

# WASHINGTON, DC SINGLES GOLF

Washington DC Chapter - American Singles Golf Association — May 2021

## MAY 29TH - GOLF AT TWIN LAKES

### 2021 GOLF SCHEDULE

Here's the 2021 schedule Lots of great golf. Plan now and sign up as soon as events are announced. The first three events fill up fast!

### ASGA DC 2021 Weekend Schedule

Released: February 26, 2021 Updated: April 2021

Date	Course	EC
5/22	Stonewall	Ruth
5/29	Twin Lakes	Rita
6/5	Rocky Point	George
6/12	Blue Ridge Shadows	Janice
6/19	1757	Scott P
6/26	Hampshire Greens	Scott H
7/2 - 7/4	Penn National	Mark
7/10	Bull Run	Helen F
7/17	Rattlewood	Leesa
7/24	Westfields	Mary
7/31	Hobbits Glen (pending)	Kathie
8/7	Old Hickory	Charlie
8/14	Worthington Manor	BJ



### NATIONAL EVENT INFORMATION

Events Open to All Members Nationwide



### OUR CHAPTER INFORMATION

#### Regular Meeting Date

Variable (see singlesgolfdc.com)

#### Next Meeting Date & Location

TBD

Our Chapter Website: [www.singlesgolfdc.com](http://www.singlesgolfdc.com)

Our Chapter Hotline: 1-888-465-3628

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

#### National Office

Office Hours: 9:00am to 2:00pm, M-F (Eastern)

National Office: 980-833-6450 or 1-888-GOLFMATE

Go to [www.SinglesGolf.com/MyAccount](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/MyAccount) to make changes to your address, phone, etc. To join or renew your dues, go to [www.SinglesGolf.com/join](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/join)

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American Singles  
Golf Association



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**ASGA DC 2021 Weekend Schedule cont.**

Date	Course	EC
8/21	Laurel Hill	Suzanne
8/28	Whiskey Creek	Mary
9/4	Reston National	Jean
9/11	Woodlands	George
9/18	Queenstown	Todd
9/25	Poolesville	Francine
10/2	Links at Challedon*	Brian
10/9	Prince William	Dave
10/15 - 10/17	Ocean City	Shelia
10/23	Bowling Green	Ruth
10/30	Raspberry Falls	Greg

\*Updated Venue

**Stonewall**

**May 22**

On Saturday May 22, 2021 beginning at 1 pm, our group will be playing Stonewall Golf Course in Gainesville, VA. The cost is \$66.00. This cost includes range balls so please arrive early if you want to use the driving range. Also, let me know if you are staying afterwards for indoor or outdoor dining at the course restaurant, the Brass Cannon. Currently we tee times for 28 players. Please email me at [radal16@cox.net](mailto:radal16@cox.net) or [mailto:radal16@cox.net](mailto:mailto:radal16@cox.net) as soon as possible and send your check to Ruth D'Alessandro, 9503 Lagersfield Circle, Vienna, VA 22181. If you have a Pay Pal account you can send payment to [radal16@cox.netPaypal](mailto:radal16@cox.netPaypal) or [mailto:radal16@cox.netPaypal](mailto:mailto:radal16@cox.netPaypal). Please do not reply all to this message. Reply to my email address. Thanks Ruth

Address: Stonewall Golf Club  
15601 Turtle Point Drive  
Gainesville, VA 20155  
Phone Number: 703-753-5101

**Twin Lakes**

**Saturday, May 29**

TEE TIMES HAVE BEEN RESERVED AT 1 p.m. SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021, at **The Lakes Course** at Twin Lakes Golf in Clifton (Centreville), VA for 28 ASGA-DC members and guests. Twin Lakes is a Fairfax County course with beautiful views and well maintained fairways and greens. Playing this course would be an ideal start to Memorial Day weekend! Course website: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/golf/twin-lakes>. Address: 6201 Clifton Road, Clifton, VA 20124

The cost for 18 holes with a cart is \$66 (\$76 for non-members). If you prefer to walk, the cost is \$48.00 for members (\$58 for non-members). Range balls are included.

Dinner afterward TBD - please indicate whether you will be staying for dinner when you RSVP for golf. I will need to make a reservation at a nearby restaurant if enough participants indicate an interest - will try for outside dining.

Please let me know by **MONDAY, MAY 24TH** if you are interested in playing and **whether you will stay for dinner**. To hold your place, please forward a check payable to me at: 6030 Clerkenwell Court, Burke, VA 22015 Or pay via Zelle using my email address: [ritadaley@gmail.com](mailto:ritadaley@gmail.com) Looking forward to seeing everyone.

~Rita





# JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 ROCKY POINT GOLF OUTING

**Course info:**

Par 72, White Tees 6312 yards, Gold Tees 5621 yards, Red Tees 5380 yards

**Format:** Play your own ball & Closest to pins.

**Cost:** ASGA members \$68, Nonmembers \$88  
Range balls included

**Time:** 8 consecutive tee times starting at 12:00

**Carts:** 2 per cart otherwise \$10 extra

**After Golf Info:** Hosts Annette McGuire (410-258-7865) and George Salmon (410-218-7630). We invite you to join us for dinner at our place about 20 minutes away for chef prepared meals including 2 entrees, veggies, salads, dessert, beer, wine & soft drinks while maintaining social distancing on our deck, lawn or pier.

**Reserve:** by emailing me at [gsalmon81@gmail.com](mailto:gsalmon81@gmail.com) Send checks to George Salmon to address at the right for \$68 and if you want to stay for dinner at an additional cost of \$25 totaling \$93. If you want to send the money by Zelle send it to my phone #410-218-7630.

