing the best conditions for the golf course and all the members who are essentially 'The Club'. It has been my privilege to volunteer and share this responsibility. This year, I feel we have made significant progress in all aspects. Committees are established and functioning well. It is now time for the new board members to come forward to fill the chairs vacated by Steve Bryson, Jim Pinkham, and myself, Rita O'Boyle. We have operated as a team, spread the load and supported each other to get the best results we can with the resources available. A healthy and happy club is dependent on the continuing valuable input of all its members. If you feel it is now time for you to step up and become a member of the board team, let us hear from you. Nominating committee members are Nancy Lynch, Gary Blair and Margie Zener. Furthermore, if a board position is not a likelihood for you, please give serious thought to supporting at least one of the committees. Buildings, finance, greens, membership and/or social need your input. Collaboration is a very strong element to the success of all facets of a functioning club.

I am unable to attend the September 11 Awards Banquet this year, so take this opportunity to congratulate the victorious, commiserate with those who didn't reach their goal and thank each and every member for their participation, no matter how small or large, in making this year a very good year. Enjoy!

Cheers

Rita O'Boyle

SPECIALS

DON'T FORGET

2 GREAT DEALS

Punch Cards: \$99

6 for the price of 5

Guest Passes: \$50

Unlimited 1 week play

PGA Professional Steve Nightingale

The Lessons Continue Through September

Members or Non-Members

Private, Semi Private or Open Clinic

Noon—Six 1 to 1 1/2 hr sessions Prices Range from \$20-\$50 pp

Call Sally at the Clubhouse Friday-Monday 9-3 468-2679

or sign up on the sheet at the club

Lott & Pilon Results

(Match Play)

1st Place: Mary Brown & Jimmy Gouge

2nd Place: Chris Bangsund & Esa Turunen

Consolation Round: Margie Zener & Perry Brown

July 31st Twilight

Par 3 Course Event

Back by popular demand, this potluck twilight event was hosted by Mary & Perry Brown with the course changed into 10 par 3 holes by Perry



Brown & Bob Gerfy. It was a “create your own dream team” event with an elegant revolving trophy. Last year the winning team was purely women as all the men’s tees were placed in difficult positions. This year the 1st place team was Nancy & Brian Lynch, Rita O’Boyle & Randall Smith (guest of the Lynchs). They will each be entitled to proudly display for 3 months the revolving trophy that Gretchen Gruenke

(one of last year’s winners) presented them.

Second Place Team: Twanette & Mike Porter and Dick & Sharon Dicker. Third Place Team: Dolores Vrooman, Jimmy Billesbach, Jerry Aaron and Dan Currier. Closest to the pin on #18 went to Twanette Porter and Bob Gerfy.



From the Pro.....

The Grip

The golfer's grip is a very important element of the set-up, if not the most important element. Consider it a ceiling--a poor grip limits how high the golfer's game can soar. The challenge with grip adjustments is that they are almost always uncomfortable. These adjustments can also require the player to adjust other set-up fundamentals, such as alignment or clubface angle at address. Patience and practice are required to improve your grip, but the long term benefits can be dramatic. Adjust your grip in the winter or early spring so you can achieve comfort and consistency without tournament pressure.



For a right handed golfer, extend your left hand away from your body, fingers vertical. This is a weaker grip because the left arm rotates more to the right (opening the clubface, causing a slice) than to the left. Most players swing better with the left hand angled to allow them to see more of the top of the hand. The right hand should be parallel to the left on the grip. The grip of the club should be in the player's fingers. The groove of the right palm fits over the left thumb. The club grip should be sized to match the size of your hands or to accommodate conditions such as arthritis. There are obviously many elements to an effective grip; when done properly, the player should enjoy both consistent ball striking and the ability to curve their shots when needed.

Please do not expect grip improvements to be quick or easy. I spent 45 minutes with a young former scratch player this week to improve his grip and shot consistency. He was uncomfortable for half an hour, rarely hitting even a decent shot. When he believed he would no longer hit a snap hook, we changed his alignment and he began to swing more like his fearless former self. Hopefully he will stick with the new grip even through the inevitable bad days will come....

Until Next Month.....

Steve Nightingale

PGA Professional

August ACES

Mary Brown

Bob Gerfy

August 3rd Business League Results

ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL EVENING..... *We can't*

believe the weather we've had for the Business League this year. We had six teams consisting of 22 players.

The Business League has had a great response this year. This evening we brought in \$110 in green fees. We are getting a lot of new younger people interested in golf and hopefully they will eventually want to become members. There was a 3-way tie for first place with a score of 31: Rabble Printing: Matthew,

Manny, Josh, Todd & Mike; Sunset Builders Supply: Vaughn, Jeff & Bill; Custom Concrete: Don, Dave & Mike

There was a 2-way tie for score of 32: Lopez Liquor Store: Margie, Marc, Lynne & Jim; Start to Finnish: Rita, Chico & Eric. Alone with a score of 33: MR, Jason, Tom & Ron

MR Buffum's comment...."WOW, we were 2 under par and came in last! What's that all about?

