

TAMPA BAY SINGLES GOLF

Tampa Bay Chapter- American Singles Golf Association — January 2011

From the President



WELCOME TO 2011!!!

The beginning of a new year always causes us to pause, reflect on the past, and set goals for the coming year. In reflecting on 2010, I'd say we had a very good year. We planned a variety of golf outings and social activities that involved good solid teamwork from our members and board. The member participation and camaraderie among all is a testament to how fantastic our group is. I feel very honored to have you chose and elect me as president and I look forward to a super-charged 2011 year filled with golf and fun.

We ended the 2010 year with our annual Christmas Party at East Lake Woodlands Country Club and special thanks go to Jean Trunks, Midge Orris, and Anne Phillips for making all of the arrangements. The food and entertainment was enjoyed by all.

Now looking forward to the 2011 year, our primary goal is to increase our membership, and the wheels are already turning! Rob Brauns is working on getting new ASGA "business cards" to hand out to prospective members. These cards

will contain all the up-to-date information about our chapter. We're also checking into putting ads in the newspaper to promote our club. The golf committee is working with Paradise Golf on an exciting lineup of golf courses to play. Betsy Schwartz has started and is managing our MeetUp.Com website. And National ASGA has a few tricks up their sleeves as well. One being is that they're offering three months free membership until the end of March to any new member. The details of this offer can be found on their website under <http://www.SinglesGolf.com/FreeUntilMarch31>. Check it out and tell your friends about it.

We're just getting started so stay tuned!!

I'm excited about all of the talent and professionalism we have on the new board and grateful for everyone's support. With all the energy and enthusiasm I'm seeing, we're bound to have a successful year of Fun, Fellowship, and Fairways.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Linda Floyd

From the Vice President

I'd like to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve as your Vice President. I look forward to working with President Linda Floyd on our new agenda. My particular focus for the coming year will be building membership. I see our membership dropping. I want to stop that downward trend with an upward trend of adding new members. I've contacted a printer in Tampa to rework our outdated business cards with a fresh, attention-getting design. I will have a sample proof for board approval at our January meeting. I look forward to working with Bill Ketchersid, our Web Coordinator, on an Internet project--creating Internet links to Tampa ASGA. The connections we make from that will be instrumental in bringing in new members as well. I have been in contact with the committees, and we are excited about new ideas and the direction we are heading.

Rob Brauns

NATIONAL OFFICE INFORMATION

Upcoming Events Include (see SinglesGolf.com/events)

Wilmington's Beach Blast - Dates: April 1-3, 2011.

Details at www.SinglesGolf.com/WilmingtonBeachBlast

Memorial Day Weekend Reunion - Details TBA.

Dates: May 26-29, 2011.

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

National Office: 704-889-4600 or 1-888-GOLFMATE

LOCAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Regular Meeting Date: Second Tuesday of the Month

Next Monthly Meeting: January 11, 2011

Meeting Location: **Crabby Bill's (new location)**

7700 W. Courtney Campbell Causeway

Happy Hour: 6 p.m. Meeting: 7 p.m.

www.tampabaysinglesgolf.com

See next page for list of officers and board members. To join, renew dues, make a change of address, phone, etc., call National Hotline at left or go to www.SinglesGolf.com/join

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When	What	Where
Sunday, Jan. 9th	Club Championship (rescheduled) 12:30 PM	Fox Hollow Golf Course 10050 Robert Trent Jones Park- way • New Port Richey, FL 34655 727-376-6333
Sunday, Jan. 23rd	Golf Outing 1:00 PM Shamble	East Lake Woodlands CC Oldsmar, Florida 727-784-7270

Golf Committee

NOTICE:

Our club championship, scheduled for December 12, 2010 at Fox Hollow Golf Course was postponed due to rain. We will return to Fox Hollow January 9th, to play for the championship, at 12:30 pm. All ASGAers are welcome to attend; however, only those with a registered handicap will be eligible to compete for the trophies. The cost is \$35 per person, and does not include food.

If you paid to play on December 12th, your payment has been credited toward the January 9th game. If you were not registered for December and wish to play January 9th, please register on our ASGA website or submit the registration form attached to the newsletter.

JANUARY 2011 Formal Golf Outing.

Hello fellow golfers. The First official outing of the 2011 season will be at East Lake Woodlands on January 23 with a shotgun start at 1:00pm. Cost is \$45 and does NOT include a meal. Restaurant recommendations will be available on the day of play. Prizes will be awarded for closest to the pin. Please arrive by 12:30pm. Pace of play at this time of the year is very important as the days are significantly shorter. With a 1:00pm start we will have to hustle to complete play. So please pick up your ball after you have exceeded par plus two strokes. You may use Pay Pal on line at www.TampaBaySinglesGof.com; send a check to Edie Senensky at 351 Steeplechase Ln, Palm Harbor, FL 34684; or pay at the ASGA meeting on Jan 11. Cut off time for signing up will be Thursday Jan 20. Looking forward to seeing you at East Lake Woodlands!

