NEWSLETTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

- The Club Championship will be played this month at Lantana (Day 1) and Watters Creek (Day 2). You may play 1 or 2 days, but you must play <u>both</u> days in order to be eligible to win the Championship. The reining Club Champions are Jack Whitling (back tees) and Butch Vaut (forward tees).
- Fifteen new members join NTSGA this month; see their introductions in this newsletter.
- Cooler weather is coming...hang in there!
- Tournament Chairman Rod Wells only phone number is 214-629-6707.
- Seventy one members have already satisfied the 20 round annual requirement for rounds played. There are 15 tournaments remaining on our schedule, with the possibility of adding 4 more.

BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER:

Jay Bengston 3 rd	Dan Bertschi 28 th	Scott Daum 20th	Gary Delcambre 5 th
Carlos Gaona 27 th	Ron Goethals 22 nd	Steve Horner 24th	Pete Huff 13 th
Bill Jackson 24th	David Kemp 9 th	Charlie Lopez 10 th	David Martin 13 th
Phil Mathura 30 th	George Miller 30 th	Glenn Miyashita 28 th	Dave Patrick 19th
Jerry Powlen 12 th	Dave Ramsey 27 th	Rob Ruth 4 th	Jim Shrewsbury 23 rd
Jim Skidmore 10 th	Rick Steeno 22 nd	Liam Walsh 28th	Bobby Worthy 18 th

AUGUST TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION...

Players	Percentage	Low	Low
	of full field	Gross	Net
115	89%	Jim Krause 72	Mike Vestal 61
		Rob Ruth 72	
		Jack Whitling 72	
118	92%	Butch Vaut 69	Murray Miles 62
96	75%	David Kneer 66	Murray Miles 61
128	100%	Butch Vaut 70	Bob Duty 65
	115 118 96	of full field 115 89% 118 92% 96 75%	of full field Gross 115 89% Jim Krause 72 Rob Ruth 72 Jack Whitling 72 118 92% Butch Vaut 69 96 75% David Kneer 66

PUN INTENDED:

If you boil a funny bone, it becomes a laughing stock...now that's humerus.

NEXT 5 TOURNAMENTS:

Sept. 4 Tierra Verde 8:00 Sept. 11 Luna Vista 8:00

Sept. 16 (Mon.) Lantana 8:00 Club Championship, Day 1

Sept. 18 Watters Creek 8:00 Club Championship, Day 2

Sept. 25 Buffalo Creek 8:00



DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES:

Sept. 4 <u>Tierra Verde</u> (Arlington) 817-478-8500; 7005 Golf Club Dr. Take I-20 west past Hwy 360, turn south on Hwy 287 towards Mansfield for approx. 2½ miles, exit at Eden Road (2nd exit south of I-20). At stop sign turn right for ½ mile. Left turn at entrance to Martin Luther King Sports Center. Second driveway on left leads into clubhouse.

Sept. 11 <u>Luna Vista</u> (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 (on very bumpy road). Course entrance on right.

Sept. 16 <u>Lantana</u> (Lantana) 940-728-4653; 800 Golf Club Dr. Drive north on I-35E (Stemmons Frwy) past Lewisville. Exit at FM407 (Justin Road) Exit #454A. At the traffic light, turn left and continue west for 6 miles. Turn right at Lantana Trail (2nd water tower and traffic light); drive 1.2 miles (divided road), turn right at Golf Club Dr., leads to clubhouse.

Sept. 18 <u>Watters Creek</u> (Allen) 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.

Sept. 25 <u>Buffalo Creek</u> (Rockwall)) 972-771-4003; 624 Country Club Dr. Drive the George Bush Turnpike east/south (it ends at I-30). Merge onto I-30 <u>east</u>. 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.

