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MISGA Leadership Transition at Board Meeting December 7, 2010 at Maple Dale



Outgoing President Howard Taylor passes gavel to Incoming President Thomas Taylor



2011 MISGA President Thomas Taylor and Vice-President Ralph Starkey

Cross Creek - New MISGA Club

Cross Creek Golf Club in Calverton, MD was approved as a Division VI MISGA Club on December 21, 2010 by the Board of Directors. Cross Creek is able to hit the ground running because it inherited the 2011 schedule developed for Patuxent Greens. Most of Cross Creek's members were previous Patuxent Greens members who resigned en masse and joined Cross Creek. That left Patuxent Greens with too few people to execute the schedule, so the schedule was transitioned to Cross Creek.

Pictured at right is Hole #8, one of several challenging holes.



NECROLOGY FRED PLUMMER

Ft. Meade MISGA Associate Fred Plummer passed away peacefully at his home on January 3, 2011. Fred was retired from the FAA and very active in conservative politics. A former member of Bel Air Country Club, he was an avid golfer and maintained a relatively low handicap for most of his golfing career. He will be missed by his friends and fellow golfers. --Bill Dempsey, Ft. Meade Rep Emeritus

NOTICE

Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association

> President Tom Taylor

Vice President Ralph Starkey

Secretary John Babyak

Treasurer Dick Schwinger

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Noteworthy events and announcements for away activities, and articles of general interest may be submitted to the editor at any time for publishing. The closing dates for publication are:

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All materials should be sent via e-mail to:

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Byron W. Keadle MISGAGRAM Editor Due to the large number of pictures resulting from the Fall Frolics, only the pictures from Amelia Island will be included in this issue. Pictures for Fripp Island were published in the December 2010 MISGAGRAM.

AED Saves Life of Senior Golfer

The AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training at the Rattlewood Golf Course on Monday Aug 30, 2010, proved to be very interesting. Steve Crist told the story of playing golf with his friends, Larry Neal and John Zalinski, when things happened that no one expected. Steve's friend, John Zalinski, went into Sudden Cardiac Arrest at the 10th green. Larry called 911 and directions were given, "Hands Only Chest Compression." Steve started pushing hard and fast on John's chest. Dan Hofmeister, golf course superintendent who just happened to stay over late that day, heard the call for help, retrieved the AED from the pro shop and hurried to the scene. Dan said, "I know how to use this AED," and applied the electrodes to John's chest. The AED responded with a shock, chest compression was continued and a second shock was needed. Steve said, "It seemed like the ambulance took forever to get there." John was rushed to the hospital and another shock was needed. John survived the cardiac arrest and the doctor said, "With chest compression and using the AED, you saved John's life." --Milton S. Zepp

Accessing the MISGAGRAM

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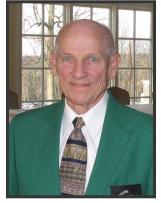
In either case, you now have a MISGAGRAM file that you can open at will without having to download it each time.

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GREEN JACKET AWARD

Presented by Howard Taylor & Tom Taylor, with the blessing of Marion Hastings To BYRON KEADLE December 14, 2010



Byron is from Follansbee, WV. Where the @%#& is Follansbee? North of Wheeling, west of Pittsburgh, and across the Ohio River from Steubenville.

Early on, he was preparing for his many roles in MISGA. One might say he "vaulted" to his present position. (He pole-vaulted for West Virginia University while in Graduate School.)

He received his mathematics education at WVU. The next step in his career was recruitment by NSA. You are aware that the "business" he was in, if he told you what he did, you would not leave this room.

He was founder, one of seven, of a software consultant corporation, author of papers on computer program optimization, Instructor at George Washington

University and the University of Maryland, and architect of the first high-speed network of supercomputers. Byron also served in Germany for several years in the early '60s.

Byron, with the help of his wife, Aretta, has held and served with distinction in many offices and chairmanships in MISGA.

- Club Rep, Patuxent Greens, 1998-2001
- MISGA Webmaster, 2005-2008
- Conversion of paper archive (MISGAGRAMS and Board Minutes, e.g.) to electronic for the web site.
- History Committee, MISGA HISTORY 1996-2005 editor.
- MISGA Archive development of full-text index searchable archive on CDs, with annual updates.
- Division VI Assistant Director & Director, 2007-2010
- President, MISGA 2009
- MISGAGRAM Editor 2010-?

