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President
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<u>Editor's Note:</u> We all want to improve our game, some take lessons, some practice for hours; but Dave took things a step further and had eye surgery and was recuperating at press time.

Dave says he's looking forward to the new year and working with everyone to continue the legacy that is Senior Golfers Association of Atlanta.

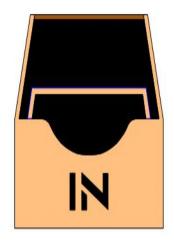
He wants to remind everyone that this is YOUR organization and it takes all of us to make it work well and grow. There is a list of committees on the website, check it out and see if there's one you'd like to be a part of. Contact the Committee Chair and volunteer your services.

(I know for a fact the Photo Directory Committee can use all the help it can get. If interested let me know steve.puster@gmail.com)

Dave is looking forward to testing the results of the surgery and joining everyone on the course.

The first tournament of 2022 is scheduled for 10:00 a/m Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at Providence Club.





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Please consider joining us at Country Club of Gwinnett (annex building next to the Club House) on January 14, 2022 from 10:00 a/m until noon to learn the ins and outs of how the Tournament Table functions and the part each volunteer plays in making the daily tournaments a success.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this valuable training, not just the current table volunteers, and can benefit from this training. We've all experienced the check-in and hole assignment process. Most days this is very smooth and efficient; but there is that rare occasion it seems to take forever to get your assigned hole. Those are the days when one or more of the regular volunteers was unable to be there that day. So the table is shorthanded. A <u>trained</u> volunteer could step in as a substitute and assist. You might think any well-meaning volunteer would be helpful, but the untrained can add to the delay while regulars try to explain the procedures.

We're trying to expand our pool of <u>trained</u> table volunteers so we keep those days of slow check-ins to a rarity. Positions for regular table workers sometimes need to be filled, as well as alternates are needed in a pinch to step in and fill a void. Even if you aren't a current (or prospective) table volunteer, please consider attending and join the training as a prospective alternate.

So mark your calendar and let me know you'll be joining us for this training so I can know how many to plan for lunch. (Yes, lunch will be provided for the attendees). Space is limited – but don't stop that from signing up for this training, additional training sessions can be scheduled to accommodate the number of volunteers.

Contact Larry Fauconnet [LHFauconnet@gmail.com or 678-654-2594] no later than Monday, January 7, 2022.

### EVENTS FOR JANUARY 2022

All tee times are 10:00 a/m

January 18 TUES: 10:00 a/m **Providence \$33** 

January 20

THUR: 10:00 a/m Bear Creek \$32

January 24 MON: 10:00 a/m Cherokee Run \$30

January 26 WED: 10:00 a/m Sugar Creek \$28

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We begin January 2022 with 216 active members, 35 inactive. (These members will be removed from our records if they have not paid their dues by March 31, 2022.) (A list will be posted after they have been contacted and given a chance to pay their dues). Six Members passed away in 2021 (Jon White) (Bob Lacy) (Tom Schultz) (Roy Fruit) (Don Wood) (Paul Kiel).

We have 15 members that are 90+ years old on our roster this year.

HOW GREAT IS THAT!!!!

We are accepting applications for 2022.

Application forms are available at each registration table or by contacting me. New applications should include a check for \$50 to insure membership.

MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE BLANKS ON THE APPLICATION FORM ARE FILLED OUT. MAKE SURE THEY ARE EASILY READ.

Continue to ask your friends and neighbors if they would like to join us. Get your blank applications from the registration tables. New applicants must have two (2) sponsors

SEE YOU ON THE COURSE!!!!!!!!!

**ENJOY THE FINE FELLOWSHIP AND GOOD GOLF!!!!!!!** 



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Rambling from Jee to Green

Editor's Note: The following is taken from the December 8, 2021 "Stick and Hack".

In many ways, golf is a universal language. For whatever reason, it speaks to people from all walks of life, sports, ages and abilities in a way that doesn't translate for other activities. One's goal doesn't have to be winning or setting a course record when walking on the first tee. The victory could be the act of playing, or the focus could be working on a specific shot or thought. Or maybe you just enjoy hanging out with your friends and busting each other's chops for a few hours.

Whatever the reason, one of the exciting parts of golf are the people and their stories. You never know who you'll meet at the golf course or how they're connected to the game.

Asha Rangappa is a lawyer, tv analyst, lecturer at Yale, former FBI counterintelligence agent, and she's a golfer. Of Asha's fascinating resume, it's her experience learning to shoot a gun with the FBI that translates over to our sport best as she described in a recent interview:

"You have to focus on the front sight of the weapon, not on the target. It's kind of counterintuitive in that way. And you also have to be very gentle. They call it 'pressing' the trigger. In other words, if you try to 'pull' it, everything is going to be off...It's almost like when you're swinging the club; you have to let it happen. There's a zen quality. At some point, you have to let go of the outcome and trust that if you do the mechanics and don't try to control everything and get all uptight about it, you're going to actually be more accurate."

Sometimes this works, and sometimes we wish we had a safety for our driver.

### SGAA 2022 Kick-Off Luncheon

### February 24, 2022

11:00 a/m—2:00 p/m



#### **Monroe Golf and Country Club**

1414 Alcovy St Monroe GA 30655

#### \$25.00 PER PERSON

(includes tip and tax)

This will be a buffet Luncheon similar to our Year-end Luncheon

Reservations can be made by sending your check for \$25.00 made out to SGAA

annotated as "Kick-Off Luncheon" to:

Tom Vardase 3502 Johns Road Tucker, GA 30084

Reservations <u>MUST</u> be received no later than <u>February 18, 2022</u>

This is not so much "going to lunch" as it is about the friends and fellowship as we kick off a new season. .

