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Chicago Chapter - American Singles Golf Association - June 2021

SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 19 AT COUNTRYSIDE



President's Message COMPETITION

Consciously or unconsciously, we are all competitive. As humans, it is only natural that we identify with things that are bigger and better. However, we also know that smaller, faster and more efficient may win the day. Each choice or preference that we are faced with can be seen as a mini-competition. These decisions are almost always split second, and the choices we make often say a lot about our personalities.

Whether we like it or not, our most obvious competitor is ourselves. Even in doing many of our daily routines, be they at

home or work, we get a certain satisfaction from doing them more swiftly and efficiently. The operative word is MORE. All success we derive from even the smallest task is, in itself, a competitive victory.

As golfers, we are very fortunate to be doing something that we all love. For many, the chance to be outdoors with friends, both current and perhaps new, might be enough to make one's day. However, it is impossible to ignore that we are competing with the course and those partners we are playing with. We all want to play our best golf in front of our peers. It's only natural.

Now for some shameless promotion.....

SIGN UP FOR 2021 CHICAGO CHALLENGE

In the next few days, details for the 18th annual event will be announced. Come out and see how competitive you may actually be. You'll be placed on a

team, have a chance to kick butt, and win bragging rights and a little bit of money. All in a **civilized** and **gracious** way.

~Tom U

Golf Chair Message



Jump into June with ASGA.

Although the early May weather had us cancelling our Old Orchard event, some hardy golfers did manage most of Springbrook. And we had some drizzle at Chevy Chase, but got the round in. **Dave Halper** fared better at Ruffled Feathers with mild weather which the 19 players appreciated. Village Links (**Cathy Hill**-coordinator) and Mt Prospect (**Sharon Meyer**-coordinator) also enjoyed good weather though temp dropped late Sunday afternoon. Thanks to all our coordinators for running these successful events.

Now it's time to fill our June events as weather gets more consistent (does it ever in Chicago area?). Be sure to sign up by 6/11 for Countryside, one of our most popular events. We'll play on both the

NATIONAL EVENT INFORMATION

Events Open to All Members Nationwide



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.)

National Office

Office Hours: 9:00am to 2:00pm, M-F (Eastern)

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Traditional and Prairie courses. Our perennial coordinator, **Jay Thompson**, will be providing his usual fun goodie bags to enjoy during the round. Then we'll meet up for dinner at nearby Mickey Finn's... a favorite 19th hole dining spot.

COMING SOON - watch for details on our annual Chicago ASGA Challenge weekend at George Dunne on July 17-18. **Tom Ullsperger** will be getting details out in June.

PLEASE consider coordinating an event this year (much easier than in past years as all monies are paid directly to the course at the clubhouse). Support your chapter so we can continue to have a robust golf schedule. Contact me if you can help us out... **Susan Herman** (susan_herman@sbcglobal.net) At the moment we are still looking for organizers for the following events:
Saturday, July 31 – Highlands of Elgin
Sunday, Aug 1 - Cantigny

UPCOMING JUNE EVENTS:

Check our website, ASGACHicago.org, for coordinators' links to sign up.

Sat., June 12 **Stonewall Orchard** 12:30 start; \$70 to share; \$55 to walk. Range balls included. Robin Rash, Coordinator

Sun., June 12 **Ravisloe** 1:00 start; \$69 to share; \$76 single; \$51 to walk. Range balls included. Rick Bachman, Coordinator

Sat., June 19 **Countryside** 10:30 start; \$65 to share; \$47 to walk (some single carts available; no upcharge). Goodie bags and range balls included. Jay Thompson, Coordinator

Sun., June 20 (Father's Day) **Prairie Landing** 1:30 start \$75 to Share \$69 Walk Includes range balls. Colleen Nelms, Coordinator

Sat., June 26 **Bolingbrook** 1:00 start; \$69 to share; \$84 single (limited qty); \$55 walking. Includes range balls. Rick Bachman, Coordinator

Sun, June 27 **Arboretum Club** 12:00 start \$52 to share; \$62 single; \$42 walking. No range balls at this course. There is a range nearby: Ballybunion: 4200 IL-83, Long Grove, IL 60047. Susan Herman, Coordinator

Hit 'em straight!

~Susan Herman, susan_herman@sbcglobal.net



Editor's Message

Two important notes:

- Some ASGA emails appear to be getting lost in cyberspace. Please check your spam folder for email blasts regarding upcoming events. The sender is: susanbar10@gmail.com
- Would appreciate newsletter articles be submitted in Word without any formatting.

Thanks!
~Cindy Pausic



At Springbrook thirty-one golfers were unexpectedly delayed an hour by the morning's frost at our first outing of the year. But all passed the time variously drinking, lunching, at the range, practicing putting, having deep intellectual conversations (or maybe not so deep (or intellectual)) or some combination of the above. That just gave more time to solicit participants for the day's closest to the pin contest (and blind draw) which 23 people entered with their \$5 contribution.

We had one new member, **Diane Lizama**, and two guests, Michaelene Nichols and Carol Stewart, among our attendees, all of whom I hear had an enjoyable time (or at least no one told me differently).

The course was fun, but the initially warm and sunny afternoon soon evolved into a cloudy, breezy and decidedly chilly one, testing each golfer's game and choice of clothing for the day, which often failed the test. Thankfully, the contest hole was 13, or I'm sure most would not have visited. As it was, I believe slightly less than half the groups finished a full 18. But warm solace was had (with a beverage or 2) for those hanging around afterwards in the clubhouse, deserted except for our ASGA group and the bartender.

Our par 3 closest winners were **Cathy Hill**, who bested a nice shot from **Linda Ciprella** and **Dave Halper**, who managed to better by half the 12-foot effort from **Wayne Thompson**. When the blind draw came, a certain karma ended up rewarding Wayne Thompson's loss to Dave on the distance scale with some beer money, proving himself again the luckiest man he knows. Though chilly, we had fun and it

was a great day to renew friendships for the start of the season. Thanks to all who participated.

Coordinator: *Greg Mieczynski*



Sixteen players enjoyed Chevy Chase on May 15.

The drizzle stopped after the first few holes and while it may not have been especially warm and sunny, we enjoyed the game and each other's company. We welcomed new members, **Karol Stirneman** and **Gary Viverito**. All par 3s were contest holes (unisex). The winners were **Tom Golbach** (#6), **Cindy Pausic** and **Karol Stirneman** (tie - #9), **Tom Schweihs** (#13), and **Kurt Kupitz** (#16). Kurt also got a birdie on one hole. Most of us stayed to enjoy a beverage in the clubhouse after golf.

Coordinator: *Cindy Pausic*



On May 16, nineteen of ASGA's finest enjoyed a beautiful spring day at Ruffled

Feathers in Lemont. Moderate temperatures and low winds made for ideal course conditions and at least a few players took advantage to get a birdie. **Rick Seaberg** took extra advantage to get 3 birdies!

Afterwards about half the participants enjoyed a beverage and/or light meal on the patio with lively conversation and much good-natured ribbing.

Coordinator: *Dave Halper*



On Sunday, May 23rd, 23 ASGA golfers took on the course at Mt. Prospect Golf Club.

It was a warm and overcast day, but we got in the round as well as drinks after golf before the storm rolled in on Sunday night.

Birdies were few and far between, but I heard **Kurt Kupitz** had a couple as well as I witnessed **Tom Schweihs** make one after a near hole in one on par 3 hole number 7. Three of us were close to the pin on the hole, but only one made birdie! The greens are always challenging at Mt. Prospect, and particularly so when the ground is hard and dry as it was on Sunday.

Three trial members joined us for the outing (Jane, Kathy, and Eric) and hopefully they will become members of the ASGA Chicago Chapter. We also got to say goodbye to **Kathy Hendrickson** who golfed with the group one more time prior to

her move to Florida.

The course provided ASGA with four 9-hole rainchecks with carts that were raffled off since contest holes are not as yet allowed on the course. The lucky winners: **Kathi Brown**, **Cindy Pausic** (Cindy won last year too), and trial members Jane Murphy and Eric Rustomji.

Thank you to **Rob Lewandowski** for providing a few photos and to everyone who participated. Looking forward to more fun outings with ASGA!

Coordinator: *Sharon Meyer*



Kurt, Kathy, Cindy, and Gary: A Fearsome Foursome!



Hole #7, par 3. Three balls close to the pin, but only one made birdie!



Rob prepares to hit 300-yard drive. Watch out Bryson DeChambeau!



On May 30 a fair challenge for any skill level, White Deer Run Golf Club tested all of us—

some more than others! Regardless of how well people played, it was a great day for golf with partly sunny skies and temperatures around 70 degrees. Coordinator **Marie DiVirgilio** ran a contest. Sixteen of our 20 players paid \$5.00 to get into the contest giving us an \$80.00 pot to be split by the male and female golfer closest to the pin on #8. Missing the cup by about 3 feet, **Rick Seaberg** won for men. No women hit the green, so the names of all women who entered the contest were put into a hat. "Honest Abe" **Kurt Kupitz** pulled the lucky winner—**Colleen Nelms**. Since you had to be present to win, we had a good après golf turnout at the Lake Charles Grill overlooking the 18th hole.

Coordinator: *Marie DiVirgilio*





Torrential downpours on Friday that lasted into the evening hours made the prospect of playing golf Saturday, May 29, at Water's Edge look pretty grim. However, as the new day dawned, coordinator **Colleen** provided the following forecast...

I can see clearly now the rain is gone. I can see all the water and bunkers in my way.

Gone are the dark clouds that had me wondering if there was going to be golf today.


It's gonna be a bright (bright) Bright (bright) sunshiny GOLFING day!


After receiving such a bright forecast, 15 golfers gathered up their scuba gear & clubs and made their way to the course. Cart riders were restricted to cart path only and MOST adhered to the restriction... short of a certain rebel named **Barry**. Overall, the course was in good condition. **Colleen** held a proximity contest which


nobody won...maybe because it was on the TOUGHEST par 3 on the course. Thirteen golfers stayed for post-round eats, drinks, and golf tales. Because nobody won the proximity contest, **Colleen** held a drawing. And the winners were, drum roll please... **Kurt Kupitz**...\$10; **Barry** (I don't need to comply with cart path restrictions) **Matthews**...\$10; **Tracy Rae Crow**...\$10; **Michaelene Nichols**...\$10; and **Catherine Dudley**...\$5.

Several of us stayed so long that the staff asked us to turn out the lights as we left. What can we say...good food, good drinks, and especially good friends!

*Reported by Rick Bachman.
Coordinator: Colleen Nelms*

 If you have a newsletter article/notice, please submit it to clpausic@aol.com. Next month please send on by July 5 for July's newsletter.

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

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

About Our Members (THIS REPORT RAN 06/09/2021)

Happy Birthday to these members:

- Richard Bachman - 06/12
- Susan Barton - 06/04
- Karen Boguslawski - 06/15
- Sherry Brandys - 06/21
- Christine Coyne - 06/07
- Marie Di Virgilio - 06/24
- Joanne Jacobs - 06/04
- Vijay Kumar - 06/12
- Diane Meister - 07/01
- Greg Mieczynski - 07/02
- Cynthia Pausic - 06/20

These members are up for renewal: (date shown is last day of membership)

- Bill Erickson - 06/30/2021
- David Halper - 06/30/2021
- Matthew Kogan - 06/30/2021
- Robert Lewandowski - 06/30/2021

Welcome newest members:

- Vijay Kumar - Joined 04/09/2021
- Ronna Leibach - Joined 04/23/2021
- Jane Murphy - Joined 05/26/2021
- Michaelene Nichols - Joined 05/12/2021
- Eruch Rustomji - Joined 05/28/2021
- Carol Stewart - Joined 05/11/2021

These members recently renewed:

- Susan Barton
- Linda Blinks
- Ray Kalal
- Barry Mathews
- Diane Meister
- Carol Reichart
- Jay Thompson
- Ruth Wiechmann Browne
- Eileen Zittnan

These members did not renew their dues:

- (date shown is date membership expired)
- Peggy Beaver - 04/30/2021
- Kathy Braun - 05/31/2021
- Donald Hanson - 04/30/2021
- Margaret Onken - 05/31/2021

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 86 members.



**HELP GROW
OUR CHAPTER!**

**New Members Are
Our Lifeblood.**

**Please print-out the
"Single? Play Golf?"
sign and post it where
our future members
will see it.**

**Sign is on the last page of this
newsletter and remember to
cut the tabs at the bottom.**

**(Try to post one sign each month
and use bright yellow or colored
paper if you have it.)**

Your chapter newsletter follows after the following pages . . .

ASGA Annual Dues are \$89.00. 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 Chicago 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!



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IN ADDITION, WE CAN SEND YOU FREE BUSINESS CARDS!

As you have seen from the previous two 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!

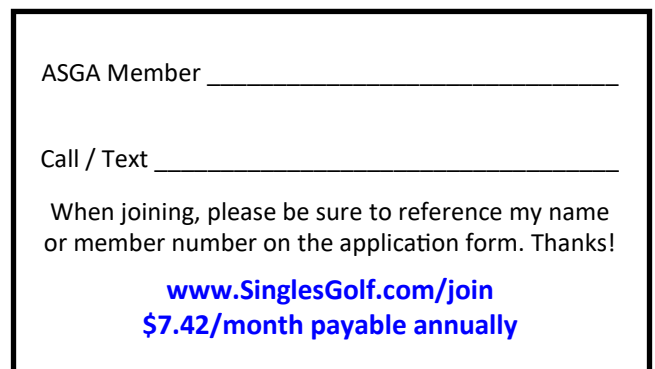
Below shows how your business card appears. They don't come to you automatically, you'll have to order them. E-mail Irene@SinglesGolf or call 980-833-6450 (9am—1:30pm, Mon-Fri, Eastern) for your free 25 cards.

**- - Tom Alsop
President and Founder
American Singles Golf Association**

25 Business Cards Will Be Mailed to You Upon Request!



Front side of business card



Back side of business card

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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- ◆ 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
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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: **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 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

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 observance 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 observance 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 observance 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.

* **OPT-OUT CLAUSE:** I understand that I may, at any time, request any information on me not to be reprinted, reproduced or distributed, such as home phone, address, etc. in or on any newsletter, roster, website, etc. Such request to be noted below in "Notes by Applicant" section or emailed to info@SinglesGolf.com. ASGA may not be held liable for inadvertent publishing of opt-out information.

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AGREEMENT TO POLICIES OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION (ASGA) AND LOCAL CHAPTER: By submitting this form and payment, I agree to abide by the "ASGA Policies" as outlined in the Policy section of www.SinglesGolf.com/policy as well as ASGA bylaws (www.SinglesGolf.com/bylaws) and my local chapter's bylaws and policies as currently in effect.

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