

# NEWSLETTER FOR MAY 2019

- Last month's Masters Pot ended in a tie. See the accompanying article in this newsletter.
- The PGA tour comes to the Metroplex this month...May 9-12 in Dallas for the Nelson and May 23-26 in Ft. Worth for the Colonial.
- Another delicious lunch will be served at Hurricane Creek C.C. at the conclusion of our tournament on May 22.
- The dam leading to the Grapevine Golf Course is still closed and driving to the course requires a northern entry. Directions in this newsletter will lead you to the course.
- Our tournaments are starting to fill up due to the nicer Spring weather. Several guests (golfers on our waiting list) are signing up to play in our events. Please welcome them as guests and answer any questions they may have about the organization or our tournaments.
- PGA Championship Pot Selections can be made on May 15<sup>th</sup> at Waterchase.

## BIRTHDAY'S FOR MAY

Terry Bell 31 <sup>st</sup>	Gene Clark 19 <sup>th</sup>	Bobby Clay 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Phil Fahs</b> 15 <sup>th</sup>
Tom Hatfield 20 <sup>th</sup>	Jerry Jenkins 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Hubert Lytle</b> 1 <sup>st</sup>	Joe Ries 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Doug Shackelford 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tim Strobel 21 <sup>st</sup>	Ron Swanson 6 <sup>th</sup>	

## APRIL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
Apr. 3 Tierra Verde	117	91%	<b>Butch Vaut</b> 73	<b>Tom McMahan</b> 63
Apr. 10. The Tribute	128	100%	<b>Ken Blincow</b> 70	<b>Ken Blincow</b> 62
Apr. 17 Watters Creek	127	99%	<b>Rob Ruth</b> 73	<b>Joe Minter</b> 59
Apr. 24 Thorntree C.C.	Canceled due to weather.			

### PUN INTENDED...

24 statute miles of intravenous surgical tubing at Yale Univ. Hospital = 1 IV League

# NEXT 5 TOURNAMENTS

May 1 Prairie Lakes	Eddleman's BBQ available for purchase
May 8 Grapevine	Must use north entry to course
May 15 Waterchase	Make Pot selections for PGA Championship
May 22 Hurricane Creek C.C.	Includes Buffet Lunch
May 29 Ridgeview Ranch	

## DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES:

May 1 Prairie Lakes (Grand Prairie) 972-263-0661; 3202 SE 14<sup>th</sup> St. Drive I-35 southbound, take the Loop 12 split towards Irving. Drive approx. 10 miles south, then take Spur 408 for about 1 ½ miles and make a right turn onto Hwy 303 driving west over Mountain Creek Lake. On the other side of the lake, turn left @ SE 14<sup>th</sup> St. Course entrance approx. ½ mile on left.

May 8 Grapevine Drive west on LBJ freeway (I-635). Approaching the north end of DFW airport, take exit #36B. Stay in the left lane and follow signs for Hwy 121 North/Texas 2499. Then follow signs to Texas 2499 (Flower Mound). Drive several miles and after passing 2nd traffic light (Gerault Rd.) drive .8 mile and turn left at Lakeside Village Blvd./Silveron Blvd. (no traffic light). Drive .3 mile to roundabout. Enter roundabout and come out headed south. Drive .6 mile (go past the spillway). Course entrance on left at dead end.

May 15 Waterchase (Arlington) 817-861-4653; 8951 Creek Run Rd. Take I-30 westbound, past the Rangers Ballpark, exit at Eastchase Pkwy., right turn to 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

May 22 Hurricane Creek C.C. (Anna) 972-924-3247; 1800 Fairway Lane. Take US-75 (Central Expwy) north, past the Anna Truck Stop. Take exit #49 (Mantua Rd.). At stop sign, turn left and drive over top of US-75. Turn left at the southside service road and proceed ¾ mile. Turn right at small sign, leads to Golf Club.

May 29 Ridgeview Ranch (Plano) 972-390-1039; 2701 Ridgeview Dr. The course is ½ mile south of the Sam Rayburn Tollway between Independence Pkwy and Custer Road on Ridgeview Drive.

### IRS:

Our hard working Treasurer, **Pete Schoemann** has completed and filed the organization's IRS form 990 for fiscal 2017-18. This document is available for review by any member. Contact Pete at [plano2shoes@aol.com](mailto:plano2shoes@aol.com) or 972-618-3776.

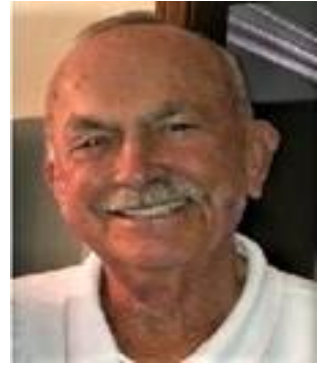
## AGE SHOOTERS – APRIL

**Tom McMahan** 4/3 Tierra Verde 74  
**Bill Kayser** 4/10 The Tribute 75  
**Jim Krause** 4/17 Watters Creek 75  
**Bill Roll** 4/17 Watters Creek 83

