

Foremast

January 2024

Alderbrook Golf & Yacht Club

EST. 1965



Dick Drenckpohl



Remarks from General Manager, Jason Reehm

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December was a really fun month at the club. We all had a great time at the Jingle Mingle (see pgs 9-11) and we received positive comments regarding the event changes. Leon did a great job with the food. There were a lot of selections to choose from. We had a few outside companies

hold their holiday parties at our restaurant, but we had room in our schedule to have more. This is something we will focus on going forward - adding more holiday events. The more I meet people in the community and the surrounding Shelton area, the more I hear a common phrase and that is "You are open to the public?" That question alone reaffirms the need for more marketing and advertising to get our name out there as we are leaving money on the table. The community doesn't know we exist or in their minds have assumed we are private and too expensive.

Our first Clubhouse closure for repairs, cleaning and special projects starts January 1 and will go through January 12. We will reopen Saturday, January 13 with live music - Chris Eakes performing. This is our first closure of this kind, and as we move along, we will start planning special projects that involve repairs or additions to the Clubhouse and so on in this window in the years to come to maximize the time closed.

This year we will be doing the following things during this time:

- ◆ Cleaning all of the tile floors - kitchen, bathrooms, entry hallway and terrace room.
- ◆ Cleaning all of the carpet in the Golf Shop, Restaurant and Annex. This cleaning alone has not been done for more than four years and is long overdue.
- ◆ Fixing all of the chandelier candle lights that are either out or are different colors. This is an eyesore and something that again is needed.
- ◆ Adding 16 can lights on a dimmer in the bar area. Since I've been here every time I walk into the Restaurant, I feel like I'm walking into a medieval dungeon because it's so dark.
 - The Activities Committee is funding this project. We have been working together on ideas to help improve the Clubhouse.
- ◆ Upgrading many of the lights in the Restaurant and Golf Shop to LED to be more energy efficient.
- ◆ Leon and his crew will be working on various deep cleaning projects in the kitchen that have not been done in some time.

The closure project does not have the wow factor this year, but it is filled with things that have been neglected for a long time. We are going to correct these items in order to take care of our assets.

Wishing you the best in the New Year!



The Christmas Tree disposal site will be up and running through January 7

Christmas trees only

At the corner of Manzanita and Fairway





AGYC Board of Directors

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.



NOTE: Due to time constraints, this summary was not approved by the AGYC Board.



Your AGYC Board met on December 27, 2023 and acted on the following:

- Approved the Policies & Procedures revisions/amendments as proposed, effective January 1, 2024.

Upcoming:

AGYC Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 31, 2024, 6pm
Clubhouse & Zoom

AGYC Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 2, 2024, time to be determined
Clubhouse & Zoom

Non-emergency Sheriff's #
360-426-4111

November 2023 Financial Report

Table with 3 columns: Item, Actual, Budget. Rows include Operations Income, Operations Expenses, Operations Net Income, Less Loan Expense Income, Adjusted Operation Income, Reserve Income, Reserve Expenses, Reserve Net Income.

Account Balances

Table with 2 columns: Account, Amount. Rows include Operating Funds, Contingency Funds, Debt Service Account Funds, CH Assessment Reserve, Reserve Funds.

Parcel Summary

Table with 2 columns: Category, Count. Rows include AGYC Lots for Sale, AGYC Common Area Lots, Private lots in good standing, Private lots delinquent, Alderbrook Properties, LLC lots, Total.

* includes 90 days past due on HOA Dues or Roads & Drainage Assessment

Nominating Committee By Eileen Baumgardner, Chair



We are inviting all AGYC members interested in how our community is governed to join us on the Nominating Committee. The committee's role is to recruit candidates for the AGYC Board of Directors and to host and facilitate the "Meet the Candidates" forum in May.

If you are interested in participating on the committee, please join us for a short meeting Thursday, January 11 at 3pm at our house -- 200 E Laurel Park (as the Clubhouse is closed).

If you have any questions, please contact me at evbaumgardner@gmail.com.

For those of you that may be interested in running for one of the open positions on the Board of Directors, details on the process and deadlines will be provided in February's Foremast.

Thank you for your interest in serving our community.



Finance Committee By Mary Gin Kennedy, Chair

AGYC's Financial Picture
Halfway Through FY-2023-2024

BUDGET



January is an opportune time to review AGYC's financial picture and set the stage for the next five months since we are more than halfway through the fiscal year (June 1, 2023, to May 31, 2024). Through November 2023 (latest figures available, figures rounded), actual income was just over \$2 million, or \$44,400 above budget, but actual expenses (\$1.83 million) have also exceeded the budget projections by \$89,700. Adjusted net income was \$116,300, or \$45,300 below projections. Unbudgeted expenditures for additional security equipment purchased because of summer vandalism, new website development and higher than normal repair and maintenance costs are partly responsible, but unplanned spending on other items contributed. August net income was also lower than planned. On October 25, the Finance Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that any new or unplanned expenditures should be carefully scrutinized before approval. Nevertheless, our adjusted net income is sufficient to carry us through until the end of the fiscal year on May 31, 2024.

AGYC runs on a \$3.44 million dollar budget. Our O&M and Reserve Fund monthly assessments (dues) are running slightly below budget so far this year. Through November, green fees have exceeded projections by \$31,000, and Golf Shop merchandise sales are almost \$25,000 higher than anticipated, but Golf Shop expenses are \$22,700

higher than budgeted. The Greens Department budget (golf course maintenance) is \$40,500 under budget. The restaurant subsidy is only \$14,670, a pleasant surprise. Common area expenses are \$5,600 above projections, and administrative expenses are \$42,000 higher than projected, primarily because of higher liability insurance, accounting fees, bank service fees and employee benefits.

