BAY AREA SINGLES GOLF

Bay Area Chapter - American Singles Golf Association — May 2011

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Pebble Beach, Here We Come

A summer tournament swing through the South Bay ends in late September with a two-day event along 17-Mile Drive in Pebble Beach. On Saturday, September 24th, we are at Poppy Hills in the Del Monte Forest. The next day we head toward the beach to play Pacific Grove Golf Links, also known as the poor man’s Pebble Beach.

We start our southern tour at Seascape in Aptos on Sunday, May 22. We have a noon start time, and the cost is $64. Your payment needs to be in by the first week in May. Contact Connie Vickroy at vickroyc@juno.com for the mailing address and payment instructions. Our June tournament is at Coyote Creek in Morgan Hill on Saturday the 25th at 1:00 p.m.

The remaining tournaments for the year are as follows:

♦ July 17 (Sun.) Hiddenbrooke (Vallejo)
♦ Aug. 21 (Sun) Chuck Corica (Alameda)
♦ Sept. 24 (Sat.) Poppy Hills (Pebble Beach)
♦ Sept. 25 (Sun.) Pacific Grove (Pebble Beach)
♦ Oct. 15 (Sat.) Indian Valley (Novato)
♦ Nov. 5 (Sat.) Poppy Ridge (Livermore)

Please note both Poppy Hills and Poppy Ridge are NCGA courses. Members of the Northern California Golf Association pay $95 at Poppy Hills, while non-members are charged $148 for tournament play. At Poppy Ridge the prices are $79 for members and $112 for non-members. Prices for the other tournaments on the schedule range from $60 to $75.

Farewell Message from Outgoing President

My two-year tenure as the president and founder of the Bay Area Chapter of the ASGA is at an end. Although I am now enjoying life with a permanent golf partner, I will always be an advocate of golf as the best way to meet people. I have wonderful memories of experiences and encounters on golf courses in this country and abroad. Whether it’s singles golf or couples golf, the love of the game is a great connection.

Before I say farewell, I want to thank our partners who made my job easier. We were able to offer nearly year-round golf by piggy-backing onto the tournaments of the What A Racquet Golf Club. This club is near and dear to my heart, and the tournaments will continue to be available to those of you who want the challenge of tournament play. You can find the What A Racquet schedule through their website http://whataraquet.ghinclub.com.

I also want to thank two individuals, who volunteered to assist the Bay Area Chapter. Kathleen Bosell (who later moved to Atlanta) and Marty Wiseman (Chapter treasurer) both were great help in getting the chapter off the ground. I wish them, and everyone who has been part of the chapter, success on and off the golf course. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your president.

~Connie Vickroy

About Our Members

Happy Birthday to these members:
Michael Bailey - 06/09
Nancy Platford - 05/11
Connie Vickroy - 05/25

These members are up for renewal:
(date shown is last day of membership)
Connie Vickroy - 05/31/2011

Welcome newest members:
Nancy Platford - Joined 03/10/2011
Richard Harrow - 03/31/2011

Our chapter currently has 12 members.
Rules and More Rules

Does hitting found golf ball to player who lost it count as illegal practice swing?

Q. Larry was in the tree line the separates holes #3 and #5. Larry was playing #3. A golfer from #5 had given up looking for his ball and played on with a new ball and a penalty. A minute later, Larry found both his ball and the ball belonging to the player on hole #5. Larry shouted out to the player on #5 that he had found his ball. The player shouted back to Larry to throw him the ball. The other golfer was about 100 yards away, out of throwing range, so Larry hit the ball to him with his pitching wedge. When Larry returned to his stroke play foursome, Scott said, I think that practice hit is going to cost you a stroke or two. Was Scott correct?

What is the correct ruling?

A. Larry’s good deed goes unpunished. Larry receives no penalty.

B. Scott was correct, practice strokes during a round are prohibited. No good deed goes unpunished. Larry receives a one stroke penalty.

C. Scott was correct, practice strokes during a round are prohibited. No good deed goes unpunished. Larry receives a two stroke penalty.

And the answer is....

The answer is A, Larry’s good deed is not punished. Yes, Rule 7-2 details penalties for taking practice strokes on the course. However, in this situation, Larry was acting out of courtesy, there is no penalty. Decision 7-2/5.5 Player Finds Ball and Hits It to Player Who Lost It addresses this exact situation and the decision is, no penalty.
Memorial Day Weekend at Pinehurst
Over 150 Registered So Far!

Event Dates: Thursday, May 26 – Sunday, May 29, 2011

With great excitement and anticipation, we're happy to announce our continued association with the fine folks at Pinehurst Resort in announcing our “Reunion in Pinehurst”. The Reunion on Memorial Day Weekend has shown to be ASGA’s largest-attended event each year with attendance soaring over 400 in years past.

It’s a great time to see old friends and meet friends you never thought you had.

Dates set for this year are May 26-29, a Thursday through Saturday (we polled you and that’s what you wanted!).