**ROCKY POINT  
GOLF COURSE**

1935 BACK RIVER  
NECK ROAD  
ESSEX MD 21221

410-887-0215

**BEAUTIFUL BACK  
RIVER WATER  
VIEWS GOING OUT  
TO THE BAY**

**LOOK FOR THE  
OSPREYS OR  
EVEN AN EAGLE**

**SOME  
CHALLENGING  
HOLES BUT  
ALLOWS PLAYERS  
OF ALL ABILITIES  
TO HAVE A GOOD  
TIME.**

**DINNER @  
1627 PARK DRIVE  
DUNDALK, MD  
21222**

Join ASGA in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley Mts.

## Blue Ridge Shadows Golf Club

June 12

456 Shadows Drive  
Front Royal, Virginia 22630  
Saturday, June 12, 2021  
Tee Times starting at 1:03 PM

Join ASGA-DC at Blue Ridge Shadows Golf Club, a Virginia public golf course designed by Tom Clark. It is a classic course, offering breathtaking beauty and fair challenges. The course meanders through hardwood forests, split fairways, double greens, elevation changes, and a spectacular waterfall. The 18 hole layout begins atop a small knoll with panoramic views and ends with a risk reward par 4 fronted by Crooked Run Creek and framed by our 60-foot waterfall just behind the 18th green.

\*\*Please remember to bring your Raspberry Trail card if you have one, Blue Ridge Shadows will credit you for a visit – they rejoined the Raspberry Trail system.\*\*

Blue Ridge Shadows is in excellent shape right now with smooth & fast greens.

Date: Saturday, June 12, 2021  
Tee Times: Start at 1:03 PM (every 9 mins.)  
Players: 24 ASGA Members, Alumni, & Guests  
Format: Play your own ball.  
Price: Includes golf, cart & range balls. Price: \$ 46 (members or guests)  
Your host: Tony Paduano  
To Sign-up: SEND an e-mail to [anthony.paduano@verizon.net](mailto:anthony.paduano@verizon.net) immediately WITH all your info I list below:

Full Name  
Handicap or average 18 hole score (for pairing purposes)  
Cell phone number  
ASGA Member # or state that you are a guest

Please let me know if you would like to request a single cart. It will be an additional \$20 and you can pay at the course.

The Shadows Grill will be open and we can order off of their regular menu for those who want to eat after golf.

THEN...Please make your check payable to Anthony Paduano and mail to 6510 Medinah Lane Alexandria, VA 22312

## Golf Terms - Explained

That'll play	That shot was not good whatsoever
I think it opens up over there	I have no idea what is over there
You're probably safe to hit	You can't hit it 300 yards, let alone hit the fairway
I should be back in 4-5 hours	I'm getting drunk with the guys and might not come home
Since you guys are 3, we paired you up with a single	Your day is ruined
Absolutely NO outside alcohol	Suck em back, boys!

@golfgraphs

DEADLINE for RECEIPT of CHECKS:  
\*\*Mon., June 8th, 2021\*\* – remember, while your e-mail puts you in the reservation pool, your check guarantees your spot!

Cancellations: Usual ASGA-DC policy applies – see your web page, <<http://www.singlesgolfdc.com>> [www.singlesgolfdc.com](http://www.singlesgolfdc.com) for further details.

If you have to cancel on the day of the event, Please call me on my cell phone (703-862-3904), don't email me I will not receive it in time.

Blue Ridge Shadows Golf Club  
540-631-9661 and 1-866-631-9661

Directions:

From the Capital Beltway I-495

Take I-66 West (77.1 miles)

Get off at Exit 6 (Rt. 340 & Rt. 522) North  
Continue on US-340 N / US-522 N / Winchester Rd. (2.6 miles)

Turn Left on to Shadows Dr. (0.9 miles)

Turn right into the Clubhouse Parking Lot  
<http://www.blueridgeshadows.com/about/directions.html>

## Summer Road Trip to Penn National Golf Club & Inn July 2-4, 2021

It does not seem it now, after removing the snow, sleet and slush from your sidewalk and driveway, and putting your ski gear away for the season. Soon it will be early July, and it will be time to escape the congestion of DC and take ASGA-DC's summer road to trip to play Penn National with our friends from the Philly Chapter!

Penn National is a wonderful golf destination featuring two distinctly different golf courses. The Founders Course is a traditional tree-lined course. Iron Forge is more wide-open with breathtaking mountain views. We will stay onsite at the Penn National Inn and play both courses over the weekend. The pool will also be open for those of you who don't want to play golf every day, so bring your bathing suit and favorite beverage for a relaxing afternoon!

Following dinner each night, we will gather at either the hospitality room and gazebo, or the fire pit with your personal beverages to whine (or boast) about our golfing prowess!!

For this three-day event, numbers permitting, it is tee times on Friday, and shotgun start on Saturday and Sunday. Traveling companions can be paired on Friday and

Sunday. Saturday, the pairing will be more mixed.

Host: Mark Hendrickson from the DC chapter, and Kurt Kraenbring from the Philly chapter

When: Friday, July 2 through Sunday, July 4, 2021

Where: Penn National Golf Club and Inn  
3720 Club House Drive, Fayetteville, PA 19722 [www.PennGolf.com](http://www.PennGolf.com), (717) 352-3000

Who's Invited: With 32 single rooms and 12 double rooms, between the two chapters, we have a potential of 56 people.

Start Time:

Friday: First tee time 12:00 noon

Saturday: Shotgun start at 1:00 pm

Sunday: Shotgun start at 9:30 am

Format: Stroke play

Social: We have a hospitality room and gazebo for our use, including room tables, chairs, tv and ice – you bring your own refreshments. In addition, we also have a fire pit available.