Aside from Ken Walgreen:

"In 2002, Byron joined the ad hoc committee to do the 1996 to 2005 MISGA history, mainly because he was the MISGA Webmaster. His great work on refining the Abacus in his previous occupation proved to be of great value.

"When he showed up with a red and black Ferrari laptop, we all knew who was going to do the work for History Chairman, Bill Brown. Byron was going to get the main workload of getting the History in a form from which the commercial printer could print the book."

One Byron failure should be noted: There are two individuals that could never get photographs done the way Byron wanted – Tom Tarpley & Charlie Fieldhouse. We never get the mega-pixels correct!!

This brings us to today.—the presentation of this award, the Green Jacket, for his tireless, devoted service, and willingness to share his expertise with "Our Organization." He is an individual you can count on, one who does more than his fair share!

Byron, for your significant contribution to MISGA, we proudly ask you to accept this Green Jacket.

Submitted by Tom Tarpley, Past President MISGA; Green Jacket recipient 2007; Chairman, Past Presidents Ad Hoc Committee; Holly Hills Club Rep.

MISGA Shutterbugs



Overheard Conversation

Tarpley: "Hey, Charlie, what are you doing there?"

Fieldhouse: "I've taken up photography."

Tarpley: "Oh, great! So, you're learning all about focal length, aperture, ISO ratings, depth-of-field, that sorta stuff??

Fieldhouse: "(Pause)I just press the little doohickey."

Widows at MISGA Events

"I would like to suggest a new thought for MISGA. The out of town Flings and Frolics are a lot of fun for both the MISGA Associates and their spouses. I know that spouses enjoy the camaraderie and make lasting friends when on the trips. When a woman becomes widowed, she misses the fun and friends she has made.

"Now that MISGA has lady Associates, I suggest that MISGA invite widows of deceased MISGA Associates to join in order that they may play golf and enjoy local and out-of-state social events. They would be Associates in their own right, pay regular dues and be able to continue involvement in MISGA."

---Ann Turner

A Golfer's Dream

A golfer, now into his golden years, had a lifelong ambition to play the 17th hole at TPC Sawgrass in Ponte Verde, Fla. exactly the way the pros do it. The pros drive the ball out over the water onto the small green that is on a small spit of land. It was something the golfer had tried hundreds of times without success. His ball had always fallen short, into the water. Because of this, he never used a new ball on this particular hole. He always picked out one that had a cut or a nick, as did many other "average" golfers when negotiating very challenging holes.

Recently he went to Sawgrass to try again. When he came to the fateful hole, he teed up an old, cut ball as usual, and said a silent prayer.

However, before he could hit the ball, a powerful voice from above seemed to be booming out from the clouds, saying, "Wait! Replace that old ball with a brand new one."

The golfer complied, with some slight misgivings, despite the fact that this same force seemed to be implying that he was going to finally achieve his lifelong ambition.

As he stepped up to the tee once more, the voice came down again, "Wait! Step back. Take a practice swing."

So he stepped back and took a practice swing, certain now that this heavenly force was going to make his dream come true.

The voice boomed out again, "Take another practice swing."

Dutifully, he did. He stopped expectantly and waited --- A long silence followed.

Then the voice again, "Use the old ball."

MISGA Fall Frolic – October 31-November 4, 2010

Fifty MISGA associates and spouses attended the 2010 Fall Frolic at Amelia Island. There were 42 18-hole golfers, and eight non-golfers.

