



FAIRWAY NEWS

News & Happenings from
Whidbey Golf Club



Ladies Invitational -- June 27 & 28

5 - Person Best
Ball
July 30 & 31



House Events:
Yoga with Cindi
Monday 11 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9am

Poker
First / Third Thursdays 6 pm

Melnick & Sons
5-Person Best Ball

Membership News

Thanks to all who volunteered at Holland Happening, WGC Open House, Military Appreciation Day, and our other events.

Contact Club Manager, Arik Dahlen for Current Promotion Details
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Whidbey Ladies Golf Association

by Lynn Coffey, WLGA President

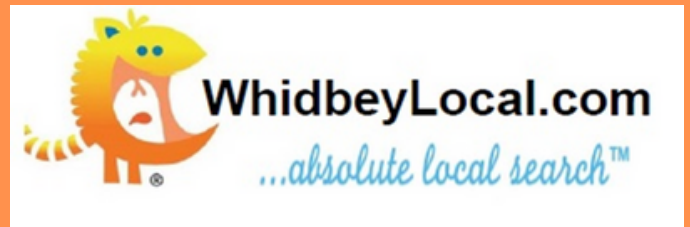
Whidbey Golf Club Ladies 48th Annual Invitational will be held Monday, June 27th, and June 28th. We are preparing for this event. Thank you to Whidbey Local as our main sponsor again this year. Also providing support are Greg Smith (Edward Jones), Ryan Georges (Red's Construction), Todd Krantz (Savibank), Arron Lucero (Terra Firma Wealth Management), Best Western Plus, and Whidbey Golf sponsors listed on the website.

We are looking forward to this great event. You can sign up to play online or in the pro shop. If you need a partner, let us know. Encourage your friends from other golf clubs to come and play.

Ashley Design has shirts, visors, water bottles etc. Use the link below to order.

<https://www.ashleysdesign.com/wli>

Best Western is giving an Invitational discount for June 27th at \$143.50.



Whidbey Ladies Club is in full swing. We are enjoying the warmer weather and hoping the rain will subside some. We have new shirts for all Whidbey Ladies Golf Association members; please get in touch with Lynn Coffey for information on how to order your shirt.

We have an exchange on June 9th at Camaloch. We are looking forward to more Stapleford points.

The "nine-holers" are meeting on Wednesday's 1 pm and Thursday's 4 pm. Please meet on the green if you want to play. The game Challenge 36 is being played from the 100-yard markers. Soon, there will be a mix of games, such as scrambles, tee up, etc., for all levels of women golfers. Come out and join us.

Greens Report

by Superintendent Trevor Thorp

The first major tournament of the year was a success. I am proud of my crew and the conditions we provided being so shorthanded. We all worked over 70 hours preparing the course. If you see Annette, Chris or Leo on the course, please let them know their hard work is appreciated.

The wet spring continues at Whidbey Golf Club. While it is not great weather for playing golf, it provides us with more irrigation water for the season. In the past two golf seasons I have normally been irrigating the course for several weeks by this time of year. Loer's pond is currently at full capacity. Hopefully this will help provide a greener course for more of the summer months.

The board has approved the purchase of a new greens roller. Our current roller is at the end of its life. Since Whidbey Golf Club purchased it in 2018, the transmission has broken three times. Former Super, Oly, replaced it once before I arrived. At the end of my first year here it broke again. Rather than spending \$3200 for a new transmission, we were able to have a machinist fabricate the broken part. That lasted for about a year before breaking again. By salvaging two transmissions from Useless Bay, Leo was able to make it work again. It is only a matter of time before it fails again. Having a working roller is integral to producing a smooth putting surface.

If anyone is interested in learning more about rolling and mowing and how it affects green speed, I have a copy of Dr. Thomas Nikolai's book, "The Superintendent's Guide to Controlling Putting Green Speed". While at Michigan State University I was Dr. Nikolai's Research Technician for three years. I conducted a dozen or more studies on rolling/mowing frequency.

House Happenings

by Ross Geller, Chairman

There are some exciting changes in the Clubhouse starting this month. First and most importantly, the menu has gone through some significant upgrades. The most popular food items have been retained and some new items have been added based on member input. Upon popular request, some new healthy options have been added to the menu, including new salads and veggie-based meat items. (cont'd on next page)

House Happenings (cont'd from previous page)

The menu also includes an expanded variety of “small plates”, smaller sized dishes at a reduced price. Finally, a new “Turn Menu” has been added to the menu. These are select fresh items that can either be ordered before your round or anytime you are on the front 9. The food will be ready and available at the Pro Shop for pick up at the “turn”. Come on up and try the new food items and help support Whidbey Golf Club.



