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# ORLANDO SINGLES GOLF

Orlando Chapter - American Singles Golf Association — July 2008

## JULY 19TH: ZELLWOOD STATION & COUNTRY CLUB

### From the President

Hi Golfers,

We have some interesting golf courses scheduled for July. Kissimee Bay, Stonybrook East Golf Club, Zellwood Station & Country Club and Falcon's Fire. With the rain we have had most courses are in excellent condition and just waiting for us to play golf.

We want to give a big Thank You to **George Culpepper** and **Peggy** for opening their lovely home for our Flag Day party on June 14<sup>th</sup>. We started the day by playing Black Bear golf course which was in excellent shape and fun to play. Then we went to George and Peggy's for water volleyball, horse shoes and dinner. Thank you George and Peggy for a terrific day.

There are some very special Multi-Chapter outings to look forward to. Jacksonville is hosting a Sea Palms Golf weekend at St. Simon's GA on August 15-17<sup>th</sup>. St. Simons Island is beautiful and this has always been a terrific event.

Then on Labor Day weekend August 29-31<sup>st</sup> there is an event in Santee, SC and September 8-10<sup>th</sup> is Hot Springs Tunica "Little Vegas" Getaway in Tunica, MS.

The Asheville Chapter is having a Mountain Fall Weekend on October 17-19<sup>th</sup> at the Rumbling Bald Resort in Lake Lure, NC. Lake Lure is very beautiful and many

of our members plan to attend. Multi-Chapter events are a great way to meet golfers from all over the country and play terrific golf courses for a reasonable price.

See you on the links. ~Karen Reinhart

### From the Handicap Chairperson

Our handicaps are held through the United States Golf Association (USGA) and the Florida State Golf Association (FSGA). The system is called GHIN. When you sign up, you get a GHIN number that is good at courses throughout the US.

When you go into GHIN.COM, click on Email Addresses and put in your email address to receive your updated Handicap Index. Handicap Index is updated on the 15 and 30 of the month.

You received a Handicap Index after five scores are posted. You have an established Handicap Index after 20 scores are posted. The system uses the best 10 scores out of the latest 20 scores posted to establish your Handicap Index.

ASGA is a organized group and not affiliated with a golf course. Therefore, we have a Handicap Index and not a

Course Handicap. When you play a course, you use your Handicap Index to establish your Course Handicap. For instance, if your Handicap Index is 36.8, you check the slope of the tees you are playing. For instance 117 is the slope. Look in the back of your USGA Handicap System Reference Guide for 117 slope. Find your index 36.8, follow across the line and your will find your Course Handicap. Which would be 38. You received this handbook when you signed up to have your handicap established through ASGA last year or new members this year.

Inputting your scores. I will input the scores when your play in ASGA outings. If you play in a foursome on your own, you can input your own scores. Scores are input through the internet. The address is GHIN.COM. Open this screen and click on Post On Line. Your will need your GHIN number and name. Enter. Information required to post the score is Date Played, Score, Slope and Rating (found on score card), Our games are always "Away" as we do not have a home course.

Once you have an established Handicap Index ( 20 scores posted), you must post an Equitable Stroke Control Score (ESC). See the table on page 6 of the Handbook. Example: If your handicap is 10 thru 19 you can only post a 7 on a hole. If you

## NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

Attend a Multi-Chapter Event. Meet more singles.  
Play more golf.

Go to [SinglesGolf.com/events](http://SinglesGolf.com/events)

National Website: [www.SinglesGolf.com](http://www.SinglesGolf.com)

E-Mail: [ASGANational@aol.com](mailto:ASGANational@aol.com)

Office Hours: 8:30-4:30, M-Th; 8:30-12:30 Fridays (Eastern)

National Office: 704-889-4600 or 1-888-GOLFMATE

To join ASGA or renew your dues, contact the National Office at above number or go to [www.SinglesGolf.com/join](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/join)

## LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Regular Meeting Date: Second Wednesday of each month

Next Meeting: July 9th, 2008

Meeting Location: The Country Club of Deer Run  
Social at 6:15, Dinner & Meeting at 7:00

Our Website: [www.ASGAorlando.com](http://www.ASGAorlando.com)

Our Hotline: (407) 647-9388

(See next page for list of officers and board members.)

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have a 9 on a hole you take off two strokes from your total score. You must adjust your score when posting your score. This does not mean that you do not put your true score on the score card while playing. This is for posting a score only.

Instructions are also found on our website [ASGAORLANDO.COM](http://ASGAORLANDO.COM).

You can look up slope and ratings by clicking on Check Rating Lookup. You will need the course name, city and state.

