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Jim Selley

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Vice Captains

Andrew Hobbs- Weekly

Draw

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Lorne Lindsay

Social Director

Don McPherson

Director at Large

Laurie Craddock

Past President

Jim Appleby

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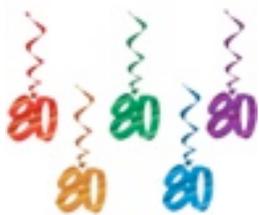
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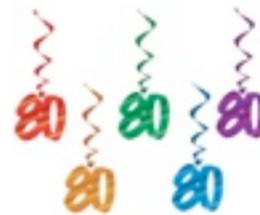
WEST POINT GOLF CLUB

82ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, October 30, 2012 - 11:30 A.M.

Strathcona Room Third Floor

Arbutus Club – 2001 Nanton Avenue, Vancouver



BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

Sign-in of Members at Door & Collection of Annual Dues (cheques only)

Please bring your cheque (not cash) payable to the West Point Golf Club (Full Play Membership \$125.00, Associate \$50.00 to the meeting and leave it with the treasurer at the door.

Welcome/ Call to Order by Jim Selley, President

- General Welcome to Playing, Honorary and Associate Members.
- President's Opening Remarks – Season Overview

Roll Call of Directors

- **Introductions** of Directors & **Roles** Played

Quorum

- Count of Voting Members present.
- Quorum present? (Only 8 required).

Minutes of the 81st AGM held on November 10, 2011

- Published in latest issue of Divot Dust
- Call for a Proposer & Seconder
- Discussion
- Question

Directors' Reports for 2012 Season – Other Than Treasurer's Report

- Published in latest issue of Divot Dust and taken as read:

President	Jim Selley
Captain	Mike Carter
Vice Captain - Draw	Andrew Hobbs
Vice Captain - Scoring	Chris Allen
Membership Director	Lorne Lindsay
Social Director	Don McPherson
Director at Large	Laurie Craddock
Past President	Jim Appleby
Communications	Gary Sinclair / Ed Watson
eSignUp, eHandicap & Riverway	Ray Dujardin / Barry Arnett

- Call for a Proposer & Seconder
- Discussion
- Question

Treasurer’s Report for 2012 and Budget for 2013

Report by Rob Dickinson

- See two copies on each table
- Call for a Proposer & Seconder
- Discussion
- Question

Election of Directors for 2013

- Nomination Committee Members: Jim Appleby (Chair); Don McPherson; Geof Trunkfield.
- Slate of Nominating Committee - presented by Jim Appleby:

President	Lorne Lindsay	1stYear
Secretary	Dave Stephens	2nd Year
Treasurer	Rob Dickinson	2nd Year
Captain	Mike Carter	2nd Year
Vice Captain - Draws	Andrew Hobbs	2nd Year
Vice Captain – Scoring	Geof Trunkfield	1st Year
Membership	Don McPherson	1st Year
Social	Peter Coyle	1st Year
Director at Large	Laurie Craddock	2nd Year
- Call for Other Nominations by Jim Selley
- Call for Proposer/Seconder to Close Nominations
- Voting
- Election

Executive appointments made by Board of Directors

Executive Appointment:

Past President Jim Selley

Ex Officio Appointments:

Website Management: Gary Sinclair and Ed Watson

Electronic Applications: Barry Arnett and Chris Allen

New Business

Adjournment

Membership Fee for 2013 season
\$125.00
 Associate Membership Fee **\$50.00**

**Please remember to bring your cheque (not cash)
 to the October 30th AGM and Awards Luncheon**

Rob Dickinson - Treasurer

WEST POINT GOLF CLUB

MINUTES OF THE 81st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2011
AT THE ARBUTUS CLUB, 2001 NANTON AVENUE, VANCOUVER, B.C.

WELCOME and CALL TO ORDER:

Jim Selley, President, called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. welcoming all members to the 81st Annual General Meeting of the West Point Golf Club. Jim Selley started the meeting by stating – “This Annual General Meeting is bringing to close another successful year for the West Point Golf Club. It has been a year of significant change, for example the seamless introduction of eSignup, our new electronic process for game registration. As well, we expanded our play at Fraserview from one to two months. We now offer our members the opportunity to play all three Vancouver courses for at least two months each year. As usual we had spirited play at our various competitions along with a wonderful sense of camaraderie among members. From a golf operation perspective, we continue to maintain a great relationship with the Pro Shop staff of each golf course that results in excellent co-operation for the club.

At the same time it has been a year with challenges for the coming season. We had a significant drop in our regular Thursday play during the last half of the season and a number of members (15) who did not play any games or only a small number due to a variety of health or other circumstances. In addition our Wait List players were much less active previously. A recent survey authored by Lorne Lindsay in response to the reduced play indicated that we will be losing a significant number of members. We will be a smaller club next year with around 85 regular play members. As a result the Board of Directors have identified increasing regular play and building a waiting list as the first priority for 2012. I am confident that with the resourcefulness of the Board, we will no doubt continue to be a vibrant golf club next year.”

ROLL CALL of DIRECTORS and OFFICERS

Present:	Jim Selley	-	President
	Brian Ciccozzi	-	Secretary
	Laurie Craddock	-	Captain
	Mike Carter	-	Vice Captain (weekly draw)
	Chris Allen	-	Vice Captain (scoring)
	Jim Appleby	-	Past President
Absent:	Don McPherson	-	Treasurer
	Lorne Lindsay	-	Membership
	Craig Thomson	-	Social
	Tony Blake	-	Director at Large
Advisors:	Gary Sinclair	-	Webmaster & Divot Dust
	Ed Watson	-	Assistant Webmaster
	Ray Dujardin	-	eSignup & eHandicap

QUORUM: The President reported that there were 66 Members present and as 8 Members constitute a quorum, the quorum requirement has been met.

