



LAKE PADDEN MEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER, SPRING 2016

Welcome to the 2016 Lake Padden Men's Club!

It is time to start off our 2016 Season with Opening Day on March 19th. We hope to have as successful year as 2015. I am looking forward to seeing everyone on the course. Steve Swank and Paul Berube and your board of directors, have put together a great tournament schedule for the 2016 Season. If there are any questions regarding the upcoming season, don't hesitate to contact the appropriate chairman. Men's Club registration cards are by the computer and in the pro-shop. Remember to fill out all the information including your email address and GHIN number. I'm going to let Steve tell you about the upcoming tournaments.

Again, I look forward to seeing you all out there!

Craig Johnson, President

2016 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL & SIGN-UP NOW!

RENEW YOUR DUES BY MARCH 31! The WSGA has moved the cut-off date for membership renewal to Mar. 31. If you want uninterrupted use of GHIN, you need to pay your dues by that date. After that, we will activate you as your paid memberships come in—which could take up to two weeks before you see your name on GHIN. Membership cards are available at the Pro-Shop near the GHIN computer. You can also sign up 'online' (\$5 additional charge) by going to the WSGA website. 2016 dues are \$65 for full membership and \$35 for associates. You need to be a paid member before you can play in our events. Also, be sure and give your correct email address if you want to be on the mailing list.

TOURNAMENTS: This year, there are 15 tournaments that offer up varied formats that appeal to all of our members. We have a mix of fun team and individual events. Score cards for each tourney are created the Friday morning prior to each event so it's very important that your entry be in and paid for by the Thursday 5pm deadline. We have a handicap system, which takes in to accord tourney scores and GHIN and is posted on the LPMC website and on the bulletin board at the course. If you have any questions on your handicap, contact Mike Hatfield. Finally, we will again have the sponsorship of Aerotech golf shafts in two of our Major Events. Chris Hilleary is donating full sets of Aerotech iron shafts for the winners of our Club Championship and Two Man Championship. See you on the course!

Steve Swank & Paul Berube, Tourney Chairs

TWILIGHT LEAGUE INFO: The Team Captain's meeting will be 6:00pm Thursday March 24 at the Coyote Grill. This meeting will be for both leagues. Be sure to get a team representative/captain to this meeting as lots of important information is dispensed, including discussion of KP's. Team fees will be \$75 again this year (or \$100 if KP's are voted in). Play is from the Granite tees. It's a great time and lots of fun. Get your team together and sign up now! Contact me at theartus2020@gmail.com

Terry Moore, Twi-light

PRO-SHOP NEWS: The Winter Golf Tour is finishing up with another very successful season. Once again, the men's club has put together another excellent tournament schedule with a lot of fun and exciting events. We have a very solid core group of players in our men's club, so for that, thank you. The golf shop will be stocked with FootJoy, Adidas, Antigua and Sun Mountain apparel and we'll have both the Titleist and Taylor Made fitting carts this season. Your credit book winnings can help you with a beer after a round, or that new set of irons you've been thinking about. Let Mel, Luke Matt or myself help you out with whatever your golf needs may be.

It seems repetitive, but the golf course is better than I've ever seen it. The greens have been truly exceptional this winter, and we expect that to continue throughout the summer. Superintendent, Scott McBeath gets a better feel for the golf course every season.

New this year is the Bellingham Senior Amateur. A two-day event on June 25, 26th, players 50+ will have a chance to compete for a prize purse of \$7500. There have been discussions over the last couple of years to find ways to appeal to the seniors for the Bellingham Amateur, so we just decided to make your own event! The golf course will be in perfect shape and we expect a really strong field. Come out and show Bellingham who the best senior players are.

Our Golf School is continuing to grow with Director of Instruction, Luke Bennett leading the way. His programs are outstanding and his efforts in developing the Chuckanut Junior Golf League have grown to over 70 players throughout Whatcom and Skagit County. If you have kids between 8-17 that are interested in junior golf, contact Luke! Of course, we're always here to help make your game better as well – all you have to do is ask!

Lake Padden Golf Course is the best value in the state. In the shop, we hear it often. Word of mouth can go a long way. Thanks for the support,

Josh Fish, PGA Head Professional



Here are some great reasons why you should become a member!

The Lake Padden Men's Club is one of the most active golfing Men's Club's in the Northwest! Since its formation in 1972, LPMC continues to offer an outstanding value for the golfing community.

- ◆ **Tournaments**—There are 15 tourneys scheduled for 2016 including the new, two-day Club Championship. \$5000 in added prizes!
- ◆ **Aerotech Golf Shaft Sponsorship**—Win products from Aerotech featuring the highly acclaimed Aerotech Steel Fiber shafts. Rules to follow!
- ◆ **Twilight Leagues**—There are Wednesday and Thursday night Twilight Leagues for the casual golfer where the emphasis is on "FUN"! More info on how to sign up to come in the newsletter. Up to \$1000 added prizes.
- ◆ **Prize Money**—You can use your winnings to buy anything at the golf course including food and beverage!
- ◆ **Pro-Shop Discounts**—Men's Club members receive a 10% discount on all pro shop merchandise featuring the best names in the business.
- ◆ **GHIN Handicap**—Your handicap service with GHIN will be included with your full membership to the Club
- ◆ **Lunch and Drink Specials**—On tourney day, the Coyote Grill will offer up lunch and drink specials for our players!
- ◆ **Associate Memberships**—If you're a member at another golf course, you may join as an associate and play in both our weekend and twilight league events!
- ◆ **Newsletter and Tourney Results**—You'll receive our Newsletter outlining our events and latest in news from the golf course. Plus, you'll be emailed the results and current Money List standings following each tourney.

JOIN TODAY! Call the Pro Shop at 738-7400 or stop by and fill out a membership card with payment.

Full Membership: \$65

Associate Membership \$35

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