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What's a Golf Ball Worth?

By Emma Wihtol

Along the seventh hole of the King City golf course sits an everchanging collection of golf balls placed under a "FREE" sign in front of the home of "Kris."

The source of these golf balls is a man named Steve, who lives across the fairway of the seventh hole. His yard has been pelted by golf balls for years. One day, he began to collect them, and over the years his collection grew to a point where he had so many that he wanted to start giving them away. However, due to the location of his home on the course, he didn't have a very good spot to set them out where people would see them. One morning, Steve

went on a walk around the neighborhood. He met Kris and discovered she lives right off the seventh hole green, a location with perfect visibility to passing golfers.

That's when the arrangement was made to begin setting out the golf balls. Since that day, Steve delivers two-dozen golf balls in egg cartons to Kris, who places them outside for golfers.

Kris, who started setting the golf balls out earlier this summer, says what's most interesting to watch, is how people take them. Some golfers take one or two, while others take as many as golf balls



as they can, even trying to fill their bag and take them all. Kris says she tries to limit the number taken so that more golfers can enjoy the selection, and the system can continue.

As of recently, another woman who lives nearby has caught word of the arrangement and brought over three dozen golf balls- this may just be the beginning.

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Pandemic Sports Fan Blues

Submitted by Paul Williams

In any other year besides 2020, the Masters golf tournament was played in November instead of April and the NBA stopped playing in March with a three-month interruption and a champion crowned in October.

One would think with all these high-profile events the fans will go wild, screaming to the top of their lungs. Don't forget the couch potato fan who would rather stay home, eat chicken wings, pizza and maybe knock back a 12-pack of Molson Golden while having the time of our lives. However, there is one small problem. Since March 2020 for the Masters, National Hockey League Major League

Baseball, the NBA and the NFL there have been no fans in the stands or no one sharing your couch to cheer your favorite team or person on to victory.

As we speak, the NCCA considers holding their Men's and Women Basketball tournaments in a bubble starting in March, sans the fans. For me, there is nothing like watching a sporting event in person or from home with the game on the line, last possession and your team either wins or loses. There is no feeling quite that remarkable and I miss it terribly.

I definitely have a serious case of the pandemic sports fan blues.

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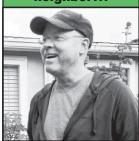
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Do I need to fill out a LARC form for that?

Short answer: When in doubt, fill it out!

Longer answer: Article VII, Section 7 (amended by 2007-052767) of the KCCA CC&Rs says "Any addition, modification, or alteration to the exterior of any building or Lot shall require a completed application showing comments signed by Owner of all Lots having a border in common with such Lot and written approval by the Board."

However, there can be differing ideas of what a "modification" is. For instance, if you're putting in a new driveway, is that a modification because the concrete is new? Or is it not a modification because it will look the same as before?

If you're not sure, it's best to just fill out and submit a Project request form. That way, you know your bases are covered. And, you won't have any LARC committee members dropping by asking you about your project. Frankly, it saves LARC time and trouble, too. You can get a project request form in the rack outside the office, or at mykcca.com.

Finally, there are a few things that don't require a project request form, though they do have criteria (see Resolution 2012-102). Those are:

 Antennas and satellite dishes (up to 1-meter diameter).
 The Association requests placement in the least visually obtrusive location, i.e., above eye level, below the roof line, and away from street elevations.

- Artificial flowers. Must look fresh and "live".
- Flags and banners. Must have a pole that is supported in a bracket that is attached to the building. Federal rules governing the flying of the American Flag must be observed.
- Lava rock, gravel or bark dust as groundcover. Barriers must be placed to prevent loose materials from spreading onto sidewalks or streets.

LARC thanks you for your cooperation!



Home of the Month January 2021



month we are again going to the private yards that

are not

seen with a drive-by. This yard is on the fourth hole of the golf course and is totally unique. The overall design is set up to have multiple private areas, discovered by walkways throughout the yard. Along with the patio and a side garden, there is a charming number of little areas that each have their own character and uniqueness. Carol and Rich Heinichen have spent a great deal of time and effort making this yard a delightful place to spend



time and watch the golfers on the beautiful view of the course. A few nibbles, a glass of wine and you are in a private heaven.



Unfortunately the photos don't do the yard justice, but if you play golf, send you sights eastward and you will see what I mean.





