

14th Annual APO

If you're reading this, someone who claims to be your friend managed to trick you into attending this event (or worse...RETURNING to this event!). You've traveled hundreds or possibly thousands of miles, spent your hard-earned money, and taken days away from work and/or family, all for what?

To gather together with a group of visually offensive reprobates from across America to play some great golf courses, eat some fantastic food, drink a little too much "Gingy Lingy" and, most of all...to laugh until your sides hurt (and possibly make some new friends). So, now that we've got your money and it's too late for you to back out...

Welcome to the 2011 ASS PADDLIN' OPEN!

Enclosed in this note you will find a daily schedule with tee times, games, pairings and which courses we will be playing, along with an explanation as to how each game will be conducted. If you have any questions please feel free to ask me at any time.

At the end of the trip, we ask that each of you log-in to www.asspaddlinopen.net and fill out the survey. This allows us to continually improve each year based on YOUR suggestions (well, not Joe Rosko's suggestions...just everyone else's). I'll send out a reminder once we all get home and ask that each of you take 5 minutes to let us know what you liked, didn't like, and suggestions for improvement. We use this format because giving me some suggestion at 11 o'clock at night after I've been drinking since sun-up is no way to get your "brilliant idea" implemented into the event.

On Saturday evening we will be having our traditional **Hawaiian Shirt Cocktail Party**. Hawaiian shirts are NO LONGER MANDATORY (**except for ROOKIES**) but they are encouraged! All of the participants will get the opportunity to meet each other and a more in-depth explanation of the formats will be given as well the rules and procedures for each game. (This is when the majority of the smack talk takes place!)

Monday afternoon has traditionally been designated as "Pool Day" – like in "Caddy Shack". We leave time open Monday afternoon so everyone can have a little free time to go to the pool, go to the beach, watch Richie show us his famous water ballet routine, and play Billy's version of the "Hungarian Rodeo" (and did I mention we drink as well?).

You'll also be able to take a nap. This is to prepare you for "Karaoke Night" with Angie Capone. We will have live entertainment once again Monday evening so bring your best singing voice and dance moves – let's give Billy a run for his money!

We will have dinner catered for our Saturday, Sunday, and Monday evening meals and will be having pizza and leftovers on Tuesday night. Rich Hale has chosen a wonderful menu for us again this year. For you "newbies," our chef prepares each meal for us at the

condo while we shower, drink beer, and complain about Mike clogging the toilet. Then they serve us a meal complete with salad, side dishes, and entrees. It's like having dinner at your mom's house (except there's more farting.....at your mom's house, I mean).

Alcohol

Due to past problems with certain members of our illustrious group, **there will be no alcohol allowed on this trip**. There will also be no cussing, farting, or gambling either. Actually, the only time alcohol consumption is not allowed on this trip is while sleeping (participants tend to spill a lot when not conscious).

APO Rookie Jason Weber has kindly offered to handle booze acquisition for us this year but, should we run out, there is a grocery store/liquor store right down the street. It is HIGHLY recommended that you have a bottle of your favorite hooch to bring along in your golf bag for at least one of the rounds. You can purchase mixers from the lovely cart girls (many of them are under aged – for collecting Social Security I mean).

Transportation

Richie and Ed will be handling transportation for the Friday arrivals (as we have no Saturday arrivals this year) and getting them to the resort. Many of the guys ship their clubs to the resort so they don't have to transport them on the plane. If you need info on this, let me know. Also, **Please try to pack lite (there is a washer and dryer in each condo) so we have minimal luggage to get to and from the airport.** Richie, much like my mother-in-law, receives great satisfaction out of doing laundry each day (yet another reason why we love him, but confirmation that he's not quite right in the head).

Check-In

Everyone will be able to check-in on Friday upon arrival. If you're shipping clubs, they can be picked up at the Litchfield office. We will get all golf tickets, breakfast tickets, and room keys. For you late arrivals, your room keys will be available under Guy's pillow for a small "favor" on Friday evening.

Note #1: Guy Hoffman will have all golf tickets and will be handling the check-in for all of us at each of the courses.

Note #2: Joe Rosko will have all breakfast tickets and all you have to do is sign in each morning at the restaurant each morning.

Check-Out

Each player will need to check-out at the registration desk. If you are shipping your clubs home, please remember to print out an airbill prior to leaving for the APO so you can just slap it on your travel bag and drop it at the registration desk.

