

# NEWSLETTER FOR AUGUST 2017

- **Gene Edmondson** won the Open Championship Pot, see the write-up in this newsletter.
- It's time to solicit names of members willing to serve on the Board of Directors for 2018. Read the article in this newsletter.
- We play 6 very popular/nice golf courses this month. Sign-up early.
- Forty three members have now received the 2<sup>nd</sup> loyalty stipend (\$50.00) added to their bank account.
- There are 2 Tom Phillips' as members of NTSGA. One lives in Dallas, the other in Allen. Please use the middle initial "G" on the scorecard when Tom G. Phillips is playing.
- The PGA Championship Pot will be open for selection at Riverchase on Aug. 9. If you are unable to attend this tournament, you can email Secy. Phil Fahs (pfahs57@yahoo.com) with selections prior to 7:00 A.M., Aug.10.

## BIRTHDAY'S FOR AUGUST

<b>Howie Bacharach</b> 9 <sup>th</sup>	Eric Blackwood 19 <sup>th</sup>	Ollie Cromwell 25 <sup>th</sup>	Gene Edmondson 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Don Grisham 7 <sup>th</sup>	Gary Hughes 11 <sup>th</sup>	Billy King 20 <sup>th</sup>	Larry Lucas 29 <sup>th</sup>
Eddie Marshall 17 <sup>th</sup>	Tom McMahan 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>John Ogrizovich</b> 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Tom G. Phillips</b> 16 <sup>th</sup>
Joe Philpott 17 <sup>th</sup>	Bryan Serpes 10 <sup>th</sup>	Randy Skinner 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bucky Taylor 20 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Steve Vredenburg</b> 30 <sup>th</sup>	Ken Wagner 17 <sup>th</sup>	Lloyd Whitson 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Greg Windsor 6 <sup>th</sup>

## JULY TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
July 5 Lantana	97	75%	<b>Jody Bass</b> 74 <b>Rob Ruth</b> 74	<b>Wayne Mueller</b> 61
July 12 Stone Creek	67	52%	<b>Harold Lockman</b> 74	<b>Bob Murphy</b> 60
July 19 Grapevine	99	77%	<b>Butch Vaut</b> 72	<b>Charlie Johnson</b> 60
July 26 Watters Creek	99	77%	<b>Rob Ruth</b> 70	<b>Charlie Johnson</b> 63

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons Kevin 5 and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake and the mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson, "If Jesus were sitting here, He would say....Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait."  
Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus!"

## NEXT 6 TOURNAMENTS

Aug. 2 Tangleridge	8:00	
Aug. 9 Riverchase	8:00	Includes Breakfast and Lunch
Aug. 14 ( <b>Mon.</b> ) Gleneagles C.C. (Queens Course)	8:00	
Aug. 16 Texas Star	8:00	
Aug. 23 Lantana	8:00	
Aug. 30 Tierra Verde	8:00	

## DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURESES

Aug. 2 Tangleridge (Grand Prairie) 972-299-6837; 818 Tangle Ridge Dr. Take I-35E south thru downtown Dallas. Bear right at the Hwy 67 split, towards Cleburne. After passing under I-20, drive 8.7 miles, exit at Lake Ridge Pkwy., right turn (2 miles). Turn left at Park Ridge Dr., follow signs through residential area to golf course. Or, drive south on the George Bush Turnpike through Arlington towards I-20. Exit at Lake Ridge Parkway (the exit before I-20) and continue south for approx 8.5 miles. Still on Lake Ridge Pkwy., turn right at entrance to the Tangleridge housing area. Drive approx. 1.2 miles (past elementary school). Turn right at Park Ridge Ct. (Leads to golf course).

Aug. 9 Riverchase (Coppell) 972-462-8281; 700 Riverchase Dr. Drive to I-35E and Belt Line Rd. (Farmers Branch). Turn west and drive 2.2 miles to Fairway Drive (traffic light). Turn right. Drive to stop sign. Turn right, course entrance on right.

