

CHICAGO SINGLES GOLF

Chicago Chapter - American Singles Golf Association - June 2025

FUN - FELLOWSHIP - FAIRWAYS

Mount Prospect Recap

Eleven golfers enjoyed the breezy day and oh-so-easy greens at Mount Prospect Golf Course on Saturday, May 17. **Alice Zyks** won two of the three putting contests and **Kurt Kupitz** won the third putting contest. So, both Alice and Kurt received a rain check for 18 holes with cart generously provided by the course. Since no one can receive more than one, we drew names and **Linda Floyd** was the lucky winner of the third rain check. Almost all of us then shared golf stories over dinner and drinks at The Grill at the course.

~Coordinator: **Cindy Pausic**



About Our Members

(THIS REPORT RAN 05/30/2025)

Happy Birthday to these members:

- Thomas Barcelona - 07/06
- Marie Di Virgilio - 06/24
- Jonathan Jacob - 07/07
- Patti Kalal - 07/07
- 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)
- Chris Dillman - 06/30/2025
 - Andrea Donovan - 06/30/2025
 - David Halper - 06/30/2025
 - Laura Jolcover - 06/30/2025
 - Matthew Kogan - 06/30/2025
 - Robert Lewandowski - 06/30/2025
 - Minh Luu - 06/30/2025
 - Diane Perini - 06/30/2025
 - Sheila Ramacci - 06/30/2025
 - J. Wayne Thompson - 06/30/2025

Welcome newest members:

Bonita Cailliau - Joined 04/12/2025

These members recently renewed:

- Linda Blinks
- Linda Ciprella
- Patti Kalal

These members did not renew their membership:

(date shown is date membership expired)

- Carol Browne - 04/30/2025
- Ronna Leibach - 04/30/2025
- Lisa McGuirt - 04/30/2025
- Peggy Sodini - 04/30/2025
- Jay Thompson - 04/30/2025

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 63 members.

NATIONAL EVENT INFORMATION

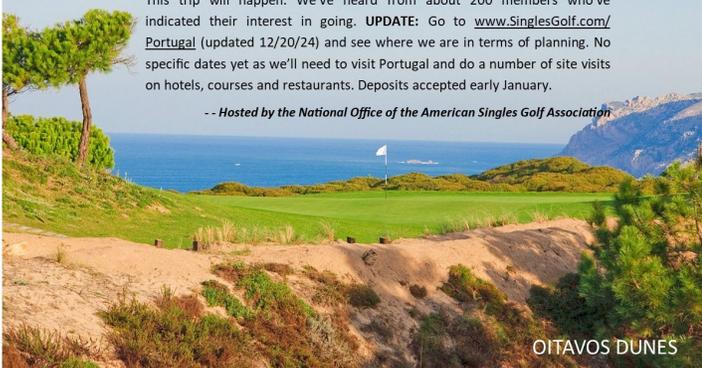
Events Open to All Members Nationwide

We're Going to Portugal!

Tentative Time Period: September, 2025

This trip will happen. We've heard from about 200 members who've indicated their interest in going. **UPDATE:** Go to www.SinglesGolf.com/Portugal (updated 12/20/24) and see where we are in terms of planning. No specific dates yet as we'll need to visit Portugal and do a number of site visits on hotels, courses and restaurants. Deposits accepted early January.

-- Hosted by the National Office of the American Singles Golf Association



LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Next Meeting

TBD

Meeting Location

TBD

Our Chapter Website: www.ASGAChicago.org

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

(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

Go to www.SinglesGolf.com/MyAccount to make changes to your address, phone, etc. To join or renew your dues, go to

www.SinglesGolf.com/join

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Rules of Golf Review: What happens if you break two rules before hitting your next shot?

By Ron Kaspriske, *GolfDigest.com*

Oh, man. It's bad enough that you didn't realize you just dropped closer to the hole after taking relief from a sprinkler head, but then you double-downed by fixing a raised divot on your line of play from the fringe.

As you chip the ball onto the green, someone with a decent understanding of the rules might recognize that you just committed *two* penalties. But how do you proceed?