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded that the reading of the Minutes of the 80th Annual General Meeting be waived and be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

ANNUAL REPORTS: It was moved and seconded that the Annual Reports of the Directors published in the Divot Dust and entered on the Club's web site not be read and that they (except for the Treasurer's report) be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: As Don McPherson was absent from the meeting the Secretary, Brian Ciccozzi, presented the report and statements. He advised the Members that the club ended the 2011 golf year with a surplus of approximately \$11,000. The surplus resulting from savings achieved in information services, printing and supplies, prizes, social functions and tee time reservation costs all of which occurred as a result of the significant decline in regular play that occurred throughout the year. Brian also advised that the 2012 Budget is based on the following:

- paying membership 85 (down from 100 in 2011)
- annual dues for members \$125
- annual dues for Associate Members \$50
- no allocation for tee time reservation costs
- reduced costs in other areas due to decline in paying membership

all of which should result in a balanced budget for the 2012 golf year.

On a motion made and seconded the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements including 2012 Budget was unanimously passed.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS: The Nominating Committee consisting of a Chairman, who must have served as Club President during the past 5 years, one Member from the current Board of Directors and one Member from the general membership are charged with the responsibility of interviewing members to determine who might be willing to serve on the Board.

The current Nominating Committee consisting of Chairman, Jim Appleby, Board representative Brian Ciccozzi and General membership representative Dave Stephens unanimously recommend that the following members be appointed to the Board of Directors for the 2011 – 2012 golf season:

President	-	Jim Selley
Secretary	-	Dave Stephens
Treasurer	-	Rob Dickinson
Captain	-	Mike Carter

Vice Captain (weekly draw)	-	Andrew Hobbs
Vice Captain (scoring)	-	Chris Allen
Membership	-	Lorne Lindsay
Social	-	Don McPherson
Director at Large	-	Laurie Craddock

There being no nominations from the floor, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the Nominating Committee's slate of nominees be elected for the ensuing year.

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS: Jim Selley reconfirmed the appointment of the following ex officio positions:

Web Site and Divot Dust	-	Gary Sinclair and Ed Watson
eSignup & eHandicap	-	Ray Dujardin

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLUB'S BY-LAWS: Jim Appleby advised the members that the Board is proposing an amendment to the By-Laws to allow for Associate Members who are unable to play as Members due to illness or injury, to participate in the activities of the Society including playing the occasional round of golf, tee times permitting.

On a motion duly made and seconded the definition of Associate Members as stated in the By-Laws of the Club be amended as follows:

3. Associate Members

"Associate Membership may be granted, by the Board of Directors, to any member in good standing who elects to participate in the activities of the Society, including occasional rounds of golf, tee times permitting."

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP: Jim Selley asked Past President, Jim Appleby, to come forward and announce the recipient of a Lifetime Award to one of our members who has contributed countless hours to the continuing improvement of our Club.

Jim Appleby stated that the Board wished to acknowledge the accomplishments of a member who "1,2,3" :

- served as Club President in 2004 and 2005
- kept the club together through his amazing web site and publishing of the Divot Dust and
- has served on the Board for 8 years.

Gentlemen, I give you our 4th Lifetime Member: Gary Sinclair.

DEPARTING BOARD MEMBERS: Jim Selley thanked the departing Board members Brian Ciccozzi, Craig Thomson and Tony Blake for their contributions to the Club and trusts that the Board can continue to call on them in the future.

LUNCHEON: The Arbutus Club served a sumptuous lunch during which Carl Jonsson conducted the reverse draw.

AWARDS: Laurie Craddock, Mike Carter and Chris Allen presented the 2011 golf awards and thanked the many members who contributed to this season's success.

CLOSING: As there was no further business Jim Selley concluded the meeting by stating, "West Point continues to be a financial sound golf club as witnessed by the Financial Report presented at the AGM. The increase in fees initiated for 2011 has worked, putting the Club on firm financial footing, while allowing us to introduce new initiatives (e.g. eSignup) to reduce workload while providing an easy method for members to register for play. We do not plan to introduce any enhancements to our electronic processes for 2012 as the Board believes it is prudent to maintain the current approach for a second year.

I would like to thank the 2011 Board for all their hard work to make this an enjoyable golf season and I look forward to working with the 2012 Board to continue the past success of the West Point Golf Club.

Best wishes and good health to all members and I look forward to seeing you all again next year."

There being no further business the 81st AGM was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.



Brian Ciccozzi - Secretary



82ND ANNUAL LUNCHEON & AWARDS CEREMONY

12.00 Noon to 12.30 pm: Cash Bar Open for Social Gathering.

12.30 pm: Members Invited to be Seated.

General Welcome & Announcements (President)

Individual Welcome to:

Honorary Members

Associate Members

Charter Members **Dave Fairweather and Roy Moulton.**

Award of a Lifetime Membership – to be announced by the President at this time

Saying of Grace (President)

Buffet Luncheon Begins - during which:

Reverse Draw (Carl Jonsson)



Awarding of Trophies (Mike Carter, Chris Allen & Andrew Hobbs):

1. **Bud Brown Eclectic:** individual winners in each of 3 Handicap Divisions.
2. **TNT – (Spring Event) “Team Net Total”** winning foursome.
3. **Ed Angel Trophy:** winning two-man team.
4. **Neil McIntyre Trophy:** winner with lowest net score.
5. **Joe Dwyer Trophy:** winning teams in each of 3 Handicap Divisions.
6. **Putting Jamboree:** winner with lowest score.
7. **Club Champion – Match play**
8. **Roli Parker Shield Eclectic:** individual winners in each of 3 Handicap Divisions.
9. **TNT – (Summer Event) “Team Net Total”** winning foursome.
10. **Stroke Play Champion.**
11. **Senior Master Champion.**
12. **Super Senior Champion.**
13. **Handicap Champion.**
14. **Flight Champions: A, B and C** - acknowledgment of champions.
15. **Palcutta:** acknowledgment of winning team.
16. **Ab Miles (McQuarrie Hunter) Tankard:** winner with lowest net score.
17. **Doug LeBlanc Shield:** individual winners in each of 3 Handicap Divisions.
18. **Bob Jack Trophy:** winner with total of lowest best three scores
19. **Old Block Trophy:** winner West Point Golf Club.
20. **Holes in One:** achievers in 2012 playing in any WPGC fixture.
21. **Strategic Handicap Management Award** - to be announced at this time.

