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The Lopez Island Golf Club Newsletter

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Course Report



Hi members —

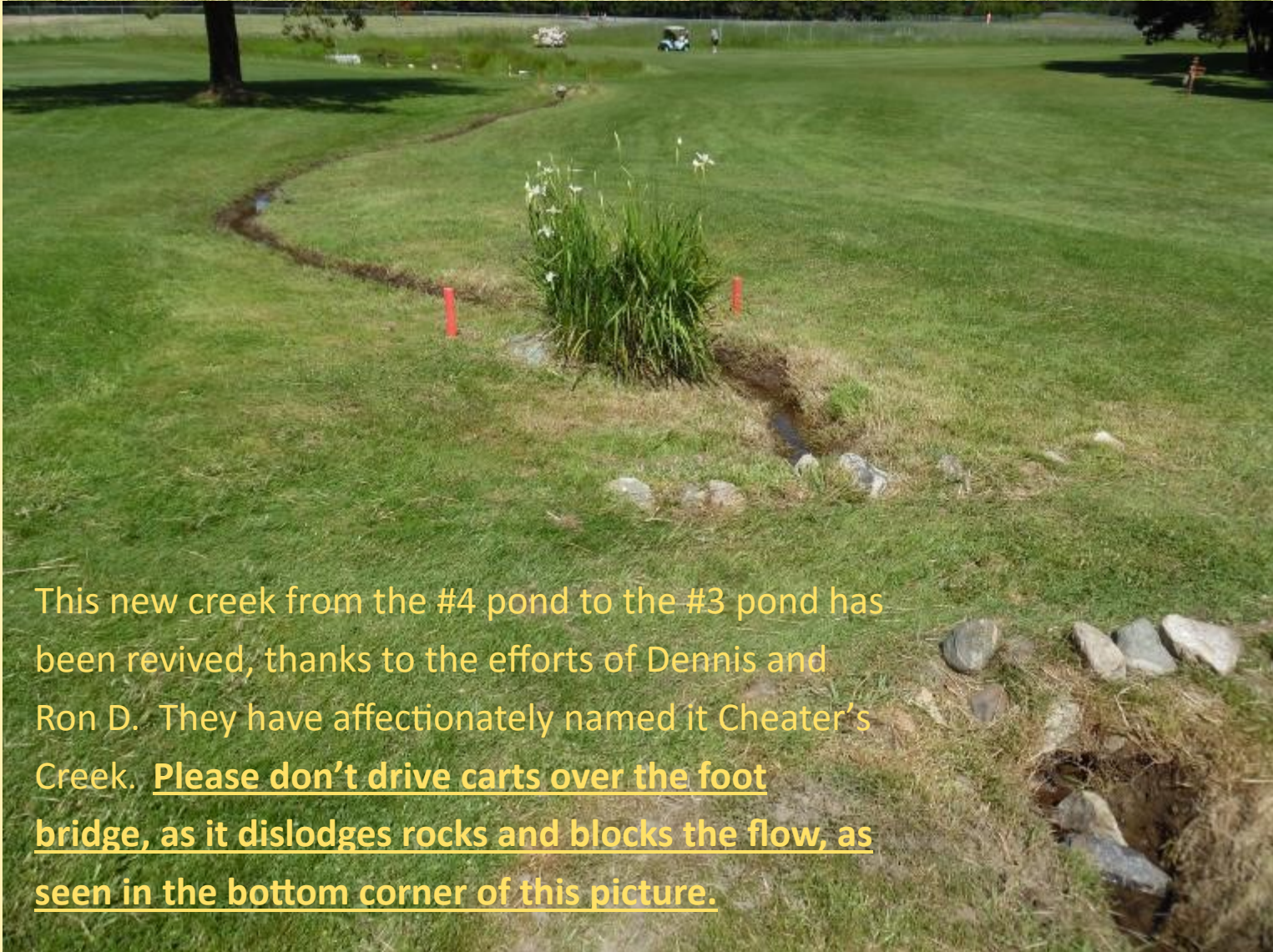
It's so nice almost everyone is back from wherever they spent the winter. We have worked on the greens for the last 3 weeks with watering them, treating them and verticutting them. Because of the lack of rain the last 8 weeks, the fairways we can't irrigate are getting brown. Tee boxes need more attention which will happen within the next 2 to 3 months. Seeding, verticutting and topdressing with sand are possible now that the irrigation is working better.

We are progressing well with the buildings on the course - holes patched and painted and green metal roof as soon as possible. The locker barn is half painted and we will keep painting til it's done.

We have a few new projects for the future. More about that later. We love working days on the golf course. Thanks to members for helping us with projects that would not be possible without you guys. We are a strong team. Together we can make the golf course look good and something to be proud of.

