



MSGGA Newsletter

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October Tournaments

PLEASE NOTE: Tournaments are subject to any restrictions that might be in place at the time of play.

10/03/2020

1st Annual

Pine Meadows GC (Lewistown)

10/03/2020

13th Annual Iron Man

Eaglerock GC (Billings)

10/03/2020

Mission Impossible

Laurel GC (Laurel)

10/03/2020

Octoberfest

Trestle Creek GC (St. Regis)

10/03/2020

Oktoberfest

Marias Valley G&CC (Shelby)

10/03/2020

Oktoberfest (Big Cup Event)

Indian Springs Ranch GC (Eureka)

10/03/2020

Smoke & Stroke

Airport GC (Wolf Point)

10/04/2020

Die Hard Tournament

Cottonwood CC (Glendive)

10/04/2020

Gene Schwartz Memorial

Exchange City Par 3 GC (Billings)

10/04/2020

World's Toughest GC

Polson Bay GC (Polson)

10/05/2020

Cellular Plus Legion Baseball

Yellowstone CC (Billings)

10/05/2020 - 10/06/2020

PNWPGA (WMC) 2020 Dowaliby Cup

Whitefish Lake GC (Whitefish)

USGA Video Resources

Emily Hulse, MSGA Handicap and Website Coordinator



Having trouble understanding a feature of the World Handicap System (WHS)? Need a Rule of Golf explained? Are you curious what goes inside a Course Rating?

The USGA has a video library at your fingertips that can better explain these things and more. To access the videos for Rules of Golf and the USGA Golf

Journal, go to www.usga.org, click the "Video" tab, and look through the video library for a topic that interests you.

The USGA will also be releasing new videos starting October 1st that explain different features of WHS, like daily revisions, Exceptional Score Reduction, playing from different tees, Course Handicap vs. Playing Handicap, Net Double Bogey, and getting a Handicap Index. We will make these videos available in this newsletter and on our website www.msgagolf.org as they are released.



US Golf Journal: Go Inside a Course Rating (Click picture to play)



WHS: Daily Revisions (Click picture to play)

The first video covers DAILY REVISIONS. Under the WHS, your Handicap Index updates the day after you post a score. Find out why it's important to post the day you play by clicking [here](#).

Other videos and helpful information about WHS can be found at www.usga.org, by clicking the "Playing" tab, then Handicapping --> Handicapping Home.

Sometimes seeing and hearing it explained with a video is so much easier than reading about it, so we hope these tools can be useful to you! Many videos are about one minute long, and most are under five.



Rules of Golf Explained: Abnormal Course Conditions (Click picture to play)

If you have a question about the Rules of Handicapping under the World Handicap System, please feel free to contact us at support@msgagolf.org or the USGA at hdcquestions@usga.org.

USGA CEO MIKE DAVIS ANNOUNCES DEPARTURE IN 2021



The USGA has announced that CEO Mike Davis will leave the organization by the end of 2021 to pursue a life-long passion for golf course design and construction. In the next step of his professional journey, Davis will team with accomplished golf course designer Tom Fazio II in a new business venture, where together they have formed Fazio & Davis Golf Design.



Mike Davis

Davis, who joined the USGA in 1990, became the Association's seventh executive director in 2011 and its first Chief Executive Officer in 2016. In the CEO role, Davis is responsible for managing all aspects of the association's day-to-day operations, including its core functions, essential programs, and human and financial resources. He serves as a member of several golf-related boards, including the International Golf Federation, World Golf Foundation, World Golf Hall of Fame, and Official World Golf Rankings.

"Leading the USGA has been such an honor, and I'm grateful for the many wonderful years I have had with this great organization," said Davis. "While I am excited for my next chapter, my work here is not done, and I look forward to furthering our mission to better the game over the next 15 months."

Until his departure, Davis will continue to focus on leading the organization through the impacts of COVID-19, advancing the USGA's commitment to create Golf House Pinehurst, driving USGA strategy, and on-boarding and supporting his successor to ensure a smooth transition for the next CEO.

"Mike has been a transformational leader in golf and his actions to move the USGA forward have been numerous and decisive," said USGA President Stu Francis. "These accomplishments include leading global rules modernization, the new World Handicap System, the ongoing Distance Insights project, and the creation of the new USGA Foundation. In addition, Mike's vision helped create four new USGA championships, while at the same time ensuring a renowned lineup of golf courses for all of the USGA's championships. He has also been a strong advocate for the selection of public golf courses as U.S. Open sites."



Congratulations to our NEWEST WINNERS!

SEPTEMBER'S DRAWING:
Disneyland - Bennett MacIntyre, Helena
\$200 cash - Brian Kelich, Missoula

**** OCTOBER'S TRIP PRIZE is Las Vegas, Nevada ****

"During his tenure as CEO, Mike has assembled a strong, experienced leadership team, and worked collaboratively with our board to modernize and streamline the internal governance structures of the USGA, which created the space for the management team to lead the way and the Executive Committee to function primarily as a strategic board."

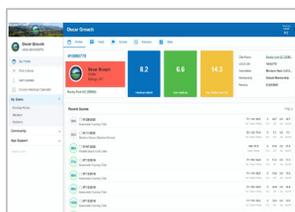
Congratulations to our newest Ace Club Members!

Did you get a hole-in-one? Go to www.msgagolf.org to see how to get your MSGA Hole-in-One Certificate!



Tom Shea, 9/4/20, Whitefish Lake GC (North Course), Hole #6, 148 yds, 8 Iron
Andy Ferguson, 8/13/20, Black Bull, Hole #2, 211 yds, 4 Iron
Will Salonen, 8/8/20, Buffalo Hill GC, Hole #9 (Cameron), 193 yds, 7 Iron
Andy Ferguson, 3/14/14, Vista Plantation GC, Hole #6, 106 yds, Gap Wedge
Andy Ferguson, 3/14/13, Cottonwood Hills GC, Hole #17, 137 yds, P. Wedge

The USGA Executive Committee will soon initiate a search for the next CEO, with the goal of having a candidate in place prior to the 2021 U.S. Open in June. Davis will support the onboarding of the new CEO over the subsequent months with the intent of formally departing the organization by the end of 2021.



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