To speed up the process, cash prizes for each of the above winners and all runners-up will be available at close of lunch – not during the award ceremony. A table for that purpose will be set aside.



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President's Message



This AGM brings to a close another successful year for the West Point Golf Club. It has been a year of significant change, in this case the addition of 23 new members to the club. As well, we introduced a time clock with the move to Fraserview to assist in meeting our commitment to the Parks Board on pace of play. Our electronic systems (eSignUp and eHandicap) were intentionally left little changed to allow the membership to become more comfortable with the processes. I am pleased to say that these systems worked well and the new and returning

members alike had few issues learning how to use them. As usual we had spirited play at our various competitions along with a wonderful sense of camaraderie among members. From a golf operation perspective, we continue to maintain a great relationship with the Pro Shop staff of each golf course that results in excellent co-operation for the club.

West Point continues to be a financially sound golf club as witnessed by the Financial Report presented at the AGM. The increase in fees initiated for 2011 has worked, putting the club on firm financial footing, while allowing us to introduce new initiatives (e.g., eSignUp) to reduce workload while providing an easy method for members to register for play.

However, **Gary Sinclair** and **Ed Watson** are planning big changes for the Website in 2013. From what I have seen....using what they call the sandbox version... it will be a much more visually stunning and interactive website that will knock your socks off. So stay tuned for next spring.

I would like to thank the 2012 Board for all their hard work to make this an enjoyable golf season. They have been a wonderful group of

talented people to work with and deserve credit for the excellent club we are all so very proud of.

As this is my last year as President I would like to thank all West Point members for the opportunity, it has been an honour and a pleasure to be your President. I can now go back to being just plain old Jim.

Finally, I wish our new President all the best and am confident he will continue to guide the club successfully.

Best Wishes and good health to all members and I look forward to seeing you all again next spring.

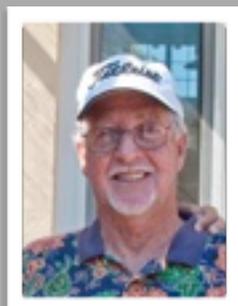
Regards,

Jim Selley

Our Hole-in-One Guys - 2012



Tad Yamasaki
Langara G.C. 8th



Barry Arnett
Langara G.C. 8th



Andrew Hobbs
Northview Canal 14th



Glen Lockhart
Langara G.C. 12th

Captain's Message



This was my first year as club captain and I have been very fortunate to have a great mentor in **Laurie Craddock**, who has helped me on numerous occasions. Basically, I have tried to continue with the successful formula from last year, with the occasional "tweak" when deemed necessary.

This year we had a large number of new members (23) and in an effort to welcome them to the club we had an opening social, specifically for new members. **Lorne Lindsay** produced a very useful new members guide. In the draw this year, we have tried to spread the new members with our long-term members so that they became well integrated into the club.

The foursome captains meeting was held in March and the responsibilities of the foursome captains were outlined. The major emphasis, again, was on pace of play.

We again secured 22 guaranteed tee times for every Thursday of the season at the three city golf courses. This is a privilege that the club must not abuse and is why we put such an emphasis on the pace of play of our members, so that we can continue to secure these guaranteed times in future years. We are very fortunate to play these beautiful golf courses every week.

The year began with cool wet weather and McCleery was not at its best and deterred several of our cart-riding members from playing, but we still had reasonable turnouts. However, as soon as the club moved to the friendly confines of Langara golf course the weather improved and has been perfect for golf. Consequently, we have seen a steady increase in the number of members playing on a regular basis. The good weather followed us to Fraserview and attendance continues to be good. The condition of both courses has been excellent this year.

eSignup, designed by **Ray Dujardin**, performed flawlessly in its second year of operation and we now have all but three members able to use it. However, we still have a number of people who forget to sign in on time (Friday 8pm dead-line) and make the life of the draw-master more complicated and frustrating. **Andrew Hobbs** has done a great job on the draw this year and he is to be complimented for his sterling effort.

We have a very dedicated group at the "Captain's Table" led by Vice Captain **Chris Allen**, and ably supported by **Geof Trunkfield, Jim Trotter, Dave Thomas and Bud Cowlin**. They have done a diligent job, vetting scorecards and deciding on the weekly winners.

Lorne Lindsay, our membership director has produced a very comprehensive spreadsheet showing weekly member participation and their times of play. This will help the draw master, in the future, to make a more equitable allocation of start times amongst our members.

The club website management has again been superb and all the weekly draws and results have been posted in a timely fashion. Thank you **Ed Watson** and **Gary Sinclair**.

I was able to convince most of last year's tournament organisers to run the many tournaments that the club supports and, without exception, they did a great job.

Five away games were played at Point Roberts, Kings Links, Squamish Valley, Northview and Seymour Country Club during the year and they were all well attended and a lot of fun.

I am looking forward to the AGM where Andrew, Chris and I will have the pleasure of awarding all the 17 trophies to this year's winners.

Competition Coordinators: A very special thank you to those serving during our 2012 season:

Brian Ciccozzi, John Foster, Geof Trunkfield, Neil Brett-Davies, Peter Coyle, Don Edmonds, Bill Trory, Paul Levy, Jim Mackie.

Away game Coordinators:

Jim Mackie, Craig Thomson, Don Edmonds, Andrew Hobbs, Laurie Craddock.

