



Men's 13th tee box

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Editor's Note



We had a fabulous trip to Alaska with memories abound but ahhh it feels so good to be home! Many thanks to Joyce for filling in for me while we were away.

We played golf in Wrangell, Alaska and talk about your local rules! They have "The Raven Rule" stated: "If a raven steals your ball you may replace it with no penalty provided you have a witness." Dick & I found ourselves ducking every time we saw a shadow pass over.

We have a jewel here in our golf course & club....it became ever so evident as we visited many small inland passageway towns. The few that did have golf courses were struggling financially; other small towns have had their courses close. It takes a lot of work and commitment by us all to keep the LIGC going, but many hands make light work. If each of us brought in 1 new member, we would be at full membership....thriving and lightening each of our loads. Here's to making that our goal for 2013! Chris

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Valuing the Volunteer

This year the Board of Trustees have named Carol & Jon Avent as Volunteers of the Year, and they are more than worthy recipients! "They have been at every workday for as long as I remember," says President Joyce Kruithof. "You often see them out working on the course on non-work days," says Treasurer Dodie Schiessl. "Jon did an extensive study of our wells and the hydrology of the golf club area and Lopez in general," says Nancy Lynch. "He has monitored the wells for years and is our expert resource concerning water matters." "He continues to keep track of our water levels and helps out with water testing when he can these days," says Dodie Schiessl. They have sponsored twilights and are regulars at them; they sponsored the new member party and Jon has served as a board trustee. "Carol is an expert on Robert's Rules of Order and has sat with the golf club boards in the past to help," says Margie Zener. These are just a few examples of their volunteerism. "They are both generous beyond belief, always helping out whenever asked, or not asked; just note when things need to be done, and they do it," says Barbara Mino, "I think it's very apt that they be named volunteers of the year at the golf course, and I would go so far as to say they should be named volunteers of the year for Lopez as well," she said.



"Jon and Carol have been members of the Lopez Lions Club for several years, helping continually with their annual 4th of July Fun Run. Carol has served on the LCCA, San Juan Land Trust and Catherine Washburn boards. "Carol and Jon never say no to other Lopez Island service requests. For example, they routinely monitor BLM lands and have worked diligently on both Library and LCCA maintenance projects," says Ian Lange, long time friend of the Avents. They don't seem to stop with Lopez either. "They have traveled widely and gone on numerous service trips around the world from helping restore wild lands on Santa Catalina Island to teaching English in the Cook Islands."

Ian met Jon in graduate school at the UW and in 1977 traveled together by bicycle from Missoula, MT to the San Juans. During that summer they both purchased their respective properties on Lopez.

On one trip to the Galapagos with the Langes, Minos & Minos' son Damon (age 10 at the time), Carol swore Damon to secrecy when ants swarmed Oswaldo's surprise birthday cake bought by the captain of the ship. Carol just swept them aside without alarm and served the cake. "We didn't know about it until years later and the cake was delicious," said Barbara Mino. "Carol even makes Jon homemade pizza every Sunday night," Margie Zener said and added, "and I want some!"

Jon & Carol, there were so many wonderful remarks from so many different people that I had a hard time condensing them into a single page. That alone says it all! We are honored that you added the LIGC to your list of Lopez families. We thank you for your kindness and hard work.

Yeee Haaaw It's horse race time again!



The parade to the post showed some darn good look'n colt & filly teams this year. They were young and healthy....well, mostly



healthy and.... well.... young is a relative term. Fifteen teams made for some interesting betting, and there was money flying everywhere. As the flag was raised and the gates were



Ringmasters, Win, Place & Show

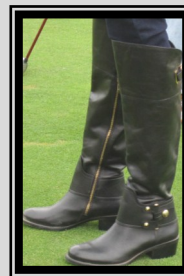
opened the Zener team really stumbled and many thought they couldn't make up the distance.....but they survived the first four holes by a nose and Margie & Marc went on to win the race. The place/show positions

were a photo finish and the judges had to replay a deciding chip shot. In the end Bev Smith & Jim Pinkham took Place with Mary & Perry Brown grabbing that Show spot. Wow.....what a race it was!

Hmmm, did I hear Joyce say a bad word? Bob's drive landed in the sand trap on the 8th.....Joyce had a great out, look at that form. But alas it wasn't enough to continue onto the 9th.



The ringmasters this year were Lynne Addington & MR Buffum. Take a look at those boots on Lynne.....they are a real class act! And MR's got his whip ready for any of those uncooperative horses who get out of line.



