

ORLANDO SINGLES GOLF

Orlando Chapter - American Singles Golf Association — January 2009

KING'S RIDGE GOLF CLUB - JANUARY 25TH

From the President

Hi everyone,

Here we are starting a new year of golf together. **Karen Reinhart** has finished a great two years as president, and we all want to thank her and the entire 2008 Board for the terrific job they have done. I'm looking forward to working with Karen as she moves into the position of Chairman of the Board, and to working with all of our new board members this year. This is my second year with ASGA and I feel very fortunate to have all of their experience to count on in 2009. **Debby Davis** has had to give up the Secretary position due to new commitments at work, but **Pam Russell** has agreed to take on the job of Secretary.

I've really had fun with ASGA and getting to know many of you this past year, and I'm looking forward to a great new line up of golf outings. We had an exciting Club Championship at Eagle Creek Golf and Country Club, and I'd like to congratulate **Bob Symmes** and **Sue Walther** on becoming our 2008 ASGA Orlando Club Champions. We had a fun Christmas party at Deer Run with great food, music with a terrific DJ and lots of dancing and conversation. I want to thank **Mitzi, Sue**

and the rest of the committee for a very successful party. **Richard Fine** has graciously volunteered to host our Super Bowl party on February 1st. Just come with a covered dish and your favorite drink - watch your email for details.

I encourage all of you to join us at our golf outings, social events and monthly meetings and enjoy the fun and fellowship. I'd like to get to know all of you this year. With your support and participation, we'll make 2009 another great year!

~Pam Woodard

From the Chairperson of the Board

Hi Golfers,

Happy New Year! The month of December found us wrapping up 2008 with dinner and dancing at our Holiday Party at The Country Club of Deer Run. We thank **Mitzi Seem** and **Sue Walther** for planning and organizing a terrific party. We danced until closing and had a great time.

I want to thank all the members who have volunteered their time and talents for running our weekly golf outings, monthly social events and a special thank you to all 2008 officers who,

through their efforts have kept our Orlando chapter growing and prospering this past year. It has been a pleasure serving as president the past two years.

Looking forward to 2009, Richard Fine has volunteered to host our Super Bowl party. This is always a terrific party and an excellent way to meet new friends. Please check your e-mail for details.

Congratulations! To **Kathy Hutchinson** on her Hole-In-One at Eagle Creek golf club on December 14th.

May the New Year bring health, happiness and great golf outings.

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

NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

Meet members from other chapter at these exciting weekends:

- Wilmington's Winter Chill, Feb. 27-March 1
- Orlando & Hilton Head's Hilton Head Weekend, March 13-15

National Website: www.SinglesGolf.com

E-Mail: ASGANational@aol.com

New Office Hours: 8:00am to 4:00pm, M-F (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

LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Regular Meeting Date: Second Wednesday of each month

Next Meeting: January 14th, 2009

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

Our Website: www.ASGAorlando.com

Our Hotline: (407) 647-9388

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

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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 have a 9 on a hole you take off two strokes from you 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.

You can look up slope and ratings by clicking on Check Rating Lookup. Your 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. ~Sue Walther

IMPORTANT—YOUR GHIN MEMBERSHIP EXPIRES ON 12/31/08
Sue Walther will be collecting \$11 for the 2009 fee for the GHIN Handicap System. If you are not paid up by December 31st, you will be removed from the GHIN system.

Please Note

If you have not signed up for the GHIN system for 2009 to establish a handicap, please do so. To do this you can contact Sue Walther at 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 and tell me you want to be on the email list.

Upcoming Golf Events

01/03/09 – Deer Run Golf Club
11:30 starting tee times, the cost is \$36.95+ tax including range balls.
Contact is Al Amore at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

01/11/09 – Country Club of Mount Dora
11:30 starting tee times, the cost is \$43+ tax including a BBQ lunch and range balls.
Contact is Bruce Hartwigsen at BHartwigsen@HHCP.com or 407-647-4910

1/17/09 – Sweetwater Golf & Country Club
10:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$30 + tax including range balls.
Contact is Norm Bottum at 407-869-1929

01/25/09 – King's Ridge Golf Club
11:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$32 + tax including range balls.
Contact is Al Amore at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

01/31/09 – North Shore Golf Club

11:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$32 + tax including range balls.

Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

02/08/09 – Rolling Hills Golf Club

10:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$30 + tax including range balls.

Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

02/14/09 – Mayfair Golf Club

09:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$40 + tax including range balls.

Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

02/22/09 – Forest Lake Golf Club

10:45 starting tee times, the cost is \$36 + tax including range balls.

Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

02/28/09 – Rock Springs Ridge Golf Club

12:00 tee times and the cost is \$32 including range balls.

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03/14-03/16 – Orlando ASGA Hilton Head Trip.

Contact **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821 for more details.

ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

Happy Birthday to these members:

- Joyce Cares - 01/30
- Ike Cool - 01/18
- Barbara Essery - 02/06
- Mark Fidler - 01/22
- Judy Ginty - 01/13
- Monika Hahues - 01/25
- Louise Levy - 01/20
- Cheryl Macartney - 01/29
- Marilyn McKay - 01/08
- Christine Mehan - 01/10
- John Shober - 01/14
- Robert Vanderhagen - 01/29
- Jacqui Vescio - 02/12
- Susan Walther - 01/27

These members are up for renewal:

(date shown is last day of membership)

- Al Amore - 01/31/2009
- Jimmie Forgione - 01/31/2009
- Dave Funkhouser - 01/31/2009
- Glen Holt - 01/31/2009
- Don Lampton - 01/31/2009
- Jacqueline Rogers - 01/31/2009
- Glenn Sunseri - 01/31/2009

Welcome newest members:

- Herbert Simpson - Joined 11/10/2008

These members recently renewed:

- Martha Anderson
- Gary Compton
- Terri Godsell
- Terry Konkin
- John Stelling

These members did not renew their dues:

(date shown is date membership expired)

- Bill Ash - 11/30/2008

Our chapter currently has 100 members.

Rules and More Rules

Larry's golf ball rolled to a position of rest directly behind a rather large divot clump that was not completely detached and projecting upward several inches directly in front of his ball. Of course Larry did the only natural thing and lifted the clump up and tossed it aside. His playing partners called a 2 stroke penalty. Larry protested. Who was right? What is the correct answer below?

- A. Larry was in error. He can not remove the divot clump. He should have pressed it down with his foot and left it in place. One stroke penalty
- B. The playing partners were wrong; the divot clump could be moved.
- C. Larry was wrong, his partners were right, Larry may not remove the divot or press it down before playing his stroke. Two stroke penalty.
- D. The partners were on the right track, a penalty should have been assessed, but only one stroke.

Answer: The answer is C. Larry was wrong and should have been assessed a two (2) stroke penalty. Larry was in violation of USGA Rule 13-2 which pertains to "Improving Lie, Area of Intended Stance or Swing, or Line of Play". The rule is very explicit, you are not allowed to improve your lie, area of stance or swing, or your line of play. The basic play it as it lies rule.

The penalty for violating the rule in match play is loss of the hole; in stroke play the penalty is two strokes.

Life in the Trap by Rick Newell



www.lifeinthetrap.com

NEW MEETING PLACE

**Wednesday, January 14th, 2008
Deer Run Golf and Country Club
300 Daneswood Way
Casselberry, FL 32707
(407) 699-9592**

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

Tee times begin at 3:30. If you would like to play, just show up and be ready before 3:15.

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**

A 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 Time

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

Tee times begin at 3:30 . If you would like to play, just show up before 3:15.

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.

**January 2009
Orlando ASGA Activities At – A - Glance**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Weekday Golf ****	2	3 Deer Run
4	5	6	7 Nine and Dine ***	8 Weekday Golf ****	9	10
11 Mount Dora	12 ASGA Board Meeting **	13	14 Orlando ASGA Membership Meeting With Nine and Dine*	15 Weekday Golf ****	16	17 Sweetwater
18	19	20	21 Nine and Dine ***	22 Weekday Golf ****	23	24
25 King's Ridge	26	27	28 Nine and Dine ***	29 Weekday Golf ****	30	31 North Shore

****ORLASGA Monthly Meeting/Fellowship, 2nd Tuesdays, at Deer Run, 9 holes of golf starts at 4:00, 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 Macaroni Grill in Winter Springs.**

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

****** Thursday Golf - contact Pam Woodard, pwoodard@cfl.rr.com or call at 407-359-1823**

**IF YOU CANNOT MAKE IT TO THE COURSE, PLEASE CONTACT
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OF THE EVENT, CONTACT THE GOLF COURSE ALSO! IF NOT
THERE WILL BE A \$10 NO SHOW CHARGE.**

**February 2009
Orlando ASGA Activities At – A - Glance**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Super Bowl Party	2 ASGA Board Meeting **	3	4 Nine and Dine ***	5 Weekday Golf ****	6	7
8 Rolling Hills	9	10	11 Orlando ASGA Mem- bership Meeting With Nine and Dine*	12 Weekday Golf ****	13	14 Mayfair
15	16	17	18 Nine and Dine ***	19 Weekday Golf ****	20	21
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ASGA NATIONAL NEWS

AMERICAN SINGLES GOLF ASSOCIATION — JANUARY, 2009

Love on the Links

Valentine's Day: Saturday, February 14th, 2009

"*Love on the Links*" was a headline a reporter named his article which appeared in a newspaper years ago. It was a great article about ASGA but it was a great headline as well. Since then, the Charlotte chapter has borrowed the headline and created an annual golf outing with the same name. It initially was played on the Saturday on or around Valentine's Day each year as a way to interest new members and to get the season kicked-off. Since then, it's been moved into early Spring (gosh, it got cold in February!).

Let's take advantage of an upcoming date: Valentine's Day falls on a Saturday this year. ASGA National would like for all chapters to run a "Love on the Links" tournament with the goal to expose ASGA to more singles. It's a great way to start your new year and a great way to generate interest in your chapter. So watch for the link on our website (SinglesGolf.com) and we'll provide press releases and other information to help you get a new tradition going for your chapter for 2009 and beyond.

Welcome New Chapter Leaders!

Just as we turn the corner on the new year, we also turn the corner with new leadership in each of our seventy chapters nationwide. New leaders bring new ideas. Last year's chapter presidents become Board chairs and offer continuity to the leadership, but it's the new president that emerges as the team leader. This is our annual ritual and somehow it works.

It's been said that the greatest thing about being a chapter president is that one day you get to become a past president. Those who have served in that capacity this past year deserve your thanks as those of us at national headquarters thank them as well. With or without your knowledge, chapter presidents are in contact with the national office many times throughout the year, looking after your concerns.

But the Number One job for a chapter president is to delegate. Delegate to the four key people known as committee chairs. Your chapter should have by now your four key committees organized for 2007: golf, social, membership and communication. Those committees do the detail work on the activities your chapter will be involved in over the next year. It's a great place to start if you want to volunteer for your chapter.

So we welcome the new chapter presidents, officers and committee members. Make the best of your year. Realize the potential of what your local chapter can mean to you. We're all about bringing happiness to your life, so just continue to remember the first word in our three-word slogan we adopted almost 15 years ago . . . fun,

fellowship, fairways . . . and all we ask is that you keep it fun first!

Keys to a Great Year Ahead

No doubt, everyone has their mental list of "what works" and "what doesn't". Here's our Top 10 Recommendations for new leaders:

- ◆ Regarding your meetings, remember the three E's: make them Entertaining, Educational and Enlightening
- ◆ Encourage every member to invite a guest to each meeting. That automatically doubles the attendance.
- ◆ Most people don't join because they were never asked to join.
- ◆ New people have their own circle of friends who will join as well.
- ◆ Display the free brochure stands at golf courses. They work!
- ◆ Remember to work as a team. You're not going to win every battle. Always keep the interest of the chapter as your priority.
- ◆ Follow your bylaws. They're on the national website if you've never read them. They provide the structure for your chapter.
- ◆ Submit guest names via our online "add-a-guest" form. One out of three guests become members!
- ◆ Encourage attendance at multi-chapter events in order to get the full experience of ASGA from members across the country.
- ◆ Read newsletters from other chapters (posted on the national website under "List of Chapters") to get additional ideas.

Dates: Feb. 27-Mar. 1, 2009

Wilmington's Winter Chill

Our Wilmington chapter will again host their Winter Chill which will be in the Southern Pines / Pinehurst area of North Carolina. Check out all of the details on this and other upcoming multi-chapter weekend events at www.SinglesGolf.com/events

Who's Your Daddy?

Now that we've caught your attention, what we really want to know is "Who's Your Chapter President?"

Please make sure SOMEONE in your chapter has notified ASGA National of the names of your newly elected officers and board members. We need this information for the 2009 newsletters. Of utmost importance is who your treasurer will be so we can issue the chapter portion of the dues to the right person. Email this info to our office manager, Irene Matthews at ASGANational@aol.com.

And remember to update your website with the new chapter leaders as well.

**- Tom Alsop, President / Founder
American Singles Golf Association
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