Have a great winter and I look forward to another great year of camaraderie and golf next year

And finally, some golf wisdom:

- **If you don't want to putt it, it isn't a "gimme"**
- **The fastest walker in the foursome never has a bad lie.**

Mike Carter

WPGC's Top Money Winners - October 11, 2012

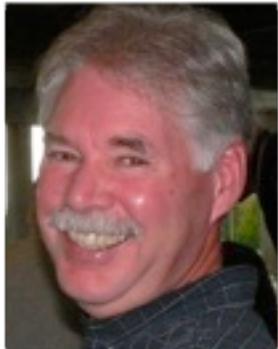
Winnings will be distributed at the AGM

Rank	Player	Honey Pot	KPs	Tourns.	Total	Rank Last Week
1	Don McPherson	\$21.00		\$70.00	\$91.00	1
1	Gordie MacCulloch	\$16.00		\$75.00	\$91.00	1
3	Peter Coyle	\$11.00	\$20.00	\$50.00	\$81.00	3
4	Wayne Gatley	\$11.00	\$10.00	\$55.00	\$76.00	8
5	Doug Blackman	\$22.00	\$5.00	\$45.00	\$72.00	4
6	Tad Yamasaki	\$8.00	\$25.00	\$35.00	\$68.00	5
7	Robert Wood	\$8.00	\$5.00	\$50.00	\$63.00	6
8	Ed Bobinski	\$11.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$61.00	7
9	Jim Mackie	\$3.00	\$5.00	\$45.00	\$53.00	8
10	Brian Boone	\$16.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$51.00	10



Chris Allen, Rob Dickinson & Ed Watson

Vice Captain's (Scoring) - Message



As the 2012 golf season comes to a close, let me on behalf of the Captain's Table, thank all you club members for helping to make this a very successful year.

One the club's continuing goals this year was to continue to self-monitor our pace of play. I think we did an admirable job of accomplishing this goal and keeping up a good pace of play.

Of course, in order to know how well we were doing required monitoring the finishing times of the foursomes. This very important job was performed by the Captain's Table. For most of the season we did this manually by trying to record the finishing

time of each foursome. This was very time consuming, not to mention not always very accurate. The introduction of the time clock in September was, I think, a very positive step. It certainly removed some pressure from the Captain's Table allowing us to concentrate on our other important duties: scoring, prize distribution and answering all your questions (even the silly ones).



The time clock is also a good tool for helping remind the foursomes of their responsibility to keep up their pace of play. I am very happy to see that, even though there was some "grumbling" about the clock, players are rushing to the clock to record their foursome's time.

Let me now give a special thanks to Captain **Mike Carter** and the other members of the **Board of Directors** for all they have done to keep the club running smoothly.

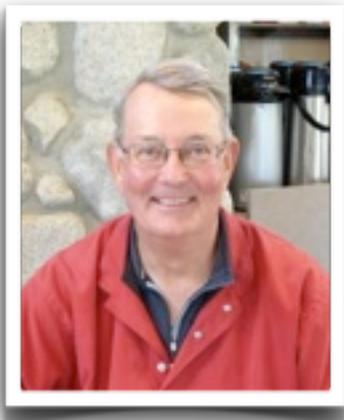
Thank you to the members of the Captain's Table: **Bud Cowlin, Dave Thomas, Jim Trotter, Geof Trunkfield, Andrew Hobbs and Mike Carter**, as well as the many other nameless club members who at various times helped out with the scoring. I have enjoyed working with all of you the past two seasons, especially since you guys did most of the work on Thursdays.

Again, thanks everyone, you certainly made my term as Vice Captain Scoring a very enjoyable experience.

Enjoy your winter activities; I look forward to seeing you all next season.

Chris Allen

Vice Captain's (Weekly Draw) - Message



At the opening Social, I did request that the membership treat me gently in my learning curve through this tortuous job.

With the help of expert guidance from those before me and from the Board the curves seem to have straightened. Thanks specifically to **Mike Carter** and **Chris Allen** for their help.

Priorities for setting the weekly Draw have been given in the following order:

- Captain's table line-up [and thanks to Chris Allen and his team for their diligence].
- Grouping of contenders for competition finals [Thanks Mike Carter for your help].
- Cart sharing.
- Rotation early/late.
- Car pooling.
- Specific requests for play priorities as they arise.

There have been comments that team members don't seem to play enough together. The season is made up of about 50% team play, the rest being competition. More often than not there are missing members from each team, especially early and late in the season. This leads to pairings from two different teams being slotted together as a compromise. I've enjoyed getting to know the members pretty well, with all their idiosyncrasies, so beware!

We have a great group of characters on the Board whose help to me has been invaluable....many thanks.

I trust that the Draws have worked reasonably well for you over this season. If not, please let me know how I can improve.

Thanks to you all for your encouragement and guidance.

Andrew Hobbs

LAW 9

The last three holes of a round will automatically adjust your score to what it really should be.

LAW 20

Every time a golfer makes a birdie, he must subsequently make a double or triple bogey to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe.

The Members of our Captain's Table



Chris Allen



Bud Cowlin



Andrew Hobbs



Dave Thomas



Jim Trotter



Geof Trunkfield

WPGC 1986 - CHARTER MEMBERS – INVOLVED IN 2012

"A Special General Meeting of the 'new' West Point golf Club was held at the Kerrisdale Community Centre on **April 25, 1986**". The roster of members who opted to remain with the WPGC, at that time, were **53** in number and were recognized as the Club's "Charter Members".

Of the "original 53 members", two are currently involved as Lifetime Members.



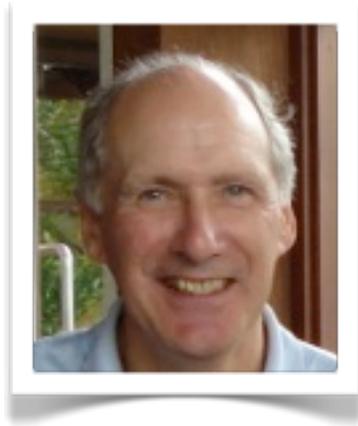
Dave Fairweather



Roy Moulton

The current membership has benefited from, and salutes, their dedicated service and continued contributions to our golfing pleasures!

Membership Director's Message



The club has 99 Regular Members, 4 Lifetime Members and 5 Associate Members. We welcomed 23 new members to start the season: Brian Boone, Tony Borghi, John Bowman, Barrie Brown, Bas Coleman, Terry Collette, Alan Collier, Ward Corcoran, Joe Davison, Doug Frenette, Frank Gallagher, David Johannson, Roger Jung, Jeremy Marr, David McMurdo, Pat Nicol, Elliott Phillips, Sam Shalaby, Don Vance, Dave Vaughan, Ken Whitelaw, Robert Wood and Tad Yamasaki. We hope they have enjoyed their first full year with the Club. There are currently 9 individuals waiting to join West Point Golf Club.