If you signed up last year and have not paid your \$11.00 for 2008, then you are now inactive in the GHIN system. If you would like to renew your membership in the GHIN system or become a new member, you can see Sue Walther or mail a check to her made out to ASGA Orlando at 3607 Datura Ct., Winter Park, FL, 32792. If you are a new member and have had a previous GHIN number, she will need your GHIN number to put you in the system. If not you will get a new number.

If you have any questions, contact **Sue Walther** at 407 671-3799 or email [suzygolf@cfl.rr.com](mailto:suzygolf@cfl.rr.com). ~Sue Walther

**Please Note**

If you have not signed up for the GHIN system to establish a handicap, please do so. To do this you **can contact Sue Walther at [suzygolf@cfl.rr.com](mailto:suzygolf@cfl.rr.com) or call at 407-671-3799, or see one of the board members at our outings.** Handicaps are very important in determining a fair winner at our outings.

If you are not receiving emails about all our events, please send an email to [ASGAORLANDO@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ASGAORLANDO@GMAIL.COM) and tell me you want to be on the email list.

**Upcoming Golf Events**

**07/05/08** - Kissimee Bay Golf and Country Club 09:30 tee times, the cost is \$30+ tax including range balls and lunch. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**07/13/08** - Stoneybrook East Golf Club 09:06 tee times, the cost is \$35+ tax including range balls and lunch. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**07/19/08** - Zellwood Station and Country Club Tee times begin at 9:00 AM and the cost is \$25. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**07/27/08** - Falcon's Fire 10:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$40+ tax including range balls. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**08/02/08** - Ventura Country Club 08:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$26+ tax including range balls. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**08/10/08** - Forest Lake 10:30 starting tee times, the cost is \$32+ tax including range balls. There will be a party afterwards at **Carolyn Aldorfer's** house. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**08/16/08** - Remington Golf Course 09:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$29 + tax including range balls. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**08/24/08** - Stoneybrook East Golf Club 09:00 tee times, the cost is \$30+ tax including range balls and lunch. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**08/30/08** - Metro West Golf Club 10:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$35 + tax including range balls. Contact is **Bob Greenwald** at [headpro@earthlink.net](mailto:headpro@earthlink.net) or call 407-869-6613.

**ROSTER UPDATES** → **Do It Yourself!**

Do you want to update your personal information on our chapter's roster? You can now do this yourself. Simply click on the **MY ACCOUNT** link at the national website ([SinglesGolf.com](http://SinglesGolf.com)). You can update your address, phone, add your cell phone, change handicap, etc. Doing it yourself takes the burden off of your chapter leaders so they can spend more time on the golf course and less time on the computer!

## ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

### Happy Birthday to these members:

Al Amore - 08/14  
Rosa Bachrach - 07/14  
Joseph Beiro - 07/14  
William Carrozzella - 07/21  
David Graham - 08/04  
Donald Jones - 08/08  
Ernie Lorenzen - 07/01  
Patricia Manley - 07/11  
Barb Tinsley - 07/18  
Paul Yamin - 07/30

### These members are up for renewal:

*(date shown is last day of membership)*

Joy Clark - 07/31/2008  
Patrick Conley - 07/31/2008  
George Culpepper - 07/31/2008  
Dorothy Gault - 07/31/2008  
Karen Johnson - 07/31/2008  
Sheryl Kolessar - 07/31/2008

### Welcome newest members:

Dianne Burns - Joined 06/19/2008  
Judy Ginty - Joined 06/03/2008  
Peter Hakansson - Joined 05/07/2008  
Randa Harrison - Joined 06/17/2008  
R Rockwell - Joined 06/17/2008  
Ellen Ryan - Joined 06/10/2008  
Robert Vanderhagen - Joined 06/09/2008  
ALVARO VECCHIONACCE - Joined  
06/24/2008

### These members recently renewed:

Barney Coomes  
Bob Greenwald  
Robert Nelson  
Jim Smith  
Steve Sveda

### These members did not renew their dues:

*(date shown is date membership expired)*

Melinda Becker - 05/31/2008  
Kathleen Daughtry - 05/31/2008  
Joe Howell - 05/31/2008  
Kate Lindberg - 05/31/2008  
Paul Thompson - 05/31/2008

**Our chapter currently has 99 members.**

## Rules and More Rules

Q. Larry and I were playing a "friendly" game of golf. Larry shanked his drive on the 3rd hole which is set back of the golf cart parking area by about 30 yards.

Larry's ball hits his golf cart, and rebounds into the fairway and lands almost 200 yards from the tee in the middle of the fairway. Larry of course says something glib like, "you have to play the entire course and understand rebounds to play golf well." I of course said something like, "I think you may have to add a penalty stroke to your score." This is when the game became a bit less friendly.

What is the correct penalty, if any?

- A. No penalty, ball plays as it lies.
- B. No penalty, however the stroke must be cancelled and the ball must be returned to the original point of play and be re-hit.
- C. One stroke penalty and the ball must be returned to the original point of play and be re-hit.
- D. One stroke penalty and the ball plays as it lies.
- E. Two stroke penalty and the ball should be played as it lies.

### And the answer is....

D. Larry incurs a one stroke penalty and the ball plays as it lies.

This one may catch a few of you as the penalty for this type of incident was changed recently.

Larry was in violation of USGA Rule 19-2. This is the rule that addresses Ball in Motion Deflected or Stopped by Player, Partner, Caddie or Equipment. Since the golf cart is considered part of his equipment, Larry incurs a penalty. As of this 2008, Larry would earn a penalty of one stroke in both match play and stroke play and would be required to play

the ball as it lies. Previously, the penalty was two strokes in stroke play and loss of hole in match play.

## Golf Quips

Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle, followed by a good bottle of beer.

Golf! You hit down to make the ball go up. You swing left and the ball goes right. The lowest score wins. And on top of that, the winner buys the drinks.

Golf is harder than baseball. In golf, you have to play your foul balls.

If you find you do not mind playing golf in the rain, the snow, even during a hurricane, here's a valuable tip: your life is in trouble.

Golfers who try to make everything perfect before taking the shot ... rarely make a perfect shot.

The term 'mulligan' is really a contraction of the phrase 'maul it again.'

A 'gimme' can best be defined as an agreement between two golfers ... neither of whom can putt very well.

An interesting thing about golf is that no matter how badly you play; it is always possible to get worse.

Golf's a hard game to figure. One day you'll go out and slice it and shank it, hit into all the traps and miss every green. The next day you go out and, for no reason at all, you really stink.

If your best shots are the practice swing and the 'gimme putt,' you might wish to reconsider this game.

Golf is the only sport where the most feared opponent is you.

Golf is like marriage: If you take yourself too seriously it won't work, and both are expensive.

The best wood in most amateurs' bags is the pencil.



## **NEW MEETING PLACE**

**Wednesday, July 9th, 2008  
Deer Run Golf and Country Club  
300 Daneswood Way  
Casselberry, FL 32707  
(407) 699-9592**

**9 holes of golf at 4:15  
Happy Hour at 6:15  
Meeting at 7:00 PM**

**Tee times begin at 4:15. If you would like to play, just show up and be ready before 4:00.**

**We will play nine holes, have a happy hour, have our meeting, and enjoy dinner together.**

**Check out our website for the latest  
information  
[WWW.ASGAORLANDO.COM](http://WWW.ASGAORLANDO.COM)**

**A new club rule we have is whenever someone picks up at double par, they need to add one stroke to putt in, chip in, or whatever. If you pick up on a par 3 write down a 7, for a par 5, write down an 11.**

## **Nine & Dine - New Place - New Time - New Day**

**ASGA Wednesday Nine and Dine  
Winter Pines Golf Course  
950 S. Ranger Blvd.  
Winter Park, FL. 32792  
407-671-3172**

**Tee times begin at 5:00 . If you would like to play, just show up before 4:45.**

**We will play nine holes, then all go to dinner at a restaurant nearby.**

### **Directions:**

**Take I-4 East  
Exit at Fairbanks .  
Turn right onto Fairbanks .  
The road will turn into Aloma Ave. (426)  
Follow past Lakemont about a mile.  
Make a right at Ranger Blvd.  
Ranger Blvd. dead ends into the golf course.**

**July 2008**  
**Orlando ASGA Activities At – A - Glance**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Weekday Golf ****	3 Weekday Golf ****	4	5 Kissimmee Bay
6	7 ASGA Board Meeting**	8	9 Orlando ASGA Mem- bership Meeting With Nine and Dine*	10 Weekday Golf ****	11	12
13 Stoney- brook East Golf Club	14	15	16 Nine and Dine***	17 Weekday Golf ****	18	19 Zellwood Station and Country Club
20	21	22	23 Nine and Dine***	24 Weekday Golf ****	25	26
27 Falcon's Fire	28	29	30 Nine and Dine***	31 Weekday Golf ****		

**\*\*ORLASGA Monthly Meeting/Fellowship, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, at Deer Run, 9 holes of golf starts at 4:15, happy hour at 6:15, meeting at 7:00, and dinner afterwards TBA.**

**BRING A NEW POTENTIAL GOLFER, For Information call Jane Peterson at (321)663-4120**

**\*\* Orlando ASGA Board Meeting at Sam Seltzer's in Altamonte Springs.**

**\*\*\* Winter Pines (407) 671-3172 on Ranger Blvd, south of Aloma, one block west of 436.**

**\*\*\*\* Thursday Golf - contact Sue Walther, [suzygolf@cfl.rr.com](mailto:suzygolf@cfl.rr.com) or call at 407-671-3799**

# ASGA NATIONAL NEWS

AMERICAN SINGLES GOLF ASSOCIATION — JULY 2008

## ASGA's Founder Still Finding His Way

**Tom Alsop woke-up on Wednesday, June 11th a new man,** a little sore but with potentially another fifty years in him. The day before, he had successful quadruple bypass surgery. Yes, maybe too many hot dogs at the turn or maybe too many rides in the golf cart when he should have been walking.