Moving forward I encourage your feedback regarding any changes you'd offer. Cost and location are probably the foremost, but the menu and other suggestions to attract better attendance is welcome.

You can't put a price on friendship. I look forward to seeing you on February 24th.

Harry Matthews

## S G A A Out of Town

## Little Ocmulgee





Little Ocmulgee State Park and Lodge 80 Live Oak Trail Helena, GA

April 11,12,13 2022 Monday T-Time 12:30 pm (EST)

Guests are welcome. Bring a friend, a family member, a neighbor. The more the merrier. RESERVATION DEADLINE: March 25, 2022.

Packages include the following:

Two- or three-nights lodging, golf, dinners, breakfasts, & lunch on Tuesday.

All roommate must have the identical packages!

#### Check your Choice

OCCUPANCY	PACKAGES	PRICE PER	SUNDAY	
		PERSON	ARRIVAL	
SINGLE	3 Days Golf, 2 nights, meals	\$390.00	\$485.00	
DOUBLE	3 Days Golf, 2 nights, meals	\$295.00	\$345.00	
SINGLE	2 Days golf Monday and Tuesday, 1 night	\$270.00	\$365.00	
DOUBLE	2 Days golf Monday and Tuesday, 1 night	\$220.00	\$270.00	
COUPLE	3 Golf for one Member 2 nights lodging and no meals	\$330.00	\$425.00	

Name:	SGAA Member Number		
Guest:	Guest Stroke Handicap		
SGAA Roommate:	SGAA Number		

All reservations, including Sunday, must be made through SGAA. NO REFUNDS AFTER RESERVATION DEADLINE MARCH 25, 2022!

Make Checks Payable to <u>SGAA</u>
Mail Reservation Form and Check to:
Danny Boyles
P.O. BOX 390506
Snellville, GA 30039

Monday Tournament will be four man teams A,B,C,D. Dogfight format. Tuesday Tournament will be two man Teams. A/B players against A/B players. C/D players against C/D players. Dogfight format. Wednesday Tournament will be an individual dogfight format.

#### **SGAA IS ON FACEBOOK**



## Senior Golfers Association of Atlanta



We post current pictures of our events on our website. However they do get removed after a period of time. Ever wanted to go back and see pictures of a specific SGAA event? How about wanting to sell some of your old golfing equipment? Looking for a place to promote your local charity golfing event? How about posting pictures from our weekly tournaments? We have started a Facebook group page where all of these things are possible. Note no political, off color, or non golf related posts will be tolerated. You do not have to join the group to see what is happening or to post. However, if you do join you will be notified of any new entries on the page.

The page is located at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/473173290904186/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/473173290904186/</a>

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Not all holes or moments in golf history involve sensational shots or championships. Ben Hogan stamped his name in First Coast golf history by making an 8-over-par 11 on a par 3 at Hyde Park in the 1947 Jacksonville Open.

Hogan was three shots off the lead in the third round, and tugged his tee shot into the pond on the left — which was larger than it is now. The ball was barely visible above the water and Hogan thought he could splash it onto the green.

He tried four times and finally took an unplayable lie. He hit his seventh shot to the top of the bank, and the ball rolled back down in the water.

After his penalty shot, he hit his ninth onto the green and two-putted for the 11. Hogan shot 79 in the round and came back the next day with a 68.

So the next time you think you can pull off that type of shot, know that even Ben Hogan couldn't do it, so what makes you want to take the chance?

It is VERY important for members to attend the banquet. There will be some changes proposed for the Constitution and a minimum of 75 members is required to determine the outcome of any proposals.

This is YOUR opportunity to have a DIRECT say in changes to Senior Golfers Association of Atlanta!

During the December 9, 2021 Board of Directors meeting, the Board voted to subsidize the cost of the banquets to keep the cost per member at no more than \$25

### 2022 SGAA OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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### What about you, what can you do??

You can help Senior Golfers Association of Atlanta thrive in many ways. Becoming a <u>trained</u> worker is the most obvious. If you're not able to make the commitment (yikes, there's that word) to be there every week; what about being an alternate?

Join a committee, do more than just play golf, get involved. The more of your talents and expertise you put into SGAA the more you will get back. There's the satisfaction of knowing you've done something to help, but just as rewarding, if not more so; is that you will find yourself becoming friends with more and more of the members and getting the taste of the "Fine Fellowship" first hand.

Steve Puster needs help with the Photo Directory and it won't take much of your time but will be a huge benefit to all of our members, especially the new members. All you have to do is use your phone to take a picture (from the waist up) of that golfer you've seen in our ranks before but don't know. Send this picture with his name to Steve either in an email (<a href="steve-puster@gmail.com">steve-puster@gmail.com</a>) or by a text message (678-262-7541). Viola! you've just become a member of the Photo Directory Committee. It was painless, filled in a few minutes between check-in and tee off, and now you know one more member.

What about your neighbor, your RVing friend, that poker buddy? Wonder if they'd like to become a member and join in the good golf and fine fellowship? You'll never know unless you ask.

Do you know of a golf course in our playing area around 5000-5500 yds that we don't play? Let Dave Mueller, or one of the In-town Scheduling Committee members, know about it. With the recent spate of courses closing as we go through this pandemic and challenging economic times the committee is always looking for courses to replace those that we've lost.

You can do a lot!

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