

# ORLANDO SINGLES GOLF

Orlando Chapter - American Singles Golf Association — July 2009

## VICTORIA HILLS GOLF CLUB - JULY 18TH

### From the President

Hi everyone,

We want to thank **George Culpepper** and **Peggy** for their kind offer to host our 4<sup>th</sup> of July party at their home, following golf at the Country Club of Mount Dora. And thanks also to **Theresa Spano** who has agreed to organize the party. You'll find all the details of the party in the newsletter. We hope you can join us for lots of fun and fellowship.

We always need volunteers to help support our social events, so if you have any ideas for events you'd like to see or want to help in any way, please give me a call or send an email to [pwoodard@cfl.rr.com](mailto:pwoodard@cfl.rr.com).

Our meetings will continue to be held on the second Wednesday every month, but we may be moving from the Clarion. Watch your email for more details. With the longer days of summer here, our weekly 'Nine and Dine' has been moved to 5:30 on Wednesdays. We play nine holes of golf at Winter Pines Golf Club, and then go to dinner somewhere nearby after golf. For the week of our meeting only, Nine and Dine will move to that Tuesday afternoon at 5:30.

There are some great Multi-Chapter outings to look forward to. Jacksonville is hosting an event at Amelia Island August

21-23. On Labor Day weekend, September 4-6, the Upstate SC chapter will have an outing in Santee, SC. The Asheville Chapter is holding their Mountain Fall Weekend on October 16-18th at the Rumbling Bald Resort in Lake Lure, NC. This is a beautiful area in the mountains of western North Carolina. It filled up quickly last year, so sign up soon if you'd like to attend. All of these events are within a reasonable distance from Orlando and Multi-Chapter outings are a great way to meet golfers from all over the country and play terrific golf courses for a reasonable price.

See you soon!

~Pam Woodard

### 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 you 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. You will need your GHIN number and name. Enter. Informa-

## NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

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**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](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/join)

Play golf with singles from other chapters - - for a complete list, go to [www.SinglesGolf.com/events](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/events)

## LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

**Regular Meeting Date:** Second Wednesday of each month

**Next Meeting:** July 8th, 2009

**Meeting Location:** Clarion Hotel

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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tion 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. You will need the course name, city and state.

If you signed up last year and have not paid your \$11.00 for 2009, 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 for 2009 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 and tell me you want to be on the email list.

### **Upcoming Golf Events**

**06/28/09 – Eagle Creek Golf Club**  
11:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$35 + tax including range balls.  
Contact is **Al Amore** at [alorlando@aol.com](mailto:alorlando@aol.com) or 407-265-2821.

**07/04/09 –Country Club of Mount Dora**  
08:30 shotgun including range balls and the cost is \$25.  
Contact is **Al Amore** at [alorlando@aol.com](mailto:alorlando@aol.com) or 407-265-2821.

## **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 5:30. If you would like to play, just show up before 5:15.**

**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.**

**07/12/09 – Sweetwater Golf and Country 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.

**07/18/09 – Victoria Hills Golf Club**

tee times and the cost is \$35 + tax including range balls.  
Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

**07/26/09 – Timacuan Country Club**

12:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$45 + tax including range balls.  
Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

**08/01/09 – Sugarloaf Mountain**

09:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$37+ tax including range balls.  
Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

**08/09/09 – Eagle Creek Golf Club**

11:00 starting tee times, the cost is \$35 + tax including range balls.  
Contact is **Al Amore** at alorlando@aol.com or 407-265-2821.

