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President's Post

I hope everyone is able to get out and enjoy the golf course as it really is playing well. Many thanks go to our employees and faithful members who continue to support the maintenance operations on the course. Ten service hours are a mandatory part of yearly membership (unless you pay the \$200.00 fee), and we are extremely grateful to the members who go above and beyond this quota on and off the course. We really would be fiscally compromised without this input. So said, we are in a good position despite the cold spring, and hopefully greens fees will continue to be a healthy percent of our future income.

I urge you to come out and play the course and enjoy all the activities that make your membership unique.

Happy golfing! Rita

ALL Events Are Posted On Our Website

<http://lopezislandgolf.com/>

With the LIFRC Golf Clinic coming up this week, take a look at these Lil' Munchkins who beat the pack to our practice green!

A remnant of Father's Day I suspect. Just think, we may be witnessing the start of an illustrious PGA Career!





Gary Hall, Ray Ellener, Lori & Scott Honeywell, Russell Nash

New Member Party and Twilight Golf Event May 21

Helping make new members feel welcome is the very essence of a good club. I hope we have succeeded in doing so with our 12 new members from 2010. Others who could not attend this event were Richard Lea, Anthony Simpson, Agnes Govern, Robert Dunn, Steve Unruh, John Moore, and Dan Currier. We all appreciate your joining us and hope you will come out and partake in our club functions.



We had 32 members who came out to this welcoming event and participated in the Twilight Golf. Our winning team (right) again contained an almost scratch handicapper (Eric Russ) plus Jon Avent, Jerry Aaron and Rob Nou (not pictured). KPs (left) went to Bob Gerfy (2'6" on #13) and Pat Goodfellow, way far away but the only woman anywhere near the flag on #17. Kevin Zoerb was the lucky winner of the 50/50 raffle!



*And a special thanks to
Carol & Jon Avent for
hosting the event*



PGA Professional

Steve Nightingale

The Lessons Continue

Mondays

July 11th & July 25th Members or Non- Members

Private, Semi Private, Ladies Group 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

General Membership Meeting

May 22nd

Forty members attended the annual Spring Membership Meeting. In addition to reports from the various committees, amendments to the By-laws were discussed and approved:

- Wording change from **Special Senior Member** to just **Social Member**
- Addition of **Honorary Membership** category
- Addition of **Furlough Status**
- Addition of **Responsibility of Membership** item making a minimum of 10 hours of service to the club mandatory
- Giving the Board the right to determine the club initiation fee annually
- Allowing an **annual assessment fee of \$50** instead of \$25 (This increases the value of your certificates).
- Imposing a **late fee** if dues are not received within 30 days of the due date—approval with a 10% ceiling on the fee
- Holding the **board members** accountable to their **commitment**

The updated version of the By-laws was sent out electronically to the membership on June 17th.

JUNE ACES

Lynn Hall

Ed Gutkowski

McConaghy Results

Winners:

Margie Zener

Tom Cowan

Runners Up:

Mary Brown

Gary Blair

Workday May 25th

As always our volunteers worked their fingers to the bone trimming and whacking and weeding. But this month of special mention is the new bridge over the water hazard on #4!! Larry Whitney & Dennis Mattson, our bridge engineers extraordinaire did a **FABULOUS** job of design & construction. In jest they imposed a **TOLL STATION** that reaped \$1.75 before they decided to remove it.



Greens Plugging Party

May 30-June 1



The plugging was a 3-day process.

I appreciate all the volunteers who showed up for the effort. We got a late start on

Memorial Day due to some equipment adjustments. Thanks for your patience. We had a great response to the added e-mails for more broomers the following day. The greens have made a great comeback and are now at our peak performance. Thanks again for all your help!

**Steve Bryson ,
Grounds Committee Chair**





Memorial Day Remembrance

This year, I hope, was the start of an annual tradition to celebrate the memory of our former members who are now deceased. We have added over twenty names to the Memorial plaque, and we will start a new plaque with names we regretfully missed. There is a book and a box for sharing thoughts and pictures, which I hope you will feel free to enter as you wish.

This month we remember Dave Stratton. The very presence of each of our members enriches our club and our lives. Rita



SPECIALS

6 for the price of **5 Punch Cards** are going like hot cakes this year. It's a great deal.....tell your friends

Guest Passes: They are \$50 for a week's worth of unlimited play. Great way to treat a guestpays for itself in 2.5 games of golf

Business League Results June 1st

Once again we had a great turnout with 27 individuals making up 7 teams. All 7 teams scored under par, which was quite an accomplishment considering the greens had just been plugged. Many thanks to Margie Zener and Vaughan Williams for creating and running this monthly summer event. The winners were:

RED HOUSE POTTERY— Score of 30

Jeff Hanks, Jimmy Gouge, Steve Bryson & Gary Blair

LD: Margie Zener, Doug Poole

KPs: Eric Russ, Vaughan Williams

No women KPs this month



Hit & Giggle Twilight

June 12th



Lynne & Jim Addington hosted a great evening. There were some unusual rules. Go into the water? No worries, drop on the "nearer the hole" side with no penalty. The first time I've ever seen some people try to make it over the pond on #3. Same rules apply to the woods on #5...go ahead and shank it, a free drop where you went out. We all had great fun, not to mention the fabulous eats. Jeff King & Denny Jardine put on a



BBQ to end all. Ribs & Chicken were the main course, preceded by wonderful deep fried Salmon Ball appetizers. Lynne then added all the sides and dessert. We all went home stuffed! Oh yeah, the winners: First Place Team:

Vaughan Williams, Joyce Kruithof, Dan Currier & Bob Hall. KPs Judy Whitney & Dan Currier. 50/50 Raffle went to James Straughan who lined his pockets, or rather Miki's pockets :-), with \$60+ Congratulations to all the winners!



