# NEWSLETTER FOR JANUARY 2023 HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

- 2023 NTSGA dues will be extracted from your Bank on Jan. 1, 2023 by
   Treasurer Terry Bell. If you don't have sufficient funds in your Bank, submit a
   check (\$60.00, payable to NTSGA) to Terry before Jan. 1. If you're unsure as to
   your Bank balance, call Terry at 904-716-9758.
- Our senior member is **LeRoy Worm** (90); our junior member is **Scott Nowell** (50).
- The 2023 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<sup>th</sup>. The sign-in table closes at 8:00.
- Fifteen new members join NTSGA this month; see their introductions in this newsletter.
- Five members waited until the last tournament of the year (Pecan Hollow) to play in their 20<sup>th</sup> round...Whew! That was close.

#### **BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY**

Pete Archbold 31<sup>st</sup>
Mark Harwell 25<sup>th</sup>
John Jones 29<sup>th</sup>
Rick Mulrain 8<sup>th</sup>
Marc Walker 28<sup>th</sup>

Frank Arnold 29<sup>th</sup> Mike Barker 29 Armando Hinojos 19<sup>th</sup> Pat Hussey 6<sup>th</sup> Art Krueger 5<sup>th</sup> Terry Morgan 1 Doug Rener 8<sup>th</sup> Dennis Smith 2 Jim Yarbrough 17<sup>th</sup>

Mike Barker 29<sup>th</sup> Jalil Daneshfar 4<sup>th</sup>
Pat Hussey 6<sup>th</sup> Charles Johnson 16<sup>th</sup>
Terry Morgan 14<sup>th</sup> Jerry Morgan 24<sup>th</sup>
Dennis Smith 23<sup>rd</sup> Phil Sykes 4<sup>th</sup>

#### **DECEMBER TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION:**

Players

Percentage of full field

Low Gross

Low Net

Dec. 7 Pecan Hollow

99

77%

Rob Ruth 68

**Bruce Mayberry** 60

#### PUN INTENDED...

Never blame someone else for the bumpy road you're on...that's your own asphalt!

#### **NEXT TOURNAMENT...**

Jan. 25 Pecan Hollow (Plano) 8:30

#### **DIRECTIONS TO PECAN HOLLOW...**

<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).

#### AGE SHOOTERS – DECEMBER

Phil Fahs 12/7 Pecan Hollow 81 Jim Krause 12/7 Pecan Hollow 74 Tom McMahan 12/7 Pecan Hollow 76 Wayne Mueller 12/7 Pecan Hollow 75 Rob Ruth 12/7 Pecan Hollow 68



#### **GOLF BALLS:**

In 1930, golf balls were manufactured with a rubber core. At first, there was very little quality control and some of the balls had off-center rubber cores making the balls meander off line while making putts on the green. By 1935, the Acushnet Manufacturing Company with the aid of chemists, physicists, mathematicians and technicians, were able to produce a ball with a perfectly centered core enabling the ball to track on a straight line. They called the ball Titleist. Because a company secretary had beautiful penmanship, she was asked to write the word Titleist in script and hers is the current scrip used on every Titleist golf ball. Acushnet now employs 3,000 workers in their Massachusetts plant with annual revenue sales over \$1B, making their ball the most popular golf ball in the world.

**COURTESIES...**The North Texas Senior Golf Association has a wonderful reputation around the Metroplex at all the golf courses we play. Tournament Chairman, Rod Wells has worked very hard to schedule challenging courses at golf clubs and Country Clubs in the DFW area. When we play these courses, we must adhere to all the proper golf course etiquette associated with the great game. All members are asked to rake the sand traps, deposit sand in fairway divots, fix ball marks on the greens and conform to all cart signs keeping the carts on the cart paths when requested. The positioning of a "No Carts" sign is because the course is trying to let the grass grow in a barren area or a low spot that collects water and is usually wet or muddy. There is never a reason why a cart should be off the cart path when next to a green or a tee box. Your adherence to this small courtesy of maintaining course conditioning and common sense will continue to enhance the good name of NTSGA