Aug. 14 Gleneagles C.C. (Plano) 972-867-8888; 5401 W. Park Blvd. Drive north on the Dallas North Tollway. Exit at W. Park Blvd. (FM 544). Turn right for 1.2 miles, course entrance on left.

Aug. 16 Texas Star (Euless) 817-685-7888; 1400 Texas Star Pkwy. Take Hwy 183 (Airport Frwy) west, past the south entrance to DFW Airport. Exit at Hwy 10 West (it becomes Euless Blvd.) Continue on Hwy 10, passing Hwy 157 (Industrial Blvd.) for 1 more mile. Course entrance on left.

Aug. 23 Lantana (Lantana) 940-728-4653; 800 Golf Club Dr. Drive north on I-35E (Stemmons Frwy) past Lewisville. Exit at FM407 (Justin Road) Exit #454A. At the traffic, turn left and continue west for 6.2 miles. Turn right at Lantana Trail (water tower and traffic light); drive 1.2 miles (divided road), turn right at Golf Club Dr., leads to clubhouse.

Aug. 30 Tierra Verde (Arlington) 817-478-8500; 7005 Golf Club Dr. Take I-20 west past Hwy 360, turn south on Hwy 287 towards Mansfield for approx. 2 ½ miles, exit at Eden Road (2<sup>nd</sup> exit south of I-20). At stop sign turn right for ½ mile. Left turn at entrance to Martin Luther King Sports Center. Second driveway on left leads into clubhouse.

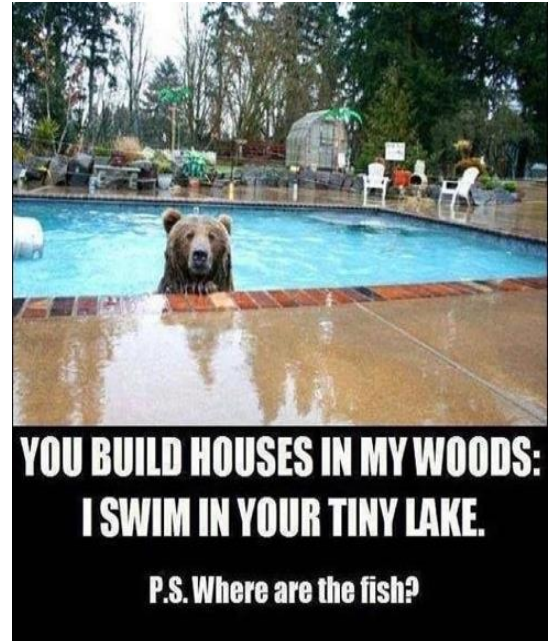
## A VERY GOOD GOLFER.....

**Harold Lockman** has been a loyal member of the North Texas Senior Golf Association since 2014. He continues playing superb golf, currently carrying an 11 handicap. Harold first shot his age when he was 67 and continues to do so almost every week while playing golf 5 days a week. He will turn 83 in November and has now shot his age an incredible 1,030 times.

Hats off to a very loyal member and an excellent golfer.....**HAROLD LOCKMAN!!**

# AGE SHOOTERS....JULY

Dale Leath 7/5 Lantana 77  
Harold Lockman 7/5 Lantana 78  
Bob Wands 7/5 Lantana 77  
Dale Leath 7/12 Stone Creek 76  
Harold Lockman 7/12 Stone Creek 74  
Bob Murphy 7/12 Stone Creek 87  
Joel Rogers 7/12 Stone Creek 76  
Bill Roll 7/12 Stone Creek 82  
Joe Shelton 7/12 Stone Creek 79  
Bill Kayser 7/19 Grapevine 73  
Dale Leath 7/19 Grapevine 78  
Harold Lockman 7/19 Grapevine 80  
Tom McMahan 7/19 Grapevine 76  
David Miller 7/19 Grapevine 74  
Bill Roll 7/19 Grapevine 81  
Butch Vaut 7/19 Grapevine 72  
Jay Gasper 7/26 Watters Creek 75  
Dale Leath 7/26 Watters Creek 79



From the year 1955:

“Did you hear the post office is thinking about charging 7 cents just to mail a letter?”

