

## MISGAgram

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Delmarva MISGA Group Going Strong...The MISGA member clubs on the Delmarva penninsula are well organized and are playing a full schedule of mixers during the 1979 season. Seven clubs started the season and, at the meeting of the MISGA Board of Directors on June 12, the application from Shawnee CC was accepted. Welcome to Shawnee and best wishes to the Delmarva group. Member clubs and Seniors Chairmen are listed below:

Cambridge CC	Edward Maguire	(301)	228-6046
Caroline CC	Ralph Heitmuller	(301)	479-2056
Elks CC	Wm. P. Long	(301)	749-9136
Green Hill CC	C. Reed Kurtz	(301)	749-5593
Nassawango CC	M. L. Peacock	(301)	632-0455
Seaford (Del)	Dana J. Crader	(302)	629-3385
Talbot CC	Edward Schmidt	(301)	822-5123

At this time we do not have the name of the Shawnee CC Seniors Chairman. Hope to report it in the next issue.

Speaking editorially, the Delmarva clubs are a real asset to MISGA. They are a well organized and enthusiastic group of golfers, they have beautiful and friendly clubs, and they participate in all the MISGA events the gas crunch will allow. They also provide their share of MISGA leadership with Allen Eckel of Cambridge and Ed Schmidt of Talbot being members of the MISGA Board of Directors. Good luck, Delmarva.

MISGAgram...Your editor apologizes for only three issues of MISGAgram this year--two so far and one more to come out in November after the Board of Directors meeting on October 25. Next year we will publish five issues, if we get enough news from the Member Clubs.

Four copies of each issue will be sent free to each Club Rep plus copies to MISGA Board members and officers. If anyone wants a personal copy mailed to his home or office, send dollar to cover postage and the address to which it should be mailed to Ted Hayward, PO Box 438, Braddock Heights, MD 21714.

Spring Fling Zings...The 1979 MISGA Spring Fling at Myrtle Beach had a record 117 participants and all had a great time. Fine golf courses, good weather (mostly), lots of prizes and many new friends made a wonderful start for the 1979 season. Events and winners were:

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April 2, 4-man team best-ball, at Bay Tree Gold
          Clyde Phillips, Larry Ring, Joe Van Trump, and Willis
          Warren (Lakewood).
          Warren Dean, Al Hagen, Larry Masoner, and Bill Noble
     2nd
           (Lakewood).
          Nick Goumas and Herb Meyer (Lakewood) and Jim Goode and
     3rd
          Ed White (Kenwood).
April 3, 2-man team, best-ball, at Pine Lakes
          Dave Wallace (Mont. Village) and George Williams (Hobbits Glen).
          Bob James and Joe Sabin (Lakewood).
          Al Hagen (Lakewood) and Al Shaffer (Potomac Valley).
     3rd
          Larry Masoner (Lakewood) and Pat Patrizio (Rossmoor).
     4th
  Played at Myrtle Beach National West (only prize)
          George Boys (Lakewood) and Mac McPherson (Rossmoor).
April 4 and 5, 36-hole Championship, at Sea Gull and Myrtle Beach National
     Low Gross
          Wally Sager (Potomac Valley)
     1st
          Mike Barnes (Lakewood)
     2nd
     3rd Jack Stein (Lakewood)
     Low Net
     1st Al Hagen (Lakewood)
         Larry Masoner (Lakewood)
     2nd
     3rd Bob Buechler (Eaglehead)
4th Bill Dorrell (Eaglehead)
     5th Ed Bower (Prince Georges)
April 6, 4-man team, two best-balls, at Quail Creek
          Bob Ahalt and Vernon Chaney (Hobbits Glen), Warren Roudebush
          (Rossmoor) and Frank Woodard.
Ed Bowers (Prince Georges), Henry Luken (Hobbits Glen),
     2nd
          Ed Schmidt (Talbot) and Randolph Scholl (Hobbits Glen).
          Ellison Clayton (Cambridge), Charles Loomis (Brooke Manor),
     3rd
          and Larry Ring and Willis Warren (Lakewood).
Played at Racoon Run (only prize)
          Warren Dean and Bill Noble (Lakewood) and Dave Wallace and
          Murray Worth (Montgomery Village).
Clubs represented at the Spring Fling were (number of men players
in parentheses):
                                       Kenwood (4)
          Lakewood (17)
                                       Cambridge (3)
          Hobbits Glen (10)
                                      Montgomery Village (3)
          Potomac Village (8)
          Brooke Manor (7)
                                      Bethesda (2)
                                       Prince Georges (1)
          Eaglehead (7)
                                      Talbot (1)
          Rossmoor (5)
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Congratulations and many thanks to Tournament Director Bill Dorrell, Treasurer Perry Lippitt, President Al Hagen and others who worked so hard to make this event a great success.

