

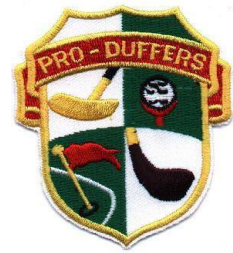


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Presidents Message

By Joe Johnson— Dallas Chapter President



The Monthly Word

I want to welcome Floyd Chambers, George Daniels, and Ray Steward our new members.

I am also welcoming Darryl Jones and Bryan Roberts both are former members returning to the Clubhouse. Tom Sweeney updated our binder for the new and returning members. I am told that Dan Evans and Truman Thomas did their usual outstanding job in presenting the "New Member Orientation". I thank you Tom, Dan and Truman, for your support. This is the time of year that our club organizes its activities and events for the next nine months. Hilton has presented the tournament schedule, which is set except for a few modifications. Please review the **approved** tournament schedule (which is on our website) and let Hilton know of any conflicts/suggestions.

Who Knew

By Jerome Caulk—

A monthly dose of things you don't know

MOST MONEY MISSED OUT ON AFTER MAKING 2 ACES— \$20,000, Trevor Mc Donald 1991 Victorian Open

Golfers at the Victorian Open in Melbourne, Australia, had a chance to win a \$20,000 bonus for making a certain hole in one. Australian teaching pro Trevor Mc Donald astounded fellow competitors and the gallery by nailing two holes in one in the opening round. He

The committee chairs are busy preparing their proposed budgets for submittal to our treasurer, Mark Cooks, by the end of March. We have some very good policies within the club. I would like to see US put some teeth/enforcement into our current policies. With this objective each committee chair will be reviewing policies and procedures within their areas of responsibilities and making recommendations to the general membership, for our approval/disapproval. I have found that often our processes/practices are in place, but are just not passed on to the person assuming the new function. You can see as example of not following our procedures, if you review, what our club By-Laws state about "Participation" and the expectations of us members.

Our golfing schedule will tee off on Saturday, 20 March, let's see if we can beat our average number of players

drilled one ace at the fifth hole and the other at the 17th. Unfortunately for Mc Donald, he didn't collect one cent of the \$20,000. The bonus money was only for someone who aced the 11th hole.

MOST UNUSUAL BURIAL PLACE FOR A GOLFER—The 17th hole, William K. Garner, 1967 Croham Hurst Golf Club England

William K. Garner was a golf fanatic who lived to play the game. He always said that

(20-25), this year. The Spring Fling is set, for Pinehurst, NC and an exciting golfing adventure should be had by all. Put the National convention on your calendar. I have heard rumors about it being held in Miami, in September.

By the way, the Pro Duffers Golf Club – Southwest Chapter goals are based on your input and are a continuous process. In the coming months, I am asking you to lend your voice and get involved and participate in setting our club's direction. With your participation, we officers and committee chairs look forward to a happy and productive year.

Looking forward.....As we welcome the coming months, please help me set future goals by providing your input and participating in the clubs activities and events.

More Fairways & Greens,

Joe

when he died, he wanted to spend eternity on the links. He passed away in 1967 at the age of 75. So according to his wishes, his friends took his ashes to the Croham Hurst Golf Club. There his fellow club members followed his wishes but with one final prank of their own. They scattered his ashes over the area of the 17th hole where he spent most of his time -- 130 yards out in the rough!

Lorenzo Dixon's Father

By Del Milligan — Reporter for The Ledger in Lakeland, Florida

This story is about the father of our own Lorenzo Dixon. It was originally published June 10, 2008. It is republished here with permission from the author. Thank you Del and thank you Lorenzo for sharing.

BARTOW - Herbert Dixon was a tour-caliber golfer in the 1940s and 1950s. The Hall of Famer won more tournaments than he can recall. Now 88 years old, the Bartow native is still an 8-handicap who shoots in the 70s more often than not.

Dixon stole the show during the second round of the Youth Villa Classic at Bartow Golf Course two weeks ago, and he wasn't even in the Championship Flight.

While Tiger Godwin, the eventual overall champion, was scrambling for a 72, Dixon fired a 2-over-par 74 that Sunday on Memorial Day weekend to take the lead in his division, running off an eagle and two birdies in a three-hole stretch.

"I grew up out here watching him play," said Bartow club pro Chris Banks. "He's unbelievable.

"He and Richard Lewis used to travel around and play with Charley Sifford and all of those guys. He's been good forever," Banks said.

Dixon, who played professionally during his prime, was inducted into the National Black Golf Hall of Fame in 1998, a year before the late Lewis and Eddie Postell, former Lakeland High School golf coach.

"I won a whole bunch of tournaments, 40 or 50, maybe more. I don't know how many trophies I've got," Dixon said.

"Charley Sifford, Lee Elder, Jim Dent, Teddy Rhodes, I played with

all those guys," added Dixon, who also teed it up with Winter Haven native Charlie Owens. "I was pretty well recognized."

Dixon won a tournament against those former greats at Jacksonville in 1951, a year after Rhodes became the first black golfer to play in a PGA Tour event at the 1950



Phoenix Open and long before Elder broke the race barrier at the Masters in 1975.

"I had 65-68-69-70. I remember that," said Dixon, who played in major cities like Atlanta, Pittsburgh and Washington, D.C.

Although he's closing in on 90 years old, Dixon posted scores of 78-74-78 in the Youth Villa and finished second in the C Division behind Kaleb Hodge, who's about 70 years younger.

