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SW Florida Chapter - American Singles Golf Association - February 2026

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Message From the President



Hello Everyone,

Florida golf may not always come with perfect weather — but it always comes with great company.

Despite some surprisingly chilly mornings and a few windy cancellations, it's been wonderful seeing everyone staying connected, getting out when we can, and keeping the spirit of our ASGA group strong. Here's a quick update on how the season is shaping up and what's ahead.

The alternating weeks at Cross Creek and San Carlos continue to work well, giving everyone regular opportunities to get out, enjoy the game, and spend time together. Hopefully we'll see a nice stretch of warmer golf weather very soon.

A big thank-you as well to **Laura Miller**, who has stepped into the Golf Chair role. She's doing a wonderful job coordinating schedules and keeping everything running smoothly. And as always, if anyone can lend a hand on golf days — whether with proximity markers, 50/50 support, or general assistance — it's always appreciated.

Membership & Social Connections

I'm very happy to report that our membership continues to grow. Since October, we've welcomed seven new members, which is wonderful to see. A growing chapter keeps our group vibrant, social, and fun for everyone.

Special thanks to **Nikki** for the excellent job she continues to do managing membership and helping new members feel welcome. She also has some upcoming meetups in the works — always a great way to stay connected between golf days — so be sure to watch for those announcements and be sure to sign up and attend.

A Big Thank You to Our Volunteers

A special thank-you to **Mark Schranz**, our Social Chair, for the wonderful job he's doing coordinating the social side of our group. From organizing dinner reservations during our San Carlos golf weeks to keeping everyone connected off the course, his efforts truly add to the enjoyment of the season. We're all looking forward to the additional social activities he has planned in the months ahead.

We'd also like to recognize **Suzanne Schmidt** for her excellent work managing our weekly pairings and coordinating directly with the golf courses. Ensuring tee sheets and pairings are submitted accurately and on time takes dedication behind the scenes, and her attention to detail helps our golf days run smoothly.

And of course, sincere thanks to our entire ASGA Board of Directors for everything they do to keep our chapter organized, welcoming, and fun. Your time and effort are very much appreciated by all of us.

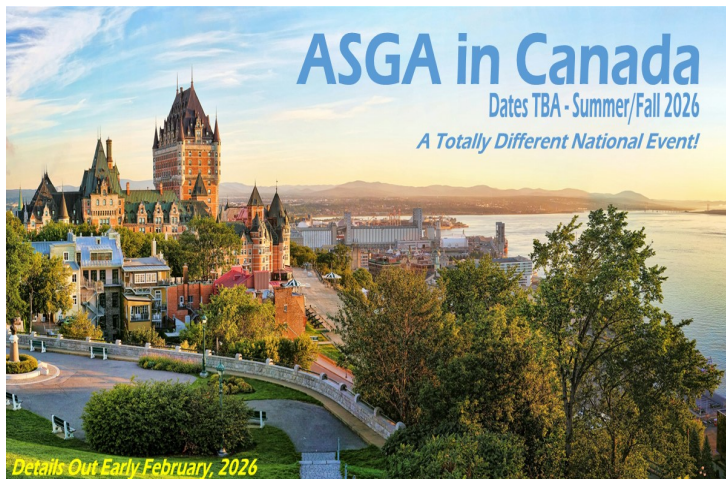
Leadership Update

As many of you know, my tenure as President of our ASGA Southwest Florida Chapter will officially wrap up in March. It has truly been a pleasure serving this wonderful group — the friendships, laughter, and shared love of golf have made it an incredibly rewarding experience.

I will absolutely remain involved and will happily stay on until a new president is in place to ensure a smooth transition. That said, if you've ever thought about getting more involved, I warmly encourage you to

NATIONAL EVENT INFORMATION

Events Open to All Members Nationwide



LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Regular Meeting Date

We meet directly after our golf events at a restaurant to be named weekly

Our Chapter Website

www.southwestfl.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

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www.SinglesGolf.com/join

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consider stepping forward. Fresh ideas and new energy are always welcome, and this is a supportive, fun group to lead.

If you're even a little curious about the role, please feel free to reach out — I'd be more than happy to chat.

Looking Ahead

We still have plenty of great golf and social opportunities ahead this season. Thank you all for contributing to the friendly, welcoming spirit that makes this chapter so special.

Here's hoping for warmer temperatures, calmer winds, and many enjoyable rounds together in the weeks ahead.

See you on the course soon!

Warmly,

~Donna Gaines, SWFL ASGA President

About Our Members

(THIS REPORT RAN 02/23/2026)

Happy Birthday to these members:

Linda Brown - 02/14

Janice Chiaradonna - 03/13

Ellen Hallett - 03/12

Dianne Hand - 03/06

Inge Longpre - 03/15

Nancy Longwith - 02/17

Constantin Marioni - 03/11

Karen Sauter - 02/08

Suzanne Schmidt - 02/28

James Sudol - 02/27

Tracy VanLandschoot - 02/25

Laura Worthington - 02/04

These members are up for renewal:

(date shown is last day of membership)

Nancy Ernstes - 02/28/2026

Will Mckiddie - 02/28/2026

Barbara Oakley - 02/28/2026

Welcome newest members:

Rick Korb - Joined 12/22/2025

Kim McDonald - Joined 12/08/2025

These members recently renewed:

Karen Maas

Laura Miller

Michael Savarese

Suzanne Schmidt

Rosalie Tischler

These members did not renew their membership:

(date shown is date membership expired)

Pamela Ellis - 12/31/2025

Robert Frazier - 12/31/2025

Renee Gee - 01/31/2026

Marilyn Pedroso - 01/31/2026

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 72 members.

**What Do We Get
for Our Dues?**

Here's a Reminder:

SinglesGolf.com/benefits





Message From the Social Chair

Fun Socials Event at The Center Bar!

~Mark Schranz, 847-778-6956



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)***

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, "Call / Text" followed by a blank line, and a paragraph: "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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