New Seniors Event by Greencastle CC...On May 22 Greencastle CC hosted their First Annual Seniors Invitational Tournament. There were 64 Seniors from fifteen different clubs participating and all enjoyed the excellent condition of the challenging Greencastle course. This event is planned to be an annual one, and is a worthy addition to the fine tournaments available to area Seniors.

Held in three classes by handicap, with gross and net prizes, winners were:

Class	Α	Low Gross	Jack Seckel (Greencastle)
		Low Net	Bill Sagle (VFW Frederick)
Class	В	Low Gross	Dick Harvey (Greencastle)
		Low Net	Sam Adams (Greencastle)
			Jim Loftin (Greencastle)
Class	C	Low Gross	Bill Wright (Greencastle)
		Low Net	Leo Brodie (Greencastle)
			Paul Higgins (Greencastle)

Many thanks to John Wheeler of Greencastle for giving us this news.

Successful Mixer with Delmarva Clubs...On September 24 and 25, 60 MISGA Seniors from the Washington-Western Maryland areas will travel to the Eastern Shore for a two-day mixer to be played at Talbot and Caroline CCs. This is the return session for a mixer event initiated by Argyle and Kenwood Seniors earlier this summer in which they hosted a sizeable group from the Delmarva clubs. This is a fine move to get these MISGA areas together, and we hope that it will become an annual feature of the MISGA scene. More details and list of winners in the next issue.

Spring Fling Moves...Arrangements are completed to hold the 1980 Spring Fling at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountains, Georgia. Callaway Gardens is about 60 miles southwest of Atlanta, has three fine golf courses and other recreational facilities. It is expected that travel would be by charter bus. More about the Spring Fling plans in future issues of MISGAgram.

MISGA's First Communications Workshop Big Success... Thirty-seven Seniors from 15 MISGA clubs attended the first MISGA Communications Workshop held at Kenwood CC on April 24. Organized by Joe Gambatese, MISGA Communications Consultant, and Ted Hayward, Editor of the MISGAgram, the Workshop was given in two sessions followed by a round-table. In the first session, Joe Gambatese described newspaper operations, their requirements for news stories, and passed out lists of local news media which are the best prospects to publish local club and MISGA news. In the second session, Ted Hayward sp ke about communications among MISGA member clubs and within the Seniors group, emphasizing the importance of rosters, bulletin boards, telephone committees and club newsletters. Paul Dobrowolski (Manor) described the newsletter coupon method which they have found valuable in signing up Seniors. Joe Campagna (Lakewood) explained their Seniors organization and stressed the importance of bulletin boards and telephone committees in getting timely notices to members. In the round-table discussion interest centered in dealing with Club Boards and Golf Committees. Duane Swingle (Montgomery Valley) and Sam Gibb (Bethesda) pointed out that member clubs derive increased cash flow from free guest days, and that this is an effective point which must be made.

Membership plaques with the MISGA logo were given to the three new member clubs. The Greencastle plaque was received by John Wheeler. The one for Congressional by Kim Hallomare substituting for Ken O'Neill. and that for the University of Maryland by Gil Williams.

Golf followed the Workshop and was enjoyed by all even though rain cut the sweeps to nine holes. Results from the sweeps were:

Gross: M. Deoudes and W. Sager (Potomac Valley)

1st Net: M. Leonard and G. Williams (Univ. of Maryland)

2nd Net: P. Dobrowolski and S. Kestering (Manor)

3rd:Net: J. Campagna (Lakewood and K. Hallomare (Cong)

Record Low Net Set at Brooke Manor...During the Brooke Manor-Eaglehead Mixer on June 14 at Brooke Manor Alex Craw of Eaglehead and his partner George Townsend of Brooke Manor shot a two man team best ball low net of 54. This is the lowest net we have heard of this year for a two man team--if there are lower ones please let us know so we can make them part of the MISGA records. Congratulations to Alex and George for a great round.

Greencastle-Tantallon Enjoy Mixer...On June 26 eighteen members from Tantallon went to Greencastle where they joined thirty-six Greencastle Seniors to form eighteen three-man teams. Low net best ball was won by Paul Graybar and Dick McHaffey from Greencastle and Charlie Franks from Tantallon with a 56--which is a very good score.

Nominations for Board Members...Nominations for several vacancies on the Board of Directors were considered on September 11 at a meeting of the Nominating Committee at Argyle CC chaired by Neill Turner. A mail ballot has been sent to all Club Reps and election results will be announced at the Annual Banquet on September 28.

Handicap Problems...A perennial problem at many clubs is assuring that all rounds played are correctly posted for handicap. We know of one club where failure to turn in a card results in the member playing from scratch for the next thirty days. We'd like to hear how different MISGA clubs run their handicap system. Let us know, will you?