Sprucing up the Water Feature and Clubhouse Areas

A number of improvements have been completed this month in the front of the clubhouse. The entire front of the Clubhouse has received some extensive pruning and new plantings have been added. The old pond has been replaced with a colorful bubbling vase, which forms the centerpiece of the front gardens. Additional upgrades have been planned for the front gardens and will be implemented over the course of the summer.

The inside of the clubhouse will also be receiving a “freshening”.

Planned improvements include carpet cleaning and fresh paint on the walls. There will also be some upgrades to the bar top and the area surrounding the bar. These improvements should be completed sometime during the month of June.

President's Comments

On behalf of the Board or Trustees, I thank EVERYONE – restaurant and wait staff; greens and grounds crews; golf shop personnel and tournament volunteers; usual Monday volunteers AND the many extra volunteers who came out to ready the course, clubhouse and front grounds; managers; and loyal sponsors – for making the Men's Invitational a success. Not only was the course in pristine tournament condition, but also the effort put forth to enhance the clubhouse and surrounds was remarkably apparent. I know these are tough times because like many businesses across the country our staffs are undermanned, but the pride that our employees and members displayed in preparing WGC for this major annual event was truly impressive. Again, thank you ALL.

On a less popular note, the Greens and Finance Committees recommended that we acquire a new greens roller. Although WGC has owned the current roller for only 5 years, it is in very poor condition (see Super's article). Since our capital reserve funds have not been replenished as planned over the past two years (because of House losses due to Covid), the most prudent method to pay for the roller will be to assess members this summer. Regular Shareholder assessment will be \$150, other categories will be pro-rated. Contact the Club Manager for deferred payment plans and/or details. Additionally, September's planned cart-path paving is postponed because exorbitant oil prices have drastically increased the estimated cost. I'm not happy to be the bearer of bad news, but I am satisfied that the Board has acted in the best interest of our members by continuing to think long-range when dealing with unplanned issues like the Covid-induced loss of revenue, breakdown of the roller, and cost-hike of repaving. (cont'd on next page)

MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

July 9-10

Gentlemen, please don't miss this prestigious annual event. Sign up in the Pro Shop. The tournament will be a 36-Hole, stroke play event culminating on Sunday with a champions dinner for all. There are several divisions, so everyone has an opportunity to excel. Good Luck Men!

Golf News from the Head Pro .. David Phay

JUNIOR CAMP

June 21-23 (1:00-3:00 daily)

We are limiting the size of the camp to the first 36 kids that register this year. Please get your junior registered as soon as possible. It will be a fun 3 days with the kids and they will learn the game while enjoying all the activities that we have in store for them. Ryan and I look forward to working with all of them.



***Congratulations to Anna Anderson for her
Hole-In-One on #2, May 3rd.***

(President's Comments, cont'd from previous page)

Every month there seems to be a “buzz” about something or other. Normally I add my opinions to the fire while in the bar after a round of golf (and a round of drinks). Since I have not been playing much lately, I’ll throw in my two cents more formally. The Pro and the Super desire the green speed to remain consistently fast all year round, key word being consistent. I think that goal is being met. However, the faster greens have highlighted the degree of difficulty with some of the new pin positions being set. I have no objection to pins being set anywhere on the green (unless a ball putted from directly below the pin rolls back toward the putter, which would make it unfair and untenable). After playing here for 13 years with the usual holes, I am enjoying the creative pins, ones which give me pause to consider playing away from the flag... or do I aim for another “sticky-murphy.” Remember, just my opinion, I’ll gladly entertain yours.

Lastly, I am excited about some of the menu changes forthcoming this month, especially the “turn” menu which will allow me to grab something of quality to eat when I start the back nine. The House Committee and restaurant staff have been working overtime to get this right. Please pass any constructive criticism back to the House Chair or to Club Manager, Arik Dahlen.

Hit ‘em straight or hit ‘em often

John ‘germ’ Geragotelis

MOUNTAIN MIST MEN'S INVITATIONAL 2022 RESULTS

OVERALL LOW GROSS

Congratulations to Lucas Horrobin who found himself back in the winner's circle, edging Tim Wyer by 3 strokes.

Lucas Horrobin 73-74 (147) \$750.00









OVERALL LOW NET









Congratulations to Donnie Pierce who put together two hard fought rounds of 71-71 to beat John Matzen by 1 stroke.

Donnie Pierce 71-71 (142) \$750.00

Thank you to all our volunteers who gave their time to make the Invitational successful: Lynn Coffey, Warren Brown, Diane Pierce, Ruth Pierce, Andy Wesley, Jackson Wesley, and Cole Valdez.

FULL RESULTS

OVERALL LOW GROSS						
	Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross
	1	Horrobin, Lucas	+3	73	74	147
	2	Matzen, John	+5	74	75	149
	3	Wyer, Tim	+6	71	79	150
	T4	Mulcahy, Eddie	+8	77	75	152
	T4	Cowell, Matthew	+8	73	79	152
	6	Robinson, Todd	+11	72	83	155
	T7	Tercero, Robert	+12	76	80	156

OVERALL LOW NET						
	Pos.	Player	Total To Par Net	R1	R2	Total Net
	1	Pierce, Don	-2	71	71	142
	2	Matzen, John	-1	71	72	143
	T3	Rasmussen, Ray	E	74	70	144
	T3	Schelling, Joel	E	68	76	144
	5	Robinson, Todd	+1	67	78	145
	6	Snavey, Keith	+2	72	74	146
	T7	Elvebak, Ryan	+3	72	75	147

DEUCE POT

i	Pos.	Player
☆	1	Johnson, Rodger
☆	T2	Smith, Glenn
☆	T2	Vass, Tracy
☆	T2	Hobbs, Bryce
☆	T2	Wilzen, Robert
☆	T2	Mulcahy, Eddie
☆	T2	Smith, David
☆	T2	Toms, Jonathon
☆	T2	Schelling, Joel
☆	T2	Fraday, James
☆	T2	Worgum, David
☆	T2	Cowell, Matthew
☆	T2	Wyer, Tim

GROSS SKINS

i	Player
☆	Vass, Tracy
☆	Hobbs, Bryce
☆	Mulcahy, Eddie
☆	Dahlen, Arik
☆	Schmidt, George

NET SKINS

i	Player
☆	Ancheta, Alex
☆	Johnson, William
☆	Gifford, Elton
☆	Dahlen, Arik

CLOSEST TO THE HOLE #2

Pos.	Player
1	Kamps, Nate

CLOSEST TO THE HOLE #7

Pos.	Player
1	Anderson, Christopher

CLOSEST TO THE HOLE #13

Pos.	Player
1	Johnson, Rodger

CLOSEST TO THE HOLE #17

Pos.	Player
1	Williams, Kevin

144 CLUB

Pos.	Player
1	Pierce, Don
2	Matzen, John
T3	Rasmussen, Ray
T3	Schelling, Joel

UPDATED 2022 SCHEDULE

JUNE

4	OHHS ATHLETICS SCRAMBLE	1:00 SG 8:30 Mbr SG
18	US Open Day (House Game)	Tee Times
27	LADIES INVITATIONAL RD. 1	COURSE CLOSED
28	LADIES INVITATIONAL RD. 2	9:00 SG

JULY

4	4th Of July	Open All Day
9-10	MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	8:00-10:00 TEE TIMES
11	PGA Pro-Am	COURSE CLOSED
29	5-PERSON BEST BALL (Practice)	Tee Times
30-31	5-PERSON BEST BALL	COURSE CLOSED

AUGUST

4-5	LADIES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	8:00-10:00 TEE TIMES
12	Chamber Scramble	1:00 SG 8:30 Mbr SG
26	COUPLE'S CHAPMAN (Practice)	Tee Times
27	COUPLE'S CHAPMAN RD. 1	1:00 SG 8:30 Mbr SG
28	COUPLE'S CHAPMAN RD. 2	9:00 SG

SEPTEMBER

5	Labor Day	Open All Day
6-8	Greens Aerification	COURSE CLOSED
24	Penn Cove Charity Scramble	1:00 SG 8:30 Mbr SG

OCTOBER

1-2	Presidential Cup	Tee Times
15	FALL 5 BALL	10:00 SG

NOVEMBER

19	APPLE CUP 2-MAN	10:00 SG
24	Thanksgiving	COURSE CLOSED

DECEMBER

25	Christmas	COURSE CLOSED
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--Lynn Coffey

Club Hours

Office (Tue – Fri)
9:00 am – 3:00 PM
Pro Shop
Mondays: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tues – Sun: Sunrise – 5:00 pm

Restaurant
Weds – Sat: 11:00 am – 8:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm