

My name is Steve Colburn. I have been an AGA member since 2003 and a volunteer since 2007. I have worked in various areas of the AGA in mostly technical areas. I am eager to help a greater number of members with this posting.

I have been a member of the Empty Sky Go Club since I started playing. I have helped run tournaments for the last 10 years as well as other events throughout the years. Our go club has travelled to tournaments as far as Boston, Ottawa, Toronto, Waterloo, Columbus, Northern Virginia, and the NYC area. I have attended and worked the US Go Congress since 2007.

Since I have been a volunteer for the organization I have worked with almost all the parts of the AGA. I started working as the webmaster for most of my time. Since then the website has gone through two major overhauls. During the US Go Congress I have worked for the AGA E-Journal to broadcast games and provide technical assistance to the congress as a whole. I have been a key organizer for projects including: online membership database, email migration to google apps, website upgrades, and online crosstabs. All of these projects have similar goals, to assist AGA members and staff to access information more efficiently. I have worked closely with friends at Pandanet, KGS, OGS, the Nihon Kiin, and the EGF.

Since becoming a Board member I have worked toward the following goals; including volunteers to join Board Meetings and talk about experiences, work to make projects more visible to members, and post minuted for meetings in a timely fashion. In the past year I have helped find a few new volunteers and encourage rebuilding our developer community. This has allowed us to build a new web server and resolve some issues related to membership renewals.

I will continue to grow our internal volunteers and connect people with projects that need assistance. I have plans to assist new and existing tournament directors in the coming year. Collaboration has been the key to growth for our organization and we grow better from it.

I can always be reached at steve.colburn@usgo.org. If you have any questions on my views or current issues please let me know. I hope to talk to more of you all soon.