Although prices are still high, there is some good economic news. Inflation is finally moderating and was measured at 3.1% in November 2023 compared with 7.1% in November 2022. That should help stabilize the cost of supplies. The minimum wage increase, effective January 1, 2024, is only 3.4% or fifty-six cents/hour (to \$16.28). This is the smallest increase since 2020. Since employee compensation is our biggest expense and represents half of our budget, the lower increase is welcome from a budgetary perspective.

AGYC received the results of the FY-2021-2022 Audit on July 11, 2023. The auditor determined that our financial statements "present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Alderbrook Golf & Yacht Club as of May 31, 2022."



Paying down and then eliminating the golf course loan has been a goal of the Board and the Finance Committee for several years. We have been successful in reducing the loan balance from \$507,039 to \$367,226 in the past year. The additional \$5 in the monthly dues allocated to paying

down the loan in the past two fiscal years has helped considerably. AGYC has also made steady progress in reducing the balance of the Clubhouse loan, which now stands at \$72,575. Alderbrook Properties and a few members are still paying \$15/month to retire this loan.

Looking ahead to early 2024, one major financial decision soon facing our HOA is whether to pay off the golf course loan or refinance it when the



Finance Committee continued

balloon payment comes due on June 1, 2025. The Ad Hoc Loan Committee (Dave Hawkins, Dawn Hayman, Bill Holtz, Jim Winchell and myself) recommended on October 25 that the Board ask the membership to approve a Special Assessment on the June 2024 annual ballot, with the following parameters:

- ⇒ The amount of the Special Assessment is \$400 per lot. (This does not include paying off the Clubhouse loan.)
- ⇒ The vote to approve or disapprove the Special Assessment is separate and independent of the budget ratification vote.
- ⇒ If approved, a one-time, lump-sum payment of \$400 is due by January 31, 2025. Late fees and interest will be collected if the Special Assessment is not paid by the due date.

The Ad Hoc Loan Committee plans to sponsor one or more Town Halls before May to gather input from the membership and explain the pros and cons of paying off the loan.

The Roads & Drainage Infrastructure Program continued to make significant progress in 2023. Funding is provided from the R&D Special Assessment that most members have already paid, supplemented by the Reserve Fund. Sixty-five dollars of your monthly dues is allocated to the Reserve Fund, which is being tapped to complete the R&D Program. So far, \$4.0 million of the \$5.4 million budget has been expended. Completed drainage improvement projects include 6,600 linear feet of piping, 58 catch basins and nearly 8,000 linear feet of root block along with 6.0 miles of road improvements out of a planned 7.6 miles. The program is on time and on budget and should be completed by May 2026. We as an HOA owe Ken Goldblatt a huge debt of gratitude for his fine management of the R&D Infrastructure Program.

If you are interested in reviewing AGYC's financial reports, the monthly Income Statements and Fund Balance Sheet are posted on the member section of the website under Monthly Reports. The Finance Committee will begin to meet in February to review the proposed FY-2024-2025 budget.

H&F | Table Tennis



Table Tennis players Jerry Schaff, Ken Goldblatt, Sandy Dunsire, Richard Ives, Ken Shreve and Jerry Fox pose in front of the new blinds installed in the Annex by the House & Facilities Committee



Holiday Wine Flight Night

Forty-three wine connoisseurs enjoyed some wonderful wines: an intense Brut, an expressive Riesling, a medium bodied Chardonnay, a rich Syrah, a fruity Cabernet Sauvignon and a creamy Malbec.



Angie Strunk, Melissa French



Gary Fields, Connie & Tony Komomua, Laurie Wadeikis, Kae & Dave Goodman, Jeff Wadeikis, Jean Fields



Troy & Judi Woodard, Judy & Martin Grote, Heather & Cory Boone, Tracey Lopez

Carlo Velasquez presented wines



Denny Flannigan, Teri Chihara, Pat Johnson, Dave Occhivzzo, Denise Curcio, Mona & Tim George



Building and Architectural Committee (B&A) By Rhonda Westover, Chair



Summary of B&A monthly meeting held on Monday, December 11. Minutes from previous meeting approved and available on AGYC website.

New Business/Discussions (2)

- a. Roads & Drainage (R&D): New drainage issues
- b. Revising policy sections related to B&A Committee and its responsibilities submitted for first reading to HOA Board on Wednesday, November 29. Sections 1.4B, 5.2, 5.7, 7.0C-N-P, 9.3B, Appendices D & F

Old Business (5)

- a. Zoom discontinued on January 1, 2024, unless special request by committee or property owner
- b. Construction Guidelines - finalize draft for presentation to HOA Board
- c. Update on Hood Canal Storage - completion 2024, proposed rates (Wesley)
- d. Drainage/culverts/stormwater management - Driveway projects all require 12" culvert, unless insufficient elevation is determined by R&D Committee, after on-site visit
- e. Concrete is prohibited on (1) HOA-owned property over ROW (Right of Way) and (2) over drainage/utility easements. (ROW is area between a parcel's legal front property line to roadbed; 5' drainage/utility easements are recorded on the side and rear property lines of each parcel at Alderbrook. Only softscape, asphalt or gravel may be used on ROW, must be sloped below the existing roadbed for snowplow, safety and emergency)

Mid-Month Approvals/Ratification (1)

- 📁 **881 Manzanita** - concrete block wall 18"Hx123'L across rear property line, ratified

New/Held-over Projects (3)

- 📁 **121 Blackberry Ln** - revised site plan (drain field adjustment), 10'x10' storage shed, approved
- 📁 **181 Country Club Dr E** - extend shed roof; need additional information - postponed to 1/24
- 📁 **900 Country Club Dr E** - 4' variance - front 25' setback for proposed 2-car garage, approved

Information Only (2)

- 📁 **NHN Country Club Dr N** - No update available
- 📁 **191 Jack Pine Ln** - privacy planting/trees along rear fence line, no permit required

Addendum Items (1)

- 📁 **80 Fairway Ln/Taylor** - new detached 44'x46' garage and new shed (both to match exterior/trim of home), fence screening (in coordination with neighbor), concrete driveway

Next Meeting: Monday, January 8 at 10am | Location change for January - TBD
 Deadline to submit project applications for January 2024 B&A agenda is **January 2, 2024** for January 8 meeting. Applications received after January 2 will be placed on February 12 agenda. Submit application via website or drop in person to the AGYC Business Office or by email to B&A Chairperson.