Benni and Lars

On the course...



This new creek from the #4 pond to the #3 pond has been revived, thanks to the efforts of Dennis and Ron D. They have affectionately named it Cheater's Creek. **Please don't drive carts over the foot bridge, as it dislodges rocks and blocks the flow, as seen in the bottom corner of this picture.**

Lars on the Radio



In an effort to increase the advertisement range of the Lopez Island Golf Club, Lars arrived extra early to the Islander Resort where he was a guest on the early morning Brad & John Show, on 92.9 KISM from Bellingham. Lars explained how a Danish man ends up living on a small island as a greens keeper, he mentioned some unique facts about our course, and made a day of golf on Lopez seem like the thing to do. Later the next week, he heard Brad and John remind visitors to Lopez to not forget their golf clubs. Every little bit of advertising helps.

Thank you Lars for putting us out there!

New Member and Memorial Party Twilight May 21st



A large turnout arrived to play in this year's New Member and Memorial Party. Saying goodbye to Jack Williams and Barbara Porter was not forgotten during all the fun.





Clubhouse Corner

Clubsitter Season is here. If you are wondering if it is busy out on the course give the clubhouse a call between 9– 6 and someone should be here to answer your question.

Business League Golf

1st

Wednesday of the
Month

June 1, July 6, August 3,
September 7

\$5 members

\$15 non-members

5pm Registration

5:30 Tee Time

Build your own dream
team foursome, give it a
name and come out
and play.

For more details contact
Esa Turunen @ 468-3603



**Are you planning a party
this summer?** Consider
renting the clubhouse for
your event. There are plen-
ty of tables and chairs, no
need to spend a week
cleaning your house, lots
of parking, and the
grounds look great. Finally,
the rates support the club.
Contact Jodie for rates and
openings. 468-2679

Welcome New Members



Eric Johnson

↙ **New Trial Member**

Joined by his sponsor

Don Poole,

Trial Member,

Fred Farris



Lopez High School Golf Team



The Lopez Island High School Golf Team has had a remarkable season, finishing with 6 students qualifying for state. The season began with an outstanding turnout of female players, most of whom had never played before. With coaching from Richard Tetu and additional practice time with Steve Nightingale, the high school team was prepared for all levels of competition ahead of them.

After the regular season ended, it was on to the NW B/BB/District 1 Tournament. The ladies won the tournament, with the following results: Kate Combs, 4th; Siri Dye, 5th; Nora Zapalac, 6th; Anah-Kate Drahm, 7th; Emalie Hobi, 8th; Naomi Vliet, 12th. With only three players, the men took second place, with Erik Paton 1st, Tobin Arden 2nd, and Sterling Carfrae 5th.

Then it was on to Tri/Quad Districts B/BB, where both the men and women won titles. For the women, Siri Dye earned 6th place, Emalie Hobi 7th, Anah-Kate 10th, and Nora Zapalac 11th; these ladies are going to the State Tournament. Naomi Vliet and Kate Combs did not make it to State, but were instrumental in earning the Quad-Districts championship. For the men, Erik Paton took 2nd place, Tobin Arden 3rd and Sterling took 6th.

"I want to emphasize that I am more proud of them meeting their personal goals than earning any award; the championships are wonderful, but getting there without personal regrets is most important. We are very grateful for all the help that we received from the Lopez Island Golf Club, the Booster Club, and Lopez Island School District; it is a cliché, but it is true that we could not have gotten there without all of the help people selflessly give us," said Mr. Tetu in a message to Joyce.

Let's join Coach Tetu in congratulating their efforts!



May Work Day



Painting was the name of the game. After testing out the color on the course pump houses and restrooms, it was decided to move on to the bigger buildings. This dark grey is really giving the course a sharper look, and it is improving the spirits of all members. Of course there are always branches to



prune, gardens to maintain and weeds to

whack. Concluding, as always, with a great lunch.



Member work continues all month long.



There is always something to trim or cut back.



Every Wednesday the pins are reset.



That is one long fence. Longer still when you are the one trimming the rough back. Thank you Jerry R.

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

- 1 Business League 5:00
- 3 Twilight 4:00
- 12 Twilight 4:00
- 14 Ladies' Fun Day 9:00
- 26 Twilight 4:00
- 28 Golf Workshop for Kids 2:00
- 29 Workday 9:00
- 29 Golf Workshop for Kids 2:00
- 30 Golf Workshop for Kids 2:00

MAY

ACES

Mary Brown

Roy Paswaters

Summer rates began May 1

Weekdays 9 Holes \$20, 18 Holes \$25

Weekends 9 Holes \$25, 18 Holes \$35

Twilight \$15 after 4:00 PM everyday

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