

NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 2017

- The U.S. Open Pot will be open for selection on June 14, at the Waterchase tournament. Same format: select 2 players, best combined finish wins pot.
- Remember the 20 round annual requirement deemed by our By-Laws to maintain an active membership. Some members are already getting close to participating in 20 tournaments and there are also 14 members who have yet to play one round.
- **Mike Jones** has been the medalist in 4 out of the last 5 tournaments.
- Thanks to the 102 members who made the quick transition from playing Heritage Ranch to Cedar Crest on May 31 with only one days notice.

BIRTHDAY'S FOR JUNE

Greg Denzer 25th
Don McCallum 6th
Bill Roll 17th

Sterling Forsythe 29th
Brad Mink 22nd
David Thomasson 6th

Ed Gamlin 20th
Jon Muckley 26th
Mike Vestal 30th

Tim Koscinski 1st
Stan Robertson 4th
Rod Wells 26th

MAY TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
May 3 Ridgeview Ranch	97	75%	Mike Jones 63	Mike Vestal 54
May 10 Grapevine	126	98%	Mike Jones 67	Harry Schmidt 57
May 17 Stone Creek	83	64%	Harold Lockman 77	Gene Clark 63 Joe Bob Wheeler 63
May 24 Hurricane Ck C.C.	125	97%	Rob Ruth 72	Bob Clay 61
May 31 Cedar Crest	102	79%	Doug Shackelford 75 Harold Wilkowsky 75	Leroy Worm 60

The moment when your steak is on the grill and you can already feel your mouth watering....do the vegans feel the same, when mowing the lawn?

LOYALTY STIPEND

NTSGA will continue to add monies to member's banks for rounds played during our tournaments. Loyalty rewards will be the same as 2016: \$50.00 for each 10 rounds played. So far during 2017, 103 members have received loyalty bonuses.

NEXT 5 TOURNAMENTS

June 7 Firewheel - Bridges	8:00
June 14 Waterchase	8:00
June 21 Buffalo Creek	8:00
June 28 Waterview	8:00
July 5 Lantana	8:00

DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES

June 7 Firewheel – Bridges (Garland) 972-205-2795; 1535 Brand Rd. Take Geo Bush Turnpike east, exit at Brand Rd., turn left (north) 1 mile, course entrance on left.

June 14 Waterchase (Arlington) 817-861-4653; 8951 Creek Run Rd. Take I-30 westbound, past the Rangers Ballpark, exit at Eastchase Pkwy., right turn to 2nd traffic light. (John T. White Rd.) Turn right for 1 block. Right turn at Randol Mill Rd., go ¼ mile, left turn at Creek Run Rd., (alongside apt. complex), course ½ mile on left.

June 21 Buffalo Creek (Rockwall) 972-771-4003; 624 Country Club Dr. Take the George Bush Turnpike east/south (it ends at I-30). Merge onto I-30 east. Go across lake, exit at Horizon Rd. Turn right, drive across Ridge Rd (traffic light). Immediately past hospital, turn right onto Tubbs Rd. (7-11 store on left). Road changes name to White Rd. Wind through residential area adjacent to golf course. Turn left at dead end (Country Club Rd.) Drive ¼ mile, course entrance on right.

June 28 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.

July 5 Lantana (Lantana) 940-728-4653; 800 Golf Club Dr. Drive north on I-35E (Stemmons Frwy). Exit at Justin Road (FM 407), Exit #454A Lewisville. Turn west and drive 6.2 miles. Turn right at Lantana Trail (traffic light); drive 1.2 miles (divided road), turn right at Golf Club Dr., leads to clubhouse.

NEW MEMBERS – JUNE 2017

Alan Duncan – Frisco
Terry Lambert – Granbury
Randy Morse – Shady Shores
Lee Ramos – Garland
Pat Rogers – Dallas

Larry Kimberlin – Greenville
Dale Leath – McKinney
Tom G. Phillips – Allen
Martin Rejcek – Oak Leaf
Bryan Serpas – Fairview

RULING:

Our very liberal rules allow us to move the ball 1 club length, no closer to the hole anywhere on the course except in the hazards and bunkers. The key word here is 1 club length. You may use the longest club in your bag. It does not mean 1 club + 1 foot or 1 club + 8 inches.....it means 1 club length. If that 1 club length does not get the ball from behind a tree or off of hardpan – tough! You shouldn't have hit it there in the first place. The Board of Directors have established these rules to make it fun for all, but moving the ball more than a club length does not adhere to the interpretation the Board had established and not fair to other fellow members in the field.

JUST THE FACTS, MAAM!

.....Director Tom McMahan

Sunniest city in the country: Yuma, Arizona

Snowiest city in the country: Blue Canyon, California

Windiest city in the country: Dodge City, Kansas

Driest city in the country: Yuma, Arizona

Wettest city in the country: Hilo, Hawaii

Hottest city in the country: Key West, Florida

Coldest city in the country: International Falls, Minnesota

Hottest temperature recorded: Death Valley, California (134 degrees)

Coldest temperature recorded: Prospect Creek, Alaska (-79 degrees)

Most tornado prone city: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Most earthquake prone state: Alaska

Most tornado prone state: Florida

Most thunderstorm prone city: Ft. Myers, Florida

Most hail prone city: Tulsa, Oklahoma

Most hurricane prone city: Cape Hatteras, NC

City with least weather variety: San Francisco, CA

“I'm working as hard as I can to get my life and my cash to run out at the same time. If I can just die after lunch Tuesday, everything will be perfect.”

.....Doug Sanders

SLOW PLAY

The Board of Directors continues to discuss slow play and ways to increase the speed by which we complete our rounds. Four and a half to five hour rounds are acceptable....6 hours rounds are not. We have printed ways to speed up rounds and have printed them under the By-Laws tab on the association website (ntsga.org). Please review these suggestions.

There are a variety of reasons for slow play, the most obvious being slow players. These players typically have lengthy routines, they back off shots and are often times unprepared to hit. A perfect analogy is cars on a freeway. If everyone is going the same speed, there's a nice flow, but if two cars in both lanes slow down, then everyone behind them does as well. That's why just a handful of slow players can affect the entire field. If there happens to be an accident on the freeway or a player has to search for a ball, then everything comes to a halt.

Please be mindful of your position on the golf course and keep up with the group ahead.

