

HOT !

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THANK YOU!

To all the members who come to the course regularly to keep our club running smoothly by:

Mowing fairways and rough	Ordering parts and fixing machines
Weeding bunkers	Cleaning the on-course restrooms
Picking up supplies from the mainland	Troubleshooting, repairing and cleaning the irrigation system
Taking recycling to the dump	Clubsitting
Hosting social events	Running tournaments
Planting and maintaining flower beds	Maintaining the ponds
Applying fertilizer and fungicide	Emptying trash
Producing the newsletter	Painting signs, markers, mailboxes
Raking, weed eating, pruning, sawing, hauling, burning	Paying bills, budgeting and investing
Waking up at the crack of dawn to turn on sprinklers	Repairing anything that needs repairing

Members do these jobs willingly and cheerfully to maintain our course and keep costs down. Well done! Joyce Kruithof

July 29 Workday

The July workday saw a number of chores, big and small, made easier by many hands (also big and small).

First, we're making significant progress on getting the irrigation system up to where it was intended to be. Over the years, it suffered various breakdowns and leaks, which is of course quite normal. However, during the past two decades, much of the knowledge of how the system works as a whole has been lost, or at least was not known to those repairing it. As a result, many of the repairs, while effective, attacked just the specific problem isolated from the system as a whole. Thus many areas of the course haven't been watered effectively, and often we've set out hand sprinklers to ensure critical areas such as the approach to the ninth green received water. Now, however, a team has set about restoring the system to what it is truly capable of. They're not done, not by a long shot, but they're making progress – good progress that's doubly helpful in this drought year.

One place the sprinklers seemed to work overtime was on the first tee, weathering the yardage sign to near-unreadability and causing the bushes to obscure both that sign and the large course-rules notice. We repainted the yardage sign and cleaned up the shrubbery around both signs. We also repainted the Welcome sign at the entrance to the course and replaced the rotting newel posts surrounding it.

The work day team also weeded around the clubhouse and pulled out the invasive Oregon grape.

In various ongoing tasks, the divot mix boxes and ball washers were refilled (even put a few new green towels out), we picked up the trash, and we gathered a lifetime supply of pine cones. (Short lifetime, unfortunately. They're sure to have been replenished by the next work day.)

In addition, we had a wonderful lunch of chicken alfredo and macaroni, salad, and ice-cream-topped brownies.

The next work day is August 26th. Why not come out? There's a pine cone with your name on it, and there's a rumor going around that you can get a free mulligan for each hour worked. (The rumor is likely false, but we can dream, right?)

Steve Levy



Ode to the Trees

Twilight Aug 9th

Leave it to the Whitneys to come up with a twilight event that incorporated current affairs of the golf club. So clever, so....oh I don't know...was this a pay back Larry for the NO vote on removing the tree on 8/17?? We should have known things weren't going to be that easy when Larry presented the captains with a 12 page Word document for the rules and Judy said, "Oh, I don't think I'll play....I'll stay back and tend things in the clubhouse." RIGHT!!!

We had to putt with a tree branch, a hatchet, a double sided axe. We had to go between the two trees on #10 under a rope stretched between them. We had to hit the @#!*! tree on #17....not too high and not too low. We had awards for closest to the tree on #15, hit the log on #16 green and putt a pine cone into the cup on #12. Long story short....there were no under par rounds on this best ball step aside.

First place with a score of 35: Lynn Hall, Steve Levy, Bill White, Larry Whitney (Hey, wait a second....Larry was on the 1st place team????)

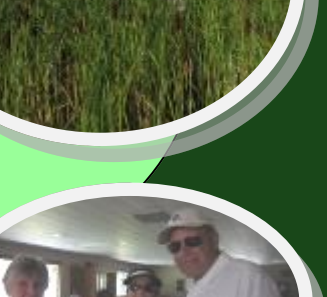
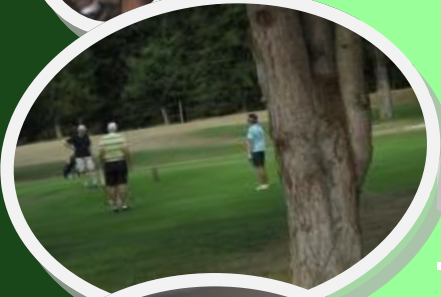
Second Place with a score of 37: Joyce Kruithof, Jeremy Levy, Ray Ellener, Jimmy Billesbach

A tie for 3rd with a score of 39 went to Carole White's team & Sue Crockett's team.

KT's on #15: Pat Goodfellow & Bob Hall

We had a Mexican themed potluck and the tables were beautifully arranged by Gretchen Gruenke & Judy Whitney and topped with Beth Hughes' beautiful flowers as always.

Chris



**Pilon & Lott
(Match Play)**

Winners

Ed Gutkowski

Nancy Lynch

Runners-up

Tom Cowan

Carole White



August Aces

Lynn Hall

Mike Summers

Welcome!

Mark Herrenkohl



New Certificate Member

New Trial Member



Bruce Johnson

Welcome!

All Events Are Posted On Our Website

<http://lopezislandgolf.com/>

Club Championship



Low Gross

It's been quite a week! For those who participated it was 3 days of intense concentration, trying to do the best you can possibly do. Golf is different that way....the competition is really within your head. You are competing against yourself regardless of what any one else does. EVERYONE who participates deserves to be congratulated!

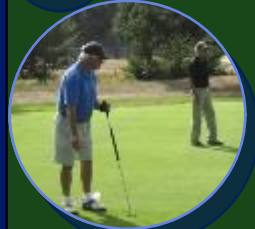


Low Net

First Round on Tuesday: Tom Cowan was on top with a 78! Good going Tom. That's a tough crowd you were in. Jimmy Gouge was hot on his heels with a 79. Bev Smith with an 83 is no new comer to the top spot. Joyce Kruithof was in the #2 spot with a 90. Net scores had Bob Hall with a 60 & Beth Hughes with a 68.



2nd Low Gross



Second Round on Thursday: Bev Smith increased her lead with an 86, Joyce Kruithof held on to the #2 spot with a 96. Jimmy Gouge took over the top spot with a 74 with Esa Turunen climbing to the #2 spot with a 78. Net scores showed Beth Hughes increasing her lead with a 66 and Bob Hall retained his position with a 65.



Final Round on Sunday: WOW! The guys gave us a great show!!! Esa with a 74 came from 5 back at the start of the day to tie Jimmy on #18 for the lead. Sudden death at hole #8 showed Jimmy the victor. For the ladies Bev Smith was out of reach for the top spot while Chris Bangsund turned it on to take over the #2 spot. Net scores awards became a family affair with Bob Hall staying on top and Lynn Hall taking over that top spot by 1 stroke.



It was a loooong 3 days. I don't know about the rest of you but my brain & body are just plain sore :-)

Many thanks go out to Nancy Lynch & Dolores Vrooman who took on the organization & decoration of the club championship party, and to Nancy for capturing pictures of all the groups. We also thank all the spectators who came to watch the participants come in. It was nice to finish with a warm welcome.

Chris



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

August

30 Twilight Golf Event 4:00

September

1 & 3 Ace Tournaments 8:30
 2 Business League 5:00
 20 K&Q, Scramble, Awards (see opposite) varied
 30 Workday 9-12

October

4 Fall Membership Meeting 4 pm
 10 Wurst Golf Tournament 11 am
 (Fundraiser for LI Children's Center)
 28 Workday 9-12

King & Queen Tournament
 9 hole scramble

Awards Banquet Sept. 20

An action packed day & evening.

K&Q Tourney: 12 noon start time

9 hole scramble: 3 pm start time

Coronation and Awards Banquet: 5 pm-9 pm

Sign up at the club.....



It's horse race time again! Sept. 7th

Colts grab your filly and do-si-do! If you haven't done this one, you've missed a good time. Get there early to place your bets.

Ponies to the post at 2pm.

Sign up at the club.

Hurry hurry!

Last twilight event
 August 30th

4 pm tee off time

\$5 for game

\$7 for dinner:

Homemade meatloaf &

Twice baked potatoes

Bring salad, veggie or desserts

BYOB & place settings

Wednesday September 2nd

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

Contact Esa Turunen with any questions 468-3603

Business League

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