

NEWSLETTER FOR JANUARY 2014

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

- ❖ Fifteen new members join NTSGA this month. See their introductions in this newsletter.
- ❖ The annual dues for 2014 will increase to \$40.00 for established members and \$50.00 for new members. If you have sufficient funds in your bank, Treasurer Pete Schoemann will subtract this fee from your account. If you don't have these funds in your account send a check, payable to NTSGA, to Pete Schoemann 3200 San Simeon Plano, TX 75023 before Jan 1, 2014.
- ❖ Eleven members were dropped from the organization because of inactivity. Remember.....article VI Section 1 of the By-Laws, requires that members participate in at least 20 tournaments during the year to maintain an active status.
- ❖ Many thanks to **Director Terry Bell** and **Tim Koscinski** who acquired a majority of the raffle prizes given away at the recent Annual Banquet. If you failed to attend, you missed another enjoyable evening provided by the Addison Crowne Plaza Hotel. Again this year, all the details and reservations were made possible by the efforts of **Treasurer, Pete Schoemann**.
- ❖ Tournament Chairman, Rod Wells has scheduled 48 tournaments for 2014, with a possibility of adding additional events. The new schedule can be viewed on the NTSGA website, shortly.

BIRTHDAY'S FOR JANUARY

Monte Allred 15 th	Pete Archbold 31 st	Mike Barker 29 th	Rodger DeSarno 30 th
Rod Hays 3 rd	Danny Holifield 4 th	Ed Jarrell 11 th	John Jones 29 th
Art Krueger 5 th	Gene Kurihara 28 th	David McCoy 18 th	John Owens 23 rd
Ray Patak 18 th	Gary Peters 26 th	Bert Rabbe 22 nd	John Skinner 8 th
Dennis Smith 23 rd	Phil Sykes 4 th	Joe Thompson 22 nd	Sid Thrash 5 th
Steve Tipton 4 th	Jim Yarbrough 17 th		

** Danny Holifield and Steve Tipton are twins....just born to different parents!

TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
Dec 4 Pecan Hollow	112	87%	Butch Vaut 70	Bobby Clay 63 Pete Archbold 63
Dec 11 Waterview	Canceled, due to weather			
Dec 17 Canyon Creek C.C.	101	78%	Tom Hatfield 74	Bob Wands 68

AGE SHOOTER'S – DECEMBER 2013

Gene Kurihara Dec 4, Pecan Hollow (72)

Tom Lymenstull, Dec 4, Pecan Hollow (83)

Bob Murphy, Dec 4, Pecan Hollow (86)

Bill Roll, Dec 4, Pecan Hollow (78)

The bride was escorted down the aisle and when she got to the altar, the groom was standing there with his golf bag and clubs by his side.

She said, "What are these golf clubs doing here?"

He looked her right in the eye and said, "This ain't gonna take all day, is it?"

NEXT 4 TOURNAMENTS

Jan 8	Firewheel – Bridges	8:30	\$40.00
Jan 15	Waterview	8:30	\$40.00
Jan 22	Hurricane Creek C.C.	8:30	\$40.00 Includes Buffet Lunch
Jan 29	WestRidge	8:30	\$40.00

DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES

Jan 8 Firewheel –Bridges (Garland) 972-205-2795; 1535 Brand Rd. Take Geo Bush Turnpike east, exit at Brand Rd., turn left (north) 1 mile, course on left.

Jan 15 Waterview (Rowlett) 972-463-8900; 9509 Waterview Pkwy. Drive the Geo. Bush Turnpike east through Garland, past hwy 78. Exit at Merritt/Liberty Grove Connector. At 2nd stop sign (Liberty Grove), turn left. Drive 1.7 miles. Turn left at Waterview Pkwy, leads to golf course on left. If driving through downtown Dallas on I-30, proceed east of LBJ Frwy (635), Garland, and exit at Geo Bush Turnpike (north). Exit the Turnpike at Lakeview Pkwy/Main St./Hwy 66. Stay on the Service Road, passing Main St., passing Hwy 66 for another 1.4 miles. Turn right at the stop sign (Liberty Grove). Drive 1.7 miles. Turn left at Waterview Pkwy, leads to golf course on left.

