President’s Message

We had a very busy April this year. My thanks go to Mike Young, Larry Heiden, Martez Norris and Mary Barnicof for pulling together all of our activities. Our April monthly meeting was held at Elliotts on Linden. We had a really nice evening with dinner served in their Hollyhocks Art Gallery.

Mary has arranged for us to dine at Nina’s in Olmstead Village for April. This is a new meeting locale for our group and I, personally, look forward to their menu and the opportunity to enjoy an evening of fun and friends. We will have a reporter from The Pilot attending our May meeting. She will be doing an article on our group for a feature in the Pilot later in the month.

The golf and social committees combined to bring us 6 events this month including two 18-hole weekend events traveling out of the area to Anderson Creek and Woodlake. For anyone who missed the social hosted by Sylvia Jansen and Dick Showalter at Sylvia home in Woodlake this past Sunday afternoon, you missed a great afternoon, good food and a great party. Thanks Sylvia! Thanks Dick!

I also wanted to pass on to everyone a special invite we received from the Triad ASGA group. They are hosting a golf outing at Grandover Resort in Greensboro on Saturday, June 2nd. George has sent out the details to everyone. I have played this course two previous times and I can tell you Grandover is a very nice course and a great challenging opportunity. We have offered the Triad group a reciprocal event with our chapter in July at our next visit to the Dormie Club. When we have tallied up all who are going to Grandover we will try to coordinate some car pools in order to save on expenses.

We have just about finished the details for our Summer Mountain Trip. We will be going back to the Mount Mitchell, NC area on August 25-27. This will be a Friday evening through Monday night 3-day trip. We will play Reems Creek Golf Course on Saturday, the Mount Mitchell mountain course on Sunday and either Rock Barn in Conover, NC or Tanglewood in Clemmons, NC on the way home on Monday. Details should be out to you in a Punchbowl invite by mid-May.

I’m really looking forward to our upcoming activities this summer. I hope you can join in on the fun!

~Doug Hardisty, dhardisty@usdigitalsolutions.com

From the President, Part II:

During last Sunday’s outing at Woodlake an unfortunate incident took place between two members on the 18th tee. It seems two golfers in the foursome started jawing at each other eventually escalating to name calling and verbal taunting. This was then followed by a physical assault between the two parties resulting in one of them having cuts and bruising on his hand and arm. This behavior is totally unacceptable. We are a social golfing group composed of singles that enjoy playing golf with other singles in a supportive and fun atmosphere.

I called a meeting of our Executive
Board of Directors to investigate the incident. Faced with limited eye witness knowledge and conflicting statements from both parties, the Board decided to reprimand both individuals, in writing. Both of the people involved let their emotions get the best of them and each of them shares some of the blame for the outcome that occurred. We also feel that it is unlikely such an incident between these two people will happen again. Sadly, one of the individuals has decided to forego all future events and won’t be renewing his membership.

This is a good time for everyone to take a minute to remind themselves how they should behave on the golf course and when attending any of our events. Verbal abuse in any form is not proper. Name calling, taunting and/or swearing have no place in our social environment. And, of course, physical assault of any kind will not be tolerated.

I want to encourage each of you to enjoy your time with the Pinehurst ASGA. Our golf events and social activities are intended to be fun and mutually respectful experiences. Let’s all try to keep it that way…

~Doug

Golf Committee Report
Well, Spring is here and it's time to go birdie watching and birdie making.

Nine and Dines:
April results: We had a spirited 9 & Dine at Pinehild with darkness closing in. With the daylight lingering longer that shouldn’t be a factor again. Paul and Martez took the closest to the pin honors. Martez repeated at The Carolina 9 & Dine along with Dan Runk. Midland CC hosted our last 9 & Dine.

May plans: Southern Pines (8 May), Little River (17 May) and The Legacy (31 May).

Clinics:
April results: The clinic at Knollwood helped the attendees strengthen their chipping skills.

May plans: Our clinic at Knollwood Fairways on the 15th will feature bunker play and pitching, not that any of us ever visit the beaches.

18 hole Weekends:
April results: Jeryl, Vicki, Dick and Mike Young placed first at Anderson Creek. Closest to the pin awards were won by Kathy Grodeo, Sylvia, Mike Hunter and David. Our next outing is at the Maples course at Woodlake CC (29 April).

May plans: We have 18 hole weekend outings scheduled for the Holly course at Pinehild CC (12 May) and Tillery Tradition (26 May).

As always, we are looking for feedback which will assist us in scheduling future events.

Words of Wisdom for May: "Be true to your teeth and they won't be false to you."

~Mike Young myoung189@nc.rr.com

Handicap Committee Report
If you are not currently enrolled in our Handicap system, but would like to be, please contact me for full details.

Thank you!

~Rollie Thomson golfinhehurst@nc.rr.com

Social Committee
The sun is shining and it’s a wonderful day in Pinehild. It has been a busy spring and it continues as we approach summer.