CAMERAS

Please bring a camera and USE IT! We have gotten some great shots over the years which are posted on the website. They stir up some great memories and help us remember that Billy and “Little Billy” are always a team.

ROOMING ASSIGNMENTS:

Condo 1

- A) Mike Schneider
Guy Hoffman
- B) Rich Hale
Joe Rosko
- C) Brien Wassman
- D) Claudio Daloiso

Condo 2

- A) Ed Kochanek
Paul Czerepuzsko
- B) Billy Summers
Erik Zandhuis
- C) Rob Schildgen
- D) SgtMaj Miles Thetford/Jason Weber

GAMES

Payouts are as follows: 2-Man Team games = \$80 1st place and \$40 2nd place. 3-Man Team Game = \$120 to winning team. On the final two days, the winning 6-man team will split \$240 (and will forever be immortalized on the coveted “Gingy Lingy Cup”).

Skins – Skins will be **NET SKINS**. There is a minimum total of \$180 up for grabs. Additional funds will be available based on the number of mulligans sold at \$5 each (maximum of 2 per player). Skins will be played for all games **EXCEPT** the 2-Man and 3-Man Scrambles. Tuesday on the porch at Caledonia we will count up the total number of skins outstanding and divide that by a minimum of \$180.

NOTE: Side games should be kept on a separate scorecard.

Responsibilities

1. Mike handles arranging the trip/games
2. Guy will handle golf tickets
3. Richie/Ed will coordinate airport pickup for Friday
4. Rich Hale will also be in charge of menu/catering
5. Joe Rosko will handle scorecards, breakfast tickets, and daily games/payouts
6. Joe Rosko will again be in charge of cigarettes (“And now, I smoke....”)
7. SgtMaj Thetford will handle wake up calls and keeping an eye on Joe Rosko
8. EZ will handle photo documentation and posting on website

HELPFUL HINTS (AGAIN!)

Once again we've added a special “Pro's Tips” section to many of the “Hints” from our resident Mixologist, Dr. Richard Hale. I hope you find these helpful.

1. **LIGHT COLORED CLOTHING!** Gary Player was an idiot. Anyone wearing black to try and “keep the heat in” has never been to Myrtle Beach in July. Bring light colored shirts and shorts. (Richie's Tip: [Vodka stains are more obvious on dark rather than light colored clothing](#))
2. **SUNSCREEN!** Not SPF 2 either. You need SPF 30. You will be in the sun from 7 am until 6:30 pm and spend some time hanging out by the pool. You will get fried. Be prepared for it. (Richie's Tip: [Wipe your hands after applying sun screen, you wouldn't want the vodka bottle to slip out of your hand](#))
3. **ALOE VERA!** Nothing feels better and helps cool sunburn better than a rub down with Aloe Vera (except maybe that thing Guy does with the whipped cream...). Bring a bottle for yourself so you don't have to mooch off of me. (Richie's Tip: [see number 2. Above](#))
4. **TWO Pairs of Golf Shoes** (or at least shoe trees to install at the end of the day). Your shoes will be trashed after 36 holes of sweating in them and will destroy your feet the next day. Either bring an extra pair, or some shoe trees (or BOTH). (Richie's Tip: [Vodka is an excellent remedy to soothe sore feet](#))
5. **HAWAIIAN SHIRT!** And not the same ratty one you wore last year! This is NO LONGER mandatory (except for ROOKIES) for the cocktail party on Saturday night. However, it is tradition and we'd like to take a nice photo of everyone in their “finery”. (Richie's Tip: [You can remove vodka stains from your Hawaiian shirt with club soda. Or, if you've had enough vodka, just throw the damn thing away!](#))
6. **HATS!** Bring big ones and lots of them (refer to item #2 above). I recommend a large hat with flowers or something from the Kentucky Derby (or Will &

Kate's wedding) which will work just as well. (Richie's Tip: I like yellow hats...and vodka)