Jan 22 Hurricane Creek C.C. (Anna) 972-924-3247; 1800 Fairway Lane. Take I-75 (Central Expwy) north, exit at Anna (Truck Stop), turn left go over I-75, right turn onto the west service road, drive 1.7 miles (north). Left turn at small sign, leads to club.

Jan 29 West Ridge (McKinney) 972-346-2212; 9055 Cotton Ridge Road North. Take I-75 north to McKinney, exit at Virginia Pkwy. Turn left (west) and drive 5.5 miles to Custer Rd. (FM 2478); turn left (south) for ½ mile, course entrance on right.

FROM PRESIDENT, PHIL ABEL.....

The year 2013 was another good one for NTSGA. We celebrated our 50th anniversary and brought 25 new members into the organization. We must be doing something right, since we still have 218 golfers on the waiting list and it will take close to 4 years for all of them join.

Tournament Chairman, Rod Wells lined up some terrific courses for us to play this past year and has several of them lined up again in 2014. It costs us a few extra dollars to play the better courses, but from what we hear from the majority of members, it is worth the added expense. It likely will cost us a little more to play some of our regular courses as well, this year. Therefore, we have increased the member's annual dues by \$10.00 per year (\$40.00) and have increased new member's initiation fees also by \$10.00 (\$50.00) to help offset some of these expected increased course costs. We felt this was a better alternative than raising the weekly tournament fees to more than \$40.00.

We want to offer special thanks to two long time NTSGA members for their contribution to the Association. **Handicap Chairman, Frank Riley** who is also in charge of the 2-man team competition, is stepping down from these positions after 11 years of service. Howie Bacharach will assume these positions in 2014. **Former President, Joel Rogers** has been coordinating the regular skins game for 14 years and will also be stepping down from this volunteer position at the end of the year. Roger Ball and Tim Koscinski have volunteered to handle these duties starting in January.

Frank and Joel, thank you both so very much for your efforts these past many years and your dedication to the North Texas Senior Golf Association.

I wish all of you and your families a wonderful Holiday Season and look forward to a great 2014!

Phil

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TOURNAMENT: Rod Wells
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Bambi, a blonde in her fourth year as a UCLA freshman, sat in her U.S. Govt. class as the professor talked to the students.

The professor asked Bambi if she knew what Roe vs. Wade was all about.

Bambi pondered the question then finally said, "That was the decision George Washington had to make before he crossed the Delaware."

Vice President, Chris Haas has arranged for NTSGA members to tour the Adams Golf manufacturing plant in Plano. The tour will take place on Friday, Jan 24 at 10:00 AM for 10 people. If the response is good, another tour will be scheduled in February. The Adams rep said he would offer NTSGA members a wholesale-5% discount on golf equipment, if interested.

To make reservations or ask questions, contact Chris at brityank2002@yahoo.com

Q. What is terminal illness?

A. When you get sick at the airport!

ATTENTION: 75 & OLDER

Members 75 and older have the opportunity to play from the first tees forward of the rest of the field. In an effort to ensure handicaps accurately reflect scores from different tees, the handicap committee must be aware of those members playing from the forward tees. If you meet the age requirement, and are playing from these forward tees, you must inform Handicap Chairman Howie Bacharach. You can do so by using the membersinfo link at www.ntsga.org, email him at HBacharach@aol.com or call him at 972-620-2602.

NEW MEMBERS

Monte Allred (Heath)

Freddy Carroll (Plano)

Will Cornell (Dallas)

Ollie Cromwell (McKinney)

Danny Eoff (Dallas)

John Johnson (Terrell)

John Opiela (McKinney)

Craig Otway (Garland)

Joe Philpott (Frisco)

Joe Ramos (Dallas)

Randy Russell (Dallas)

Welcome gentlemen, to the North Texas

Johnny Russo (Kaufman)

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Bob Schimmel (Arlington)

David Thomasson (Garland)

Alan Yates (Dallas)

HOWIE BACHARACH.... HANDICAP CHAIRMAN

HOWIE BACHARACH has been appointed to serve as our new Handicap Chairman, since Frank Riley has decided to step down from that assignment after 11 years. Howie has some new ideas to streamline the handicap, 2-man team competition and skins sign-up procedure. Introduce yourself to Howie, as he will be collecting monies for the weekly 2-man team pairings.

