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# Focus on the Board of Trustees

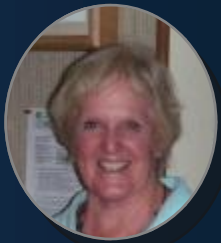
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The Board includes 2 new members elected at the Fall Membership Meeting on October 5.



**Russ Johnson** (in his own words) is a retired Tug Boat Captain and Maritime Operations Manager. He is currently keeping semi-busy with his own maritime project and legal consulting business. He moved part time to Lopez in 1999 and moved full time to Lopez from Seattle in 2005. Russ is best known for being married to his renowned artist wife, Jonelle. Russ has a 15 handicap that he currently can't come within 5 strokes of playing to.

**Bev Smith** writes: As I grew up spending summers on Lopez, I never dreamed I'd be a golfer. Playing on the beach, collecting seashells, running around the farm were what was important in those days. As time went on, and I lived all over the country, tennis became my game. I was excited that the tennis courts were built by the school, but by the time we retired to Lopez, I had taken up golf instead. My brothers and I tried sharing a house on the property, but as you all know that just doesn't work for very long. So Jim and I built our own house in 2000 and have spent summers here ever since. Golf is a great game, and having the course on Lopez is a terrific asset for the island. We need to keep the course healthy and promote golf among the islanders and tourists as much as we can. I hope my background as a CPA will be of some help in keeping the club's books in order.



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# Valuing the Volunteer

*This year's recipient of the Volunteer of the Year award has been a quiet member of the golf club for over 20 years. Diana & Jerry Hancock, long time friends of Jay & Gale, writes about Jay, "Jay Lynch approaches life analytically while keeping a quiet sparkle of "what if's" under control.*

*Jay's first job after college was in San Diego as a young engineering graduate from Stanford University. He made engineering his life work while moving from California to Connecticut and upward into administration. Eventually, his company designed the space suits worn by astronauts who landed on the moon. Jay said, 'There were a lot of people holding their breath over that one.' Consequently, Jay approaches life's endeavors with a lineal task analysis that ends well, or at least prepares for most contingencies.*

*When Jay cuts firewood, the pieces are uniform. When he and Gale contracted to have their second house built on Lopez, he was on the job site daily, and keeping it clean. When you need help, he is the guy who arrives with the flashlight - or the tow rope, and tows your boat to safety.*

*While planning the building of a garage on his property, Jay pulled stumps, hauled gravel and raked the site before the contractor arrived. The contractor said, 'This is one of the easiest jobs I have ever been on.'*

*Travel is another part of his planning. Recently, Jay wondered if a continuous train trip circling the United States could be accomplished. He contacted a railroad ticket agent and worked out the details. Jay and Gale were traveling by rail around the United States while this article was being written."*

*Jay is a regular participant on work days. He's an excellent clubsitter, even adding shifts when there are gaps in the schedule or members don't show up for their shifts. He's also been keeping the sand/seed divot repair mix containers filled all season. His crowning achievement this year, however, has been in a new line of work. After a long brilliant career as an engineer, he has taken up plumbing. He worked doggedly, tirelessly, meticulously, to solve the problems with the men's toilet by the #7 tees.*

*For these many contributions, we give this year's award to Jay Lynch. Do not hesitate to consult him with all your plumbing needs.*





# Horse Race 2014 Sept 28th

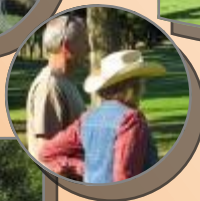


After quite a bit of last minute jockeying, eight pairs of enthusiastic horses lined up at hole #1 for this season's final event. The fillies teed off from the odd numbered holes and the colts from the even ones. Alternate shot format was used. All teams played through hole #4 and then one pair was dropped after each hole, leaving three pairs on hole #9.

The outright winners were Barbara & Dick Reiswig. For "place" and "show" there needed to be a chip-off. Second place went to Mary & Perry Brown and third place to Ron Metcalf & Pat Goodfellow. Well done, everyone!

