NEWSLETTER FOR JANUARY 2022 HAPPY NEW YEAR!

- 2022 NTSGA dues will be extracted from your Bank on Jan. 1, 2022 by Treasurer Terry Bell. If you don't have sufficient funds in your Bank, submit a check (\$30.00, payable to NTSGA) to Terry before Jan. 1. If you're unsure as to your Bank balance, call Terry at 904-716-9758.
- The 2022 tournament schedule will be posted on the website shortly, under the Schedule tab. Watch the website for the latest changes. Start time for our tournaments is 8:30 through March 9. The sign-in table closes at 8:00.
- Our senior member is **Bobby Clay**; our junior member is **Russell Smeed**.
- Ten new members join NTSGA this month; see their introductions in this newsletter.

BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY

Bruce Allen 9thPeterWalt Barnes 12thJalilPat Hussey 6thChaTerry Latham 14thRickPhil Sykes 4thMar

Pete Archbold 31st Jalil Daneshfar 4th Charles Johnson 16th Rick Mulrain 8th Marc Walker 28th Frank Arnold 29th Mark Harwell 25th John Jones 29th Doug Rener 8th Jim Yarbrough 17th Mike Barker 29th **Armando Hinojois 19th** Art Krueger 5th Dennis Smith 23rd

DECEMBER TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION:

	Players	Percentage of full field		Low Net
Dec. 1 Pecan Hollow	127	99%	Bobby Vetkoetter 71	Frank Arnold 65 Andy Parker 65



NEXT 2 TOURNAMENTS:

Jan. 19 Pecan Hollow (Plano) 8:30 Jan. 26 Watters Creek (Allen) 8:30

DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES...

Jan 19 <u>Pecan Hollow</u> (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. (Careful of oncoming traffic).

Jan. 26 <u>Watters Creek (Allen)</u> 972-517-7777; 7201 Chase Oaks Blvd. Drive I-75 (Central Expwy). Exit at Legacy Dr., turn west. At 2nd traffic light, (Chase Oaks Blvd) turn right. Course ½ mile on left.

SLOW PLAY.... "CLUB IN, CLUB OUT"

NTSGA is constantly striving for ways to speed up play in hopes of preventing 5-6 hour rounds of golf. Many times our tournaments have full fields of 128 golfers and it's imperative to keep play moving to keep from playing lengthy rounds. Here is a suggestion given by member, **Ollie Cromwell** to keep play moving during the round to prevent unnecessary delays, "Club in, Club out!" Arrive at your ball in the fairway, hit your shot and immediately get into the cart (still holding onto the club you just hit) and drive to the next shot. When the cart arrives at your next shot, put the club (that you are still holding) into your bag and pull the club you'll need for the next shot. Hit your shot and immediately get into the cart and proceed to your next shot (Club in, Club out). Continue this practice for each hole. If each foursome continues this practice for the entire round, time spent on the golf course will be kept to a minimum and win the approval of all members.

Thank you.

AGE SHOOTERS: DECEMBER

I always start the day with good intentions...

Then I get out of bed and that's usually where it all goes wrong. Jim Krause 12/1 Pecan Hollow 77

Jim Rowley 12/1 Pecan Hollow 78

Butch Vaut 12/1 Pecan Hollow 72

Bobby Vetkoetter 12/1 Pecan Hollow 71

SAD NEWS:

In the December Newsletter an article appeared highlighting the career and loyalty to NTSGA of longtime **Treasurer Pete Schoemann**. Sadly, three days later, Pete passed

away at the age of 87. The entire North Texas Senior Golf Association mourns the death of Pete Schoemann. Pete was an NTSGA member for 28 years and our Treasurer for 18 of those years. Born in Philadelphia, he graduated from Penn State University in 1956 earning a Business degree, with a major in Accounting. Following graduation, Pete enlisted in the U.S. Army and attended Army Language School in Monterey, CA, prior to a 3 year assignment to Germany. Completing his military obligation in



1959, Pete was the accountant/financial manager for Wyeth Laboratories and Atlantic Richfield Oil Company. In 1975, Pete was the Chief Financial Officer of Lavan Oil Refining Company moving his family to Tehran, Iran for 3 years. The Schoemann family has resided in Plano, TX for the past 33 years. In addition to Pete's responsibilities as our Treasurer, he also worked for Gleneagles C.C. as a Marshal and Allen ISD as a substitute teacher in classes ranging from kindergarten to high school. **Pete Schoemann** was a very loyal member of our Association and made many friends throughout his golfing days.

REST IN PEACE, PETE SCHOEMANN

NEW MEMBERS: JANUARY

Ken Blanck – Frisco David Bruner – Dallas Chuck Burke – Euless Charlie Lopez – Plano Rick Mulrain – North Richland Hills Ted Perdue – Grand Prairie Shelby Ricketts – Dallas Mike Shirejian – Dallas Robert Tabor – Corinth Bill Watson – Dallas

20 ROUNDS...

The Board of Directors voted to waive the annual requirement of playing in 20 rounds of golf due to lingering concerns of COVID-19 for the past 2 years. This will not be the case in 2022 as **Tournament Chairman, Rod Wells** announced at the Annual Meeting at Pecan Hollow. <u>Members must participate in a minimum 20 rounds of golf during 2022 in accordance with our By-Laws, to keep their membership active.</u>

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 2022-2023



Front Row (L-R) President **Roger Ball**, Vice President **Gerald Gotcher**, Past President **Gene Edmondson**, Secretary **Phil Fahs**, Treasurer **Terry Bell**. Back Row (L-R) Director **John Anderson**, Director **Greg Windsor**, Director **Tom McMahan**, Handicap Chm./Webmaster **Howie Bacharach**, Tournament Chm. **Rod Wells**, Director **Rick Wiley**.

