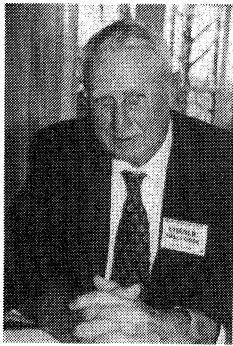


# MISGAGRAM

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**W**e are now at the midpoint of our golfing season, and I am sure that you are all in great form and that you are ready for the State Events and Fall Frolics. As of July 21<sup>st</sup>, **Sam Hastings**, our Events Chairman, reports that: the Virginia Beach trip is fully booked; Seabrook has filled its quota of 125; and Sea Trail still has some openings. You can check with Sam either by phone at

(301) 598-6171 or via email at [hastingsam@aol.com](mailto:hastingsam@aol.com) for further information.



My better half and I will be attending all three Fall Frolics. Having said this, I hope we will not be deluged with refund requests! Kay and I hope to renew old friendships and meet new folks at these Fall Events.

Many of us at this stage of our lives say, "Been there, done that." Remember, these fall trips provide opportunities for so much more than golf. They offer camaraderie, friendship, and good conversation with those who have similar interests. So, I say, **COME ON OUT! JOIN US** at the Fall Frolics for a **GOOD TIME!**

In this spirit, I have visited or scheduled a visit with at least two clubs from Divisions I, III, IV, and V. I have planned the following schedule: June, Norbeck; July Hobbit's Glen, Crofton, Manor, Argyle, and Kenwood; August, Eagle Creek, Green Hill, and Prospect Bay; September, Nutter's Crossing and Ocean Pines; October, Walden. I will also meet with the various clubs that Piney Branch schedules.

Good Health and Good Golfing!

*Charlie Fieldhouse*

## CLUB REP SURVEY

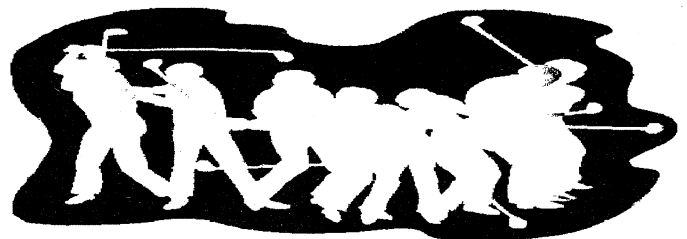
**D**uring May/June the Policy and Planning Committee conducted a survey of Club Reps to determine if there would be sufficient interest in eliminating, on a one year trial basis, the Division qualifiers for the A-B-C-D finals and/or the Two-Man Team state finals' tournaments. If implemented in 2002, each of the 56 MISGA clubs would send two men to the A-B-C-D finals and one team to the Two-Man Team finals. Selection for participants would be up to each club.

The survey was completely successful with the Reps from all 56 clubs (thus 100% participation) properly filling out and returning the form. Questions were asked as to how much and how often does your club participate in the qualifiers, and how do you determine who will be selected to play in them. The pertinent question, of course, was whether or not to eliminate them.

The final tally was identical for both tournaments, 29 to 26, in favor of retaining the qualifiers. One club new to MISGA, Bay Hills, declined to state a position due to lack of experience. It was noted that Divisions III and V do favor the trial elimination whereas Divisions I, II, and IV do not.

Because there was no overwhelming support for eliminating the qualifiers, the committee recommended to the Board that the status quo be maintained. A second recommendation, however, was to allow Divs. III and V to try this scheme next year to determine its impact. The Board will take action on these recommendations at the September meeting.

*C.J. Meyers, Chairman*



# DIVISION QUALIFYING TOURNAMENTS

## Two-Man Teams

### DIVISION II

<u>Players</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Score</u>
Parker Kirby & Dennis Lewis	Glade Valley	59
Jim Spence & Morris Zentz	Quail Valley	59
Paul Bowersox & Joe McFann	Quail Valley	59
John Wright & Walt Hann	Quail Valley	61
Virgil Schultz & Joe Burke	Beaver Creek	61
Dave Schwartz & Don Setzer	Westwinds	62
Joe White & Larry Baker	Bear Creek	62
Mike Wisk & Tom Harry	Quail Valley	62
Jerry Tucker & Ralph Martin	Beaver Creek	62
Tom Hollerbach & Ed McInich	Rolling Road	62
Frank Sobus & Henry Payne	Bear Creek	62
Maury Tregonning & Will Shimoda	Bear Creek	63
Don Cables & Paul Babineau	Beaver Creek	63
John Carpenter & Bob Loun	V. F. W.	63
Jerry Dewitt & Jack Alsbaugh	Westwinds	63
Lee Barrick & Roland Nickoles	Piney Branch	63
Bob Huzzy & John Bradicich	Glade Valley	63