WATERCOLOR ARTIST...WAYNE MUELLER

The Christmas holidays will be here before you know it. NTSGA member, **Wayne Mueller** has agreed to paint a watercolor portrait at the discounted rate of \$150.00 for our members. He needs a snapshot of the picture you would like him to paint. It may contain two figures and would make a beautiful Christmas gift for wives/mothers/parents/grandparents in your life on this special holiday. You can view examples of **Wayne's** artistry of pets and people on Wayne's website: waynemuellerfineart.com Contact **Wayne** at 817-903-5015.

MORE GOLF: GIVINGMAS 2024 MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



Benefitting unfortunate, needy families with resources and opportunities to better their lives.

Thursday, Sept. 12...8:30 Shotgun start, 4 person 18 hole scramble:

Tenison Park Golf Course, 3501 Samuel Blvd. Dallas

Individual: \$125.00, 4 person team: \$500.00. Includes green fee, cart, range balls, goody bag, breakfast & lunch.

Breakfast/registration: 7:30, Lunch served after the round.

Additional information: Contact NTSGA member Steve Horner: 214-354-1860

AGE SHOOTERS: AUGUST

Jim Krause 8/7 Texas Star 72 Gene Lindsey 8/7 Texas Star 80 Wayne Mueller 8/7 Texas Star 73 **Butch Vaut** 8/7 Texas Star 73 Mike Barker 8/14 Waterchase 80 Wayne Mueller 8/14 Waterchase 79 **Butch Vaut** 8/14 Waterchase 69 Ken Wagner 8/14 Waterchase 79 Jim Gawley 8/21 GC of Dallas 75 David Kneer 8/21 GC of Dallas 66 Tom McMahan 8/21 GC of Dallas 83 Jack Thompson 8/21 GC of Dallas 74 Butch Vaut 8/21 GC of Dallas 80 Ted Dunson 8/28 Watters Creek 81 Jim Gawley 8/28 Watters Creek 79 Tom McMahan 8/28 Watters Creek 82 Jack Thompson 8/28 Watters Creek 74 Butch Vaut 8/28 Watters Creek 70



I took my suit to the cleaners, who wanted to charge me \$40, so I gave it to the charity shop next door. They cleaned and pressed it and put it in the window...I bought if back for \$15. Ask me about free financial advice, anytime.

NEW MEMBERS – SEPTEMBER



When do them kids go back to school?

Rick Barr – Plano
Scott Brock – Southlake
Bob Eustice - Garland
Derrell Geary – Springtown
Gregg Guajardo – Mansfield
Mark Ingram – Dallas
Javier Iturbe – Irving
Glenn Miyashita - Grapevine
Dan Pencenka – McKinney
Max Robinson – Lewisville
Rafael Rodriquez – Sachse
Larry Sanford - Rockwall
Tom Schlueter – Weatherford
Clete Welch – Azle
George Whitaker – Highland Village

DIVOTS:

The golf pro's, instructors and teachers will all tell you that divots are a part of the game. All preach hitting down on the ball with irons which will naturally cause the iron to enter the grass in front of the ball and slice off a piece of the fairway. Please do your best not to take divots on practice swings. If the piece of sod that was a result of your swing still has dirt and roots attached, it should be replaced in the divot hole and tamped down by stepping on it with your shoe. If there is no dirt attached to the divot, use the sand bottles on the golf carts to add sand to the hole and tamp it down with your shoe. Proper care of divot holes are paramount and will aid the greenskeepers in caring for the golf course and providing us with the best course conditions for our tournaments.

Thank You.

PHONE NUMBERS...

These are the **ONLY** phone numbers to be used for early morning phone calls:

Rod Wells: 214-629-6707 Howie Bacharach: 410-507-2932

Put these numbers in your cell phones. **DO NOT CALL SECY. PHIL FAHS!!** Thank you.

Yesterday, I bought a world map, gave my wife a dart and said, "Throw this dart and wherever it lands, I will take you on vacation to that spot." We're spending 3 weeks behind the refrigerator!

From: Technology/Handicap Chairman, Howie Bacharach:

EXPRESS CHECK-IN and CREDIT CARD PAYMENT...