Mary Barnicoat has set up a new restaurant for the May meeting which will take place on May 10th at Ninas in Olmstead Village. The menu is varied and looks delicious.

Martz Norris has a busy Month with the nine and dines. On May 8th after Southern Pines GC, we will dine at Mulligans in Southern Pines, on the 17th after
Little River, we will stay at Little River and on the 31st, Legacy, we will dine at Bonefish.

Thanks to both Mary and Martez for their hard work.

The coming 18 hole events will be held on May 12th at Pinewild and May 26th at Tillery Tradition. The Social after Pinewild will be held at Kathy Eaton’s home. She has a pool so bring your bathing suit. Hopefully the weather will cooperate and a cold front will not move in and make it a polar bear dunk. Thanks to Kathy for offering her home. The social after Tillery is TBD.

Thanks again to everyone and we will see all at Ninas on the 10th.
~Larry Heiden, lheid@nc.rr.com

Communications Committee
Punchbowl: Getting closer…be sure to follow the invitation through to the Message Board when you need to leave a menu choice or other message…

Website: www.pinehurst.singlesgolf.com
If you have items or links you’d like posted, contact us!

Pictures: We need pictures! If you’re taking any at our outings…please send them along.

Contact information changes: You can make these directly on the National website, or send to us and we’ll gladly make the change. It’s especially important to keep National informed on your email address, as the monthly newsletter is sent directly to you by them.

Approach Shot: Sending every Wednesday; and each week it is posted to the website.

Happy May!! Live, love, laugh….golf!
~Jean, George & Barbara
asgpinehurst@gmail.com

SCC Turf Grass Scholarship
What is once well done is done forever.
~Henry David Thoreau

OK…fund drive will be more of a summer/fall thing….watch this space! In the meantime…keep buying those raffle tickets!

Real generosity towards the future lies in giving to the present.
~Jean Peters jeanlawsonpeters@gmail.com

National comes to Pinehurst:
May 24-27

National has developed a special price for the members of ASGA Pinehurst for the Memorial Weekend outing to be held at the Pinehurst Resort and Country Club:
For all events except lodging and breakfasts: $269.00
“A la Carte” Menu
• Thursday night Reception (includes 2 drink tickets) $20.00
• Barbeque after Friday Golf $25.00
• Saturday night Dinner $48.00
• Golf Rounds $65.00 (ea): playing courses 1 and 6

To register, contact Irene Mathews at National directly: Irene@SinglesGolf.com: just tell her you are a Pinehurst chapter member.

Note for planning purposes: our chapter has scheduled Tillery Tradition on Saturday the 26th.

If you are interested in volunteering to work the check in table on Thursday the 24th (it gets you into the reception free): please contact Jean at jeanlawsonpeters@gmail.com. No confirmation on exact hours needed yet: generally from about 3 – 7 p.m.

About Our Members
Happy Birthday to these members:
Bobbi Amato - 06/15
Mary Ann Blake - 05/14
Philip DeTurk - 05/11
George Machovina - 05/25
Martz Norris - 05/31
Jeff Swoager - 05/21
James Tomashoff - 05/03
Kathy Waldron - 05/25
Elinalynn Walker - 05/02

These members are up for renewal:
(date shown is last day of membership)
Virginia Addis - 05/31/2012
Lissa Dailey - 05/31/2012
Philip DeTurk - 05/31/2012
Kathleen Eaton - 05/31/2012
Linda Mendola - 05/31/2012
Matthew Mooney - 05/31/2012
Rita Roccio - 05/31/2012

Welcome newest members:
Paula Boyer - Joined 03/08/2012
Kathy Grodeo - Joined 03/26/2012
Maureen Quinn - Joined 03/26/2012
James Tomashoff - Joined 03/09/2012

These members recently renewed:
Carol Alexander
Hollie Thomson
Elinalynn Walker

These members did not renew their dues:
(date shown is date membership expired)
Madeleine Burgoyne - 03/31/2012
Donald Eaton - 03/31/2012
Elizabeth Green - 03/31/2012
Kay Jenkins - 04/30/2012
Ron Kelly - 04/30/2012
Dan Runk - 04/30/2012
Jan Stewart - 03/31/2012

Our chapter currently has 69 members.

Visit our website for all the details:
www.pinehurst.singlesgolf.com
June newsletter deadline: May 25

Happy Mothers Day
Join Fellow Members in Pinehurst for Memorial Day Weekend!


We’re just about a month away from our annual Memorial Day Weekend and participation is already up to 150 members, well ahead of registration same time last year. If you’ve never been to Pinehurst, think of it as “America’s Golf Headquarters.” Site of the ’51 Ryder Cup and past and future U. S. Opens, you’ll feel the history the moment you walk into the Carolina Hotel. Was Donald Ross thinking of you when he planned his courses? Maybe, but your fellow members are thinking of you and hoping you’ll attend. So find a roommate or we’ll get you one.

