

NEWSLETTER FOR AUGUST 2023

- Seventeen new members join NTSGA this month. See their introductions in this newsletter.
- This month we play 2 courses we haven't played for several years...Mansfield National and Plantation.
- The start time for Waterchase on Aug. 9 is **7:30**.
- **Jim Krause** shot his age at all 4 tournaments last month...Yikes!!

BIRTHDAYS FOR AUGUST...

Howie Bacharach 9 th	Ron Cremer 3 rd	Gene Edmondson 22 nd	Eddie Marshall 17 th
Jack Martin 14 th	Tom McMahan 25 th	Jon Neff 21 st	Scott Nowell 21 st
Tom Phillips 16 th	Joe Philpott 17 th	Matt Pohl 20 th	Jay Salem 18 th
Mike Seagram 24 th	Mark Stokes 1 st	Bucky Taylor 20 th	John Thompson 31 st
Ken Wagner 17 th	Mike Willis 24 th	Mark Wilson 5 th	Greg Windsor 6 th
Mark Worthey 30 th			

JULY TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
July 5 Grapevine	130	101%	Jack Whitling 68	Bert Hayslip 67 Jerry Morgan 67 Joe Ben Ramos 67
July 12 Buffalo Creek	108	84%	Mike Jones 72 David Kneer 72	Brad Goethals 68 Mike Kopp 68 Gabe Nicollella 68 Ben Robinson 68 Joe Shelton 68 Rick Van Meter 68
July 19 Bridlewood	118	92%	Mike Jones 71	Billy Cunningham 62
July 26 Tangleridge	102	79%	Dave Patrick 72	Ron Cremer 66

PUN INTENDED...

My new stair lift is driving me up a wall!

NEXT 5 TOURNAMENTS

Aug. 2 Mansfield National	8:00	***Lunch Included
Aug. 9 Waterchase	7:30	
Aug. 16 Texas Star	8:00	
Aug. 23 Sky Creek Ranch	8:00	
Aug. 30 Plantation	8:00	

DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES

Aug. 2 Mansfield National (Mansfield) 817-477-3366; 3750 National Pkwy. Take I-20 westbound, exit at Hwy 360. Drive south approximately 8 miles. Exit at Heritage Pkwy. At the traffic light, turn left. Course straight ahead.

Aug. 9 Waterchase (Arlington) 817-861-4653; 8951 Creek Run Rd. Take I-30 westbound, past the Rangers Ballpark and Cowboys stadium locations. 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., drive ¼ mile, left turn at Creek Run Rd., (alongside apt. complex), course ½ mile 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 Sky Creek Ranch (Keller) 817-498-1414; 600 Promontory Dr. Drive LBJ Frwy towards DFW Airport, take Hwy 121 south (it goes south for ½ mile, and then turns west). At the Hwy 121/114 split, bear right towards Bridgeport, exit at Southlake Blvd. Turn left, drive 4.9 miles. Left turn at Randol Mill (Dunkin' Donuts on left, Shell station on right). Randol Mill turns into Davis Blvd in a few blocks. Drive .9 miles to 2nd traffic light. Right turn at Bear Creek Pkwy. Drive 1.4 miles through residential area. Watch for small sign to Sky Creek Ranch. Right turn at Promontory Dr., leads to club.

Aug. 30 Plantation (Frisco) 972-335-4653, 4701 Plantation Lane. Drive to the Sam Rayburn Tollway (Hwy 121). Exit at Coit Rd., turn north for ¼ mile. Left turn at Lebanon, course entrance ¾ miles on right.

2-MAN TEAMS: It is the responsibility of the Captain to check off (✓,x) all listed partners for the tournament and pay the entry fee (\$2.00/team). 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, **Jack Whitling** and his name will be removed from the Captain's listing.

