



PREFERRED LIES

AMATEUR GOLFERS OF ORLANDO

www.agogolf.net

P. O. BOX 140181

ORLANDO, FL. 32814-0181

VOLUME 34

JULY, 2006

NUMBER 7

NEXT TOURNAMENT

ARLINGTON RIDGE GC, SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2006

Shotgun Start at 7:45 a.m. Tournament Format Individual, Low Net, Three or Four Flights.
Entry Fee \$33 .00 total (includes green fees, cart, prize certificates and hole-in- one pot).

I don't know if the rest of you feel as I do, but I think the temperature/humidity at Highlands Reserve may have been the hottest I've played in. All that heat and I gained 2 pounds. The temperature wasn't the only heat that day. **Dan Thompson** shot a 70 (2 under par) for low gross and **John Abbey** shot a 78-22-56 for low net. Wow! Those are some hot scores. Congratulations to **Bill Camp, Brent Adamson, Phil Knott and Don O'Rourke** for winning each of their individual flights. Bill Camp must have had a steadier hand with his putter than he did with his beer mug after the tournament (spilled it on first touch). Nice shooting guys. **Marcus Hogan** has jumped into the lead of our "top 15 money winners" followed by **Tom McCann**. Way to go! Next tournament is at a new site called Arlington Ridge (near Leesburg). Haven't played it yet, but I'm told that us AGO guys will all love it. Hope so. See you all there. Terry

RESULTS FROM HIGHLANDS RESERVE GC ON JUNE 25, 2006

LOW NET:	JOHN ABBEY	78	22	56	\$35
LOW GROSS:	DAN THOMPSON	70			\$35

<u>FLIGHT A</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>HCP</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>\$\$\$</u>	<u>FLIGHT B</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>HCP</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>\$\$\$</u>
1. Bill Camp	74	12	62	\$30	1. Brent Adamson	79	15	64	\$30
2. Terry Lehman	72	7	65	\$26	2. Gregory Howe	78	14	64	\$26
3. Gary Miller	75	10	65	\$22	3. Tom McCann	80	15	65	\$22
4. Jerry Fusco	75	9	66	\$18	4. Gerald Bruessel	82	16	66	\$18
5. Marcus Hogan	73	7	66	\$16	5. Jay Nicolle	81	15	66	\$16
6. Ron Behe	76	9	67	\$12	6. Russ Judge	81	14	67	\$12

<u>FLIGHT C</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>HCP</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>\$\$\$</u>	<u>FLIGHT D</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>HCP</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>\$\$\$</u>
1. Phil Knott	82	18	64	\$30	1. Don O'Rourke	87	28	59	\$30
2. Jeff Goddard	88	22	66	\$26	2. Jack Marshall	86	24	62	\$26
3. Roland Smith	87	21	66	\$22	3. Russ McDonald	88	25	63	\$22
4. Wen Stocksett	88	22	66	\$18	4. Ed Smelser	96	29	67	\$18
5. Larry Prill	85	18	67	\$16	5. Steve Claxton	102	35	67	\$16
6. Darrell Hullinger	90	23	67	\$12	6. Tony Pimpanella	100	33	67	\$12

LOW PUTTS

Gary Miller	28 putts	\$5
Tim Wilson	28 putts	\$5

CLOSEST TO THE PIN

Woody Eshleman #4	\$10
Bill Camp #6	\$10
Ken Cole #12	\$10
Marcus Hogan #17	\$10

BLIND BOGEY #74

Joe Wingerter

POT \$24

Norbert Bobay

INDIVIDUAL PRIZES \$8

Don McGinnis

GROSS SKINS

Jay Nicolle #1
Dan Thompson #12 &13
Ken Cole #16

POT \$360.00

Bill Camp #8

9 SKINS

Marcus Hogan #10
Tom Niconcyk #14

INDIVIDUAL PRIZE \$40.00

Gerry Bruessel #11
Murphy Reynolds #15

NET SKINS

Ed Smelser #2
Larry Oakley #13

POT 220.00

Jim Noon #4 & 16
Russ McDonald #17

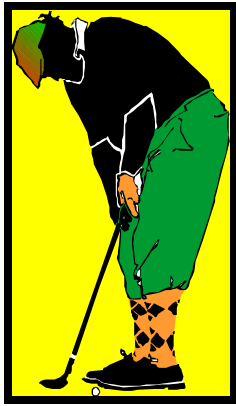
7 SKINS

Tom Koubek #5

INDIVIDUAL PRIZE \$31.00

Gerry Bruessel #11

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



By Rick Harris Sr.
President, AGO

I hate to admit it, but I want you to know that during the past ten months I have noticed that my golf game has gone straight to hell! Perhaps you've noticed this too if you've had the misfortune of playing with me lately.