This reunion on Memorial Day Weekend has shown to be ASGA’s largest-attended event each year. 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 www.SinglesGolf.com/Pinehurst will allow you to register online. Do it now before rooms sell-out!

Did You Know???

• Your chapter leaders have the ability to send out emails to its members using the national database. If a member joins on Monday, a chapter leader can send out a memo on Monday night. Is your chapter communicating using the service we provide and you pay for?

• Each chapter has an obligation to provide to members a monthly newsletter. Your chapter writes, ASGA National sends it out. This newsletter is also your PR piece to potential members. Communicating solely by email blurbs doesn’t give leaders the opportunity to thank volunteers in a meaningful way. Failing to produce a newsletter will cause your chapter to lose your portion of the dues. This is a mandatory service that must happen each month.

• ASGA recently switched to a new email service, iContact.com. They’re great to work with but they have strict rules. Recently, all of our Yahoo members were taken off the national list because when we sent out an email, more than .1% (yes, that’s point one percent, or one-tenth of one percent) of Yahoo members complained that they were receiving spam from us. As you know, we don’t send out spam, ham or lamb. So, just to make certain you are on the ASGA National email list, go to www.SinglesGolf.com/AddGuest We know you’re a member, but use this form as it gets you back on the list. Only members with Yahoo.com email addresses need to do this.

• Every ASGA chapter is born with a set of bylaws. The bylaws outline how chapters should be run. Your Board of Directors is essentially in control of how things are decided within your chapter. A chapter without bylaws is like playing golf without rules. Go to www.SinglesGolf.com/bylaws

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

Ireland Update
Sixty (60) members have signed-up for the Ireland trip, July 20-30. We will spend three days in Dublin, three in Killarney and three in Limerick. You’d fly into Dublin but return home from Shannon Airport near Limerick. When online registration is available, please have your roommate sign-up the same time you do. Details at www.SinglesGolf.com/Ireland

Killarney Golf & Fish Club, Site of 2011 Irish Open and one of the courses we’ll play in July.
Standard Package Includes (see "Check Appropriate Pkg" below for prices)

- 2 rounds of golf (incl. cart, green fees, range balls, prizes) Pinehurst No. 1 & 6
- 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 4/27), 3 “laisvés” 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 $189 for a single room and $112 per person 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 $189/night.) See Pinehurst.com for details on room types.

NAME SHOWN BELOW IS HOW NAMETAG WILL APPEAR. ONE FORM PER PERSON. PLEASE PRINT.

NAME ___________________________ ( ) MALE ( ) FEMALE CHAPTER NAME ___________________________ (Indicate city if no chapter name.)
ADDRESS ___________________________ CITY ___________________________ STATE ______ ZIP ______ Handicap/Avg.Score ______

HOME PH ( ) WORK/CELL PH ( ) E-MAIL ADDRESS ___________________________

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

( ) $529.00 — STANDARD PACKAGE staying at the HOLLY INN, MANOR INN OR PINEHURST CONDO (YOU’LL HAVE A ROOMMATE)
( ) $561.00 — STANDARD PACKAGE staying at the CAROLINA HOTEL (YOU’LL HAVE A ROOMMATE)
( ) $694.00 — ROOM-BY-MYSELF PACKAGE staying at the HOLLY INN, MANOR INN OR PINEHURST CONDO (incl. everything in Std. Pkg.)
( ) $757.00 — ROOM-BY-MYSELF PACKAGE staying at the CAROLINA HOTEL (incl. everything in Std. Pkg.)
( ) $529.00 — 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 PINHEURST NO. 5 (fee times from 10:16am thru 11:28am)
( ) $79.00 — OPT. DAY-OF-ARRIVAL GOLF—THUR. AT TOBACCO ROAD (8:30am 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 ($189 single / $112, dbl. occ.). Incl. all fees. Indicate dates (before/after) of add’l. nights:
$_________ Optional Day-of-Arrival golf on Thurs., 11:00am approx. starting time ($89 @ Pinehurst Resort No. 5)
$_________ Optional Day-of-Arrival 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.)
$_________ 50/50 Raffle Tickets (put $20 in this space if you want twenty-five (25) 50/50 raffle tickets. (20 for $20 @ event) $_________ Add $79 for additional one (1) year of dues or $158 for two (2) years (Receive 1 or 2 free sleeves of golf balls at event) = $_________ TOTAL AMOUNT (Check No. ________ Make Check ** Payable to ASGA, Inc. See Mailing Address Below)

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 April 25, 2012.

Acct. 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 Golf@ASGA@aol.com OR CALL 704-889-4600 or 1-888-GOLFMATE

* A shamble format calls for all team members to drive their own ball, then select best ball placement and play your own ball until hole out on each hole. A scramble is also known as a captain’s choice.
** There is a 4% svc. chg. for any check returned unpaid by the bank. Cancellation policy applies. See www.SinglesGolf.com/events for complete details of policy and events.
July 21-30, 2012

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All ASGA Members Invited!

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