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Lagoon Point Community Association Newsletter

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Bridge Ballot

A special ballot has been distributed to the community asking for input on two bridge replacement options.

If you have not received a ballot, please contact lpca99@gmail.com or your Area Representative to get a copy.

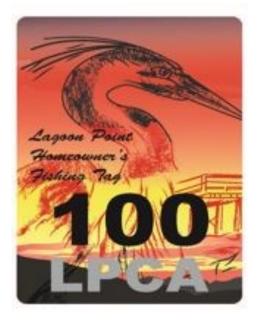
Ballots are due by June 6th, 2015.

New Fishing Tags for your Car and Person

We have new fishing tags for 2015 that will replace the old green ones.

Distribution is being coordinated by LPCA VP Danna Owen. More information to follow and will be communicated by email and posting on the community bulletin board in the coming weeks.

The picture to the right is what the personal tag looks like.





Announcements

LPCA Board Meeting, June 3rd 6:30pm at the Greenbank Clubhouse Lagoon Point Garage Sale, Saturday, July 4th LPCA Annual Meeting, August 5th 5-6pm at the Greenbank Clubhouse Lagoon Point Fishing Derby, Saturday, September 5th

Westcliff Drive Update

Update provided by Island County, via Mike Stevens, Lagoon Point Resident

We are aware of the settling on Mountain View Road (Westcliff Drive). We have been driving long spiral nails through a metal blanket on the bank area to secure the settling.

Westcliff Drive (previously known as Mountain View Drive) is safe to drive on: **both lanes**. You may have observed over the last several years, Westcliff Drive has had minor settling occur on the uphill (outside) lane at the location where you observed the orange cones. Island County is in the process of stabilizing this location. The location was inspected by a geotechnical engineering firm and we are installing their recommended slope stabilization design. The work is expected to be completed in the next several weeks.

Purple Martin Colony Update

Provided by Mary Hollen

The Purple Martins returned to the Lagoon Point community from wintering in South America. Their beautiful voices were heard again here on about May 1. They are paying attention to the dock piling cavities created by Northern Flickers in past years, and maybe will nest here again for a second

year.

Western Purple Martins (our subspecies) are At Risk, according to scientists who study them, but are Recovering due solely to human-provided housing. The Lagoon Point colony is the third known colony of Purple Martins on Whidbey Island. This year with help from my neighbors I have installed three gourds on a telescoping pole attached to my piling on the East Canal. One pair of Martins is showing interest but not yet building a nest. Gourds over water are uncertain for Western Purple Martins but my lot is too small to put them on land.

Several neighbors are blocking their piling cavities to 1 3/16" maximum height to keep out Starlings, the major predator of Purple Martins. This height and a 3" width allows Martins to enter and raise babies. House Sparrows are the second worst Martin predator, even though they are much smaller than the Martins. Predator birds break eggs, steal nests, kill and eat babies, and drive Martins away.



- Kitty Care or Weekday Dog Walking- contact Robyn and Tom Wozab- South Whidbey Pet Nannies- <u>360.661.5837</u>
- Upholstery Work- All kinds, Auto, Truck, Boat, Furniture. Have mobile unit. 40 years experience. All work guaranteed. Free estimates. Pat McDaniel at <u>360 222 3275</u>
- Looking for temporary boat storage for a 21' boat (30' OA). Willing to compensate a reasonable amount. Please contact Scott Brunner at <u>206-307-8338</u>
- If you need a baby show gift, I do alterations. Call Monica at <u>360-310-0936</u>
- Estate Services Simplified, consulting, buying & selling; we buy vintage jewelry...please call Shelly at <u>360-929-1116</u>