



# FAIRWAY NEWS

News & Happenings from  
Whidbey Golf Club

WHIDBEY GOLF CLUB  
INVITES YOU TO  
THE 23RD ANNUAL

## COUPLES' CHAPMAN

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August 26,27 2023



2ND ANNUAL  
COLLABORATIVE



**GOLF**  
-TOURNAMENT-

visit  
[oakharborchamber.com](http://oakharborchamber.com)  
to sign up!

11:30 Registration  
1:00 Shotgun



**PRESENTED BY:**  
**PACIFIC GRACE TAX & ACCOUNTING**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

AUG 4 - FRI  
OAK HARBOR + COUPEVILLE  
CHAMBER SCRAMBLE

AUG 10/11 - Th/F  
LADIES CLUB  
CHAMPIONSHIP

AUG 11 - FRI  
HAWAIIAN DINNER

AUG 26/27 - S/S  
COUPLES CHAPMAN

SEP 5-7 - Tu - Th  
COURSE CLOSED

SEP 30/OCT 1 - S/S  
PRESIDENTS CUP

OCT 14 - SAT  
FALL 5-BALL

MENS CLUB  
AUG 10 - THUR 1 PM  
AUG 24 - THUR 5 PM

YOGA - M 11 AM  
T & Th 9 AM

POKER  
1ST & 3RD THUR 6 PM

**PRINTABLE SCHEDULE  
ON LAST PAGE**

# From the President

I hope everyone has been enjoying the summer. July has been another beautiful month in the great Northwest. The weather has been perfect for golf. There just are not any excuses for not getting out and playing. As I write this letter, we are in the middle of our annual Five Person Best Ball Tournament. The dry weather has transformed the golf course into a firm and fast challenge for all golfers. What a difference from the winter months when the fairways are wet and soggy. I encourage all members to take advantage of the long summer days to enjoy an afternoon or evening round of golf when the tee sheet is wide open.

We have some fun events planned for August. The second annual Chamber of Commerce fundraising tournament is on August 4th at 1:00 PM. This is a collaborative effort between the Oak Harbor and Coupeville Chambers to raise money for the New Year's Eve fireworks display. We have a Hawaiian dinner planned for August 11th. At the end of the month our annual Couples Chapman Tournament will be on August 26th and 27th. The Chapman format is interesting and makes it a fun tournament. If you are interested in playing and or need a partner, please let the pro shop know.

There will be four Board of Trustee positions open in 2024. I ask all shareholders and their spouses to please consider serving. Many times, I have said this is a member owned club. With that comes a responsibility to participate and lead in the planning and decisions required to run the daily operations of Whidbey Golf Club. Our membership has a plethora of experience in business and community service. I respectfully ask you to share your experiences. Please volunteer to ensure that the future of Whidbey Golf Club is secure.

I mentioned earlier that the golf course is in excellent condition. The weather has been wonderful. Bring family and friends out to enjoy a round of golf. Please continue to support the clubhouse. Randall has been preparing very tasty weekly specials and dinners. If you have never been to a Friday evening dinner, I highly recommend it. I think you will be pleasantly surprised. When you see any of our employees, please take the time to thank them. They all work extremely hard to provide the quality product we all enjoy.

Play well and have fun,  
Respectfully,  
Pat Ford



Join us for  
“Hawaiian Night”

Friday Dinner  
August 11

## House Happenings

Your restaurant staff invites you to take advantage of the dining opportunities available to members and their guests. Sunday morning breakfast is a great way to start your day prior to a round of golf. Friday night dinners are a great time to meet your fellow members for a relaxing start to your weekend.

On Friday September 15th we are planning a very special wine tasting event that will feature an assortment of wines from Oregon’s Eola Hills Wine Cellars. Wines will be paired with a special tasting menu prepared to complement each wine. Wines from this special event will be available for purchase at special discounted prices that night. Watch for more information on this event in the near future.

Sincerely,  
Dave Bargeon  
House Chair

# Whidbey Ladies' Golf Association

Whidbey Ladies Club had great weather for our Salish Exchange, and we are in first place! We have 6.50 stableford points and Gallery is close in second with 6.00 points. Thanks to Diane Pierce, Marsha Phay, and Anna Anderson for accumulating the most points for us.

The next exchange is at Camaloch on August 24. Sign up is in the ladies locker room. You must be in the Ladies Club to compete.

There is a change on our August 3 ladies day. The game will be TOE and Miss Piggy and luncheon will be on September 21.

Regards,  
Paula Clancey  
Whidbey Ladies Club



## Ladies' Invitational 2023

## WGC LADIES NIGHT OUT

On Friday, August 4, WGC ladies OF ALL CATEGORIES (and their lady guests) are invited to a party at Goebel's Baker Bar. Dining will be pot luck and entertainment will be provided by Island Jazz Band from 4-7pm.

