

NEWSLETTER FOR MARCH 2023

- Please get in the habit of reading the Newsletter every month. The newsletter for the next month is usually posted on the ntsga.org website towards the end of each month. It contains updated information and items of interest pertaining to our tournaments.
- That damn groundhog said there'd be 6 more weeks of winter...Barf! Would someone knock some sense into Punxsutawney Phil!!
- There is additional golf available in May benefitting the Defenders of Freedom. See the advertisement in this newsletter.
- Fourteen new members join NTSGA this month. See their introductions in this newsletter.
- The March 8th tournament at Waterview starts at 8:30, all others begin at 8:00.
- Thanks to all the members who came out to the tournament at Tangleridge under rainy conditions. A slight delay, skies cleared and we played the round.

BIRTHDAYS FOR MARCH...

Bob Duty 1 st	Ray Hund 13 th	Steve Jones 29 th	Joe Loughmiller 3 rd
John Leal 30 th	Bruce Mayberry 13 th	Simon Ordonez 8 th	Steve Parr 12 th
Phillip Sizemore 22 nd	Chuck Smith 7 th	Frank Smith 18 th	Scott Tritch 26 th
Bobby Tutor 20 th			

FEBRUARY TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
Feb 1 Luna Vista	Canceled, due to weather			
Feb 8 Tangleridge	Canceled, due to weather. Rescheduled.			
Feb 15 Watters Creek	129	101%	Jim Staron 72	Dick Fargo 66
Feb 22 Tangleridge	104	81%	Mike Jones 73	Mike Vestal 65

PUN INTENDED...

Man who runs in front of car gets tired; man who runs behind car gets exhausted

NEXT 5 TOURNAMENTS

- Mar. 1 Waterchase (Ft. Worth) 8:00
- Mar. 8 Waterview (Rowlett) 8:30
- Mar. 15 Luna Vista (Dallas) 8:00
- Mar. 22 Bridlewood (Flower Mound) 8:00
- Mar. 29 Buffalo Creek (Rockwall) 8:00

DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES

Mar. 1 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.

Mar. 8 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.

Mar. 15 Luna Vista (Dallas) 214-670-6322; 11223 Luna Rd. Drive to I-35E (Stemmons Frwy). Exit at Royal Lane. Drive west 1.1 miles (traffic light). Turn left (Luna Rd.), drive .4 mile, course entrance on right.

Mar. 22 Bridlewood (Flower Mound) 972-355-4800; 4000 W. Windsor Dr. Proceed north on I-35E, exit at FM1171/Main St. (Lewisville). Turn left (west), drive 5 ½ miles, right turn at Bridlewood Blvd. At 1st stop sign, turn right, course entrance on left.

Mar. 29 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. as it winds through residential area paralleling golf course. At the stop sign (Country Club Rd.) turn left. Drive ¼ mile, course entrance on right.

I just bought a full tank of gas for \$22.00! Granted, it was for my lawn mower, but nonetheless, I'm trying to stay positive.



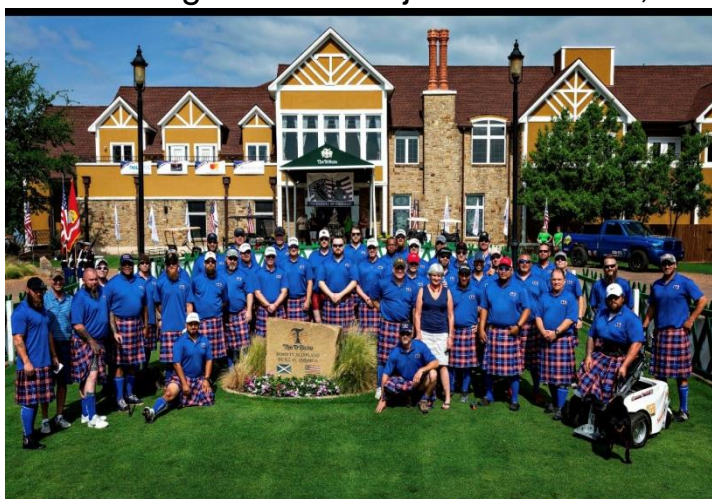
18th Annual

Golf Outing Sponsorships

presented by **DELL** Technologies

May 22 - 11:00 AM Start
The Clubs at the Tribute - The Colony, TX

NTSGA Director **Greg Windsor** is involved with the Defenders of Freedom golf event benefitting wounded/injured veterans, first responders and their families. The event will



be held at The Tribute and Old American golf courses on Monday, May 22. Cost is \$200.00 per player or \$600.00 for a 3 man team which includes the assignment of a wounded veteran to make the fourth player, or a 4 man team (without the veteran) is also \$600.00. Your foursome may choose to play either course. The charitable contribution to play in this event includes golf, lunch, dinner, a golf package, the vet's flight in, hotel for two nights and their transportation. For additional information

contact **Greg** at 972-365-6261 or ngwindsor@verizon.net

BALL MARKS.....

