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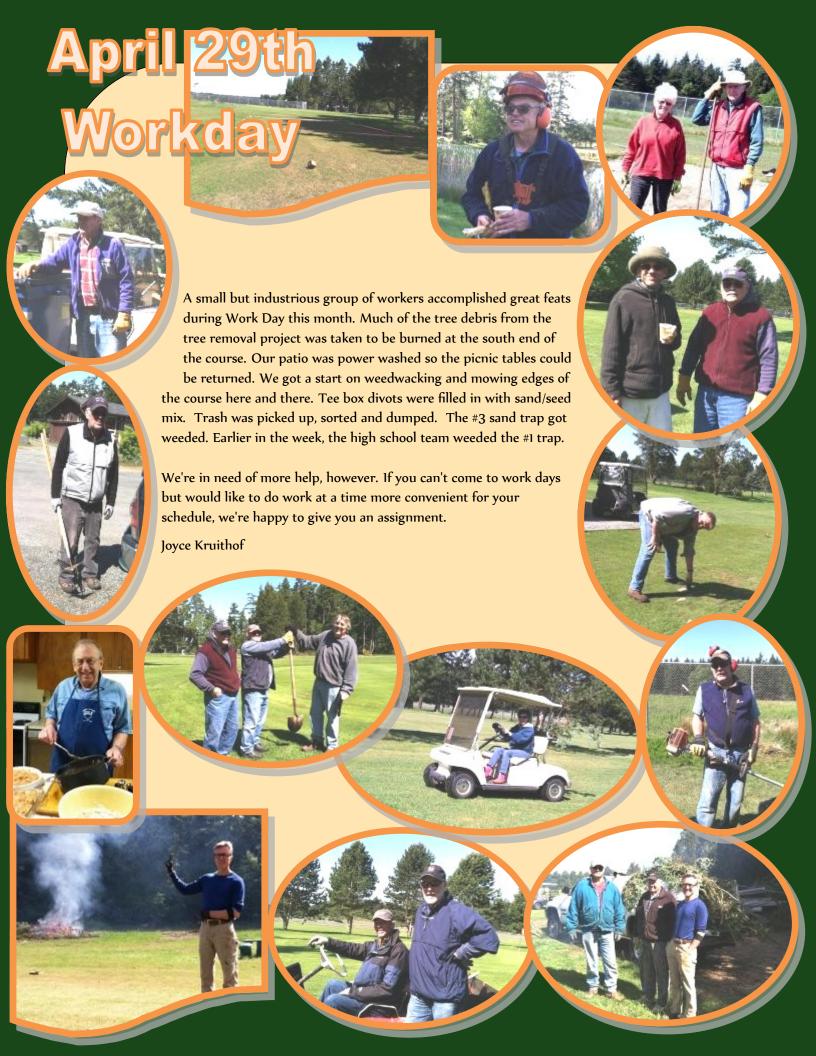
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Just to remind us what a beautiful part of Inside Shots & Tight Lies the world we live in ! April Workday **Feathered Visitors** Publisher's Note May Aces/New Members May 3rd Twilight May 8th CPR Class High School Team/Misc May 16th Open House

I'd like to thank everyone who helps make this newsletter a success. There has been a lot of positive response to this publication each month. I truly appreciate all those who help me cover all the LIGC news.

Last year I realized it was just too much for me to handle attending, reporting, producing & publishing the news all alone and so I alone implemented the "you host it, you cover it" policy. What that means to you is that if you host an event you are responsible to send me via email photos & a write-up that covers your event for this newsletter. Now that doesn't mean YOU alone have to do it all. It just means you need to delegate all the parts. You can be as creative or as simplistic as you like....the choice is yours. And if for some reason it doesn't get done.....no worries, your event just won't be covered in this venue. It's ok. It's not life threatening. Let's not lose track of the BIG picture.







This Great Horned Owl is behind the pump house by #4 green. Its fully-fledged sibling is in the alders along the east side of the pond between #4 tee and green. The parents are splitting duty watching over their dispersed kids. One sits next to the nest in the big pine above the pump house; the other adult hangs out in the tall firs behind #5 tees, next to Shark Reef Rd.