CLUB WANT LIST:

PROPANE BBQ
REFRIGERATOR
GOLF CLUBS for rentals
GOLF CART for rentals

CLUBHOUSE MANAGER NEEDS:

Members who can pick up things at Costco and other mainland places.

Rules Tip:

Rule 28. Unplayable

A player may deem his ball unplayable from anywhere on the course, except when the ball is in a water hazard. The player is the sole judge as to whether his ball is unplayable. If a player deems their ball unplayable from the teeing ground a one stroke penalty applies and the ball to be played must be played from within the teeing ground. It may be played from any area within the teeing ground and may be teed. (Rule 20-5 a)

Tip courtesy of M/M Zener

Ladies Flag Day Invitational

July 14th

The ladies celebrated Flag Day in style with the June 14th Invitational. They had 15 guests from San Juan & Orcas Island. The clubhouse was decorated with the good ole' Red, White & Blue, and the teams participated in a "Flag Day Quiz" that, with the correct answers, could lower their



total scores. Jim & Jeanne Budlong produced a phenomenal lunch that had all the ladies asking for more. Having the 15 guests brought \$375 in greens fees to the club that we would otherwise not have. There are so many people to



thank, from all the guys who helped as spotters, kitchen help, scoring & retrieving guests from the ferry,



.... To all the early morning ladies who kept the breakfast and turn around treats filled, the ladies who helped fill the

raffle baskets, make the flower bouquets, decorate, make the goodie bags and man the registration etc. And of course many thanks to Jeanne Budlong and Chris Bangsund for organizing the entire event. It was a grand day done up right in the great style of **USA!**





Mexican Style Potluck

Twilight June 26



Twanette Porter & Gretchen Gruenke hosted this Best Ball Step Aside Twilight event. Forty four individuals turned out for this gorgeous evening, with no wind & beautiful blue skies....we couldn't have asked for a more perfect evening. Then to top it off, it was a Mexican Food Extravaganza! We haven't had a potluck in so long, every-



one turned out their best. Thanks also to Mary Brown for setting up the game & scoring. This evening's first place team was: Twanette Porter, Gretchen Gruenke, Dick Reiswig & Rip Van Kamp. Hey, wait a second....the hostesses



won the first prize?

.....hmmm, if I didn't know better I'd think it was rigged. KPs on #10 went to Kendal Quaid and Judy

Whitney.....that's two in a row Judy. Better watch out for her, ladies.

It was a great evening....good friends, good

laughs and good eats.



From the Pro.....

A key element to game improvement is to understand or determine how you learn. Some students are visual, others are "feel" oriented, others imitate well, etc. A feel swing key does not teach a mechanical learner well; therefore it is important to work with your instructor to make the learning process as efficient as possible. Swing plane can be learned by how light the club seems for a "feel" player or by the angle differentiation for a "mechanical" player—one example of how different students can improve the same aspect of their game comfortably. Your swing keys need to work systematically for you (many of your friends' keys will not), so try to know how you learn and stick to those ways to learn, play, and enjoy the game.

Until next month.....

Steve Nightingale

PGA Professional



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Business League Continues

Build your own
DREAM TEAM!

LIFRC SUMMER GOLF WORKSHOP

June 27, 28, 29 1:30-3:30

Steve Bryson & Gary Blair will be instructing 16 individuals ages 9-73 this week in the basics of golf, with Dodie Schiessl teaching golf etiquette. This event is full. And in fact drew more interest than we ever expected.

July 6th, August 3rd, Sept 7th

Wednesday Evenings

Registration: 5 pm Tee Times: 5:30

Contacts: Margie 468-2765 Vaughan 468-2922

Entrance Fee: \$5 / player Greens Fee: \$10 Non-Members

Business League? What's that all about? These are the questions we have been receiving lately. One of the suggestions to the Membership Committee, was to try and get younger members out to golf who normally have to work during the day and cannot participate in the Ladies & Men's day outings, making them feel more a part of the club. Secondly, to try to get younger non-members out and hopefully get them interested enough in golf to want to become new members. So Vaughan & Margie took on this project and we have now had our third outing. We currently have 7 teams and 27 participants. An added plus is the \$90 in additional greens fees to the club. It's a win win situation for everyone.

So here's how it works: You do not have to have a business to play. As Vaughan says, "Just put YOUR DREAM TEAM FOURSOME" together and come out and join us at 5:00 pm for 9 holes of golf on the first Wednesday of each month through September. A word of warning....you have to watch out that Esa doesn't snag away one of your players! Again, you may contact either Vaughan or Margie if you have any questions or would like to join in the fun.

Margie Zener

Remainder of June

LIFRC Golf Workshop: June 27, 28, 29 1:30-3:30 **FULL**

Final Round President's Cup Ladies: June 28th

Workday: June 29th 9-12

July Events:

Business League: July 6th 5:30 pm

Ace: Ladies July 5th; Men July 7th

Lott & Pilon Tournaments: Begin the first week of July

Fall Ringer: Begins July 5th & 7th

Twilight Golf: July 17 & 31 4 pm

Workday: July 27th 9-12

WORKDAY JUNE 29TH 9-Noon

Please bring yard tools. Most of the jobs will be outside. Sand traps on #6 & #8 need help. A big **THANK YOU** to MR Buffum who donated a load of bark mulch for us to use once the flower beds are weeded. The course will be closed in the morning. Mary Ellener will be providing lunch to the workers.

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