In previous years I used to win a prize certificate in my flight (A or B) at least 3-4 times per year. At last count I checked and found out that I have accumulated exactly ONE certificate for the grand total of \$16 since last August. I am bringing this up, not for sympathy, because God knows my game is beyond that, and besides I know from experience that other golfers REALLY don't care how bad you are playing. Instead, they say a silent prayer that whatever bad is happening to you doesn't happen to them, and if the truth be told they really just don't want to hear it.

The reason I am bringing it up is to share some observations that I have made about the state of my game from a cause and effect standpoint, and perhaps to help you down the road if the same malady happens to you. First, I have noticed that I don't hit the driver as long as I used to. Thankfully, I still hit it straight, but not as long. Second, this has put pressure on my fairway woods to some degree, but mostly it has put REAL pressure on my iron play. Finally, I have noticed that for the most part my short game and putting are still intact, maybe not quite as sharp as it used to be, but still acceptable. The TOTAL result is that my confidence has been shattered, and I have taken to all sorts of actions which I shall not disclose at this time EXCEPT to say I have NOT resorted to the final abomination....cheating.

I do want you to know that at our last tournament at Highlands Reserve I did experience my version of John Daly and Kevin Costner in the golf movie "Tin Cup", when I hit my tee shot on a par three into the left bunker and used EIGHT strokes to get out! Yes, I said eight strokes to get it out. I opened the face...I hit at a steep angle...I closed the face...I hit at a sweeping angle...I got to the point where I was bound and determined to keep hitting that sand until I got that ball out, no matter how many strokes it took. Yes, I took an eleven on that hole.

This probably brings me to the most important point of this true story. Even though my current game sucks; even though I am not playing anywhere near

the way I was playing in 2005; even though the level of my game looks bleak right now, I am going to keep working on my driving; work at hitting more greens in regulation; work on regaining my confidence...and if it all goes well, I will once again be able to write a more positive column for you in the future. Who knows? I may even write a book on how to return from the depths of frustration and reveal what it takes to win AGO prize certificates again! Perhaps not. Nobody really cares except me.

(Editors note: WHAAAAAAAH!)

AGO HOTLINE CANCELLATION

After a review of the efficiency of our AGO HOTLINE NUMBER, the AGO Board opted to cancel it. Its cost and inefficiency rendered it to be of little use to our membership. Another part of the decision making process is that AGO has a Policy Board and each of those Board Members has a local telephone number that can be reached easily (most have voice mails in case they are away). So, effective immediately the AGO Hotline is gone. If you have any questions, comments, or need to cancel from a tournament, or have to sign up at the last minute, call one of the following board members.

President Rick Harris (407-282-4883).

Vice President Larry Prill (407-677-1716)

Secretary Terry Layman (407-273-4417)

Treasurer Joe Wingerter (407-273-7798)

Director Jerry Bruessel (407-322-1075)

Director Larry Oakley (407-644-3219)

Director Jeff Goddard (407-855-6236)

Director John Schmitt (407-830-9291)

Director Rick Worel (407-678-2586)

Most of your calls should go to Joe Wingerter if it applies to tournament participation or non-participation, fees, dues, credits, etc.

DUES ARE STILL DUE!

We've had good renewal progress so far. However, there are several of us that haven't renewed as of yet. **We will continue to send our Newsletter to all of those with a 1 June 2006 expiration date for 1 more month (July).** If you haven't renewed yet, YOUR DUES ARE DUE! The amount of the dues is \$24 for renewals. The expiration date of your membership is shown on the label of this Newsletter. **Treasurer Joe Wingerter will have your label with this Newsletter annotated to tell you what your dues are.** We are trying to get all of our expiration dates to expire in June. **REMINDER! DUES MUST BE PAID IN ORDER TO PLAY IN JULY. SEND YOUR DUES IN WITH YOUR APPLICATION TO PLAY ARLINGTON RIDGE GC.** Many still have credits on the books. If you do, or think that you do, call Joe Wingerter (407-273-7798) for verification, and use your credits for renewal.



\$\$ TREASURER'S CORNER \$\$

SEVERAL PEOPLE HAVE A CREDIT COMING TO THEM AS OF JULY 2ND. IF YOU HAVE A CREDIT, YOU CAN DEDUCT IT FROM YOUR NEXT TOURNAMENT APPLICATION OR APPLY IT TO YOUR ANNUAL DUES. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CALL TREASURER JOE WINGERTER FOR ASSISTANCE AT 407-273-7798.