7. **BATHING SUIT!** The resort frowns upon the "Redneck Bathing Suit" which consists of the same underwear you just played 36 holes of golf in. You will need this for "Pool Day" as well as for the "fashion show" all new players are required to participate in. (Richie's Tip: The bathing suit is my favorite "vodka drinking" outfit – thongs make me giggle – but only when I'm wearing one)
8. **Aspirin/Tylenol/Advil/Motrin/Benadril.** Any or all of these. For those of you who don't play this much golf, you will be amazed what dehydration on top of sun stroke on top of 150-200 swings of a golf club will do to your out-of-shape, not-as-young-as-I-used-to-be body. (Richie's Tip: Vodka is an "all natural" healer that not only relaxes muscles but helps get rid of hangovers)
9. **SUNGLASSES!** They do a great job of helping you avoid headaches when it comes to 12 hours of sun pounding down on you and having to squint all day. Oakley's are not required as I have a pink pair with Cinderella on them that I can borrow from my daughter for anyone who forgets to bring their own. (Richie's Tip: After a significant amount of "medicinal" vodka, sunglasses may be the only way to play with your eyes open)
10. **Cash.** Try to bring a nice mix of \$5's, \$10's and \$1's. If everyone shows up with 20's, it'll be very difficult to make change for those side bets and skins. (Richie's Tip: You'll want plenty of cash...in case you need to purchase more vodka)
11. **Hand towel.** Stick it in your golf bag. During the day, you can put ice water on it and wrap it around your neck. You can't believe the difference this makes. Also very effective for cooling you sweating hands when it's VERY hot. (Richie's Tip: Slippery hands make it difficult to hold on to your drink – which of course, contains vodka – and vodka on the ground does no one any good!)
12. **Extra Golf Glove/Balls.** You will wear at least two gloves during any one round because the sweat (or rain) will render one useless. Be prepared. Oh, yea, and don't forget to bring plenty of ammo. Golf balls are a little expensive in the pro shops here. (Richie's Tip: Sometimes, when you have had more than your share of vodka, it's hard to find your golf ball. However, usually you won't care at this point – bring extra ammo)
13. **Rain Gear.** It is fairly normal to see afternoon thundershowers here in the summer. Be prepared to play in the rain if there's no lightning. (Richie's Tip: If it's raining, it will dilute your vodka – be prepared to cover your vodka. Also – if there is lightening, we will be able to go inside and drink more vodka...seems like every cloud has a silver lining!)

Cell Phones

The “Chris King Cell Phone Rule” will be in effect. Cell phones WILL be permitted during a round. HOWEVER, if a phone rings OR MAKES THAT ANNOYING VIBRATING SOUND in the cart during the course of play, you will be required to buy 1 round of drinks from the cart girl (for your group). Second offense will be a round of drinks for the entire APO group. Third offense will be paying for the drinks for the entire APO group for the rest of the trip.

“The Rules”

The “FREE THROW” – In honor of Rob “Kareem Abdul” Bansek (APO 2002), we have instituted the Free Throw as a now traditional part of the APO. Each player will have the opportunity to pick up his ball and throw it, one time, from anywhere to anywhere, without it counting as a stroke. This can be used anytime during the week (with the exception of the FINAL ROUND) including the Scrambles or Modified Scrambles.

NOTE #1: Both feet MUST remain on the ground in a standing/squatting/throwing position. Your hand can NOT touch the hole and any form of the “Slam Dunk” will not count. Penalty for violation is **LOSS OF YOUR THROW!**

NOTE#2: “The Throw” can **NO LONGER BE USED** during the **FINAL ROUND!**

Mulligans – This year we have mulligans available for \$5 each with a maximum number of 2 per person. Mulligan money will go into the skin pot.

NOTE #1: Mulligans CAN be used in conjunction with your FREE THROW but each mulligan/Free Throw counts as being used.

Handicaps – Players will be using 100% of their handicaps for the individual team games. We will use 50% of the TEAM Hdcp for the Modified Scramble, and 25% of the TEAM Hdcp for the regular Scrambles. This info will again be in the following pages.

“Winter Rules”- A player may improve his lie anywhere on the golf course with the exception of a sand trap, hazard (water or otherwise), or when it is out of bounds. You are allowed to move your ball 1 club length in any direction to improve your lie anywhere but in a hazard.

Out of Bounds/Lost Ball – The normal penalty for these is to go back to the spot you last hit from and re-load. **Out of Bounds will be played as a lateral hazard.** You may drop a ball within two club lengths of **where you think the ball crossed the line** going out. **Lost ball will be played similarly.** After looking for your ball and determining that it is lost, **drop a ball where you believe the ball most likely would have come to rest.**

In either case, you may only drop in a location agreed upon by the other team in your group. Add one penalty stroke to your score for each.