SCREENING

Welcome 2024! As New Year's resolutions are being discussed and penned, it's also time to think about home projects for the coming spring.

One of the hidden gems in the Construction Guidelines is aimed at safety, as well as beautification of our community. Safety for pets - eliminating unwanted "tenants", such as raccoons or other critters, and beautification of the, in short,

Tanks and Decks and Porches - oh my!!

The policy states:

Screening. Areas below first floor decks or porches greater than 24 inches above ground level and above ground tanks must be screened. Screening, such as lattice or adequately sized shrubbery, will be considered sufficient.

If you have a porch or deck, greater than 24" above ground level, or an above-ground tank visible from either the road or the golf course, these items are required by policy to be screened.



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Examples are shown below. If your property includes an unscreened area below a deck or porch, or an unscreened propane tank, the B&A committee and your HOA encourage owners to include plans for screening in your projects for spring 2024. If you have any questions, please contact the Business Office or any member of the B&A Committee.

Examples of screening



Tanks needing screening



AGYC INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM	DASHBOARD	Dec-2023
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Prepared by Ken Goldblatt

2,375 hours thru 12/17/23

As of 12/17/23

TRACKING ELEMENT	AMOUNT	AS OF DATE	FORECAST	% COMPL
R+D Special Assessment Funds Received	\$2.5M	11/30/23	\$2.58M	97%
Board-Approved GR Fund Use-To-Date	\$1.7M	11/30/23	\$2.82M	60%
GR Fund Transfers to SA Account-To-Date	\$1.5M	11/30/23		
General Reserve Direct Expenses-To-Date	\$189K	11/30/23		
Total R+D Expenses-To-Date (SA + GR)	\$4.0M	11/30/23	\$5.4M	74%
Total R+D Commitments	\$4.1M	11/30/23	\$5.4M	76%
Pending Approvals/Awards	\$0K	11/30/23		
Total Program Time (months)	54	11/30/23	84	64%

PROGRESS DURING REPORT PERIOD (11/18 – 12/17/23)	NEXT STEPS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final pay for Grp 5 debris haul-off	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare design docs for Grp 6 & 7 Roads
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Update Foremast, R+D Web Page, eBlasts	<input type="checkbox"/> Update Engr Estimates for Grp 6 & 7 Roads
	<input type="checkbox"/> Award Drainage/Root Block for 6/7 Roads



JINGLE MINGLE

AGYC's annual Holiday Party was enjoyed by a multitude of members. The food was spectacular and The Scott Lesman Band played low key music throughout the night.



McNultys



Bates



Sean

Bill

Glenda

Carla

Melody

Pam



Dunsires

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Fosters

James & Jessica

Brandts



Creswells

Donna

Jan



Jim

DJ

Sandy

Grotos





Kay

Sharon

Mary Gin

Andersons

Rod & Eileen

Fieldses

Skogstads

Nicholsens

Roberges

Parises

Pete

Turnbulls

Stutzmans

Nell

Wesleys

Emilie

Catherine

Emmonses

Williamses

Stimsons



Jingle Mingle



Head Chef Leon Longan serves four kinds of raw oysters, as well as baked oysters, while General Manager Jason Reehm looks on



McClures



Puetzes



Jill & Kelly

Colleen

Dobsons



Tony, Kae

Connie, Marilyn



O'Dannels



Holtzes



Hibbs



Jim



Linda



Johnsons

Environment Committee By Marilyn Eastby

Even with the fog and freezing temperature on Saturday morning, December 16, an amazing crew refreshed the area behind the 15th green with weeding and spreading mulch!



Cindy O'Dannel & Chris Foster weeding



Alan O'Dannel, Jeff Eastby & Don Witek mulching

When out golfing or walking, take a look behind Hole 15 green to see this improvement.



After refresh

The tub-grinding that occurred at the Organic Collection Site (OCS) in May has benefited this community in many ways. Not only were we able to clear the OCS for continued use but the return on our investment is the mulch being utilized by our AGYC members for their residences and enhancing our community common areas. Our HOA budget would not have been able to afford all the mulch that we have spread and will continue to spread throughout our neighborhood!

If you are interested in joining the Environment Committee, our meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 3:30pm, Clubhouse Board Room. We have great camaraderie, and all have a mutual interest in supporting the Organic Collection Site and improving our AGYC community landscape.



12/16 Cleanup: Bob Foster, Jeff & Marilyn Eastby, Don Witek, Tracy Battson, Debbie Hibbs, Alan & Cindy O'Dannel, Chris Foster, Kevin and Barb Hoonan (Not pictured Rick Battson)

The OCS will reopen on Saturday, March 2, 9-11am. The OCS schedule is: Open March through October; Mondays and the first Saturday of each month, 9-11am. Closed all Holiday weekends.



EPAC (Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee) By Heather Boone

AGYC's Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee wants you to be prepared for emergencies and disasters. You need to plan to be self-sufficient for at least 72 hours but two weeks is best. This may seem daunting, but by spending one hour on preparedness activities each month you can be ready. In each issue of the *Foremast* this year, we will publish a list of activities to complete. Let's dig in.

January: Develop a communication plan and sign up for local emergency alerts, install emergency apps and bookmark emergency preparedness sites.

Ask an out-of-area friend or family member to be your contact person. This person should be willing to receive and send messages to you and your family to keep everyone informed about each other's well-being and safety. This is important as

internet and cell phone signals may be sparse following a major event. All family members should have the name and number in their wallet, go-bag and car. (Although you may be able to send text messages to your loved ones directly, messages should be kept short).

