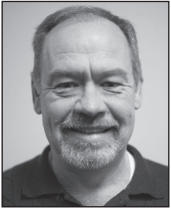




# 2011 Newsletter

West Seattle's Public Golf Club Since 1940



## Letter from Bob Chamberlain

So another great golf season has come and gone and we are slowly working our way out of the short gray winter days. I am sure you are like me and impatient for warmer weather and drier conditions on the golf course.

A year ago I took over as President and had 3 goals for the club and I am pleased to say I think we did a good job of accomplishing those goals. A quick summary is as follows:

- Update and redesign our web site to provide more timely and relevant information. Thanks to the efforts of Pat DiStefano and others I believe we made huge improvements of our website. This has been a lot of work and a tremendous amount of progress has been made. They have built a great foundation for continued improvements in the future.
- Provide more timely tournament results.  
We made progress here but realized the old way just would not get us where we need to be. So late last year we decided to go with a new solution from Golf Fusion and I think you will see some huge improvements this year.
- Take a more active role in the golf master plan.  
Little did I know that this would turn into a significant controversy over a driving range at West Seattle. The proposal that the Parks department presented would have radically changed the golf course. Thanks to the efforts of the West Seattle Golf Club membership, the board of directors and other interested groups and the willingness of the Parks Department to listen to and understand the issues, it has been decided that this proposal will not be implemented. I think the most important thing we can do as an organization now is to support the overall goals of the master plan as it moves forward with a new baseline and to ensure that West Seattle Golf course improvements continue to be part of the new plan

So thanks to all of the board for their hard work and support and thanks to all of you for making it another successful year for the West Seattle Golf Club.

**Bob Chamberlain**  
2011 President

## Annual Dues Increase

The Washington State Golf Association, who handles our member's handicaps through the GHIN network, has raised their cost of membership several dollars per golfer for 2011. To accommodate this change while continuing to provide the same benefits to our own members, the WSGC Board of Directors has determined it necessary to raise 2011 dues slightly, our first increase for several years. This will allow us to continue to provide the lucrative and deep tournament payouts and the three free membership dinners you're used to, and this year you'll also notice an update to our website creating access to more real-time information and a better connection to the club and it's members.

This change took effect on February 1st, so one simple way to deflect the increase is to sign up before March 15, or of course, recruit a golfer who was not a member last year, saving \$20 by taking advantage of our "buddy" rate. See the dues form in this newsletter for the new rates.

**Ted Irwin, Treasurer**

## 2011 Tournament Schedule

- January 8, 2011  
**1-player Winter Scramble**
- January 29, 2011  
**2-player Winter Scramble**
- February 20, 2011  
**Winter Fun-D-Raiser**
- March 5, 2011  
**President's Cup**
- March 6, 2011  
**3-Club Tournament**
- March 26, 2011  
**Blind Draw Scramble**
- April 23, 2011  
**Team Match Play begins**
- May 1, 2011  
**Spring Field Day**
- May 6, 2011  
**Spring Membership Meeting & Dinner**
- May 14, 2011  
**Summer Championship**
- May 21, 2011  
**2 Player Scramble**
- June 11, 2011  
**Club Championship Qualifier**
- June 12, 2011  
**Club Championship Match Play**
- June 26, 2011  
**2-player Best Ball**
- July 9, 2011  
**Captain's Cup Begins**
- July 16 & 17, 2011  
**(pro shop) West Seattle Amateur**
- August 7, 2011  
**Bayview Memorial**
- August 20, 2011  
**Seattle Cup Begins**
- September 11, 2011  
**Fall Field Day**
- September 16, 2011  
**Fall Membership Meeting & Dinner**
- September 25, 2011  
**2 Player 666**
- October 30, 2011  
**(pro shop) Devil's Nas-saW**
- December 9, 2011  
**Winter Membership Meeting & Dinner**



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For more information  
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\*New board members

## Get To Know Your Golf Professionals

Colin and Jeff have teamed up this year on a get to know your pros article. The page opposite this is filled with interesting information about Colin and Jeff. Their favorite rules awareness questions are below as a way to start this off.

Speaking of rules, if you play in WSGC tournaments please make yourself aware of the pace of play rule that the club enforces and also be familiar with the Knuth System of adjusting handicaps. Information on the Knuth system is available on line and at the club house by the computer.

### Colin's Rule

#### Rule 3-3 Doubt as to Procedure

1. Announce that you wish to use this rule
2. Announce which ball you wish to score with if the rule permits.
3. Report the facts to the committee before sign your card

### Jeff's Rule

#### Nearest Point of Relief

There is only one "nearest point of relief." It may be behind a tree or in a bush. You can always play it as it lies. Provisional Ball. You may not hit a provisional ball if you think the ball is in a hazard. You can only use rule 27-2 if you think the ball is OB or is lost outside a hazard.

## The Bayview Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Bayview Memorial fund was started by a group of our members in 1995 with the goal building a fund that would help deserving young people attend college.

This fund has annually awarded one scholarship per year (last year we were able to award two) and at the same time grow the balance in the fund with the goal of funding an annual endowment.

Since that time many people have helped with moving the Bayview Memorial Scholarship Fund forward. The chairman for the last 3 or 4 years was Butch Lewis.

Last spring I was able to attend a dinner with Butch Lewis for scholarship donors and recipients at South Seattle Community College. At the dinner I was seated with the two young people who were awarded the scholarships in 2010 and was very impressed with their poise, intelligence and vision. Both of these students were very clear that without this help they would not be in school and really showed

appreciation about the opportunity that WSGC and the other donors provide.

This year I will be the new chair for the scholarship fund and I would like to engage more of our members in the fund raising effort in support of the Bayview Memorial Fund. In addition to our standard efforts that occur around the Fun-D-Raiser and the Bayview Memorial Tournaments I would like to find ways to increase this fund throughout the year. I am looking for good ideas and volunteers to help with this effort.

If any of you would like to help please contact me or one of the other board members with your ideas.

Below is a list of our sponsors for last years Bayview Memorial Tournament. A big thank you to all of them and please support their business whenever possible.

Thank you all for your continued support.

MJ Prittie, Vice President, WSGC

### Please join us in supporting our 2010 Memorial Tournament sponsors.

Easy Street Records

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# Getting To Know Your Professional Staff

## Colin Gants PGA Head Professional

## Jeff Briney Assistant Professional

Years as a Golf Professional at West Seattle?	20 Years	3 Years
University Education?	University of Washington - BFA 1991	Eastern Washington University - BA 2004
Home Town?	Spokane, Washington	Butte Montana
Family?	Married 18 years - Four Kids from age 14 to 10	Single - Parents and Brother live in Montana
Home Club Growing Up?	Indian Canyon / Liberty Lake (Spokane)	Butte Country Club
High School? Golf Team?	University High School - 3 Year Letter - Spokane	Butte Central Catholic High School - 2 Year Letter - Montana
Who got you started in golf?	Father age 12	Friends age 12
Favorite Sport to play other than golf?	Baseball / Softball	Fly Fishing
Professional Background?	20 Years as a Golf Professional	Indian Canyon (3 Yr), The Reserve (4 Yr), West Seattle GC (3 Yr)
Favorite Course other than WS?	North Berwick - Scotland	Old Works - Anaconda Montana
Favorite Course in Washington other than WS?	Tacoma Golf Club	Hangman Valley - Spokane
Must Play Course in Wa. You Don't Know About?	Sage Hills / Desert Aire	Indian Canyon / Alta Lake
Best Part of Your Game?	Iron Play - Distance Control	Putting
Worst Part of Your Game?	Putting - I do too much of it	Accuracy - My drives are measured in yards 'off line'
Number of Hole in Ones?	2 - Sage Hills 184 Yds / Indian Wells Players 205 Yds	1 - Indian Canyon 155 Yards
Lowest Round at West Seattle?	66	71
Favorite Golfer Past and Present?	Ben Hogan / Tom Watson	Jack Nicklaus / Anthony Kim
Golf Mentor?	Gary Lindeblad who was my Golf Pro when I was a junior golfer	Gary Lindeblad who was my first boss
Current Equipment? Ball / Clubs?	Bridgestone B330S / Bridgestone J38	Nike Tour D / Ping I15
Favorite Vacation Get Away?	I attend The Masters every April	Labor Day Golf Classic in Butte Montana
Etiquette Pet Peeve?	Slow Play - You are not on Tour!	Sun Flower Seeds on the Green
Most Memorable Golf Accomplishment?	Birdied the last hole to win the 2005 North South Cup Matches	Passed PGA Player's Ability Test by 12 Shots
Detail that would surprise you?	My Family won \$10,000 on America's Funniest Home Videos	I was a Corrections Officer at a Maximum Security Juvenile Detention Facility
Fun Fact?	My oldest daughter played in the Little League World Series in 2010	Mariners / Padres Catcher Rob Johnson was my catcher in High School



**West Seattle Golf Club**

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**2011 West Seattle Golf Club Membership Form**

The West Seattle Golf Club is open to golfers of all levels. Dues must be paid to participate in West Seattle events. For more information about the club, please visit our website at [westseattlegolfclub.org](http://westseattlegolfclub.org). \*2010 members can bring in a non-2010 member and save with a buddy membership. Please fill out a form for each member; buddy memberships must be submitted together.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

GHIN: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check or money order (no cash) payable to West Seattle Golf Club and give to the Pro Shop or send to:

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**2011 Memberships**

**Before March 15, 2011**

Junior under 18	\$20
General 18 to 64	\$65
Senior 65 & over	\$50
Buddy Membership	\$110

**After March 15, 2011**

Junior under 18	\$25
General 18 to 64	\$70
Senior 65 & over	\$55
Buddy Membership	\$120

**BAYVIEW MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Help us send a kid to college by donating to the Bayview Memorial scholarship fund. You can contribute to the Memorial fund by adding a donation to your dues check.

Amount donated \$