King City Camera Club "Astoria Riverwalk Murals"



Mural by Jo Brown, Photograph by Dick Wiggers. Submitted by Dick Wiggers

When cabin fever sets in, one of the best cures I know is to grab my camera, talk my wife into a day's outing, and head for the coast. Near the end of September, after stopping along the way at Camp 18 and Cannon Beach, we ended up in Astoria. A visit to one of the Northwest's oldest cities provides a unique opportunity to step back in time. With each visit, I find something new to see and shoot. While wandering between 11th and 12th streets along the riverwalk, I came across a series of period murals

designed by local artist, Jo Brown. Her striking works bring to life what the riverfront might have been like when Astoria was a waterfront mecca. This particular mural cried out, "Take my picture!" And, while the original scene was created in color, it is equally impressive in black and white.

If you, like me, are attracted to street art and murals, Portland has a variety of locations to explore. To begin your own search, type in, "Portland street art and murals," and your web browser will lead you to a variety of options. Next time you are feeling stuck at home, and want to get out and exercise your creativity, this is one possible avenue to explore.

Check out the King City Camera Club website. Annual membership per person is \$25 for King City residents or \$30 for non-residents. This modest fee allows members to submit digital images for the monthly competitions. Competing is optional. Members and guests are invited to take part in special guest presentations on Zoom the third Monday night each month.



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Covid 19 News

During this terrible time, some of our members have stepped up and begun helping people – there is a variety of people and things that are helping to ease the difficulties relating to the epidemic.

One thing several of our people are doing is making masks. Since the pandemic is reported to continue through next year and masks will be needed at least until then, many of these people are still working. This is the story of one of them, Marilyn Mason.

Marilyn started making masks when her niece, who is a wound care nurse in SE Portland, and didn't have any PPE. So, with the help of her sister they did 250 masks for them. They weren't ideal since they were not medical

grade, but it was better than nothing and her mask making grew from there.

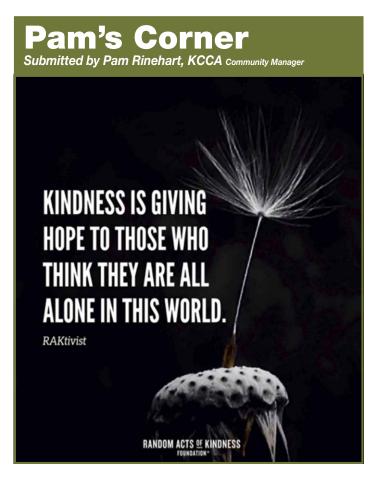
She works with a couple of smaller non-profits because, as she said, sometimes they are forgotten and the larger ones get a little bit more attention. Making the masks is pretty labor intensive,

and these masks go mainly to family shelters in Hillsboro and Tigard. She has made over 1,750 masks and makes them in different sizes from newborn to adult. Some have gone to the Cat Shelter in Sherwood for their people, but they also get masks for sale and have reported that they have made



a couple of thousand dollars from the sale of the mask.

There are several members of our community making masks (a shout out to two I know of, Sherry Little and Melanie Sagebear) and we thank them all for the incredible work.







Cleo

By Val Shuyler

Before I moved to King City over five years ago, my two dogs passed away. Since living here I have tried to satisfy my desire for a dog by asking if I could pet all the dogs I met on the sidewalk and by walking dogs at Oregon Dog Rescue in Tualatin. However, the minute I heard the Governor's stay at home order in March, I knew that was the signal to get my own dog.

I took my friend Judy, also a dog aficionado, with me to Oregon

Dog Rescue. We met with just one dog, a small, short-haired dog with a German Shepard face and beautiful brown eyes. I brought her home and named her Cleo. I have since thought that all my dogs – and cats – were rescue animals that I committed to living with for the next 10-14 years or longer on the basis of a 30 minute or shorter visit. What a risk! But as with my other pets, I lucked out with Cleo.

Two-year-old Cleo came to Oregon from California, pregnant, at the end of December 2019. She stayed with a foster family while giving birth to and nurturing six puppies. Cleo is smart and catfriendly. I know she is smart because on the day I brought her home I took her out for a walk and she was attacked by a dog. I tried to pick her up but dropped her leash and fell down in the process and by the time I picked myself up, she had disappeared. I went back the way we had come - around a corner and down a couple blocks, calling her new name as I went and there she was, waiting on the



Cle

sidewalk a few feet beyond my house. She had come out the door and down the walkway only once and she knew it was her home!