Price:

Friday arrival with golf: \$472 double occupancy, \$592 single occupancy, includes two dinners and two breakfast

Friday arrival, no golf on Friday: \$412 double occupancy, \$532 single occupancy, included two dinners and two breakfast

Saturday arrival: \$295 double occupancy, \$355 single occupancy, including one dinner and one breakfast

Reservation Deadline: Make your deposit by April 30, 2021

To sign-up for the road trip to Penn National:

1. Call Penn National at 1-800-231-0080
2. The group "ASGA Philly/DC"
3. Tell them your package, that is, number of nights, days you are golfing.
4. Tell them your roommate's name if you plan to share a double room.
5. Make a deposit of \$50 with your credit card
6. Email Mark at [markandgolf@verizon.net](mailto:markandgolf@verizon.net) that you've registered (including which package) so you can be added to the pairings for each round of golf. For Friday golf pairings, we also

need to know who your traveling companions will be.

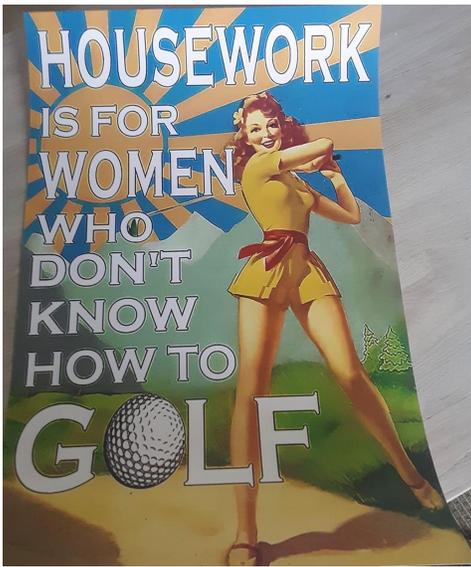
Balance is due directly to Penn National upon check-in. Your package includes: Penn National Inn accommodations, taxes, breakfasts and dinners, green fees & cart. Princes include range balls and club storage, state and local taxes as well as a 15% gratuity for meals. Additional tips for housekeepers, cart attendants, restaurant staff, and other service personnel are at your discretion. Notify event coordinators if your plans change. There are NO refunds unless someone can fill your spot.

**Interested in one more day of Golf? Join Todd, George and Annette at the nearby Bridges course. <https://www.bridgesgc.com/>. They even have accommodations there. Check with Todd Sheffer for more information. [toddsheffer23@gmail.com](mailto:toddsheffer23@gmail.com)**

## WEEKDAY GOLF

We do have a weekday golf schedule. Here's the weeks' leaders. They will send notifications of exact dates and times. There's still a few spaces open. Charlie would love some more volunteers!

Date.	Host
5/17-21	Scott
5/24-28	Marion
5/31-6/4	Suzanne
6/7-11	Betsy
6/14-18.	David
6/21-26.	Marion
6/28-7/2	Leesa
7/5-9	Kathie
7/12-16	Heidi
7/19-23	BJ
7/26-30	Ruth
8/2-6	David
8/9-13	Ellie
8/16-20	Suzanne
8/23-27	Scott
8/30-9/3	Liz
9/6-10	Joan
9/13-17	Betsy
9/20-24	Charlie
9/27-10/1	Joan
10/4-8	Kathleen
10/11-15	Open
10/18-22	Open
10/25-29	Open



## Recaps

### Algonkian

Thirty golfers enjoyed a decent weather day that was a little breezy. The greens were recovering from a recent plunging. After golf eleven golfers stayed for dinner at the Bungalow Lakehouse. Thanks to all who came. Things are slowly getting back to normal as most of us have been vaccinated.

Thanks again,  
~Charlie

### Herndon

24 golfers played Herndon Centennial on a brisk overcast day. Fortunately, the rain held off until sunset and everyone was able to finish. Shot of the day courtesy of **Ruth D'Alessandro** who chipped in from off the green for birdie on #16. After golf, 9 of us had an enjoyable dinner at the Bungalow Lakehouse.

~Trey

### Mitchellville Maryland

Fellow Golfers,

Yesterday at Mitchellville Maryland 31 ASGA-DC golfers were gifted with the most delightful weather and course conditions. We had 12 walkers. I think that is record! The weather was simply perfect - mild temperature, sunny, low humidity. The wind quieted down as soon as we started out. The course was in excellent condition. The pace of play was steady and unhurried as we all finished under 4 hour 30 minutes.

It was a perfect golf day! I regret I did not get to spend as much time socializing as I would have liked. I'm looking forward to gathering after our events for drinks and

dinner as vaccinations increase and indoor gatherings become safer.

Thank you to all who participated!

~Heidi

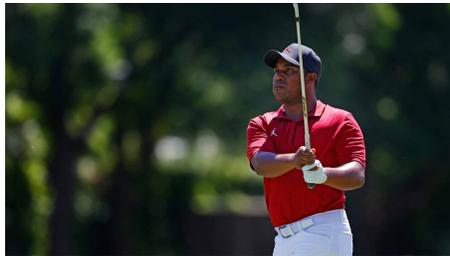
### Timbers of Troy

Twenty-eight golfers showed up for the Timbers at Troy outing on May 8. Unfortunately, a couple of rain storms that included hail, temperature drops, and lightning forced the group back to the clubhouse before the first group finished the front 9. We were able to spend some time socializing at the course's restaurant while the wonderful staff in the pro shop gave everyone a raincheck.

Congratulations to **George Salmon** and **JP Chevalier** for winning the closest to the pin contests. I'm not sure how many people actually reached the 2nd Par 3 hole, but JP's name was on the sheet so he won the prize.

