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President's Message



I hope all has gone smoothly with your Mixers this year. There are always some issues to deal with regarding scheduling, and knowing the number of associates who will be sent by an individual club. I know that it is frequently disappointing to many when a quota is put on how many players can be invited to a Mixer. Keeping records of how many a club usually sends can often help. Our Annual Statistical Report can often be of assistance in this respect.

Some have suggested that MISGA should have a master schedule to aid scheduling, and to prevent over or under booking. Therefore, our Handicap Chair, Wayne Roland will be in charge of posting all of our clubs' schedules on our *misga.org* web site. Please let your Division Directors and me know of any ideas you may have regarding the running of MISGA events.

I want to welcome again our new MISGA clubs this year: Argyle, Blue Mash, Woodmore. We hope that Ruggles will also join us in 2018. I hope that the reps at those clubs are learning the ropes on how to schedule other clubs to your Mixers. Your Division Directors should be a great help in this respect.

Jim Wilcox

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All materials should be sent via e-mail to:

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Bob Hodges
MISGAGRAM Editor

Celebrations

At a mixer at Tantallon on August 30, a couple of our visitors really enjoyed the course as we tied a MISGA record of TWO HOLES IN ONE IN THE SAME MIXER! Congratulations to Jeff Hild, Rep from Musket Ridge acing #3 (145 yds), and Greg Huggard from Compass Pointe, who aced 15 (110 yds), and then proceeded to get closest to pin on 18!

The Lighter Side



"The easiest way to hook a ball is to try to slice it!"

OBITUARIES

Gene Sines, longtime MISGA member at Wakefield Valley and recently at Links at Challedon, passed away on September 11, 2017.

2017 - MISGA 2-MAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

After all the scorecards had been tabulated, attested and posted by application of MISGA's guidelines for interrupted tournaments, **Jeff Allen & Dave Cox** (*Wild Quail - Div. I*) had nipped **Robert Egge & Doug Wilson** (*Hobbit's Glen - Div. IV*) by a single stroke. For their slim margin of victory, **Allen & Cox** captured the *Gross Grand Champions* title, the trophy and pocketed a \$100 Pro Shop gift certificate.



L-R: Lloyd Stimson (*MISGA Tournament Chairman*), Dave Cox (*GGC*), Jeff Allen (*GGC*), Rick McCall (*Head Pro*), Bob Hodges (*Tournament Coordinator*)

On the Net side of the *2-Man Team* tournament, **Richard Fornadel & Matt Hauser** (*Hobbit's Glen - Div. IV*) won by a match-of-cards over **Bob Linkous & Ed Ryan** (*Prospect Bay - Div. III*) and **Randy Ward & Russ Stoneman** (*Univ. of Maryland - Div. VI*). **Fornadel & Hauser** garnered the *Net Grand Champions* title, the trophy and pocketed a \$100 Pro Shop gift certificate.



L-R: Lloyd Stimson (*MISGA Tournament Chairman*), Richard Fornadel (*NGC*), Rick McCall (*Head Pro*), Matt Hauser (*NGC*), Bob Hodges (*Tournament Coordinator*)

2017 - MISGA PAST PRESIDENTS (ABCD) CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

After all the scorecards had been collected, tabulated, attested and posted, two golden-aged golfers had tied for the *Gross Grand Champion* crown by shooting a fiery 72. Thus, **Jeff Allen** (*Wild Quail - Div. I*) and **Craig Ostrom** (*Hobbit's Glen - Div. IV*) climbed into a golf cart and proceeded to hole #1 for a sudden-death playoff. On the fourth hole, **Allen** sank a par putt to capture the coveted title, the crystal vase trophy and a \$100 gift certificate. **Allen** successfully defended his 2016 *GGC* title .. that he won in another sudden-death playoff.