I have benefitted not only from Cleo's companionship (she's small enough to share my lap with a cat!!) but also from her need for two walks a day. During those walks we have met dogs and their people with whom we have become friends, chatting (6 feet apart) in a back yard while the dogs play together. Cleo has made this pandemic period much more tolerable for me and I am grateful for that.





A Huge Thank You to all the Volunteers that make KCCA such a Special HOA



As I have been reflecting on all the hands it takes to make KCCA come together, I am in awe of how many countless and tireless hours

volunteers give to this community. Unfortunately, there are not enough pages in this newsletter to list all of the names. Having said that, the Team at KCCA is very grateful to each of you, and we look forward to working with you all in the 2021 year.

The Car and the House (or How Our Garage Became a KCCA Photo Op)

It was September 22, a sunny day, and all was right with our world. Our garage door was open, and my husband's van was backed up with the hatch open as he was going to do a dump run. Then, at exactly 3 p.m., our world changed. Not with a whimper but with the loudest crash I have ever heard. along with the sound of wood cracking. Opening the door to the garage, the first thing I noticed was my car, which had been parked at the curb, was now backwards in the driveway with the rear end caved in. It was also crunched up against our van. Then I saw, out of the corner of my eye, something that wasn't supposed to be there - an SUV with the corner of my garage all up in its' grille.

I called 911 and, as you can see from the photo, we had a real mess. The major problem was that the corner of the garage was no longer vertical. Nor was it even attached to its foundation. Luckily the driver's injuries were minimal,



so we were thankful for that.

With this happening, along with the rest of the year's misery, I decided to announce to all and sundry that, as of the day after the accident, in my world it was no longer 2020. I have declared it pre-2021, thereby ending the most horrible year ever.

It has taken quite some time for repairs to be made, so my husband decided to take matters in his own hands and put up the sign in the photo below. Now, not only do folks stop, look and ask questions, they are even taking photos!



So, to all of you out there, let's collectively wish for a much brighter, safer and kinder New Year!

So, let's talk about garbage cans!



The reason we bring this up is that we've noticed several garbage cans that aren't

concealed from view on non-trashcollection days.

The rules for garbage cans and refuse can be found in Article VII, Section 6, of the KCCA CC&Rs (amended by 2007-052767), and they're pretty straightforward:

- Rubbish, trash, garbage, compost and other waste shall be kept in sanitary containers and concealed from view.
- Rubbish, trash, garbage and other waste shall be regularly removed from the property.
- Garbage cans, trash containers, etc. may be in view the night before and on the day scheduled for trash collection.

The easiest way to comply with the above trash rules is to keep your bins in your garage between pick-ups. Some people also take their bins around to their backyards, though that isn't always possible. For instance, in Garden Villa, if you're not an end lot, you'd have to drag your bins through your house or a neighbor's yard - and who wants that?

And some people make little garbage can sheds or otherwise use screens to conceal their cans from view. But, however you do it, please be sure to get those bins out of sight after the trash is picked up! Thanks!

Garlic Shrimp and Wine Sauce



I do the cooking at home, and attached is my all-time favorite shrimp-based recipe. It's special because the shrimp shells are used in making the sauce, and the flavor is out of this world. It goes great with spaghetti, egg noodles, any kind of pasta. I usually serve with garlic bread (or Texas toast) and a Caesar or Italian salad.

Makes 6 servings (3 or 4 servings for big eaters)

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 4 cloves garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 10 oz (or more) medium shrimp, shelled (reserve shells)
- 2 zucchini, sliced
- 1 to 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 small onion, quartered
- 1 cup dry white wine (I use dry vermouth)
- 1/4 cup minced fresh flat-leaf parsley (or 1/8 cup dried parsley)
- 1 pound cherry tomatoes, halved
- sea salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 1 pound dried pasta
- Parmesan cheese





DIRECTIONS:

Bring a large pot of water to a boil.

Meanwhile, in a medium bowl, combine the olive oil, garlic and red pepper flakes. Add the shrimp and zucchini and toss to coat well. Set aside.