Amelia Island Resort

Bill Rapson of Hobbits Glen took the photographs at Amelia Island Frolic

[ZOOM FOR LARGER PICTURES – 300 to 400 % - Click ZOOM for Instructions]

Monday - Ladies - Two Better Balls Format - Long Point



1st – Ruth Crovo, Sally Stafford Judy Taylor, Mary Rapson



2nd – Beryl Keary, Ruth Crovo (Blind), Claudia Young, Mabel Muench



3rd – Judy Sarubin, Judi Short, Barbara Shearer, Kathy Fitzgerald

Monday - Men - Two Better Balls Format - Long Point



1st – Gene Horan, Dave Woodward, Bob West, Howard Taylor



2nd – Larry Bathgate, John Crovo, Bob Fitzgerald, Dick Dale



3rd – Keith Keary, Jerry Shearer, Burr Short, Fred Gera



4th – Dick Young, Tom Brown, Frank Hogate, Bill Stafford



Monday CTP – Tom Brown, Nancy Woodward, Fred Gera

Tuesday - Ladies – 6(3)-6(2)-6(1) Format – Oak Marsh



1st – Bev Hogate, Sally Stafford, Ruth Crovo, Claudia Young



2nd –Judy Sarubin, Nancy Woodward Mabel Muench, Barbara Shearer (Blind)



3rd – Judi Short, Beryl Keary Mary Rapson, Barbara Shearer

Tuesday - Men - 6(3)-6(2)-6(1) Format - Oak Marsh



1st – Keith Keary, John Babyak, Burr Short, Bill Rapson



2nd – Frank Hogate, Tom Brown, Jerry Shearer, Pete Sorge



3rd – Larry Bathgate, Bill Stafford, Dave Woodward, Howard Taylor



4th –Dick Dale, Bob Fitzgerald, Ed White, Bill Rapson (Blind)



Tuesday CTP – Gene Horan, Judy Taylor, Nancy Woodward, Pete Sorge

Wednesday - Ladies - 3-2-1 Format - Ocean Links



1st – Ann Woollatt (Blind), Mary Rapson, Sally Stafford, Beryl Keary



2nd – Ruth Crovo, Claudia Young, Judi Short, Judy Taylor



3rd – Barbara Shearer, Nancy Woodward, Bev Hogate, Ruby Wallgren

Wednesday - Men - 3-2-1 Format - Ocean Links



1st - Keith Keary (Blind), Frank Hogate, Sam Hall, Bob Fitzgerald



2nd – John Crovo, Jay Resnick, Robin Woollatt, Pete Sorge



3rd – Ken Wallgren, Dick Young, Bill Stafford, Dave Woodward



4th – Gene Horan, Dick Dale (Blind), John Babyak, Ed White



Wednesday CTP – Norbert Muench, Beryl Keary, Mary Rapson, Burr Short



Thursday CTP –Pete Sorge, Ruby Wallgren, John Crovo

Thursday - Scramble Format - Oak Marsh



1st – Tom Brown, Beryl Keary, Ken Wallgren, Mabel Muench

2nd – Howard Taylor, Barbara Shearer, Burr Short, Bob West



3rd – Kathy Fitzgerald, Bev Hogate, Jay Resnick, John Crovo

4th – Larry Bathgate, Robin Woollatt, Nancy Woodward, Bob Fitzgerald

INAUGURAL DIVISION VI MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP



The inaugural Division VI Match Play Championship was won by National Golf Club at Tantallon on Monday October 25th in a head to head match with Crofton Country Club. The Crofton team won the home match at Crofton on Thursday, October 21st, with a score of 14 points Crofton and 8 points NGC Tantallon. In Monday's match NGC Tantallon scored 17 points to Crofton's 5 to win the Championship with a score of 25 to 19. Pictured at left: Tantallon Captain Bob King (on right) accepting winner's trophy from Terry Coleman of Fairway Hills.

Seven Division VI teams entered the Match Play Championship this year. The teams were Crofton, Fairway Hills, Fort Meade, Patuxent

Greens, University of Maryland, U S Naval Academy and NGC Tantallon. Each team played each other team in one match this year between April and September. The visitors this year will be the home team next year. There were four singles matches and two doubles matches in each competition. Single matches scored one point on each of the front and back nines and one point overall for a total of 3 points each. Doubles matches score two points on each of the front and back nines and one point overall for a total of 5 points each. There were a total of 22 points in each match. After play ended in September the two top teams met in a home and away match in October to determine the Division VI champion.

The inaugural season was enjoyed by those who played and are looking forward to next year's tournament . . . and redemption.

Bob King

NGC Tantallon MISGA Rep and Team Match Coordinator