The NTSGA website (https://ntsga.org) allows you to check in and prepay for your upcoming round by following the top menu path Next Round \Diamond Express Check In. This feature is available to both members and guests.

You will be prompted for your Member Password (first four characters of your last name in lower case followed by mmdd of your birthday - ex: hoga0813). Note: Guest birthdays are probably not in our system to establish your password. Forward that information to Howie Bacharach at howardbacharach@gmail.com for password setup.

Members can pay from their Member Account ("off books") 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 iMac, iPad or iPhone) or PayPal. Marshals or Club Members: There is also a check box if you don't have to pay a greens fee (ex. marshal 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.

Payment processing is handled on the Square and PayPal servers, so it is fully encrypted and secure. When payment is complete you will see a confirmation page and receive an email. You will also show "Checked In" highlighted in yellow on the signup list (Signup ◊ Next Round Signup Lists). (Note: Please allow adequate time for the website payment processing to complete – it can be slow on some computers. As a not-for-profit, NTSGA adds the payment service fee to your payment total. As of this writing, the Electronic Payment option is slightly less than PayPal.)

If you must cancel or are otherwise unable to play, your payment will be credited to your Member Account (including guests).

Please try to do this at least the day before the round so Tournament Chairman Rod Wells and Treasurer Rick Wiley get the word in time for check-in. There will be an Express Check-In sheet available on a separate table so that you don't have to wait in line. However, as a courtesy to Rod if time permits, give him a heads-up that you have arrived. (Note: You will still have to sign-up and pay for skins and two-man teams' competition with those Coordinators, if you want to participate.)

Hung Chow calls into work and says, "Hey, I no come work today, I really sick. Got headache, stomach ache and legs hurt, I no come work."

The boss says, "You know something, Hung Chow, I really need you today. When I feel like that, I go to my wife and tell her to give me sex. That makes everything better and I go to work. You try that."

Two hours later...Hung Chow calls again. "I do what you say, and I feel great. I be at work soon...by the way, you have nice house."

COURSE, SLOPE RATING: NTSGA has the pleasure of playing many of the highly rated courses in the DFW area. Each of these courses has an established Course and Slope Rating provided by the United States Golf Association. These established ratings are used by Handicap/Technology Chairman Howie Bacharach to determine each member's handicap for the specific course and tee boxes that we play. The course handicap is used for all competition (flights, skins and two-man team competition). The tee boxes for each tournament are printed on the computer generated scorecards. Members 75 years of age or older may tee off from the forward tees. Members less than 75 years of age may also tee off from the forward tees providing their handicap is 18 or above...if the member elects this provision, he must remain on that tee box for six months and Handicap Chairman Howie Bacharach must be notified.

FUNNY...

In the summer of 1957, Harold goes to pick up his date...Peggy Sue. Harold's a pretty hip guy with his own car and his hair combed in a duck tail. When he goes to the front door, Peggy Sue's mother answers and invites him in.

"Peggy Sue's not ready yet, so why don't you have a seat," she says to Harold. "Thank you", replies Harold.

Peggy Sue's mother asks Harold what they're planning to do. Harold replies politely that they will probably just go to the malt shop or to a drive-in movie.

Peggy Sue's mother responds, "Why don't you kids go out and screw? I hear that all the kids are doing it."

Naturally, this comes as quite a surprise to Harold and he says, "Wha...aaat?" "Yeah," says Peggy Sue's mother, "We know Peggy Sue really likes to screw; why she'd screw all night if we let her!"

Harold's eyes light up and he smiles from ear to ear. Immediately, he has revised the plans for the evening.

A few minutes later, Peggy Sue come downstairs in her little poodle skirt with her saddle shoes and announces that she's ready to go.

Almost breathless with anticipation, Harold escorts his date out the front door while her mother is saying, "Have a good evening kids," with a small wink for Harold.

About 20 minutes later, a thoroughly disheveled Peggy Sue rushes back into the house, slams the door behind her and screams to her mother: