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Around the Course

If this was your favorite pine tree, I am sorry to report it is outgrew its strength. We are calling in a local tree expert to clean this precarious situation up. We plan to have him climb the remaining section of the tree and take some of the weight out. Thereby saving the tree. Admittedly, it did fall in the perfect direction, off the green and mostly out of the fairway.



Around the Course

The trees are not done throwing down branches in these spring wind storms. Our greenkeepers keep plowing ahead with clean up and preparations for the long mowing season ahead.

Getting the fairway mower out and running in



the past few weeks has really tidied the course up. Bringing some form and shape back to the



fairways which transition into the aprons and then our greens. When you see the crew out working don't forget to give them a wave and a

have a little patience as they move around the course. They are following a pattern and a plan and perhaps that green or fairway they are on is their last of the day. They look forward to moving out of your way so you can continue your game.



Junior Golf



Golf Clinic with Steve Nightengale on March 13th and 14th. The rain on Friday did not keep these young golfers from a chance to improve their golf skills.



Junior Golf



It is a small but mighty golf team this year. Steve Nightengale came out for a one weekend intensive clinic in early March. The Junior Golf Fund pays for his expertise. The team worked on all aspects of golf under Steve's watchful eye. Bob Gerfy was also on hand to assist Karrie Werner this year's golf coach. The team has already played 4 tournaments and have a match with Orcas coming up on April 2nd.

Workday



JS

Terry Larson filling sand and seed buckets for the tee boxes.



JS

Chris Dern did some limbing of branches off the 7th fairway.



JS

Melora and Stewie cut out the dead, low growing plant in the flower bed off number 3 tee box.

Workday



Lauren Stephens brought her weed whacker and did some clean up on the number 4 pond.



Kit Ledbetter weeding out bunkers around the practice area.

Bob Hall picked up the garbage and recycling from the course.

Work Day Hosts



Your hosts for the lunch were Suzi and Scott Jennings with yummy snacks and coffee delivered on the course and a delicious creamy chili with white bean and chicken for lunch. There were of course cookies for dessert.

Other than Workday Tasks



This unusual vantage point is from atop the clubhouse roof. Steve Levy was up there investigating what might be causing the leak from the ceiling in the women's restroom. Just a reminder, you don't have to show up on work day to help out. Projects and problems crop up daily.

Next time you are out at the course, if you would like a fun job like this contact Jodie or Benni and they will give you some options. Steve noted while climbing up the ladder, "Boy these gutters need to get cleaned out." A fine example of how new jobs appear on the list every day.

Parting Shot



The guys. With a collective age of 249, this regular Monday morning threesome enjoys some early spring golf.

Mark Your Calendars

April 2 Lopez vs Orcas HS Match

April 19 Soggy Bottom Golf Tournament for Hospice and Home Support contact Vaughan 360-

April 21 Lopez vs MVC HS Match

April 24 Russ Johnson- Celebration of Life

April 28 Lopez vs Grace Academy HS Match

April 29 Workday



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