



MISGAGRAM

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President's Message



Unlike last year, when the rains hampered our schedule, this year has thus far gone well. We had a very good annual meeting in April, where leadership succession changes were proposed and adopted, the budget plans explained and agreed to, local rule changes were discussed and recommended for adoption by our member clubs, and the announcement that the Tom Rowlett mixer signup system software is available to the MISGA clubs at no cost to them. Improvements to the MISGA web site have been made, with the intent to ensure site users will find up-to-date information on our clubs, and their leadership. We have webmaster Jake Jacobi and Lloyd Stimson and friends to thank for their extraordinary efforts to make the website even more useful.

In early August, we will hold the two MISGA-wide tournaments: the individual competition and the team competition, at Norbeck and Holly Hills country clubs respectively. They are terrific events played on challenging golf courses, with an excellent meal following and awards to the most competent. Candidly, I find the competitions not only a chance for humility but induces the good kind of stress. I hope all who participate will find them as enjoyable as I do.

Please note the opportunities for fun and fellowship at the upcoming frolics. More information about them is inside this edition of the MISGAGram.

Good golfing to all of you!

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Bob Hodges

MISGAGRAM Editor

The Lighter Side



Hole in One!

We had another Ace on May 7, 2019 at the Timbers at Troy MISGA mixer. The lucky Hobbit's Glen member was Richard Fields who aced the 14th hole which played 135 yards. He won \$60 by participating in our closest to the pin contest.

David G. Ebersole

Timbers at Troy Club Rep

A Message from the Tournament Chair

MISGA' Tournament Week is August 5-8, kicking off with the 2 Man on Monday August 5th at Holly Hills and culminating with the Past Presidents, ABCD at Norbeck on Thursday August 8. There are frequently last minute openings since not all quotas from the Divisions are filled, and some players have to withdraw. If you are not qualified for one or both of the tournaments, contact your Rep, Division Director or Division Tournament Chair to be placed on an alternate list as openings occur. It should be a great two days of golf at two outstanding courses.

Greg Morris
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Scroll down to check out the ABCD and 2-Man posters.

Fall Frolic

The 2019 FALL FROLIC will be held at Seabrook Island, SC. It is located a few miles south of Charleston, SC This is a first class venue. We will play the Ocean Winds and Crooked Oak courses.

Villas, golf, breakfast and dinner is included in the price. There are a limited number of

Beach Front villas available, so please sign up early to get your choice of accommodations.

The application forms are on the MISGA website under “Frolics and Flings”.

Peter Sorge, Jr. MISGA Events Chairman



2019 MISGA SUMMER FROLIC DETAILS

The 2019 MISGA Summer Frolic and the Annual State Board of Directors Meeting will be held at Liberty Mountain Resort at Carroll Valley / Fairfield PA



Tuesday, September 10, 2019 - State Board of Directors Meeting 4:00 p.m. preceded by Golf via Tee Times beginning at 10:30 a.m. **Green / Cart fees and Dinner included in package if staying all 3 days, Otherwise DINNER FEES ARE AL A CARTE**

Wednesday, September 11, 2019 - Golf via Tee Times beginning at 11:00a.m.

Thursday, September 12, 2019 - Golf / Mixed Scramble Shotgun start at 8:30 a.m.

Check-out is 11:00 am. Those playing in the Scramble must check out prior to playing.

Tuesday Dinner is scheduled for 6:00 pm in the Eagle and Owl Restaurant in the Lodge.

Wednesday & Thursday Breakfasts are served in the Eagle and Owl Restaurant in the Lodge between 6:00am and 10:00am.

Wednesday Dinner is at 6:00 pm for appetizers with dinner at 7:00 pm in the Alpine Room across the street from the Lodge. ***Gentlemen are requested to please wear a jacket.***

Thursday Lunch is also in the Alpine Room across the street from the Lodge immediately following golf.

Check for Details at the MISGA website:

SPECIAL NOTE: ALL CONTACT WITH STAFF AT LIBERTY MOUNTAIN MUST BE MADE THROUGH THE GROUP CONTACT REPRESENTATIVE:

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TIDBITS OF MISGA HISTORY

MISGA ASSOCIATES DUES - Article III, C of the *MISGA Constitution* stipulates that continued membership of Clubs and Associates is contingent upon payment of such fees, dues and other charges as may, at any time, be established by the Board of Directors.

In the beginning, the Board set the MISGA Associates dues payment at **\$2.50**.

1994 - The annual dues payment was raised to **\$4.00**.

2006 - At the Board of Directors meeting held on December 9, 2004 at the Elks Club, Salisbury, MD it was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that the annual Associate dues payment be increased to **\$10.00** effective January, 2006. No reason for the increase was provided.

