



# CHIPSHOTS

The Lopez Island  
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# NEW MEMBERS!



New Certificate Members

**Pamela Stewart (Stewie) and Julie Golding** above



Junior Member  
**Lawson Potter,**  
right



Seasonal Member  
**Terry Gott,** left

## Twilight Golf and Dinner July 9

Called SHORT CIRCUIT, this par three game had all players hitting tee shots from tees which had been placed 90-150 yards from the greens. The winning team (John Quickstad, Asha Lela, Joyce Kruithof and Steve Levy) scored 26, one under par (for a par 3 course.) Thanks to our hosts, Bev and Jim Smith and Mark Reisinger and Carol Parrot for a unique game and delicious dinner.



# More pictures from July 9





## A TASTE OF GOLF



**Women's FREE Golf Day**

Sunday, July 16, 2023  
Open from 1:00 to 5:00  
For Lopez women ages 18 and above

Absolutely no experience necessary  
Bring golf clubs if you have them  
Golf clubs, push carts and riding carts available  
Contact us at 360-468-2679 or [lignc@rockisland.com](mailto:lignc@rockisland.com) if you have questions  
No need to sign up ahead of time

Come to the golf club to

- Learn golf basics in mini clinics
- Get coaching from local women golfers
- Play a few or many holes
- Golfing partners available
- Stay for sweet treats




Sponsored by the Women of Lopez Island Golf Club

On July 16th, our LIGC women put on a free golf day for other Lopez women who might want to try out golf. We had ten enthusiastic guests who enjoyed putting and chipping pointers from Bev, and others who went out and played with and got tips from various members. All were rewarded with sweet treats and given gift certificates for two 9-hole rounds.



More photos from Taste of Golf



# Hole in One



**Bert Bates** got his first **hole in one** on hole #1 on June 30th. Witnessed by Vaughan Williams, this was Bert's first in the 55 years he's been golfing. (Yes, he first golfed at age 10 with his grandfather's clubs.) What was equally spectacular was a similar feat on July 5th—an **eagle** on hole #16. Both shots were with his trusty 8-iron, 139 and 137 yards respectively. BRAVO!

# Twilight Golf and Dinner July 23



**Above, game coordinator Dennis E (right) , assisted by John T, and Joan E who graciously and generously prepared dinner for us.**

**Below special guests:**

**On the left, Jim and Bev joined by brother Jim Pinkham and Jim's son Ryan. On the right, Tony and Carolyn Simpson who've been taking lessons from Bert and are excited to become members next year.**





# Everyone's a winner!



# Uh-oh



## Steve meets an old student

For many years, LIGC offered golf lessons for kids through the Family Resource Center's summer program. Steve Bryson, Gary Blair and Jimmy Gouge taught many of these classes. Steve ran into one of their students last week. Rory McKee, now 19, has become not only a golf enthusiast but also a golf course maintenance worker. He has worked summers for the last three years at Tetherow Golf Club in Bend, Oregon, where among other jobs, he changes pin placements daily. While on Lopez, he offered to help Steve change the pins last week. Rory has been coming to the island since he was very young, learning and playing golf with his two brothers and his father. Rory also plays soccer and will play at Southern Oregon in the fall. He's considering studying Turf Management in the future.



# MEMBERS AT WORK



Henryk made new boxes for broken tees and Larry W painted them.



New member Stewie and Tracey attack the pile of branches to haul away



Jack with the sign he repainted



One of many signs that Dennis E is in the process of repainting

## And friends at work too



For some reason, Jodie's friends Natalia and Paula were thrilled to help out during their visit to Lopez.

# PROBLEM OF THE MONTH



Jack learning to pull weeds from the pond



The Tractor Crew: Dennis, Gary, Jodie



Jerry R pulling weeds



You'll have to ask Dennis M what happened here...

## PROBLEM-SOLVER OF THE MONTH



Curt loves problems. Well, more likely, he enjoys solving problems. As a prime mover on our Irrigation Team, Curt has taken on the little leaks, the big leaks, the broken pipes, the clogged sprinkler heads and the thorny issues in the #3 pond. Be sure to thank him next time you see him on the ground.



# July Work Day



**Al getting ready to help Curt**



**Chris G cleaning up around yardage markers**



**Dennis M and Gary doing pond clean-up**



**Kathy weeding around the clubhouse**





Jim S, Jeff D and Lorena D, making a big dent in the huge pile of branches to take to Midnight's Farm.





**Lynn and Bob above filling divots on the tee boxes.**



**Left, Jerry A bringing water to the thirsty pond workers and gathering pond balls.**

**Missing photos: Nancy K and Steve U with their weed-whackers cleaning up around fences, trees and ponds.**

**And thank you, Steve, for keeping the area around the road sign always neat.**



Terry L tending flower beds



Carole thanking Kiyo for a scrumptious and well-appreciated lunch!



Bev taking a break from weeding



# LIGC 2023 Social and Tournament Schedule

**PUT THESE DATES IN YOUR 2023 CALENDAR!**

## Tournaments

### Club Championship

Men – Thursday, Saturday, Sunday (Aug. 17, 19, 20)

Women – Tuesday, Friday, Sunday (Aug. 15, 18, 20)

**King and Queen (ACES)**--September 17

### Twilight Golf (all at 4 pm except as noted)

Sun. Aug. 6 — BACKWARDS GOLF (Bert Bates in charge)

Sun. Aug. 20 – Club Championship celebration—usually PL appetizers

Sun, Aug. 27

Mon. Sept. 4- Labor Day (Horse Race, starts at 1 pm)

Sun. Sept. 17 — 3 pm (between ACES (KQ) and dinner

**Work Days** (all last Wednesday of the month, March through October, 9 -noon, followed by lunch)

August 30      September 27      October 25

**Wednesday Night Golf** - Every Wednesday, start time 5 PM

### Annual Events

Annual Awards Ceremony and Dinner—Sunday, Sept. 17

Fall Membership Meeting – Sunday, October 8, 4 pm

# Parting shot....



Rabbit vs pool noodle

# UPCOMING EVENTS

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### We need members to offer to host:

- ⇒ Twilight Golf Event: September 17 (between ACES tournament and awards dinner)

### August Events

- ⇒ Twilight Golf — August 6
- ⇒ Club Championship:
  - \* Women— August 15, 18, 20
  - \* Men — August 17, 19, 20
- ⇒ Twilight Golf — August 27
- ⇒ Work Day — August 30



## AND Congratulations!

June Aces—Bev Smith and Curt Bonelli  
 July Aces — Mike Summers and Carole White

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