Literally two days before ASGA's largest event of the year at Pinehurst, Alsop found out he had to have bypass surgery. "Knowing surgery was a couple of weeks off, I just wanted to focus on doing a good job and taking care of people's needs. Some players were asking 'why aren't you playing golf?' and I gave them the same reason as I haven't played golf at the event in the past — I enjoy taking pictures of each player out on the course. Although my doctor wanted to schedule it before Pinehurst, I pleaded with him to postpone it. I suppose because he's a golfer himself, he allowed me to finish the event."

Resting easy at his home in Charlotte, Alsop reflects on the experience. "It does make you think 'this is pretty serious stuff. I could miss my tee time for the rest of my life! We've had a lot of members go through a lot of things in their lives. You get close to them and then every now and then, something tragic happens and we lose them. It's easy to get philosophical when faced with something this dramatic," Alsop continues. "We all pray that we can enjoy life to its fullest and that we fulfill our given purpose. As we grow older, each of us realize we have fewer and fewer years on this planet. We want to push away Father Time with the longest club in our bag. And most of the time, we're successful. We're fortunate we live in the 21st century. Regardless, major surgery makes you reflect on the important things in life."

### Pinehurst Went Well -

#### New Year's is Next National Event

We had 310 people attend Memorial Day Weekend in Pinehurst at the reviews went well. For 2009, we're looking for locations. Criteria: should be mid-Atlantic where at least 50% of the attendees can drive to the event, and keep us somewhat in one location. We'd prefer a location with three golf courses coming out of the same clubhouse (due to members driving together). If you have suggestions for Memorial Day next year, please go to the CONTACT US button at SinglesGolf.com.

We will announce our New Year's location by mid-to-late August. Inquiries went out to a number of locations this past April.

### Upcoming Multi-Chapter Events

- **Sea Palms Weekend / St. Simon's Island** - August 15-17, 2008. Hosted by the Jacksonville chapter. Contact Dorothy Nicholson at darn@bellsouth.net for more info.
- **Labor Day Weekend Event at Santee** - August 29 - 31, 2008. Hosted by the Upstate SC chapter. Go to SinglesGolf.com/events
- **Tunica Getaway, Tunica, Mississippi** - Sept. 8-10, 2008. Tunica is also known as "Little Las Vegas." Hosted by the Hot Springs, AR chapter. For information contact Peggy Jordan at pijhsv@suddenlink.net. *Note: this is a weekday (Mon-Wed) event!*
- **Carson City, Nevada - Annual Weekend Event** - Sept. 12-14, 2008, hosted by the Sacramento, CA chapter. Contact Dwight Pattison at golf@sactosinglesgolf.com
- **Mountain Fall Weekend at Lake Lure, NC** - October 17-19, 2008. Hosted by the Asheville chapter. Details can be found at www.MountainFallWeekend.com or contact Hank Parish (hyparish@msn.com) for more information.
- **Fall Fling at Mission Inn (Florida)** - October 24-26, 2008. Hosted by the Tampa Bay chapter. Go to SinglesGolf.com/events
- **Myrtle Beach Shootout, Myrtle Beach, SC** - November 21-23, 2008. Hosted by the Myrtle Beach and Nashville chapters. Contact Bob Blaylock (Eagle42@comcast.net) for more info.
- **New Year's Event (Florida likely)** - December 29-January 1, 2009. Hosted by ASGA National Office. Details TBA August, 2008.

### Clarification Policy Announced

Back in April, a new policy relative to membership terms was announced via the website in order to clarify a few things. It is our policy to post this in this newsletter as well:

#### Membership, Equality, Marriage and Termination of Membership (established April, 2008)

ASGA membership is open to any person, 21 years of age or older, who is unmarried (i.e. never married, divorced, legally separated or widowed) without regard to race, creed, gender or national origin. Any official event sponsored by the national organization or local chapters must be open to all members on an equal basis subject to space availability. Members who marry during the term of their dues period shall remain members until the end of their dues period. The national office has the right to decline or terminate any member's membership if the national office determines that such membership is not in the best interest of ASGA. In such cases, dues will be refunded on a *prorata* basis.