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## NEXT TOURNAMENT (2-MAN BEST BALL) ZELLWOOD STATION GC, SUN, MAR. 12TH

Shotgun Start at 7:45 a.m. Tournament Format 2-Man Best Ball. Low Net, Three or Four Flights. Entry Fee \$37 .00 total (includes, green fees, cart, prize certificates and hole-in- one pot).

Well we had another first for AGO, at least in my memory. I don't think that we've ever had a golf course close for business on us before. In any case **Rick Harris** did a great job in getting a substitute course for us, Twin Rivers, in very short notice. Now for the tournament itself. I think that the weather won. I might have been colder on a golf course before, but I don't remember when. That includes living 3 years in Scotland. In addition, the wind was horrendous. On one hole, the wind actually blew me off balance which has to make it one hell of a wind. No comments please! The course played tough, but so did some of our members. **Tim Wilson** won low gross again with a 78. **Russ McDonald** won the low net competition with a 101-36-75. Congratulations to you both. Additional congratulations to **Mike Halferty, Balbino Farina and Tom Koubek** for winning each of their individual flights. **Tim Wilson's** win moved him into a substantial lead in our Top Fifteen Money Winners over injured **Dan Thompson**. In March we're playing at Zellwood Station. Hopefully it will be warmer. The tournament at Zellwood station will be a **TWO-MAN BEST BALL!** On your applications you can pick your partner or we will pick one for you when we do the pairings. It should be fun as several people have suggested that we do something different with our format once in a while. Here it is! See ya, Terry

### RESULTS FROM TWIN RIVERS GC ON FEBRUARY 12TH, 2006

**LOW NET:                      RUSS MCDONALD                      101    36    65    \$35**

**LOW GROSS:                      TIM WILSON                      78    \$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. Mike Halferty	84	12	72	\$30	1. Balbino Farina	95	23	72	\$30
2. Ed Smith	81	8	73	\$26	2. Tom McCann	93	21	72	\$26
3. Ray Robison	84	20	74	\$22	3. Phil Knott	94	22	72	\$22
4. Jon Searcy	87	12	75	\$18	4. Gerald Bruessel	94	19	75	\$18
5. Randy Whitney	83	7	76	\$16	5. Mike Bigley	93	18	75	\$16
6. Gregory Howe	91	14	77	\$12	6. Don McGiniss	99	23	76	\$12

<u>FLIGHT A</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>HCP</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>\$\$\$</u>
1. Tom Koubek	95	29	66	\$30
2. Wen Stocksett	98	27	71	\$26
3. Robert Wells	97	25	72	\$22
4. Woody Eshleman	107	34	73	\$18
5. Mike Frazer	109	36	73	\$16
6. Robert Simpson	111	36	75	\$12

**LOW PUTTS**  
Ed Smith    25 putts    \$10

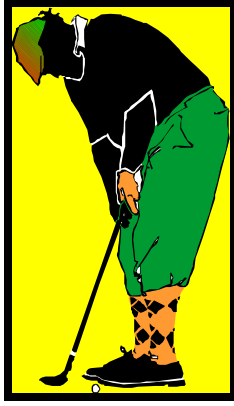
**CLOSEST TO THE PIN**  
Rusty Turner #3    \$10  
Russ McDonald #7    \$10  
Eddie Smith #12    \$10  
Randy Whitney #17    \$10

**BLIND BOGEY #75    POT \$20                      INDIVIDUAL PRIZES \$20**  
Tom McCann

**GROSS SKINS                      POT \$240.00                      5 SKINS                      INDIVIDUAL PRIZE \$48.00**  
Ed Hux #5                      Ray Robison #7                      Mike Halferty #9                      Tim Wilson #11  
Terry Lehman #13

**NET SKINS                      POT 140.00                      3 SKINS                      INDIVIDUAL PRIZE \$46.00**  
Russ McDonald #7                      Bob Manning #16                      Phil Knott #17

## **FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK**



**By Rick Harris Sr.**  
President, AGO

As the AGO season winds down, here are a few thoughts for OUR MEMBERS to think about:

We are concluding our 34<sup>th</sup> year in organizing golf tournaments for our members! In March we will have a Two-Man Best Ball event. If you don't have a partner, please let us know and we will do everything we can to find one for you.

In April we will be playing our TWO DAY Annual Championship at Palisades on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at Errol Estates. The reason for the early date is so we don't conflict with Easter Sunday weekend.

Don't forget to vote! Your ballots need to be received by AGO no later than the Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, before the Championship.

We will conclude the AGO year with our Annual Banquet and Awards Luncheon at Solivita on May 21<sup>st</sup>. The previous Sunday is Mother's Day.

