

CHICAGO SINGLES GOLF

Chicago Chapter - American Singles Golf Association - June 2019

JUNE 15TH - COUNTRYSIDE IN MUNDELEIN



Per Chevy Chase "be the ball."



President's Message

RAIN RAIN GO AWAY.....

A record setting rainy May has put a damper (quite literally) on our early golf events. We've endured cart path only, rain, carts stuck in the mud, rain, lightening sirens, rain and cancelled outings, but compared to the catastrophic flooding in other areas of the country we can still count our blessings. June weather looks more promising so get yourself signed up for the outings and join your ASGA friends on the links.

A golf definition from "Golfing – A Duffers Dictionary" which seems apropos given this year's overly lush course conditions:

Fairway: A narrow strip of mown grass that separates two groups of golfers looking for lost balls in the rough.

Thanks to all the board members and outing coordinators working to make this season go smoothly. See you on the links,



~Alice Zyks



Golf Chair Message

It seems April showers have led to May showers this year, instead of sticking to flowers like it's supposed to. We've managed to sneak in a few nice rounds; however, and we're looking forward to drier weather in June, so keep your fingers crossed. We've got some great courses lined up for the month of June, and more opportunities for fun at a BBQ after the round at Sunset Valley on Saturday, June 29th at **Susan Herman's** home. And **Jay Thompson** is working on a great outing and dinner after for Countryside in Mundelein on Saturday, June 15th. So get signed up early to get in on the fun, and please join us at the rest of the outings planned for this month!

Speaking of fun, **Tom Ullsperger** and the team captains are getting ready for another ASGA Chicago version of the Ryder Cup the weekend of July 13 & 14. You know the competition will be fierce but friendly between the teams headed by **Alice Zyks** and **Ray Kalal**. See the website for details and get signed up! The

NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

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

- **ASGA Denver's Rocky Mountain High Weekend** - August 9-11, 2019. Stay at [The Academy Hotel](#) in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Tentative info [posted here](#). To register, simply go to this site: www.SinglesGolf.com/RockyMountainHigh
- **ASGA's Fall Event at Lanier Islands, GA.** Near Atlanta, this event will run the last weekend of daylight savings, Oct. 31 - Nov. 3, 2019. Details at SinglesGolf.com/FallWeekend
- **ASGA's Post-New Year's Event** - Somewhere in Florida, Jan 2-5, 2020. Save the date. We'll head south in the winter!

LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Next Meeting

TBD

Meeting Location

TBD

Our Chapter Website: www.ASGAChicago.org

Meetup Website: <https://www.meetup.com/ASGACHicago/>

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

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deadline is June 24 and will be here before you know it.

Did you know, of Golfweek's 2019 List of Top Courses to Play in Illinois (listed below), we have quite a few on our schedule? Be sure not miss these! And I may add a few more to the schedule in September where we have some openings.

Illinois

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| 1. Cog Hill (No.4-Dubsdread) | Lemont (m) |
| 2. Highlands of Elgin | Elgin (m) |
| 3. TPC at Deere Run | Silvis (m) |
| 4. Eagle Ridge (The General) | Galena (m) |
| 5. Thunderhawk | Beach Park (m) |
| 6. Stonewall Orchard | Grayslake (m) |
| 7. Cantigny | Wheaton (m) |
| 8. Weaver Ridge | Peoria (m) |
| 9. Harborside International (Starboard) | Chicago (m) |
| 10. Bowes Creek | Elgin (m) |
| 11. Ravisloe | Homewood (c) |
| 12. Mistwood | Romeoville (m) |
| 13. The Glen Club | Glenview (m) |
| 14. Mt. Prospect GC | Mt. Prospect (c)* |
| 15. Kankakee Elks Club | Saint Amos (c) |

See you on the links!

~Marie Bush, Shrub8@hotmail.com

About Our Members

(THIS REPORT RAN 06/10/2019)

Happy Birthday to these members:

Richard Bachman - 06/12
Susan Barton - 06/04
Karen Boguslawski - 06/15
Cristina Chertes - 06/25
Jim Coates - 07/10
Christine Coyne - 06/07
Marie Di Virgilio - 06/24
Joanne Jacobs - 06/04
Tamara Marshall - 07/02
Mari Lou McCann - 07/04
Diane Meister - 07/01
Greg Mieczynski - 07/02
Cynthia Pausic - 06/20
Lynn Wesley - 06/20

These members are up for renewal:

(date shown is last day of membership)
Jim Coates - 06/30/2019
Bill Erickson - 06/30/2019
Tom Jensen - 06/30/2019
Brian Kane - 06/30/2019
Jane Leary - 06/30/2019
Tamara Marshall - 06/30/2019
Nancy Pierz - 06/30/2019

Welcome newest members:

Peggy Beaver - Joined 04/24/2019
Susanna Menn - Joined 04/29/2019
John Reavy - Joined 04/11/2019
Karol Stirneman - Joined 04/29/2019

These members recently renewed:

Susan Barton
David Halper

These members did not renew their dues:

(date shown is date membership expired)
Kathy Braun - 05/31/2019
John Edmonson - 05/31/2019
Ardis Gallion - 05/31/2019
Kathleen Gallo - 04/30/2019
Jennifer Gibson - 05/31/2019
Kay Gillespie - 04/30/2019
Melanie Jones - 05/31/2019
Brian Krauss - 05/31/2019
Margaret Onken - 05/31/2019
Pat Vaughan - 05/31/2019
Ruth Wiechmann Browne - 05/31/2019
Melissa Woodworth - 04/30/2019

Our chapter currently has 94 members.



Our first outing of the season was held at Broken Arrow on May 4. The outing was coordinated by **Keith Reifel**

with **Alice Zyks** as his able assistant. We had a nice turnout of 47 golfers who enjoyed the sunny day after several days of rain. Contest hole prizes were provided by Keith. Closest proximity winners were **Susan Barton, Cathy Hill and Ed Horak**. Longest drive winners were Marie DiVirgilio and Rick Bachman. Additionally, one golfer per foursome won a \$15 coupon via a drawing. The coupon winners were: **Robin, Keith, Lynn, Greg, Rick, Tim R., Jim, Mike, Nancy, Tom, Paul and Peggy**.



Kurt Kupitz hosted 17 golfers at Old Orchard Country Club on May 11 including new member, **Sharon Meyer**. While not all completed 18 holes due to the rainy weather, we dried off quickly and most headed to dinner at The Red Barn where we were able to cheer on the Cubs to a win. All the golf contests were closest to the pin on the par 3's. Winners were: **Cindy Pausic, Kurt Kupitz, Tim Ryan, Marie DiVirgilio and Sharon Meyer**.



Eileen Zittnan coordinated the Prairie Landing outing on May 12. Planes, trains and golf ---

that's what you get when you play Prairie Landing. Twenty golfers weathered the cold (a couple of cart covers were spotted) but were fortunate to not have to deal with any rain. The golf contest consisted of the Rotating Golf Ball Challenge. A special golf ball was given to each foursome.

Each player took turns using the golf ball and whatever they scored with that ball was the score for the game. The winning team was **Rob Lewandowski, Cathy Hill, Judy Johnson and Paul Gentile** as they were the only team to bring the ball back -- all other teams lost theirs during the game. Additionally, since it was Mother's Day, the course offered discounted play for women and there was a longest putt contest for ladies with the winner being **Alice Zyks**. The golfers dined in the clubhouse. Although there was a single guy working the bar and grill, he handled it well and was very friendly about it --- including offering a free beer to **Eileen** when he forgot to put in her order. Luckily, he wasn't also the chef!



On May 18, **Colleen Nelms** coordinated the Cog Hill #3 outing for 18 golfers in Lemont --- assisted by **Tracy Rae Crow and Rob Lewandowski**. New members welcomed were: **Rick Seaberg, Graham Hershman and John Reavy**. The course was challenging but, unfortunately, Mother Nature won the day. Most were rained out by the 4th hole. Happily, the course will honor rainchecks on a sunnier day. Prior to the rain, **Tom Golbach** was able to reach the green on his 2nd shot on the 2nd hole, even with the blinding uphill challenge! **Cathy Hill and Kathy Hendrickson** both fought through the beginning drizzle to reach the green on hole 4. Cathy Hill won the battle to get the closest-to-the-pin prize --- what girl power! Post golf, the group ventured over to 3 Corners Grill & Tap for great food and good conversation --- plus caught some of the PGA Championship. **Bachman**



Mike Madden hosted 14 golfers at the Bridges of Poplar Creek on May 25. Big winners for closest to the pin were **Colleen Nelms and Rick Bachman** with **Kurt Kupitz** winning for longest putt.



Deerpath was hosted by **Bonnie Linklater** with sixteen golfers playing on June 2. Finally, finally, finally, we had sunny skies. The course was long but in great condition. The fact that it was cart path only made for slow play. A new game that required good math skills (basically, fairways minus bunkers) was won by **Loren Mercola**. **Tim Ryan** won longest putt. Given that we couldn't manage to get on the green for two other contests, names were pulled and **Kathi Brown and Peg Connorton** were the winners. Dinner, drinks and good conversation took place at the course after play.



Bridges of Poplar Creek on May 25th.



Old Orchard Country Club on May 11th



Deerpath Golf Course - June 2nd



The Homestead in Hot Springs, Virginia has been on my bucket list for a while, so I was excited to have the opportunity to go with the ASGA national group the week before Memorial Day (May 19-22). The site's history dates back to 1766 when there was a small lodge built to house those coming to "take the waters" of the local geothermal springs, including Thomas Jefferson. The current stately hotel was built in the early 1900's, and is situated in the scenic mountains of Virginia, not too far east of the Greenbrier in West Virginia. The wild flowers were in bloom everywhere and added to the beauty of both The Cascades and Old Course. It was easy to see why the Cascades Course has been ranked the top course to play in Virginia for 2019 by Golf-week Magazine. Both were beautiful courses carved out of the Allegheny Mountains, but The Cascades was especially gorgeous and fun to play. Pace of play was surprisingly good both days, considering some of my past experiences at national events.

There were about 73 people in attendance from around the country, including a couple others from the Chicago chapter. The meals were great, the outdoor pools lovely, and going during the week before the height of the season made for a very peaceful and uncrowded visit. I didn't use the spa and serenity pools, but heard they were very nice as well. I would highly recommend a visit, and I may have to go back at some point myself.

~Marie Bush



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