We asked Pinehurst to price this event as if you walked-in on your own and wanted the same exact package on the same dates. The standard package would be $1593 and the room-by-yourself package would be $2349 at the Carolina. Our packages start at $515 per person, based on double occupancy and $674 per person based on single occupancy, which includes all taxes, resort service fees, gratuities for wait and bell staff, etc.

Also, ASGA will rebate to your chapter $20.00 per attendee if your chapter sends 10% or more of your membership (as of 5/26/11) to this event. Got 100 members? Send ten and we’ll rebate $200.00! Details at the event website, SinglesGolf.com/Pinehurst

If you priced this event on its own, you’d easily pay $1200-$1300 (dbl. occ.) for all that’s included. Optional rounds on the day-of-arrival (Thursday at Pinehurst) as well as day-of-departure (Sunday at Tobacco Road Golf Club — Rated #4 Public Course in the U. S. by Golf World magazine and a Top 100 Golf Digest) are being offered as well.

A registration form is enclosed with this newsletter and you can also obtain one at www.SinglesGolf.com/Pinehurst

Of course, outside of everything Pinehurst has to offer, you get to meet hundreds of singles from various ASGA chapters. As with all ASGA multi-chapter events, you must be a member to attend. To join ASGA, simply go to www.SinglesGolf.com/join

Included in the Standard Package:

- 4 days / 3 nights, based on double occupancy
- 2 rounds of golf, cart, range balls, prizes for winners and welcoming gift for all
- 6 food functions: cocktail party (heavy hors d’oeuvres and 2 free drink tickets if you register by April 29), picnic-style cookout Friday after golf, Saturday sit-down dinner and 3 buffet breakfasts in the dining room
- Dancing with our DJ on 1st and 3rd nights (Mike still dances!)
- All resort service fees and taxes. The resort service fee pays for bicycle rental, practice green, afternoon tea, on-site transportation, fitness center, tennis courts, outdoor pools, etc.

In addition, Pinehurst is offering ASGA members a coupon good towards a 20% discount on a spa service or one round of golf club rentals. See SinglesGolf.com/Pinehurst for details on this coupon.

Room-by-Yourself packages and non-golf packages are also available. Non-hotel packages are available only to our Pinehurst chapter members.

Make Sure You’re a Member Before Traveling!

It really should never have to be said, but sometimes we have to remind folks. In order to attend ANY multi-chapter event, you must be a member of ASGA. Multi-chapter events are special events and it’s very important that you are a member before showing-up.

Who wants the embarrassment of being told to join on the spot or else?

Also, we occasionally need to remind folks that our official national policy on guests is that you can attend one (1) event as a guest, either a meeting or a golf outing, but to attend any other event, you must be a member of ASGA. We’ve had comments from members asking “why should I renew my dues if others don’t have to pay?”

ASGA has four (4) employees and dues income is our primary source of revenue. No revenue - no organization. Thanks for helping to spread the word about the importance of dues.

To join or renew, go to www.SinglesGolf.com/join

Imagine Yourself in Ireland in 2012 - -

We’re looking at bringing a group to Ireland in the Summer of 2012. Have you been there? If you’re interested, go to our website and put your name on the list with the other 100 people. Just go to our home-page (SinglesGolf.com) and click on the photo of Old Head Golf Course in Ireland.

- - Tom Alsop
President / Founder
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Reunion at Pinehurst!
Memorial Day Weekend — 2011
Thurs., May 26 — Sun., May 29, 2011 4-days, 3-nights + 2 rounds++
This is our largest event of the year. Nearly 250 attended this event in 2010! Choose to play two, three or four rounds of golf. You can stay 3 additional nights, before or after event, at special ASGA member-only prices. Note to Chapters: $20 rebate per member if 10% or more of your membership registers for full event. Details at SinglesGolf.com/Pinehurst

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Standard Package Includes (see “Check Appropriate Pkg” below for prices)
• 2 rounds of golf (incl. cart, green fees, range balls, prizes)
• 3 nights lodging at Pinehurst Resort (see details below)
• 6 food functions: 1 cocktail party (heavy hors d’oeuvres, also 2 drink tickets if you reg by 4/29), 3 ‘lavish’ breakfasts at the Carolina, 1 cookout and 1 sit-down dinner
• DJ dancing on 1st and 3rd nights, welcoming gift and prizes.
• Includes all resort service fees & taxes. Resort services include on-site transportation, bicycles, afternoon tea, practice putting, driving range and more.

Add’l. Nights: If you come early or stay late, add’l. nights, which includes the buffet breakfast, are $165 for a single room and $195 per son if dbl. occ., regardless of inn you are staying in. Tax & resort service fees are included in these rates. (Roommate must stay or your must pay single occ. rate of $165/night.) See Pinehurst.com for details on room types.

GOLF: You’ll play Pinehurst No. 1 & 6. Six is a Championship Course. Package play dates are Fri., May 27 & Sat., May 28. You choose to play your own ball both days or play scramble Day 1 and scramble Day 2. Optional Day-of-Arrival Golf at Pinehurst course and Day-of-Departure Golf (8:30-9am shotgun at Tobacco Road). (Last year, 72 players played Tobacco Road – an exciting course!)

