

American SINGLE GOLFER

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER - AMERICAN SINGLES GOLF ASSOCIATION - NOVEMBER 2000

“Success is in the Eye of the Beholder...”

Christmas Party Planned

Please take a minute to complete and mail the attached R.S.V.P. for our Christmas Party. It promises to be great fun. Mabel Rocamora (Social Committee Chair) has volunteered the use of her homeowner association's recreation room. Mabel and Gladys Lawless have found a great singing duo to provide the entertainment and with the help of Sheron James and Sonja Yturralde are planning one heck of a party. Soooooo, circle **December 17th** on you calendar and get ready to have some **FUN!!!!!!**



Don't hibernate for the holidays - get out and have some fun. Join us for what promises to be one great evening. ***Mabel knows how to party!***

Golf Events...the Dinner After

In case there's someone out there that doesn't know it, all golf events are followed by dinner and a continuation of the fun that started on the golf course. Make sure you plan on joining us after a round of golf for dinner and a round of drinks. I can't think of a better way to finish a day on the course than to spend it with good friends, enjoying fine food and swapping lies about how good I didn't really play.

...or..."Where the Boys Weren't"

Dinner and dancing at Ollies was both a success and a failure. Sixteen people showed - success. Twelve women showed - success (in my humble opinion). Four men showed - dismal failure in the eyes of the 12 women who had to take turns dancing with 3 men (one didn't dance). Come on guys..."shake a leg!"...literally! Not only do we have a ***bevy of beauties*** that want to play golf with us, they want us to join them in having fun off the course as well. Let's not let it happen again. How many of you can I count on to join us at the Trellises Restaurant (619-291-7131) at the Town and Country Hotel, 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, on Friday, November 17th at 7:00 pm; we'll all gather in the bar before going in for dinner. Call Mabel at 619-295-3547 or Gladys at 619-297-4443 to R.S.V.P. for a night of fun and laughter.

Come on guys ---- "I double dog dare ya!"

Wasps Released, Be Careful on the Tee

How many times have you been over a golf shot, ready to hit the ball and had a bee or wasp hover around your face? Scientists are now purposely creating more of these pests instead of doing away with them. The University of Riverside recently released 100 tiny wasps to help beat back a devastating disease that is killing grape vines in Temecula, one of California's premier wine producing areas. This is a three year project

funded to combat the glassy-winged sharpshooter.

The wasp is a natural enemy of the sharpshooter, which spreads Pierce's disease that has already wiped out \$40 million in grapevines in the Temecula area. Both insects are native to Mexico. The wasp lays its eggs inside those of the larger sharpshooter. The wasps eat their way out of the sharpshooter eggs, thus killing the sharpshooter offspring.

Next Meeting - Wednesday, November 8th

Mark Your Calendar ♦♦♦ Please Bring a Friend!

The San Diego Chapter - American Singles Golf Association meets on the **SECOND** Wednesday of each month from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the 94th Aero Squadron Restaurant, located near Montgomery Field on the south side of Balboa Avenue between I 15 & SR 163. Social hour begins at 6:00 pm, with the business meeting starting at 7:00 pm.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues for the American Singles Golf Association are \$70 per 12 month period. Payment can be made by check or credit card (MC or VISA - \$4 surcharge). Mail with application to: ASGA National Headquarters, P.O. Box 470493, Charlotte, NC 28247.

JOIN BY PHONE OR FAX

Just dial TOLL FREE 1-888-GOLFMATE (1-888-465-3628) and provide the information on the application form, your credit card number and expiration date, and you're all set! But make sure you call between normal business hours EST, 8-5 Monday's through Friday's only. Your membership package will be mailed within 10 days. Or, FAX your membership application along with credit card information to (toll free) 1-888-465-3295.

Upcoming Golf Events

November 11th

Carmel Highlands Double Tree

Green/Cart Fees: \$45

1st Tee Time: 12:30 pm

Call Keith (858-627-9080)

November 19th

Eastlake

Green/Cart Fees: \$50

1st Tee Time: 12:00 noon

Call Jim (858-874-2504)

December 9th

Twin Oaks

Green/Cart Fees: \$68

1st Tee Time: 11:00 am

Call Donna (858-793-3505)

That's all for this year. Stand-by for more fun and excitement during 2001. There's been discussions about golf trips, about inviting other chapters to join us for special weekends, and even talk about a getting together for a new year's golf get-a-way.

