

# CHICAGO SINGLES GOLF

Chicago Chapter - American Singles Golf Association - February 2020

## FEBRUARY 22ND - ZANIE'S COMEDY CLUB



### President's Message

We navigated January without a repeat of last year's polar vortex – hopefully that's a sign of an early spring and more importantly some golf-friendly weather in the near future. In the meantime, clean your clubs, exercise those golf muscles and roll some putts across the carpet.

The World Handicap System (WHS) has replaced the former USGA system as well as the other five systems which were used around the world. The system went live in January and your handicap index at CDGA may have changed slightly even though you didn't post any scores.

A few notable changes include:

- The new system uses 8 of your last 20 scores to compute your index rather than 10 of the last 20
- Your index is updated every day you post a score rather than only twice a month (no more hording scorecards – post right away and recycle)
- The maximum score on a hole is net double bogey rather than the Equitable Stroke Control cap
- The index includes a "Playing Condition Calculation" based on all scores posted at a course that day (wet or windy conditions won't negatively impact your index but will still result in a bad hair day)
- The course handicap will reflect the strokes you get in relation to par rather than the course rating (will defer to Tim, Tom U and the other experts to explain this further)

It's really easy to maintain a handicap and a great way to track your golf progress. Please contact **Tim Dowling** at [timdowling00@gmail.com](mailto:timdowling00@gmail.com) if you need

assistance with your CDGA membership. Check the emails and add your favorite ASGA events to your calendar promptly. Stay warm!!



~Alice Zyks



### Golf Chair Message

Plans are starting to come together for our 2020 golf season. We have our kickoff party scheduled for Saturday, May 9 at Tanna Farms in Geneva. An after party hosted by Cathy Hill and Dave Halper will be held at their place which is 5 minutes from the course. Thanks you two for hosting! Let's keep our fingers crossed the weather cooperates with a dry, warm day. More details will be provided later.

I hope you got your reservation in for our Chicago Chapter trip to Myrtle Beach in April, organized by **Tom Ullsperger**. The deadline to sign up was February 3. If you missed it but want to go, check with him to see if there's any availability to get you added. I got my reservation in, and I'm

## NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

### Upcoming Multi-Chapter Events (see [SinglesGolf.com/events](http://SinglesGolf.com/events))

- **ASGA Cruise — February 22-29, 2020.** Sign-up early to get the best benefits. For more info, go to [www.SinglesGolf.com/cruise](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/cruise)
- **ASGA's Spring Invitational - Do the Charleston!** - Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, SC. March 22-25, 2020. Beautiful historic hotel in the heart of Charleston. Details at [www.SinglesGolf.com/Charleston](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/Charleston)
- **Memorial Day Weekend 2020** — We will be returning to Pinehurst (our home away from home) for a great 3-day golf and social experience. Arrive Thursday, May 21, depart Sunday, May 24. Memorial Day back home! Details forthcoming.
- **ASGA in Europe** — We will do two (2) trips to Europe in 2020. Working on details now. We're looking at visiting Scotland in mid-to-late July, 2020 and then Portugal in mid-to-late September. Stay tuned, information will be out in February.

## LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

### Next Meeting

TBD

### Meeting Location

TBD

**Our Chapter Website:** [www.ASGAChicago.org](http://www.ASGAChicago.org)

**Meetup Website:** <https://www.meetup.com/ASGAChicago/>

*(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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looking forward to a great trip!

Speaking of trips, ASGA National has a cruise to the western Caribbean later this month and a trip to Charleston, SC in March. Don't miss these great opportunities to travel to different places and meet members from other chapters. Check the National website for details.

Watch for info on an outing coordinator's meeting this spring. It will be planned for early April. As always, if there are courses you want to make sure get on the schedule for this season, or ones you know you want to coordinate, please drop me a line. As a reminder, coordinators receive a \$25 ASGA coupon for their efforts, so it's not for nothing!

By the way, I recently received info about a volunteer opportunity with Upper Deck Golf. It's a fundraiser for Stand Up 2 Cancer taking place at Soldier Field on April 10 and 11. They're looking for volunteers to help run the golf experience. In return for your efforts, you get a free pass to play golf at the event, a volunteer tee shirt, and a food and drink voucher. Check this link for more info: <https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/IL/Chicago/UDGChicago>

~Marie Bush, [Shrub8@hotmail.com](mailto:Shrub8@hotmail.com)

**Social Chair Message**



**Comedy Club Night - Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

- Saturday Feb. 22 @ 7 p.m. [Zanie's Comedy Club](#)
- DARRELL HAMMOND of Saturday Night Live fame
- \$30 + minimum purchase of two items from the menu (2 beverages, - soda or alcohol, or 2 food items or one of each)
- ASGA Chicago purchased a limited number of tickets in advance -- First Come/ First Serve. This show will sell out, so don't think about it. Pull the trigger and have some laughs with your ASGA Chicago peeps.
- RSVP to **Kathi Brown** @ [kebartesian@aol.com](mailto:kebartesian@aol.com). Kathi will email confirmation of your RSVP, so if you do not hear back from her check the email address and resend.

**Be There or Be Square people!**

**Send a check for \$30 made out to ASGA**

**to: Kathi Brown  
4512 N. Artesian Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60625**



If you have a newsletter article/notice, please submit it to [clpausic@aol.com](mailto:clpausic@aol.com). Next month please send on by March 5 for March's newsletter.

**Website**

ASGA Chicago website:  
<http://asgachicago.org/>



ASGA calendar:  
<http://asgachicago.org/index.php/events/>

**About Our Members**

(THIS REPORT RAN 02/09/2020)

**Happy Birthday to these members:**

Kathy Braun - 02/17  
Kathleen Burns - 03/07  
Tim Dowling - 02/08  
Douglas MacFarlane - 03/13  
Tom McCarthy - 02/17  
Susanna Menn - 02/20  
Margaret Onken - 02/10  
Tim Ryan - 03/08  
Charles Schmidt - 02/07  
Madelon Silgalis - 03/02  
Jay Thompson - 03/07  
Tom Ullsperger - 02/20

**These members are up for renewal:**

(date shown is last day of membership)

Michael Madden - 02/29/2020  
Margaret Quinn - 02/29/2020

**These members recently renewed:**

Kathleen Gallo  
Sharon Meyer

**These members did not renew their dues:**

(date shown is date membership expired)

Peter Barbera - 01/31/2020  
Ann Engelmann - 12/31/2019  
Sally Gameski - 01/31/2020

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 82 members.**





**Standard Package Includes** (Standard Package is for attendees who wish to have a roommate. Room-by-Myself packages also available. See below. **Note: this is peak season for Charleston**)

- 2 rounds of golf (incl. cart, green fees, taxes, range balls)
- 3 nights lodging at the historic Francis Marion Hotel downtown
- 3 full breakfasts + 3 full dinners

**Add'l. Nights:** Add'l. Nights (Fri. 3/20 - \$339; Sat. 3/21 - \$339; Wed. 3/25 - \$258; Thu. 3/26 - \$258) Rates don't include breakfast but include room tax.

**Opt. Add'l. Golf:** Day-of-Arrival golf March 22 @ Patriots Point Links and Day-of-Departure at Charleston National (see costs below).

Must be a member at time of event to participate. To join or renew your membership, go to [www.SinglesGolf.com/Join](http://www.SinglesGolf.com/Join)

**GOLF:** We'll shotgun start at Dunes West GC at 12:30 on March 23 followed by dinner in the clubhouse. On March 24, we play the Links at Stono Ferry with a 9:28 shotgun. **Scoring:** USGA "Play Own Ball" format; 2 best net balls of foursome. \$25 ASGA prize certificates awarded to winners. Opt. rounds at Patriots Point Links at 11am on 3/22 and Charleston National at 9:28am on 3/25. Range balls included each day except on optional rounds.

**PAYMENT: Payment due when you register.** There is a 25% cancellation fee on or prior to 2/22/20. Absolutely NO refunds after 2/22/20. If your plans change, you can sell your position to another member (\$25 transfer fee). Go to [SinglesGolf.com/events](http://SinglesGolf.com/events) to see our cancellation policy and other terms and conditions. A letter or e-mail confirmation will be sent to you upon receipt of payment. If you do not receive confirmation within 10 days of registering, you must call us at **980-833-6450, M-F, 9am-2pm, eastern time.** See info below regarding travel protection deadline.

NAME SHOWN BELOW IS HOW NAMETAG WILL APPEAR. ONE FORM PER PERSON, PLEASE PRINT.

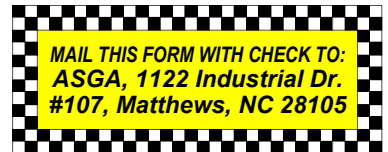
NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) MALE ( ) FEMALE CHAPTER NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap/Avg.Score \_\_\_\_\_

CELL \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ Emerg. Contact (name/phone) \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK APPROPRIATE PACKAGE:** (there is a 3% upcharge on all amounts if using a credit card)

- ( ) \$829.00 — **STANDARD PACKAGE** (you have a roommate or we'll assign same-gendered roommate for you)
- ( ) \$1,259.00 — **ROOM-BY-MYSELF PACKAGE** (incl. everything in St'd. Pkg. except you'll room by yourself)
- ( ) \$89.00 — **OPT. DAY-OF-ARRIVAL GOLF @ Patriots Point Links — 11:00am tee times**
- ( ) \$89.00 — **OPT. DAY-OF-DEPARTURE GOLF @ Charleston National — 9:28am tee times**



My roommate will be \_\_\_\_\_ (We'll assign a same-gendered roommate if you prefer. Please do not list yourself as someone else's roommate without their permission. **IMPORTANT:** If you choose a roommate, we can't hold your room until both parties have paid.) I am requesting a room with ( ) One King Bed ( ) Two Double Beds *Note: Room preferences and hotel are first come, first served. Only the hotel controls the availability of room types. We register you regardless of availability.*

During ( ) One ( ) All golf round(s), please pair me \_\_\_\_\_ (limit 3-person request).

➔ ( ) I have a special dietary need as follows: \_\_\_\_\_ **See event website for how we handle this.**

➔ **By submitting this form, YOU ARE DECLINING** travel protection unless box is checked at right: ( ) I will apply for travel protection *Travel protection (trip insurance) must be purchased within five (5) days of registering. See link at bottom of SinglesGolf.com for rates.*

I AM REMITTING: ( ) I am paying by credit card (3% upcharge) ( ) I am paying by check.\*\*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the package indicated above  
 + \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Add'l. Nights (Fri. 3/20 -\$339; Sat. 3/21 -\$339; Wed. 3/25 -\$258; Thu. 3/26 -\$258) Rates don't include breakfasts but incl. room tax.  
 + \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Opt. Day-of-Arrival golf on Sunday, March 22 at Patriots Point Links — 11:00 tee times — \$89  
 + \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Opt. Day-of-Departure golf on Wednesday, March 25 at Charleston National — 9:28 tee times — \$89  
 + \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for mulligans (put \$10 in this space if you want 3 mulligans for each of first 2 days of golf. Mullies not avail. on optional round.)  
 + \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for FIVE 50/50 Raffle Tickets (put \$20 in this space). Two drawings for 50% of pot each. Rate is \$20 for 4 tickets at event.  
 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL AMOUNT (Check no. \_\_\_\_\_ MAKE CHECK\*\* PAYABLE TO "ASGA, INC." and mail to checkered box above.

**CREDIT CARD USERS: FAX THIS FORM TO 980-225-0231 or Scan & E-Mail to: [Irene@SinglesGolf.com](mailto:Irene@SinglesGolf.com)**

**CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION:** All major cards accepted. I hereby authorize ASGA to charge / debit my account for the "TOTAL AMOUNT" indicated above on this form. I understand there is a 3% processing fee if a credit card is used.

Acc't. No: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTIONS? E-MAIL Event Host TOM ALSOP at [Tom@SinglesGolf.com](mailto:Tom@SinglesGolf.com) or Call 980-833-6450**



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- ◆ Fax This Form to Us
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- ◆ 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: 1-980-833-6450 or FAX COMPLETED FORM TO 1-980-225-0231. 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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 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 observation 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 observation 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 observation 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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- DUES - 24 Months - \$178 (includes free ASGA logo'd shirt - Most Popular!)
- 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please charge my major credit/debit card indicated below:

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_

**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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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