

2012 in Review



Community Outreach Efforts are news this year!

Over the years, West Sound Disc Golf Association members have brought the fun of our sport to a variety of events: Bremerton Parks summer clinics, Kitsap Family Fun Run, and the Kitsap County Fair to name just a few. This year we were invited to some new venues. Portable baskets were put into play on the grounds of the Bremerton YMCA, on Linder Field during Whaling Days, in Battle Point Park on Bainbridge Island, and at the South Kitsap Back to School event. New information brochures were written, printed and distributed.



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A summer clinic for kids on Bainbridge Island was led by Paul and Pam Wright. Funds from the Bainbridge Park Department registration fees may be used to purchase baskets if there is enough local interest in putting in a course at Battle Point Park.

The South Kitsap Back to School Expo was a huge success, with more than 5000 people in attendance.

We're looking forward to another busy year of promoting disc golf, and interested members are invited to participate. Contact any Board Member for more information. This year we hope to add local Boy Scouts to our scheduled activities.



In May, our presence was established on Facebook. This has provided a new communication tool and fun way to share photos and updates.

The Summer 2012 issue of the official PDGA publication *discgolfer* magazine featured our association in its Club Chronicles series. Joe Feidt's three page article concludes "The West Sounders have accomplished much in a relatively short time. They've proved you don't have to be an established club to get things done. What I like about this club is they're really opening up and inviting the public to take a look at disc golf. They've installed and are now maintaining several courses and anyone who has installed and maintained a course knows how much work this requires. They're also building membership steadily; they're hosting events aimed at all skill levels; and they've established a solid legal structure-501(c)3-to provide financial stability and plan for the future. That's a promising start for a young club."



Special points:

- Dues remain at \$20 for 2013.
- Thanks to our many volunteers.
- See Disc Golf Live! on BKAT.



As part of the Around Kitsap series on BKAT, Bremerton Kitsap Access Television, Paul Wright and John Cohoon were interviewed by Char Burnette. The show aired in October and can be seen on line at <http://vimeo.com/50791668>. *Disc Golf Live* episodes are shown in a regular time slot twice a month. Currently, that is 7:00 pm on 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Wavecable channel 3, Comcast channel 12.

WSDGA Membership & Dues

The West Sound Disc Golf Association is now up to 240 members, with 81 active dues-payers in 2012.

Several events and competitions were continued for another year, including the nationally recognized Ice Bowl and World's Biggest Disc Golf Weekend. Many members participated in the already established annual Senior Games, West Sound Challenge, and Fall Fling.

Remember that we need the support of all of you to make the West Sound Disc Golf Association a premier disc golf organization in Western Washington.

Now that we're beginning a new year, it's time to renew your membership. The dues remain at \$20. There are many good reasons to become a member. Your dues go toward course improvements and activities. Your membership gives

the Association cohesiveness and stability.



Our Affiliate Club status with the Professional Disc Golf Association provides a savings of \$5 for PDGA dues and subscription to *discgolfer* magazine.

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Course Improvements

N.A.D.



Concrete for both the red and blue tee boxes provide variety at N.A.D. The schedule for basket placement will be posted on the kiosk. Please help our volunteers by carrying out your own trash or choose a month to serve as a course steward.

Fairgrounds



Lost discs and playability have been topics of discussion for improvements at the Fairgrounds course. During the winter months, Saturday doubles players have been keeping up with trash collection and clearing additional brush. Some shorter tee placements and other adjustments are being considered. The WSDGA paid for a replacement basket that was stolen during the summer.

Van Zee



The Van Zee course is a fun, recreational, nine basket course with two tee pads for each hole. The tee sign numbering system has been updated to reflect an 18 hole layout. Improving the concrete on a few of the tee pads is upcoming.

Bud Pell @ Ross Farm



Red tee boxes are now being used by many players at "The Bud." Winter brings wet conditions, so wear waterproof boots!

Please remind visitors that NO DOGS are allowed on this course.

You can help our volunteers by carrying out your own trash.



Thank You!

2012 N.A.D. Park Course Steward Assistants



January
Dan Glynn



February
Jeff Montgomery



March
Jack Lorber



April
D.J. Lofton



May
Barrett Skinner



June
Cole Simons



July
John Carter



August
Ron Lidstrom



September
Barrett Skinner



October
John Carter



November
Doug & Spencer Stuart



December
James Pirtle

Thanks to our many volunteers!

Sam Huff for organizing the West Sound Challenge Series; Dan Glynn, Tony Adams, Dusty Nelson, and Ron Lidstrom for hosting regularly scheduled doubles; Brian Jacobs for his enthusiastic emcee work at events; Jack Lorber and Paul Wright for many course improvements; John Cohoon for managing trash pick up at the Kitsap Fairgrounds course; Pam Wright for running the Bainbridge Parks clinic; Cathy Cohoon for serving as webmaster, newsletter editor, and kiosk keeper; Mike Foster for printing scorecards; Kenny Benjamin for carrying out membership duties; and Brian Thornton for designing colorful graphics, posters, and our association logo.

Thanks to WSDGA members!

Your contributions, participation, enthusiasm, and interest are appreciated.

Please help our volunteers ...Sure, there are trash bags at nearly every tee box, but these must be collected as they fill up. Just imagine how much less work our volunteers would have to do, if you carried out your own garbage and recycled it at home! Our courses have an outstanding reputation for being clean. Keeping up with the garbage collection is demanding. Thanks for your help!

Pack IN, Pack OUT!

Washington Team Disc Golf January - March

Sam Huff reports that early in 2012, players from the West Sound region enjoyed participating in the 3rd year of Washington State Team Disc Golf. West Sound players fielded two teams. The West Sound team captain was Sam Huff. The Kitsap team Captain was Carl Wark. Team Disc Golf involves players from various courses around the Puget Sound region who meet and compete in a handicapped, stroke play format of both singles and doubles. The handicapping system effectively allowed competition between opponents of different skill levels. The majority of matches were decided in only the last few holes and so provided great opportunities for all players. There were eight Sunday Events for the twelve different teams to play each other. For 2013, Team Disc Golf will be visiting the Fairgrounds course (January 27). Sam Huff and Tony Beckett will serve as Captains. For more information and results, visit www.watdg.com.



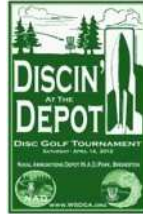
West Sound Ice Bowl January 21

On January 21st, we held our third annual Ice Bowl. This charitable event is scheduled at disc golf courses all over the country between January and March. "No wimps and No whiners!" The winning team was Tony Beckett and Dan Glynn, at 14-under par. The Association collected \$552 and 344 pounds of food for the Bremerton Foodline. It was a fun, informal day of random doubles with 74 players who contributed to a good cause.



West Sound Challenge Series April 14 - September 9

Sam Huff writes, "Thanks to all who supported the 2012 West Sound Challenge. Through the Innova fundraising disc program, \$1700 was raised and donated to the WSDGA.



The mission of the West Sound Challenge Series is to encourage friendly competition among the local players by creating a format for individual play and a series of organized group events. Based on feedback throughout the year, the West Sound Challenge is meeting its goal of bringing the disc golf community together at all skill levels. The season started April 14th and finished on September 9th. The Saturday morning "Monthly" Events were held at each of the local courses. There were a total of 170 unique players in the series and each "Monthly" had from 57 to 84 players. One prize was awarded at each "Monthly" based on skill. The rest of the prizes were awarded completely at random by the use of a raffle. At the final event, trophies were awarded based on the overall point totals of the best four finishes at the "Monthlies." Congratulations to Brian Thornton (Open), Sean Herman (Amateur), Mike Foster (Grandmasters), Amanda Nelson (Women) in the Series Points Titles. Also, special thanks to the players who helped me with running each Event. It takes a lot of help to make an event run smoothly."