KEN ANDERSON \$1	FRED BANDERA \$34	BRAD BURT \$36	STEVE CLAXTON \$10
JIM CURLEY \$1	BALBINO FARINA \$9	CHRIS FILKO \$41	GERRY FRANKETTI \$1
JEFF GODDARD \$16	BOB GORDON \$83	MIKE HALFERTY \$8	MARCUS HOGAN \$3
ED HUX \$7	RUSSELL JUDGE \$30	SAL MALANDRINO \$28	MARK MANOOKIAN \$28
T. J. MCKENZIE \$36	GERALD MOSHIER \$37	STEVE MOUNCE \$34	JEFF O'NEILL \$1
DON O'ROURKE \$3	LARRY PLATT \$1	LARRY PRILL \$24	JAMES ROYCE \$24
JON SCHMITT \$24	MIKE TAYLOR \$-36	BUCK VANCE \$17	RICH WATRY \$36
RANDY WHITNEY \$-3	TIM WILSON \$2	ARN WOLBERG \$82	

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

ARLINGTON RIDGE GC	SUNDAY, JULY 23 RD	\$33
TWIN RIDGE GC	SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 TH	\$38
DIAMOND PLAYERS CLUB	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 TH	\$38
STONEBROOK WEST GC	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15 TH	\$37

EARLY BIRD ENTRY: TWIN RIVERS GC, SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH

7:45 A. M. SHOTGUN START. FORMAT: INDIVIDUAL, 3/4 FLIGHTS. ENTRY FEE: \$38.00. (GREEN FEES, CART, PRIZE CERTIFICATES, AND HOLE-IN-ONE POT).

MY NAME _____ PAIR ME WITH _____

TELEPHONE # _____ (FOR CANCELLATION/INFO CALL AGO BOARD MEMBER)

AMATEUR GOLFERS OF ORLANDO, P. O. BOX 140181, ORLANDO, FL. 32814-0181

ENTRY: ARLINGTON RIDGE GC, SUNDAY, JULY 23RD

7:45 A. M. SHOTGUN START. FORMAT: INDIVIDUAL LOW NET, 3/4 FLIGHTS. ENTRY FEE: \$33.00. (GREEN FEES, CART, PRIZE CERTIFICATES, AND HOLE-IN-ONE POT).

MY NAME _____ PAIR ME WITH _____

TELEPHONE # _____ (FOR CANCELLATION/INFO CALL AGO BOARD MEMBER)

AMATEUR GOLFERS OF ORLANDO, P. O. BOX 140181, ORLANDO, FL. 32814-0181

DIRECTIONS TO TWIN RIVERS GOLF CLUB

Proceed on the 408-Expressway east until you merge with 417 north toward Sanford. Follow 417 north to exit 41 (Red Bug Lake Road exit). Proceed down the ramp and take a right (east) and follow Red Bug Road approximately 3 ½ miles to Lockwood Blvd. Take a right on Lockwood Blvd. and follow for 1 mile and the club is on your left. Please note Red Bug Rd turns into Mitchell Hammock shortly after you exit 417, please stay straight on Mitchell Hammock until it dead ends into Lockwood

TELEPHONE: 407-366-1211

TRAVEL TIME: APPROX. 1/2 HOUR

DIRECTIONS TO ARLINGTON RIDGE GC

To reach Arlington Ridge GC from Orlando, take the East-West Expressway west to the Turnpike. Continue on the Turnpike to Exit 285, U. S. 27. Turn right (north) toward Leesburg for approximately 9 miles. The entrance is on the left.

TELEPHONE: 352-394-0085

TRAVEL TIME: APPROX. 1 HOUR

TOP FIFTEEN MONEY WINNERS, 2005-06

(THROUGH JUNE 2006, INCLUDES TOURNAMENT WINNINGS, CLOSEST TO THE PIN AND LOW PUTTS)

1. MARCUS HOGAN	\$66	T4. TIM WILSON	\$40	T 10. MARK FRAZER	\$30
2. TOM MCCANN	\$52	7. WOODY ESHELMAN	\$36	T10. JERRY FUSCO	\$30
3. JOHN ABBEY	\$45	8. DAN THOMPSON	\$35	T10. TED KINSEY	\$30
T4. BILL CAMP	\$40	9. ED SMELSER	\$34	T10. PHIL KNOTT	\$30
T4. JOHN INGRAM	\$40	T10. BRENT ADAMSON	\$30	T10. DON O'ROURKE	\$30

MR. AGO

The following letter dated June 28, 2006 was addressed to the AGO Board and membership. "Words cannot describe my surprise and pleasure at being selected Mr. AGO for 2006. To be considered in the same breath as folks such as Mr. Bob MacClennan (the original Mr. AGO), Dr. Larry Moore, Mr. Woody Eshleman, and Mr. Larry Oakley and the other Mr. AGO's is an honor. Thank you very much to all of you. This is an award I will cherish as long as I live.

Regarding my health, my right foot that withstood two major surgeries is still on the mend, but improving. I have not played golf since the day my foot blew up" playing with AGO in the May tournament at Deltona Hills, 2004. I am not sure I will ever again play golf, but if I do, it will be with my friends at AGO". Thank you again. Respectfully, John Coen.

AMATEUR GOLFERS OF ORLANDO
P. O. BOX 140181 ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32814-0181

FIRST CLASS MAIL

DATED MATERIAL, OPEN IMMEDIATELY