Jenny (MR's better half) ran the booze/hot dog cart. She was bored after the first hole with no customers. I told her, "Just you wait until teams get knocked out....you'll be busier than a one eyed cat watch'n two mouse holes." Sure enough at the 7th, there was Ginny yelling, "Hang on, hang on. I'll be there in a second." Hehehe, silly girl!



MR donated all the pizzas for the dinner and they were YUMMY! If you have any doubts take a look at Jim & Lynne....

Next year's ringmasters: Pat Goodfellow and Ron Metcalf



Workday August 29

A fabulous hard working crew showed up for workday! Thank goodness because summertime always presents with a bazillion chores on a golf course. Our members who show up on workday are the best!!! We thank you so much for helping make our course a beauty to behold. Lunch was provided by Mary Ellener & Marcia Sullivan who are not pictured. I hope I haven't missed anyone else.



Pictures are worth a thousand words, so I will stop talking and let you see the crew!



Sept Aces

Jim Montgomery

Chris Bangsund

FALL RINGER WINNERS

Tom Cowan/Bob Gerfy

Bev Smith



Ladies Association

Fall Meeting

The ladies had a great lunch at the Islander Resort with 12 members present. President Miki Straughan called the meeting to order and read the minutes of the spring meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Jeanne Budlong presented the treasurer's report.

A few individuals were honored for giving so much of their time and energy to Tuesday ladies golf: Nancy Lynch, Joyce Kruithof, Margie Zener & Chris Bangsund.

Discussion was held on a variety of topics. Chip-in & Birdie awards were announced and pins were available for those who wanted them.

It was gorgeous afternoon at the Islander. Many many thanks to Bill Diller, owner of the Islander Resort for providing the ladies with their own meeting room and a great selection for lunch.

Special Thanks!

To TJ Anderson for donating two of his incredible wooden bowls for presentation to the women's & men's 2012 club champions!



Don't Forget!

Now's the time to take all those food products out of your bags & carts! The mice have a party during those long winter months!



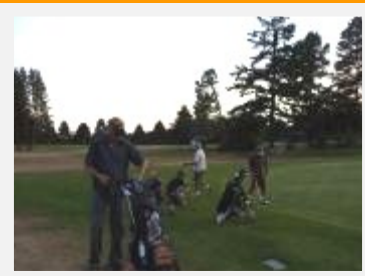
Last Business League

Sept. 5th

Unbelievable.....the weather that is. We did not have one day of bad weather during our 2012 Business League....YEAH.... We had 20 people turn out on this final evening and brought in \$90 in green fees for the club.



Red House Pottery – 7 UNDER PAR takes the win for this month starting on hole # 9 with club champion Jimmy Gouge driving to the fringe of number nine's green and then Gary Blair (2nd place Club Champion) sinking the putt for an eagle. Then off to hole #1 where they made a birdie, followed by hole # 2 with another EAGLE.....MY OH MY..... A very hard team to BEAT.



Lopez Liquor Store – 5 UNDER PAR – Now we think we're good....Ha....Started off on hole #2 and on the green in 2 – going for a EAGLE but NO....just wound up with a BIRDIE....Disappointed and moving on to # 3 Bjorn (playing the front 9) drives the ball to the edge of the sand trap. Wow, we're really excited now but ended with just a BIRDIE. Kevin Zoerb comes alive on hole # 8, drives the ball to 1 ft. 10 inches and he sinks the putt

as well for a BIRDIE.....

Start to Finnish – 3 UNDER PAR - Sorry but none of them showed up for an interview.....

Long Drive – Club Champion Jimmy Gouge

KP # 8 – Kevin Zoerb 1 ft. 10 inches

KP # 8 – Margie Zener 6 FT.....Okay, okay so I was the only woman but I only took KP on # 8 as I landed on the green. I could have taken Long Drive for the women but felt that was not fair so put that money into the prize fund.....

We have had a wonderful season and Vaughan & I hope to see more people turn out next year.

Margie



Rules Tip

Question – A player rotates his ball on the putting green to line up the trademark with the hole. He did not lift the ball, mark or change its position. Is there a penalty?

Answer – Yes, one stroke for touching the ball other than as provided for in the rules.

Rule 18-a. Under Rules 16-1b and 20-1 A ball on the putting green may be lifted (or touched and rotated) AFTER its position has been marked.

