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THE VILLAGES SINGLES GOLF

The Villages Chapter - American Singles Golf Association - June/July 2020

SATURDAY, JULY 18TH - GOLF AT STONE CREEK

President's Corner

Hi All,

At Last! Golf has returned to ASGA! Executive golf resumed the week of May 18 and Monday and Thursday Championship golf returned the week of May 25. Saturday Championship Golf resumed a week after that! Pickleball is back as well at Canal St. every Wednesday. Please refer to the ASGA calendar on the website for details of any of these activities.

Also, in lieu of our regular Social/Meeting we have sponsored two Food Drives for the Wildwood Food Pantry. Thank you to everyone who participated in these Food Drives. The Food Pantry volunteers were very thankful for all the donations.

As many of you know, we have experienced a problem with many of our members not receiving our group emails. ASGA National has addressed the problem and has provided us with a new system for sending group emails. We are in the process of training everyone who sends out emails and switching over to the new email system - so you may see a few emails in

the old format until we get switched over to the new system. ASGA National worked overtime at addressing our email problem and found a solution that will really help us communicate with everyone in the group.

In closing, please remember to keep up with the distancing guidelines - we've come so far and have stayed safe - please don't let your guard down now. I hope everyone and their friends and family are well and able to enjoy our wonderful Florida Summers!

Regards,

~Mary Joy 630-323-4829
mjoy122@yahoo.com



Secretary's Report

No June Social/Meeting to report.

~Marianne Rogers, Secretary

PLEASE VOLUNTEER. WE NEED YOUR HELP TO RUN OUR CHAPTER.

Speaking of volunteering:

Thanks to all of you for your many donations to our food drive for the Wildwood Food Pantry. Over 450 people receive much needed food items and supplies from the Pantry twice a month. They were very, very grateful for our contributions.

Mary Joy, John Holmes, and I delivered one truckload, and 2 car loads of items, last Wednesday.

~Beth Disque



NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

Upcoming Multi-Chapter Events (see SinglesGolf.com/events)

ASGA National is slowly working towards TWO multi-chapter events for this year, however, contracts have **not** been signed but we are "penciled-in" with anticipation of signing soon. **Details out soon*:**

- **ASGA in Charleston, SC—Labor Day Weekend.** Arrive at the Francis Marion Hotel on Thursday, Sept. 3, depart Sunday, Sept. 6. (Labor Day is Sept. 7). Package includes 3 nights' stay, 2 rounds of golf, 3 breakfasts, welcome reception and 3 dinners.
- **Reunion in Pinehurst—Arrive Sunday, Nov. 8, depart Wednesday, Nov. 11.** Package includes 3 nights' stay, 2 rounds of golf, 3 breakfasts, welcome reception and 3 dinners.
- **Bringing in the New Year 2021—Arriving in Florida on Sunday, January 3, departing January 6.** Looking at locations now. We believe we'll get some great rates when, as traditionally happens, the crowds return home after the New Year's holiday. Stay tuned.

* All events subject to change once contracts have been signed.

LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Regular Meeting Date

Fourth Tuesday of the Month

Next Meeting

Suspended

Location

Rohan Rec Center

Our Chapter Website: asgavillagesflorida.net

(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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Member News

If you have news about yourself or members, please contact Rose.

~Rose McGuirk, rosettamcquirk@yahoo.com



Golf Chair

Hi Everyone,

Due to some cancellations, there are openings for players using the scramble/

shamble team format for the Jacksonville Chapter's wonderful weekend at the annual Florida Cup, October 9-11. **The deadline to register is July 1 so don't delay if you are interested.**

If you haven't taken part in the Florida Cup Tournament before, we hope you will attend this year. It has truly evolved into an event not to be missed when all the Florida ASGA chapters meet for some fun and friendly competition on the fairways. I would say it rivals National events and at a great price. The weekend is chock full of golf, friendship, fun, food and an amazing array of great prizes. This year's event will be held from October 9-11, at the fabulous Hammock Beach Golf Resort in Palm Coast; only about a 2-hour drive from The Villages. Players of all skill levels are welcome.