### DIVISION III

<u>Players</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Score</u>
Dallas Knudson & Mike Onorato	Chartwell	60
Bob Nicholson & Jack McGrail	Walden	62
Corky Devlin & Dick Myler	Marlborough	62
John Day & John Boyd	Tantallon	63
Dennis Quillin & John Vanderwerker	Tantallon	64
Al Squerrini & Lou Zanardi	Crofton	65
Dwight Short & Kirk Baylor	Tantallon	65
Grover Barham & Doug Pond	Walden	65
Charlie Hodgson & James Dockery	Univ. Of MD	66
Sam Hall & Henry Woltman	Tantallon	66
Leo Landry & Lenny Creig	Crofton	66
Ron Smith & Jack Johnson	Marlborough	66
Jerry Shearer & Duane Robbins	Bowie	67
Bob Wilks & John Sokolowski	Walden	67
Cesar Estoye & Al Albertson	Marlborough	67
Dick Knode & Paul Gamble	Crofton	68
Tom Lambert & Dave Holiston	Bay Hills	68

## President's Cup

### DIVISION II

#### A Flight — Gross Winners

Gary Chick	Wakefield Valley	76
Jerry Harkless	Westwinds	77
Frank McGowan	Glade Valley	78
Dick McCurdy	Glade Valley	79
John Schneider	Hunt Valley	81

#### B Flight — Gross Winners

John Carpenter	V.F.W.	78
Carl Merchant	Bear Creek	79
Don Cables	Beaver Creek	83
Tom Bosley	Bear Creek	84
Gary Kyer	Hunt Valley	86

#### C Flight — Gross Winners

Tom Grunwell	V.F.W.	82
Jackie Martin	Westwinds	85
Ron Hovermale	Beaver Creek	87
Charlie Fieldhouse	Piney Branch	89
Jack Ebert	Hunt Valley	90

#### A Flight — Net Winners

Bob Huzzy	Glade Valley	64
Paul Babineau	Beaver Creek	67
Randy Blevins	Hunt Valley	67
Jerry Tucker	Beaver Creek	68
Fred Young	V.F.W.	71

#### B Flight — Net Winners

David Pearson	V.F.W.	65
Stan Smith	Glade Valley	68
Bud Bachtell	Beaver Creek	69
Don Baker	Beaver Creek	69
Tom Rosewag	Glade Valley	70

#### C Flight — Net Winners

George Chaney	Westwinds	62
Bob Loun	V.F.W.	66
John Ward	Glade Valley	67
Roger Georg	Bear Creek	67
Tom Campenni	Hunt Valley	68

#### D Flight — Gross Winners

Andy Wasko	Glade Valley	90
Carmi Saylor	Glade Valley	90
Ivan Oshrine	Piney Branch	91
Bob Freedenburg	Bear Creek	92
Carl Frock	Bear Creek	92

#### D Flight — Net Winners

Virgil Schultz	Beaver Creek	60
Bill Rose	Beaver Creek	63
Bob Rippeon	Glade Valley	64
Carlyle Sole	V.F.W.	64
Sam Cucina	Hunt Valley	66

# DIVISION QUALIFYING TOURNAMENTS

## President's Cup

### DIVISION IV

#### A Flight — Gross Winners

Lee Peters	Hobbit's Glen	72
Lou Buchsbaum	Hobbit's Glen	73
Ray Akerson	Hobbit's Glen	78
Dick Waid	Montgomery	79
Don Dunn	Hobbit's Glen	81

#### A Flight — Net Winners

Dave Fitzwilliam	Lakewood	65
Ken Pepper	Kenwood	67
Ray Theim	Kenwood	68
Harold Plastas	Mont. Vill.	68
Ray Jones	Montgomery	70

#### B Flight — Gross Winners

George Thompson	Mont. Vill.	84
Dick Hunt	Manor	87
Lin Steinko	Kenwood	87
Douglas Hall	Mont. Vill.	88
Dave Rolwing	Manor	88