The biggest winners were those who bet on the Reiswigs, as they got \$35 for their \$2 bet!

The lucky winners of the draw for next year's organizers were Brian Lynch & Rosie Mandich.





# Ben Reece

*Please introduce yourself and make Ben feel welcome the next time you're at the course. He is our new Course Maintenance Technician. He recently moved here from Bellingham and comes highly recommended with good qualifications. We feel lucky to have him as part of our LIGC team.*

**GOOD TO HAVE YOU ABOARD BEN !**

## Don't Forget

**November 14th is the last day  
to post GHIN scores  
in Washington**

ALL Events Are Posted On Our Website




<http://lopezislandgolf.com/>





# Harvest Party

## 9 hole scramble

### October 18th



*It was a 'No-Fee; No Prize; No Sign Up; No Set Teams; No Stress' sort of day. The theme of course was sharing harvest. Members who had an over-abundance brought theirs to share with those who didn't. Now Patty Goodfellow took that to an extreme, bringing multiple boxes of apples, threatening to leave them on the fairway for the deer if someone didn't take them off her hands! Luckily they were gathered up quickly and I'm not sure whether they were wanted or more importantly they didn't want their golf balls landing in giant piles of deer dung! Ahh... whatever works, right Patty? We had a wide variety of produce to distribute: rutabaga, kohlrabi, leeks, rhubarb, tomatoes, beets, apples galore, Asian pears and even some lavender starts.*



*We had a fabulous Fall afternoon to play the step-aside scramble with 22 members & guests taking part. We teed off at 3 pm and were hoping to be done by 4:30 before it got cold but darn, the last group didn't make it in until 5:15. I forgot to give them one key rule before they all headed out....NO PRACTICE STROKES. Hmmm, I wonder if it would have made the difference. We did announce the winners and if they squabbled about no prize money we told them to just go grab some more of Patty's apples :-)*

*Winners: Net score 24.5 Perry Brown, Ron Metcalf, Miki Straughan, Larry Whitney*

*Second Place: 25 Manny Hidalgo, Beth Hughes, Herb Schiessl*

*Third Place: 25.25 Bob Gerfy, Joyce Kruithof, Steve Kyser, Dick Reiswig*

*We had a great potluck following and just had a good ole time getting together in the off season. Chris*





# October Workday

A big THANK YOU to the 15 cheerful workers who celebrated the last work day of the golfing year by

- Storing benches and divot repair mix containers
- Picking up tree debris
- Emptying trash and sorting recycling
- Taking recycling and e-waste to the dump
- Cleaning out sand traps
- Cleaning restrooms
- Making a big dent in the burn pile AND
- Enjoying a fabulous lunch prepared by Carole and Bill White

Ongoing help will be needed over the next 5 months keeping tree debris cleaned up and keeping the bunkers weeded. We'd also like someone (or two) to offer to empty on-course trash receptacles, sort recycling and take it to the dump on a regular schedule.

The course looks great! Come out and enjoy fall golf!!!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

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

## November:

15 Stop posting scores in GHIN

## December:

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| 2  | Clubhouse holiday decorating | Noon |
| 7  | LIGC Holiday Party           | 4 pm |
| 20 | Ladies' Holiday Luncheon     | Noon |

Come help decorate  
Dec 2nd Noon



*Please bring any unwanted holiday decorations you might have to replenish our supply.*

*Lunch provided:*

*Clam Chowder, Salad, Bread*

*Hot Cider*



## LIGC Holiday Party December 7th 4 pm

*Potluck Heavy Appetizers*

*White Elephant Gift Exchange*

*Cookie Exchange  
(both optional)*

*Prize for best holiday outfit lady & gent*

**BYOB**

Ladies' Holiday Luncheon  
Dec. 20th 12:00

*At the Bay  
Order off the menu  
Join us for some  
Holiday Cheer*

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