AGO's fiscal year begins on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Your annual dues are due on that date.

From June through September is our summer season, and we have a large number of possible sites lined up for you at reasonable prices. We will entertain any suggestions as to where we play and for a reasonable cost and traveling time.

The last week in August you should consider going up to Myrtle Beach to play in the World Amateur. You register on Sunday, the 27<sup>th</sup> and play from Monday, the 28<sup>th</sup> through Thursday the 31<sup>st</sup>. If you win your flight you play on Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> for the World's Championship against all the other flight winners. All results are based on NET HANDICAPS. If you finish in the Top Ten in your flight, you win great prizes. As a bonus, you get to play great courses and meet a ton of new people.

Again, before you turn in your scorecard after a AGO tournament, RE-CHECK your scorecard, the addition, subtraction and final score, and make sure both YOU AND YOUR SCORER have signed the scorecard.

We will try again to set up a Match Play competition starting in September 2006.

## **DISQUALIFICATIONS**

We had 1 disqualification at the Twin Rivers. It was because Ron Bateman signed an incorrect scorecard and was caused by incorrect math. Ron signed for a 97-19-76 instead of a 97-19-78. Without thought, this was an easy mistake to make. We only audit the cards of players that are in contention to win, and in almost every case they

have signed for a lower score than they shot. Ron would have had 6<sup>th</sup> place. Take your time when adding your scores. Check your addition and subtraction. Make sure that you and one other player signs your score cards. BE SAFE OUT THERE!

## **DOOR PRIZE WINNERS**

At the Twin Rivers GC we continued our "door prize" program. The winners were: **1. Tim Wilson \$25 to Steak & Ale, 2. Mike Bigley \$25 to Sears, 3. Mike Rice a putter, 4. Mike Frazer \$25 to Bath & Beyond, 5. Jeff Goddard, a UCF shoe cleaner**

We will continue this program in the near future. Only a few simple rules will apply: 1) you MUST be present to win, 2) the drawings will be held on the morning of the AGO event, just before tee-off time. Finally, winners will NOT be eligible to win again for at least 90 days. Good luck next month

## **NET SKINS**

To all of the loyal members (that word might be crazy) that showed up for Twin Rivers. I'd like to thank you and heaven help us if we ever have another day like that on the golf course. A couple of comments then on to the Zellwood tournament. 1) Thanks for those that now use a pair of scissors on their entries. Thanks! 2) Check the area in the Newsletter where we list the credits – and use them for future entries as soon as possible. 3) If for some reason you are unable to make a tournament after sending in your entry – please, call either 1-866-357-6239 and leave a message. You can also call my home number 407-273-7798 if you want to make sure to have your name removed. I don't usually answer immediately, but leave a message and I will call you back. 4) Check in first – then go practice. 5) When you hand in your card and I say you better check your card, all I'm trying to do is keep you from being DQ'd. Check your scoring and signatures. 6) Please get your entries in as early as possible. Wednesday on the week of the tournament may be too late if you mail it on that day. Thank you. Joe W.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY**

The question as to who is eligible for trophies and prizes comes up each year at this time. Please note: **"First year members must have played at least three times with AGO during the current golf year (May through April) to be eligible to win trophies. First year members must have played at least three times with AGO to be eligible for prize certificates in the Championship, but are eligible for prizes in the regular monthly tournaments beginning with their first regular tournament participation.** After competing in three tournaments with AGO, members are continuously eligible for prizes in the Championship as long as there is no break in their membership."

## **ELECTIONS**

The AGO by-laws require that the official ballot for the upcoming fiscal year's officers and Board of Directors be provided to the membership. The ballot will be mailed out with this Newsletter (March 2006). The by-laws also require that the completed ballots must either be mailed to arrive by, and/or delivered to a board member no later than the day before the Annual Championship (Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>). Mail them in with your application. Decide whether to reelect a current board member or vote for someone new. In any case, be sure to be counted and vote.



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

SEVERAL PEOPLE HAVE A CREDIT COMING TO THEM AS OF FEBRUARY 21ST. 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	DICK AVERY \$41	FRED BANDERA \$18	RON BATEMAN \$33
NORBERT BOBAY \$36	FLOYD BROWN \$38	GERALD BRUESSEL \$1	KEN COLE \$34
JIM CURLEY \$1	ROB CZECHOWSKI \$41	RICH DELORME \$1	GENE DENNEY \$1
CHARLIE DUNLAP \$39	BALBINO FARINA \$3	CARLOS FELICIANO \$34	GERRY FRANKETTI \$41
JEFF GODDARD \$21	BOB GORDON \$1	MIKE HALFERTY \$8	CHRIS HATCH \$38
MEL HAUCK \$74	MARCUS HOGAN \$38	TOM HUBBARD \$8	JOHN INGRAM \$8
RON JANTZEN \$42	RUSSELL JUDGE \$30	BILL LAUFENBERG \$1	T. J. MCKENZIE \$38
GARY MILLER \$38	STEVE MOUNCE \$34	TOM NIKONCYK \$41	JEFF O'NEILL \$38
DON O'ROURKE \$46	LARRY PLATT \$1	LARRY PRILL \$1	BOBBY REIGHARD \$34
JERRY ROSE \$26	ROLAND SMITH \$1	DAN THOMPSON \$72	CECIL TRUETT \$1
RICH WATRY \$38	JOE WINGERTER \$7	ARN WOLBERG \$30	

**UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS**

MARCH 12 <sup>TH</sup> (2-MAN BEST BALL)	ZELLWOOD STATION (RANGE BALLS INCLUDED)	\$37
APRIL 8 <sup>TH</sup> & 9 <sup>TH</sup> (CHAMPIONSHIP)	PALISADES	
	ERROL ESTATES (RANGE BALLS INCLUDED)	\$82
MAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> (ANNUAL AWARDS)	STONEGATE ATSOLIVITA	\$43

**ENTRY: PALISADES, SATURDAY, APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> AND ERROL ESTATES, SUNDAY, APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup> (ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP)**

7:45 A. M. SHOTGUN START. FORMAT: INDIVIDUAL LOW NET, 3/4 FLIGHTS. ENTRY FEE: \$82.00. (GREEN FEES, CART, PRIZE CERTIFICATES, AND HOLE-IN-ONE POT).

MY NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PAIR ME WITH \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ (FOR CANCELLATION/INFO CALL AGO BOARD MEMBER OR 1-866-357-6239)

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**EARLY BIRD ENTRY: ZELLWOOD STATION, SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH**

7:45 A. M. SHOTGUN START. FORMAT: 2-MAN BEST BALL, 3/4 FLIGHTS. ENTRY FEE: \$37.00. (GREEN FEES, CART, PRIZE CERTIFICATES, AND HOLE-IN-ONE POT).

MY NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PAIR ME WITH \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ (FOR CANCELLATION/INFO CALL AGO BOARD MEMBER OR 1-866-357-6239)

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**DIRECTIONS TO ZELLWOOD STATION**

From OBT (US 441) and Colonial Dr. (SR 50), drive north toward Apopka on US 441. Continue on US 441 through Apopka and Plymouth. As you round a curve to the right, about a mile past Plymouth, you will see an airport on the left hand side of the road. The entrance to Zellwood Station is on the right, just past the airport. Stop at the guard shack to obtain permission to enter the property. Get directions from the gate guard and follow them to the clubhouse.

TELEPHONE: 407-896-3303

TRAVEL TIME: APPROX 1 HOUR.

## **DIRECTIONS TO PALISADES GOLF CLUB**

To reach Palisades from Orlando, take Highway 50 or the East-West Expressway west to U.S. 27. Turn north on U.S. 27 to S.R. 561-A. From U.S. Highway 27, take S.R. 561-A west approximately 1/2 mile. Entrance is on the right

TELEPHONE: 352-394-0085

TRAVEL TIME: APPROX. 1 HOUR

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## **DIRECTIONS TO ERROL ESTATES GC**

Take Orange Blossom Trail north to Apopka. Turn right at Errol Parkway Blvd. (on the right). Follow signs to the clubhouse.

TELEPHONE: 407-886-5000

TRAVEL TIME: APPROX. 1 HOUR

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## **TOP FIFTEEN MONEY WINNERS, 2005-06**

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

1. Tim Wilson	\$160	6. Larry Oakley	\$96	T11. Randy Whitney	\$92
2. Dan Thompson	\$112	7. Mike Bigley	\$95	T11. Joe Wingerter	\$92
3. Bill Chaffee	\$111	8. Gary Miller	\$94	13. Roland Smith	\$90
T4. Ken Cole	\$104	T9. Mike Halferty	\$93	14. Balbino Farina	\$88
T4. Jerry Fusco	\$104	T9. Larkin Tribou	\$93	15. Tom Hubbard	\$86

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## **THE ORLANDO VOLLEBALL ACADEMY**

The Orlando Volleyball Academy is holding their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser at Orange County National's Crooked Cat Course on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2006. The Orlando Volleyball Academy is a non-profit organization that uses this tournament as a way to keep yearly fees at a minimum, while offering the athletes quality travel and competition. You can play as an individual, make up your own 4-man team or sponsor a hole. If you're interested call AGO Board Member and Volleyball father Gerald Bruessel at 407-322-1075

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