

Grand Strand/Myrtle Beach Singles Golf

Grand Strand/Myrtle Beach Chapter - American Singles Golf Association - June 2009

MINIATURE GOLF & DINNER - JULY 13TH

From the Desk of the President

Hi Everyone:

I decided that it's about time to redistribute the flyer for this year's North Carolina/South Carolina challenge.

This event is one of the fun events that I have participated in over the past few years. Anyone who attends will get a chance to mix and mingle with many of the ASGA singles in all of the Carolinas.

I for one, can't wait to participate in this year's version. We are staying at a good place and are playing some nice courses. AND we are the TWO TIME defending champions of this event. We need at least 10 participants to defend our crown.

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me. ~Dave

Annual Beach Battle - July 11, 2009

Hey Myrtle Beach and Wilmington!

It's time for our Annual Beach Battle when one of us will earn Braggin' Rights for the entire year! Wilmington is hosting the event this year to be held on Saturday, July 11, 2009 at The Lakes in Boiling Spring Lakes, NC. We have a 9:00 a.m. shotgun start (sorry, Myrtle Beach for the early time, but that is the time that best

suits the course). Just remember, it's July and by noon, the temperature and humidity will be as high as our golf scores!

We will be eating at the course after golf. Cost for the entire event is \$35.00 payable at the course upon arrival. Format will be 'play your own ball' and each chapter's scores will be averaged to determine the winner.

To sign up, please contact Ann Howell at 910-350-0014 or e-mail at: nantucketgal@charter.net. Please give name, handicap and an e-mail address. Please pass this information to your members who do not have a computer.

Hope to see everyone on Saturday, July 11! Mark your calendars now. Hey, we even have some surprises up our sleeves!!

~Ann & Fran, Golf Chairs, Wilmington ASGA

Social Events

Brookgreen Gardens, Friday July 3rd, @ 7:00pm Island Trio Steel Drums

Burro Loco, Thursday, July 9th, 960 Jason Blvd. off of Route 17
Meet between 4:30 and 5:00pm

Miniature Golf and Dinner,

Monday July 13th
Fuddruckers @ 6:00
2101 N. Kings Hwy
Captain Hooks @ 7:00pm
(next door to Fuddruckers)

Dancing at 2001 Arrowhead Drive,
Saturday, July 18th
Band Starts at 9:30pm

Happy Hour at "Anchor Cafe" at the
Marina Inn, Grand Dunes
July 19th, 4:00 to 7:00pm
~Bob Sperl - (bsperl027@yahoo.com)

August Golf Events

Saturday, August 15 - Indigo Creek: 7:30 am show, Format: Points, Food: Dagwood's in Surfside - \$25 plus bagboy/prize money

Sunday, August 23 - Indian Wells: 7:30 am show, Format: Shambles; Food: at the clubhouse - \$30 plus bagboy/prize money



NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

National Website: www.SinglesGolf.com

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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

Play golf with singles from other chapters - - for a complete list, go to www.SinglesGolf.com/events

LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.MyrtleBeach.SinglesGolf.com

Regular Meeting Date: THIRD TUESDAY of each month

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 21st, 2009 at 7:00pm

Meeting Location: Logan's at Coastal Grand Mall

Our Hotline: 910.579.5503

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

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Upcoming Golf Events

Our schedule of events for Signature Courses has been completed for the remainder of 2009.

September 12 – Wicked Stick: 7:30am show; Format: Team Net; Food: California Dreaming - \$25 plus bagboy/prize money

October 31 – Woodland: Halloween Party – 8:30am show; Format: captain's choice modified; Food: tba - \$25 plus bagboy/prize money

November 7 – Rivers Edge: 8:45am show; Format: Points; Food: at the clubhouse; \$35 plus bagboy/prize money

December 13 – Island Green: 8:30am show; Format: Christmas Surprise; Food: at the clubhouse; \$25 plus bagboy money

ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

Happy Birthday to these members:

Mary Musante - 08/11

Patricia Phillips - 07/31

Mary Ann Sanborn - 08/13

Barbara Williams - 08/13

These members are up for renewal:

(date shown is last day of membership)

Ed Curtice - 07/31/2009

Sheldon Havtur - 07/31/2009

Mary Musante - 07/31/2009

Welcome newest members:

Dusty Dodd - Joined 05/27/2009

These members did not renew their dues:

(date shown is date membership expired)

Cathy Six - 06/30/2009

Peter Veum - 06/30/2009

Our chapter currently has 50 members.

Rules and More Rules

Q. Larry noticed that one of the players in the foursome used a heavy headed Odyssey putter to lag the ball for his 80 plus foot putt. It was a great approach leaving him less than a 4 foot putt. The golfer then used a Callaway blade putter to sink his 4 footer for par. Larry tilted his head and said, not so fast partner, that's a two stroke penalty, just like you can't change balls on a hole, so too can't you change putters. Was Larry correct? What is the correct ruling?

What is the correct ruling?

A. No penalty. Larry was incorrect. Just as you may have more than one wedge, so too may you have more than one putter. And, you may use more than one putter on the same hole/green.

B. One stroke penalty, Larry was right, you can't use multiple putters on the same green, but only a one stroke penalty, not two.

C. Two stroke penalty. Larry was right, you can't use multiple putters on the same green, two stroke penalty.

And the answer is...

The answer is A, Larry was incorrect. Just as you may have more than one wedge, so too may you have more than one putter. And, you may use more than one putter on the same hole/green..

The rules limit us all to 14 clubs. In theory you could have 14 putters if you so wished. And for Larry, that might even be a game improver. In this case, two putters were legal and one may use multiple putters for multiple putts on the same green, if required.

Life in the Trap by Rick Newell



www.lifeinthetrap.com

ASGA NATIONAL NEWS

AMERICAN SINGLES GOLF ASSOCIATION — JULY 2009

Results are in for Scotland Trip



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%

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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