We hear from new members and guests alike that NTSGA has a very nice annual schedule of tournaments at good golf courses. Tournament Chairman, **Rod Wells** does his best to provide a very attractive schedule for us throughout the year. It is our job to take care of these courses by providing assistance to the greenskeepers and golf course personnel. This is the very least we can do to keep the course in fine playing condition and impress the golf course staff by taking care of their course. Repairing your ball mark plus 2 more in addition to raking the bunkers would go a long way in having us invited back to the nice courses that are on our schedule. Thank you.



AGE SHOOTERS – FEBRUARY

Jim Krause 2/15 Watters Creek 77

Wayne Mueller 2/15 Watters Creek 79

Bob Wands 2/15 Watters Creek 84

Mike Barker 2/22 Tangleridge 80

Jim Krause 2/22 Tangleridge 75

Wayne Mueller 2/22 Tangleridge 80



UNUSUAL: Last month (February) a very unusual occurrence happened. The month had 4 Sundays, 4 Mondays, 4 Tuesdays, 4 Wednesdays, 4 Thursdays, 4 Fridays and 4 Saturdays. Chances are we'll never be able to experience that feat again, as it only happens once every 823 years!

The police came around last night and told me my dogs were chasing people on bikes...hell, my dogs don't even have bikes!

SCORECARDS:

We use pre-printed scorecards, so all of the names should be on the correct card. If, at the last minute, Tournament Chairman **Rod Wells** has to move members to another foursome, please ensure that member's name is added to the correct scorecard and his name is properly spelled. Thank you.

**A friend suggested
putting horse manure
on my strawberries...
I'm never doing that
again, I'm going back
to whipped cream.**

NEW MEMBERS...MARCH

Tony Cherryhomes – Flower Mound

Steve Douglas – Cresson

Ray Kennedy – Prosper

Mike Kopp – Plano

David Martin – Dallas

Michael Mayer – Rockwall

Kevin Morris – Ft. Worth

Simon Ordonez – Irving

Trae Richburg – Gordonville

Jay Salem – Dallas

Jim Shrewsbury – Arlington

Brent Smithers – Krum

John Thompson – Dallas

Mike Willis – Fairview

CREDIT CARDS...

Webmaster **Howie Bacharach** has written a computer program that now allows you the use of credit cards to pay for your round before arriving at our tournament courses. "Express Check In" is available for members and guests on the Next Round tab of our website. Sign-up the regular way and when you are assured of playing, use the Next Round tab and click on Express Check In (yellow). Try to do this at least the day before the round so **Tournament Chairman Rod Wells** and **Treasurer Terry Bell** get the word in time for check-in. You'll be prompted for your member password (first four characters of your last name in lower case followed by mmdd of your birthday). NOTE: guest birthdays are probably not in our system to establish your password. Forward that information to Webmaster **Howie Bacharach** at howardbacharach@gmail.com for password setup.

Members can pay out of their NTSGA member Bank Account if they have sufficient funds. Otherwise choose Electronic Payment (credit or debit card, Google Pay or Square Pay if by PC desktop, Apple Pay if by iPad or iPhone) or PayPal. When payment is complete you will see a confirmation page and also receive an email. No other check-in will be required at the course, other than paying for skins and 2-man team competition, if desired. NOTE: a service fee is added (\$2.10 for Square electronic payment, \$2.68 for PayPal) since that is what the service companies charge us to handle the transactions.

There is a box to check if you don't have to pay a greens fee (ex. marshall or club member)...give the page a second to settle after it loads, then check the box. You will see the amount due correctly reflect the \$10.00 prize fee for members or zero for guests. If that doesn't change when you check the box, uncheck and re-check to try again.

If you have to cancel or are otherwise unable to play, you will be refunded to your payment method.

Everything is handled on the Square and PayPal servers, so it is fully encrypted and secure. If payment was successful, you will show "checked in" on the signup list (Signup→ Next Round Signup Lists).

FUNNY...

Celibacy can be a choice in life, or a condition imposed by circumstances.

While attending a Marriage Weekend, Frank and his wife, Ann listened to the instructor declare: "It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other." He addressed the men, "Can you name and describe your wife's favorite flower?"

Frank leaned over, touched Ann's arm gently and whispered, "Gold Medal, All Purpose, isn't it?"

...and thus began Frank's life of Celibacy!!