

PALM BEACH COUNTY SINGLES GOLF

Palm Beach County Chapter - American Singles Golf Association — May 2025

PALM BEACH NATIONAL - MAY 9TH

President's Message

Rich has planned two more great outings for our club to enjoy this month. Palm Beach National and the Links at Boynton Beach. Come out and enjoy the game.

~Joe Cifune, President

PALM BEACH COUNTY SINGLES GOLF May

Palm Beach National 9 and Dine Friday 5/9
The Links at Boynton Beach Thursday 5/15

Palm Beach National Nine and Dine: Back by popular demand we have 3 tee times starting at 3:02 and 3:10 COST: Cost is \$36

FORMAT: We play a scramble format then meet at the Brass Monkey golf.

May 15, 2025
Links at Boynton Beach

TIME: **10:30** Tee times start approximately. Exact time will be posted 5/10.
PLACE: The Links at Boynton Beach 8020 Jog Road Boynton Beach, FL.
COST: \$43 special price through CAN AM Golf.

Please include your handicap and phone with your email commitment
We meet in the Clubhouse after golf
You must email your commitment by Tuesday 5/13
We reserved 2 tee times so commit early.

QUESTIONS? TO VERIFY ENTRY E-MAIL RRICHLEVY14339@AOL.COM
OR CALL 561-712-0441

~Rich Levy, Golf Chairman

About Our Members

(THIS REPORT RAN 02/24/2024)

Happy Birthday to these members:

Sandra Howard - 06/13
Gabriel Licko - 05/09

These members are up for renewal:

(date shown is last day of membership)
Gloria Herman - 05/31/2025

These members recently renewed:

Richard LoPresti

These members did not renew their membership:

(date shown is date membership expired)
Madeleine Thier - 03/31/2025

To renew your dues today, go to 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 20 members.



NATIONAL EVENT INFORMATION

Events Open to All Members Nationwide

We're Going to Portugal!

Tentative Time Period: September, 2025

This trip will happen. We've heard from about 200 members who've indicated their interest in going. UPDATE: Go to www.SinglesGolf.com/Portugal (updated 12/20/24) and see where we are in terms of planning. No specific dates yet as we'll need to visit Portugal and do a number of site visits on hotels, courses and restaurants. Deposits accepted early January.

-- Hosted by the National Office of the American Singles Golf Association



LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Next Meeting

TBD

Meeting Location

TBD

Our Chapter Website

www.palmbeachcounty.singlesgolf.com
(See next page for list of officers and board members.)

National Office

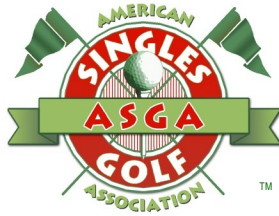
Office Hours: 9:00am to 2:00pm, M-F (Eastern)
National Office: 980-833-6450 or 1-888-GOLFMATE

Go to www.SinglesGolf.com/MyAccount to make changes to your address, phone, etc. To join or renew your dues, go to www.SinglesGolf.com/join

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Rules of Golf Review: I've got a blind shot and my partner is helping me aim. Where can he stand when I hit?

By Ron Kaspriske, GolfDigest.com

Back in 2019, shortly after the USGA and R&A enacted major revisions to the *Rules of Golf*, there were a few instances on the professional tours when players faced penalties for violating [Rule 10.2b\(4\)](#). In short, there was a lot of confusion about when golfers should be penalized for having their caddie stand in the restricted area as they made a stroke. The intent of rules makers was to ensure caddies could not stand behind players as they took their stance to hit a shot. Aiming, at that point in the process, needed to be something golfers did on their own.

What made things confusing and frustrating for golfers was the early 2019 interpretation of when a player had begun to take his or her stance and where the caddie was standing at that time. To this day, it's perfectly legal for a caddie to stand behind a player on the line of play as the shot is being evaluated, but **the caddie has to move away as the player prepares to swing**. There was at least one instance on the PGA Tour early that year when Denny McCarthy was initially penalized for violating [10.2b\(4\)](#), but video evidence made it clear he wasn't beginning to take his stance before his caddie moved. The PGA Tour [rescinded the penalty for McCarthy](#).

You can read all about the [early days of this new rule here](#), but if you want to know more about the current rules regarding of line of play and directional information as it relates to average golfers who don't have caddies, read on.

Let's start by getting into the scenario in our headline. Say you're playing a four-ball match on a course you're not familiar with. You have a blind shot into a green but know there is out-of-bounds somewhere along the left side of the hole, but you can't see it because of a hill. Is it permissible for your partner in the match to stand on top of the hill to help "guide" you away from hitting your next shot out-of-bounds?

The short answer is that your partner can stand on the hill to indicate where the markers are, but **he or she has to move away from that spot before the stroke is made**. As long as your partner moved before you hit, there's no penalty. If he or she stood there while you swung, your side would lose the hole in match play or you would be assessed a two-shot penalty in stroke play if anyone stayed in that spot while you swung.

Where this rule of helping a golfer hit a shot gets even more murky for many is understanding that it extends beyond the line of play. The definition of line of play is the line where the player intends their ball to go after a stroke, including the area on that line that is a reasonable distance up above the ground and on either side of it. In other words, the line of play is not necessarily a straight line between two points; it might be a curved line based on where the player intends the ball to go.

OK, so what if your partner gets out of the way before the stroke but leaves a hat on the spot where you should be hitting your next shot? Well, that's also a penalty.

You might think that, since the out-of-bounds markers are not on your line of play, there is nothing wrong with marking that position by having your partner stand on a spot between you and the markers. Unfortunately, that's still a violation of [Rule 10.2](#). In addition to specifying "line of play" as a no-go for aiming help, you also can't assist in aiming for "other directional information." The two exceptions are getting out of the way before the shot and providing public information in relation to the position of an object. An example would be pointing out that a tall tree you can see over a hill is on the same line as the flagstick.

The smartest way to handle the situation in the headline would have been to have your partner give you the line to play away from the OB markers and then move away before you hit.

Your chapter newsletter follows after the following pages . . .

ASGA Annual Dues are \$99.00. 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 Palm Beach County 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.

Meet MORE Singles! Play MORE Golf!



TEAR OFF A TAB BELOW

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IN ADDITION, WE CAN SEND YOU FREE BUSINESS CARDS!

As you have seen from the previous two (2) 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 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

The back side of the business card is a form with the following fields: 'ASGA Member' followed by a blank line, and 'Call / Text' followed by a blank line. Below these fields, it says: 'When joining, please be sure to reference my name or member number on the application form. Thanks!' At the bottom, it provides the website 'www.SinglesGolf.com/join' and the price '\$8.25/month payable annually @ \$99'.

Back side of business card



GET READY TO TEE OFF

FOR MORE FUN - FELLOWSHIP - FAIRWAYS!

4 WAYS TO JOIN / PAY

- ◆ Call / Zelle: 1-980-833-6450
- ◆ Fax This Form to Us
- ◆ Email/Mail This Form To Us
- ◆ Online (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 **\$99.00** for 12 months) or **\$198.00 for 24 months** (includes free ASGA logo'd shirt when joining for two years!). Best rate per year is **\$297** 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 this 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: _____

NAME _____ E-MAIL ADDR: _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

HOME (_____) _____ WORK/CELL (_____) _____ EMPL. BY _____

POSITION _____ () AVAILABLE FOR WEEKDAY GOLF () WILLING TO VOLUNTEER FOR CHAPTER

NOTE: ASGA DOES NOT CONDUCT BACKGROUND CHECKS ON APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP NOR 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.

NOTICE - View these terms online at www.SinglesGolf.com/Legal-Stuff

ASGA does not conduct background checks on applicants for membership or current members.

Golf Safety Warning: Golf can be a hazardous sport. Accidents may occur, including being struck by a golf ball, golf cart accidents, or falls. Please exercise caution when participating in ASGA events. Chapters and individuals organizing events are volunteers, not professionals. You are responsible for your own safety. Follow all posted safety rules, including those on the golf cart, at the golf course, and as outlined by the United States Golf Association (www.USGA.org). If you have a safety concern, promptly inform event organizers, your chapter president, or golf course management personnel.

RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK - By participating in activities organized or sponsored by ASGA, Inc. (d/b/a American Singles Golf Association), its chapters, or affiliates in the United States and Canada, you agree to the following:

- **Release of Liability:** You, the undersigned ("Releasor"), on behalf of yourself, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives, release and indemnify ASGA, its directors, officers, employees, agents, affiliates ("Releasees"), from all claims, including those related to personal injury, death, property loss, or damage. This release applies to both known and unknown claims, except in cases of gross or willful negligence.
- **Assumption of Risk:** You acknowledge that golf and related activities inherently involve risks, including health-related risks. By participating, you voluntarily accept these risks, including potential injury, death, and property damage.
- **Legal Consequences:** You confirm you have read this release, understand its implications, and agree that it will be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by your state of residence. If any portion of this release is deemed invalid, the remainder will remain in effect.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS - Membership in ASGA is effective upon receipt of dues and remains valid for the selected membership period, subject to these terms:

- **Eligibility:** You must be 21 or older and single (defined as never married, divorced, legally separated, or widowed); and by joining, you accept the terms of the Release from Liability and Assumption of Risk above.
- **Non-Refundable Dues:** Membership dues are non-refundable and subject to change.
- **Use of Information:** Membership lists, emails, and other provided data are ASGA property and are for ASGA purposes only. Your information may be shared with other members and on www.SinglesGolf.com, unless you request otherwise.
- **Opt-Out Clause:** You may opt out of sharing specific personal information by emailing to info@SinglesGolf.com the information you wish to have excluded from your chapter roster. ASGA is not liable for inadvertent publication of opt-out information.

PRIVACY POLICY - See www.SinglesGolf.com/privacy for details.

DISPUTES - All disputes concerning membership terms or conditions are governed by the laws of North Carolina. Legal proceedings must be filed in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

AGREEMENT TO POLICIES - By submitting this application and payment, you agree to abide by ASGA's national and local chapter policies and bylaws, as outlined at: www.SinglesGolf.com/policy and www.SinglesGolf.com/bylaws, as well as at local chapter websites or newsletters.

JOIN FOR 2 YEARS - GET A FREE GOLF SHIRT!

JOIN FOR 3 YEARS - GET 4TH YEAR + SHIRT FREE!

* Note: Credit/Debit cards carry a 3% processing fee. Zelle now accepted, no fee.

DUES - 24 Months - \$198 (includes free ASGA logo'd shirt - Most Popular!)

DUES (Join for 3 years, 4th year free - \$297 (incl. free shirt - best value)

DUES - 12 Months + ASGA logo'd golf shirt - \$129 (includes shipping)

DUES - 12 Months - \$99

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

REFERRED BY: _____

Check Paid To "ASGA, Inc." Enclosed** TOTAL \$ _____

* Please charge my major credit/debit card indicated below:

No. _____ Exp. _____ 3/4 digit _____

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 _____

Pay by Credit Card: Call 980-833-6450 9-2 Eastern Time, M-F

To Pay by ZELLE (no fee), use Zelle ID: **980-833-6450**

Or Fax App Form to: **980-225-0231** or Scan & Email to Info@SinglesGolf.com

Or mail application to ASGA, P. O. Box 848, Pineville, NC 28134

** There is a \$25 charge for any check returned from your bank.

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