These are quite special birds and we're lucky they don't seem to mind us much, and if don't become too alarmed probably will return yearly to the same nest. If folks approach the pump house and notice the little stupid one on the ground, they should please give it room and not disturb; mom is looking down from directly

above and almost certainly is feeding it at night.





These are her wee eggs. She always lays 2 each the size of a pea and weighing ~ 0.5 grams

10 ft above the parking lot in the fir tree next to the locker barn a Rufous hummingbird has made her nest (only a tad larger than a golf ball) out of spider webs and lichens

Courtesy of Dan Davis



This image shows the nest location. While standing at the edge of the parking lot near the locker barn and facing the clubhouse, look up and see the orange ribbon. Her nest is a bit higher up, ~ 1.5 club lengths closer to the tree trunk, just on the clubhouse side of the same main branch the ribbon is tied to. It's well camouflaged so you have to look carefully.



Returning
Certificate Members

Don & Susan Campbell

Welcome

Back

New Traillembers

Ron & Karen

Dever

Welcome

Thanks for the new roof

Larry & Lori
Prewitt

and for giving us
a try again.

All Events Are Posted On Our Website http://lopezislandgolf.com/

Twilight Golf May 3rd



The second twilight of the year was hosted by Pat Goodfellow and Mary Brown. It was a beautiful evening, sunny and warm. There were 22 players and some great food as always. Several people took home prizes for being the best of the best.

Winners were:

KP #1: Carole White & Dick Reiswig

1st place team: Carole White, Miki Straughan,

Bob Gerfy & Bob Hall



2nd place team: Lynn Hall, Brian Lynch, Chris Bangsund & Bill White

3rd place team: Nancy Lynch, Kathy Keller, Dick Reiswig & Ray Ellener

The format was a little tricky and involved hitting out of the sand on #8. It was a great evening and we are all looking forward to the next event.

A big "THANK YOU" to all the members who stayed and helped clean up.





So many thanks to Dave Rucker, EMT from our local fire department who taught us old hooters this life-saving technique. He was awesome, patient with us, answering all our questions. He has been volunteering at our fire department for 2 years now and we can't thank him and all the rest of the EMT volunteers enough for giving of their time and effort to this community!

Now, for a little personal twist. You saw in last month's newsletter that Dick & I were faced with a cardiac arrest on a friend in 2012. What I didn't tell you was how paniced I was. I had taken this CPR course as required by my hygiene license every two years for my entire 40 year career... a total of 20 times and yet I was still in panic mode, fumbling with the AED, questioning whether I should give breaths. When faced with a real crisis so many emotional things come into play. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, don't take this course once and figure you are good for life. I now take it EVERY year. I know the adrenaline that comes with an event like this and I have to tell you it is the scariest thing I have ever been faced with. But what would even be scarier is to see a loved one fallen and not know or be too afraid to help. Be assured I will continue to hound you all to take this course repeatedly. :-) Chris Bangsund



Lopez High School



By now, you may have heard that our players played well but did not all get the placements that they were hoping to earn.

For the ladies, Riley earned a spot to State; in any previous year, Emalie and Bree would also be playing at the State Tournament, but three changes to rules made it that they ended their seasons yesterday. If any of those changes had not occurred, they would be traveling south, so I appreciate if you congratulate them for their efforts.

For the gentlemen, times were a little harder; still, Erik and Nick did make the turn, and Alexandre barely missed, having a particularly difficult ninth hole.

As always, all the players earned kudos for their exceptional behavior; for example, I received some glowing comments from a strong player and coach

about Alexandre's gentlemanly demeanor throughout the round. I also have two wonderful stories about persistence related to two other players.

In case you didn't hear, both our ladies' and gents' teams took second place at the District 1 tournament last week. Erik Paton took third place for the men, Bree Swanson took fifth, with Alexandre Clouet, Nick Zoerb, Riley Magnuson, and Emalie Hobi earning a spot to the Bi/Tri/Quad District Tournament with solid positions.

The previous week, the ladies won the Friday Harbor Invitational and the men took second place. On that day, Riley Magnuson took first place while Bree Swanson and Emalie Hobi tied for second place; Erik Paton took second place.