PAYMENT: Full payment due by April 27th. There is a 25% cancellation fee on or prior to 4/27/11. Absolutely NO refunds after 4/27/11. If your plans change, you can sell your position to another member. See website for official cancellation policy. A letter or e-mail confirmation will be sent to you upon receipt of payment. If you do not receive confirmation by 4/29/11, you must call us at above number.

NOTE: This is a MEMBERS ONLY event. Non-members must join ASGA to secure these rates. Call 704-889-4600 or go online at SinglesGolf.com. It is a non-Golf, Pinehurst Chapter members, see website or call us. All rooms at the Pinehurst Resort are smoke-free.

NAME SHOWN BELOW IS HOW NAMETAG WILL APPEAR. ONE FORM PER PERSON. PLEASE PRINT.
NAME ___________________________ ( ) MALE ( ) FEMALE CHAPTER NAME ___________________________

ADDRESS _______________________________________________ CITY _______________ STATE ___ ZIP ____________ Handicap/Avg.Score __________

CHECK APPROPRIATE PACKAGE: (Resort has shuttles to take you between hotels, courses, etc. Details at SinglesGolf.com/pinehurst

($) 515.00 — STANDARD PACKAGE staying at the HOLLY INN, MANOR INN OR PINEHURST CONDO (YOU’LL HAVE A ROOMMATE)
($) 547.00 — STANDARD PACKAGE staying at the CAROLINA HOTEL (YOU’LL HAVE A ROOMMATE)
($) 574.00 — ROOM-BY-MYSELF PACKAGE staying at the HOLLY INN, MANOR INN OR PINEHURST CONDO (incl. everything in Std. Pkg.)
($) 573.00 — ROOM-BY-MYSELF PACKAGE staying at the CAROLINA HOTEL (incl. everything in Std. Pkg.)
($) 515.00 — STANDARD PACKAGE / 4-bedroom villa (sleeps 8). Must be part of a group of 8, all staying in same villa. Two per room.
($) 69.00 — OPT. DAY-OF-ARRIVAL GOLF—THUR. AT PINEHURST Course (11am-ish tee time or shotgun if we have 48 players)
($) 79.00 — OPT. DAY-OF-DEPARTURE GOLF—at Tobacco Road (8:30-9am shotgun) - Includes box lunch

INDICATE YOUR PLAY FORMAT HERE: ( ) PLAY MY OWN BALL BOTH DAYS ( ) SCRAMBLE DAY ONE + SHAMBLE* DAY TWO
My roommate will be ___________________________ (We’ll assign a same-sex roommate if you prefer. Please do not list yourself as someone else’s roommate without their permission. IMPORTANT: If you choose a roommate, we can’t hold your room until both parties have paid.) I am requesting a room with ( ) One King Bed ( ) Two Double Beds ( ) Note: Room preferences and hotels are first come, first served.

Only the hotel controls the availability of room types. We register you regardless of availability.

During one golf event, please pair me with ___________________________.
(Golf partner must play same format as you’re playing!)

I AM REMITTING: $_________________ for the package indicated above
+ $_________________ for add’l. nights ($159 single / $99 dbl. occ.) Indicate dates (before or after) of add’l. nights: ________
+ $_________________ Optional Day-of-Arrival golf on Thurs., 11:00am approx. starting time ($59 @ Pinehurst Resort)
+ $_________________ Optional Day-of-Departure golf on Sun. ($75 @ Tobacco Road GC) (includes box lunch)
+ $_________________ Mulligans (put $10 in this space if you want 3 mulligans for each of first 2 days of golf. Mullies not avail. on opt. rounds.
+ $_________________ 50/60 Raffle Tickets (put $20 in this space if you want twenty-five (25) 50/60 raffle tickets. (20 for $20 @ event)
$_________________ TOTAL AMOUNT

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION: All major cards accepted. I hereby authorize ASGA or the Pinehurst Resort to charge / debit my account for the “TOTAL AMOUNT” indicated above on this form. There is no credit card processing fee for this event. Card to be charged on or after May 9, 2011.

Acc’t No: ___________________________________________ Exp: ___________ Signature __________________________

CREDIT CARD USERS: FAX THIS FORM TO 704-889-4607 otherwise, make check payable to “ASGA, INC.” and mail to: ASGA, P.O. BOX 848, PINEVILLE, NC 28134

QUESTIONS? E-MAIL TOM ALSOP at GolfASGA@aol.com OR CALL 704-889-4600 or 1-888-GOLFMATE

* A scramble format calls for all team members to drive own ball, their select best ball placement and play your own ball until hole out on each hole. A scramble is also known as a partner’s choice.
** There is a 4% exc. chg. for any check returned unpaid by the bank. Cancellation policy applies. See www.SinglesGolf.com for complete details of policy and events.
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