

# Hot Springs Singles Golf

Hot Springs, AR Chapter - American Singles Golf Association — July 2010

## BELLA VISTA WEEKEND - JULY 24 & 25

### President's Letter

The weather continues to be a factor affecting the play by members and guests of our chapter. The June 27 outing at Granada resulted in only 6 players in the unprecedented heat. With such a small group, prizes were not considered, and everyone just played for fun.

Plans were announced for a two-day outing at Bella Vista in northwest Arkansas—one of our sister communities. With the British Open being the 17-18<sup>th</sup> of July, the weekend of July 24-25 was chosen. 16 tee times have been reserved at the *Highland and Scotsdale* courses. Both are challenging courses.

The *Highlands* will be played Saturday afternoon beginning at 2:30. This will permit travel Saturday morning so that only one night's lodging will be necessary. Carpooling is recommended and for lodging rental units are available such as we have. Ginger contacted a rental firm in the area and the rates are very reasonable. Directions will be forwarded the 20<sup>th</sup> on how to get to the courses, and information concerning lodging will also be sent to participants. Lodging and travel will be the responsibility of the participants. The

Country Club and other facilities at Bella Vista have live entertainment (dancing) Saturday night. The *Highlands* course has a restaurant.

Sunday we will play *Scotsdale*. Tee times will start at 9:30 which will allow participants to travel back home during daylight hours. Weather information has indicated temperatures lower than we have been experiencing. There is no restaurant facility at this course. Both courses are on the west side of the community.

I would like to know by Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, the names of those who will be attending. While I have a pretty good idea, please confirm for me via email. If some of you haven't renewed your membership, please do so at once.

It has been the practice of the group to not play during the month of August because of the heat. That will be the case this year. I'm still looking at trying to get Harbor Oaks, Pine Bluff, for possibly September. Tunica is on the horizon for October or November.

At least 5 have already signed up for the fall trip to Lake Lure southeast of Asheville, NC. There are limited openings—120. Consider and join in the fun. For some of

us it will be our third visit to this great resort featuring Apple Valley and Bald Mountain courses.

**LET'S ALL HAVE A GREAT TIME AT BELLA VISTA.**

~Tom Easterly, President

### ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

#### Happy Birthday to these members:

Kathy Edwards - 07/03  
Virginia Koval - 08/11  
Carlton Wolf - 07/14

#### Welcome newest members:

Walter Salyer - Joined 06/28/2010  
Tim Tallent - Joined 06/24/2010  
Carlton Wolf - Joined 06/11/2010  
Ellie Wright - Joined 06/24/2010

#### These members recently renewed:

Diana Beene

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

(date shown is date membership expired)  
Larry Botsford - 05/31/2010  
Linda Hunter - 05/31/2010  
Jerry Miller - 05/31/2010  
Doris Navarro - 05/31/2010

Our chapter currently has 14 members.

## NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

### Upcoming Events Include:

- We're Going to Scotland - August, 2010 - Details at [SinglesGolf.com/scotland](http://SinglesGolf.com/scotland)

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

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## LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

**Regular Meeting Date:** TBD

**Next Meeting:** TBD

**Meeting Location:** TBD

**Our Website:** [www.hot Springs ar.singlesgolf.com](http://www.hot Springs ar.singlesgolf.com)

**Our Hotline:** TBD

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

To join, renew dues, make a change of address, phone, etc., call National Hotline at left.

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**JOIN BY PHONE, FAX OR WEB**

You can join the Hot Springs chapter over the phone by calling toll-free 1-888-GOLFMATE (465-3628), faxing the application with credit card information to our toll-free fax at 1-888-465-3295, or go on-line at [www.singlesgolf.com](http://www.singlesgolf.com) and submit your application with credit card information. If you choose to call us, please be sure you call between 9:00 - 2:00 ET.

**Rules and More Rules**

Seems like poor Larry has had more than his share of penalty strokes. His playing partner was practicing chips while waiting on the tee box for the group in front to clear. With a sheepish grin on his face he said, I'm sure sorry partner, but that's going to cost you a stroke, no practicing during a round.

What is the correct ruling?

- A. One stroke penalty, no practice during a round.
- B. Two stroke penalty, no practice during a round.
- C. No penalty. The chip counts as a drive. Hitting two
- D. No penalty. Chipping practice as described, is permitted.

And the answer is...

The answer is D, there is no penalty.

Here is what you can and can not do when it comes to practice during a round.

1. You are never allowed to play practice strokes during a round. You can practice your swing, but not a stroke hitting a ball. (yes that means lay off those range balls you find on the fringes)
2. You may not practice bunker shots or shots from any other hazards.
3. You may not take a practice putt on the hole in play or a future hole.
4. You may practice chipping and putting on the tee box. You may practice chipping and even putting on the hole you just finished.
5. There is a caveat, practice putting and chipping are prohibited if they delay play and yes there is a penalty for delay of play.

Refer to rule 7-2 Practice-during a round.

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