



CHIPSHOTS

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Lopez Island Golf Club Volunteers of the Year



This certificate is awarded to

*Mary and Ray
Ellener*

*In recognition of their valuable
contributions to the*

Lopez Island Golf Club



Signature: Joyce Kruttsch

Date: Oct. 13, 2024

We are thrilled to give this award to Mary and Ray Ellener for their ongoing offerings of help as event hosts and as clubsitters. When they clubsit, they do much more than serve customers. Window-sills and windows get cleaned and the kitchen gets organized. When they host lunches or dinners, we get a big crowd. And next year, Mary has offered to be our event coordinator. Please respond cheerfully when she invites you to host an event!

THANK YOU LARS!



Lars has been training Lachlan on some of the more golf course specific machines that need reel sharpening. We want to thank Lars for helping to maintain our course for 9 years and for making it the best course in the San Juans!

2025 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Men and Women will combine their weekly golf days on Tuesdays as an experiment in 2025.

ACE tournaments (low net) will be on first Tuesday of the month, April thru September.

Spring and Fall Ringers (using 1/2 handicap as of first day of each ringer)

- ◆ **Spring Ringer** — April 1 thru June 24
- ◆ **Fall Ringer** July 1 thru September 16

President's Cup -- modified Stableford rules

- ◆ Play on June 10, 17 & 24
- ◆ Choose scores from best 2 rounds

Pilon (men) and Lott (women) Tournaments --match play using 3/4 handicap

- ◆ All July
- ◆ Players arrange their own playing times

Club Championship Tournament-

- ◆ August 19, 23 and 24
- ◆ Low gross scores win 1st and 2nd places
- ◆ Additional flights by handicap
- ◆ Low Net winners get **McConaghy Trophy** (new idea)

King and Queen Tournament -- net tournament

- ◆ 18 holes, stroke play, full handicap
- ◆ Winners of monthly ACE Tournaments play as teams
- ◆ Prize to low net team
- ◆ Ties broken by closest to the pin chip-off by 1 player per team

TOURNAMENT RULES

Update September 2024

* All events, except match play, must be played as scheduled. Entry fees TBD

ACE -net tournament

- ◇ 18 holes, stroke play, full handicap--men and women
- ◇ Usually played first women's and men's day of the month, April through September
- ◇ Male and female winners from each month are paired and compete as a team in the King and Queen tournament at the end of the season

Spring and Fall Ringers

- ◇ Players record scores from daily game on women's day and men's day, changing scores on subsequent weeks when lower scores occur on individual holes
- ◇ 1/2 handicap as of first day of ringer

Mc Conaghy Tournament --net tournament -- Revised 2024 -- See Club Championship**President's Cup Tournament -- modified Stableford rules**

- ◇ 36 holes, stroke play, full handicap -- men and women
- ◇ Use the best two out of three scores on men's and women's day from three weeks in June
- ◇ Points: Bogey 1, Par 2, Birdie 3, Eagle 4, Double Eagle (Albatross) 5

Pilon (men) and Lott (women) Tournaments --match play

- ◇ 18 holes for each match
- ◇ 3/4 handicap
- ◇ Ties played off by sudden death beginning on the original starting hole
- ◇ Prizes for 1st and 2nd place
- ◇ Tournament played during the month of July; players arrange time and date of matches

Club Championship Tournament--gross tournament

- ◇ 54 holes, stroke play, no handicap -- men and women
- ◇ Prizes for 1st and 2nd
- ◇ Additional flights by handicap
- ◇ Low net winners are awarded the **McConaghy Trophy**. (Low net winners cannot be gross score winners.)
- ◇ Ties played off by sudden death starting on hole #8

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Revived Sand Trap on #4



On a recent Friday, Tom Cowan, Kit Ledbetter and Gregg Hamilton created a bunker next to the #4 green. Some of you may remember there being a bunker there in the past. Well, now it has returned, though in reduced size.



Women's Golf

Starting on November 5th, the Tuesday women golfers will begin play at noon. We hope to continue playing all winter and look forward to other women joining us.

Joyce Lauren Jinny Suzi Asha Lynn



October Work Day



Above Lynn and Bob prune bushes. Norm, Brett, Benni and Brian rake up needles and tree debris. Below Henryk kindly cleans the on-course and locker room restrooms. On the right, Darrell is on his way to help Benni.



Nancy cheerfully relieved Joyce of hospitality cart duty so she could work with Steve on computer upgrading.



Ron, above, and Chris D, not pictured, helped remove tree fall and pine needs.

Also unpictured, Rob picked up all the on-course garbage and recycling.



Lorena and Jeff made a scrumptious lunch, enhanced by Halloween decorations. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

WHAT'S NEW?

Check out the east side of the locker barn to find new gutters and downspouts thanks to this industrious crew! Thanks Miguel!



LIGC 2025 Social and Tournament Schedule

Twilight Scrambles (all at 4 pm except as noted)

- Sun. May 4
- Sun. May 18 (after Spring Membership Meeting) and New Member/Memorial Party)
- Sun. June 8
- Sun. June 22
- Sun. July 13
- Sun. July 27
- Sun. Aug. 10
- Sun. Aug. 24 – CC celebration usually PL appetizers
- Mon. Sept. 1- Labor Day (Horse Race, starts at 1 pm)
- Sun. Sept. 7
- Sun. Sept. 21 – 3 pm (between ACES and dinner)

Work Days (all last Wednesday of the month, March through October, 9-noon, followed by lunch)

- March 26
- April 30
- May 28
- June 25
- July 30
- August 27
- September 24
- October 29

Wednesday Night Golf - Every Wednesday of the month, start time depends on the season

Annual Events

- Spring Membership Meeting – Sunday, May 18, 3 pm
- Fall Membership Meeting – Sunday, October 12, 4 pm
- Annual Awards Ceremony and Dinner—Sunday, Sept. 21

OTHER -SOGGY BOTTOM Field Day -fundraiser for Hospice – Sunday, April ???
Time TBA

Golf Lessons continue!

GOLF LESSONS With Bert Bates

**\$15 for small group 1.5 hour lesson
(Max 4 to a group)
Times to be determined**



And tell your friends!



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Parting Shot...



The first windstorm of the season caused this as well as less dramatic treefall. We can always use member help in picking up branches and raking up pine needles during the fall and winter months.

If you haven't fulfilled your required work hours this year, contact Benni for additional jobs you can do. You can also pay the \$250 work fee or some part thereof to make up the difference between what you've done and what you're unable to complete.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Announcement

What is Inactive Score Posting Season?

Inactive score posting season runs from November 15th through the end of February in WA Golf territory. If you play golf during the inactive season in our area, those scores are not postable for handicap purposes. But, let's say you play somewhere else during this time, like California, Arizona, or Hawaii, where they don't have an inactive season. In that case, you should post that score as soon as practicable.



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