Social Committee

February is our annual Superbowl event on Sunday, February 6th. For those who want to golf prior to the game we have tee times starting at 11:30 am at Clearwater Golf Club, (formerly Clearwater Country Club), 525 North Betty Lane, Clearwater (727-446-2240) for \$36 plus tax.

The Superbowl party is immediately following golf at Cove Cay Village I clubhouse. Cove Cay community is located at 17625 US 19 North, Clearwater, and the Village I Clubhouse is at 1900 Cove Cay Drive. Cove Cay is a gated community and guests will have to stop at the guard gate to get a pass. The guard should be able to direct guests to the Village I clubhouse, which is past the community clubhouse. Bring a dish to pass and you must bring your own beverage.

Also, I'd like to put out a feeler for any member that has any ideas for a social outing for this year to contact me at: dragonsandgolf@tampabay.rr.com
Sharon Leavitt, Social Committee Chair

NOTE: The wine tasting event scheduled for January 15th has attained the maximum attendees. Any member responding to the Evite at this point will be on a wait list.

2010 Holiday Party Festivities at Eastlake Woodlands Country Club



The Toys for Tots drive was very successful!!



After dinner partygoers took to the dance floor!



Fellowship and Fun!!



IT'S TIME FOR



**FSGA GHIN Handicap Renewal
Just \$15 for the entire year.
Renewal is quick and easy using the
attached registration form.**

About Our Members

Happy Birthday to these members:

Katherine Anderoos - 01/18
Vicki Berkus - 01/30
Robert Carroll - 01/05
Kathleen Critchett - 02/06
Sam Davis - 01/01
Janis Gibson - 01/21
Donna Hall - 02/08
Bill Ketchersid - 01/03
Carol Klay - 01/01
Ken Polkoszek - 01/21
Elisabeth Schwartz - 02/10
Joseph Warr - 01/04
Gary Wenner - 01/24
Brenda Worzel - 01/18

These members are up for renewal:

(date shown is last day of membership)
Al Begin - 01/31/2011
William Boyd - 01/31/2011
Ellie Cody - 01/31/2011
Lon Compton - 01/31/2011
Don Davis - 01/31/2011

Donna Douglass - 01/31/2011
Richard Howard - 01/31/2011
Elizabeth Kaplon - 01/31/2011
Ray Marcos - 01/31/2011
Pamela Mott - 01/31/2011
Bill Pritchard - 01/31/2011
Allen Richards - 01/31/2011
Jane Schulz - 01/31/2011
Elisabeth Schwartz - 01/31/2011

Welcome newest members:

Randy Baron - Joined 11/16/2010
Janet Ann Mangham - Joined 12/06/2010
Kerry Pomroy - Joined 11/29/2010

These members did not renew their dues:

(date shown is date membership expired)
Jim Gammons - 12/31/2010
Walter Glaze - 12/31/2010
Sandy Lindberg - 11/30/2010
Janice Murphy - 12/31/2010
Barbara Painter - 11/30/2010
Nick Rose - 11/30/2010

Our chapter currently has 113 members.



ASGA TAMPA BAY CHAPTER 2011 EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

351 Steeplechase Lane, Palm Harbor, FL 34684
 EMAIL: ediesen@aol.com Phone # 727-787-9688 Cell 727-515-8356

NAME: _____

TELEPHONE #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Please check if new address phone or email and **notify ASGA National** to process changes

HANDICAP or AVERAGE SCORE: _____ (MUST INCLUDE HANDICAP OR AVERAGE SCORE)

MEMBER NON-MEMBER (Check one)

REFUND POLICY: DEADLINE FOR CANCELLING AN EVENT REGISTRATION IS 2 DAYS (48 HOURS) PRIOR TO THE EVENT. TO CANCEL, MEMBERS MUST CONTACT THE TREASURER. WHEN CONCERNED ABOUT WEATHER CONDITIONS ON THE DAY OF OUTINGS, MEMBERS MUST CALL THE GOLF COURSE TO FIND OUT IF IT IS OPEN FOR PLAY. IF OPEN, WE WILL PLAY. REFUND FOR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS WHICH OCCUR AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE TREASURER ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS.

ADDITIONALLY, FOR ANYONE NOT PAYING IN ADVANCE, A \$10.00 CHARGE WILL BE ADDED TO THE COST OF A MAJOR EVENT (GOLF OUTINGS, CHRISTMAS PARTY, ETC...).

DATE	EVENT	CLOSED DATE	MEMBER COST	NON-MEMBER COST & AFTER CLOSED DATE	AMOUNT DUE
Sunday, January 23 rd 1:00 PM Shamble	Eastlake Woodlands CC 1055 Eastlake Woodland Pkwy Oldsmar, FL 34677	01/19/11	\$45.00	\$55.00	
	FSGA GHIN Handicap Renewal	01/18/11	\$15.00 for year 2011		

CASH: _____ CHECK#: _____ DATE RECEIVED BY ASGA: _____

By submitting this registration form to attend an event which is sponsored by the Tampa Bay Chapter of the American Singles Golf Association, Inc. (ASGA), the above-named person understands that he/she participates at his/her own risk and assumes responsibility for damages, loss or injuries that result from direct or indirect participation in ASGA or this event. Furthermore, participants understand that there are certain inherent dangers associated with the sport of golf and/or this particular event, including, but not limited to, driving or riding as a passenger in an automobile to and from this event, being injured in play.

