



Whidbey Golf Club Fairway News

News and Happenings from Whidbey Golf Club



Pictured: Lucas Horrobin, Daniel Campbell, Robert Tercero, Todd Melnick, Jeremy Amundson, Connor Melnick

The 5 Person Best Ball was a great success this year with 180 players competing throughout the weekend. The course played tougher than most years due to firm/fast conditions, pin placements, and afternoon winds. Altogether we paid out over \$30,000 this weekend in Pro shop credit and cash making it one of our highest paid out tournaments of the year. The weekend started off with a Friday afternoon horse race that was won by two outside players (Steve Lowell & Brandon Lowe) who became the wildcard of the race with 67.2: 1 odds to take home this year's Horse Race Trophy sponsored by 'BMV Capital'. *Continued on Page 5*



BMV CAPITAL HORSE RACE CHAMPIONS

Events

August 6th

Oak Harbor Chamber of
Commerce Scramble

August 5th and 19th

Poker 6pm

August 28th and 29th

Pacific Grace
Couples Chapman

August 31st

Board Meeting 5:30pm

Every Thursday

Ladies' Club 9am

Every Friday

Member Dinner

(No Dinner 8/6 due to outside event)

**Use member log in on Website
for full calendar**

Whidbey Golf Club

2430 S.W. Fairway Lane,

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www.whidbeygolfclub.com

Board of Trustees:

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Club Hours:

Office (Tue-Fri) 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Pro Shop (Summer Hours):

Mondays: 10:00 am - sunset

Tue-Sun: 7 am - sunset

Restaurant:

Weds thru Sat 11am - 8pm

Sunday - 9am - 5pm

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President's Comments

I hope all of you had a great time at the Member Appreciation Day last weekend. Thanks to our awesome staff for *making it happen!* If you know any potential golfers and / or social members, now is the time to bring them by the club. WGC is running a 3-month promotion for Social Members, and there are ample Golf Membership options to fit anyone's lifestyle.

Like clockwork, every July and August the course gets exceptionally dry, similar to every course in the Pacific Northwest. This year the conditions were exacerbated when the back-nine primary irrigation pump failed a few months ago. As luck would have it in our peculiar economy, where there is an acute shortage of skilled workers across all trades, the ONLY golf course pump repair and replacement technician was busy servicing higher-priority courses which had no working pumps. Last week that "pump guy" finally made it to WGC and the new pump is up and running. Bottom-line ... things should get better, but please pray for RAIN!

As you can see on the cover, the Ladies Invitational was a big success. Thanks to President of the Ladies Club, Lynn Coffey, and the MANY ladies whose tireless efforts made this event possible. Also, thanks to the multitude of sponsors, gift contributors, and the men who volunteered to support the event.

If you missed the past few tournaments, it is not too late to sign up for the annual Couples Chapman on August 28-29. It is one of my favorite tournaments because the focus is on fun, rather than on stern competition. So, you are guaranteed to have a good time - food, games, raffles, etc. - even if your team doesn't win.

Hit 'em straight or hit 'em often!

John 'Germ' Geragotelis

President, Whidbey Golf Club

Greens Report, From the Super

by Trevor Thorp, Superintendent

It has been a dry couple of months. We have been waiting for the back nine pump motor to be replaced with a new motor from the 2019 flood damage.

You may have noticed a lot of sprinklers being run in the afternoons. This was my attempt at keeping the fairways green with only the front nine pump working. Finally, last Thursday, the replacement pump was installed and we started using it Friday. Members should see the greening up of the fairways over the next couple of weeks. Loer's pond still has plenty of water heading into August. I look forward to a greener fall.

Membership News

by Arik Dahlen, General Manager

July continued our typical perfect summer weather on Whidbey Island, and the course continued to be busy.

The month of July brought us some fresh faces, including 3 new Under 40 members, and a new Share Family. Some of the most exciting news is that we have seen a big influx in our junior membership program this year. Big shout out to Blaine, Ryan, and Dave for running and impressive junior program. Genuinely nice to see the next generation picking up the game.

The member appreciation dinner went very well, and we are looking forward to continuing the buffet dinners monthly.

We have decided to run a promotion for the month of Aug on Social Membership. Any new social member that joins this month will not pay dues for 3 months. Spread the word!!!!

If you have anyone that you have been talking to about getting started here at WGC, please direct them to me. I would be more than happy to show them around and answer any questions they may have about the many benefits membership has to offer.

House Update

by Arik Dahlen

First off, we want to thank you all again for the support over the last 18 months, and glad to see that so many of you were able to attend the appreciation dinner on Sat the 31st. We will continue to do a buffet dinner once a month now that we are able to. However, with most restrictions completely lifted July was not as strong of a month as we had hoped. Rising costs combined with less sales, and fewer catering events has continued to keep the house behind budget for the year. We do anticipate that things will continue to improve. Being that the house does not open to the public on a regular basis, we rely solely on our members to frequent the restaurant. So please if you are planning on going out... think Whidbey First!

Also, we have decided to do a promotion on Social memberships for the month of Aug. Anyone that joins this month will not pay dues for 3 months. Help us spread the word.

Reminder as well that the Friday night dinner menu is being posted on the website (on Wednesdays) for those who are having trouble receiving the emails.

Updated member calendar with closures is also available on the member log-in side of the website.

Ladies' Club News

by Lynn Coffey

July has been a month of sun and fun.

Winners of Ladies Golf Games in June

- **Plant the Flag** - Diane Pierce
- **5 Clubs and Putter** - Diane Pierce
- **Par 4's** - Lynn Coffey
- **Hate 'Em** - Paula Oldenburg
- **Ace of the Month** - Lynn Coffey
- **Chip In Winners** - Pam Smith, Paula Oldenburg, Monique Franssen, Jane Behrman

Congratulations to Ellie Wright for her Hole N One on #2!

Ryan's lesson for all women members will be Thursday, August 26th, at 8:30 am. The topic is changing your fairway woods to be a different club.

Melnick & Sons 5-Person Best Ball

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During Saturday's opening round it became apparent the course was playing tough when teams were finishing with a battle worn look on their faces and searching to find excuses in the clubhouse bar. Beatty's team started off hot turning in a -27 scorecard after the first day, 9 strokes better than the Sponsored Melnick team who came into the weekend looking for back-to-back 5 Person Best Ball Championships. Saturday produced some interesting scores with 13 skins out of 18 holes. By far the most skins made in a single day for this tournament.

It was very clear that the field had to make a move to have a chance at catching up to Beatty's team. They were one of the first groups out and turned in a sobering 206 (-10) to give them an overall score of -37. Unfortunately, mother nature didn't make it easy for the golfers on day 2 with gusts up to 30mph in the afternoon. Our sponsored team captained by Todd Melnick shot a -17 on day 2 leaving them just 2 strokes away from 1st place. Ultimately it was the Beatty team who won the tournament and \$2000 for their win.

I want to thank our Sponsors for helping us host such a great tournament this year. Thank you to Melnick & Sons for sponsoring our tournament. Thank you to BMV Capital for sponsoring our horse race. And thank you to Sherwin Williams for adding four Paint the Flag 2nd shot KP's to our tournament. I also want to thank the maintenance crew for those early mornings making sure our course was tournament ready for this weekend. Also, I'd like to thank my Proshop staff for ensuring another smooth tournament and making sure our members and guests receive the best experience we can give them.

Full results can be found on page 9.



WGC MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Whidbey Golf Club held their annual Men's Club Championship in July and we saw some familiar faces dawning the leaderboard for 2021. Tim Wyer defended his championship title fending off Jeff Waller in what proved to be a tough battle against the course this year. Roger Pierce also defended his Senior Club Championship title beating out Pat Ford who made a day two charge early in the round but was unable to keep it going late. Our Super Senior Flight had a new victor after a 3 way playoff between Bob Brewer, Gene Cushway and Mike Prewitt. Mike Prewitt won his first title after one hole to take home the title. Congratulations to all who played as it was one of the nicest weekends we have had.

Results start on page 7.

PLAY TOGETHER

The Pro Shop has noticed that we have a lot of singles and twosomes hitting the course lately. We would love to see those twosomes become foursomes and those singles to become threesomes. There have been many instances of twosomes playing behind foursomes that want to play through when there is a twosome or single playing right behind them. In this case the twosome should always pair up with the group behind them. It helps the overall pace of play and we get to meet new members. In the future if you are stuck behind a foursome or fivesome and you are a smaller group, take a look behind you before asking to play through. You'll be surprised at all the new people you can meet.

GREENS AERIFICATION DATES

September 9th to 11th

Greens Aerification will start Tuesday, September 9th. The course will be completely closed on September 9-11. It will reopen on Friday, September 12th for normal play. The range will be open from 10:00am-5:00pm on Tuesday-Thursday for members only as the pro shop will be closed.

COUPLES CHAPMAN

August 28th and 29th

As one of WGC's largest events for the year the Pro Shop expects many players from all over Washington to be in attendance. The Couple's Chapman has boasted a great field of exciting duo's for 20 years strong. If you don't know what a chapman is here is a little explanation:

- This is a two-person format
- Both players hit drives
- Each player takes their 2nd shot from the end of the other player's drive
- The best of the 2nd shots is selected to continue playing the hole.
- From the best of the 2nd shot, the partners play alternating shots into the hole.
- The player whose second shot was picked up, plays the third shot, hitting the best of the 2nd shot ball.

We hope to see as many members as possible at this event. This will also be the last opportunity for men to pick up points for the Presidential Cup that will be held on October 2-3. Grab your partner and join the fun!

MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

2021



SENIOR CHAMPION
ROGER PIERCE



CLUB CHAMPION
TIM WYER



SUPER SENIOR
CHAMPION
MIKE PREWITT

Gross 2021 WGC MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross	Purse	Points	Details
1	Wyer, Tim	+9	76	77	153	\$100.00	1500.00	
2	Waller, Jeff	+11	78	77	155	\$60.00	1000.00	
--	Rodgers, Jeffrey	+12	81	75	156			
--	Beeson, Don	+14	79	79	158			
3	Kubisiak, Tj	+20	81	83	164	\$40.00	500.00	

SENIOR FLIGHT

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross	Purse	Points	Details
1	Pierce, Roger	+12	73	83	156	\$75.00	1500.00	
--	Ford, Pat	+20	79	85	164			
2	Hamming, Greg	+22	82	84	166			

SUPER SENIOR FLIGHT

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross	Purse	Points	Details
T1	Brewer, Bob	+20	86	78	164			
T1	Cushway, Gene	+20	82	82	164	\$25.00	1000.00	
T1	Prewitt, Michael	+20	84	80	164	\$75.00	1500.00	Won in Playoff
--	Kidd, Thomas	+21	79	86	165			



Net 2021 WGC MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Net	R1	R2	Total Net	Purse	Points
1	Beeson, Don	-6	69	69	138	\$100.00	1500.00
--	Waller, Jeff	-5	70	69	139		
2	Rodgers, Jeffrey	+2	76	70	146	\$60.00	1000.00
T3	Collins, Eric	+3	79	68	147	\$20.00	500.00
T3	Elvebak, Ryan	+3	75	72	147	\$20.00	0.00
--	Krantz, Todd	+6	79	71	150		

SENIOR FLIGHT

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Net	R1	R2	Total Net	Purse	Points
1	Ford, Pat	+2	70	76	146	\$75.00	1500.00
--	Hamming, Greg	+4	73	75	148		
--	Pierce, Roger	+4	69	79	148		
2	Upchurch, Bernie	+5	76	73	149		
--	Acton, David	+7	77	74	151		

SUPER SENIOR FLIGHT

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Net	R1	R2	Total Net	Purse	Points
--	Brewer, Bob	-4	74	66	140	\$75.00	1500.00
--	Cushway, Gene	+4	74	74	148	\$0.00	0.00
--	Prewitt, Michael	+4	76	72	148		
T1	Cragin, Rod	+7	76	75	151	\$12.50	500.00
T1	Kidd, Thomas	+7	72	79	151	\$12.50	500.00
3	Johnson, Rodger	+11	82	73	155		

2021 Melnick & Sons 5-Person Best Ball



1	Beatty - Damskov - Bonallo - Harris - Porter	-37	189	206	395	\$2,000.00	2500.00
2	Melnick - Horrobin - Tercero - Amundson - Campbell	-35	198	199	397	\$1,750.00	2250.00
3	Kubisiak - Horrobin - Hamming - Elvebak - Schelling	-33	201	198	399	\$1,500.00	2000.00
4	Wyer - Anderson - Anderson - Schmidt - Smith	-32	199	201	400	\$1,250.00	1750.00
5	Lacey - Lee - Phillips - Waller - Geragotelis	-27	201	204	405	\$1,000.00	1500.00
T6	Sprague - Dahlen - Chrisman - Fridlund - Ross	-26	205	201	406	\$750.00	1125.00
T6	Thompson - Chambers - Bjorling - Munoz - Thompson	-26	207	199	406	\$750.00	1125.00
8	Brusco - Hall - Nelson - Smith - Hall	-19	204	209	413	\$600.00	750.00
9	Melohusky Jr. - O'Neill - Metzdorf - Regan - Melohusky Sr.	-17	213	202	415	\$500.00	500.00
10	Rodgers - Stone - Nunn - Stone - Rodgers	-15	207	210	417	\$400.00	250.00
T11	Noda - Lowell - Hillman - Vu - Gasow	-14	216	202	418	\$250.00	0.00
T11	Strickland - Curtis - Duffy - Kennedy - Diede	-14	208	210	418	\$250.00	0.00
13	Snavelly - Anderson - Krantz - Krantz - Snavelly	-13	208	211	419	\$0.00	0.00
T14	Adams - Coghill - Geise - Rubidoux - Adams	-11	207	214	421	\$0.00	0.00
T14	Robinson - Robinson - Peterson - Hobbs - Boyle	-11	209	212	421	\$0.00	0.00
16	Collins - Wright - Hoagland - Ireland - McMahan	-10	217	205	422	\$0.00	0.00
17	Pierce - Matzen - Pierce - Ford - Pierce - Johnson	-9	210	213	423	\$0.00	0.00
18	Bognanno - Rule - Wade - Morrison - Calache	-8	202	222	424	\$0.00	0.00