L-R: Mike Barillo (*NCC Head Pro*), Jeff Allen (*GGC*), Blake Doty (*NCC Asst. Pro*)

On the Net side of the tournament, highly talented **Jeff Gasiorowski** (*Fairway Hills - Div. VI*) shot a flaming 58 for a seven stroke margin of victory over **Gary Manion** (*Norbeck - Div. IV*) and **Joe Emert** (*Bowie - Div. VI*). For his golfing deftness, **Gasiorowski** captured the *Net Grand Champion* title, the crystal vase trophy and a \$100 gift certificate. **Gasiorowski's** score of 58 set the all-time low net record for the PP-ABCD MCT.



FALL FROLIC October 22 to October 27, 2017:

This year we will stay and play golf at Omni Resort's "Amelia Island Plantation", Amelia Island, Florida. We have been to Amelia Island in the past prior to the Amelia Island purchase by Omni Resorts. Most of us will be staying at the Oceanfront "Run of the House Hotel". We will be playing the Ocean Links and Oak Marsh courses. Several golf holes are adjacent to the Ocean beaches which provide spectacular Ocean views.

Check in will be 4:00 pm Sunday evening October 22, 2017. Sunday evening there will be a short orientation meeting followed by a cash bar and a light reception (No dinner). Breakfast and dinner are included each day with check out after breakfast Friday morning October 27, 2017. Lunch is not included; however, it is available at the hotel or other venues at the complex. The non golfers will have a one day local tour including lunch.

The Amenities include complimentary self parking, on property transportation, resort beach access, use of the Health & Fitness Center and Deluxe Internet access. Some of the optional amenities that are available (costs to be paid by the user) are: the Resort Spa offering several "Spa" services, bike rentals, and numerous other optional tours.

THE APPLICATION FORMS ARE ON THE WEBSITE: MISGA.ORG. (See Frolics & Flings).

I would appreciate it if the Division Heads and club representatives would promote this event and post this information and the application forms on each club's bulletin board.

For complete information, please see the applications that are on line under MISGA.ORG. –Fall Frolics. If you have any questions, please call or e-mail me at 301-292-1597 or e-mail petesorge233@gmail.com.

Peter Sorge, MISGA Events Chairman

2018 Summer Frolic

September 12 & 13, 2018, Wednesday and Thursday at Liberty Mountain Resort,, Fairfield, PA

Save the date (and try not to schedule any mixers on top of those days, either!)

MISGA Board Meeting – September 12, 2017

The following items are from the Board meeting:

1. The Board approved Woodmore CC to join MISGA. The Board decided to defer the approval of Ruggles, as it has not yet arranged to have a schedule in 2018.
2. Bob Fitzgerald and Bill Duncan of Hobbit's Glen are now in charge of the Spring Fling in Williamsburg.
3. Each Division Director must contact Errol Myers to make the necessary changes to the MISGA web site regarding clubs that are no longer in MISGA.
4. The MISGA Secretary must contact Errol to add the minutes of the Board meetings to the MISGA web site.
5. Former members of MISGA in Division V can attend MISGA events only if they are members of a Club that is in MISGA. If they wish to play in MISGA events they can join clubs like Choptank and Hog Neck for a minimal fee. Mal Peterson and Dick Dale will attempt to contact those former members at Division V clubs. Perhaps they can get help making those contacts by contacting the former Division V Director or other known former members.

6. Wayne Rowland, MISGA's Handicap Chair, brought up the idea for a MISGA Master Schedule for Mixers. He also volunteered to collect the schedules from each club so that they can be posted on our MISGA web site. Please send your complete 2018 schedules to Wayne. Contact Wayne if you have any questions. His phone number and email address are on the MISGA web site.

The Master Schedule can be used to help in the initial planning of mixers, scheduling make-up dates, identifying the number of mixers held each week by various clubs, and helping associates contact clubs that may have openings for them. There are numerous other ways the Master Schedule may help clubs and individuals.

Please keep in mind that each MISGA club determines who can or cannot play in one of their home mixers.

The final MISGA Board meeting will be held in December at Hobbit's Glen Golf Club. I encourage all associates to inform their club reps., Division Directors, or me of any issues they would like the Board to discuss.

All MISGA associates are encouraged to read about MISGA on the web site misga.org.