2023 OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP POT

The 2023 Open Championship was played in Hoylake, England at Royal Liverpool. This is the 13th time the Open Championship has been played on this golf course. Ninety three selections were made by NTSGA golfers in this year's final major Pot, selecting two man combos in hopes of having the right selection to win the last major championship of the year. The most popular selections were pro's playing well over the last several months including Jon Rahm, Rory McIlroy, Tommy Fleetwood, Scottie Scheffler, Cam Smith and Brooks Koepka. Better weather conditions for the early tee times greeted the golfers, but afternoon tee times had to play in a stiff wind. The pot bunkers throughout the course, severely affected the scores of many golfers as the bunkers sometimes cost the pro's 2 and 3 shots. Fan favorite, Englishman Tommy Fleetwood shared the opening round lead with Emiliano Grillo and amateur Christo Lamprecht. Lamprecht is the first amateur in 12 years to share an opening round lead in a major tournament.



Out of nowhere in Round 2 came Brian Harman, who hasn't won a golf tournament in 6 years and only 2 tournaments during his 12 years on tour. He made four straight birdies and an eagle on 18 that thrust him into the lead, 5 shots ahead of the next competitor, Tommy Fleetwood. Fleetwood was the favorite selection of 17 picks made by NTSGA golfers, however, Brian Harman was not picked by any member to win this year's Open Championship. Dropping out of the tournament after missing the cut were NTSGA favorites...Colin Morikawa, Tony Finau, Justin Rose, Justin Thomas and Dustin Johnson. This also knocked out 21 selections made by NTSGA golfers.

Brian Harman continued to play superb golf during Round 3, despite a sparkling 63 by Jon Rahm, the lowest score recorded on this golf course in British Open history. Excitement was building in the households of NTSGA members **Bruce Mayberry**, **Chris Arenas**, **Gene Edmondson**, **Frank Arnold** and **Mike Brown** as they had combo selections near the top of the leaderboard.

Round 4 would be played under testing weather conditions as rain and wind were forecast. No one could catch Brian Harman...who saw that coming? The 12 year journeyman turned back all challengers and won the Open Championship by six strokes. He is the second oldest first time major winner in history to raise the Claret jug. The winner of the NTSGA Open Championship Pot was **Frank Arnold**. Jon Rahm (T2) and Tom Kim (T2): \$279.00. 2nd place tie: **Frank Arnold**, **Bruce Mayberry**, **Russ Medlin** and **Jim Staron**: All selected Jon Rahm (T2) and Rory McIlroy (6): \$47.00 each. The next NTSGA Pot will be the Masters in April 2024.

CONGRATULATIONS, FRANK ARNOLD!

AGE SHOOTERS – JULY...

David Kneer 7/5 Grapevine 70
Jim Krause 7/5 Grapevine 77
Tom McMahan 7/5 Grapevine 79
Wayne Mueller 7/5 Grapevine 76
Tim Strobel 7/5 Grapevine 78
Butch Vaut 7/5 Grapevine 72
Bob Wands 7/5 Grapevine 77
LeRoy Worm 7/5 Grapevine 88
Jim Krause 7/12 Buffalo Creek 76
Joe Shelton 7/12 Buffalo Creek 85
Jack Thompson 7/12 Buffalo Creek 75
Butch Vaut 7/12 Buffalo Creek 77
Jim Krause 7/19 Bridlewood 77
Wayne Mueller 7/19 Bridlewood 75
Butch Vaut 7/19 Bridlewood 72
Bob Wands 7/19 Bridlewood 82
Jim Krause 7/26 Tangleridge 78



NEW MEMBERS...AUGUST:

Les Anderson – Frisco
Dirk Dent – Gordonsville
Matt Dito – Dallas
Mark Gadiant – Dallas
Phil Hollings – Grand Prairie
Steve Horner – Dallas
Craig Koenig – Dallas
Brad Lott – Plano
Russ Manley – Grapevine
Dannye Mote – Dallas
Bob Mulligan – Dallas
Jim Parrack – Allen
Michael Peralta – Richardson
Ken Pittman – Dallas
Mark Summers – Dallas
John Vasquez – Terrell
Mark Walther - McKinney

**Had a bad mixup at
the store
today..when the
cashier said strip
down facing
me,apparently she
was referring to my
credit card.**

I hate it when I can't figure out how to operate the iPad and my tech support person is asleep...she's 5 and past her bedtime!