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## 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/ Membership Chairman 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 972-699-8020

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

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

#### **FUN FACTS FROM 2022**

Tournaments Scheduled: 39 Tournaments Added: 10 Tournaments Canceled: 6 Tournaments Played: 43

Club Champions: Rick Steeno (Medalist) Back Tees 146

Jim Krause Forward Tees 159

Holes-in-One: 3

Gary Mitchell: Luna Vista #3 Bob King: Texas Star #3

Bob Bruner: Heritage Ranch #4

Number of rounds played: 4962

Average players per round: 112 Average guests per round: 6 New members joining in 2022: 32 Most active golf months: May, Aug.

Favorite courses (determined by members

participating):

Texas Star, Grapevine, Luna Vista

Senior Member: LeRoy Worm (90)

Longest Tenured Member: Basil Greaves (1998)





### **NEW MEMBERS – JANUARY**

Steve Arning - Colleyville
Andy Braun - Emory
Doug Curtis - Frisco
Ronnie Green - McKinney
Gary Harrison-ducros - Grapevine
Stu Kambury - The Colony
David Kneer - Carrollton
Jerry Morgan - North Richland Hills
Jon Neff - Frisco
Scott Nowell - Frisco
Steve Parr - Frisco
Matt Pohl - Flower Mound
Dave Ramsey - Grapevine
Phillip Sizemore - Cleburne
Kevin Vines - Corinth

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS - 2023**



Front Row (L-R) President Roger Ball, Vice President Gerald Gotcher, Past President Gene Edmondson, Secretary/Membership Chm. 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.

#### **AGE SHOOTERS...**

Shooting your age as a senior golfer is a grand accomplishment. Twenty five NTSGA Golfers shot their age during 2022. Leading the way was Forward Tee Club Champion, **Jim Krause**, shooting his age 19 times, followed by **Butch Vaut** and **Wayne Mueller** (18 times), **Tom McMahan** (13) and **Bob Wands** 12 times. Sharp shooters, all.

Did you ever notice that the rake is always in the other bunker?

**IRONMEN:** The following members played in over 40 rounds of golf with NTSGA during 2022:

Howie Bacharach, Bob Duty, Gene Edmondson, Gerald Gotcher, Danny Millaway and Dave Patrick. Many thanks for your extreme loyalty to the North Texas Senior Golf Association!

FUNNY... ... Tom McMahan

A man walked out into the street and caught a taxi just going by. He got in and the cabbie said, "Perfect timing. You're just like Frank."

"Who?" said the passenger.

Cabbie: "Frank Feldman. He's a guy who did everything right all the time. Like my coming along when you needed a cab, things happened like that to Frank Feldman every single time."

Passenger: "There are always a few clouds over everybody."

Cabbie: "Not Frank Feldman. He was a terrific athlete. He could have won the Grand-Slam of tennis. He could golf with the pros. He sang like an opera baritone and danced like a Broadway star and you should have heard him play the piano. He was an amazing guy."

Passenger: "Sounds like he was really something special."
Cabbie: "There's more. He had a memory like a computer. He remembered everybody's birthday. He knew all about wine, which food to order and which fork to use when eating. He could fix anything. Not like me. I change a fuse and the whole street blacks out. But Frank Feldman could do everything right."

Passenger: "Wow, what a wonderful guy."

Cabbie: "He always knew the quickest way to go in traffic and avoid traffic jams. Not like me, I always seem to get stuck in traffic. But Frank, he never made a mistake and he really knew how to treat a woman and make her feel good. He would never answer her back even if she was in the wrong; and his clothing was always immaculate, shoes highly polished too. He was the perfect man!

He never made a mistake. No one could ever measure up to Frank Feldman."

Passenger: "How did you meet him?"

Cabbie: "Oh, I never actually met Frank. He died, and I married his wife."

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Happiest of New Year's wishes to you and your families.

Phil