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January 2023

Alderbrook Golf & Yacht Club

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Umbrella Christmas Tree

Photo courtesy of Richard Ives



We Three Kings ... 🎵

Photo courtesy of Kay Shin





Remarks from AGYC Board President, Tim Micek

The unusual weather has made December a challenging month for our AGYC community. I am pleased that we have managed to get through the extremely difficult days of rain, lots of snow, extreme cold and ice with minimal closures and event disruptions. Our clubhouse staff were able to keep smiling while serving us our tasty meals and favorite refreshments. The grounds crew worked tirelessly to clear the roads of snow and ice and continue to pick up the fallen branches throughout the community. We are fortunate to have a wonderful group of dedicated employees to help us get through challenging times.

During the past two months, our GM Search Committee has been very active reviewing resumes and holding interviews with chosen candidates to determine which ones are best qualified to be presented to the AGYC Board of

Directors for their consideration of who could be our next General Manager. This process has been working well and I would expect a final decision to be made during the next several weeks.



General Manager Search Committee: Tracey Lopez, Ron Edwards, Amanda Montgomery (Alderbrook Properties GM), Penny Shelton, Mike Lambert

In the meantime, we will continue to make sure that our community is operating as normal as possible so that our members and guests enjoy all that we have to offer as we move into the new year.

What are the policies for pets?

Alderbrook is blessed with many owners and their pets! However, the rural nature of our community also includes bears, mountain lions, cougars, deer, bobcats and eagles, all of which may and have threatened our pets. And, there are members who are not fond of - or even afraid of - dogs. With these in mind, and all the new members who have joined this community over the last couple of years, it seems appropriate to revisit basic policies for pets at Alderbrook, found in the General Rules 5.0:

Policy 5.9 Pets

- 1. AGYC may require removal of pets that are obnoxious to neighbors. Obnoxious behavior includes, but is not limited to excessive barking day or night, property destruction, and viciousness.
2. Owners of pets may not allow their pets to leave the owner's property unattended or without being under control. Dogs are required to remain on a leash when off their property.

- 3. Owners of pets are required to clean up after their pets and to remove their pets' droppings, placing them in their own garbage. Inset-or designated pet waste collection bins
4. Unsupervised pets are not allowed on the golf course or driving range unless riding in a golf cart.
5. Service animals* may accompany their owners in any area.

*ADA and RCW 49.60.040 both define a service animal as any dog individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability, and are utilized by persons with a variety of disabilities and in many different ways. An "emotional support animal", "therapy dog", and "comfort animal" is not a service animal.

Pets (except service animals) are not allowed in the Clubhouse (except outside), at The Pointe, at the Annex or on the golf course (except with the owner in a golf

cart). At the Wickiup, pets on a leash are permitted in green open areas (but not in the Community Garden, basketball, tennis or pickleball courts.)

Dogs may be off leash on their owner's property. In addition, there is an area at the Wickiup where dogs may be off leash, subject to the following rules:

Policy 4.5.B.3. Off-leash Dog area

The off-leash dog area is set aside at the Wickiup for pet owners to allow their dogs to run and play while not on a leash. Specific rules for use are posted at the entrance to the area. Basic guidelines are:

- 1. Owners/handlers are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs and removing excrement or play/training aids.
2. Owners/handlers must be 18 years or older.
3. Area hours are from dawn to dusk.
4. Owners/handlers are legally responsible for their dogs and use the area at their own risk.





HAPPY NEW YEAR



From Alderbrook Golf and Yacht Club

The New Year's Eve Gala at AGYC restaurant on December 31 started with appetizers of shrimp, smoked salmon, stuffed mushrooms, pot stickers and an antipasto tray. Then a delicious yuletide salad of pecans, apples, blueberries, cranberries and bleu cheese was served with warm rolls. Diners were then presented a scrumptious buffet of prime rib, salmon, chicken marsala, house potatoes and medley vegetables and a dessert table of cobbler, cheese cake, ice cream and cookies.

The night was topped off with a champagne toast and dancing to music by Brant Butte DJ.



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Ryan Garrett & Summer



AGYC Board Meeting Summary

A copy of the complete Board minutes, along with all reports submitted at the meeting, can be seen on the AGYC website or in the Business Office.



Board: Denny Flannigan, Diann Pape, Jim Winchell, Bill Holtz, Pete Wall, Mike Johnston, Tim Micek

Your AGYC Board met on December 28, 2022 and acted on the following:

- Approved the removal of one (1) Jack Pine tree at 250 E Jack Pine Lane as recommended by the Tree Committee.
- Moved that any excess of membership income over membership expenses for the year ending May 31, 2022 shall be applied against the subsequent tax year membership assessments as provided by IRS Revenue Ruling 70-604.
- Approved the home office for CoolCalm Construction at 221 E Michelle Drive.
- Approved the purchase order for John Deere Equipment for two (2) TX Turf Gas Gators in the amount of \$15,190, to be paid from O&M.

Upcoming: Board Meeting Wednesday, January 25, 6 p.m. Clubhouse and Zoom

November 2022 Financial Report

N O V E M B E R F I N A N C I A L R E P O R T	Operations Income:	Actual: \$ 212,694	Budget: \$ 215,294	
	Operations Expenses:	Actual: \$ 224,713	Budget: \$ 222,006	
	Operations Net Income:	Actual: (\$ 12,019)	Budget: (\$ 6,712)	
	Less Loan Expense Income:	(\$ 57,117)		
	Adjusted Operation Income:	(\$ 69,136)		
	Reserve Income:	Actual: \$ 35,160	Budget: \$ 34,800	
	Reserve Expenses:	Actual: \$ 0	Budget: \$ 0	
	Reserve Net Income:	Actual: \$ 35,160	Budget: \$ 34,800	
	<u>Account Balances</u>			
	Operating Funds:	\$ 424,889		
	Contingency Funds:	\$ 44,957		
Debt Service Account Funds:	\$ 21,345			
CH Assessment Reserve:	\$ 4,885			
Reserve Funds:	\$ 355,455			
<u>Parcel Summary</u>				
AGYC Lots for Sale:	1	* includes 90 days past due on HOA Dues or Roads & Drainage Assessment.		
AGYC Common Area Lots:	27			
Private lots in good standing:	573			
Private lots delinquent:	12*			
Alderbrook Properties, LLC lots	103			
Total:	716			



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Finance Committee By Mary Gin Kennedy, Chair



AGYC: A Healthy Financial Picture As We Begin 2023

AGYC is a \$3.2 million business, and we are having a good financial year to date. Our HOA has continued to maintain the strong financial position we have achieved over the past several years. This state of affairs supports our Strategic Plan vision of having “a thriving, fiscally secure HOA.” We owe this accomplishment to the hard work, careful management and dedication of the Business Office, all departments and the Board of Directors.

As of November 2022, which is halfway through our fiscal year (June through May), our O&M budget is in the black with sufficient funds to support us until the end of fiscal year on May 31, 2023. By plan, we rely on our summer and early fall net income to sustain us during the last half of the fiscal year. We create the O&M budget bearing in mind that our operations are seasonal in nature, with revenue dropping off from October through May when bad weather discourages golf and depresses the restaurant business.

In summary, net income is ahead of our budget projections, and expenses are below our overall projections. Our monthly dues collection is very close to the budget projection. Our Reserve Fund income is also close to our budget projections and almost fully committed to the Roads & Drainage Infrastructure Program. Along with a strong golf season

and a healthy restaurant business, this year’s thirty-five dollar dues increase is one reason AGYC continues to be on solid financial footing.

As we look ahead, we know that expenses will increase in 2023. Inflation is still running at 7.1%, and the economic outlook continues to be uncertain. Effective January 1, 2023, Washington’s minimum wage increased by \$1.25/hour (8.63%) to \$15.74/hour. Since labor costs comprise about half of the O&M budget, this increase has a noticeable domino effect on all our hourly employees, not just minimum wage positions. Other expenses, especially for the golf course, such as sand or grass seed, may be higher this spring. We watch our income and expenses carefully and adjust spending as needed.

AGYC’s big ticket undertaking, the Roads & Drainage Infrastructure Program, has continued to make significant progress in 2022. Over five miles of road improvements have been completed to date, with 2.5 miles remaining, and the drainage improvement projects are substantially complete. We are halfway through the seven-year construction program and have completed \$3.5 million of the projected \$5.4 million budget. Members have paid \$2.3 million of the \$2.6 million Special Assessment. For members paying monthly or annually, the assessment must be paid in full by May 2024. The R&D program was originally budgeted at \$4.1 million in 2018, but the cost has risen to \$5.4 million because of

project scope changes and dramatic price escalation. Ten dollars of this year’s dues increase is earmarked for our Reserve Fund to help cover the additional program costs.



We have continued to monitor AGYC’s two outstanding loans with HomeStreet Bank – the golf course and the Clubhouse loans. Both loans have balloon payments due on June 1, 2025. The current balance of the golf course loan is \$507,039. Since November 2021, we have reduced the balance on the loan by \$143,200 (rounded), including principal prepayments totaling \$118,000. Five dollars of this year’s dues increase is being used to increase the principal prepayments. We hope we will be able to continue these additional prepayments as they reduce the interest we pay on the loan and shorten the payoff date. The exact balloon payment due will depend on how many additional prepayments we make. The Strategic Planning Committee’s annual survey in January will seek input from members on how to retire the loan. We are interested in your feedback.

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Finance Committee

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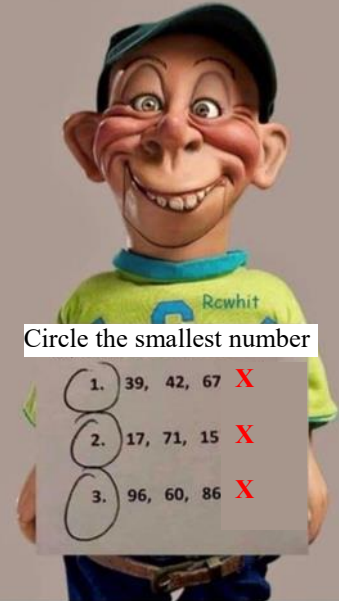
Over the past year (November 2021 to November 2022), we have also reduced the balance due on the Clubhouse loan by \$80,700 from \$193,400 to \$112,700 (rounded). The loan is paid by Alderbrook Properties and those AGYC members who decided to finance the \$2,000 assessment in 2009 by paying \$15/month instead of paying the assessment in full. When Alderbrook Properties (or an AGYC member still paying \$15/month) sells a home, we collect the balance due at closing and make additional principal prepayments. We were also able to prepay \$45,000 on the loan in November from a service adjustment we received. The

balance due on this loan in June 2025 is estimated to be \$78,000.



If you are interested in reviewing AGYC's financial reports, the monthly Income Statements and Fund Balance Sheets are posted in the member section of the website under monthly reports.

I still think I got it right and the teacher's wrong.



Environment Committee By Marilyn Eastby, Chair

Winter Storm Damage



AGYC residents have been able to bring their storm-damaged chippable branches/limbs to the sand/gravel area on the corner of Fairway and Manzanita for chipping since December 9. This area will be available for chippable branches/limbs AND Christmas trees through January 6. An orange cone designates the drop-off zone. Our maintenance crew will be chipping these branches/limbs for our Alderbrook Trails.

After our early December storm event, having this location to bring our broken branches/limbs has been extremely helpful. Unfortunately, there have been a few instances of residents dumping yard waste.



Please ONLY drop-off chippable limbs/branches. In addition, your contracted landscapers are NOT permitted to drop-off debris to this area for chipping. The volume is too much for our maintenance personnel to handle. Please advise your landscape contractors not to utilize this site.

AGYC resident cooperation ensures that we will have this service in the future when the next weather event occurs! We really appreciate our maintenance crew's efforts in all their cleanup endeavors!



Golf Cart Parade



Music, Christmas decorations, festive lights and honking horns announced the arrival of the Golf Cart Parade on December 8. Led by traffic controller Michael Johnston, Alderbrook residents

enjoyed lots of Christmas cheer provided by the 18 parade participants.

After the parade, the evening festivities continued with Karaoke and libations in the Alderbrook restaurant.

Golf Cart Décor Winners



1st place
Lisa Roberge & DW Flannigan



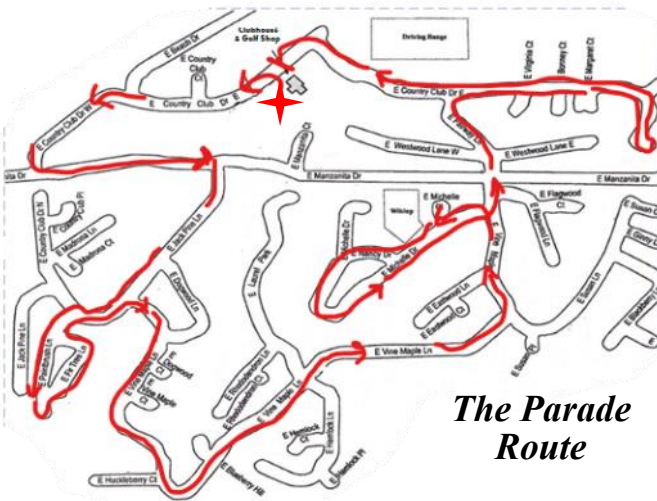
2nd place
Katie Orr & Lisa Cook



3rd place
Erika North



Tonja Mast won the Ugly Sweater Contest



The Parade Route

Editor's note: This foliage was from tree branches all around Alderbrook!

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Golf Cart Parade

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Santa hitched a few rides...

Reindeer & Drummer boys

Richard Ives as Santa, Elf or Reindeer?

Snowmen, Stockings & Elves

Wreaths, Ornaments & Bows

Garlands



13th Annual Polar Bear Plunge



**Saturday, February 11 from Noon - 2 p.m.
Alderbrook Resort & Spa**

Take the Plunge! The Plunge is open to community members who raise a minimum of \$30 in donations. Come watch and support the jumpers, buy raffle tickets, enjoy clam chowder, coffee & hot chocolate provided by Alderbrook Resort

All funds raised at this event will directly benefit the following Mason County Service Departments: Mason County Sheriff's Department Chaplin's Fund, K9 Unit, Dive Team and Marine Patrol, and Mason County Volunteer Fire Departments in Union and Hoodsport/Lake Cushman. The 2021 Polar Bear Plunge provided a donation of over \$10,000 which was equally distributed to the emergency services that year.

Donations, cash and/or raffle prizes, are tax deductible. Business Sponsorships (donation of \$300+ will have name/logo on the back of the 2023 Polar Bear Plunge T-shirt). Charlies Vision is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit benefiting the Mason County Emergency Services



Grand Prize Winners 2021



Hood Canal Lions Club is proud to put on this event to benefit our local community. For more information Plunge4Purpose@gmail.com



H & F Committee (House & Facilities) By Sharon Ferguson, Chair



The H & F Committee members are Nancy Kizziar, Jean Fields, Rick Reclusado, Rhonda Westover

and Chair, Sharon Ferguson. Our Board Liaison is Michael Johnston. We meet the second Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse and welcome anyone who would like to attend our meetings.

Our committee is working on a question for the next Strategic Planning Committee's survey.

We are also in the process of estimating costs for repair and maintenance of our facilities. The upkeep of our facilities has been mostly ignored for the past 20 plus years and it shows. Aldersbrook is not just a golfing community. Many in our community, including golfers, enjoy the Wickiup picnic area,



The committee is prioritizing the "needs" and "wants" and will submit them to the Finance Committee and Board for funding our facilities. Not taking care of our facilities is costly. Taking care of our facilities makes using them more enjoyable, enhances our home values and gives us pride in our community. Makes sense to me.

In 2012 the House & Facilities Committee submitted a management and maintenance program for the facilities. This was agreed to by the Board but it was never implemented.

The committee also suggested that all Board members, during their term of office, be required to tour all the facilities a minimum of once a quarter and if possible, in the company of a House and Facilities Committee member, or chairperson, whose responsibility it is to see and register the smaller details that can escape a casual viewing. The Committee believed it would benefit the Boards understanding when the House and Facilities Committee brings before the board any repairs, maintenance and/or enhancements for a vote. This Committee is reworking and updating the program in hopes of making it a working tool helping to keep our community's facilities safe, in good repair and looking nice.



the bocce, tennis, pickleball and basketball courts, gardening, dog park and children's play area and/or enjoy the Annex for card



games, ping pong, darts and a free library for all.

We also have the Clubhouse, Maintenance facility and The Pointe to consider.

If you have questions or concerns about any of our facilities, please contact any member of the House and Facilities Committee.



They will be sending a survey to all members asking you to consider how you would like to see your community 10 years from now. Our committee is interested in learning how our members envision the facilities to look in the next ten years while also considering our current financial obligations and the cost of change. There are a lot of things I would personally like in life; however, do I want to pay for them, and if so, what do I think it will take? We have a very special place to call home and look forward to what our future holds.

Hood Canal School District By Edie Reclusado, Board Chair, Union Director District #1



The Washington State School Directors' Association named three school boards from around our state for the highest level of recognition as 2022 Boards of Distinction. The Cascade School Board of

Leavenworth (1,260 students K-12), the Walla Walla School Board (5,600 students pre-K to high school) and the North Thurston School Board based in Lacey (15,000 students K-12) were selected for providing additional academic support to bridge the learning gap caused by the pandemic, increasing the academic performance level of all children through learning acceleration and providing programs before, during and after school to expand instructional time and learning interventions for students.



The Hood Canal School Board aspires to be such a board but more importantly, we are determined and committed to raising the level of educational

opportunities for the children of our community. Towards that end, the entire staff were essential and involved in the process of vetting and selecting our new administrative team last summer. We have taken bold moves to hire a superintendent who shares our vision and is willing to do the hard work necessary to facilitate core systemic change. We have supported him in hiring building administrators whose expertise is based in understanding and implementing effective systems and whose knowledge of cutting-edge instructional strategies is outstanding.

The Board's goals are fundamental to providing a solid education to our students:

- **literacy** (we will no longer accept that only one out of three students reads at grade level),
- **communication** (from the staff, parents, leadership and Board to all invested stakeholders),
- **attendance** (children cannot learn core curriculum if they are not at school),
- and finally, **a culture of excellence** (staff, leadership, parents, business partners and the Board MUST all believe that we can move the trajectory and must be WILLING to play a part in that movement).

High expectations for all!

Instruction, interventions, schedule minutes, curricular materials, vertical alignment of learning expectations at each grade level and even report cards will be at the heart of our work.

This year, the school has experienced an increase in student population that at one point was up 50 students + over past years.



We have children participating in art classes on the school stage. There is a waiting list for our UW sanctioned preschool program. Simply, we have run out of space. And some of the spaces we have, are old, out-moded and unsatisfactory. Our Board also is developing a 5 – 8 year plan to meet all of the needs of our school district – classrooms, teachers, ADA playgrounds, curricular materials, early learning center, transportation building and STEM junior high.



We invite you to attend our Board meetings every second and fourth Thursday of the month in the school library or on Zoom

Go to the [district website](#) to learn more about what's happening at HCSD and how YOUR voice can be heard.



There were over 150 Alderbrook residents enjoying the Jingle Mingle on December 9.



Dee Dee & Norm Hammer



Lorene & Jim Hipp



Judy & Martin Grote

Karen Aumend & daughter Lianna Bergan



Dave & Kae Goodman



Virginia Balsley

James Pike & Jessica Lee

Chuck & Nancy Kizziar



Jim & Alicia Blake



Graham Dornan



Jan Fitzgerald, Linda Francisco & Marcia Werner



Ken & Nora Shreve



Jingle Mingle

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Susan & Bill McNaulty



The Rainier Project



Bret & Barbara Lynch



Penny & Randy Shelton



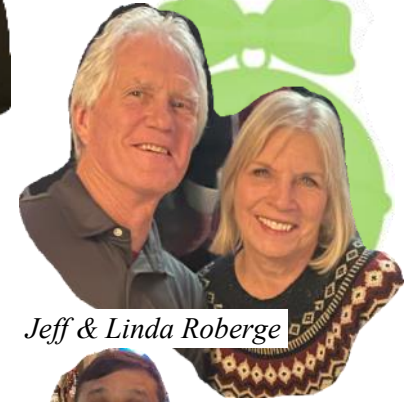
Kevin & Collette Oakley



Rebecca & Wayne Haesel



Kathy & Dan Nichol森



Jeff & Linda Roberge



Dee Bishop

Marilyn Keller

Elaine Puetz



And some of our delightful staff



Annie & Sarah

Bobby

Chef Leon



Diann & Fred Pape



Katie & Marissa



Jane & Head Pro Grant



Summer



From the Green Superintendent, Chad Johnson

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Holiday Greetings

Now that we are into the teeth of the Winter Season here at Alderbrook, snow and ice have replaced all of our amazing greenery. Snow removal is one of the services we tackle for the HOA community. We constantly monitor weather reports and it is our aim to always be "turn key" ready in case of a predicted or unexpected deluge of snow.

Snow removal can be quite tricky due to many variables. Most of the time our snowpack tends to be wet and quite heavy. Light powder is a rarity due to our wet climate. Many times our top notch snow plow operators are called in at all hours of the day and night. Due to the weight of the snow we cannot allow for much buildup if we are going to get the roads cleared. When the snow is coming down heavily it takes constant plowing of our main roads and side roads in order to keep up with the rapid accumulations.

- ⇒ The first focus is on the main arterial that goes throughout the HOA. This is indicated by the yellow center lines. Keeping this main access plowed and open for emergency personnel is a high priority.
- ⇒ Secondary would be the side roads and cul de sacs. Getting these plowed provides homeowner access to the main road system.
- ⇒ Beach Drive is the last major road quadrant to be plowed based on it being the most treacherous. In extreme cases Beach Drive will be closed to prevent accidents.
- ⇒ Last and certainly not least are the "snow berm" removal teams. "Snow Berms" are the small walls of snow that are created by the large snow plow that borders the homeowners driveway and the main roads. The large snowplow can create as many as 500 snow berms in a 3-4 hour stretch. Removal of those snow berms takes much longer based on available personnel and equipment that I will later define.

Snow removal for the HOA is quite difficult and requires experienced operators. While it may seem quite hectic to the casual observer, it is very well orchestrated and planned out to maximize our available resources. We also have team members

spreading de-icer on the major intersections and all of the stop lines. Clubhouse parking lots, walkways and steps are also high priority. Our Snow Removal Team is also equipped to handle fallen trees that may be blocking roads as well. The following is a list of our snow removal vehicles and implements:

- ◆ 2005 Chevrolet Kodiak Dump Truck with Dump Bed and commercial grade articulating Western Snow Plow
- ◆ 2002 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 with a Sno-Way articulating V Plow
- ◆ John Deere Tractor with a front bucket (berm removal)
- ◆ John Deere Tractor with a back blade (berm removal)
- ◆ John Deere Skid Steer with a front bucket (berm removal)



As mentioned in the previous November article, the newly purchased Kodiak Dump Truck has been quite the addition to the fleet. At first I was concerned that the Kodiak would not be able to navigate the small turn radius area required for our

cul de sacs. I was quite mistaken as it outperforms what I had previously imagined. It has been a godsend as our Silverado Sno-Way plow has been down due to solenoid and controller issues. These issues have been taken care of and we should see both plows out there the next heavy snow fall. We have to be quite creative in regards to snow removal as three of our machines are not designed for such duty. The real reason we succeed in snow removal is largely due to my dedicated team who will do what it takes to get to work when many times they are the only ones on the roads coming to work.

In closing I hope this gives many of you a snapshot into the basics of our snow removal game plan. Much like spring and fall aerification we are always constantly evolving and creating a more efficient system with each passing season.

Cheers to 2023!



From the Head Golf Professional, Grant Cation

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Happy New Year from your Golf Staff here at the Alderbrook Golf & Yacht Club!

With another year in the rearview mirror, we can look forward to 2023 and all it will have to offer. Before I get to what's coming up in the Golf

Department, I would like to say thank you to everyone for your endless support in my first year as the Head Golf Professional.

On to 2023! We have some fun events coming up in January and February to get you ready for the golf season.

- First is the E-Z Open Tournament on Saturday, January 21. This is a 4-Person Scramble event where all players will play from the Gold Tee's and on certain holes ladies will play from a more forward tee box. The cost for the event is \$10, and we will begin with a shotgun start at 10 a.m.
- The second Winter Event of 2023 will be our Super Bowl Stapleford Tournament on Saturday, February 11. This event is a 2-Person Best Ball, and we will use a football themed stableford scoring system. Entry fee is again \$10 per person and will also have a 10 a.m. shotgun start.
- We will have another New Golfers Clinic on Tuesday, January 10 at 11 a.m. and a Ladies Club Winter Clinic on Tuesday, January 17 at 11 a.m. Cost is \$20 for each clinic which includes your lunch.

All sign ups for our Winter events will be on the Pro Shop bulletin board.



Repair Ball Marks - with a snow shovel?

As a reminder, with the course being closed for most of December from snow and rain, the course is going to be very saturated. Please be mindful when playing on the course. We are expecting to be cart path only for an extended period of time!

With the course being saturated and with a good chance of having standing water come into play, here's the rule and procedure from the USGA on how to properly take your drop:

Standing Water in the General Area

You are entitled to free relief from an abnormal course condition, in this case, standing water, in the general area. Determine your nearest point of complete relief (reference point) and drop within one club-length of that point, no nearer to the hole.



Finally, a shoutout to my Assistant Pro Damian Hawley and his Fiancée Valerie Close on getting married over New Year's Eve in Spokane.

Congratulations you two!

Looking forward to seeing everyone back on the course!



November Golf Rounds

	2022	2021	2020
Member	733	645	849
Fee	170	152	395



Men's Club News By Mark Maxfield, Secretary

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Michael Johnston, Pres | Kevin Oakley, Capt | Dan Nichol森, Asst Capt | Mark Maxfield, Sec | Ladd Dooley, Treas | Sandy Dunsire, Handicap



Welcome to 2023 and another exciting year of golfing with the Men's Club of Alderbrook.

Your officers are busy planning for the upcoming season and I think you will be delighted with some new offerings, as well as the traditional events of the past. Stayed tuned!



If you have not paid for your Men's Club fees, which include your GHIN handicap, please do so quickly. The cost will be \$70 and the clubhouse will accept either cash or check in an envelope made out to the Alderbrook Men's Club. In addition, if you have not been receiving emails from Grant Cation or Michael Johnston, make sure you include your email address on the outside of the envelope so we can update our system.

New this year will be an all inclusive hole-in-one coverage for any golfer playing with a club member and hitting an ace on any day of the week at Alderbrook. In addition, any away game club sponsored event will also qualify for the hole-in-one bar bill reward. However, your name will only go on the hole-in-one trophy if it happens on a Wednesday or Friday Men's Club event at Alderbrook.

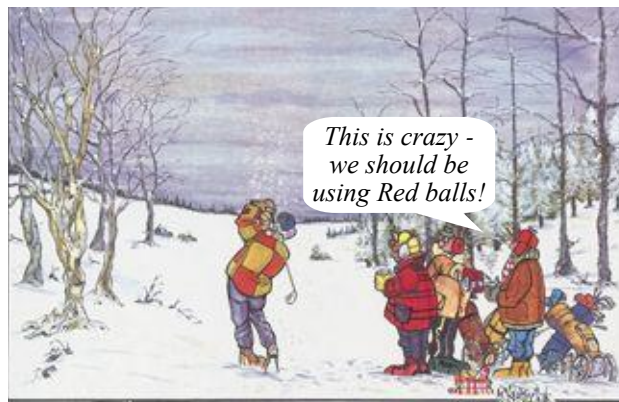


I would like to complement the entire Men's Club membership for working so hard on saving the planet and conserving resources. I read a recent article that backs this claim:

A recent study found that the average golfer walks about 900 miles a year. Another study found golfers drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year, which means, on average, golfers get about "41 miles per gallon."

Keep up the good work gentlemen!

Snow King - It is never too late to join the competition. With the recent course closings, not many rounds have been posted for the Snow King. The cost is \$10 and the competition will run through February 28. Your four lowest net scores will be used. Pay your \$10 and turn in your score card when you play. Write "Snow King" across your card. When temporary greens are in use, you may not post a score.



New Rules of 2023

- 1) Modifications for Players with Disabilities. These modifications take the "local rules" away and make them consistent across the country. These modifications are online.
- 2) No penalty if you forget to write your handicap on the scorecard.
- 3) You may replace a broken club during a round unless you broke it out of frustration or anger.
- 4) More forgiveness for a ball moved by natural forces. After a drop, if a ball rolls to another area of the course or comes to rest out of bounds, it will be put back where it was before nature moved it.
- 5) Simpler procedure for back-on-line relief. In the past, if you dropped a ball no closer to the hole, and it rolled closer to the hole, you had to drop it again. Come January 1, the procedure will be more forgiving. Your ball merely must come to rest one club-length from where you drop it, even if it is one club-length closer to the hole.

Did you know: You may take relief from a red or yellow OB stake if it interferes with your swing or stance. However, you may not take relief from a white OB stake.



Ladies Club News By Char Edwards, Assistant Captain

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Terri Stamper-Capt | Char Edwards-Asst. Capt | Judy Hartford-Sec | Eileen Baumgardner-Treas | Penny Shelton-Handicap | Kelli Bailey-Past Capt



Happy New Year 2023!! Wishing everyone health, happiness and many rounds of golf in the new year! As I sit here looking out my window at the "wet white" greens I am wishing for it to go away

When signing up for the 2023 Ladies Club membership please be sure to fill out and update your contact information and what you intend to play, gold or green and 9-hole or 18-hole.



The Ladies Club board had a meeting to get the 2023 year set up. Dates are confirmed for the tournaments so watch for the upcoming schedule and sign up. Also please look for the committee sign up sheet in the ladies lounge. Volunteers are always needed to make our events successful.

so we can get back out and enjoy a "cold sunny" golf day soon! I miss the game and the many friendships!

Snow Queen is underway. You have till the end of February to get your games in. You only need four 9-hole rounds to be part of the competition.



The saying "it takes a village" is so true!!

The 13th Annual Polar Bear Plunge is February 11, put on by the Hood Canal Lions Club. Mark your calendar and more details will follow next month.



Karaoke anyone?



Breakfast with Santa



Bill & Kelly Holtz with Santa



Chef Leon Longan

Rory Larson



Tommy Hoshikawa, Frank Tomich



Kathy Ives, Sandy & Carol Dunsire

Diners enjoy a scrumptious buffet during 'Breakfast with Santa'.



Tim Schmidt

Glenda Stone

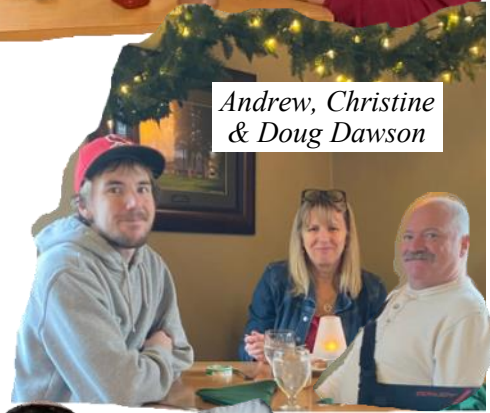
They were treated to a snowy backdrop and holiday music by Richard Banuelos for a holly jolly ambience.



Lorena & Bill Valley



The Kinneys



Andrew, Christine & Doug Dawson



Grandma Kelly & grandson



Trevor & Dawn Hayman with grandson



Justin & Caro Cone children



Building and Architectural Committee By Rhonda Westover, Co-Chair



Summary of B&A monthly meeting held on Monday, December 12.

Minutes from previous meeting approved and available on AGYC website.

Mid-Month Approvals (1)

*Ratification

- 📁 **50 Michelle Ct/DeHart** - 6' black chain link fence w/brown wind screen, approved

New/Held-over Projects (9)

- 📁 **90 Country Club Dr E** - privacy screen – additional information required; postponed Aug., Sept., Oct., Nov.; will resubmit alternate plan; pp to Jan 2023
- 📁 **880 Country Club Dr E** - 3'x 8' shed, approved
- 📁 **170 Flagwood Ln** - reroof house; roof must be class A fire-rated with continuous roof ridge vent; B&A to monitor - no permit required
- 📁 **231 Hemlock Ln** - backup generator, replace propane tank, f/u screening, access to drainage/utility easement, approved
- 📁 **70 Laurel Park Ln** - replace rotting deck/no footprint change or enlargement; B&A to monitor - no permit required
- 📁 **171 Susan Ln** - culvert in ROW, gravel pad for extra parking, conditional approval; application received - due to slope of lot, limited options for excess parking; no variance required
- 📁 **81 Vine Maple Ln** - new rear deck 14' x 15', extension variance - postponed to Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec.; need to locate rear property corner; pp to January 2023
- 📁 **330 Vine Maple Ln** - boat storage shed non-conforming; roofed pole barn alternative to be submitted; *concept approved; description and dimensions of pole barn alternative submitted for 10'H x 14'W x 27'L for boat storage, approved
- 📁 **141 Westwood Ln E** - asphalt driveway, approved

Old Business

- *Planning projects: RV storage area: RV research updates, discussions with County; add Holtz to Committee; contact with contractor for new Union storage (Wesley)
- Solar panels - draft policies; add “solar” to application; include additional impact of snow load to roof and gutters (extra brackets/ bracing needed); quests regarding EV chargers, regular charging towers, quick chargers
- New option for property corner locates at Alderbrook
 - ♦ Drainage/culverts/stormwater management - Per AGYC policies, driveway projects require 12” culvert, unless insufficient elevation, TBD by R&D Committee after on-site visit. Concrete is prohibited on HOA-owned property over ROW. (ROW is area between a parcel’s legal front) property line to roadbed; only soft scaping, asphalt or gravel may be used on ROW, sloped below the existing road bed for safety and emergency.

General member comments/information:

- Agenda item ooo: **151 Westwood Ln E/Lee** - For Sale sign on lot; building permit approved, but no construction. Contact owner to remove trailer parked on site since prior to permit approval
- Steve Clair has agreed to join B&A Committee; request to be submitted to HOA board

Next meeting: **January 9 at 10 a.m.**

Applications for January agenda due to Business Office no later than January 2.

The link for Zoom and draft agenda are sent by HOA eblast the week before the meeting.

If you have comments or questions about new or pending projects at Alderbrook, please contact Chair at RhondaAtAlderbrook@gmail.com, any Committee member or the front desk in the AGYC Business Office.

NTE = not to exceed
ROW = right of way
R&D = Roads & Drainage
TBD = to be determined

AGYC Annual Toy Drive



Thank you so much for your generosity in the Toy Drive. Love INC distributed toys to 150 families in Mason County!



Yacht Club

It is my pleasure to announce that the baton has officially been passed to the 2023 leadership team of the Alderbrook Yacht Club.



It's promising to be an exciting time with the group's energy and with experienced support of the returning team of Judy Hartford (Secretary Treasurer), Patty Murphy (Event Coordinator), Teri McClean (Raffle Coordinator), Carol Norbeck (Bocce Coordinator) and the effort of the caller team members.

On a personal note, it has been a real pleasure representing the Yacht Club since my induction in 2019. The comradery, personal efforts and community interaction of numerous individuals has maintained a positive, enjoyable aspect to our general community and I look forward to continuing as an active member for years to come.

In the final team meeting of the 2022 season, the installation of the 2023 officers was performed, with Becky Flannigan incoming Rear Commodore, Ron Edwards advancing to Vice Commodore and Paulette Paris taking over the lead as the next Commodore.

I wish you all Happy Holidays and smooth sailing ahead in 2023 (our Club's 50th anniversary year).

-(Past) Commodore Ken

Nominating Committee By Eileen Baumgardner, Chair



We Want YOU – for the Nominating Committee

As we enter the new year, it is time to start planning for activities in the Spring and Summer. This includes planning for the AGYC Board of Directors election in June. There

will be two positions open on the Board this year. (More about that in the February *Foremast*.)

We want YOU to join the Nominating Committee. The committee recruits candidates for the Board, assists them (as needed/requested) with their candidate statements and facilitates the 'Meet the Candidates Forum' in May.

We are a small, informal committee, but we do strive to represent a cross-section of the interests in the community. We would love to have some new committee members, especially folks representing households that are new to the community.



If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact me at 360-898-0292 or email me at evbaumgardner@gmail.com or join us for our first meeting on January 24 at 3 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Thanks in advance for your interest and willingness to help the community!



EPAC (Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee) Tracey Lopez, Chair



MAKE A PLAN - Your family may not be together when a disaster strikes so it is important to plan in advance: how you will get to a safe place; how you will contact one another; how you will get back together; and what you will do in different situations. Ready.gov has made it simple for you to make a family emergency plan. Download the Family Emergency Plan (FEP) and fill out the sections before printing it or emailing it to your family and friends.

You should also inquire about emergency plans at places where your family spends time: work, daycare and school, faith organizations, sports events and commuting. If no plans exist, consider volunteering to help create one. Talk to community leaders, your colleagues, neighbors and members of faith or civic organizations about how you can work together in the event of an emergency. You will be better prepared to safely reunite your family and loved ones during an emergency if you think ahead and communicate with others in advance.

Plan for Your Risks – There are actions that should be taken before, during and after an event that are unique to each hazard. Identify the hazards that have happened or could happen in your area and plan for the unique actions for each. For more information see <http://www.ready.gov/plan-for-your-risks>



Considerations For... – As you prepare, tailor your plans and supplies to your specific daily living needs and responsibilities. Most or all individuals have both specific personal needs as well as resources to assist others. For more information see <http://www.ready.gov/considerations>

Information courtesy of Mason County Department of Emergency Management

December 6 CPR CLASS Sponsored by EPAC



Thirteen Alderbrook residents attended the Mason County Fire District 6 CPR class covering CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation - the manual application of chest

compressions and ventilations to patients in cardiac arrest), AED (automated external defibrillator - a portable device used to diagnose and treat ventricular fibrillation of the heart)



and First Aid for children, infants and adults.

It's heartwarming to have Alderbrook residents train to help their neighbors in a crisis!



Jim & Jan Fitzgerald, Ken Goldblatt

Liz Dills, Tracey Lopez, Mary Anne Goldblatt, Clint Volk (Instructor)

Ron Edwards, Sharon & Lee Ferguson

Margy & Steve Clair, Sharon Roberts



AGYC INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM		DASHBOARD		DEC-2022
Prepared by Ken Goldblatt		2,096 hours thru 12/17/22		As of 12/17/22
TRACKING ELEMENT	AMOUNT	AS OF DATE	FORECAST	% COMPL
R+D Special Assessment Funds Received	\$2.25M	11/30/22	\$2.58M	87%
Board-Approved GR Fund Use-To-Date	\$1.47M ^(*1)	11/30/22	\$2.82M	52%
GR Fund Transfers to SA Account-To-Date	\$1.2M	11/30/22		
General Reserve Direct Expenses-To-Date	\$189K	11/30/22		
Total R+D Expenses-To-Date (SA + GR)	\$3.52M	11/30/22	\$5.4M	65%
Total R+D Commitments	\$3.54M	11/30/22	\$5.4M	66%
Pending Approvals/Awards	\$145K	11/30/22		
Total Program Time (months)	42	11/30/22	84	50%

*Note 1: amount includes the use of \$70K GR's in temporary 'frozen' state for collateral (Approval Request 10/26/22.1)

INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM RECAP

- 50% milestone - we're at 3-1/2 years of the 7-year R+D program that began June 1, 2019
- 1-1/2 years remaining in the Special Assessment's 5-year program
- The community drainage projects are substantially complete (originally planned for 5 years); only Fairway 7/8/13 drainage improvements remain.
- Roughly 6,200 LF of root block has installed
- Roughly 5,100 LF of drainage pipe installed (8" thru 36" diameter); with 54 catch basins
- 5 miles of road improvements completed out of the planned 7.5 miles (67% complete)

UPCOMING ROAD IMPROVEMENT PLANS - Calendar Year 2023 (times approx. & subject to change):

May/June 2023 (Group 5A)	Aug/Sep 2023 (Group 5B)
Root block installation for Grp 5A & 5B roads	E Flaggwood Lane
E Leeward Drive	E Flaggwood Court
E Spinnaker Drive	E Westwood Lane (West)
E Beach Drive – misc repairs (dozen locations)	E Fairway Lane
E Bowsprit Lane (paving repairs at entry island)	E Country Club Ln E (Fairway to Driving Range)

PROGRESS DURING REPORT PERIOD (11/18 – 12/17/22)		NEXT STEPS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Awarded Jimini CO#11 – Grp 5A (Misc Roads)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Finalize design & Eng Est Group 5 roads
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Finalize road plan for CY23	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prepare Root Block CO - Grp 5A/5B Rds
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Process Pay Request - ESA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prepare Approval Request – CY23.2 Roads
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Update Foremast/Website	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prepare ESA Bulletin 15 for Grp 6-7 Roads

Bridge



For healthy grey matter, bridge is hard to beat: There is scientific research which shows that the game benefits your brain in numerous

ways. But when is the best age to learn? Research has the answer for that, too: seven isn't too young to start playing. And 70 isn't too old, either. Bridge can be learned at all ages. Make yourself a New Year Resolution by learning something new or dusting off your brain cobwebs. There are two bridge groups to play with here at Alderbrook. Wednesdays from 10 - 4 p.m. is for more casual, social bridge and for the more serious bridge players, there is also duplicate bridge on Thursday afternoons. Both groups play at the annex.

For information on either, give Rick or Tracy Battson a call at 360-898-2940.

Condolences



Margaret Lucille Norbeck, a long-time member of AGYC, passed on to her next adventure December 10, 2022.

Margaret and Roy were one of the early couples to settle at Alderbrook to enjoy the "Good Life". They had two children, Carol and Janet. Both Janet and Margaret lived with MS and Margaret provided a great deal of comfort and care to

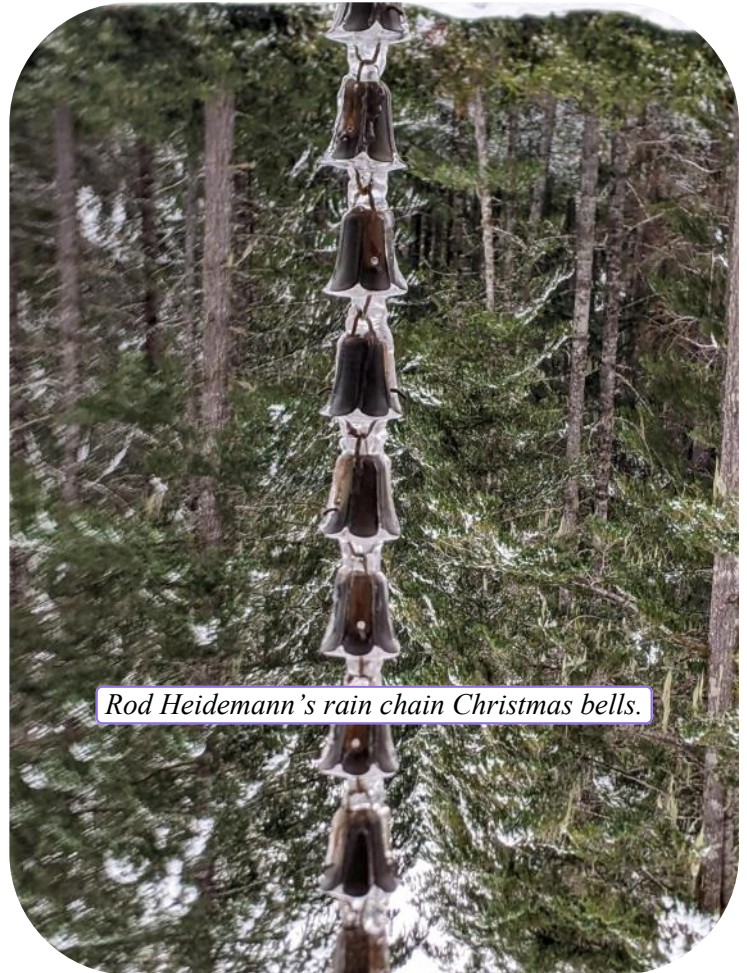
Janet before she passed, tragically too soon in 2017. Margaret lived with Carol (and Tim Micek) at the home Roy built at Alderbrook until just a few months before she passed.

Margaret was a lover of all things beautiful. Literature, music, art, theater, landscapes and far away destinations inspired her. She surrounded herself with things she found along the way in her adventures across the globe, including Africa, Europe, South America and all over the United States. She particularly loved Maui and spent time there every year with her family and friends, golfing and hunting for seashells on the beach. Her sense of humor, ability to make any moment fun and passion for embracing life inspired everyone who knew her.

A gathering of family and friends for a celebration of her life will be held on January 8, 2023 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Alderbrook Golf and Yacht Club. In lieu of flowers, donations on Margaret's behalf to the MS Society are greatly appreciated.



*Since the course is closed ...
Mark Maxfield works on his jump shot.*



Rod Heidemann's rain chain Christmas bells.

Note: rain chain inverted in photo.

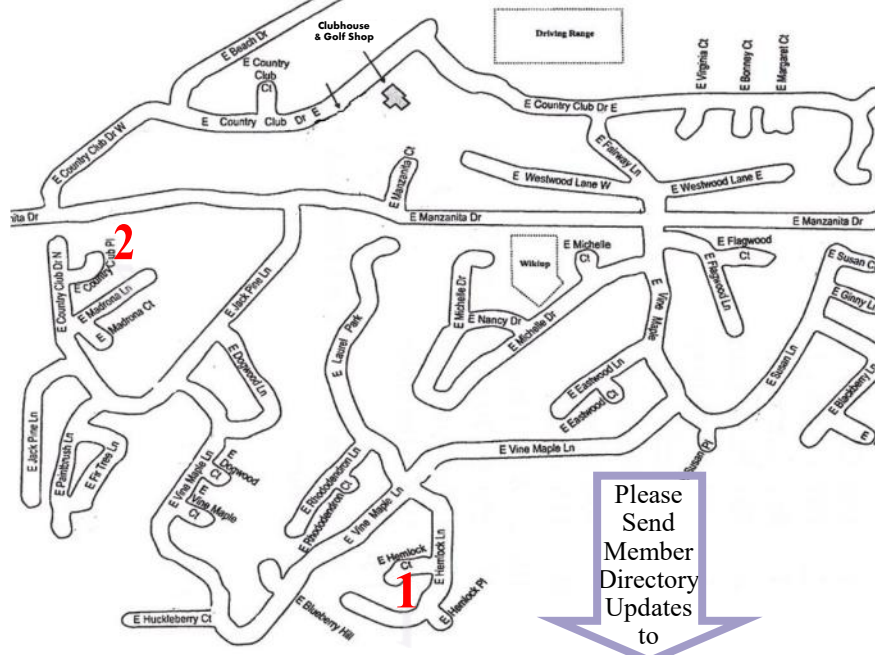


December 2022 started white ...

... but ended wet



New AGYC Members



- 1 **Seong & Haeyun Ok**
190 E Hemlock Ln
- 2 **William & Tonja Mast**
51 E Country Club Pl

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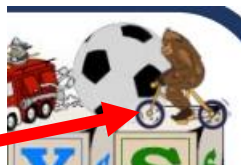
Golf Shop & Annex
8am - 4pm

Unless otherwise noted,
all locations are in the Clubhouse.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 Mahjong 1-4:30pm	3 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Ladies Club 3 tee times 10am Hand 'n Foot 10am <i>Strategic Plan Mtg 4pm</i> Poker \$5 7-9:30pm Annex	4 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Bridge 10am-4pm Annex Mahjong 1-5pm	5 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Ladies Club 3 tee times 10am Hand 'n Foot 10am Duplicate Bridge 1pm Annex	6 Dominoes 2-5pm	7 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup
8	9 Mahjong 1-4:30pm <i>B&A Mtg 10am</i>	10 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Ladies Club 3 tee times 10am Hand 'n Foot 10am New Golfers Clinic/Lunch 11am <i>Golf Comm Mtg 3pm</i> Poker \$5 7-9:30pm Annex	11 <i>Welcoming Comm Mtg 10am</i> Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Bridge 10am-4pm Annex Mahjong 1-5pm <i>H&F Mtg 3pm</i>	12 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Ladies Club 3 tee times 10am Hand 'n Foot 10am Duplicate Bridge 1pm Annex Hood Canal Sch Bd Mtg 5:15pm	13 Dominoes 2-5pm	14 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup <i>Karaoke 4:30-8pm</i>
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Restaurant and Lounge Hours

Sunday 11am – 4pm Walkup Bar Service, 'Grab & Go' Sandwiches, Chef Salads, Snacks in Lounge

Monday 8am – 4pm Sandwiches/Beverages in Golf Shop

Tuesday-Wednesday 11am – 6pm Standard Bar and Meal Service

Thursday-Saturday 11am – 7pm Standard Bar and Meal Service