#### B Flight — Net Winners

Jim Conley	Manor	68
Martin McDonnell	Mont. Vill.	69
John McAullife	Mont. Vill.	70
Barry Meyer	Montgomery	71
Masru Shimoda	Mont. Vill.	72

#### C Flight — Gross Winners

Charlie Greenhouse	Lakewood	86
Sam Nisbet	Manor	88
Jim Kasab	Kenwood	89
Chuck McInnes	Mont. Vill.	91
Larry Love	Mont. Vill.	92

#### C Flight — Net Winners

Bob Banks	Hobbit's Glen	62
Joe Cardaci	Manor	67
Robert Niemann	Mont. Vill.	68
Emilio Naranjo		69
William Devany	Mont. Vill.	70

#### D Flight — Gross Winners

Bill Gordon	Manor	94
William Finlayson	Mont. Vill.	96
David Lomax	Breton Woods	96
Gerald Guest	Mont. Vill.	98
Dick Browne	Argyle	98

#### D Flight — Net Winners

Alan Small	Kenwood	66
Ken Eybers	Breton Woods	68
Doug McKay	Mont. Vill.	68
Joseph Smercak	Mont. Vill.	71
Bob Colvin	Hobbit's Glen	71

## NOTICE TO

**Recipients of the Sea Trail Fall Acceptance Letter:**  
the correct date of **Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>** was misstated as Sept. 26th.

### Fall Events

Virginia Beach and Sea Brook are filled. There are still some openings at Sea Trail. Refer Questions to **Sam Hastings** at (301) 598-6171 or email at [hastingsam@aol.com](mailto:hastingsam@aol.com).

## Deceased

Bethesda:	Montgomery:
Malcolm C. Hope	Vic Campagnari
Montague A. Cashman	Fred Gale
Lakewood:	Naval Academy:
Elmer Hallowell	John Bogdon
Herb Meyer	
	Quail Valley:
	Bernie Barrett

### Division III Website

**Byron Keadle**, Club Rep at Patuxent Greens, has developed a website for Division III. It now contains pages which provide detailed instructions for completing the **Membership Change Form #5-89**.

The Associates web pages contain an Introduction page, a Job Aid (including full directions for completing the form), and a Sample completed form (one for Netscape and one for Internet Explorer 4.1).

The Associates pages may be found at:

<http://a.keadle.home.att.net/associates.htm>

Other Division Associates Chairmen and Club Reps will find this a useful tool.

*Lloyd Stimson*

### George White— Division II Rep

George, the long time MISGA Rep at Wakefield Valley C.C., is recovering from a stroke.

George, Division II and all of MISGA wishes you a speedy recovery!!

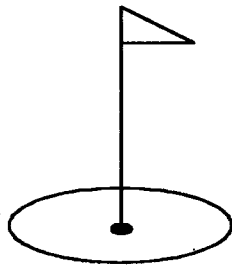
# RULES, *Etiquette*, & Handicaps

## On Marking Your Ball

**P**lacing unique and personal markings on your golf balls is a very useful practice for all golfers. By this simple action, you can speed up play, avoid the embarrassment of hitting the wrong ball and the penalties that accompany this action. More importantly, a good personal mark on your ball precludes the need to touch it or lift it in order to identify it. Usually your ball can be identified from several paces, allowing you to get ready to hit the proper ball pronto. I have even had lost balls returned after a round of golf because my “mark” was identifiable to others with whom I golf.



Marking your ball is a simple process. Use a permanent magic marker in the color of your choice. Put distinct markings on two sides of the ball, usually on opposite sides of the logo. Be creative with your marks. The wife of one of the tour players is a graphic artist and draws elaborate pictures on her husband’s golf balls. His lost golf balls are collectors’ items.



Keep the marker in your golf bag. That way you can refresh marks on balls you’ve been using, and newly found balls can be marked before putting them into play. If the marker is handy, you will find it convenient to apply your mark.

*Bill Brown*

## Get the Lead Out!

**I**f you ask 20 different golfers which rule of etiquette is most often violated, you would probably get 20 different answers. But when you ask, “What about slow play?,” they all nod and say, “Yeah!” And, strange as it may seem, no golfer ever admits that he is a slow player! It’s always the other guy.

Slow pace of play is strangling the game of golf. Golfers are losing their patience and their rhythm. Clubs are losing money that could be put to use improving course conditions. Many players who would like to be on the course are deterred because of the length of time it takes to play a round.