The course appeared to be in great shape, the staff couldn't have been easier to work with, and we definitely need to plan more outings at Timbers at Troy. Thanks, everyone, for your patience.

**Here's what you should think about just before you swing, according to a PGA Tour pro**  
**BY: ZEPHYR MELTON APRIL 15, 2021**  
**Golf.com**



*If you have trouble clearing your mind when standing over the ball, try this simple swing tip from PGA Tour pro Harold Varner III.*

Let's face it, hitting a golf ball is hard. At least, hitting it *well* is hard.

With all the moving parts that go into swinging a club, it is easy to overthink — paralysis by analysis is what some coaches call it. To overcome this brain freeze, you need one thought that can help you pull the trigger and make solid contact.

Ideally, this thought is simple: something that won't make you think too hard but will help you perform under pressure. The thought differs for every golfer, but everyone is sure to have one.

Harold Varner III takes the simplicity standard to the utmost extreme. He told GOLF.com that when he's standing over the ball, there isn't much thinking going on about how he wants to swing the club. "I really don't think about anything — it's the coolest thing ever," Varner said. "I just play golf. I see the target, line up and swing."

Sometimes, simple is better. And there's no arguing with the results. Varner ranked inside the top 10 in SG: Tee to Green in 2020, and he's putting together another excellent season of ball striking this season as he ranks inside the top 30 on the PGA Tour.

The philosophy comes down to keeping athleticism and naturalness in the swing. Varner doesn't want to have too many technical thoughts running through his head that might sap him of his natural talent. So, he clears his mind and just swings.

"If you were going to shoot a basketball, would you be thinking about technique and how you're going to aim it?" Varner said. "No. You'd grab the basketball, and you'd shoot it and try and score. It's the same with the golf swing."

If you find yourself suffering from paralysis by analysis, try clearing your mind for a few shots and just swinging. Rid your mind of technique and let instincts take over.

Or, as Varner put it, "Keep it simple, stupid."

The duffer decided that it was about time for a lesson to "tune up" his game. He told the pro that he wanted to work on swing mechanics, so the pro asked him to hit a few balls with his 9-iron so he could watch his swing. He addressed the ball, double-checked his stance and grip, executed his take-away and backswing, his downswing and follow through. But, he toed the ball, and sliced it way off into the nearest fairway. He looked back at the pro for advice, who told him "Your problem is obvious Sir — it's LOFT."

The golfer scratched his head, went to his bag and pulled out his driver. He re-

peated his routine, and topped the ball, sending it dribbling 30 yards out on the practice range. He looked at the pro for a suggestion, who advised him "Your problem is still LOFT."

The frustrated student then pulled out a 5-iron, took his swing and struck an ugly duck hook. The pro again told him "I'm sorry, but your problem is still LOFT."

The golfer struggled to maintain his cool, and asked the pro, "I don't understand. I hit my first shot with my 9-iron, and you said my problem was loft. Then I took my least lofted club, hit it again, and you said my problem was still loft. Then I grabbed a middle iron, and you told me once again that my problem was loft. What exactly do mean by LOFT?"

The pro looked at him and explained, "L.O.F.T. – Lack Of F@#\$ Talent!"

## ASGA-DC Communications

Share your content!

Did you take some awesome pictures at an event? Share them by sending to BJ Barger, [bjbarger@verizon.net](mailto:bjbarger@verizon.net). Our website is [www.singlesgolfdc.com](http://www.singlesgolfdc.com). Our social and golf schedule are published on the website and updated frequently. Check the list below for National websites.

Have you "friended" ASGA-DC on Facebook yet? It's the best way to get the latest news, recaps and pictures from ASGA-DC events. You can also add your pictures from our events.

The Facebook name is SinglesGolf Asgadc. or you can go to <https://www.facebook.com/singlesgolf.asgadc.5> If you friend us you can see all our posts plus those of other members. If you'd prefer to not share everything, you can change your Facebook privacy setting by going to Settings, Privacy, then answer the question, "who can see my posts?" by changing it to

My Friends on Facebook. That way, your posts won't be seen by all.

Like us, friend us, find out what's happening with ASGA-DC!

Since having to check back to the website for schedule updates and pairings updates is inconvenient, we also have a Yahoo listserve. Announcements on upcoming social and golf events, as well as reminders and updates to these events, are sent out to subscribers to the listserve. A couple of days before a golf event, the pairings and tee times are also sent out.

Here's how to get messages or send them to our groups

Post: [ASGADCCchapter@groups.io](mailto:ASGADCCchapter@groups.io)

Subscribe: [ASGADCCchapter+subscribe@groups.io](mailto:ASGADCCchapter+subscribe@groups.io)

Unsubscribe: [ASGADCCchapter+unsubscribe@groups.io](mailto:ASGADCCchapter+unsubscribe@groups.io)

Direct site: [groups.io/g/asgadccchapter](http://groups.io/g/asgadccchapter)

## About Our Members

(THIS REPORT RAN 05/17/2021)

### Happy Birthday to these members:

Shelley Annand - 06/02  
 Janice Bittner - 06/01  
 Shannon Bonk - 05/27  
 Cheryl Brophy - 05/05  
 Pamela Carter - 05/15  
 Elizabeth Dahreddine - 05/14  
 Helen Flaim - 05/06  
 Rick Goheen - 05/23  
 Marlene Hammond - 06/11  
 Nancy Hempstead - 05/09  
 Jeff Kauffman - 06/06  
 John McCrie - 06/08  
 Arnold McStravick - 05/03  
 Brett Meyer - 05/14  
 Christine Ozyjowski - 05/08  
 Jody Ruth - 06/01  
 Marcia Sanford - 05/07  
 Nanci Schimizzi - 05/12

Patricia Sims - 06/06  
 Sabra Thompson - 05/03  
 Ken Unzicker - 06/06  
 Henry Willner - 06/01

### These members are up for renewal:

(date shown is last day of membership)

Marian Block - 05/31/2021  
 Shannon Bonk - 05/31/2021  
 Sam Cappetta - 05/31/2021  
 Sue Eliasberg - 05/31/2021  
 Mark Hendrickson - 05/31/2021  
 Anne Jardine - 05/31/2021  
 Arnold McStravick - 05/31/2021  
 Karen Nicely - 05/31/2021  
 Betsy Pond - 05/31/2021  
 Gregory Russell - 05/31/2021  
 Nanci Schimizzi - 05/31/2021  
 Ronald Wichin - 05/31/2021

### Welcome newest members:

Jean-Pierre Chevalier - Joined 04/13/2021  
 Alison Ford - Joined 03/02/2021  
 Nancy Hempstead - Joined 04/01/2021  
 Mikyung Kwag - Joined 04/28/2021  
 Bennett Lowenthal - Joined 03/29/2021  
 Therese Pung - Joined 03/04/2021  
 Janelle Straszheim - Joined 03/02/2021  
 Sabra Thompson - Joined 04/15/2021  
 Elizebeth Veghte - Joined 03/08/2021

### These members recently renewed:

Cheryl Brophy  
 Michelle Cannon  
 April Langevin  
 Mike Makfinsky  
 Lew Privot  
 Lee Roxbrough  
 Joann St. Peter  
 Ken Unzicker

### These members did not renew their dues:

(date shown is date membership expired)

Nancy Mitchell - 03/31/2021  
 Daniel Morris - 04/30/2021  
 Scott Rapson - 04/30/2021  
 Sam Tolbert - 04/30/2021

To renew your dues today, go to [SinglesGolf.com/renew](http://SinglesGolf.com/renew) If you wish to renew over the phone, call 980-833-6450, M-F, 9-2 Eastern Time.

**Our chapter currently has 131 members**

<b>Save these links and phone number for easy access to information about local and national ASGA events:</b>	
ASGA-DC Chapter:	<a href="http://www.singlesgolfdc.com">http://www.singlesgolfdc.com</a>
ASGA-DC Chapter Events:	<a href="http://www.singlesgolfdc.com/2021-schedule">http://www.singlesgolfdc.com/2021-schedule</a>
ASGA-DC Facebook	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/Singlesgolf.asgadc.5">https://www.facebook.com/Singlesgolf.asgadc.5</a>
ASGA-National:	<a href="http://www.singlesgolf.com">http://www.singlesgolf.com</a>
ASGA Newsletters:	<a href="http://www.singlesgolf.com/chapter_list.php">http://www.singlesgolf.com/chapter_list.php</a>
ASGA Chapter Rosters:	<a href="http://www.singlesgolf.com/roster.php">http://www.singlesgolf.com/roster.php</a>
ASGA Member Account Info:	<a href="http://www.singlesgolf.com">http://www.singlesgolf.com</a> (click on "My Account")

# ASGA National News

## The Greenbrier Chosen for Spring Reunion 2021

NOTE: Event is sold out.

Monday, May 31 ~ Thursday, June 3, 2021

Details at [SinglesGolf.com/Greenbrier](https://SinglesGolf.com/Greenbrier)

### Head to The Greenbrier on Memorial Day

The Greenbrier is America's Resort. It's a beautiful, luxury resort located in the Allegheny Mountains near White Sulphur, West Virginia. Since 1778, visitors have traveled to this part of the state. Today, The Greenbrier is situated on 11,000 acres of land with 710 guest rooms, 20 restaurants and lounges, more than 55 indoor and outdoor activities and sports, and 36 retail shops.

The current Greenbrier was built in 1913 by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway and was owned for much of its history by that company and its successors, Chessie System and CSX Corporation. Following years of heavy losses, CSX had the hotel file for bankruptcy protection in 2009. Justice Family Group, a company owned by local entrepreneur and later Governor of West Virginia Jim Justice, subsequently bought the property and guaranteed all debts, resulting in dismissal of the bankruptcy protection. Justice promised to return the hotel to its former status as a five-star resort and to introduce "tasteful" gambling for guests to increase profit.

The last U.S. president to stay at The Greenbrier during a presidency was Dwight D. Eisenhower. A total of 26 presidents have stayed at the hotel. The Greenbrier is also the site of a massive underground bunker that was meant to

serve as an emergency shelter for the United States Congress during the Cold War. Attendees to the ASGA event will have an opportunity to purchase bunker tour tickets.

### ASGA Member Writes Definitive Guide

*51 Shades of Online Dating: A Guide for People Over 50* is a non-fiction book for anyone who is thinking about or who uses the internet in search of love. The author is a long-time ASGA member from Tampa Bay. Ms. Lindberg offers humor and insight by using her true life experiences and lessons learned; she lived the information given in her book. The author's stories are funny, sad, baffling, moving, shocking, uplifting, and sometimes scary. She offers guidance when writing a profile, posting photos, and when messaging potential and not-so-potential prospects. Can you separate the wheat from the chaff or spot a scam or a bot? This book will answer these and many more questions.

Help make your story a successful one AND keeping yourself safe! You can get a signed copy of *51 Shades of Online Dating: A Guide for People Over 50* by ordering from [www.sandralindberg-writer.com](http://www.sandralindberg-writer.com) (\$14.95). Unsigned copies are also available on Booklocker, Amazon, and Barnes and Noble. Available in paperback and eBook getting 5-star reviews.

*Your chapter newsletter follows after the following pages . . .*

**ASGA Annual Dues are \$89.00. Do you want LOWER DUES?**

# **HOW WOULD YOU LIKE ONE YEAR OF FREE DUES?**

You likely joined the American Singles Golf Association because you wanted to meet more singles and play more golf. We can't help you with your golf swing, however, we're on a mission to grow your chapter's membership. ***Golf season is upon us . . . are you onboard to grow your chapter or are you satisfied with your current membership level?***

## ***Here's the plan:***

- 1) on the following page, you'll see a revised "***Single? Play Golf?***" sign. It now has five (5) tear-off tabs instead of eight (8).
- 2) You write-in your identification (either your member number or first initial + last name) on each of the tabs. Use scissors to cut the tabs apart.
- 3) You print as many signs as you wish, keep them in the front seat of your car along with some push pins and post them ***anywhere you're permitted*** to post, e.g. golf shop bulletin boards, golf shop restrooms, driving ranges, stores, etc. ***If you would like ASGA National to print five (5) yellow signs for you, please let us know by emailing Irene@SinglesGolf.com or calling 980-833-6450 from 9am-1:45pm, M-F, Eastern.***
- 4) For every three (3) people who join using your name or ID on the yellow sign, you'll receive 12-months of ASGA membership. Note: your name or member number, as the referrer, must be submitted **with** the new member's application. No exceptions. No retroactivity. Please do not add your own name to an application form. It must be completed only the by the member currently joining and completing the application.
- 5) New members can join over the phone, at our website (SinglesGolf.com/join), fax, etc., however, **they MUST use your member number or name at the time of joining as the person who referred the new member. Again, no exceptions to this policy.**
- 6) ASGA National will keep track of how many new members you get credit for and will automatically add 12-months to your membership. Please, no slanting of these rules

**Be a Hero in Your Chapter.  
Get the signs printed and get them hanging!  
*(and remind others to participate)***

# SINGLE? PLAY GOLF?



## The Washington DC Chapter of the American Singles Golf Association WANTS YOU!

We're 2,500 members in 50 cities and we're ALL ABOUT HAVING FUN! So if you're single (*i.e. divorced, widowed, legally separated or never married*) and enjoy meeting others through the game of golf, you're invited to inquire about joining by calling the American Singles Golf Association at 1-888-465-3628 (*1-TRIPLE-EIGHT-GOLFMATE*) or visit [SinglesGolf.com](http://SinglesGolf.com).

# Meet MORE Singles! Play MORE Golf!



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# IN ADDITION, WE CAN SEND YOU FREE BUSINESS CARDS!

As you have seen from the previous two pages of this newsletter, ASGA National is committed to seeing your chapter grow. We believe by asking each individual member for help, your chapter will grow its membership.

Besides using just the yellow signs to gain more members in your local chapter, **upon request** we will also provide you with ASGA business cards as shown below. More can be sent to you if needed, but we'll start out by sending you 25 business cards that you can give to anyone you believe might be a potential member. Are you out and about and see someone wearing a golf shirt or hat? **Start a conversation:** tell them you're a part of a local club for singles who play golf and simply ask **"are you single?"** Even if they aren't, chances are they know a golfer who is. Give them a card that's pre-filled with you name (or member #) and contact info.

**Remember, you get free dues for referring 3 new folks who join!**

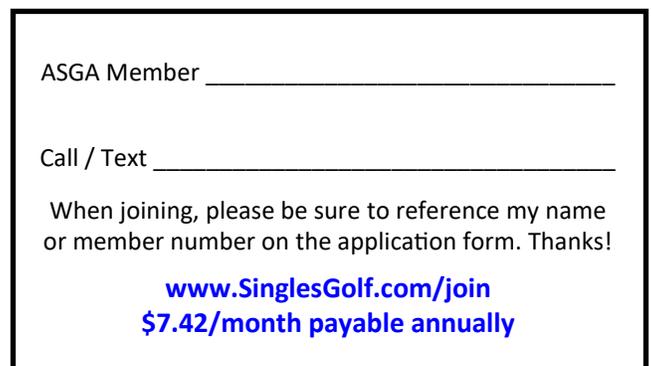
Below shows how your business card appears. They don't come to you automatically, you'll have to order them. E-mail [Irene@SinglesGolf](mailto:Irene@SinglesGolf) or call 980-833-6450 (9am—1:30pm, Mon-Fri, Eastern) for your free 25 cards.

**- - Tom Alsop  
President and Founder  
American Singles Golf Association**

**25 Business Cards Will Be Mailed to You Upon Request!**



Front side of business card



Back side of business card

## COVID-19 Rules and Handicapping FAQs

The guidance below supplements a memo released by the USGA as to how the Rules of Golf and Rules of Handicapping apply in response to questions received from golf course owners, administrators, tournament organizers and golfers. As was noted in that memo, it is not the intended purpose of the below guidance to either encourage or discourage anyone from playing the game, but rather, in our governance role, to help golf course operators, committees and golfers better understand how the Rules of Golf and Rules of Handicapping apply to the various questions we have received.

The questions received fit into four main topics. In each of the four topics below, the guidance provided serves both to directly answer the questions asked as well as cover additional considerations that might also serve useful.

### FLAGSTICK

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**May a course remove all flagsticks to minimize the possibility of exposing players to coronavirus?**

**May a committee introduce a code of conduct that does not allow players to remove (or even touch) the flagstick?**

- The flagstick serves an important purpose in the game of golf – that is as an indicator to a player as to where the hole is located on the putting green or a target for shots.
- If a Committee decides to set-up a golf course without flagsticks, consideration should be given as to how best to support such a decision by providing players the location of each hole on the green. Whether this is general guidance (such as in the right front portion) or through a detailed hole-location sheet.
- As another means of minimizing exposure to players, a Committee might decide to introduce a code of conduct that prohibits players from touching or removing the flagstick. As is authorized under Rule 1.2b, such a code could also include penalties (such as one penalty stroke or the general penalty) if a player is in breach of its standards.
- Before a Committee decides to introduce such a restriction, it is recommended that consideration be given to the fact that removing the flagstick is an instinctual, even automated, act for many players. Drafting such a code of conduct to restrict only deliberate acts to affect the outcome of the hole would be reflective of that reality and would mean that a player who instinctually removes the flagstick would not get a penalty in doing so.
- If a Committee takes any of the above actions, it is at the discretion of the Committee whether scores would be acceptable for handicap purposes.

### BUNKERS AND BUNKER RAKES

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**We have removed all bunker rakes from our course to help stop the spread of coronavirus. What options do we have for players who end up in unraked areas?**

- By removing rakes from the course, the Committee has various options as to how best to address the likely possibility of a player's ball coming to rest in an unmaintained area of sand and should consider which is the best approach under your unique circumstances.
- If you have limited play and most players at your course use a golf cart, the best approach might be to ask that each player takes a rake with them.
- If it is decided that no additional Rules will be put into effect to deal with these areas, it would be advisable to strongly encourage that players try their best to smooth the disturbed area with a foot or a club.
- Additional options could include changing the status of bunkers to be part of the general area. This would give players additional options under multiple relief rules (Rules 16 and 19) and would remove the restrictions normally in effect under Rule 12.
- Ground under repair could be used in two different manners. The first being to declare all bunkers to be ground under repair and treat them as part of the general area. This would allow players the option to take free relief outside the bunker under Rule 16.1. The second is to treat disturbed areas only as ground under repair. This would still allow a player free relief from such areas, but would require such relief to be taken elsewhere within the bunker.
- As a last resort, we have fielded questions as to whether a Committee may add a preferred local rule that would allow a player to place the ball elsewhere in a bunker without penalty (such as within one club length of where the ball came to rest). While that may seem like a good option in that it requires players to play from the bunker, there will be times when no effective relief would be available to a player, such as when a bunker is frequently played from and large areas are unraked. It would be recommended that the other options, such as those listed above are considered first, noting that using

the ground under repair options above ensure a player will get full relief and when dropping from knee height, balls very rarely plug.

- If a Committee takes any of the above actions, it is at the discretion of the Committee whether scores would be acceptable for handicap purposes.

## **SCORECARDS AND SCORING**

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**We are holding a competition, but want to limit how scorecards are exchanged both between players and after the round to the Committee. Do you have any recommendations?**

- The Rules already allow numerous options to address these concerns noting that certifying a score does not require a physical signature, nor does it require a physical scorecard.
- If a Committee wishes to run a competition using a form of electronic scoring, this could come in many forms, such as asking that each marker send an email to the Committee and the player he or she is marking for, including the player's hole-by-hole scores. The player can then reply to verify the accuracy of the card.
- When electronic methods are used, such as the email example above or similar methods that involve text messaging, the Committee should decide when a scorecard would be considered to have been returned. For example, this could be when the player responds certifying that the scores are correct or some other action that the Committee might consider more appropriate.
- A Committee might also wish to employ the above method but also combine these with a physical scorecard by having the marker take a picture of the completed scorecard and either email or text it to the Committee using the same process described above.
- If physical scorecards are the preferred method, a Committee may wish to have the player and marker not exchange cards but rather verbally communicate the hole-by-hole scores to the Committee verbally in the scoring area. Additionally, verbal confirmation could be a substitute for the physical signature. As with the electronic scoring methods described above, the Committee should be diligent to clearly define when a scorecard has been returned, such as when a player leaves the golf shop if that is where the process takes place.
- If a Committee takes any of the above actions, it is at the discretion of the Committee whether scores would be acceptable for handicap purposes.

## **MODIFICATIONS TO THE HOLE; NOT REQUIRING THAT PLAYERS HOLE OUT**

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A number of questions have been received that relate to modifying the hole so that players no longer need to reach into the hole to remove a ball to minimize the possibility of exposing golfers to coronavirus.

These have included some courses setting holes so that the hole liner remains an inch or two above the surface of the green while others have placed various objects into the hole or around the flagstick (such as foam pool noodles or plastic piping) so that a ball is unable to fall to the bottom.

While in all of these instances, the ball is not holed per the Rules of Golf (Rule 3.3c), a round played under these conditions will result in an acceptable score for handicap purposes using the most likely score guidelines (see Rule 3.3 of the Rules of Handicapping).

While the most likely score procedure is intended to support certain formats of play where the player is not required to hole out (such as in match play when the player's next stroke is conceded or in fourball stroke play when a partner picks up), it is also temporarily in effect where the above described safety measures are being used.

When using most likely score, the player should consider the number of strokes most likely required to complete the hole, and determine whether the ball would have been holed or not. Most likely score is at the player's best judgment and should not be used to gain an unfair advantage.

This measure is temporary and in effect within the United States until advised otherwise by the USGA.

The above guidance will continue to be updated. If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact the Rules of Golf and Rules of Handicapping departments by going to [www.USGA.org](http://www.USGA.org).



# GET READY TO TEE OFF

## FOR MORE FUN - FELLOWSHIP - FAIRWAYS!

### 4 WAYS TO JOIN:

- ◆ Call Us at 1-980-833-6450
- ◆ Fax This Form to Us
- ◆ Email/Mail This Form To Us
- ◆ Online ([SinglesGolf.com/join](http://SinglesGolf.com/join))

APPLICATION TO  JOIN ASGA  RENEW MY MEMBERSHIP

Note: Meeting locations may vary. Upon joining, you will receive a monthly newsletter telling you about monthly meetings, outings, etc. If you have any questions, contact your local chapter leader or call 1-888-GOLFMATE or 980-833-6450. Please complete information box at right.

MONTH & DAY BORN _____
YOUR USGA HANDICAP® _____ or
AVERAGE GOLF SCORE _____

Dues are **\$89.00** for 12 months) OR **\$178.00** for 24 months (includes free ASGA logo'd shirt when joining for two years!). Best rate per year is **\$267** with our "buy 3 years, get 4th free + shirt" plan. Credit card users: JOIN BY PHONE: **980-833-6450** or FAX COMPLETED FORM TO **980-225-0231**. Your membership kit will be mailed upon receipt of payment. **Free shipping if ASGA shirt is ordered with application.**

PRINT CLEARLY - THE INFO BELOW SHOWS HOW IT WILL APPEAR ON YOUR CHAPTER'S ROSTER. (\*SEE OPT-OUT CLAUSE BELOW)

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER YOU ARE JOINING OR RENEWING IN: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTE: ASGA DOES NOT CONDUCT BACKGROUND CHECKS ON APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP OR MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION. Golf can be a dangerous sport. Accidents can occur by you or another party striking a golf ball, by a golf cart turning over, or simply falling down steps. PLEASE TAKE ADEQUATE PRECAUTION when playing in ASGA events. Chapters and individuals running golf tournaments are not professionals but are volunteers, and therefore, you must assume additional responsibility for your own safety. Please abide by the safety rules posted inside your golf cart, at the golf course, as well as the official website of the United States Golf Association (www.USGA.org). If you have a safety concern, you must immediately bring it to the attention of the person(s) running an event, your chapter president or golf course management personnel.**

**LEGAL STUFF:** Read this section in a larger font at [SinglesGolf.com/Legal-Stuff](http://SinglesGolf.com/Legal-Stuff)

**RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** I, the undersigned Applicant (hereinafter referred to as "Releasor"), in consideration of being permitted to participate in golf activities organized or sponsored by ASGA, Inc., d/b/a American Singles Golf Association, a Delaware Corporation, or its affiliate chapters in the United States and Canada, (the "Releasees") and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency is hereby acknowledged, hereby on behalf of myself and my heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives agree to fully indemnify, defend, hold harmless, and not to sue Releasees and/or Releasee's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliates from and on account of any and all past, present, and future claims, debts, causes of action, damages, personal injuries, wrongful deaths, property loss, and property damage (including attorney's fees and costs relative thereto), whether due or not, direct or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, latent or patent, known or unknown, which in any way concern or relate to any act or omission of Releasees. Except in the event of any gross and willful negligence, I shall bring no claims, demands, actions and causes of action, and/or litigation, against Releasees for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage, sustained by me in relation to the premises and operations of the golf course, including riding on golf carts or playing the game of golf. I am aware that participation in and/or observance of the golf activities and/or other activities sponsored by Releasees is or may be an inherently dangerous activity and may have health-related risks, and agree that I am voluntarily participating in and/or observing such activities with full knowledge of all dangers and risks involved. In addition, I hereby expressly assume all risks of injury, death, property loss, property damage, and other loss and damage which may occur relative to my participation in and/or observance of such activities. I understand and agree that this Release includes any and all claims based on the past, present and future ordinary negligence, action, and/or inaction of Releasees and/or Releasee's directors, officers, employees, agents, and affiliates. I acknowledge that I have read this Release, have been fully and completely advised of the potential dangers incidental and inherent to the participation in and/or observance of the activities organized and/or sponsored by Releasees, and am fully aware of the legal consequences of signing the Application Form acknowledging this Release. I agree that this Release, waiver and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of my residency, and that if any portion of this Release is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding continue in full force and effect.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** Membership in the American Singles Golf Association (ASGA) becomes effective upon receipt of dues and is valid for the period of time requested as indicated on the application form, subject to these Terms and Conditions. I am 21 years or older, single (i.e. never married OR divorced OR legally separated OR widowed), and have read and accepted, as a condition of joining, the Release from Liability and Express Assumption of Risk shown above.

I understand that dues are non-refundable and are subject to change. I agree that all rosters, membership lists, e-mail addresses, or any other information provided to him/her as a result of their membership in ASGA are the property of ASGA and shall not be used for any purpose other than ASGA. I understand that the information provided on the Application for Membership may be reproduced on the chapter's roster and distributed to other ASGA members and published on www.SinglesGolf.com, otherwise, I will note at the bottom of this form if I wish certain information not to be published.

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**DISPUTES:** In the event of any dispute of any matter or concerning the terms and/or conditions of membership, those matters and/or the interpretation of the terms and conditions shall be governed by the laws of the State of North Carolina and the parties agree to submit disputes arising out of or in connection with this Agreement to courts of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

**AGREEMENT TO POLICIES OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION (ASGA) AND LOCAL CHAPTER:** By submitting this form and payment, I agree to abide by the "ASGA Policies" as outlined in the Policy section of [www.SinglesGolf.com/policy](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/policy) as well as ASGA bylaws ([www.SinglesGolf.com/bylaws](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/bylaws)) and my local chapter's bylaws and policies as currently in effect.

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NOTES BY APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

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- DUES** (Join for 3 years, 4th year free - \$267 (incl. free shirt - best value)
- DUES - 12 Months + ASGA logo'd golf shirt - \$119** (includes shipping)
- DUES - 12 Months - \$89**

If a shirt is included, indicate ( ) Male ( ) Female Size: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNATURE REQUIRED!** By signing below, I agree to the Terms, Condition and Release ("Legal Stuff") as set forth at left and, if appropriate, authorize payment by my credit/debit card shown above.

Signature **X** \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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