



# MISGAGRAM

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## President's Message



Spring is on its way out and golf and the summer season will soon be in full swing. I just returned home from our Spring Fling at Williamsburg. A great time was had by all. The Golf Courses were the best you can find anywhere. For the last five years our numbers have increased. This year we had 93 full golf men and women with three 9-holers and 23 non-golfing ladies.

I am saddened by Dick Dale's decision to no longer head-up the Spring Fling. He will be sorely missed. He did an outstanding job. I am talking to Howard Taylor, Director of Division I, to find someone to replace Dick. The transition should be easy with the help of Chris Hartig, Director of Golf Vacations in Virginia. We have worked with Chris for the past 5 years.

I want to thank Byron Keadle for his dedication, time and time again, to take the pictures and news for the MisgaGram at our events.

We all need to work on our attendance at our mixers.

We need to make an effort to make Misga grow by continuing to spread the word regarding the good times and the fun we all have.

See you at our Summer Fling at Carroll Valley and Fall Flings at Pinehurst and Fripp Island.

Ralph E. Starkey, President

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## 2012 SUMMER FROLIC AT CARROLL VALLEY RESORT, FAIRFIELD, PA

Tuesday, September 12 – Thursday, September 13

The Summer Frolic is again being held at the newly renovated Carroll Valley Liberty Mountain Resort in the beautiful town of Fairfield, Pennsylvania. The dates are September 12-13, Wednesday & Thursday. For complete information, see the Flyer and Entry Form at [MISGA Summer Frolic](#) . Questions should be directed to Tom Taylor, 410-848-1866, or email to [trytogolf@comcast.net](mailto:trytogolf@comcast.net) .

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Byron W. Keadle  
MISGAGRAM Editor

### Hats off!

From Golf Digest's Marty Hackel: **Question:** I can't believe how many golfers I see wearing hats in the clubhouse. When is it OK to wear a hat indoors at a golf club? **Answer:** You should always remove your hat when entering a clubhouse, and absolutely never have it on while eating, even if your table is outdoors. Hats are OK in the locker room, but after you leave there, **Take it off!**

-- Reprinted from MISGAGRAM.

Golfers should put their hats in their automobiles, along with the rest of their golf equipment. If the hat is taken into the dining facilities, then it should be placed under one's chair, and definitely not on the table

### BENEFICIAL DIPPING

All of us have witnessed or participated in "dipping", the practice of rescuing golf balls from the various ponds, lakes and other water hazards we routinely encounter in our attempts to master the game of golf. At Ocean Pines Golf and Country Club that activity is paying dividends to a local college golf program. A group of frequent golfers headed by Tom Cronin with help from Bill Stafford and Hank Rusman recently contributed 1500 "experienced" balls to The University of Maryland Eastern Shore Golf Academy. The golf balls are used at the on campus practice facility for the benefit of the golf program. The program prepares students for employment in the golf industry. Marshall Cropper, the Director of the Golf Academy was most appreciative of the donation.

-- Jim Beisler

### Holes-in-One

**Robert Kaplan** of Piney Branch had a Hole-in-One on #16 at Piney Branch during a home mixer on April 19, 2012.

**Tom Whitehead** of Cross Creek had a Hole-in-One on Hole #5 at Holly Hills during a mixer on May 9, 2012.

**Ross Koeser** of Bretton Woods shot a hole-in-one on Hole #3 at Norbeck during a mixer on May 25, 2012

## HOLLY HILLS OPENING DAY

4/11/2012

Opening day at Holly Hills! Cold, Windy, and Long John Weather! But play, they would! We will await reports of active pneumonia! Our attendance was better than expected and we welcome new member Eddie Smith.

-- Tom Tarpley



Tom Loggia, Joe Stover, Bob Fitzsimmons, Dick Schwinger, Jack Remsberg



New Practice Range



Darwin Schmidt, Ron Banta, Bill Browning, Al Mertig, Eddie Smith

**Who says that wisdom comes with age?**

## ABCD TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE MEETS

On Friday, March 23, 2012, MISGA Tournament Chairman Lloyd Stimson met with the members of the "Tournament Committee" for the MISGA 2012 *Past Presidents (ABCD) Championship Tournament* at host Talbot Country Club in Easton, MD. The purpose of the "orientation meeting" was to discuss the administrative and operational activities of the tournament (*format & flights, tee placements, handicap allowances & adjustments, schedule, food & beverages, entry fee, prizes, etc.*) and to review the associated documents for accuracy, adequacy and comprehensiveness (*e.g., website flyer, bulletin board poster, entry form, rules sheet, finance report, etc.*).



"Tournament Committee" members in attendance were L-R above: Talbot Head Pro - Marc Kimminau; MISGA Tournament Chairman - Lloyd Stimson; Talbot Club Rep - Fritz Riedlin; Division III Tournament Chairman - Mal Peterson and Talbot GM - Chris Wyles. Division III Director - Bert Bigelow was still "snow-birding" in sunny Florida.

-- Lloyd Stimson

## Women Competing Against Men in MISGA Golfing Events

For the past couple of years women have joined the ranks of MISGA and have been competing in MISGA mixers and tournaments. As a matter of fact, women have been prize winners at both the 2010 and 2011 Past Presidents (ABCD) Championship Tournament.

However, the issue of women competing with men has generated a great deal of discussion and misunderstanding. The primary concern has been: (1) from which tee markers do women play and (2) what is the appropriate handicap allocation adjustment for women. Fortunately for MISGA, *The USGA Handicap System Manual (Section 9-3, c)* addresses both questions with exactness and thoroughness.

### 1. Tee Markers

According to the *Manual*, women have the option of selecting to play from either the same set of tee markers as men (e.g., *seniors' forward tees*) or a different set of tee markers (e.g., *ladies' front tees*).

### 2. Handicap Allocation Adjustment

The *Manual* states that *USGA Course Ratings* reflect the relative difficulty of a course from a specific set of tees - the higher the course rating, the more difficult is the course. Since the women's *USGA Course Rating* is usually higher than men, women will receive additional strokes equal to the difference between the men's and women's *USGA Course Rating*, with the resulting number rounded off to the nearest whole number (.5 or more rounded upward).

For example - if women are playing from the same set of tee markers as the men (e.g., *seniors' forward tees*) where the women's *USGA Course Rating* is 77.3 and the men's *USGA Course Rating* is 70.9, the women will add six strokes to their Course Handicap ( $77.3 - 70.9 = 6.4$  or 6).

The above USGA guidance will be applied at both MISGA's 2012 Championship Tournaments - *Past Presidents (ABCD)* at Talbot Country Club in Easton, MD and the *2-Man Team* at Norbeck Country Club in Rockville, MD. The charts below display the results of the USGA guidance.

#### Past Presidents (ABCD) at Talbot CC

Tee Position	Tee Color	Distance	Rating	Slope	Hdcp Adj
Front ( <i>Seniors</i> )	Red/White	5,640 yds	67.3	117	0
Front ( <i>Ladies</i> )	Red/White	5,640 yds	73.7	131	+6 strokes
Forward ( <i>Ladies</i> )	Red	5,194 yds	70.7	121	+3 strokes

#### 2-Man Team at Norbeck CC

Tee Position	Tee Color	Distance	Rating	Slope	Hdcp Adj
Front ( <i>Seniors</i> )	Gold	5,790 yds	68.1	124	0
Front ( <i>Ladies</i> )	Gold	5,790 yds	73.5	128	+ 5 strokes
Forward ( <i>Ladies</i> )	Red	5,452 yds	71.7	124	+ 4 strokes

-- Lloyd Stimson, MISGA Tournament Chairman

## NECROLOGY

Recent Deaths not previously reported in the MISGAGRAM

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### CLIFFORD HILK

Talbot CC

-- Fritz Riedlin

### SAMUEL L. FOGGIE

Sam passed away in April. He was a long time member of National Golf Club (Tantallon) and a MISGA participant. Also, he was a retired bank chairman, and active in the industry. Sam was easy going & well-liked by all. We called him "champagne Sam." After golf, he always ordered at least a split, if not a bottle. We will miss him.

-- Greg Morris

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## 2012 MISGA FALL FROLIC AT LITTLE RIVER, CARTHAGE, NC

**Sunday, October 28 (arrival) - Friday, November 2 (departure)**

The 2012 MISGA Fall Frolic will be held at *Little River Golf & Resort* (Pinehurst area), Carthage, NC. 28327. (888-766-6538). It is approximately a 6-hour drive from the metropolitan Washington, DC area. Participation will be limited to 96 golfers or to the available accommodations. The golfers will be playing on two courses: *Little River* (a Dan Maples course) & Hyland Golf Club (Tom Jackson course) a few miles from *Little River*.