We all know the usual recommendations to speed up the pace of play:

- ❖ Keep up with the group ahead
- ❖ Let faster players through
- ❖ Be ready when it is your turn
- ❖ Line up your putt while waiting for others to putt
- ❖ Park your cart at the rear of the green
- ❖ Walk briskly, etc.

Three simple acts — cleaning the club, replacing the head cover, and jiggling the club back into the bag — when repeated after every shot by every player, can cost over 20 minutes in a single round! This time could be saved by waiting until you are on the move or waiting for your cart-mate’s shot.

If you don’t think slow play is a violation of the rules of etiquette, think about all those times you misplayed a shot because you have been waiting too long to make it. Let’s pay more attention to the pace of play, golfers. Be honest with yourself— repent and reform!!!

*George Donadoni*

## Good Advice

**N**ot that you’re paranoid or anything, but the rumors are flying around the club that you’re a genuine “sandbagger.” There’s talk about intentionally missed putts and the posting of only your higher scores. You seem to take pride in maintaining a higher handicap so that you can play better when “it really counts.” There’s a cure for what ails you, and it goes as follows:

**A basic premise that underlies the USGA Handicap System is that every player will try to make the best score he can at each hole in every round he plays, regardless of where the round is played, and that he will post every acceptable round for peer review.**

Wouldn’t it be nice if everyone followed this proposition.

## EDITOR'S COMMENTS

**M**ISGA's goal is to foster friendships and camaraderie through tournaments and mixers on a host and club basis . . . (*Article II, MISGA constitution*).

The picture below is of MISGAites and their wives enjoying an evening of fun on the town. This is proof that one of MISGA's most important goals, to promote friendships, is being fulfilled. The four couples, from three different clubs, met on a fall MISGA trip and discovered they had mutual interests. Now they get together occasionally to socialize.



Pictured above are, Standing, Left to Right: Bob Purcell (Manor), Bob & Dora Dompka (Norbeck), Barbara Purcell (Manor), Nick DiTullo (Hobbit's Glen)  
Seated, Left to Right: Norm Arm (Hobbit's Glen), Nancy DiTullo (Hobbit's Glen), Rhoda Arm (Hobbit's Glen)

Recently, C J Meyers of Manor Country Club organized a three-day golfing trip to the Tides Inn in Virginia. The group consisted of Ray Beck, Hank Folgate, both of Breton Woods, C J, and your editor. The foursome had so much fun that another, expanded trip is being planned for the fall.

If you have developed an interclub or interdivisional friendship as a result of your participation in MISGA events and would like to share the story, please submit to Dick Hunt at [richjhunt@aol.com](mailto:richjhunt@aol.com).

*Dick Hunt, Editor*

## THE PUN-DIT'S POST

**A** shepherd was herding his flock in a remote pasture when suddenly, a brand new Jeep Cherokee advanced out of a dust cloud towards him. The driver, a young man in a Brioni suit, Gucci shoes, Ray Ban sunglasses, and a YSL tie leaned



out the window and asked the shepherd, "If I can tell you exactly how many sheep you have in your flock, will you give me one?" The shepherd looks at the yuppie, then at his peacefully grazing flock and calmly answers, "Sure!" The yuppie parks the car, whips out his Palm VII, connects it to his cell phone, calls up the GPS satellite system, scans the area, opens up a database and 60 Excel spreadsheets with complex formulae.

Finally, he prints out a 150 page report on his hi-tech miniaturized printer, turns around to the shepherd and says: "You have here exactly 1586 sheep!" "That's correct, take one of the sheep," says the shepherd. He watches the young man select an animal and bundle it into his Cherokee.

Then the shepherd says: "If I can tell you exactly what your profession is, will you give me my sheep back?" "Okay, why not?" answers the young man. "You are a consultant," says the shepherd.

"That is correct," says the yuppie, "How did you guess that?" "Easy," answers the shepherd. "You turn up here although nobody called you, you want to be paid for the answer to a question I already knew the solution of, and you don't know anything about my business because you took my dog!"

*Courtesy of Ken Walgren*

### BOARD MEETING MINUTES

*May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2001— Prospect Bay C.C.*

1. Moved and unanimously approved to send the August and November issues of the MISGAGRAM by Bulk Mail.
2. Moved and unanimously approved that the existing language in Section C, item 1 of the By-Laws be amended to read: "MISGA and its Associates shall comply with the *USGA Rules of Golf*. . ."
3. Moved and unanimously approved to distribute the survey results regarding Division Qualifying Tournaments. (See p. 1 of this issue)

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