**ABOUT OUR MEMBERS**

**Happy Birthday to these members:**

Al Amore - 08/14  
Rosa Bachrach - 07/14  
Joseph Beiro - 07/14  
Dawn Lafferty - 08/12  
Patricia Manley - 07/11  
Bev Mundt - 08/01  
Sheila Pandiscia - 07/14  
Theresa Spano - 07/22  
Paul Yamin - 07/30

**These members are up for renewal:**

*(date shown is last day of membership)*  
Suzanne Crook - 07/31/2009  
George Culpepper - 07/31/2009  
Robert Nelson - 07/31/2009  
Terry Tampa - 07/31/2009

**Welcome newest members:**

Christine Biondo - Joined 06/10/2009  
Sue Sherman - Joined 06/09/2009

**These members recently renewed:**

Bill Ash  
Dianne Burns  
Joyce Cares  
Kathleen Gaudiano  
Ellen Ryan  
Susan Smith

**These members did not renew their dues:**

*(date shown is date membership expired)*  
Cathy Finn - 05/31/2009  
Peter Hakansson - 05/31/2009  
Stanley Quinn - 05/31/2009  
Paul Thompson - 05/31/2009

**Our chapter currently has 95 members.**

**Don't Let Your Membership Lapse. . .**

**Be sure to renew so you won't miss receiving a newsletter.**

**Call 1-888-GOLFMATE**  
**(1-888-465-3628)**

**NEW MEETING PLACE**

**Wednesday, July 8th, 2009**

**Clarion Hotel  
230 W. State Rd. 436  
Altamonte Springs, Fl.  
(407) 862-4455**

**Happy Hour at 6:15 in the bar. Meeting at 7:00 PM Regency & Imperial Room. Dancing following the meeting in the lounge. Dinner follows the meeting**

**We will have a happy hour, have our meeting, and enjoy dinner together. Dinner will be the regular bar menu, plus a couple of hot dinner specials. We will have our meeting prior to the dinner for those who cannot make the meeting, but wish to join us for dinner and or dancing.**

**Directions:**

**Take I-4 East. Exit at 436/Semoran Blvd. At the top of the ramp make a left on SR436. At second light make a U-turn. Hotel is on the right.**

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Party**  
**ASGA Golf at Mount Dora Country Club**  
**and Barbecue at George Culpepper's Ranch**

**Saturday, July 4, 2009**

**33000 SAHARA CT.**  
**SORRENTO , FL**  
**(352)383-5944**

**Golf will be an 08:30 shotgun including range balls and the cost is \$25.**

Please join us for our annual party at **George Culpepper's Ranch** . The Barbecue will begin at 2PM for those not golfing. For those golfing, it will begin after golf. We will be eating, drinking, listening to the music, and lots of dancing. We will be catering the event with some good barbeque chicken, ribs, and pork. BYOB, we will be supplying the soda and setups. We will be playing some golf games and water volleyball. Bring your bathing suit.

**Cost is \$12 per guest, no charge for Orlando members.**

**Guests can pay at the door. Please contact Al Amore at [alorlando@aol.com](mailto:alorlando@aol.com) or Theresa Spano at [tspano43@yahoo.com](mailto:tspano43@yahoo.com) or 407-884-5867 to reserve your spot.**

Directions to Mount Dora:

I-4 East

Take exit #90B/MAITLAND BLVD toward SOUTH LK DESTINY DR

Turn Right on MAITLAND BLVD(SR-414 W)

Turn Right on N ORANGE BLOSSOM TRL(US-441 N)

Continue to follow US-441 N

Turn right on Country Club Blvd.

Directions from Mount Dora Golf Course to George Culpepper's Ranch:

1.Head northwest on Country Club Blvd toward An-dover Ct 1.1 mi

2.Turn right at US-441 0.9 mi

3.Turn right at County Rd-44B/FL-44

Continue to follow FL-442.1 mi

4.Turn right at E FL-44/E State Rd 44 6.1 mi

5.Turn right at County Rd 46A/FL-46A 1.4 mi

6.Turn right at Bint Ibn Lane 315 ft

7.Slight left to stay on Sahara Ct 0.2 mi

Directions to George Culpepper's Ranch:

I-4 East

Take Exit 101 B&C toward Mt. Dora

Turn left on 46

Turn right on 46A (Approximately 8 miles)

Turn left on Bint Ibn Lane . (Approximately ½ mile)

Stay left to stay on Sahara Ct.