“Giving” Putts – Since this is a friendly group we are happy to allow “Gimme’s”. I also expect, as a courtesy to the rest of the field, that only reasonable putts will be “given” (and, as a courtesy, 4th putts, putts for 9, and 10 footers for quadruple bogey).

Keeping Score – Please keep the team scores on the “official” score card and any other games you might be playing in your group on a separate card. **Please don’t leave scorecards on the cart. Turn them in to Joe Rosko at the end of each round.**

Rules Disputes - When in doubt, try to follow the rules of golf until we can accept bribes and make a ruling after the round.

Ties – In case of a tie (with regard to awarding the \$\$ for a game), ALL games will be determined by a scorecard playoff starting with the scores on the 18th hole and going backwards.

Things that aren’t “rules” but should be...

- 1) Don’t ever tell R-Ichie to “speak up”
- 2) Paulie should ALWAYS have a clear path to the bathroom
- 3) Never let Joe Rosko drive
- 4) Never step in a foamy patch near a green or on a fairway
- 5) Press Mike when he’s in the fairway - never say anything when he’s in the woods
- 6) It’s OK to have a boombox to the golf course
- 7) If it smells like pooh, looks like pooh, and tastes like pooh, it probably IS pooh
- 8) Billy’s not in charge of ordering pizza on Tues night
- 9) Guy will NEVER hit the green on #3 at Caledonia
- 10) Don’t let Billy get REEELLAAAXXED
- 11) NEVER stand behind a Czerepuzsko brother
- 12) Don’t smell Joe Rosko’s morning vest
- 13) Don’t use the crapper on #12 at Pawleys...Hazmat isn’t done in there yet
- 14) Always bring a tiny bottle of sunscreen when playing with Billy and “Little Billy”
- 15) Hard boiled eggs + Guy = Energy Solution
- 16) Watch out for spiders in the woods to the right of #15 at Tradition...one day they’re actually going to catch Mike S.
- 17) Like a small child, always know where Joe Rosko is before beginning a swing
- 18) Never accept a drink from Guy if you have an open flame nearby

And finally...

- 19) NEVER ask R-Ichie if he’ll have another drink...if he doesn’t have a drink it’s because he’s asleep – you’ll wake him

Saturday 7/16

PM 2-Man Scramble (25% of hdcp)

Tee Times 12:45pm-1:08pm (Willbrook)

TEES – All players will play from the WHITE Tees (6124 yds)

Each player on the 2-Man team will hit a tee shot and the best one will be selected. Each player will then play from within 1 clublength of that spot and so on, until the team has holed out. The team will only have one score, minus any handicap strokes.

	<u>Group 1</u>	<u>Group 2</u>	<u>Group 3</u>
Teams:	Mike S. (6) Joe (9)	BDub (12) Claudio (16)	Paulie (14) Billy (26)
Team HDCP	(4)	(7)	(10)
	Guy (6) Richie (26)	Miles (9) Rob (34)	Ed (9) EZ (23)
Team HDCP	(8)	(11)	(8)

Payout:(2-Man Teams) **1st place = \$80** **2nd place = \$40**

“Gingy Lingy Cup”

Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday’s events will pit “East vs. West” in a Ryder Cup-style competition. On Sunday morning, each 2-Man team will play a “match” against the other team in their group. In the afternoon, each 3-man team will play a match against the other 2 teams from the opposing side using total score. Each “winning” 2-Man or 3-Man team will get 1 point (ties will be awarded ½ point) toward the overall “Team” total.

On Monday, each 2-Man team will play a match against the other 2-Man team in their group. Each “winning” 2-Man team will get 1 point (ties will be awarded ½ point) toward the overall “Team” total.

Tuesday’s individual matches will be determined by this year’s captains (Rich Hale – West and Billy Summers – East) on Monday Night and will be played at 100% handicap. The Regional Team with the most points at the end of Tuesday will collect the total pot from the last TWO games.

In addition, the winning team will have their team added to the beautiful “Gingy Lingy Cup” which is on display in Condo 1 and kept throughout the year in the capable hands of Your Eminence (Billy Summers). It is kept on permanent display in the “APO Museum” for all to see in Summerville, S.C. Should you ever choose to visit the “APO Museum” there is a \$5 charge per visitor - the museum is open from 5-5:15pm Mon-Fri.

2011 “Gingy Lingy Cup” Teams:

East

West

Guy	Paulie C.	Mike	Joe R.
Ed	Miles/Jason	Brien	*R-ichie
*Billy	Claudio	Rob	Erik (EZ)

*Denotes 2011 Captains

Past Captains:

2010	Joe/Sean
2009	Mike/Guy
2008	Mike/Guy

Sunday 7/17

AM *2-Man Modified Scramble (50% of hdcp)*
Tee Times 8:06-8:33am (Caledonia)

TEES – “A” *Players will play from the “Pintail” or BLACK Tees (6526 yds)* “B”
Players will play from the “Mallard” or BLUE Tees (6121 yds)

“A” Players = Handicaps of 12 and lower **“B” Players** = Handicaps of 13 and higher

Each 2-Man team hits a tee shot and the best shot is selected. Both players play from the best tee shot and each player then plays his own ball until finishing out the hole. (On Par 5’s each player hits a second shot from the selected drive, the best second shot is selected and THEN each player plays his own ball out from there). The best net score for the hole is then counted as the team score. Each 2-Man team is competing against another 2-Man team in Match Play. **Payout: (2-Man Teams) 1st place = \$80 2nd place = \$40**

	<u>Group 1</u>	<u>Group 2</u>	<u>Group 3</u>
<u>TEAMS:</u>	1.BDub (6) 2. EZ (12)	1.Richie (13) 2.Joe (5)	1.Mike (3) 2.Rob (17)
	1. Guy (3) 2. Paul (7)	1.Miles (5) 2.Claudio (8)	1.Ed (5) 2.Billy (13)

PM *3-Man Scramble (25% of hdcp)*
Tee Times 1:33-2:00pm (True Blue)

TEES – *All Players will play from the WHITE Tees (6375 yds)*

Each player on the 4-man team will hit a tee shot with the best shot being selected. Each player will then play from that spot and the best shot is selected. Play continues this way until the team has holed out. The team will only have one score minus any handicap strokes. Each 4-Man team will play against the other two East or West teams in the field. **Payout: Winning 4-Man Team = \$120**

	<u>Group 1</u>	<u>Group 2</u>	<u>Group 3</u>	<u>Group 4</u>
TEAMS:	1. Joe (9) 2. Rob (34) 3. BDub (12)	1.Guy (6) 2.Ed (9) 3.Claudio (16)	1.Mike (6) 2.Richie (26) 3.EZ (23)	1. Billy (26) 2. Miles (9) 3. Paul (14)
Team HDCP:	(14)	(8)	(14)	(13)

Monday 7/18

AM *2-Man (one low net) (100% of HDCP) “TEE PARTY”*
Tee Times 9:12-9:37am (Pawleys Plantation)

TEES – TEE PARTY: *All players will rotate among 3 sets of tees. Play will begin on Hole #1 with everyone teeing off from the Blue tees, Hole #2 from the White tees, Hole #3 from the Yellow tees, and then back to the Blue tees for Hole #4 repeating the rotation, etc. (these will be marked on each scorecard).*

Each player on the 2-Man team plays his own ball and counts his score (minus any handicap strokes). The best score of the two will be the Team’s “one low net” score. Each 2-Man team is competing against another 2-Man team in Match Play. The team winning the greatest number of holes will be awarded 1 point for their East or West Team.

	<u>Group 1</u>	<u>Group 2</u>	<u>Group 3</u>
Teams:	1.BDub (12)	1.Richie (26)	1.Joe (9)
	2.Mike (6)	2.Rob (34)	2.EZ (23)
	3.Paul (14)	3.Jason (18)	3.Guy (6)
	4.Claudio (16)	4.Ed (9)	4.Billy (26)

Tuesday 7/19

AM *Individual Stroke Play (100% of HDCP)*
Tee Times 9:09-9:36pm (Caledonia)

TEES – “A” Players will play from the “Pintail” or Black Tees (6526 yds) **“B” Players** will play from the “Mallard” or Blue Tees (6121 yds)

“A” Players = Handicaps of 12 and lower “B” Players = Handicaps of 13 and higher

Each player will play his own ball out on each hole in individual match play. The player with the lowest NET score will win the hole. If both players have the same NET score, the hole will be halved (or tied). The player winning the greatest number of holes will be awarded 1 point for their team or ½ point for a tie.

<u>Group 1</u>	<u>Group 2</u>	<u>Group 3</u>
TBD	TBD	TBD

**Payout: Winning “Gingy Lingy Cup” Team will split = \$240
(\$120 from each of Monday’s and Tuesday’s rounds)**