ASGA NATIONAL NEWS

AMERICAN SINGLES GOLF ASSOCIATION — JANUARY, 2011

Welcome New Leaders!

Just as we turn the corner on the new year, we also turn the corner with new leadership in each of our seventy chapters nationwide. New leaders bring new ideas. Last year's chapter presidents become Board chairpersons and offer continuity to the leadership, but it's the new president that emerges as the team leader. This is our annual ritual and somehow it works.

It's been said that the greatest thing about being a chapter president is that one day you get to become a past president. Those who have served in that capacity this past year deserve your thanks. And we at the national headquarters thank them as well. With or without your knowledge, chapter presidents are in contact with the national office many times throughout the year, looking after your concerns.

The Number One job for a chapter president is to delegate. Delegate to the four key people you know as committee chairs. Your chapter should have by now your four key committees organized for 2011: golf, social, membership and communication. Those committees do the detail work on the activities your chapter will be involved in over the next year. Committees are a great place to start if you want to volunteer for your chapter.

So we welcome the new chapter presidents, officers and committee members. Make the best of your year. Realize the potential of what your local chapter can mean to *you*. We're all about bringing happiness to your life, so just continue to remember the first word in our three-word slogan we adopted 15 years ago . . . fun, fellowship, fairways . . . and all we ask is that you **keep it fun first!**

Keys to a Great Year Ahead

No doubt, everyone has their mental list of "what works" and "what doesn't". Here's our Top 10 Recommendations for new leaders:

- ◆ Regarding your monthly membership meetings, remember the three E's: make them Entertaining, Educational and Enlightening
- ◆ Encourage every member to invite a guest to each meeting. That automatically doubles the attendance.
- ◆ Most guests don't join because they are *never asked to join*.
- ◆ New members have their own circle of friends who will join as well.
- ◆ Display the free brochure stands at golf courses. They work!
- ◆ Remember to work as a team. You're not going to win every battle. Always keep the interest of the chapter as your priority.
- ◆ Follow your bylaws, they provide chapter structure. They're at www.SinglesGolf.com/bylaws - - and make a great read!
- ◆ Submit guest names at www.SinglesGolf.com/addguest Doing this will put that guest on your chapter's mailing list.
- ◆ Encourage attendance at multi-chapter events in order to get the full experience of ASGA from members across the country.
- ◆ Read newsletters from other chapters (posted on the national website under "List of Chapters") to get additional ideas that work!

Who's Your ~~Daddy~~ New Chapter President?

Please make sure SOMEONE in your chapter has notified ASGA National of the name of your new chapter president and other board members. We need this information for the 2011 newsletters. Of utmost importance is who your treasurer will be so we can issue the chapter portion of the dues to the right person. You can e-mail this information to our office manager, **Irene Matthews** at ASGANational@aol.com if not done so already.

Newsletters Going Green: You Must Act Now!

For about 18 years now, the national office has been printing newsletters for local chapters and mailing them via "snail mail." However, for the past two years, we've worked out the kinks on getting your newsletter to you via e-mail. Advantage: you get your newsletter 3-6 days earlier than through snail mail. Therefore, effective with the March, 2011 newsletters, every member who has an e-mail address on file with the national office will be sent an electronic newsletter UNLESS you OPT-IN for a printed newsletter. Members joining or renewing after January 1, 2011 will automatically receive e-newsletters unless they opt-in for a printed newsletter. If you choose a printed newsletter, you will not receive the electronic newsletter any longer. Details at SinglesGolf.com/newsletters

We're Going to Hawaii

Details are a tad sketchy at the time of this writing (12/22/10), however, please keep your mental vacation "channel" tuned to WASGA (that means, Wadio ASGA!) - - we'll have details posted to our website at SinglesGolf.com/Hawaii by January 3rd. We think you'll be impressed with our Maui package. We visited Hawaii last in 2008 and 93 members attended.

Twitter, Facebook, YouTube Added to Website

As long as I'm being punny, here's a tweet idea: At SinglesGolf.com, you'll see links to our Twitter, Facebook and YouTube accounts. Sign-up for our tweets and you'll be the first to know about things happening from the national level. Some months back, we created a video about ASGA and that's posted on our homepage as well. The video is generic in nature but something nice to pass along to a friend so hopefully they'll join us for fun, fellowship and fairways!

Barry and Pat - - We'll Miss You!

In recent weeks, we lost two long time members, **Barry Fields** (DC chapter) and **Pat Leader** (Wilmington). They were both very active in the organization and we'll miss them dearly. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families.

- Tom Alsop, President / Founder
American Singles Golf Association