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## President's Post

### Spring Golf begins!

The Lopez Island High School golf team began practicing in late February and will have had 5 matches by the end of March. On March 11, 12, 18 and 19 the team had 13 hours of instruction with Steve Nightingale. This is the 17th year that Steve has provided clinics for Lopez youth. The team has 20 kids this year, 16 girls and 4 boys! Most are new to golf and extremely enthusiastic.

Regular women's and men's day golf begins next week. Women play on Tuesdays and men on Thursdays, both teeing off at 9:00. Please be in the clubhouse by 8:30 and bring your tournament fees.

Our first Twilight Golf event will be on Sunday, April 17 and we will have a fundraiser for Junior Golf on April 30. It promises to be a wonderful season!



Joyce

# News from Lars and Benni



Spring is coming, and mowing is more or less every day. We still have a little problem mowing #3; it's still quite wet. We have projects ready for the first member workday, and we're looking forward to seeing you guys on that day. Verticutting greens and tee boxes and seeding tee boxes will begin soon. We have a few leaners or dead trees that need to come down. Areas where trees were piled are now cleaned out and seeded with grass. We will continue treating greens to make them lush and green. At the beginning of May, we will aerate with solid tines and fill holes with sand. Looking forward to seeing you snow birds back real soon.

Benedikte and Lars



# Kids' Clinic



Steve Nightingale gives some individual instruction on driving the ball.

The finer points of putting, instructed by Bob Gerfy.



Driving practice on the 6th fairway.



## More Kids' Clinic



Eighteen Lopez Island kids took advantage of at least one if not all four days of free golf lessons for kids on March 11, 12, 18, 19. Working with PGA Pro Steve Nightingale, Coach Richard Tetu and golf club member Bob Gerfy, these enthusiastic young golfers practiced putting, chipping, bunker shots and turned the 6th fairway into a driving range in an effort to learn new skills or improve on old ones.



# Soggy Bottom 2016

Delayed a week due to a big wind storm, the Soggy Bottom Golf Tournament attracted 38 dedicated golfers on a very soggy day. After a filling breakfast from Jeff Nichols, (Galley Restaurant), players were sorted into teams. Vaughan Williams, club member and event organizer, presented a best ball game that was fun and challenging.



Afterwards, everyone dried out and warmed up at the Galley where a raffle was held and prizes were awarded. At the end of the day over \$1400 was raised for Lopez Island Hospice.



You can participate in many ways in this important fundraiser

to replenish our Junior Golf Fund:

- \*Play golf
- \*Bring a friend to play with you
- \*Pay the entry fee for a junior
- \*Donate raffle items
- \*Sponsor a hole
- \*Help with set up and clean up

# OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

## TO SUPPORT

# LOPEZ JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAMS

**Saturday April 30, 2016**

**18-hole mixed scramble**

**Followed by lunch and prizes!**

**Sign in at 9 AM**

**Tee off at 10 AM**

**Entry Fee: \$40.00**

**Proceeds support**

- Junior Golf Clinics
- Lopez High School Golf Program

**Hole sponsorship available at \$100**

**For Registration and Hole Sponsorship,**

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# Clubhouse Corner

## Bye Bye Pepsi , Hello New Choices!

In an effort to provide a larger selection of healthy snacks, we have asked Pepsi to remove their cooler and we have purchased our own. We will still have a small selection of sodas, but will provide more juices, sugar free teas and water. Starting in April beer and cider will be available Friday—Sunday.

Jodie's Work Hours:

Friday and Saturday 9:00—6:00

Sunday and Monday 9:00 — 3:00



Ping Pong Thursdays are still going strong!

# March Work Day

The Kitchen staff



Gardeners



Thanks to Marlene, Beth, Lynn, Mary and Bob, the beds around the clubhouse were all cleaned up. Bob also removed all the trash from the containers on the tee boxes. Don cleaned out both pump houses and Lars had a great crew to clean up brush on the west side of the #6 tee box. Jon, Peter, Tim and Ron were joined by friend Steve Heller. Ed prepared a delicious lunch, assisted by Jim.



# 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

5 Women's Day begins	9 am
7 Men's Day begins	9 am
17 First Twilight Golf	4 pm
27 Work Day	9 am
30 Junior Golf Fundraiser	9 am

## GHIN

You can start posting your scores if you've paid your \$31 GHIN fee.

## Sunday May 1st is National Hickory Day

All players arriving and playing with hickory clubs on May 1 will receive 1/2 off green fees and cart rentals. A few sets of hickory clubs may be available for rental.

Tell your friends!

**DUES and FEES for 2016:**  
The late fee kicked in on  
March 15!

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