**Butch Vaut** 4/3 Tierra Verde 73  
**Tom McMahan** 4/10 The Tribute 78  
**Joe Minter** 4/17 Watters Creek 85

## SAD NEWS:

Longtime NTSGA member **Frank Riley** passed away April 11 at age 87. He was a very active, dedicated member of the organization for 25 years. Frank served as our President/Vice President in 2000-2001 and was the Handicap Chairman/2-man Team Coordinator for 12 years. He was born in Munday, TX and grew up in Canton, attending local schools. Upon graduation, Frank entered the military, serving proudly in the United States Air Force becoming qualified as an Air Traffic Controller experiencing duty during the Korean War. Upon release from active duty, Frank worked for the Federal Aviation Administration as the Assistant Chief Air Traffic Controller while working in Atlanta, Knoxville, Dallas Love Field, Amarillo and DFW Airport during his 30 year civilian career. Frank recorded a hole-in-one at Hurricane Creek C.C. while playing with NTSGA and was a well liked gentleman by all members. He resigned from NTSGA in 2018.



Rest in Peace, **Frank Riley**

### SAVE THE DATE...

This year's annual meeting and Banquet is scheduled for November 22. More information is forthcoming, so mark your calendars for this enjoyable evening.

## RULES ???

.....Director Tom McMahan

2019 marked the beginning of 20 new rules implemented by USGA and the R & A to speed up the game and not make the game so hard and confusing, just because of some hard to understand rules. Here are some new rules for senior golfers. **These rules are to be taken with a humorous intention and do not constitute a rules change implemented by NTSGA, USGA or the R & A!**

Rule: 2.d.6 (B) A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed NOT to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck and luck has no place in this scientific game. The senior player must estimate the distance the ball would have traveled if it had not hit the tree and play the ball from that point.

## SLOW PLAY --

...Randy Skinner

Pick your line of play once and trust yourself. Try to take no more than one practice swing, then set up to the ball and play your shot. Most importantly be ready to hit when it is your turn. Be efficient after your shot too. Start moving towards your next shot promptly.

## LARRY MILTON'S GOLF TIPS FOR STRUGGLING SENIOR GOLFERS:

Chapter 13: How to let a foursome play through your twosome.

## 2019 MASTERS POT



This year's Masters opened under beautiful weather conditions, but PGA officials had an eye on deteriorating weather conditions forecast for Sunday's final round. The most popular player selections by NTSGA golfers were Rory McIlroy, Dustin Johnson, Tommy Fleetwood, Justin Rose and Rickie Fowler. At the end of Day 1, SMU's own Bryson DeChambeau was tied for the lead shooting 66 along with long hitting Brooks Koepka. Phil Mickelson had a good first round and only trailed the leader by 1 stroke. Fourteen NTSGA members were happy as they selected Mickelson as ½ of their selection combo. Tiger Woods and

Jason Day were only 4 strokes off the pace, but Day was close to withdrawing, due to a bad back that he had tweaked earlier in the round.

Day 2 also provided glorious weather for the golfers and Dallas' own Jordan Spieth climbed into contention after a poor first round. Jason Day must have undergone a successful chiropractic session as his back seemed repaired and he was tied for the lead after the 2<sup>nd</sup> round. Francesco Molinari, Jason Day, Brooks Koepka, Adam Scott and Louis Oosthuizen were tied at the top to the happiness of 34 NTSGA members that had those players in their selection combos. After the cut was made following the 2<sup>nd</sup> round, 29 NTSGA members were disappointed as their selections would not be playing on the weekend, knocking those members out of contention for this year's Masters Pot winnings. The biggest names to miss the cut were Justin Rose, Sergio Garcia and Paul Casey.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> round began with big named players chasing Francesco Molinari who led at -13. Those players included Brooks Koepka, Tony Finau, Tiger Woods, Webb Simpson and Ian Poulter. The loudest cheering was coming from the households of **Butch Vaut, Bob King, Dennis Smith, Dick Fryar, Jerry Walker, Jeff Aston and Bobby Tutor**. These members were sitting on a Molinari selection and were hoping the other half of their combo would ascend into contention.

The final round of this year's Master's tee times were moved up and threesomes would start on both #1 and #10 in hopes of completing play before a predicted weather system arrived. The final pairing included Francesco Molinari, Tony Finau and Tiger Woods, but Brooks Koepka, Webb Simpson, Ian Poulter and Matt Kuchar were close behind.

Hitting balls in the water on 12 and 15 proved to be the downfall of Molinari, but the roars reverberating through the pines during the final round told every patron that Tiger Woods was filling his scorecard with birdies. Tiger closed with a bogey on 18, but his 6 birdies still enabled him to win his 5<sup>th</sup> Masters title by a stroke.

The runner up in this year's Masters Pot selection was **Bob King**: Tiger Woods (1) & Francesco Molinari (T5); \$83.00. The winners, splitting the Pot were **Tom Hatfield**: Brooks Koepka (T2) & Dustin Johnson (T2); \$236.00 and **Roger Nondorf**: Brooks Koepka (T2) & Dustin Johnson (T2); \$236.00.

## CONGRATULATIONS: TOM HATFIELD & ROGER NONDORF

The next major Pot selections can be made May 15 (at Waterchase) for the PGA Championship, May 16-19.

The first Wal-Mart opened in 1962 as Walton's 5 & 10 cent store and now makes a profit of \$40M a day nationwide!