In a medium sauté pan, melt the butter over medium-high heat. Add the onion and shrimp shells and cook until the onion is golden brown, 3 to 5 minutes. Add the wine and cook to reduce until thickened. Remove the shrimp shells and discard, leaving as much of the onion in the pan as possible. (The shrimp shells add a great amount of flavor to the recipe.)

Add the shrimp and zucchini mixture and sauté for 3 to 5 minutes, or until the shrimp are pink and the zucchini has softened. Stir in the parsley and tomatoes. Season with salt and pepper. Set aside and keep warm.

When the water is boiling, add salt and cook the pasta until al dente. Drain and transfer to a warmed serving bowl. Toss with the sauce. Grate Parmesan over the top and serve at once. Artisan-style French or Italian bread goes well with this.

Tech News and Tips from the Computer Club

The King City Computer Club provides a friendly and open environment where members can learn about computers, smartphones, tablets, digital cameras and modern technology at their own pace. The club classroom has a collection of Windows and Macintosh computers, printers and Wi-Fi for members to use on site. A typical class consists of a presentation, following by a topical Q&A time as well as a chance to ask questions on other topics or problems. A survey of club member interests is done every year, which influences class topics. Topics also include new releases and current security risks.

Classes are geared to an audience with some computer experience and each class is a separate topic. We used to have 4-week beginner classes for residents with no computer experience. When demand for these dried up (the last class was for one person), we started referring people to public library classes. Half of our classes used to be "hands on", "how to do it" classes, but the presentation type class is the current favorite.

The computer club started about

20 years ago, when the library moved to its current location. The computer club started in the old library space. Mark Mehall was a driver behind the computer club from the beginning, arranging for computers to be donated by HP and getting a low cost, then free, internet connection. His father-in-law, a KCCA resident, was the first instructor. Later. Mark took over as the instructor, along with Bob Baylor, a KCCA resident who taught computer classes at PCC. Mark maintained the computers and added more computers. A few computers were club purchases. Most were donations or refurbished discards from Mark, who had a computer consulting business. Bob Baylor "retired" in 2012 with medical issues. We lost Mark at the end of 2018 and the club officers had to take over. Eventually, we found another experienced volunteer, Marvin Somerton, to take over. Like Mark, he has a computer consulting business (Softserve PCs) and both teaches our classes and

maintains our computers. He was starting to upgrade our PCs to Windows 10 when Covid interfered. The computer

room is long and narrow, unusable for social distancing.

distanting.

In normal times, the club meets in the computer

room in the Arts & Crafts /
Library Building on Saturday at
10:00 (depending on instructor
availability). The class topic is
announced to members via email
and is included in the newsletter if
possible. "Walk-ins" are welcome.
The first class is free. The classes
are for seniors, but not limited to
KCCA residents. The dues of \$5
per year + \$1 per class are used to
purchase equipment and supplies,
and to maintain our computers.







FROM AL'S EXPERTS: Brrr It's Cold Outside!

Submitted by Laura Hammond, Al's Experts

Are You Worried About Your Plants During These Dramatic Swings In Temperature? Start By Understanding The Difference Between Cold Damage And Drought Damage.



Cold Damage

This is when mid-winter temperature swings can damage broadleaf evergreens. The most damage is done in early and late winter, when plants are less acclimated to the cold. This kind of temperature change affects the entire plant.

Winter Drought Damage

In mid-winter, the real damage is drought damage. When we have warm temperatures followed by cold temperatures. The combination of extended below freezing temperatures and bright sunshine a little or no wind, will cause a drought like condition, even in winter.

Why?

The trunks and stems of broadleaf evergreens remain frozen, yet foliage is able to thaw due to the sunshine. The result, the plant starts to photosynthesize. Since all the water in the trunk and stems has frozen, the result is that no water moves upward the foliage becomes dry.

What to Look For

If the burn is more pronounced on southern or western sides of the plant, here in the Northern hemisphere, you are probably looking at mid-winter drought injury. If the damage is uniform on all sides of the plant, it's more likely that new growth is being killed by a freeze event.

How to Solve

Unfortunately, there is nothing you can do about it now, but try to remember to water prior to any dramatic temperature change in the future. That way, your plants will have the best fighting chance.

Don't immediately start removing damaged stems, as it may take weeks for all the damage to be visible. Rather, take care of any pruning when temperatures have stabilized, usually in late March or early April.

Lastly, remember this weather event on your garden calendar. So, when you see the damage later in spring, you'll remember the event that caused it.

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