2010 - The annual dues payment was reduced to **\$5.00**. This decrease was a result of the Board's decision, at the December 8, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting held at Patuxent Greens Golf Club in Laurel, MD, to terminate publication and distribution of a hardcopy MISGAgram. The Board voted to switch to an electronic copy posted on the MISGA website. The electronic copy eliminated the need to hire an IT contractor to develop, maintain & code (by division & club) a roster of Associates (with their name & address) as well as the printing and postage costs.

2019 - At the Board of Directors meeting held on December 13, 2018 at Chartwell Country Club in Severna Park, MD, the Board voted to increase the annual dues payment to **\$10.00**. This increase was to halt a progressive financial deficit to the MISGA treasury. In addition, it allowed continuation of subsidies for division "operating expenses" and the two MISGA Championship Tournaments.

Lloyd Stimson

MISGA History Chairman



2019 - MISGA PAST PRESIDENTS (ABCD) CHAMPIONSHIP

NORBECK COUNTRY CLUB - THURSDAY - AUGUST 8, 2019

ROCKVILLE, MD (Rain Date: Wednesday-September 18, 2019)

FORMAT: 18-HOLE - INDIVIDUAL STROKE PLAY (Gross & Net)

A maximum field of 100 competitors will be divided into four flights of A-B-C-D handicapped players - lowest in "A" to highest in "D" (approximately 25% in each flight). "A" players will compete against "A" players, "B" players against "B" players, "C" players against "Cs" and "Ds" against "Ds." The Gross and Net Grand Champions can come from any of the four flights.

ELIGIBILITY: All MISGA associates in good standing. Finalists must qualify through their Division's selection process. Each finalist must have an established valid USDA handicap computed and maintained at the finalist's home club. The current MISGA President, all MISGA Past Presidents and the 2018 Gross and Net Past Presidents (ABCD) Grand Champions are automatically eligible (do not have to compete in their Division's Qualifier), but must pay the Entry Fee.

HANDICAP ALLOWANCE: 100% of course handicap.



PRIZES:

1. Based on a full field of 100 finalists, 26 winners will receive a Pro Shop Gift Certificate (the Gross and Net Grand Champions plus 3 gross and 3 net winners in each flight)
2. In addition, the **Gross** and **Net Grand Champions** will receive a high quality engraved trophy.
3. Winners of the four *Closest-to-the-Pin* holes will receive a 12 box of golf balls.

ENTRY FEE: \$110 per person - includes a barbeque lunch, range balls, cart fee, cash bar cocktail hour (w/light hors d'oeuvres), awards banquet (plated-double entrée - surf & turf) and prize pool.

REGISTRATION: SEE YOUR MISGA CLUB REP

For detailed information, refer to MISGA website, Tournament Info Section, 2019 Past Presidents (ABCD) flyer.



2019 - MISGA 2-MAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP
HOLLY HILLS COUNTRY CLUB - MONDAY - AUGUST 5, 2019
JAMESVILLE MD (Rain Date: Monday - August 12, 2019)



FORMAT: 18-HOLE - TEAM STROKE PLAY (Gross & Net Best Ball)

The maximum field of 50 teams will not be divided into flights. Each 2-Man Team will be competing against all other 2-Man Teams. There will be one Gross and one Net 2-Man Team Grand Champion.

ELIGIBILITY: All MISGA associates in good standing. Finalists must qualify through their Division's selection process - normally a Division Qualifier. Finalists must have an established valid USGA handicap computed and maintained at the finalist's home club. Teammates of each 2-Man Team must be members of the same club. The 2018 Gross & Net Grand Champions are automatically eligible (do not have to compete in their Division's Qualifier), but must pay the Entry Fee.

HANDICAP ALLOWANCE:

1. 90% of each partner's course handicap. 95% for women
2. There will be an additional 10% reduction to each partner's course handicap if the partners' course handicaps differ by more than 8 strokes.

PRIZES:

1. Based on a full field of 50 teams, 14 total teams will receive a Pro Shop Gift Certificate (the Gross and Net Grand Champions plus 6 gross teams and 6 net teams)
2. In addition, the Gross and Net Grand Champions will receive a high quality engraved trophy.
3. Winners of the four Closest-to-the-Pin holes will receive a cash prize - split the pot. \$5 entry fee.

ENTRY FEE: \$110 per person - includes a light lunch (cold cuts sandwich bar), range balls, cart fee, cash bar cocktail hour (w/light hors d'oeuvres), awards banquet (plated - surf & turf) and prize pool.

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For detailed information, refer to MISGA website, Tournament Info Section, 2019 2-Man Team flyer.