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President's Post

I'd like to thank those members who've responded to our need for revenue by donating time, goods, services and money to our Golf Club so far this season. We're not out of the woods yet, but your contributions are helping a lot! THANK YOU!

ALL Events Are Posted On Our Website

<http://lopezislandgolf.com/>

June 24 Twilight Golf



This very well-attended event was hosted by Mary Ellener and Dick and Sharon Dicker. Mary made an excellent dinner with chicken fajitas, roasted corn and black bean salad, southwestern rice and cupcakes. Margaritas flowed before, during and after.

Winners of the ABCD game: Three teams tied for first place: Team 5B with John Bronson, Jo-Ann Lange, Jimmy Billesbach and Ann Bronson; Team 6 with Jim Smith, Joyce Kruithof, Oswaldo Mino and Julie Van Camp; Team 7 with Larry Whitney, Rita O'Boyle, Barbara Reiswig and Rip Van Camp. Two teams also tied for second place: Team 8 with Dick Reiswig, Sharon Dicker, Bette Vaudt and Carol Gregory; Team 3 with Bev Smith, Pat Goodfellow, Steve Levy and Jeremy Levy.

Winning the 25-25-50 drawing were Bev Smith and Oswaldo Mino. Great turnout (40) for a sunny evening of entertainment! It should also be noted that the music was produced by Dick Dicker who compiled a CD of oldies from I-Tunes just for this occasion!



Workday June 27

30 hardy volunteers showed up to spiff up the course and clubhouse and enjoy a terrific taco lunch provided by Marlene and Don Langrock. All the yardage signs got a new coat of stain. The rental carts were cleaned. Rocks were cleared from some of the bunkers. Sprinkler heads were uncovered! New paper towel dispensers were installed in the restrooms on the course. Special thanks to Larry Whitney, too, who painted all the tee bricks and blocks.



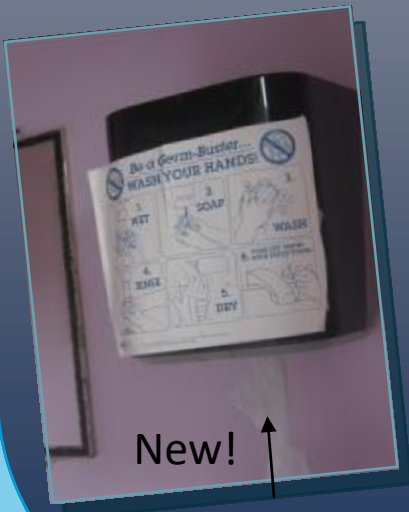
No rocks!



New burnpile!



New stain!



New!



Fresh paint!



Found!

Valuing the Volunteer

Jimmy Billesbach

During these hard economic times our volunteers are more important than ever. Jimmy Billesbach is one of those members who helped bring the LIGC to the high standard that it is today.

He bought his property on Lopez in 1961 and finally moved here in 1990. He worked his way up the ranks of the Everett Police Department and retired as Captain/Detective after 30 years of service in 1990. He and fellow policeman Jerry Aaron participated in Combat Pistol Competition for 25 years and Jerry says, "Jimmy was one of the best in the competition and still is to this day."

Jimmy was named Volunteer of the Year of LIGC in 1995. He is one of the longest standing members and in the early 90's was very active during some of the major projects with Russ Storms, Bill Ward and Mike Leckvold. Over the length of his membership Jimmy has contributed in a myriad of ways, mowing the rough, setting pins, working around the greens. Even though he is only on Lopez a couple of months a year now, he still contributes on workdays and as requested. "Jimmy is one of those people who has always been there and always contributed without a lot of fanfare," says Nancy Lynch. "He has been a member for decades and I believe his parents were members before him. His participation in club activities is chronicled on many of the award plaques," she says.

He enjoys golf, motorcycles and shooting sports to this day. When he is in Arizona he volunteers on the Yuma County Sheriff's Department Search and Rescue Unit.

Jimmy, you obviously are a very giving person and we are so lucky to have been on the receiving end of your efforts and expertise. Thank you for sharing yourself with us.



Golf Lessons for Women

6 beginning golfers took lessons from Steve Nightingale on 4 Tuesdays in June. We hope they'll join us on the course soon!



More Lessons coming in July and August:

Dates: July 17 and 30, August 13 and 27

Time: One-hour lessons between 11 AM and 5 PM

Cost: \$50 an hour for one person; \$60 for a pair

SIGN UP AT THE CLUBHOUSE.

Family Resource Center Golf Lessons

10 kids and 3 adults turned out for 3 days of lessons from our LIGC instructors, Steve Bryson, Gary Blair and Jimmy Gouge. A good time was had by all! Big THANKS to our LIGC instructors!!!



Remembering Jerry Conrath



A Memorial Service was held at the Golf Club on Saturday, June 30, to remember our friend Jerry Conrath who died on June 7. Jerry is remembered by our golfing members as a committed volunteer who regularly brought all his tools to work days. In fact, Jerry was honored as the Volunteer of the Year in 2002. Golfing buddy Cliff Stenvall was with Jerry when he got a hole-in-one in 2002. On hole #17, Jerry asked Cliff, "What club do you use on this hole?" Cliff replied that he used a 7-wood. Jerry said, "I don't have a 7-wood." Cliff said, "Here, try mine."

Jerry's sons Mike and Paul filled us in on pieces of Jerry's early life growing up in Pendleton, Oregon, moving to Portland, joining the army during the Korean War, spending a few years in Europe studying music and playing trumpet in symphony orchestras, giving up music to teach history and taking on single parenting when his kids were 14, 12 and 9. Jerry became passionate about teaching kids he called 'our other students' and became a nationally known speaker on Dropout Prevention. We honor Jerry and offer our deepest condolences to his wife Sue Cook.



Twilight Golf July 8

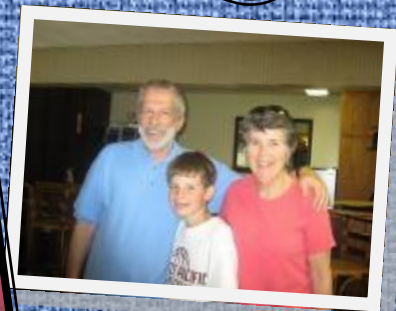
It was a beautiful evening for a 9-hole scramble, hosted by Sue Crockett and Bev Smith. 27 participants enjoyed the game and potluck. Steve Hill won the 50-50 raffle. Diane Robertson's team won hands down with a score of 82, followed by two teams tying for second place at 86. See photos of the winners below. KPs on #1 were Diane Robertson and Bob Gerfy. Closest to the crooked line on #7 were Sue Crockett and Rip Van Camp. Reeling in the line proved problematic, however. Jim Pinkham had to spend the better part of the following day straight ening it out!



1st



2nd



Help Wanted!

See a task that needs to be done?
Contact Steve Bryson if you can help
or if you have ideas for course im-
provements that you can help imple-
ment.



Golf for Life

IT MIGHT BE TIME to rethink the term “golf widow.” A Swedish study found that men and women aged 40 to 79 who regularly play golf have a 40% lower incidence of mortality than those who don’t. In fact, teeing off can add about five years to your life. For maximum benefit, wear yourself from the golf cart—start out slowly, walking every other hole until you’re walking the entire course. A study out of the Rose Center for Health & Sports Science in Denver finds that golfers who walk 36 holes a week burn around 2900 calories,

Hitting the links can help you live longer

which could lead to a 40-pound weight loss in one year. In addition to boosting your health, you’ll improve your game: The golfers produced lower average scores when they walked than when they used a cart—probably because they were better able to see the details of the course, leading to better club selection and shots. More important, walking has proven to increase fitness and improve overall health. The social aspect improves your mood. And because golf can be played at almost any age, it’s the sport that keeps on giving.

