



# MSGGA Newsletter

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## May Tournaments

5/01/2021

Opportunity Bank Run for the Roses  
Airport GC (Wolf Point)

5/01/2021

Stockman Bank Scramble  
Eaglerock GC (Billings)

5/01/2021 - 5/02/2021

Lake City Open  
Polson Bay GC (Polson)

5/02/2021

Kiwanis

Headwaters GC (Three Forks)

5/03/2021

RMSPGA (YC) Scholarship Pro-Am  
Laurel GC (Laurel)

5/03/2021

Senior Interclub  
Hilands GC (Billings)

5/04/2021

Ladies Kickoff  
Laurel GC (Laurel)

5/07/2021

First Tee Open Fore Youth  
Eaglerock GC (Billings)

5/07/2021

Missoula Chamber Red Ripper  
Missoula CC (Missoula)

5/07/2021 - 5/08/2021

Scratch Team-Up  
Hilands GC (Billings)

5/08/2021

Veteran Golfers Association  
Marias Valley G&CC (Shelby)

5/10/2021

PNWPGA (WMC) Pro-Am  
Eagle Bend GC (Bigfork)

5/10/2021

RMSPGA (YC) Scholarship Pro-Am  
Yellowstone CC (Billings)

5/10/2021

Senior Interclub  
Lake Hills GC (Billings)

## A Note From the MSGGA President

Carla Berg, MSGGA President



### WHERE DO YOUR HANDICAP DOLLARS GO?

The MSGGA makes numerous contributions to the game of golf using proceeds from the membership (handicap) fees that are collected.



**Junior Golf**—Sponsors boys and girls District & State Tournaments, Junior America's Cup, Montana/Alberta Cup Teams. Junior Grants to assist with golf development and free MSGGA Junior memberships.

**Collegiate Golf**—Yearly donations to the Montana colleges and universities with collegiate golf programs for scholarships. Individual scholarships to graduating seniors.

**Education**—Donations to both Montana PGA Chapters to help grow the game. Donation to the Montana Peaks & Prairies chapter of the GCSA to benefit Course Superintendents statewide.

**Rules of Golf**—Conducts rules clinics to keep current with the USGA. Club education and certification for the Rules of Handicapping.

**Course Ratings**—Reimburses travel expenses and education for members of the Course Rating Team, who travel our big state to rate courses on a cycle. This ensures proper player handicaps.

**State Golf Events**—Sponsors the Men's Amateur Championships (State, Senior, Super Senior), Men's Mid Amateur, Women's Amateur Championships (State, Mid, Senior), Montana Cup Matches, and Men's & Women's State Four Ball Championship.

**Handicap & Tournament Software**—GHIN handicaps for MSGGA members and tournament software for MSGGA member clubs.

**Customer Support**—Online & phone support for MSGGA member clubs and MSGGA members.

**Your Home Club**—Part of your fee goes back to support your home club.

Multi-members are encouraged to support both Associations (sharing one GHIN#), since their membership includes more than just a handicap. Thank you for your continued support to the game of golf!

5/11/2021

Class B Northern Divisional  
Marías Valley G&CC (Shelby)

5/11/2021

Men's US Open Qualifer  
Missoula CC (Missoula)

5/15/2021

4-Person Scramble  
Stillwater GC (Columbus)

5/15/2021

Couples Open  
Laurel GC (Laurel)

5/15/2021

Eagle Mount  
Pryor Creek GC (Huntley)

5/15/2021

Laurel Couples Open  
Laurel GC (Laurel)

5/15/2021

Nick Triplett Memorial Tournament  
Trestle Creek GC (St. Regis)

5/15/2021 - 5/16/2021

Men's & Women's State Four Ball  
The Briarwood GC (Billings)

5/15/2021 - 5/16/2021

Polson Bay Senior Open  
Polson Bay GC (Polson)

5/16/2021

Social Ladies in Club Pro Am  
Laurel GC (Laurel)

5/17/2021

PNWPGA (WMC) Pro-Am  
Village Greens GC (Kalispell)

5/22/2021

Huntley Project Museum Fundraiser  
Pryor Creek GC (Huntley)

5/22/2021

Veteran Golfers Association  
Northern Pines GC (Kalispell)

5/22/2021 - 5/23/2021

The Ben Graham  
Cabinet View GC (Libby)

5/24/2021

PNWPGA (WMC) Pro-Am  
Larchmont GC (Missoula)

5/24/2021

RMSPGA (YC) Pro-Am  
The Briarwood GC (Billings)

5/27/2021

4th Annual Griz Golf Tournament  
Laurel GC (Laurel)

5/29/2021

Member Appreciation  
Laurel GC (Laurel)

5/29/2021

Scott Reno Memorial Spring Kickoff  
Pine Meadows GC (Lewistown)

5/29/2021 - 5/30/2021

Memorial Day Weekend Tournament  
Cottonwood CC (Glendive)

## MSGA Scholarships Awarded

Carla Berg, MSGA President

For graduating Seniors, spring time of their last high school year is like the Academy Awards every day. Eagerly awaiting notice of their scholarship applications is a daily ordeal.

