

NEWSLETTER FOR DECEMBER 2015

- NTSGA will observe a holiday break from Dec 17 – Jan 13, 2016.
- Annual Dues for 2016 are \$60.00 and are due Jan 1, 2016. Please see accompanying article in this newsletter.
- The canceled Heritage Ranch tournament from Nov. 18 has been rescheduled for Dec. 16 (8:30)
- **Harold Lockman** has shot his age 22 times so far this year, Wow!

BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER

Al Alcantara 8 th	Lynn Beyler 4 th	E.T. Boon 12 th	Dave Dreiling 8 th
Gene Lindsey 9th	Skip Lovell 18 th	Don Marks 12 th	**Dennis Meyer 24 th
Bill Nitcholas 28 th	Kelly Parks 21 st	Joel Rogers 30 th	Harry Schmidt 23 rd
**LeRoy Worm 24 th			

** Dennis Meyer and LeRoy Worm's parent's received early Christmas presents as both were born on Christmas Eve.

NOVEMBER TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
Nov. 2 Hackberry Creek C.C.	83	64%	Will Cornell 77 Tom Hatfield 77 Butch Vaut 77	Stan Robertson 67
Nov. 4 Waterchase	94	73%	Tom McMahan 75	Tom McMahan 66
Nov. 11 The Tribute	91	71%	Butch Vaut 72	Dick Hall 66
Nov. 16 Gleneagles C.C.	69	53%	Butch Vaut 75	Andy Parker 66
Nov. 18 Heritage Ranch – Canceled, due to weather.				
Nov. 24 Stonebridge Ranch C.C.	99	77%	Butch Vaut 73	Skip Lovell 65

I went to San Francisco and found someone's heart.....now what?

OOPS.....

Butch Vaut's name was omitted on last month's list of age shooters. Sorry! Butch shot his age at Grapevine on Oct. 7, recording a blistering 68. Butch was the NTSGA medalist for 4 out of the 5 tournaments last month.

REMAINING 3 TOURNAMENTS

Dec. 2 Pecan Hollow 8:30
Dec. 9 Waterview 8:30 **Includes breakfast and lunch
Dec. 16 Heritage Ranch (re-scheduled from Nov. 18) 8:30

DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES

Pecan Hollow (Plano) 972-941-7600; 4501 E. 14th St. Drive the Geo. Bush Turnpike, exit east of Central Expy (I-75) at Jupiter. Drive north for 1 mile, turn right on 14th street and drive 2.3 miles. Course entrance on left.

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.

Heritage Ranch C.C. (Fairview) 972-549-0276; 465 Scenic Ranch Circle. Take I-75 (Central Expwy) north, exit at Stacy Rd., right turn (east) 3 miles to the dead end (FM 1378). Turn left, then an immediate right, back onto Stacy Rd. Continue east for ½ mile, course entrance on left (has gate guard).

AGE SHOOTERS – NOVEMBER

Butch Vaut 10/7 Grapevine (68)

Harold Lockman 11/2 Hackberry Creek C.C. (80)

Tom McMahan 11/4 Waterchase (75)

Harold Lockman 11/11 The Tribute (76)

Bob Murphy 11/11 The Tribute (92)

Bob Murphy 11/16 Gleneagles (91)

Harold Lockman 11/24 Stonebridge Ranch C.C. (78)

CLUBS FOR KIDS

The golf equipment campaign benefitting the DISD golf programs was an overwhelming success. Members contributed 30 golf bags, 500 clubs and approx. 2000 golf balls to DISD schools that have golf programs. NTSGA member, **Phil Head** was instrumental in acquiring this equipment for this beneficial campaign. **Phil** presented these items to DISD Athletic Director Gil Garza and DISD Asst. Athletic Director, Sylvia Salinas as they will distribute this equipment to student/athletes who participate in the 22 DISD golf programs.

All NTSGA members are commended for their dedication and willingness to support this worthy campaign.



SAD NEWS....

The entire North Texas Seniors Golf Association mourns the passing of former NTSGA President, **Bob Coburn**. He died very unexpectedly on Nov.19. Bob was a member of the organization for 11 years serving on the Board of Directors for 4 years. He worked for the Texas Dept. of Transportation retiring after 42 years of service. He also was a member of the Dallas Football Officials Association where he was a football referee for more than 45 years.

Rest in Peace forever, **Bob Coburn**.

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My wife likes to talk to me during sex; last night she called me from a hotel.
.....Rodney Dangerfield

DUES REMINDER

Please try to leave \$60.00 in your NTSGA bank at the end of the year, so **Treasurer Pete Schoemann** can withdraw that amount to pay for your 2016 dues on Jan 1. If you do not have \$60.00 in your bank on Jan 1st, remit payment to Pete, prior to that date (3200 San Simeon Way, Plano, TX 75023) to avoid having your membership terminated.

FACT:

Arnold Palmer played on the PGA tour for 49 years and won \$1.7M while winning 62 tournaments.

Jordan Spieth has won 6 tournaments in 2 years on tour and won \$22M, last year!

VETERANS

NTSGA member's who served in the Armed Services, were recognized prior to the round at The Tribute in conjunction with Veterans Day, Nov 11. These gentlemen participated in military operations with United States involvement serving in WWII, Korea, Vietnam & Desert Storm:

ARMY

Joe Thompson
Bill Roll
Greg Denzer
Tom Hatfield
Gary Peters
Dave Clelland

ARMY

Butch Vaut
Pete Archbold
Harry Schmidt
Dick Fargo
Chuck Adami

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WEEKLY FEES:

Golf courses around the Metroplex have been inundated with flooding problems during the months of May/June and also recently in November. These high water levels are causing course closures, shutdowns and cancellations to the point where the golf courses are increasing their daily and tournament fees to offset the down time caused by lake/river flooding. Tournament Chairman, **Rod Wells** is learning of these increased tournament fees as he prepares our 2016 schedule. For this reason, the Board of Directors has voted to increase our weekly tournament fees to \$50.00. Last year the Board voted to raise the annual dues to \$60.00 in an attempt to offset these higher course fees, but find that additional money is necessary to counteract the raising of weekly fees from Dallas/Ft. Worth golf facilities. If this increase in weekly fees proves to be more than satisfactory to offset the increased course fees, our By-Laws have explicit methods to return excess monies to its members.

Thank you for your understanding in this change of weekly tournament fees for 2016.

FUNNY....

A gentleman was sitting on an airplane waiting to fly to Chicago, when a guy took the seat beside him. The guy was an emotional wreck, pale, hands shaking in fear.

"What's the matter, afraid of flying?" the gentleman asked.

"No, it's not that. I've been transferred to Chicago. The people are crazy there, right? Lots of shootings, gangs, race riots, drugs, poor schools and the highest crime rate in the nation."

The gentleman replied...."I've lived in Chicago all my life. It's not as bad as the media says. Find a nice home, go to work, mind you own business and enroll your kids in a nice private school. I've worked there for 14 years and never had the slightest trouble."

The guy relaxed and stopped shaking and said, "Oh, thank you, I've been worried to death, but if you've lived and worked there all those years and say it's OK, I'll take your word for it. By the way, what do you do for a living?"

"I'm the tail gunner on a Budweiser truck."

Merry Christmas to all.....Phil