

## **Senior Men's Golf Association**

What is the SMGA?

The Senior Men's Golf Association is an association of over 400 gentlemen, from golf clubs throughout the Low Country, who love to play golf!

If you are you interested in playing fun, competitive events at the best private and public golf courses in the Low Country? We invite you to join us.

SMGA conducts 35 Events on Mondays running from late January through October. Enter as many or as few as you want – it is completely up to you. Several of the events are at premier clubs such as Belfair, Berkeley Hall, Long Cove Club, Wexford and Harbour Town.

You can see when and where we play on our Web site  
<http://www.smgahhi.com/Pages/Events-Full-Schedule.htm> .

Events are based on handicap and are in many different formats, including individual stroke play, individual match play, two-man better ball of partners, two best balls of four, etc. For partner Events, you pick your partner or SMGA will match you up. For four-man Events, SMGA develops the foursomes based on handicaps.

Members play from 4 set of tees: Champion 6200-6500, Regular 5900-6200, Senior 5700-5900 and Super Senior 5000-5300. Members declare their intent at the beginning of the year.

You register to play in an Event through the SMGA website starting 11 days before the Event. Pairings are posted to the SMGA website about 3 days before the event.

Annual Dues are \$65, and event entry fees for individual Events range from \$75 to \$150 (Harbour Town). Your entry fee covers the greens fee, cart fee, and prize money. (All prizes are pro shop credit at the course being played.)

Membership in SMGA qualifies you for participation in our Events and qualifies you to attend our Annual Meeting and Lunch in mid-November. And, if you play in enough Events, you can be eligible for the Frequent Player Tournament and Dinner at the end of the season – at no cost, except for prize money

How do I qualify for SMGA Membership?

To be an SMGA Member, you must:

1. Be 50 years of age or older
2. Have a USGA GHIN handicap index of no more than 24.0
3. Enjoy golfing privileges at a club designated by the Board of Governors as an

SMGA Member Club.

To determine if you are a member of a "Member Club," Click on.

[http://www.smgahhi.com/Pages/club\\_reps.htm](http://www.smgahhi.com/Pages/club_reps.htm) You will see a list of Member Clubs and Non-Member Clubs. You must have a yearly full-time membership without playing restrictions at a Member Club to qualify!

Now what do I do?

Click on the following link to get started, <http://www.smgahhi.com/Forms/SMGA-Application.pdf>. Fill out the application form and print it out.

Take your application to your Club Professional and have him/her sign it to attest to your having playing privileges at that Club and having a GHIN handicap.

Contact your SMGA Club Representative by clicking on the following link, [http://www.smgahhi.com/Pages/club\\_reps.htm](http://www.smgahhi.com/Pages/club_reps.htm) and arrange for him to pick up your application and check for \$65 payable to SMGA.

The Membership Director will contact you to welcome you to SMGA and our Technical Associate and tell you how to register for Events and access "private" portions of our Website.

Once you are a full Member of SMGA, you can begin registering for and playing in our events.