Miki and James Straughan have been savoring this article for three years. In fact, Miki keeps it taped to her computer so she sees it every day. The article was in Parade Magazine on August 30, 2009, a GET FIT NOW column written by Michael O’Shea.

Don’t forget to contribute your \$45 donation to help us pay our bills and get through this lean year.

Business League

July Business League -

We only had 11 players but what a beautiful evening it was. Results are as follows:

1st Place –Lopez Liquor Store – (Okay – so we did bring in a Ringer) – Bjorn Ottosson

Gross 32

Marc Zener, Jim Addington, Bjorn Ottosson, Margie Zener

2nd Place – Red House Pottery

Gross 33

Gary Blair, Steve Bryson, Jimmy Gouge

3rd Place – Pal's Painting

Gross 35

Ed Carpenter, Jim Ghiglione, Tom Pal, Kevin Zoerb

Long Drive for Men – Jimmy Gouge

KP # 8 Men – Steve Bryson 12 Ft 2 Inches

We look forward to seeing more of you out on August 1st.

Many of you were busy with haying but hopefully you can all join in next month.

If you would like to play but do not have a team together just contact

Vaughan Williams or Margie Zener.

The Ringer!



The Winners!



New shirts for sale! ONLY \$30!



President's Cup Tournament Winners in June

Women: Joyce Kruithof (107), Rita O'Boyle (106), Mary Brown (104)

Men: Bob Gerfy (121), John Bronson (120), Gary Blair (111)

SPRING RINGER WINNERS

1st	Bob Gerfy (53)	Joyce Kruithof (65)
2nd	Jeff Hanks (61)	Mary Brown (65.5)
3rd	Perry Brown (62.5)	Nancy Lynch and Rita O'Boyle (67.5)

July Aces

Margie Zener

Gary Blair

\$20

On Sale

May 1st-Nov 30th

\$20

Raffle Tickets for

**Lucky ticket
drawn Dec. 1st**

Free 2013 Membership

Lopez Liquor Store *Raffle open to general public & club members

*Items not included: golf club or cart rentals, locker, cart storage, GHIN fees & special assessments

**ITEMS
FOR SALE ?**

Send me your golf items

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

July-August Events:

July 12, 19, 26: Men's McConaghy Tournament

July 17, 24, 31: Women's McConaghy Tournament

July 22: Twilight Golf 4 PM

July 25: Work Day 9 AM –noon

August 1: Business League 5:30

August 2 and 7: ACE

August 14, 17, 19: Women's Club Championship

August 16, 17, 19: Men's Club Championship

August 19: Party after Club Championship

August 26: Horse Race 3 PM

Business League

continues August 1

Put your dream team together, give it a name and come on out the first Wednesday evening of each month.

\$5 Entry Fee \$15 Non-Member Green Fee . 5 pm registration 5:30 Tee Time. Just show up or contact Vaughan William 468-2922 or vewilliams@centurytel.net





David Lopez played our course for the first time on July 12 and was thrilled to be able to purchase \$137 worth of logo merchandise! He purports to be a descendent of Gonzalo Lopez de Haro, the Spanish naval officer who was the first European to discover the San Juan Islands.

(Thanks to David and Cynthia Jaeger for snapping this photo and selling all that merchandize!)

RULES TIP

If you think your ball may be lost or OB you may hit a provisional ball to save time. You have to announce you are hitting a provisional. However, under Rule 27-2, a ball that may be in a water hazard is not lost nor OB. If the only place your ball could lie is within a water hazard, then the ball you hit to replace it would become the ball in play with a stroke penalty. Since that replacement ball is not considered a provisional ball, even if you discover that your original ball is not in the water hazard and you deem it playable, you're out of luck. The replacement ball is the one in play.

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