ETIQUETTE – Courtesy on the Course (USGA)

Safety

Prior to playing a stroke or making a practice swing, the player should ensure that no one is standing close by or in a position to be hit by the club, the ball or any stones, pebbles, twigs or the like which may be moved by the stroke or swing.

Consideration for Other Players

The player who has the honor should be allowed to play before his opponent or fellow-competitor tees his ball (tournament play only).

No one should move, talk or stand close to or directly behind the ball or the hole when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke.

No player should play until the players in front are out of range.

Pace of Play

In the interest of all, players should play without delay.

If a player believes his ball may be lost outside a water hazard or out of bounds, to save time, he should play a

provisional ball.

Players searching for a ball should signal the players behind them to pass as soon as it becomes apparent that the ball will not easily be found. They should not search for five minutes before doing so. They should not continue play until the players following them have passed and are out of range.

When the play of a hole has been completed, players should immediately leave the putting green.

If a match fails to keep its place on the course and loses more than one clear hole on the players in front, it should invite the match following to pass.

Care of the Course

Holes in Bunkers - Before leaving a bunker, a player should carefully fill up and smooth over all holes and footprints made by them.

Repair Divots, Ball-Marks and Damage by Spikes - A player should ensure that any divot hole they made and any damage to the putting green made by a ball is carefully repaired. On completion of the hole by all players in the group, damage to the putting green caused by golf shoe spikes should be repaired.

Damage to Greens — Flagsticks, Bags, etc. - Players should ensure that, when putting down bags or the flagstick, no damage is done to the putting green and that neither they nor their caddies damage the hole by standing close to it, in handling the flagstick or in removing the ball from the hole. The flagstick should be properly replaced in the hole before the players leave the putting green. Players should not damage the putting green by leaning on their putters, particularly when removing the ball from the hole.

Golf Carts - Local notices regulating the movement of golf carts should be strictly observed.

Damage Through Practice Swings - In taking practice swings, players should avoid causing damage to the course, particularly the tees, by removing divots.

Be Careful on the Tee (con't)

Entomologists are monitoring the results of the wasp releases in a variety of locations across the state. The wasps will not eliminate the glassy-winged sharpshooter, but should diminish the population.

The glassy-winged sharpshooter has been found in Riverside, San Diego, San Bernardino, Ventura, Orange, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Kern and Tulare counties -- additional releases are planned in these areas. The half-inch glassy-winged sharpshooter is considered a serious threat to the state's \$2.8 billion wine, raisin and table grape industry.

The primary goal of the initial releases is to set up stable populations of the wasp in California. They are also investigating the potential of other non-native parasites of the glass-winged sharpshooter that will be used to bolster the natural enemy arsenal in California.

So, golfers beware, if all of a sudden you see more wasps (or other strange looking critters) on the golf course, you now know where they are coming from.



One Club Length, or Two?

Many golfers are uncertain where to drop the ball, even in common rules situations. Is it one club-length or two? Here's a simple answer.

Whenever a penalty is involved, drop two club-lengths from the spot (such as the point where the ball entered a water hazard); for free relief, it's one club-length (such as from the nearest point of relief from ground under repair).

Two more important points about dropping: (1) You may measure with any club (not necessary the one you intend to use), and (2) the ball must hit the ground within the one or two club-length allowance. No matter where you drop, you must re-drop if the ball rolls more than two club-lengths from where it struck the ground (the ball can roll outside the original one or two club-length limit and still be a legal drop).

Golf Event R.S.V.P.s

Making reservations for 3 or 4 groups of golfers several months in advance is very much different than making a call on Monday morning for a Saturday tee-time. In many cases it involves a written contract as well as a deposit of funds with a promise (on our part) to provide final payment of green/cart fees for the number of tee-times reserved without regard as to whether or not we actually use all of the starting times. In most cases, we have the option of modifying the number of starting times requested one or two weeks prior to the event, but then become locked in to that newly agreed upon number.