If you get to SR 44, you went too far.

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 Mount Dora
5	6 ASGA Board Meeting **	7	8 Nine and Dine***	9	10	11
12 Sweetwater	13	14 Nine and Dine***	15 Orlando ASGA Mem- bership Meeting	16	17	18 Victoria Hills
19	20	21	22 Nine and Dine***	23	24	25
26 Timacuan	27	28	29 Nine and Dine***	30	31	

\*ORLASGA Monthly Meeting/Fellowship, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, Clarion Hotel 230 W. State Rd. 436 Altamonte Springs, Fl. (407) 862-4455, 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 – on hold

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

# ASGA NATIONAL NEWS

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## Results are in for Scotland Trip



### 5. Willing to stay in a local college dorm instead of hotel?

This was a surprise. **91.9%** indicated they would either do it or consider doing it once more details were made available. The dorm idea works well as it gives everyone their own private room and bathroom at a college in St. Andrews.

### 6. Preferred Time of Year

May, 2010 - Highs around 57 each day - \$2250 (flights are less \$\$) 11.2%

June, 2010 - Highs around 62 each day - \$2500 30.5%

July, 2010 - Highs around 66 each day - \$3250 13.5%

August, 2010 - Highs around 64 each day - \$3250 6.6%

September, 2010 - Highs around 60 each day - \$2500 (flights are less \$\$) 38.2%.

### 7. How much golf would you like to play:

As much as possible 39.0%

Every other day 46.3%

1-2 rounds only 13.5%

### 8. Is playing The Old Course at St. Andrews a must-play golf course if you take this trip? Yes=60.6 No=39.4

### 9. What other activities would you like to do:

Taking a day to tour a town, local historical sites, etc. 71.8%

Taking a day to tour the countryside, castles, etc. 87.3%

Having a day where I can do what I want with no group-sponsored activities. 50.2%

Going shopping 30.9%

Taking a boat trip or short plane trip to another island 32.4%

Tour some of Scotland's whiskey distilleries 41.7%

Head up to the mountains, take a hike, climb or go skiing 23.2%

### 10. Which chapters showed the most interest:

Washington, DC - 20 members interested in attending, followed by Chicago (19), Tampa Bay (14), Southeast Michigan, Indianapolis, Orlando, Philadelphia, Sacramento at 10 each. Just about all of our 70 chapters nationwide had at least one individual interested in attending. Names were not collected during this survey.

Without question, **we WILL do a trip to Scotland in 2010** due to this overwhelming response. Details will be sent out soon.

-- Tom Alsop, President / Founder, ASGA  
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GolfASGA@aol.com

### Members Respond to Survey

On June 25th, the national office surveyed its membership asking

- ◆ if they'd be interested in a trip to Scotland
- ◆ how much they'd be willing to spend, and
- ◆ how long should they want to stay . . . along with a host of other questions.

Over 300 folks answered these questions using the popular SurveyMonkey.com portal. Of this number, 82% identified themselves as a member of ASGA and 11% as former members. 6% said they'd join ASGA if we did this trip.

### Here are the questions and how they responded:

**1. Realizing cost and other factors will need to be considered, generally speaking, would you be interested in being part of a group trip to Scotland for ASGA members in the Summer of 2010?** Result: Yes=92.5%

**2. Male/Female:** Result: 63.7% female; 36.3% male (2 girls for every boy . . . isn't that a familiar song - and now, we know who has all the money as well! So pay attention guys . . . we need you for those cool nights in Edinburgh!

### 3. Number of nights:

5-6 nights (12.7%), 7-8 nights (45.9%), 9-10 nights (34.7%) and 11-14 nights (6.6%).

### 4. Quality of hotel accommodations:

Scottish Version of a Motel 6	6.6%
Any 3-star hotel	47.9%
Upper-Middle Class	44.0%
Something "ritzy"	1.5%