Apps:

- CodeRED
- Myshake
- FEMA

Websites:

- MCFD6.com (Mason County Fire District #6)
- READY.GOV

All residents are advised to sign up for local alerts by texting **MASONALERT** to the number **99411**. You will be asked to enroll in the Mason County Public Safety Alert System. This only takes a few moments.

AGYC Toy Drive



Thank you AGYC so much for the toy and cash donations for the Holiday toy drive. Love INC served approximately 150 families in Mason County due to your generous contributions.



The AGYC Lending Library in the Annex has reopened. Library hours are seven days a week from 8am-6pm. Please stop by and browse. Books are shelved alphabetically by author and marked as fiction, mystery, western, fantasy/sci-fi and non-fiction. There is no checkout process and best of all NO return date. Ever. If you do choose to return the books, there is a bin right inside the entry door to the Annex marked accordingly. No re-shelving necessary.



Next to the return bin is a separate bin for donations. We are accepting gently used fiction and non-fiction paperbacks in all genres except romance. We presently find ourselves with an overabundance of this genre. We will be eliminating many of these titles shortly so come by and grab them before they are swept away.

Happy Reading!

Your library staff, Eileen Baumgardner, Heather Boone and Catherine Laatz



Brunch with Santa December 10



McKenzie & Dylan Kinney, CJ & Sean Johnson, Papa, Nana & Asher Kinney, Lincoln Johnson and Hudson Kinney



Murphy grandkids (Haley & Charlie) with Santa

Lynn & Dan Wesley brunch with childhood friends - all Molottes - from Lynn's right -Sandy Bainbridge (Colorado), Sandy & Mike (Spokane), Gail (Othello), Gwen (Ellensburg)



Dianne & Bob Brown, Jan & Jim McClure



Tim Schmidt carves ham

Rory Larson makes omelets



Susan & David Dew family



From the Head Golf Professional, Grant Cation

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Happy New Year. I hope everyone had a great holiday season as we now work our way into 2024.

2023 has been another great year for us as we continue to see a steady flow of golfers making Alderbrook a must-play golf course in the beautiful state of Washington.

Much of that is due to our amazing membership that makes Alderbrook feel more like a home than a work place for my staff and me. I would like to say thank you to the membership for the continued support of our program!

We ended the year with another fun tournament on December 16. Forty-eight golfers participated in the Grinch Open (shown on the next page). We had a week of special discounts at our annual Golf Shop Holiday Sale.

Winter Golf Shop hours 8am-4pm

As we head into the new year, we have a new annual closure affecting the Golf Shop from January 1 -12. During this timeframe the Golf Shop will be closed for all golf services, including cart rentals. Members can still play the golf course at their own leisure. The course is not open for the general public (once again, the Golf Shop will be closed so no carts will be available to rent). Members will not be able to make tee times online. If multiple groups arrive at the same time to play, they must decide which group plays first. Please be sure to read and follow the cart sign before playing.

With members still able to play, walkers are not allowed to walk the cart paths!

The Greens Crew will still be on site. If there is a frost delay, they will place the orange cones out and notify me so I can send out an email blast. If you do not receive an email or see orange cones the course is good to play. The Snow King and Queen competitions will still be going. If you play a full round with all the greens open you may turn your scorecard into the Business Office inside the white AGYC Logo Box, or save all your scorecards and hand them into the Golf Shop once reopen.

The driving range will be open but once the machine runs out of balls they will not be replenished until the shop reopens on January 13. Please do not hit or bring your own golf balls at the range. We will be changing to new yellow range balls in April.

Take care and enjoy!



Clara Stark putts for discount during the Golf Shop Holiday Sale



November Golf Rounds				
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Member	871	733	645	849
Fee	199	170	152	395



The Grinch Open

Twenty-four, two-person teams participated in our first Grinch Open on December 16. The day started with a brunch, followed by a shotgun start for a scramble where the Grinch caused all kinds of chaos during the course of play.



The Grinch visited each team on the course, asking Christmas Trivia questions. If the team answered incorrectly, they experienced the Grinch's antics! The Grinch kicked one team's ball off the tee at the tee box, forcing the team to drive from the ground. A few teams had their putter swapped for a toy putter and the Edwards team had their fairway shot on hole 17 thrown backwards 30 yards into the rough!



Flight 1
1st Gross, 60

Justin Robinette
Shawn Rockey



Flight 2
1st gross, 71

Jeff & Lynda Schwindt



Flight 2
1st Net, 70

Steve Clair, Dan Coats



Bennie Hamilton & Brett Lensch

Flight 1
1st Net, 65



Karen Dobson & Colleen McEachin achieved the 'Coal' award (Net 89)



Flight 2
2nd Net, 71

Heather & Cory Boone

Karen Dobson realized she left her golf shoes at home, so her husband delivered them to her next hole ... where a Grinch Elf confiscated them and deposited them up into a gnarly tree



Flight 1
2nd Net
69

Colby Fuller, Kyle Lowe





Men's Club News By Mike Fussell, Secretary

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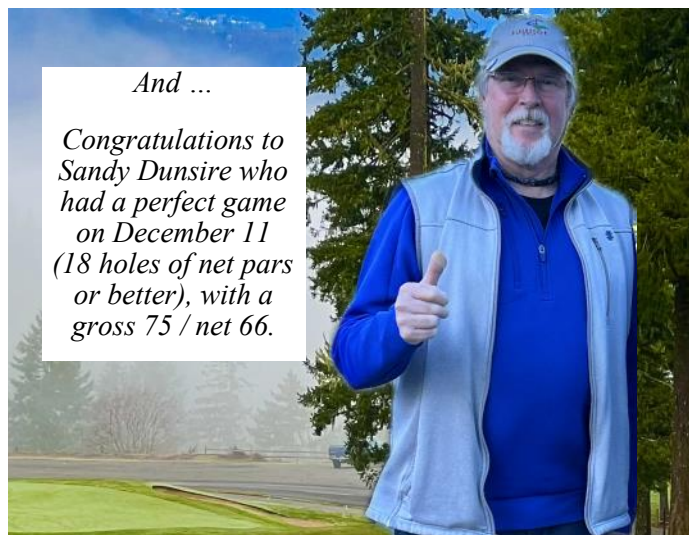