With gratitude for the kids' effort, Coach Têtu

Herb Schiessi's Cherry Tree



Did You Know?

There is a land line phone on the golf course for emergency use. It's on the pumphouse just west of the 6th green.







LIGC Open House May 16





We held an Open House for members, guests and the community on May 16 from noon to 3, planned and orchestrated by Mary Ellener. Activities included Frisbee Golf, putting, chipping, FootGolf, bocce, an egg toss, a cake walk and a par 2 contest. Raffle prizes included golf doodads, free rounds and cupcakes. Participants were treated to hotdogs, expertly grilled by Ed Gutkowski and his assistant Pat Goodfellow. Thanks go to members who helped with the games, Russ Johnson, Bob Gerfy and Steve Levy, and to Mary's son, daughters and granddaughters. We also thank Matt Rabel for setting up and introducing us to Frisbee Golf. It was a lovely informal play day on the golf course. Joyce Kruithof













Memorial & New Member Party May 23











40 golfers and an additional 8 diners gathered on Saturday, May 23rd, for our annual Memorial Day weekend event, where we honor members who have died in the past year and we welcome members new to LIGC. Present were new trial members Karen and Ron Dever and new certificate members Dan Davis and Debbie and Steve Stanford. Dinner was catered by the Galley and dessert provided by Mary Ellener. The Twilight Golf scramble was won with a low score of 38 by John Quickstad, Carole White, Ralph Bladt and Beth Hughes. 3 teams tied at 40. KPs on #1 went to Don Langrock and Judy Whitney. Pat Goodfellow and Ron Metcalf recorded the longest made putts on #9. Prize for straightest drive on #7 went to Jim Pinkham. Additional thanks go to Bob Gerfy, Ralph Bladt and Ted Phillips for organizing the game, setting up and cleaning up.













Annual Greens Plugging Event



May 26











HUGE JOB!





Plugging —>Harvesting plugs —> Sanding —> Brushing sand in —> Dragging screen over sand —> sweeping sand into holes —> more sand —> watering. Also removing plugs to compost or fill in here and there. Thank you to all! More

pictures coming to a display in

the clubhouse soon.











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Thank you very much.

The volunteers were able to lightly broom some of the greens again and move a little plugging sand around which was of tremendous help. They were also able to weed eat a considerable amount of the fairway

rough and also clear away grass and weeds from around sand traps, tee boxes and all around the outer edges of the golf course. Our new grass bunker next to green #4 received its first mowing and looks great.

This month we decided to rake up as many pine cones as we could get which will greatly help with the regular course mowing. We hate pine cones! They get stuck in the mower blades and stop the cutting.

Several people volunteered to clean out sprinkler heads which is a never ending task and was greatly appreciated.

Our rhododendrons were trimmed and pruned and look great now.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

June

2 & 4 June Ace Tournament	8:30
3 Business League	5:00
9, 23 & 30 Women's President Cup	8:30
9 Women's Club Meeting	~ 1:30
11, 18 & 25 Men's President Cup	8:30
12 Twilight Golf	4:00
16 Ladies' Fun & Field Day	8:00
24 Workday , Course Closed	9-12
25 & 30 Last days of Spring Ringer	8:30

Ladies' Fun & Field Day

June 16th

Ladies Come on out and join in the fun. We've invited other golf course women's clubs to play. Don't miss out on a day of golf & gathering. Your level of golf matters NOT1

Sign up at the club & invite a golfing friend too.

The more the merrier. \$20

members \$40 non-members

Sorry guys, this is just for usl

June 12 & 28 Twilight Golf

Don't forget to sign up at the club

Be there by 3:30 for a 4pm tee off time

Private Events

Please take note that there are private events happening at the club this month:

June 20: 10-1 Limited public golf

June 21: 1-4 Course closed to public

June 28: 10-12 Limited public golf

Wednesday June 3rd

Register 5:00pm Tee off time: 5:30

Contact Esa Turunen with any questions 468-3603

Steve Nightingale Lessons Available

June 8th: 12:00, 1:00, 2:00 & 3:00

Future dates are dependent on level of interest. Please contact Jodie at the club. 468-2679 or

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