The MSGA awards scholarships each year to both boys and girls. The scholarship applications are scored individually by committee members across the state according to a scoring booklet. The scores are based on Academics, Golf Involvement, Extra Curricular Activities, Community Volunteering, Honors and Awards, and Essays and Presentation. A major requirement is that the student must be an MSGA member. MSGA memberships are free to all Juniors (18 & under), and are available online at [www.msgagolf.org/join-the-msga](http://www.msgagolf.org/join-the-msga), or through your local club. Applicants without an MSGA membership are disqualified.

The 2021 awards were approved at the MSGA spring board meeting. The winners are: Tanner Hanson, Hamilton High School; Carson Hackmann, Laurel High School; Caswell Bloomquist, Capital High School (Helena); Cullen Visser, Manhattan Christian High School (Manhattan); Ella Prigge, Butte High School; Cierra Sundheim, Skyview High School (Billings); Kendall Reed, Whitefish High School; and Landri Paladichuk, Ennis High School.

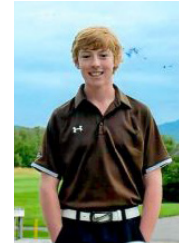
Every applicant was an outstanding individual with exceptional credentials. We believe the future of golf in Montana is in good hands. Applications for next year's scholarships will be posted to our website in the fall.



Tanner Hanson



Carson Hackmann



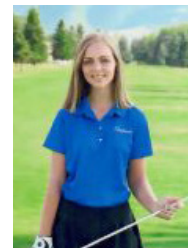
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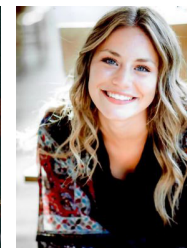
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Cierra Sundheim



Kendall Reed



Landri Paladichuk

### Congratulations to our newest Ace Club Members!

Did you get a hole-in-one? Go to [www.msgagolf.org](http://www.msgagolf.org) to see how to get your MSGA Hole-in-One Certificate!



Myles Link, 4/15/21, Missoula CC, Hole #17, 161 yds, 7 Iron  
Roger Ditto, 3/23/21, Oasis GC – Mesquite NV, Hole #7, 108 yds, 9 Iron  
Chris Hanley, 3/12/21, Polson Bay GC, Hole #4, 126 yds, 52 Degree

### Congratulations to our NEWEST WINNERS!



#### APRIL'S DRAWING:

Memphis, Tennessee - John Humphreys, Palm Desert CA  
\$200 cash - Jim Zimmerman, Joliet

\*\* MAY'S TRIP PRIZE is Tucson, Arizona \*\*

5/29/2021 - 5/31/2021  
 Barnett Memorial Tournament  
 Missoula CC (Missoula)  
 5/31/2021  
 Senior Interclub  
 Eaglerock GC (Billings)



Rounds Research

APRIL 26 – MAY 2, 2021

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on a round

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**BUILD**  
a better game.

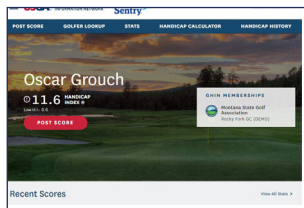
PREVIEW the courses to BID on now and support turfgrass research to help sustain the future of golf.

GCSAA EFG TORO

**M & W STATE FOUR BALL**  
 (2 Person, Better Ball)

**May 15-16, The Briarwood**

**APPLY NOW**



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**MSSGA Tournament Applications**

Kevin Hayes, MSSGA Executive Director



The Montana State Senior Golf Association (MSSGA) will hold its 66th Montana State Senior Golf Tournament on August 3-5 of this year in Butte and Anaconda. The tournament, which was cancelled last year due to the pandemic situation, annually attracts over 320 golfers.

This year players will play one round each at Butte Country Club, Fairmont Hot Springs Resort Golf Course, and Old Works Golf Course. Golfers must be MSSGA members to be eligible to play in the tournament. MSSGA membership is open to any male golfer who is age 55 or older on or before July 31 of this year. Tournament entry forms will be mailed to all current MSSGA members at the end of May.

For more information or to become an MSSGA member, please visit our website at [www.mtseniorgolf.org](http://www.mtseniorgolf.org), or contact Kevin Hayes by email at [mtseniorgolf@gmail.com](mailto:mtseniorgolf@gmail.com) or by phone or text at (406) 439-0814. The tournament fills quickly once applications are sent out, so if you are interested in playing in the tournament, but are not yet an MSSGA member, please submit your membership form and \$50 annual dues as soon as possible in order to receive a tournament entry form at the end of the month.

In addition to holding the State Senior tournament, the MSSGA has also coordinated this year with the organizers of the Montana State Match Play Championship to create a senior division open to MSSGA members only. The event is scheduled for June 11-13 at Bill Roberts Golf Course in Helena, and the senior division field will be limited to the first 40 paid entrants. In addition to being MSSGA members, entrants must be age 55 by June 10 in order to qualify. Tournament information may be found by either visiting the Montana State Match Play page on Facebook or the MSSGA website, or contacting Kevin Hayes by one of the methods listed above.

**The Golf Party**

Silent and Live Auction  
 May 22, 2021  
 Ennis Rodeo Barn  
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Having trouble logging in to the new GHIN system, finding your Course Handicap, or other questions? Click here to check our March newsletter for answers.  
 Or, email us at [support@msgagolf.org](mailto:support@msgagolf.org) for help.