I'm a taxidermist. When people ask what I do every day, I say: "stuff!"

GOLF....

It is thought the word "golf" comes from the Dutch word "kolf" or "kolve", meaning club. Historians believe this was passed on to the Scottish whose own dialect changed this to "golve", "gowl" or "gouf". By the sixteenth century this had evolved into the word we know today.

FUN FACTS FROM 2021:

Tournaments Scheduled: 31 Tournaments Added: 17 Tournaments canceled due to weather/course conditions/COVID-19: 6 Tournaments Played: 42

Club Champion: Rob Ruth (Medalist) Back Tees: 146 Jim Krause, Forward Tees: 152

Low Gross Round: **Randy Durant**: 66 Member recording Low Gross Round the most times: **Mike Jones**: 10

Low Net Round: **Jim Yarbrough**, **Scott Daum**: 60 Member recording Low Net Round the most times: **Dennis Smith**, **Jim Staron**, **Doug Shackelford**: 3

Holes-in-One: 5

Bucky Taylor: Texas Rangers G.C., #11 Tim Strobel: Heritage Ranch Golf & C.C., #6 Dennis Meyer: Tangleridge G.C., #17 Scott Daum: Coyote Ridge G.C., #3 Jim Rowley: Buffalo Creek G.C., #4

Number of rounds played: 5181

Average players per round: 123 Average guests per round: 4 New members joining in 2021: 41 Most active golf months: March, July



Favorite courses (determined by number participating): Texas Rangers G.C., Tangleridge, Grapevine Senior member: **Bobby Clay:** 91 Longest tenured NTSGA member: Treasurer **Pete Schoemann**: 28 years

ANY SUGGESTIONS?

Tournament Chairman Rod Wells is finalizing our schedule for 2022. He is asking for inputs from members, of golf courses for him to explore for possible venues for next year. Similarly, if there are courses we played last year that you don't care for, please provide those suggestions to Rod also, at 972-699-0644, wellsrod00@gmail.com or Secy. Phil Fahs 972-243-3450, pfahs57@yahoo.com

Copy this page and keep it handy: IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING...

Anything pertaining to the overall operation of the Association and Skins payouts contact:

PRESIDENT ROGER BALL rb7583@verizon.net 817-909-0352

Anything pertaining to your NTSGA Bank balance, prize money distribution, receiving a check for bank withdrawals and annual Banquet information, contact:

TREASURER TERRY BELL tc-bell@att.net 904-716-9758

Anything pertaining to Newsletters, Association correspondence, Constitution, By-Laws, roster information changes, prospective member waiting list, archive records from previous years, closest to the pin questions, new members, holes-in-one and annual election of Officers and Directors, contact:

SECRETARY PHIL FAHS pfahs57@yahoo.com 972-243-3450

Anything pertaining to tournament sign-ups, annual schedule, weekly pairing sheet, tournament check-in, member participation, course tee markers, excessive sign-ups/drops and future golf courses, contact:

TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN ROD WELLS wellsrod00@gmail.com 972-699-0644

Anything pertaining to the NTSGA website, handicap computation, tournament flight results, individual rounds played, scorecards, age shooters, 2-man team results, contact:

HANDICAP CHAIRMAN/WEBMASTER HOWIE BACHARACH howardbacharach@gmail.com 972-620-2602

COURTESIES...

We ask that all members adhere to common sense courtesies when participating in our tournaments:

- 1) Don't walk on another players putting line when on the green. (You wouldn't appreciate it!).
- 2) Rake the sand traps after hitting your shot. (You don't want to hit an errant shot into a bunker only to find footprints everywhere left by previous golfers).
- 3) Keep carts on paths when close to greens and tee boxes (This only makes sense!).
- 4) Please enter scores on scorecard in a legible manner to help the Scoring Committee (To prevent incorrect tabulations!).
- 5) Don't' spit on the greens. (It's disgusting!).
- 6) Put sand in fairway divots and repair ball marks on the greens. (It helps the greenskeeper care for the course).
- 7) Keep play moving by playing "Ready Golf". Don't hit into the foursome ahead, but be ready to hit once they are driving away from their fairway shots.

NTSGA has a good reputation throughout the Metroplex golf courses. Please uphold this reputation by observing simple common sense courtesies as we are being observed by pro shop personnel and marshals.....Thank You.

FUNNY-

Two nuns were shopping at a 7-11 store. As they passed by the beer cooler, one nun said to the other, "Wouldn't a nice cold beer or two taste wonderful on a hot summer evening?"

The second nun answered, "Indeed it would, sister, but I would not feel comfortable buying beer, since I am certain it would cause a scene at the checkout counter."

"I can handle that without a problem" the other nun replied, and she picked up a sixpack of beer and headed for the check-out.

The cashier had a surprised look on his face when the two nuns arrived with a six-pack of beer. "We use beer for washing our hair" the nun said, "Back at our nunnery; we call it a catholic shampoo."

Without blinking an eye, the cashier reached under the counter, pulled out a package of pretzel sticks and placed them in the bag with the beer.

He then looked the nuns straight in the eye, smiled, and said: "The curlers are on the house."

Happy New Year to you and all of your families...Phil