Dixon, a member at Bartow, kicked-started his second round starting on the par-4 fifth hole.

"I was about 145 yards from the green. I hit a 7-iron on my second shot and it went in the hole for a two," said Dixon, who then birdied No. 6 and No. 7 and shot the 74.

"It's amazing the scores he continues to produce," Banks said.

Dixon, the valedictorian at Union

Academy about 30 years before integration, said Polk County has made great strides where diversity is concerned. He's respected when he walks into pro shops to pay for a round of golf.

"You're treated like a human being, no partiality. You get in the line and first-come, first-served, like everybody else," Dixon said.

But that wasn't always the case.

"You couldn't hardly play on a golf course around here locally when I was coming up," said Dixon, who started playing at Bartow when he was 14. "Maybe on caddies day, on a Monday, they'd let us go out and play 18 holes. That was about the size of it."

Dixon still works a regular job during the week. He has worked for a private security firm the past 10-12 years after retiring as a long-distance truck driver for Imperial Lumber Company.

"It keeps you active. It keeps you in shape. It gives you something to do," Dixon said of his job. "I don't see the idea of sitting around doing nothing. I came up the hard way. I worked most of my life. I did all sorts of hard labor. I've done the whole nine yards."

And although he's never taken a lesson, Dixon has been shooting his age or lower for the past 20 years. His career-low round is a 9-under-par 63 at Bartow, where he also recorded two of his six holes-in-one.

"I used to be in the 60s quite a bit," Dixon said. "And I shoot in the 60s every once in a while now. Every now and then I get lucky and have a good round."

Benevolent Committee News

By Dale Hogg — Benevolent Committee of one

As a follow up to our last meeting in February, the Benevolence Committee reported one acknowledgement for the month. The loss of Harve King was significant for us and his contributions to the life of "Pro Duffers" will not be forgotten.

It was also requested by the Chairman and stressed that full

club participation is required to ensure we recognize any of our members who are in need. Please note, this includes, personal and family illnesses, loss of family members, or other catastrophic events that may be encountered.

We all have our turns for setbacks. So let's not be negligent in bringing forth information regarding a members

status. Show your compassion for assisting and comforting members who are in need. Please forward as much detail regarding any incident of which you might be aware. You may send the information to Dale Hogg @dalehogg@hotmail.com or feel free to call @ (214) 383-1617.

Membership and Uniform Committee News

By Harvey Lyons—Membership Committee Chairman

All new member I have ordered your shirts and will have them for the outing on the 20th of this month. If you have not paid for your shirts please do so immediately. You may send the check to the treasurer or to me at:

5910 Flintshire CT
Dallas, Texas 75252.

The total for all of your shirts is \$225.

Returning members the club voted for 2 new shirts and I have ordered the ones for

people that called or sent me a email with their size. Those were at the last meeting and those that had not ordered I ordered and will be tat the next outing. Those of you who did not make it to the meeting I have your shirts or if you ask someone to pick them up for you, gave them to them to bring to you. You must pay either them when they deliver the shirts to you or send the check in.

There are still several of you that have not ordered your shirts, or if you have not or-

dered please send me a email with your size so that you will not be out of uniform.

Also, Our secretary will be asking for your birthday and your Wedding anniversary so we may recognize each of you and your spouse on those important dates. Thank you very much and I look forward to serving you in the coming year. If there is anything I can do please do not hesitate to call or send me a email.

God Bless and have a great year of golf!

Tournament Committee News

By Hilton Land— Tournament Director



Just For Laughs

Clyde, a farmer from Palmer, Alaska, decided his injuries from the accident were serious enough to take the trucking company (responsible for the accident) to court.

In court the trucking company's fancy lawyer was questioning Clyde. "Didn't you say, at the scene of the accident, 'I'm fine,'" asked the lawyer. Clyde responded, "Well I'll tell you what happened. I had just loaded my favorite mule Bessie into the..."

"I didn't ask for any details," the lawyer interrupted. "Just answer the question. Did you not say, at the scene of the accident, 'I'm fine!'"

Clyde said, "Well I had just got Bessie into the trailer and I was driving down the road..."

The lawyer interrupted again and said, "Judge, I am trying to establish the fact that, at the scene of the accident, this man told the Highway Patrolman on the scene that he was just fine. Now several weeks after the accident he is trying to sue my client. I believe he is a fraud. Please tell him to simply answer the question."

By this time the Judge was fairly interested in Clyde's answer and said to the lawyer, "I'd like to hear what he has to say about his favorite mule Bessie."

Clyde thanked the Judge and proceeded, "Well as I was saying, I had just loaded Bessie, my favorite mule, into the trailer and was driving her down the highway when this

huge semi-truck and trailer ran the stop sign and smacked my truck right in the side. I was thrown into one ditch and Bessie was thrown into the other. I was hurting real bad and didn't want to move. However, I could hear ole Bessie moaning and groaning. I knew she was in terrible shape just by her groans.

Shortly after the accident a Highway Patrolman came on the scene. He could hear Bessie moaning and groaning so he went over to her. After he looked at her he took out his gun and shot her between the eyes.

"Then the Patrolman came across the road with his gun in his hand and looked at me." He said, "How are you feeling?"

Regular Tee Times

North Dallas:

Course: Varies

When: Every weekend

Notification: Email

Notice Sent: Every Wednesday

Number of Players: 4-8

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Tangle Ridge

Course: Tangle Ridge

When: Every weekend

Notification:

Notice Sent:

Number of Players:

Contact:

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