If the player had marked the position of the ball before rotating it, there would have been no penalty.

Margie Zener

King & Queen

Tournament



Queen Rita
of midisleville



King Marc
of mattiebrook



and their court jesters

As always the King & Queen Tournament is nothing but excitement. It is the best of the best net players on the first ladies'/men's day of the month. Or perhaps more accurately, it is those who play their best on that first day of the month. We call them Aces and the lady & man of each month pair up for this end of the season tournament. Six teams in all play their hearts out trying not to disappoint their partner.....but only one team prevails. This year the award goes to Rita O'Boyle and Marc Zener whose net score was 133. Congratulations to a well deserving pair.

June Aces: Rita O'Boyle Marc Zener

July Aces: Margie Zener Gary Blair

April Aces: Mary Brown
Tom Cowan

May Aces: Lynn Hall
Bob Gerfy

August Aces: Nancy Lynch
Perry Brown

September Aces: Chris Bangsund
Jim Montgomery



The Participants

Awards Banquet

Hole in One
Contest

King & Queen

Nine hole
scramble

Tournament

It was an action-packed afternoon and evening. The King & Queen Tournament was first up starting at noon with the six teams teeing off of hole #1. Then about 3 pm, the nine hole scramble put together by Tom & Tammy Cowan started in. We all finished up around 5. Next up was crowning of King Marc and Queen Rita, and then right onto the award for those who shot a hole in one this year and of course the contest associated with that honor. Well there wasn't really a contest since Ed Carpenter was the only club member to make a hole in one this year. So he teed up to show off his stuff. I was near the tree just ahead on the starboard side (whoops, wrong sport), off the right.....HOLY COW, he almost nailed me! Oh well Ed, you still get to claim the fame of a 'hole in one.' Congratulations.

Next up was the award for the nine hole scramble with the team of Tammy Cowan, Dick Bangsund & Ed Carpenter taking the win.

Then we had a phenomenal dinner prepared by Mary & Ray Ellener and served by a couple of our Lobo High School golf team members. Thanks so much for all your hard work!

Last but certainly not least came the yearly awards. Most have already been posted in earlier newsletters so I will only list those that haven't.

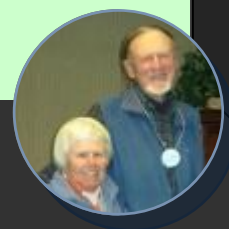
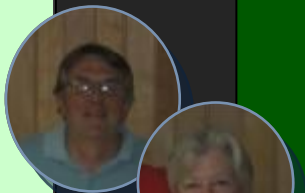
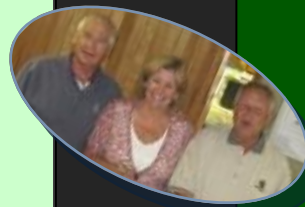
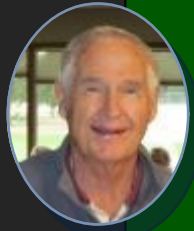
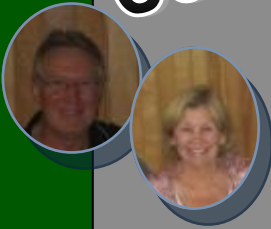
The coveted Russ Storms Award which is given to the man & woman who accumulated the highest number of points via participation & placement in all the tournaments went to the husband & wife duo of Bob Gerfy & Joyce Kruithof.

The most improved player for the year was awarded to Nancy Lynch & Bob Gerfy.

The ladies also give an award for the most birdies & chip-in and for the person with the lowest putting average. Both those awards went to Margie Zener.

Congratulations to all the winners!

Then the board acknowledged Carol & Jon Avent as this year's recipient of the Volunteer of the Year Award! Thank you for your continued dedication and hard work!



More Awards Banquet Photos





Hurry, Hurry, Hurry

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\$20

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\$20

Raffle Tickets for

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At

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Lucky ticket drawn
Dec. 1st

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months of
sales left

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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/>

Sept. Events:

26th: Workday 9-12

Oct. Events:

7th: General Membership Meeting 4-6

31st: Season's Last Workday 9-12



General Membership Meeting

Oct 7th 4-6pm



As you know there are two general membership meetings in any given year....one in the Spring and the other in the Fall. Issues are discussed and decisions are made that determine the future direction the club takes in a variety of ways: budget, maintenance, membership and board members, to name just a few.

Your input is invaluable. PLEASE do your best to attend.

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