## NOMINEES.....

The Board of Directors is seeking nominees willing to serve on the Board for 2018. Contact **Secy. Phil Fahs** (pfahs57@yahoo.com) or 972-243-3450 if you would like your name placed on the ballot. Open positions are Vice President and Director (2). The VP is a 1 year term sequencing into a 1 year Presidential term. The Directors serve 2 year terms. The finalized ballot will be presented in the October newsletter. Voting will take place at the October tournaments.

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From **President Gerald Gotcher**:

The Board of Directors has decided to reduce the entry fees for the August and September tournaments to \$40.00. If you pay by check, please note this change. We will return to the \$50.00 registration fee beginning with the October events.

.....*Gerald*

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## 2017 OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP POT

OMG! What a golf tournament. Just about the time the representative from Dallas looked like his efforts were not good enough....he flipped the switch and went birdie, eagle, birdie, birdie and gave the spectators and the national TV audience a golf experience they will never forget.

The Open Championship, being played at Royal Birkdale in northwest England, opened under cold, windy conditions. Patrons were bundled up with stocking caps, gloves and hoodies as the world's finest golfers would be tested under pretty harsh weather conditions. The afternoon tee times fared a little better as the overcast skies gave way to sunshine. Jordan Spieth, Brooks Koepka and Matt Kuchar were tied for the lead after Round 1 as all three golfers recorded sparkling 65's. These three golfers were the favorites of 33 selections made by NTSGA golfers. Now were the members able to pair them up with another golfer who played good golf and capture the 2017 British Open Pot? The most popular pro's selected by NTSGA golfers were Dustin Johnson, Jon Rahm, Jordan Spieth, Hideki Matsuyama and Rickie Fowler.

Day 2 produced weather conditions more appropriate for Open Championship play as wind and rain became factors. Jordan Spieth maintained a 2 shot lead over Matt Kuchar after the round to the delight of 25 NTSGA members' selections. Thirty three NTSGA members, however, were disappointed as one or both of their selections missed the cut including Phil Mickelson, Louis Oosthuizen, Justin Thomas and Patrick Reed.

Day 3 weather was very mild with no wind as golfers and spectators were in short sleeved shirts. The hottest round of the day turned out to be a 62 recorded by Brandon Grace. This was the lowest score ever recorded in major tournament history. One NTSGA member, **Dick Fryer** had selected Grace as one half of his combo selection. The R & A moved the tee boxes forward and that coupled with the mild weather conditions, the pro's put on a display of golf that has never been seen before in major championships. Forty three players recorded rounds in the 60's. The loudest cheers in the Metroplex were coming from **Gene Edmondson's** home as he was sitting on a Spieth/Kuchar combination and they were positioned at #1 & #2 at the end of Round 3.

The final round of the 2017 Open Championship began under beautiful sunny skies but turned cloudy and rainy for the afternoon golfers. Jordan Spieth maintained a 3 shot lead over Matt Kuchar to begin the round, however, Spieth made bogey in 3 out of the first 4 holes and soon he and Kuchar were tied at the top of the leaderboard. After 13 holes Matt Kuchar moved into the lead of the Open Championship by one stroke over Spieth. After making bogey at 13, Spieth went 5 under on the remaining 5 holes and vaulted back into the lead by 2 strokes. An easy par on 18 and Jordan Spieth was the Champion Golfer of the Year. The runner-up in this years' NTSGA British Open Pot was **Dick Hall**: Jordan Spieth (1) & Rafael Cabrera-Bello (T4).

The overall winner of this years' NTSGA British Open Pot was **Gene Edmondson**: Jordan Spieth (1) & Matt Kuchar (2). Gene pockets \$435.00.

## CONGRATULATIONS, GENE EDMONDSON!

### IRONY:

Why do supermarkets make the sick people walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions filled, while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front?