If you would like to attend, **first register on Jacksonville's website. Second, please sign up on the ASGA website under "Events Calendar",** so we know who is attending. Please fill in all the blanks with the requested information.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

~Jane Boyle

PACE OF PLAY

Be aware! **If you can not see the rumps of the group in front of you, you are behind!** Play 'ready golf'. If you think you are not the problem with pace of play; think and evaluate again. Here are some suggestions from USGA: <https://www.usga.org/pace-of-play-resource-center/tips-and-suggestions-for-improving-pace-of-play.html>



NEW MEMBER CHAIRPERSON

DID YOU KNOW: THE VILLAGES CHAPTER OF ASGA IS A PRIVATE

GROUP ON FACEBOOK

The chapter has a newly revised Member Handbook. It's available to read and print on the chapter website at the bottom of the home page. The handbook covers our website, signing up for events, guidance for our golf events, social activities and even using Google Sheets on mobile devices. It has already been sent with a welcome letter to all members joining since January. We have 15 members joining since our last meeting, five of them in June.

New Members in June:

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Mike Thornton 6/23
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~Nancy Hartshorn



MONDAY 18-HOLE CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF (MCG)

Monday 18-hole championship golf is now in morning tee time slots, and limited to 32 players. You must be a priority member to sign up for the Monday championship golf group. After we have been assigned our tee times, an email will be sent to all ASGA members, including non-priority members. If there are any openings, non-priority members can sign up for the openings through the tee time system. We generally have 12 to 20 golfers, and we follow golf with dinner in the country club restaurant. Sign up at the ASGA website/Events Calendar/ Monday Priority Golf. Points and money games have been suspended, for now.

~Larry Sheets, lga313@yahoo.com



MONDAY 9 HOLE EXECUTIVE GOLF (MEG)

Please join us Mondays.

Throughout the summer we will continue to participate in the Tee Time's office Weekly Summer Group Play program. This means we have preassigned courses throughout the summer, and the starting tee times will be 11:00 or 11:05. The courses will be reflected on the signup sheet. The format will follow The Villages protocol for golf these days - ride solo in cart or walk, hands-free with rakes, flagsticks, and don't touch anyone else's clubs or golf balls. Also, no hugs, handshakes or high fives. Maintain 6' social distancing. Everyone will play their own game, keep their own score, \$\$ will NOT BE COLLECTED and there will be no after golf social/lunch. To ride trail fees must be prepaid. All are welcome. Walkers are always welcome. Please sign up on the ASGA website\Calendar\Monday Executive Golf or use the links included in the Monday golf email.

~Brent Mitchell, mitchellbom@hotmail.com



THURSDAY 18 HOLE CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF (TCG)

We are now playing the early morning wave, usually starting by 8:15 a.m. With summertime heat, and the snowbirds gone, we usually do not have 32 members out to play. Therefore, if you do not have priority membership, but would like to join us for Thursday Championship Golf, please text me (631-603-8772) your name and Villages ID# by the Friday before the Thursday you wish to play, and I will do my best to get you in the group.

~Marcia Smith, ommsmith@gmail.com

TUESDAY NINE & DINE IS SUSPENDED



THURSDAY 9 HOLE EXECUTIVE GOLF (TEG)

Please join us Thursdays as we play the executive golf courses in

The Villages. All are welcome. If you don't have a golf cart, we will pair you with someone who does. Walkers are always welcome. The emphasis is enjoying a round of golf with friends. Please sign up on the ASGA website\Calendar\Thursday Executive Golf.

~Mary Joy

FRIDAY EXECUTIVE GOLF SUSPENDED

~Charlene Barton



SATURDAY 18 HOLE CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF

We started Saturday golf at Eagle Ridge on June 20 with 39 players. At this time we are in Phase 1 opening with the option to turn in your points for recording and socially responsible gathering after the game, but no money/closest to the pin contest. July 4th outing will be at Harbor Hills, and July 18 will be shotgun start at Stone Creek (Ocala). If you have any course suggestions, send them to me and we will evaluate to see how they can fit into our schedule. Saturday golf provides a venue for both Priority and Non-priority members, and guests, to experience golfing and socializing with our ASGA membership. Sign up on the ASGA website calendar.

~Chris Avent, cwavent@msn.com



SOCIAL CHAIR SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT - JUNE 2020

There were no social activities in June. Because of the recent uptick in COVID - 19 cases in Florida, there will be no ASGA sponsored social activities in July. We remain hopeful we can restart activities in August.

~Ken McGray, ken61mcgray@yahoo.com

Check the ASGA the Villages Calendar for information about the June Monthly Meeting.

<https://www.asgavillagesflorida.net/ASGACalendar.html>



BEST VIDEO ON HAND WASHING:
www.SinglesGolf.com/WashYourHands



TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning Balance** 6/26/20	\$ 6089.06
May Income	\$ 0
May Expenses	\$ 0
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 0
Hole-in-One Fund Payout*	\$ 0
PayPal Balance 6/26/20	\$ 2296.90
Checkbook balance 6/26/20	\$ 3792.16
Total Ending Balance May 31	\$ 6089.06

*Hole-in-One Account included in ending balance

** Includes Checkbook and PayPal balances

(There was an error in recording the April 30 Checkbook balance in the previous newsletter. It should have read \$3642.71.)

~Ron Horte, rhort@yaho.com



REMINDER

Every Wednesday is ASGA Pickleball at the Canal Street Rec. Ctr.

from 12 Noon to 1:50 PM. All levels are welcome.

ID cards are no longer being checked at the entrance of the courts. All 4 nets are up, and the benches are back.

Balls are provided, and supplies are available to clean the balls. **Bring your own water**, as coolers are not available.



USEFUL LINKS FOR GOLFERS

4 steps to improve your game:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6uBBuVnbtDs>



HOLE-IN-ONE FUND

The Villages ASGA started voluntary hole-in-one insurance funds for both executive and championship golf in

January 2018. Those who choose to participate, pay \$5.00 into the "pot" (or \$10 to be included in both pots). If you get a hole-in-one while playing in any Villages ASGA golf event (executive, championship, or nine & dine), you will receive \$100 at the next ASGA Monthly Social.

We made it for one year with our Executive Hole-in-One pot, but needed a replenishment in January 2019. The original Championship pot is still healthy. If you haven't joined the pool and if you play golf with ASGA, now would be a good time to get your name on the list(s)...just in case. We know that the odds of one of us making a hole-in-one are 12,500 to 1, but just think of how many of our fellow Village ASGA members have scored an ace. We've already paid out \$800 to members who

have had holes-in-one. (Six is the average number of hole-in-ones per day in The Villages!) We all have a chance to get lucky! Don't delay. Hurry and get your name on the participant list. PLEASE DO NOT PAY UNTIL YOU CHECK THE LIST TO SEE IF YOUR NAME IS ALREADY ON IT.

Below are the links you need to get started or you can find the information on our web site at: https://asgavillagesflorida.net/Golf_Info.html

List of Executive Hole-in-one fund participants – Please check before paying <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1sk3Wq1hkjm2qW1mdu5DquSbJvr6GK0wdBxcX1NahX3l/edit#gid=0>

List of Championship hole-in-one fund participants – Please check before paying <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1OB-MZv2oPdKlumr8hsyMRTOWKvDGcg9p-pH2b1qTkVYc/edit#gid=0>

PayPal link for Executive hole-in-one fund - https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s

Please note that names will be added to the lists usually within 24 hours after we receive notice from PayPal that you have paid.

~Beth Disque Website/Communications

ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

(THIS REPORT RAN 07/06/2020)

Happy Birthday to these members:

Patricia Allard - 08/13
Patricia Barnes - 07/21
Charlene Barton - 07/09
Andy Bienvenu - 07/08
Edward Bowne - 07/24
Karen Brennan - 07/13
Martin Bucher - 08/15
Judith Clare - 07/14
Bill Eastman - 07/07

Roni Feldblum - 07/25
Sharon Ferlaino - 07/19
Dante Fiocca - 08/07
Pamela French - 07/30
Diane Futrelle - 08/02
Richard Handwerker - 07/07
Ross Irlam - 08/08
Dean Johnson - 08/14
Debbie Johnson - 08/01
Joyce Kruk - 07/31
Richard Lorton - 07/22
Marcia Lucas - 08/14
Susan Mancuso - 07/19
Ray Marcos - 07/10
Constance May - 07/29
Carole Mosbaugh - 07/05
Jefferson Mott - 08/05
John Parker - 07/19
Daniel Pereira - 07/11
Ellen Puglisi - 08/08
Terry Roby - 07/15
Donald Rogers - 07/31
Pam Rogers - 08/06
Christine Sargent - 07/13
Lois Schwartz - 07/20
Larry Sheets - 07/03
Richard Skinner - 08/08
Lois Smith - 08/09
Marcia Smith - 07/25
Sharon Stern - 08/15
Margaret Vann - 07/16
Gerald Walford - 08/14
Margaret Walker - 07/08
David Welch - 07/31
Regina Whitnell - 07/02
David Williams - 07/01
John Zabatta - 07/13

These members are up for renewal:
(date shown is last day of membership)
Robert Beaudoin - 07/31/2020
Gail Berman - 07/31/2020
Bob Bruce - 07/31/2020

Nancy Carpenter - 07/31/2020
Gloria Clark - 07/31/2020
Pamela Frase - 07/31/2020
Nancy Hellekson - 07/31/2020
Susan Leoni - 07/31/2020
Ronald Mankowski - 07/31/2020
Lydia Merriweather - 07/31/2020
Toinette Millar - 07/31/2020
Kathleen Nicolay - 07/31/2020
Dolford Payne - 07/31/2020
Ellen Puglisi - 07/31/2020
Terry Roby - 07/31/2020
Alex Santoriello - 07/31/2020
Randi Sexton - 07/31/2020
Jeanne Simmons - 07/31/2020
Jeri Spriggs - 07/31/2020
Howard Stewart - 07/31/2020
David Swanson - 07/31/2020
Thomas Tighe - 07/31/2020
Barbara Weiss - 07/31/2020
Mary Westcott - 07/31/2020
Mike Willeford - 07/31/2020

Welcome newest members:

Thomas Brown - Joined 06/16/2020
Susan Dwyer - Joined 06/16/2020
Michael Mello - Joined 06/23/2020
John Spies - Joined 06/08/2020
Mike Thornton - Joined 06/23/2020

These members recently renewed:

Michael Ashbrook
Victoria Boyd
Joseph Cotumaccio
Carol Curtiss
Pam Dorso
Roni Feldblum
Jenise Ferris
William Hurst
Jane Lippincott
Elaine McAllister
Mary McLear
Barbara Roberto
Carol Ann Sexton
Frederick Specht
Carol Sylvia

These members did not renew their dues:

(date shown is date membership expired)

Ann Cassano - 06/30/2020
Richard Dawson - 06/30/2020
Rosalie Dominguez - 05/31/2020
Charles Hunter - 05/31/2020
Henrietta Kehoe - 06/30/2020
Robert Kennedy - 06/30/2020
Valeria Mcgathy - 06/30/2020
Jeryl Potter - 06/30/2020
Dennis Reeves - 06/30/2020
Christy Rodgers - 05/31/2020
Renate Sanghavi - 05/31/2020
David Sawyer - 05/31/2020
Debra Welch - 06/30/2020
Barbara Yenko - 06/30/2020

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 370 members.

Ben Hogan's Timeless Tips

~Ron Kaspriske, GolfDigest.com

Developing a good golf swing is a helluva tough chore—at least it was for me. First, you must gather all the material, sift through it, and throw away what's not good for you. It's something like making a mulligan stew. However, there are several fundamentals that are applicable to everyone. These fundamentals are particularly important in developing a swing that repeats. And after all, that is what every golfer should strive for—a swing that will work the same all the time. I think anyone who does not have a physical disability can be a 70s-shooter. But he or she has to want to do it—and must work at it. Here are the fundamentals:

GRIP

The union of the two hands must be right and constant—or all else is lost.

POSTURE

This is how you stand: right foot straight, left toe pointing out, knees slightly flexed, back straight.

ARMS

The position of the arms is very important. From the clubhead to the left shoulder, there should be but one hinge—at the hands. With the left arm firm and the right arm loose, you can be assured of always coming back to the ball in the same place. The right elbow points to the body.

BACKSWING

The left arm continues to be straight all through the backswing. This permits the clubhead to travel the greatest distance. The right elbow points to the ground at the top of the backswing.

THROUGH-SWING

As you swing through the ball the right arm straightens and—most important—the body follows the swing. I've noticed one thing that all good golfers do and all bad golfers do not do: The good ones have their left wrist leading at impact. It seems a small thing, but I've found it to be true. At impact, the left wrist of a good golfer is slightly [bowed], while that of a poor golfer is generally concave.

Which are you?

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

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

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

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

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.



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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)

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 _____

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

NAME _____ E-MAIL ADDR: _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

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

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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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