



Hello SNEWGA Member,

Spring is nearly upon us, and with that comes the golf season. And with THAT comes our first event of the year, the **Spring Meeting**. With COVID still not under control, our Spring Meeting will again be virtual this year.

### 1. Spring Meeting

The meeting is scheduled for **Monday, April 19th, at 6:30pm EDT**. All SNEWGA Club Reps are encouraged to attend. All SNEWGA members are eligible and encouraged to attend, as well! I will send the Zoom meeting details closer to the event.

Mark the date on your calendars, and I hope to see many of you there! Looking forward to kicking off the 2021 SNEWGA Season!

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### 2. Tournament Schedule

The Tournament schedule is firming up for 2021. The first event on the docket is an Invitational at Suffield CC on May 5th. Go to SNEWGA's [Tournament schedule](#) page for more details on that and the rest of the events this year!

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### 3. Pace of Play Tip Set #2

As we continue to focus on Pace of Play this year, here is tip set #2 on the season:

**Tip #4:** Bring a couple of clubs to your shot. Especially when you're playing on a "Cart path only" hole, determine your approximate yardage from the cart, then bring extra clubs (shorter & longer) around that number so that when you get to your ball, odds are you have the club you need with you. Having to return to the cart to get the right club is *very* costly as far as time! This also includes as you get close to the green. You may unexpectedly need to chip more than once. Bring extra chippers!

**Tip #5:** Lost Ball/Provisional Ball. If there's a possibility *your ball* may be lost or out of bounds, *hit a provisional*. If you think *your fellow competitor's ball* may be lost or out of bounds, suggest that she *hit a provisional*. It takes moments to hit a provisional. It takes several minutes to have to return to where the last shot was taken, hit it again, and then return to the group.

**Tip #6: First in Gets the Pin.** If you are the first to hole out, you should take responsibility for getting the pin. Although with the change in rules, a lot of folks now putt with the pin in the hole, some still prefer to have it out. Take responsibility for the pin. Barring any need for that, ensure that everyone's stray equipment (clubs, towels, etc.) is between the hole & their cart. Equipment left on the opposite side of the green takes time to retrieve and delays a speedy pace! First in gets the pin! And the wedges, and the towels, and...

These items may cost everyone a few seconds on a hole. But as noted in last month's tips, ***they can add up to as much as 50 minutes per round per group!***

Start incorporating these tips into your regular weekend play, and they'll become your regular habit in all rounds!

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#### **4. Membership Dues**

Just a friendly reminder that membership dues are \$20 through April 30. After that, they go up to \$25. Don't delay! Renew today! [Login](#) to our Golf Genius site, and go to [Join/Renew Membership](#). Our VP Membership, Lisa Neary, is anxiously awaiting you to take up her membership challenge!

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Think Spring! It's almost time to start hitting that little white ball around! (or yellow or pink or...) Hope to see you in one of our events this season!

Best Regards,

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