At press time, three regular members have indicated they won't be returning next year: **Wing Mar**, **Sim Leong** and **Dave Vaughan**. Wing and Sim experienced major discomfort while golfing during the latter part of the season. Both joined the Club in 2007 and were great members of our foursome; Bill and I will miss them. Dave spent one year with the Club. **Wally Lyle** is relinquishing his Associate Membership, after 16 years with West Point. We extend best wishes to all these individuals.

Unfortunately, three long-time members, due to medical issues, were not able to play at all this past season. We have missed the game, leadership and spirit that these men have provided over the years: **Dave Fairweather**, **Roy Moulton** and **Al Williams**. We are pleased that Past President, **Jim Appleby**, has been able to play a little during the past month and get his first games in.

Some **interesting facts** about our members: 19 members were eligible for the Super Senior (75-79) competition and 14 for the Senior Master (80+) category this year. As the season ends, 38 members are in the 0-18 handicap range, 40 in the 19-25 range and 25 in the 26+ range. The accompanying chart presents some statistics on the ages of our 2012 membership.

73.25	Arithmetic Average
72.62	Middle number
61.39	Youngest
90.68	Oldest
41	# Less than 70
46	# from 70 to 79.9
17	# 80 and older
54	# > 73.5

Birthday Brothers - The following members share a birthday: Jan 23 – Doug Blackman, Frank Gallagher; Jan 31 – Peter Kidd, Tad Yamasaki; Feb 1 – Ron Babcock, David Haddleton; Feb 2 – David Johannson, Glen Lockhart; Mar 10 – Jim Appleby, Don Vance; Mar 12 – Dave Fairweather, Jeremy Marr; Apr 3 – Maurice Foisy, Bill Trory; May 8 – Andrew Hobbs, Ken Whitelaw; Aug 7 – Wayne Ferrey, Andy Schmidt (same year, too); Oct 23- Brian Boone, Rob Sandhu.

Year of Joining: 2012 – 23, 2011 – 4, 2010 – 4, 2009 – 5, 2008 – 9, 2007 – 8, 2006 – 11, 2005 – 12, 2004 – 6, 2003 – 1, 2002 – 7, 1999 – 3, 1998 – 3, 1996 – 1, 1992 – 1, 1991 – 1, 1990 – 1, 1989 – 1, 1986 – 1, 1970 – 1.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Membership Director for the past two years, maintaining contact with everyone, monitoring our wait list and the pending file of applicants.

My best wishes to all West Point members for a healthy and happy winter.

Lorne Lindsay

Our 20 YEARS of MEMBERSHIP Club

The following members have been active with the WPGC for over 20 years:

Ed Bobinski
 Dave Fairweather
 Wally Lyle
 Hugh Marshall
 Roy Moulton
 Lloyd Shippam
 Al Williams



Ed Dave Wally Hugh Roy Lloyd Al

Former Officers of WPGC's Board of Directors

Sixteen (16) of our currently active or associate members have, in the past, served on our Board of Directors:

**Ed Bobinski
 Brian Ciccozzi
 Neil Brett-Davies
 David Dickson**

**David Fairweather
 Maurice Foisy
 Ed Gibbon
 David Haddleton**

**Carl Jonsson
 Jim Mackie
 Hugh Marshall
 Roy Moulton**

**Ben Oxholm
 Andy Schmidt
 Craig Thomson
 Al Williams**

REMEMBERING

We said good-bye to five outstanding gentlemen this year.

Lorne Lindsay

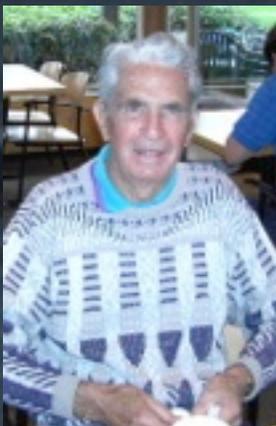
Regular member **Jack Grant** passed away in May, at age 83; he had been a member since 1996 and served as Social Director in 1999 and 2000. Jack brought his strength of character and compassion to the golf course.



Honourary Member (2010) **Jesse Cove** died in March, age 91. Jesse was a Charter Member of WPGC in 1986, was our second President, and served as the barrister for the signing of our Constitution.



Bruce Groom was a member for 24 years (1988 – 2011) and served as Treasurer in 1991; he was a Charter Member of our "Shot Their Age" Club.



George Paquette passed away in March at age 92. He had relinquished his membership in November 2011, after 22 years of enjoying the golf and friendships.

Reid Mitchell passed away at age 86. He was President of WPGC in 1975 and was a Signature Member of the WPGC Constitution Committee; he was a Charter Member of our Club in 1986.



AGM & Awards Luncheon - October 30th

Social Director's Message

This year started off with the traditional Opening Social held at Langara March 27. This annual occasion is an opportunity to catch up with fellow members after the long winter and to learn about the new year's golf and social program. For 2013 this event will be held later in May to maximize attendance, as many members do not return from their winter retreat until late April. The 2013 budget will include an amount for door prizes and for the food and beverage that will be free of charge to members.



In 2012 our membership included 23 new members. The club was very fortunate to have such a wonderful group of guys eager to join and contribute to West Point Golf Club. At a May game, to celebrate their entry into the club, we matched new members with board members and completed the occasion with complimentary bar tickets for all members. The board has agreed to make this an annual event as a special welcome to new members.

At the President v Captain Team tournament in September we launched the first recognition of the 80th Anniversary celebration by giving special anniversary golf balls to all participants. These golf balls will also be given to all attendees at the AGM.

The AGM, which will be held October 30 at the Arbutus Club, will also include a special celebration of the club's 80th Anniversary. There are several members who have put in considerable time developing the program for the celebration – the program is top secret though, so member recognition will have to be given at a later date. Further details on timing, parking etc. for the AGM will be included in a separate email to all members.

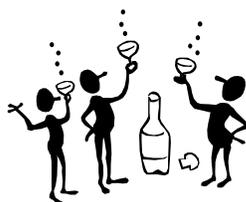


Remember:

"Golf and sex are the only two things you can enjoy without being good at either of them".

"Golf is like a love affair: if you don't take it seriously it is boring, if you do take it seriously it breaks your heart".

Don McPherson



Past President's Report



After five years on the Board, my sixth year has been a struggle! My foursome (the other three) has had a lean year since I was not able to contribute to their weekly winnings. Thank-you to those many members who have made calls or sent emails or cards wishing me well.

As we approach our 80th anniversary celebration, it is amazing to realize how much the club has changed in my six years on the Board--and it's all for the better! This year's Directors are highlighting specific changes in their Reports in the Divot Dust.

Before presenting the proposed Board for 2013, may I express appreciation to **Chris Allen** who is stepping down after two years of dedicated service as our Vice Captain (Scoring). As well as being our 2011 club champion, Chris has provided leadership staying at the

Captain's Table, every Thursday, until everyone handed in their score card and then calculating the week's winners. We are pleased to say that Chris has agreed to work with **Barry Arnett** as an Advisor on the eSign-up and eHandicap management group next year.

In the same breath, we owe a deep debt of gratitude to **Ray Dujardin** for his dedicated work on the Board for six years plus two more as an Advisor to oversee the introduction and management of the eSign-up and eHandicap features of our competition administration procedures.

Thank-you, Ray!

Nomination of Directors for 2013

As chair of the Nominating Committee for next year's Board, ably assisted by Don McPherson and Geof Trunkfield, I am pleased to announce the following members have agreed to stand for election:

President	Lorne Lindsay	1stYear
Secretary	Dave Stephens	2nd Year
Treasurer	Rob Dickinson	2nd Year
Captain	Mike Carter	2nd Year
Vice Captain - Draws	Andrew Hobbs	2nd Year
Vice Captain – Scoring	Geof Trunkfield	1st Year
Membership	Don McPherson	1st Year
Social	Peter Coyle	1st Year
Director at Large	Laurie Craddock	2nd Year

Executive appointments made by Board of Directors

Executive Appointment:	
Past President	Jim Selley
Ex Officio Appointments:	
Website Management:	Gary Sinclair and Ed Watson
Electronic Applications:	Barry Arnett and Chris Allen



Jim Appleby

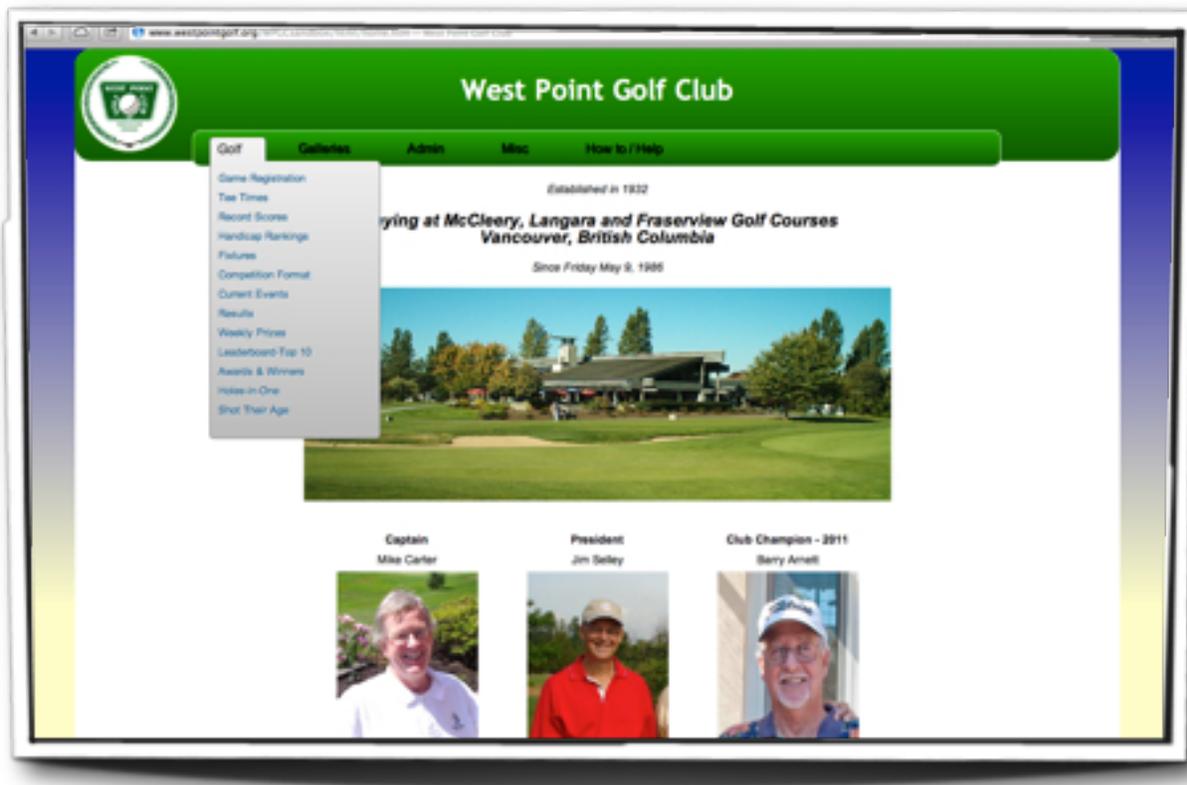
Club Communications - Electronic Website - Event Registration - Divot Dust

www.westpointgolf.org
- our Website and Information Highway

We are pleased that the website's content and management continues to effectively and efficiently meet the communication needs of the membership, but we are also aware that it was first launched in 2006 and still reflects the design and appearance of that time.

As website technology, as well as our content and scope, has evolved over the intervening years we have undertaken an updating of the site's visual appearance, access to its menu and its navigational mode.

Your future visits to www.westpointgolf.org will still open the door to all aspects of the WPGC only through the updated home page displayed below:



This snapshot of the new home page presents a cleaner look and displays a permanent top border with a drop-down menu style to replace the original left margin menu - the one that inconveniently disappeared as you scrolled through the section of your choice.

This developmental construction process is nearing completion and is scheduled to be operational for official use by the end of November - it will be modestly different but easier to navigate throughout.

We are confident that you will be able to adjust to the new environment and be comfortable with it by our opening day in late April 2013. We also invite any suggestions regarding its effectiveness that you may offer for our consideration.



As we will be observing our 80th Anniversary by celebrating the highlights of our club's history, you are invited to visit the website's **Executive History** section and peruse the document that was authored by *Ed Angel (of the Ed Angel Trophy)* to chronicle our early years from 1932 to 2000. Also, you will find a chart that lists the members that have served the club as Directors through the years 1986 to 2012. Also, click on the **Divot Dust** section that will take you to the archived issues of our newsletter from 2005 to date – trace the evolution of all aspects of the club's activities.



Gary Sinclair & Ed Watson

Event Registration

via **eSignup**

The online system initiated at the start of the 2011 season was in place throughout 2012. Apart from difficulties caused during a system upgrade at the start of the season there were no major interruptions in the service. The upgrade has made signing-in easier by automatically filling-in the registrant's personal data and clarifying the confirmation procedure and in several other ways. As it stands there are no other changes available to us for the system. Members are to be congratulated for adapting to the system and making life easier for the Vice Captain (weekly draw) and others who make up the draws and book facilities for club events.

Ray Dujardin has maintained eHandicap from the outset with the wholehearted support and encouragement of President Jim Selley and Barry Arnett. Many thanks are due to Craig Mackenzie, Consultant and Pauline Ahoy Logan of the Langara Ladies Golf Club who made eSignup a reality.



Ray Dujardin

Record Scores - Handicap Rankings

via eHandicap

Reporting of scores for handicap purposes continued under the eHandicap Network system operated by Northern Systems Inc. of Ottawa. During the year Barry Arnett took over the job from Ray Dujardin of overseeing the handicap database created from scores as they are recorded. The database of all members' scores and handicaps resides on Barry's computer but is backed up into the eHandicap server. Each week the club handicaps listed by name and rank are downloaded and distributed in a printable form to club officials and displayed on our website.

Under club rules (see the website) members are obliged to record scores for all club events and non-club play except when incurred during the winter break in British Columbia which extends from **November 15th until March 1st**. The Club Captain can extend the March date if abnormal conditions exist. As normal club play is on Thursdays, scores should be entered by the following Sunday (3 days). Members may use the system to record scores outside of B.C. during the winter break providing conditions are similar to those during the B.C playing season.

Members who do not report all of their scores, particularly for club events, have handicaps that do not necessarily represent their current playing ability. This may cause distortions of net scores in club competitions. During the season the recording of scores by members on a timely basis has been monitored and a few with deficient recording have been contacted and requested to correct the situation. This monitoring practice will be continued in 2013 in fairness to all members competing in club events.



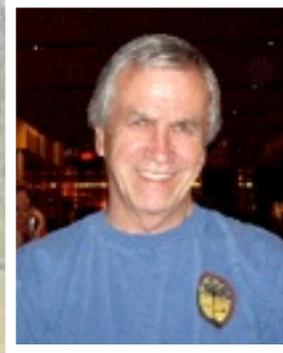
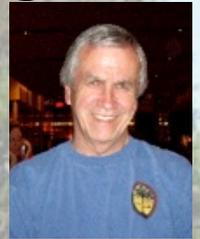
Barry Arnett & Ray Dujardin
Administrators

Club Championships



Club Champion
Peter Coyle

Runner Up
Joe Davison



Stroke Play Champion
Joe Davison

Runner Up
Don McPherson



Handicap Champion
Gord MacCulloch

Runner Up
Bob Wood



Senior Master Champion
Dave Dickson

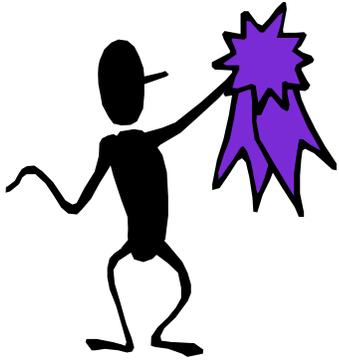
Runner Up
Art Roberts



Super Senior Champion
Tad Yamasaki

Runner Up
Glen Lockhart





Volunteer Recognition

The **Captains** wish to publicly recognize those Club members who are giving so freely of their time to organize and manage our scheduled competitions.

To the following members, we offer a sincere
"Thank you for your assistance!"

Mike Carter, Captain
Chris Allen & Andrew Hobbs, Vice Captains

2012 WPGC Events and their Coordinators

Event	Co-ordinator
Bud Brown Eclectic	Brian Ciccozzi
TNT McCleery & Langara	John Foster
Neil McIntyre Trophy	Geof Trunkfield
Ed Angel Trophy	Neil Brett-Davies
Putting Jamboree	Peter Coyle
Joe Dwyer Shield	Don Edmonds
Roli Parker Shield Eclectic	Brian Ciccozzi
Championship Competitions	Captain's Table
Palcutta Tournament	Bill Trory, Kent Curley, Don McPherson
Ab Miles Tankard	Paul Levy
Doug LeBlanc Shield	Captain's Table
President/Captain	Mike Carter
Interclub matches with MMW	Brian Ciccozzi
Bob Jack Trophy	Jim Mackie
Point Roberts away game	Jim Mackie
Kings Links away game	Craig Thomson
Squamish away game	Don Edmonds
Northview Canal Course away	Andrew "Hole in One" Hobbs
Seymour away game	Laurie Craddock
Handicap Management Trophy	Captain's Table

WPGC Competition Winners & Runners-Up 2012

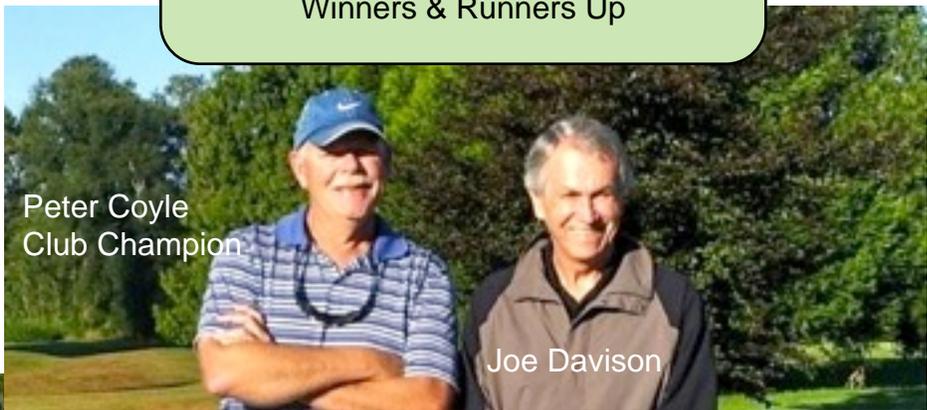
Congratulations on your performances!



Competition	Winner(s)	Runners-up
Bud Brown Eclectic	0-18 Peter Coyle 19-24 Doug Blackman 25+ Nick Atkinson	David Johannson Phil Joughin John Wood
TNT (McCleery)	Don McPherson Richard Martin Dave Vaughan Dave Stephens	Andrew Hobbs Doug Blackman Brian Boone Rob Dickinson
Neil McIntyre Trophy	Gord MacCulloch	John McPherson
Ed Angel Trophy (2 man)	Don McPherson & Wayne Gatley	Brian Boone & John Podmore
Putting Jamboree Len Brown Mem'l Trophy	Lorne Lindsay	Jim Selley & Peter Morse
Roli Parker Shield Eclectic	0-18 Jim Selley 19-24 Tony Borghi 25+ Wayne Gatley	Peter Coyle Paul Levy Dave Thomas & Rob Dickinson
Joe Dwyer Shield (2 man)	Jim Mackie & Bob Wood	Wayne Gatley & Don McPherson
TNT (Langara)	Don McPherson Peter Kidd Joe Hurley Don Vance	Tony Borghi Doug Blackman Ray Dujardin Bob Wood
Stroke Play Champion	Joe Davison	Don McPherson
Handicap Champion	Gord MacCulloch	Bob Wood
Flight B - Gross C - Gross	Ed Bobinski Gord MacCulloch	Dave McMurdo Jim Mackie
Flight A - Net B - Net C - Net	Bob Wood Ed Bobinski Gord MacCulloch	Tad Yamasaki Rob Dickinson Jim Mackie
Sr Masters Champ - low gross - net	Dave Dickson Joe Hurley	Art Roberts Don Rotherham
Super Sr Champion - low gross - net	Tad Yamasaki Gord MacCulloch	Glen Lockhart Tad Tamasaki
Club Championship - Match Play Flight B 19-24 C 25+	Peter Coyle Andy Schmidt Barrie Brown	Joe Davison Doug Blackman Jim Mackie

Winners and Runners Up - continued		
Ab Miles Tankard	Glen Lockhart	Barry Arnett
Doug LeBlanc Shield	0-18 - Bas Coleman 19-24-Ron Babcock 25+ - Wayne Gatley	Doug Frenette Doug Blackman Jim Mackie
Bob Jack Trophy	Chris Allen	Mike Carter
Hole in One – Bag Tag	Tad Yamasaki, Barry Arnett, Andrew Hobbs & Glen Lockhart	
Strategic Hdcp Mgmt	TBA	
Old Block Trophy	West Point Golf Club	

Match Play - Club Championships
Winners & Runners Up



For those who have "Shot Their Age"

Ab Miles Tankard - formerly the McQuarrie Hunter Tankard

"I was delighted to agree, on behalf of McQuarrie Hunter, to the re-naming of the Tankard in the honour of the late, great **Albert Miles**. This is particularly the case because my memory is that it was getting to know how many West Pointers had shot their age - fully 10% of the membership - and particularly Ab Miles and Doug Symonds (who by then had done it 53 times!) and marveling at their ability to score so well at their ages that first gave me the notion of proposing the competition and donating the Tankard."

Paul Levy, 2009



Barry Arnett Dieter Schwab Glen Lockhart Hugh Marshall Art Roberts

Currently, we have seven active members who have "shot their age" and are eligible for this competition. The five "Age Shooters" pictured were this year's contenders - the eligible but non-playing members this year are **Dave Fairweather & Roy Moulton**

Please see our website for past members' photos and previous competition winners



West Point Golf at Riverway G.C. - 2012

2012 was another successful year for the West Pointers playing Tuesdays at Riverway. As in previous years, generally 20 – 24 participants played on each of the scheduled play dates. Each date involves a team competition and individual KPs, providing spirited competition for the field.



Back: Carl Jonsson, Bill Trory, Ron Babcock, Ben Oxholm, Andy Schmidt, Dieter Schwab, Art Roberts

Standing: Ray Dujardin, Doug Frenette, Jim Mackie, John Foster, Chuck Kotzo, Barry Arnett

Kneeling: Don Edmonds, John McPherson, Garry Watson, Neil Watson

All communication regarding play dates, sign-up, draw time and competition format are handled electronically and works extremely well. The sign up is via the eSignUp process on the West Point website.

Note that play is restricted to 24 members (the maximum tee times Riverway will allocate) so sign up early to avoid disappointment at being placed on a wait list.

The Pro Shop staff is exceptionally friendly and co-operative and our relationship with them is excellent. We recently received a letter from the Golf Course, inviting the group to return next season. The condition of the golf course has been excellent all year. As a result of the drainage project Riverway undertook a few years ago, spring conditions were much drier than most lower mainland courses and also permits good conditions for winter play.

Plans are underway to continue with a “winter” season starting in November and registration for play will continue to be via eSignUp.

Jim Selley & Ray Dujardin

West Point Golf Club - 1932 - 2012

Our 80th Anniversary Celebration



Immediately following our Luncheon & Awards Function, there will be a special program featuring a selective and entertaining trip through the highlights of our Club's history.

Plan to join us as the 80th Anniversary committee presents it's enlightening and amusing program.

Laurie Craddock



Membership Fee for 2013 season

\$125.00

Associate Membership Fee **\$50.00**

Please remember to bring your cheque (not cash) to the October 30th AGM and Awards Luncheon

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