The accommodations provide lodging for four (4) people. Please make up your own group. All units are two bedroom Suites with two private bathrooms, two Queen Beds in each bedroom, a fully furnished kitchen, a comfortable living area, wireless internet access and a private patio or balcony. Additional features include daily housekeeping. The suites do not have a washer or dryer, however, a laundry service is available at additional cost. The premium for a couple not to share a unit is \$360 for the week, about the same as the \$376 for comparable housing choice at Fripp Island. Download application forms at [MISGA Fall Frolic-1](#).

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## 2012 MISGA FALL FROLIC AT FRIPP ISLAND, SC

**Sunday, November 4 (arrival) - Friday, November 9 (departure)**

The 2012 MISGA Fall Frolic will be held at Fripp Island Resort, SC. Fripp Island is located at One Tarpon Blvd. Fripp Island, SC 29920 (1-800-334-3022). It is just southeast of Beaufort, SC., approximately a 10-hour drive from the metropolitan Washington, DC area. Participation will be limited to 96 golfers or to the available accommodations. We will be playing on the Fripp Island Ocean Point & Ocean Creek courses.

The accommodations provide lodging for one, two, or three twosomes. Please make up your own group to assure that you are with people you know. Every bedroom has its own private bath. All units have cable TV, refrigerator, heat and AC. For a single twosome, the choices are: the "Sunsuite Efficiency," with bath, kitchenette, sitting area (no washer/dryer) or a 1BR Ocean View or Scenic Villa. For larger groups there is 2BR Ocean or Scenic "Villas," or 3 BR Golf Course Cottages: Each Villa/Cottage has the same number of baths as bedrooms and each bedroom is furnished with one or two double beds. Also, they have a kitchen with range, microwave, dishwasher and refrigerator with icemaker. Additional features include a full size living room, dining area, washer & dryer and may have a screened porch. Use of beaches, pools, tennis & fitness center is included (additional charges may apply to amenities). Download application forms at [MISGA Fall Frolic-2](#).

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## 2-MAN TEAM "TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE" MEETS

On Tuesday - May 1, 2012, MISGA Tournament Chairman Lloyd Stimson motored to Norbeck Country Club in Rockville, MD to meet with the members of the "Tournament Committee" for the MISGA 2012 *2-Man Team Championship Tournament* and the NCC management staff. The purpose of the "orientation meeting" was to discuss the administrative and operational activities of the tournament (*format, tee placements, handicap allowances & adjustments, schedule, food & beverages, entry fee, prizes, etc.*) and to review the associated documents for accuracy and adequacy (*e.g., website flyer, bulletin board poster, entry form, rules sheet, finance report, etc.*).

Attendees at the meeting were L-R below: Gary Manion (*NCC MISGA Rep and Division IV Tournament Chairman*), Charlotte Kates (*NCC Director of Catering*), Jay Nalls (*NCC Golf Course Superintendent*), Lloyd Stimson (*MISGA Tournament Chairman*), Clark Sisson (*NCC Head Golf Professional*), Mike Urquhart (*MISGA VP & MISGA Division IV Director*), Frank Lacey (*NCC MISGA Asst Rep*), Mike Dickey (*NCC Gentlemen's Golf Association President and NCC MISGA Asst Rep*). Not in the photo, but attended - Neil Griggs (*NCC General Manager*).

-- Lloyd Stimson



MISGA Spring Fling – May 15-17, 2012  
Williamsburg, VA



Kingsmill – Woods #9



Kingsmill – River #17



Golden Horseshoe – Gold #16

[ZOOM FOR LARGER PICTURES – 300 to 400 %]

Tuesday, May 15 – Best 2 of 4 – Men’s Flight & Ladies’ Flight

**Tuesday’s golf was halted after 9-plus holes because of a torrential downpour.**

**Winners are based on 9 holes in relation to par.**



**1st** – Carol Boardman, Louise Duncan  
Judi Short, Kathy Fitzgerald (Blind)



**2nd** – Natalie Fenwick, Barbara Shearer  
Sally Stafford, Mary Ann Zgorski



**3rd** – Gail Lynch, Joyce Schriver  
Carolyn Neal, Patricia Haghight



**1st** – Gene Palmatary , Milton Zepp,  
Harold Schriver, Jim Beisler (Blind)



**2nd** - Bob Fitzgerald, Owen Wise,  
Roger Morrison, Nelson Fenwick



**3rd** – Dave Bowen, Douglas Biederman,  
Fred Gera, David Melocik



**4th** – Tom Taylor, Ed Boxwell, John Crovo,  
Frank Phillips (no picture)



**5th** – Dick Young, Bob Turner  
Bill Stafford, Jim Beisler



**Dick Dale - Spring Fling Leader**

Wednesday, May 16 – Men's Flight: Stableford



**1st** – David Schwartz, James Doyle  
Gene Sines, Owen Wise (Blind)



**2nd** – Owen Wise, Douglas Biederman,  
Larry Bathgate, William Henseler



**3rd** – David Sloper, Byron Keadle  
David Melocik, Don Schaffer

Mixed Flight: 2 of 3 BB, Men play own ball, Ladies play Scramble



**1st** – Bill Stafford, Nancy Woodward,  
Diane Blubaugh, Howard Taylor



**2nd** – Iraj Haghghat, Carol Boardman,  
Barbara Shearer, James Phipps



**3rd** – James Maar, Sally Stafford,  
Kathy Fitzgerald, Tom Zgorski

Men – 2 Ball Total; Women – Scramble 1 Ball

River #13



**1sts** – Jerry Shearer, Steve Neal,  
Joyce Schriver, Carol Meers



**2nds** – Rich Boardman, Milton Zepp  
Ruby Lepore, Judi Short



Pre-tournament Warm-up



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Thursday, May 17 - Women - Hastings Hybrid



**1st** - Ann Graham, Sally Stafford  
Judi Short, Nancy White (no pic)



**2nd** - Claudia Young, Carol Boardman  
Diane Blubaugh, Connie Phipps



**3rd** - Joyce Schriver, Beverly Hogate,  
Barbara Shearer, Pat Beisler (no pic)

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A Flight Men: 2BB



**1st** - Bill Stafford, Richard Helm  
Gene Palmatary, David Cook, (no pic)

NO PIC

**2nd** - David Sloper, Fred Meers  
David Melocik, Richard Dale

NO PIC

**3rd** - Gene Sines, Bob Fitzgerald,  
Jerry Shearer, Jack Saum

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B Flight Men - Hastings Hybrid



**1st** - Milton Zepp, Don Schaffer,  
Jim Beisler, Howard Taylor (no pic)



NO PIC

**2nd** - Ken Wallgren, Frank Hogate  
Edgar Boxwell, Frederick Gera (no pic)

**3rd** - Wallace Hoff, Steve Neal  
Owen Wise, Jim Maar

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My New Philosophy of Golf  
"Overclub and Underswing!"

Simple in concept, but difficult to achieve in practice.

My previous philosophy of Underclubbing and Overswinging just wasn't working.  
However, there's one little glitch -- it's getting harder and harder to overclub.

--Anonymous Senior Golfer

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## Eagle at Holly Hills



Jack Remsberg made an Eagle on June 6, 2012 at Holly Hills on Hole #16, a 239 yard Par 4, using a Driver and Rescue Club. Jack is in his mid-80's and this is his first eagle. He did not want to believe me when I told him if it's not back of the green it is in the hole.

Dick Schwinger pulled the flag stick to prove the ball was in the hole--out came the ball and you can see the happy face! Bob Fitzsimmons and Tom Tarpley completed the foursome!

Dick Schwinger pictured on left, Jack Remsberg on right.  
-- Tom Tarpley, Club Rep

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This notice was posted in war-torn Britain in 1940 for golfers with stiff upper lips. You have to admit --- these guys really had guts! German aircraft from Norway would fly on missions to northern England. Because of the icy weather conditions, the barrels of their guns had a small dab of wax to protect them. As they crossed the coast, they would clear their guns by firing a few rounds at the golf courses. Golfers were urged to take cover.

### **RICHMOND GOLF CLUB**

#### **TEMPORARY RULES, 1940**

1. Players are asked to collect Bomb and Shrapnel splinters to save these from causing damage to the Mowing Machines.
2. In Competitions, during gunfire or while bombs are falling, players may take cover without penalty for ceasing play.
3. The positions of known delayed action bombs are marked by red flags at a reasonably, but not guaranteed, safe distance therefrom.
4. Shrapnel and/or bomb splinters on the Fairways, or in Bunkers within a club's length of a ball, may be moved without penalty, and no penalty shall be incurred if a ball is thereby caused to move accidentally.
5. A ball moved by enemy action may be replaced, or if lost or destroyed, a ball may be dropped not nearer the hole without penalty.
6. A ball lying in a crater may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole, preserving the line to the hole without penalty.
7. A player whose stroke is affected by the simultaneous explosion of a bomb may play another ball from the same place. Penalty one stroke.