KP #1: Tom Pal 9'4" & Rita O'Boyle 57'2' ("Rita, ARE YOU SURE YOU WERE ON THE GREEN THAT FAR AWAY FROM THE CUP?")

KP #8: Jeff Vigna 14'11" & Lynne Addington 13'8"

Long Drive: Josh Ratza & Rita O'Boyle

Thanks to all the businesses that have come out this year so far. It's been a great success and we all had a lot of fun.

Margie & Vaughan



Last Twilight **August 14th**



Hosted by Sue Crockett, Jim Pinkham, Bev & Jim Smith and catered by the Bay Café 'Italiano Style', the last twilight of the season was a load of fun. Poker Style, each team player was designated a suit (club, diamond, heart, spade) and each player played his/her own ball from tee to green. At the

green, two secret cards were revealed and the team score for that hole was the combined score of the two people whose suits were the same as those of the secret cards. Winners were:

1st: Mike Porter, Barbara Reiswig, Lynn Hall & Steve Levy

2nd: Bev Smith, Jon Avent, Beth Hughes & Jerry McKelvey

3rd: Nancy Lynch, Sue Crockett, Jason Buffum & Larry Whitney

KP: Jim Pinkham & Bev Smith

KP to the Zig Zag Line #11: Rose McKelvey & Dick Reiswig



50/50 Raffle Winner: Dolores Vrooman (\$46)

The Bay Café provided an excellent dinner with generous portions of salad, lasagna, rolls and tiramisu. Thanks to the hosts, the attendees and The Bay Café.



Don't forget...

**Workdays are Aug 31st &
Sept 28st 9-12**

**A great way to get those
volunteer hours completed**

HORSE RACE

August 28th



The track was dry & hard this year and the ponies as always took the appropriate supplements to minimize injury and pain.

They were a skittish bunch and Brian & Nancy Lynch had their hands full as Ring Masters keeping them under control. In fact at



the end, the horses bolted off and the photographers, try as they may, couldn't catch them for a photo shoot. The winners by a nose were Pat Goodfellow and

Ron Metcalf. Lynne & Jim Addington took the Place spot, and Mary & Perry Brown came in Show. As the horses limped back to the barn, some spectators were ripping up their tickets while a few were hoot'n & holler'n with the winners.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Remainder of August

Ladies Business Meeting & Luncheon: August 30th after golf. Ole Snoer has offered to cook lunch for the ladies

August Workday: August 31st 9-12

September Events:

Final Business League: Sept. 7th 5:30 pm tee time

Ace: Men Sept 1st; Ladies Sept 6th

Season Finale Event: Sept 11th

King & Queen Tournament: Noon Tee Time

9 Hole Open Scramble: Approximately 2:30 pm

Awards Banquet: 5 pm

Workday: Sept 28th 9-12

Rules Tip:

Rule 27-2c

When Provisional Ball is to be Abandoned

If the original ball is neither lost nor out of bounds, the player must abandon the provisional ball and continue playing the original ball. If he makes any further strokes at the provisional ball, he is playing a wrong ball and the provisions of rule 15-3 apply. Courtesy of Marc Zener

WIN

FREE GOLF FOR 2012*

\$20 Raffle Tickets on sale Sept. 1st

At

Lopez Golf Club Friday thru Monday

9 am to 3 pm

And

Lopez Liquor Store

Tuesday though Saturday

10 am to 6 pm

Lucky ticket drawn Dec. 1st

*Raffle open to general public & club members

*Items not included: golf club or cart rentals, locker, cart storage, GHIN fees & special assessments

The LAST CHANCE Business League Sept. 7th

Dream Team format 5:30 tee time

Contacts: Margie 468-2756

Vaughan 468-2292

After this tournament we will all head for the Galley Restaurant to award prizes and talk about what a great league it was this year!

AWARDS BANQUET

KING & QUEEN TOURNAMENT

Sunday Sept. 11th is the season finale...please join us!

King & Queen Tournament starts @ noon, with an open 9-hole scramble starting after the Aces have made the turn (approximately 2:30).

5 pm will be a no-host bar, Coronation of your King & Queen and Hole-in-One Competition.

6 pm enjoy a gourmet dinner prepared by Trustee Dodie Schiessl and her daughter Anna .

Sign up early for this event at the club!

LJGP OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

The first annual LIGC-sponsored open tournament to benefit Lopez Junior Golf

September 18th 1 pm

- ♦ *Dream Team Format (make up your own foursome)*
- ♦ *18 Hole Best Ball Cash Prizes*
- ♦ *Entry Fee: \$30 Adults \$15 Juniors*
- ♦ *All proceeds support Junior Golf*
- ♦ *Hole Sponsorship available at \$50*
- ♦ *Bring your own picnic*

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Sign your team up at the club today!

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