

NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY 2021

- **Tournament Chairman Rod Wells** is filling some of the open dates on our 2021 schedule. Watch the website for the latest updates. Currently 39 tournaments are scheduled.
- Twenty three new members joined NTSGA in January. See their introductions in last month's newsletter.
- **Dave Patrick** is the reigning Club Champion. The 2-day 2021 Club Championship will be played later in the year in either September or October.
- We hope Pauxatawney Phil does not see his shadow on Feb. 2.
- Please remember to wear masks when entering the Pro Shop and also when at the check-in table.

BIRTHDAY'S FOR FEBRUARY

Juan Bergara 23 rd	Ken Blincow 8 th	David Bramlett 14 th	Dave Brigman 3 rd
John Carrick 21 st	John Cravens 7 th	Rocky Crigler 19 th	Clint Culp 13 th
Duane Draeger 16 th	Bill Kayser 16 th	Bill Lambert 10 th	Bob Lewis 2 nd
Dan Locklear 16 th	Dal McKinney 21 st	Danny Millaway 13 th	Gary Nelson 4 th
Ben Orgain 17 th	Elliott Prater 16 th	Joe Ben Ramos 22 nd	Ben Robinson 14 th
Jim Sendajas 14 th	David Starkey 5 th	Rick Van Meter 1 st	

JANUARY TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
Jan 20 Watters Creek	82	64%	Jim Krause 76	Gerald Gotcher 68
Jan 27 Pecan Hollow	99	77%	Gary Nelson 71	Gary Nelson 69

PUN INTENDED

Cold?? Go stand in the corner...its 90 degrees.

NEXT 3 TOURNAMENTS:

Feb. 3 Thorntree (Desoto) 8:30

Feb. 10 Waterview (Rowlett) 8:30

Feb. 24 Buffalo Creek (Heath) 8:30

DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES

Feb. 3 Thorntree (Desoto) 972-296-7313; 825 W. Wintergreen Road. Drive south on I-35 through downtown Dallas. Continue south on I-35 past I-20. Exit at Wintergreen road, turn right (west), 3.1 miles. Course entrance on right.


Feb. 10 Waterview (Rowlett) 972-463-8900; 9509 Waterview Pkwy. Drive the Geo. Bush Turnpike east through Garland, past hwy 78/past the Firewheel Mall. 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.

Feb. 24 Buffalo Creek (Heath) 972-771-4003; 624 Country Club Dr. Drive 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 paralleling golf course. At the stop sign (Country Club Rd.) turn left. Drive ¼ mile, course entrance on right.

AGE SHOOTERS – JANUARY:

Jim Krause 1/20 Watters Creek 76

Butch Vaut 1/27 Pecan Hollow 76



THE COPS JUST LEFT,
THEY SAID IF I WAS GONNA WALK
AROUND THE HOUSE NAKED,
I HAVE TO DO IT INSIDE.

SMART ASS ANSWER...

A flight attendant was stationed at the departure gate to check tickets. As a man approached, she extended her hand for the ticket and he opened his trench coat and flashed her. Without missing a beat, she said, "Sir, I need to see your ticket, not your stub!"

SAD NEWS:

The entire North Texas Senior Golf Association mourns the passing of former member Pat Tritch. Pat joined the organization in 1990 and resigned in 2017. During those 27 years he served the offices of President, Vice President and Tournament Chairman all for the betterment of NTSGA. The Association only played the Dallas City Courses throughout the year until Pat took over as Tournament Chairman in 2002. He sought out many public golf courses and Country Clubs to add to the NTSGA annual schedule to the delight of all members. The scheduling of the finer courses in the Metroplex continues today. Pat recorded a Hole-in-One at Bridlewood in March 2013 and was 86 years old when he passed away.



To continue the legacy of NTSGA membership, Pat's son Scott is now a member of the Association.

Rest in Peace, Pat Tritch

TEE BOXES:

The Association uses 2 tee boxes in an attempt to make the rounds most enjoyable for all members. Tee off is usually from the white/red tees, announced by the Tournament Chairman prior to commencing play. Members 75 years of age or older may tee off from the forward tees. Members less than 75 years of age with a handicap of 18 or greater may tee off from the forward tees and must remain on that tee box for a minimum of 6 months. Members must notify Handicap Chairman, Howie Bacharach (howardbacharach@gmail.com) if competing from the forward tees.

MORE SAD NEWS:



NTSGA has recently learned of the passing of longtime loyal member, Harold Lockman on July 4, 2020. Harold played with the organization for 5 years and during that time played in approximately 50 tournaments a year. He shot his age almost every week and did so an incredible 1043 times during all of his golfing days. This is one of the highest numbers of times a golfer has shot his/her age in the United States. Harold recorded 5 Holes-in-One while playing golf and in 2005 played an astonishing 411 rounds of golf. He was 86 years old at the time of passing.

Rest in Peace, Harold Lockman

MORE SAD NEWS:

Former member Ted Rickenbacher passed away Jan. 2. He played golf with NTSGA during 2019. He graduated from TCU with a degree in journalism and spent his entire life in the newspaper business continuing as the 4th generation of newspaper publishers. Ted started many north Texas newspapers including the Farmers Branch Times, Carrollton Chronicle, Lewisville Times and Addison Times-Chronicle. He owned Rickenbacher Media and brokered the sale of 130 newspapers and magazines all over the country including sales to the Dallas Morning News and Ft. Worth Star Telegram. During Ted's golfing days he made two holes-in-one and won the Bent Tree Seniors Club Championship. He was the great grandson of Eddie Rickenbacher, the founder of Eastern Airlines.



Rest in Peace, Ted Rickenbacher

2-MAN TEAMS:



It is the responsibility of the Captain to check off (✓,x) all listed partners for the tournament. If a partner does not show up for that event and the fee has been paid, that team will be carried over until the next tournament (highlighted in yellow on the computer sign up pages). If a Captain wants to play with a partner that is not on his list, enter the team on the manual sign up page and pay the \$2.00 entry fee. If a member does not want to be a Captain, simply tell 2-man Team Coordinator, **Mike Robertson** (214-505-1814) and his name will be removed from the Captain's listing.

UNUSUAL BUNKER RULE:

The new rules adopted by the USGA and the R&A allows a golfer to lift his ball out of a bunker and place it within 2 club lengths from the front of the bunker on the line that it entered the bunker, to play his next shot. The golfer incurs a 2 stroke penalty if he elects to lift his ball out of the bunker. If you are confronted with a buried lie under the lip of a bunker, this little known USGA rule may be the prudent thing to do.

Money cannot buy happiness, but it's far more comfortable to cry in a Porsche than on a bicycle!