We have been lucky, as a chapter, in that we have found courses that have agreed to temporarily waive a good part of their policies/procedures with regard to group tee times based on the fact that our group is so new. This will not last forever. Our goal for golf events is to play twice a month, maintaining a schedule of events that are anywhere from 6 to 12 months out. Our Golf Events Committee is committed to providing you with fun filled golf outings on a variety of different venues. In exchange, we need your commitment with regards to signing up ahead of time for each event as well as showing up at each event you sign up for. ***Please do your part to help us do our part to help you have fun!***

Golf Course Survey

Speaking of golf, have you taken the time to fill out our golf course survey? We need your input to start planning next year's schedule.



"I learned how to play golf so I could see him more, then when I beat him, he dumps me."

Golf isn't a contact sport, is it?

The next time you get in a hurry and end up down the fairway from someone who hasn't hit yet, remember that golf can indeed be a contact sport, with all of the inherent injuries that are present in other sports such as baseball.

Anita Lee of Dearborn Heights, Michigan wound up with a multiple fractured cheekbone, a damaged nasal cavity and at least 17 stitches near her left eye after getting hit by a golf ball while riding in the back seat of a car as it drove past the Old Brockway Golf Course. The ball flew through an open window, fracturing her cheekbone in three places. The treatment involved X-rays and an MRI in addition to the stitches. Doctors said that she came within an inch of losing her eye. It's important to remember that that little white ball can turn in to an impressive, damage causing missile capable of breaking a bone or taking out an eye.

Lessons learned: (1) seriously consider keeping your car windows closed when driving past golf courses and driving ranges; and (2) a golf ball doesn't always go in the direction the golfer intends it to...so mind your position on the course relative to that of the person striking the ball.

Golf Quotes

"Golf is 20% mechanics and technique. The other 80% is philosophy, humor, tragedy, romance, melodrama, companionship, cussedness, and conversation." Grantland Rice

Hit'em long and straight!

Christmas Party

When: Sunday, December 17th @ 7:00 pm

Where: Mabel Rocomora's Homeowner's Association
Club House

Address: 6013 Gaines Street, San Diego

Cost: \$15.00 per person Dress: California Casual

Sign up by completing and submitting the

Christmas Party *R.S.V.P.* Slip provided below.



Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Enclosed is \$ _____ for [] member(s) and [] guest(s). (Please provide \$15.00 per person.)
Please list guest(s) and/or other member(s) you are paying for:

Please turn this form in at the November Chapter Meeting or mail to:
Mabel Rocomora, ASGA Social Chair, 6013 Gaines Street, San Diego, California 92110

[make checks payable to Mable Rocomora]

Golf Course Survey

Help us pick the courses you like best. Place a check mark next to the public course(s) you'd like to see us place on our schedule for next year. Also, please let us know what you consider appropriate for green & cart fees. Please complete and turn in at our next Chapter Meeting.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviara Golf Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Oceanside Municipal Golf Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bajarar Ocean Front Golf Resort | <input type="checkbox"/> Pala Mesa Resort |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Balboa Park Municipal Golf Course | <input type="checkbox"/> Rams Hill Country Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bonita Golf Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Rancho Bernardo Inn (West Course) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Borrego Springs Resort and Country Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Redhawk Golf Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carlton Oaks Country Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Riverwalk Golf Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carmel Mountain Ranch Country Club | <input type="checkbox"/> San Luis Rey Downs Golf Resort & C.C. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Castle Creek Country Club | <input type="checkbox"/> San Vicente Inn & Golf Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chula Vista Municipal Golf Course | <input type="checkbox"/> SCGA Members' Club at Rancho Calif. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coronado Municipal Golf Course | <input type="checkbox"/> Singing Hills Country Club & Lodge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cottonwood at Rancho San Diego GC | <input type="checkbox"/> Steele Canyon Golf & Country Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Doubletree Golf Resort San Diego | <input type="checkbox"/> Temecula Creek Inn Golf Resort |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eagle Crest Golf Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Temeku Hills Golf Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastlake Country Club | <input type="checkbox"/> The Meadows Del Mar Golf Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Encinitas Ranch Golf Course | <input type="checkbox"/> Torrey Pines Municipal Golf Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fallbrook Golf Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Twin Oaks Golf Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maderas Country Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Vineyard Municipal Golf Course |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meadow Lake Country Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Warner Springs Ranch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mission Trails Golf Course | <input type="checkbox"/> Willowbrook Country Club |

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