Let's get into this. When you dropped closer to the hole, you violated [Rule 14.7](#) (playing from the wrong place) and should be assessed the general penalty. That means in match play, you'd lose the hole. In stroke play, it's two shots added to your scorecard.

OK, so if you're playing a match, you're done. Doesn't matter what you did next. You've already lost the hole. In stroke play, however, you're still playing, so let's continue to examine this situation as if you weren't in a match.

When you walked up to a raised piece of grass caused by someone ahead of you chunking the turf and repaired it, you were in violation of [Rule 8.1a](#) (taking an action that improves conditions affecting the stroke). If you've got a divot hole on your line of play in the general area of the course, leave it be. Same with loose impediments. If moving one improves your line of play, it's a penalty.

The penalty for violating Rule 8.1 is either loss of hole—again, it wouldn't matter in match play since you've already lost the hole—or two strokes. You might think that means you get hit with a two-shot penalty for playing from the wrong place and another two for hitting a chip shot after tapping down the raised turf. Four extra strokes? Is that right?

Luckily for you, no. [Rule 1.3c](#) covers this and goes on to clarify what happens in general when a player breaches a rule and then breaches another rule before the next stroke, like you did when you hit a chip shot after dropping in the wrong place and then tapping down on the bruised grass.

The *Rules of Golf* explains that because **there was no intervening event between dropping in the wrong place and then tapping down the divot, the player gets only one general penalty of two strokes**. To be clear, for the purpose of applying this rule, an "intervening event" means either the completion of a stroke or being aware or becoming aware of a breach of a rule (this includes when a player knows they breached a rule, when the player is told of a breach, or when the player is uncertain whether or not they have breached a rule). If either intervening event happened between the two acts that are penalties, then both penalties apply. Incidentally, if you hadn't committed the second penalty and only accidentally played from the wrong place, the procedure for finishing the hole is to continue with the ball that you hit from the incorrect spot. Then add a two-stroke penalty to your score.

It could be a "serious breach" if playing from the wrong place gave you a significant advantage. In which case you'd have to correct the error by going back and playing from the correct position before starting the next hole or you could be disqualified. But in most cases, playing from the wrong place is loss of hole or a two-shot penalty in stroke play.

Your chapter newsletter follows after the following pages . . .

ASGA Annual Dues are \$99.00. Do you want LOWER DUES?

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE ONE YEAR OF FREE DUES?

You likely joined the American Singles Golf Association because you wanted to meet more singles and play more golf. We can't help you with your golf swing, however, we're on a mission to grow your chapter's membership. ***Golf season is upon us . . . are you onboard to grow your chapter or are you satisfied with your current membership level?***

Here's the plan:

- 1) on the following page, you'll see a revised "***Single? Play Golf?***" sign. It now has five (5) tear-off tabs instead of eight (8).
- 2) You write-in your identification (either your member number or first initial + last name) on each of the tabs. Use scissors to cut the tabs apart.
- 3) You print as many signs as you wish, keep them in the front seat of your car along with some push pins and post them ***anywhere you're permitted*** to post, e.g. golf shop bulletin boards, golf shop restrooms, driving ranges, stores, etc. ***If you would like ASGA National to print five (5) yellow signs for you, please let us know by emailing Irene@SinglesGolf.com or calling 980-833-6450 from 9am-1:45pm, M-F, Eastern.***
- 4) For every three (3) people who join using your name or ID on the yellow sign, you'll receive 12-months of ASGA membership. Note: your name or member number, as the referrer, must be submitted **with** the new member's application. No exceptions. No retroactivity. Please do not add your own name to an application form. It must be completed only the by the member currently joining and completing the application.
- 5) New members can join over the phone, at our website (SinglesGolf.com/join), fax, etc., however, **they MUST use your member number or name at the time of joining as the person who referred the new member. Again, no exceptions to this policy.**
- 6) ASGA National will keep track of how many new members you get credit for and will automatically add 12-months to your membership. Please, no slanting of these rules

**Be a Hero in Your Chapter.
Get the signs printed and get them hanging!
*(and remind others to participate)***

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!



TEAR OFF A TAB BELOW

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IN ADDITION, WE CAN SEND YOU FREE BUSINESS CARDS!