WBDGW World's Biggest Disc Golf Weekend May 5-6



This year's Worlds Biggest Disc Golf Weekend in May was a slice of paradise! Five no cost events over two days, including a beginner clinic hosted by Discraft Pro Scott Papa, "Tiki" themed doubles, and the region's first ever "Roc vs Buzzz" event were well attended. 2013 is gearing up to be a great weekend as always.

Acey Deucey Fundraiser May 19



Over \$100 was raised to help offset the cost of putting in a second set of Red Tees at the Bud Pell course. Players had the opportunity to "Go For It" because the only thing that mattered were Aces and Deuces- This made for a quick round and one Ace was hit by Eric Martin! We hope to see a return of this unique event in 2013.

West Sound Senior Games July 14



For the sixth year, the Bremerton Senior Games included disc golf as an event. As commissioner, Dan Glynn organized the competition for players ranging in age from 50 to 70+. Gold medals were presented for each age group and Jack Lorber was the overall champion. The Senior Games is another way we increase awareness of our sport.

West Sound Championships: Whiners in the Woods III Sept. 9



Fall Fling October 15



West Sound Disc Golf Association

WSDGA Treasurer's Report

The West Sound Disc Golf Association is dedicated to promoting the sport of Disc Golf. Our goal is to foster a strong community for disc golfers in the West Sound region. We promote disc golf as an environmentally, socially and physically beneficial sport.

The West Sound Disc Golf Association is a tax exempt 501(c)(3) organization and is chartered as a non-profit corporation in the state of Washington. 2012 was a rebuilding year after 2011's many course improvement expenditures. Revenues exceeded Expenses. The year end balance for the bank account was \$4,180. Here is a summary of the Revenues and Expenses:

WSDGA Board of Directors:



President
Dan Glynn



Secretary
Kenny Benjamin



Cathy Cohoon



Mike Foster



Vice President
Brian Thornton



Treasurer
Sam Huff



Brian Jacobs

Revenues

Membership Dues	\$ 1,530
Donations (Personal & Business)	\$ 1,428
WSDGA Fundraiser Events	\$ 2,971

Expenses

Course Improvements	\$ 1,461
WSDGA Operating Expenses	\$ 320
Donations & Event Expenses	\$ 639

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Ongoing Activities

The WSDGA currently hosts two regular meet-to-play events each weekend. The emphasis is on skill development, fun, and camaraderie in a family friendly environment. Free! No cost to participate and open to all ages and all skill levels! Come join us for Random Doubles, with partners drawn promptly at 9:00 am.

Saturdays	November-March: Fairgrounds	April-October: N.A.D. Park.
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Upcoming 2013 Events

Saturday	January 12	West Sound Ice Bowl	N.A.D. Park
Sunday	January 27	Washington State Team Disc Golf	Kitsap Fairgrounds
Saturday	April 13	West Sound Challenge 1: Discing at the Depot	N.A.D. Park
Saturday	April 20	Annual Meeting and Elections WSDGA	N.A.D. Park
Weekend	May 4 - 5	WBDGW World's Biggest Disc Golf Weekend	
Saturday	May 11	West Sound Challenge 2: King of the Jungle	Kitsap Fairgrounds
Saturday	June 8	West Sound Challenge 3: Zen Open	Van Zee Park
Saturday	July 13	West Sound Challenge 4: Tall Grass Classic	Bud Pell @ Ross Farm
Saturday	July 13	Bremerton Senior Games	N.A.D. Park
Saturday	August 10	West Sound Challenge 5: Kitsap Afterburner	TBD
Saturday	August 17	South Kitsap Back to School Expo (Volunteers needed)	South Kitsap High School
Saturday	September 7	West Sound Championships	Bud Pell @ Ross Farm
Saturday	October	Fall Fling VI	N.A.D. Park