Contact (text) Linda Latham (503-267-6895) for info and/or to RSVP.



# Men's Club Info

by Roger Pierce

The Men's Club held two events in July. On July 13, we had an 18-hole, 1:00 shotgun, 2-net best ball of the 3-some. The team of Bernie Upchurch, Mike Prewitt, and Rich Rosenberg won with a score of 135 (9 under); followed closely by the team of John Geragotelis, Gordon Sears, and Rick Norris at 137. It was nice to see two of our newest WGC members, Rick Norris and Brian Maltbie participate for the first time.

On July 27, we played a 9-hole, 2-man, 5:00 shotgun, Chapman format. If you haven't participated in a Chapman before, it's really interesting and fun. On each hole, both players tee off and then switch balls for the second shot. After the second shot the team decides which ball they want to play and alternate hitting shots until the ball is holed. We welcomed our newest shareholder, Oliver Grimm, to this one and he and his partner (somebody named Dave Phay) won the event by one stroke over the team of Denny Behrman and Bill Johnson. It was great to have our club pro join us.

As always, both competitions were followed by the optional dinner/social, and it was nice that almost all participants took advantage of it. The social is a great way to meet our new members as well as reacquaint with many members that you don't normally play with. There're always at least two optional menu items available and the bar is open. Even if you don't play in the competition, please join us for the social and meet some new guys. The 1:00 shotgun socials start around 5:30 and the 5:00 shotgun socials start around 7:30.

The August Men's Club events will be on August 10th (18-hole shotgun at 1:00) and 24th (9-hole shotgun at 5:00). Dave Phay will be sending out more info and online sign-up about a week before each one.

As a reminder, all Men's Club events are open to all men golfing members of all categories (including social golfers) at WGC. The Men's Club is an informal organization trying to promote cross play between current member groups and individuals. There are no dues or bylaws. If you want to play with us, you can sign up online or just call the Pro Shop at least one hour before the event and tell them you would like to play. When you check in, let them know if you desire to eat afterwards and which menu item you want so it can be prepared and ready for you when you finish your round.

Our Whidbey Couples Chapman is coming up on the 26th and 27th of this month, so get your partner and sign up. This is one of the biggest tournaments of the year and is always a blast, not to mention it's worth lots of Presidential Cup points. If you need a partner, let the pro shop know and we'll try to help you find one, but no promises.

# Membership News

Hello new and old members alike in the middle of our glorious endless summer! As we watch the national news and see all the oppressive heat around the country, I feel so blessed to live where we live....and further blessed to be a member of such an affordable private golf club and all of the amenities we receive. The golf is so spectacular this time of year and has been so much fun meeting new and old members as I have now completed my second year of membership and have so many new friends.

While there are many long-term shareholders in our club, almost half of our members have joined after me so if you are new, please don't be shy in participating in our club activities from men's/women's leagues, our golf tournaments that cater to all skill levels, Friday night dinners, poker and bunco nights and special events like the ones mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter. And best of all, almost every event we do, guests are welcome so bring them and treat them to all a private club has to offer because so many Whidbey residents have never had the privilege of being invited here. Welcome to the following new members:

Susan Hutchison  
John Bathhurst  
Cheryl Lueder  
Erik Milewski

Ron Hinojosa  
Gino Wolfe  
Jason Castillo  
Daniel Robinson

Michael Gillespie  
Gary Stults  
Mitchell Webster  
William Juehl

We did have another positive month for membership last month, but just barely when we factor in losses. Despite a good summer, we are falling short on our new member accession goals for the year. It has been the board's goal to increase our membership numbers, convert more members to shareholders and decrease shareholder dues. But without a significant bump in our numbers, there will be challenges ahead, so everyone please keep the recruiting press on. If you ever have anyone that may be interested, don't hesitate to hand them off to me or Arik and let us also treat them to a free round of golf so they can experience for themselves the best golf course layout in all of Island and Skagit County.

Finally, if anyone ever has ANY ideas for ideas or activities to make our club a better place to spend time, please share them with me or any board member as this club belongs to everyone and our goal is to always make it better!

Bernie Upchurch  
Whidbey Golf Club, Membership Chair

# Tournament Results



## 2023 MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP



**SENIOR CHAMPION  
TRACY VASS**



**CLUB CHAMPION  
TIM WYER  
GROSS**



**SUPER SENIOR  
CHAMPION  
GORDON SEARS**

CHAMPIONSHIP Flight							
Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross	Purse	Points
1	Wyer, Tim	+9	74	79	153	\$100.00	1500.00
--	Rodgers, Jeffrey	+11	79	76	155		
--	Prue, Sean	+13	73	84	157		

  

SENIOR Flight							
Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross	Purse	Points
1	Vass, Tracy	+9	69	84	153	\$100.00	1500.00
--	Matzen, John	+14	82	76	158		
--	McMahan, Tim	+14	80	78	158		

  

SUPER SENIOR Flight							
Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross	Purse	Points
1	Sears, Gordon	+19	81	82	163	\$80.00	1500.00
--	Ford, Tom	+22	83	83	166		
--	Prewitt, Michael	+27	81	90	171		

# Melnick & Sons

## 5-Person Best Ball

Pos.	Team	Total	Purse	Total To Par
1	Melnick + Horrobin + Tercero + Amundson + Melnick	387	\$2,000.00	-45
2	Krantz + Krantz + Carson + Snavelly + Snavelly	396	\$1,500.00	-36
3	Byrne + Nikolas + Worgum + Bull + Eaton	400	\$1,250.00	-32
4	Richardson + Richardson + Warner + Phay + Norris	404	\$1,000.00	-28
5	Visten + Modahl + Weymouth + Miller + Cooley	406	\$800.00	-26
6	Bighouse + Marckstein + Sauer + Feyrer + Kim	408	\$650.00	-24
7	Beatty + Damskov + Bonallo + Harris + Porter	409	\$500.00	-23
8	Wyer + Schmidt + Smith + Anderson + Yurcina	410	\$400.00	-22
9	Thompson + Harrison + Score + Munoz + Thompson	411	\$350.00	-21
T10	Lowe + Olsen + King + Vivanco + Wade	412	\$275.00	-20
T10	Cyr + Zylstra + Carter + Zylstra + Tutterrow	412	\$275.00	-20



**Winning Team**

### SHERWIN WILLIAMS "PAINT THE FLAG"

- #9 - Jeremy Amundson 1'7"
- #11 - Tim McMahan 0'0"
- #9 - Jeff Brown 1'9"
- #11 - Kevin Johnson 1'2"

JULY 28-30, 2023

### 2023 Ax3 HOLDINGS HORSE RACE CHAMPIONS



Dean Dupris / Russ Bell

**Team #6 \$250 + \$250 Cash**

**PLACE**

Team #17 Paul Melohusky Jr & Sr \$175 Each + \$150 Cash

**SHOW**

Team #27 Todd Melnick / Robert Tercero \$115 Each + \$100 Cash

4th Place Tie Kenny Metzdorf / Brian O'Neill \$50 Each

4th Place Tie Todd Robinson / Joel Peterson \$50 Each

FRIDAY, JULY 28 @ 2:30PM



# Whidbey Golf Club

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## Board of Trustees:

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Pat Ford – President  
Jeff Waller – Vice President  
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TJ Kubisiak  
Bernie Upchurch

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## Committee Chairs

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Club House and Restaurant  
--Dave Beargeon  
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--Mike Prewitt  
Greens and Grounds  
--TJ Kubisiak  
Golf Activities  
--Jeff Waller  
Membership  
-- Bernie Upchurch  
Ladies' Club  
--Paula Clancey

## Club Hours

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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

# WGC 2023 MAJOR TOURNAMENT & EVENT SCHEDULE

(updated 28 June)

AUG 4 – FRI CHAMBER SCRAMBLE (OAKHARBORCHAMBER.COM)  
AUG 10/11 – T/F LADIES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - 36 HOLE STROKE PLAY  
AUG 26/27 – S/S COUPLES CHAPMAN - 36 HOLE CHAPMAN SCORING  
SEP 30/OCT 1 – S/S PRESIDENTS CUP - TOP 16 ON POINTS LIST PARTICIPATE  
OCT 14 - SAT FALL 5 BALL - 4 PERSON SCRAMBLE SCORE + 1 CHOKER SCORE  
NOV 18 - SAT APPLE CUP - 2 PERSON BEST BALL STROKE & MATCH PLAY

COURSE CLOSURES (OTHER THAN TOURNAMENT CLOSURES):

SEP 5-7; NOV 23; DEC 25; JAN 1

## WGC 2023 MEN'S CLUB SCHEDULE

(updated 31 July)

18-hole (1:00PM) Format

9-hole (4:00PM or 5:00PM) Format

August 10 Shamble

August 24 (5:00) Blind Draw Twosomes

September 14 Progressive Tees

September 28 (4:00) Choker

October 12 Blind Draw Stableford

October 26 (4:00) Men's Club Championship

**November 9 Hosted End-of-Year Awards Social**