As you have seen from the previous two (2) pages of this newsletter, ASGA National is committed to seeing your chapter grow. We believe by asking each individual member for help, your chapter will grow its membership.

Besides using just the yellow signs to gain more members in your local chapter, **upon request** we will also provide you with ASGA business cards as shown below. More can be sent to you if needed, but we'll start out by sending you 25 business cards that you can give to anyone you believe might be a potential member. Are you out and about and see someone wearing a golf shirt or hat? **Start a conversation:** tell them you're a part of a local club for singles who play golf and simply ask "**are you single?**" Even if they aren't, chances are they know a golfer who is. Give them a card that's pre-filled with you name (or member #) and contact info.

Remember, you get free dues for referring 3 new folks who join!

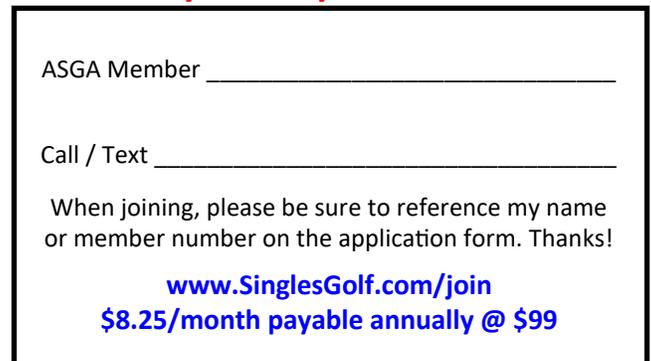
Below shows how your business card appears. They don't come to you automatically, you'll have to order them. E-mail Irene@SinglesGolf or call 980-833-6450 (9am—1:30pm, Mon-Fri, Eastern) for your free 25 cards.

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

25 Business Cards Will Be Mailed to You Upon Request!



Front side of business card



Back side of business card



GET READY TO TEE OFF

FOR MORE FUN - FELLOWSHIP - FAIRWAYS!

4 WAYS TO JOIN / PAY

- ◆ Call / Zelle: 1-980-833-6450
- ◆ Fax This Form to Us
- ◆ Email/Mail This Form To Us
- ◆ Online (SinglesGolf.com/join)

APPLICATION TO JOIN ASGA RENEW MY MEMBERSHIP

Note: Meeting locations may vary. Upon joining, you will receive a monthly newsletter telling you about monthly meetings, outings, etc. If you have any questions, contact your local chapter leader or call 1-888-GOLFMATE or 980-833-6450. **Please complete information box at right.** _____

MONTH & DAY BORN _____
YOUR USGA HANDICAP® _____ or
AVERAGE GOLF SCORE _____

Dues are **\$99.00** for 12 months) or **\$198.00 for 24 months** (includes free ASGA logo'd shirt when joining for two years!). Best rate per year is **\$297** with our "buy 3 years, get 4th free + shirt" plan. Credit card users: JOIN BY PHONE: **980-833-6450** or FAX COMPLETED FORM to **980-225-0231**. Your membership kit will be mailed upon receipt of payment. **Free shipping if ASGA shirt is ordered with this application.**

PRINT CLEARLY - THE INFO BELOW SHOWS HOW IT WILL APPEAR ON YOUR CHAPTER'S ROSTER. (SEE OPT-OUT CLAUSE BELOW)**

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

NAME _____ E-MAIL ADDR: _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

HOME (_____) _____ WORK/CELL (_____) _____ EMPL. BY _____

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

NOTE: ASGA DOES NOT CONDUCT BACKGROUND CHECKS ON APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP NOR MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION. Golf can be a dangerous sport. Accidents can occur by you or another party striking a golf ball, by a golf cart turning over, or simply falling down steps. PLEASE TAKE ADEQUATE PRECAUTION when playing in ASGA events. Chapters and individuals running golf tournaments are not professionals but are volunteers, and therefore, you must assume additional responsibility for your own safety. Please abide by the safety rules posted inside your golf cart, at the golf course, as well as the official website of the United States Golf Association (www.USGA.org). If you have a safety concern, you must immediately bring it to the attention of the person(s) running an event, your chapter president or golf course management personnel.

NOTICE - View these terms online at www.SinglesGolf.com/Legal-Stuff

ASGA does not conduct background checks on applicants for membership or current members.

Golf Safety Warning: Golf can be a hazardous sport. Accidents may occur, including being struck by a golf ball, golf cart accidents, or falls. Please exercise caution when participating in ASGA events. Chapters and individuals organizing events are volunteers, not professionals. You are responsible for your own safety. Follow all posted safety rules, including those on the golf cart, at the golf course, and as outlined by the United States Golf Association (www.USGA.org). If you have a safety concern, promptly inform event organizers, your chapter president, or golf course management personnel.

RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK - By participating in activities organized or sponsored by ASGA, Inc. (d/b/a American Singles Golf Association), its chapters, or affiliates in the United States and Canada, you agree to the following:

- **Release of Liability:** You, the undersigned ("Releasor"), on behalf of yourself, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives, release and indemnify ASGA, its directors, officers, employees, agents, affiliates ("Releasees"), from all claims, including those related to personal injury, death, property loss, or damage. This release applies to both known and unknown claims, except in cases of gross or willful negligence.
- **Assumption of Risk:** You acknowledge that golf and related activities inherently involve risks, including health-related risks. By participating, you voluntarily accept these risks, including potential injury, death, and property damage.
- **Legal Consequences:** You confirm you have read this release, understand its implications, and agree that it will be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by your state of residence. If any portion of this release is deemed invalid, the remainder will remain in effect.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS - Membership in ASGA is effective upon receipt of dues and remains valid for the selected membership period, subject to these terms:

- **Eligibility:** You must be 21 or older and single (defined as never married, divorced, legally separated, or widowed); and by joining, you accept the terms of the Release from Liability and Assumption of Risk above.
- **Non-Refundable Dues:** Membership dues are non-refundable and subject to change.
- **Use of Information:** Membership lists, emails, and other provided data are ASGA property and are for ASGA purposes only. Your information may be shared with other members and on www.SinglesGolf.com, unless you request otherwise.
- **Opt-Out Clause:** You may opt out of sharing specific personal information by emailing to info@SinglesGolf.com the information you wish to have excluded from your chapter roster. ASGA is not liable for inadvertent publication of opt-out information.

PRIVACY POLICY - See www.SinglesGolf.com/privacy for details.

DISPUTES - All disputes concerning membership terms or conditions are governed by the laws of North Carolina. Legal proceedings must be filed in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

AGREEMENT TO POLICIES - By submitting this application and payment, you agree to abide by ASGA's national and local chapter policies and bylaws, as outlined at: www.SinglesGolf.com/policy and www.SinglesGolf.com/bylaws, as well as at local chapter websites or newsletters.

JOIN FOR 2 YEARS - GET A FREE GOLF SHIRT!

JOIN FOR 3 YEARS - GET 4TH YEAR + SHIRT FREE!

* **Note:** Credit/Debit cards carry a 3% processing fee. Zelle now accepted, no fee.

- DUES - 24 Months - \$198** (includes free ASGA logo'd shirt - Most Popular!)
- DUES** (Join for 3 years, 4th year free - \$297 (incl. free shirt - best value)
- DUES - 12 Months + ASGA logo'd golf shirt - \$129** (includes shipping)
- DUES - 12 Months - \$99**

If a shirt is included, indicate () Male () Female Size: _____

REFERRED BY: _____

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

* **Please charge my major credit/debit card indicated below:**

No. _____ Exp. _____ 3/4 digit _____

SIGNATURE REQUIRED! By signing below, I agree to the Terms, Condition and Release ("Legal Stuff") as set forth at left and, if appropriate, authorize payment by my credit/debit card shown above.

Signature **X** _____ Date _____

Pay by Credit Card: Call 980-833-6450 9-2 Eastern Time, M-F
To Pay by ZELLE (no fee), use Zelle ID: 980-833-6450
Or Fax App Form to: 980-225-0231 or Scan & Email to Info@SinglesGolf.com

Or mail application to ASGA, P. O. Box 848, Pineville, NC 28134

** There is a \$25 charge for any check returned from your bank.

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