Michael Johnston-Pres || Kevin Oakley-Capt || Dan Nichol森-Asst Capt || Ladd Dooley-Treas || Mike Fussell-Sec || Sandy Dunsire-Handicap

Happy New Year from the Alderbrook Men's Club. We have had a lot of playable days in December - with a great group of Men's Club members getting on the course! Now is the time to get in your Snow King scores. Your four best net scores will be used in the competition which ends February 29.



Congratulations to Wally Good and Tom Drunkenmiller who were co-winners of the annual Jim Tivis Green Tee Championship with an excellent score of 70, two under par



And ...
Congratulations to Sandy Dunsire who had a perfect game on December 11 (18 holes of net pars or better), with a gross 75 / net 66.

Winter Medal and Points Game Results

Dec 1			Dec 13 Flt 1		
1	Larry Eoff	36 pts	1	John Murphy	-3
2	Sandy Dunsire	35 pts	T2	Larry Eoff Richard Paris	-1
3	Dan Nichol森	33 pts	4	Shawn Rockey	E
4	James Kincaid	32 pts	T5	Mike Mathis Doug Trogstad	+3
KP	Jeff Roberge	Hole 12 10' 4"	Dec 13 Flt 2		
Dec 6			1	Lloyd Bankson	E
T1	John Murphy Larry Eoff	-1	2	Ken Shreve	+1
T3	Sandy Dunsire Dan Fluke Michael Lambert	E	T3	Dan Stainbrook William Darch	+2
T6	Dick Drenckpohl James Kincaid	+1	5	Richard Ives	+3
KP	Sandy Dunsire	Hole 9 16' 1"	Dec 13 KPs		
				Shawn Rockey	Hole 2 16' 5"
				James Kincaid	Hole 9 29' 4"
Dec 8			Dec 15		
1	James Kincaid	38 pts	1	Dick Drenckpohl	40 pts
2	Dan Stainbrook	36 pts	T2	James Kincaid Ken Shreve	38 pts
T3	Michael Lambert Ken Shreve Shawn Rockey	33 pts	4	Lloyd Bankson	37 pts
T6	Richard Ives Dan Nichol森	32 pts	T5	Richard Ives Larry Eoff	36 pts
KP	Dan Nichol森	Hole 9 2' 0"	KP	Shawn Rockey	Hole 9 19' 4"



Ladies Club News By Rondi Horrobin, Assistant Captain

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Char Edwards-Capt | Rondi Horrobin-Asst. Capt | Judy Hartford-Sec | Mona George & Mary Ann Johnson-Treas | Penny Shelton-Handicap | Terri Stamper-Past Capt



Happy New Year!

The Ladies Club Officers have been busy planning the upcoming 2024 season. I think you will be delighted with some of the new offerings, as well as the traditional events of the past. If you have not paid the Ladies Club dues, which include your GHIN, please do so quickly. The cost is \$69. Please drop off cash or check (made out to Alderbrook Ladies Club) in the Golf Shop. Also remember to fill out the selection card.

To make our season successful we need volunteers! The committee sign-up sheets are in the Ladies Lounge. If you don't want to commit to being a chair, ask one of your golf buddies to co-chair with you. It makes it half the work and double the fun!

NEW TIMES FOR WINTER GOLF: We added some later tee times to our Ladies Club reserved times on Tuesdays. You can now call the Golf Shop to book for Tuesday at 10:03, 10:15, **11:45 or 11:54**. The two later times help avoid frost delays, temporary greens and hopefully will result in golfing in warmer weather!

POLAR PLUNGE: The 14th annual Polar Plunge is coming up February 10 (see p25). We would like to keep the friendly competition going with the Men's Club to see who can raise the most money for this charity event. Captain Char has lined up a team for the plunge named "Char's Sharks". All are welcome, and donations are accepted at 581 E. Vine Maple Ln, Union WA 98592.

LOVE
LOVE
GOLF



The Tradition Lives

Started many years ago by Sally Steffan, a few Ladies Club golfers play a few holes of golf on New Year's Day - sometimes in the snow! This year Catherine Henson, Eileen Baumgardner, Rhonda Westover & bundled up putter extraordinaire Jean Fields played the back nine



Marcia Hawkins hits into the fog



Unexpected snow surprised the Murphy guys on December 9 during their annual Holiday golf round.



Volunteers Needed for Pro-Am

By Rhonda Westover

In 2016, Brooke Henderson, 18, won her first major title with a birdie on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff with top-ranked Lydia Ko. It was the second



win in a major by a Canadian and the first in 48 years. Henderson and Ko both had bogey-free final rounds with scores of 65 (-6) and 67 (-4), respectively. the Women's PGA Championship held at Sahalee Country Club in Sammamish, Washington.

The 2016 Championship was my first lead volunteer position - Hole 17 Captain - for a Women's PGA major event, after great experiences at Chambers Bay for the 2015 U.S. Open, and the Women's Amateur at Portland Country Club.



It was incredibly inspirational to meet the young ladies vying for the Championship. Annika Sorenstam - the event ambassador met volunteers, signed autographs and posed for photos.

In 2024, the Women's PGA Championship is returning to Sahalee Country Club for a

Pro-Am on June 19 and the Championship June 20-23.

PGA is looking for local men and women volunteers to help with the event shuttles, admissions, caddie services, driving range, leaderboards, scoring, marshals, player transport and registration, and more - available on the website. See sample Committee descriptions:

Admission Sales and Will Call

Dates Of Operation: Thursday, June 20 - Sunday, June 23

This Committee sells Championship tickets and distributes complimentary Junior, Military and Will Call tickets. Volunteers also welcome guests and volunteers and scan credentials at the admissions gates.

Marshals

Dates Of Operation: Thursday, June 20 - Sunday, June 23

The Marshals Committee is responsible for providing a pleasurable and safe atmosphere for all spectators, while allowing the contestants to compete under fair conditions, and without interference. Members of this committee assist with maintaining gallery control, enforce the PGA of America cell phone policy, and potentially aid in Contestant Evacuations. A general knowledge of golf is preferred. Club and/or Group participation is welcome. All volunteers registering to be a Marshal must be able to stand for long periods of time and be able to walk to their assigned hole.

Walking Scorers

Dates Of Operation: Tuesday, June 18 and Thursday, June 20th - Sunday, June 23

*This committee is responsible for keeping track of the contestants' scores and statistics. One Walking Scorer is assigned to walk with each group and record their information using a handheld scoring device. Volunteers may be required to pass a verbal test in advance to ensure their knowledge of the rules of the game. It is required that volunteers **MUST** have a handicap of 18 or lower to be on this committee. All members of this committee are required to pass a background check.*

If you are interested in working and watching a national PGA event, volunteers are required to work at least three 4-hour shifts, and pay a Volunteer Package fee that includes a personalized non-transferable Volunteer Credential, the volunteer uniform (one golf shirt,



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jacket and baseball cap), meal vouchers, a PGA Volunteer Drawstring Bag, full access to the event with volunteer credentials during non-scheduled times and complimentary parking.

Go to: kpmgwomenspgachampionship.com for additional information and to register. If you are interested in marshaling, feel free to volunteer on my assigned hole by including my name on your registration form.

One more recruiting note:



The Genesis Invitational, a TGR Foundation event founded by Tiger Woods in 1996, is desperately seeking

“Gallery Management Ambassadors” - another name for course marshals - for its February 15-18, 2024 event.

The Genesis Invitational is held each year at Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, California, with proceeds to benefit educational programs to empower students to pursue their passions through education in Southern California. If you are interested or plan to be in Southern California in February, please put this link in your favorite web browser and register as a Gallery Management Ambassador:

<https://trusteventsolutions.com/event/69/home>.

Yacht Club

The new Yacht Club officers were installed on December 7 at a luncheon at the Clubhouse. Ron Edwards is the new Commodore, Marilyn Eastby and Kathy Morgan are the Co-Vice Commodores and Marcelo Nortelli has joined the team as the Rear Commodore. It’s going to be a fun year with this group.

Judy Hartford will be returning as Secretary/Treasurer, Teri McClean as Raffle Coordinator, Patty Murphy as Event Coordinator and Carol Norbeck as Bocce Coordinator.



Ron helps Paulette Paris add her name to the list of Commodores

It has been a wonderful experience for me as Commodore getting to know and work with so many great people. I look forward to attending the Yacht Club events this year wearing my new hat and playing some bocce. Thank you for all the memories I’m taking with me.

See you in April,

Paulette



Carol Norbeck, Marilyn Eastby, Kathy Morgan, Judy Hartford, Ron Edwards, Teri McClean, Marcelo Nortelli, Patty Murphy



Golf Cart Holiday Parade The Decorated Carts





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The Participants



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The Winners

**1st Place
Santa Pole**

*Lisa Roberge
DW Flannigan*



**2nd Place
Nutcrackers**

*Diann Pape
Marcia Hawkins*



**Best Theme
Christmas Vacation**

*Dave Morrow & Becky Flannigan
(Clark & Ellen Griswald)*

*Denny Flannigan & Carla Morrow
(Cousin Eddie & Aunt Bethany)*



**3rd Place
Candyland**

*Dave & Kae
Goodman*





Let's Laugh & Play with Friends

AGYC GAME NIGHT

THURSDAY JAN 25th

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December Trivia Winners

Congratulations to (back) Tim & Nancy Stutzman, Susan & Bob Seiler, (front) Tim & Mona George, Debbie & Greg Hibbs, Tracy Battson



14th Annual Polar Bear Plunge



Saturday, February 10th

NOON - 2p.m.

Alderbrook Resort & Spa

Take the Plunge! The Plunge is open to anyone who raises a minimum pledge of \$30. All pledges are due at registration.

Top fundraisers will be recognized in one of three categories: Community Member, Emergency Worker and Business.

All proceeds benefit Mason County Emergency Services

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**Come watch and support participants!
Raffle Prizes!**

 **Must Be Present To Win!!**

Free Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Clam Chowder

→ Bring shoes to wear in the water to protect your feet! ←

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For more information Plunge4Purpose@gmail.com

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Champaint Eighteen aspiring artists completed a mountain scene under the instruction of Bri Lesman on December 12, with a complimentary glass of champagne.



Stryder Chihara checking out the funny looking dogs on Vine Maple Ln.



Dogwood Ln





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



Hood Canal School District Bond Update

YES! We're re-running the capital projects bond again in February 2024. Having received a majority of votes approving our plans (58.134%), the School Board

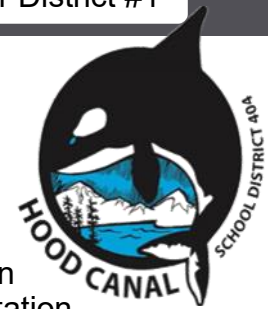
decided to try again to get the 60% plus one vote required to approve the bond and move forward. We want to make sure that our students receive educational programs and opportunities at least on par with neighboring districts. But that's not possible right now due to a significant lack of facilities. It is necessary to expand the school to meet current student needs while creating capacity for growth.

Hood Canal School lacks science, art, project, and music rooms. Classes must be taught on the stage and small groups are sometimes led in busy workrooms. Historically, preschool students have been turned away due to lack of space. It is essential our children have this educational experience to acquire the skills needed to do well in school. The deteriorating 70-year-old transportation center limits our ability to safely service buses and creates safety issues for kids because it is located so close to playground areas and school buildings.

The good news is that Hood Canal's capital debt (previous bond) is paid off and we have the lowest school tax rate in the region. However, the children of our community are missing out on things other schools take for granted, simply because of the lack of space and facilities. This \$33.5 million bond keeps tax rates second lowest in the region while addressing these critical needs:

- ◆ An addition to the front of the school with two preschool classrooms and exclusive playground to serve the little ones with disabilities, plus a library with project spaces for hands-on learning and technology.
- ◆ A middle school addition including an art classroom, outdoor education hub, flexible classroom spaces for project-based learning, career exploration, science, and future student and growth programs; this will open up space for a new performing arts program and productions.

- ◆ A bus maintenance and transportation center with greater capacity safely away from student areas. (We have applied for a state grant and anticipate receiving it; we also have in place a potential Transportation Coop. agreement, should we be able to pass the bond)
- ◆ Safety and wheelchair accessibility improvements on playgrounds and around entrances.



Any additional features would be added based first, on staying within the budget and second, on community, family, student, staff and Board input during the design phase.

This bond is a vital commitment to the current and future students at Hood Canal School and our wonderful community. A similar proposal was on the ballot in November and failed to pass by only 43 votes. Now voters will have the opportunity to reconsider this proposal with additional information and details. Ballots should arrive mid-January but residents can register to vote anytime until right before ballots are due. If you need clarification, please call or email me (360-898-4547 or 206-612-2011, reclusado@hcc.net). If you do not receive a ballot, go to the Auditor's Office: Elections in Shelton between 9 and 4 (they close for lunch) or go online to Mason County Auditor: Elections.

Please, the children need you to just push a little more and find 50 folks who will "Vote for Kids" and help us build the facilities we so desperately need and the children so desperately deserve!



For more info, visit Ho <https://www.hoodcanal.wednet.edu/> or follow Hood Canal on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/HoodCanalSchool>

New Year's Eve was celebrated at the AGYC Restaurant by merry wassailers enjoying a scrumptious five course meal, live music and dancing. The atmosphere was electric.



Justin Olsen & Amanda
(wedding in March)

Darrin Taylor
Mariam Totonchy
(wedding in May)

Taylor's



1ST COURSE - LEMON DROP SHRIMP
2ND COURSE - SEASONAL SALAD
3RD COURSE - CITRUS SORBET
4TH COURSE - BEEF SIRLOIN OSCAR
5TH COURSE - FOUR LAYER CHOCOLATE CAKE



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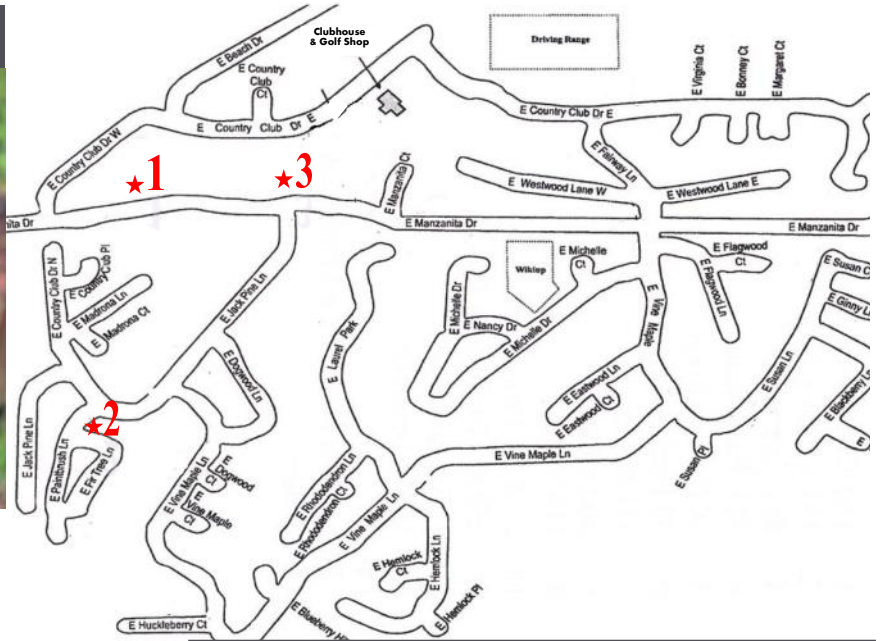


New AGYC Members



Welcome

- 1 **John & Ada Sheen**
851 E Manzanita Dr
- 2 **Randy & Bonnie Lindblad**
41 E Paintbrush Ln
- 3 **Michael Stoddard**
991 E Manzanita Dr



Undecorating the Clubhouse

Thank you to Holiday Elves who made fast work of taking down Holiday décor from the Clubhouse on January 2.

We appreciate all you do!



Jim Blake



Glenda Stone, Alicia Blake, Frank Tomich, Linda Harris, Lorene Hipp, Curt Creswell, Dan Nichol森, Tracey Lopez, Lynn Wesley, Jim Shakoske, Linda Creswell, Jan Fitzgerald

RICK WARREN
WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR?
from the NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF THE PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE

A six week Bible Study: 'What on Earth Am I Here For?' by Rick Warren is planned to begin late January/early February.

We will meet in the Annex on Tuesdays from 11:30am - 1pm.

If interested in joining us, please email mdybeck@yahoo.com

Marilyn Dybeck



Debbie Hibbs



Fire Department Christmas Parade



On December 21, Union Fire Department had a Christmas Parade which started in our neighborhood

Happy New Year!

Foremast Submissions

- to place an ad in the *Foremast*
- to include an event in the monthly calendar
- or have other questions

email foremaststaff@outlook.com

Foremast Team

Becky Flannigan, Carla Morrow, Terri Webby
Linda Cordero, Diann Pape, Patty Murphy



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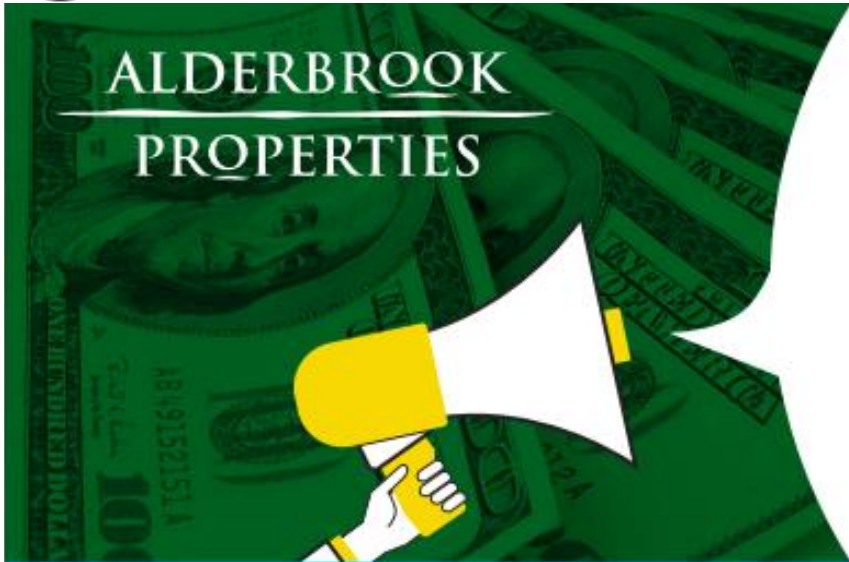


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If you are a property owner and/or a member of the Alderbrook Homeowners Association, you can receive a \$1,000 referral reward when someone you refer purchases a new Alderbrook Properties home.

Just complete the information below and return it to the Alderbrook Golf Clubhouse office before the person you refer signs an Alderbrook Properties purchase agreement. We look forward to being in touch!

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Home Tours:

Our home tours are in-person and 1:1. They must be pre-arranged at least 24 to 48 hours in advance. Please contact Emily Reed via phone at **(360) 898-0055 (option 1)** or by email at **info@alderbrookproperties.com**. Complimentary golf passes are available to those who pre-schedule!

Only property owners in the Alderbrook community are eligible to receive the referral \$1,000 reward. You must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Notification of the referring party must be given by the referred buyer or the referring party to Alderbrook Properties prior to the referred buyer signing an Alderbrook Properties purchase agreement. The \$1,000 referral reward will be made to the referring party within 15 days of the final closing date of the home sale. One reward per referral; one referral per referred buyer home purchase. There is no limit to the number of referral rewards that can be earned by an Alderbrook property owner and/or member of the Alderbrook Home Owners Association. Employees of Alderbrook Properties are not eligible for the referral reward. Real estate agents involved as the sales broker are not eligible for this offer. Program start date February 1, 2019 and subject to cancellation by Alderbrook Properties at any time.



New Year - New Yard!

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	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
	1 ** Clubhouse (Golf Shop & Restaurant) & Annex Closed ***** New Year's Day	2 Help undecorate the Clubhouse 8:30am	3 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup	4	5 & Annex Closed *****	6 Closed *** Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup	
SUN	7 ** Clubhouse (Golf Shop & Restaurant) & Annex Closed *****	8 B&A Cmte 10am Location TBD	9 Golf Cmte cancelled	10 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Welcoming Cmte 10:30am at Davila home Activities Cmte cancelled	11	12 Closed **	13 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Music - Chris Eakes 5pm
	14 Mahjong 1-4:30pm	15 LC tee times 10:03, 10:15, 11:45 & 11:54 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Green Cmte cancelled Golf Sim Night 11am-6pm Lions Club 5pm Poker 7pm Annex	16 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Hand 'n Foot 10am Bridge 10am-2:30pm Annex Golf Sim Night 11am-6pm Mahjong 1-5pm Alderbrook Dems 3pm Annex Environment Cmte 3:30pm	17	18 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Duplicate Bridge 12pm Annex Trivia 5-7pm	19 Dominoes 2-5pm	20 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup
	21 Mahjong 1-4:30pm	22 LC tee times 10:03, 10:15, 11:45 & 11:54 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Poker 7pm Annex	23 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Hand 'n Foot 10am Bridge 10am-4pm Annex Golf Sim Night 11am-6pm Mahjong 1-5pm	24	25 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Duplicate Bridge 12pm Annex Game Night 5pm	26 Dominoes 2-5pm	27 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Music - Lady Drinks Whiskey 5pm
	28 Mahjong 1-4:30pm	29 LC tee times 10:03, 10:15, 11:45 & 11:54 Table Tennis 9-11am Annex Golf Sim Night 11am-6pm Poker 7pm Annex	30 Pickleball 10-11am Wickiup Hand 'n Foot 10am Bridge 10am-4pm Annex Golf Sim Night 11am-6pm Mahjong 1-5pm Board Mtg 6pm Clubhouse and Zoom	31	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Save the date:</div> Feb 10 Polar Bear Plunge Jun 2 AGYC Annual Meeting Aug 23, 24, 25 Alder Classic		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Golf Shop 8am-4pm</div>

Restaurant Hours	Sun	Mon	Tues-Wed	Th-Fri	Sat
	10am-4pm Brunch	8am-4pm Sandwiches /Beverages in Golf Shop	11am-6pm Standard Bar and Meal Service	11am-7pm Standard Bar and Meal Service	10am-7pm Brunch is 10am-2pm



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Please check here for the publication date of the next month's issue.

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