



## **NEWSLETTER** THIRD QUARTER 2006

The second year of the N42PA Association is winding down. There are 6 Tournaments scheduled for the fourth quarter of this year, including The Fourth Pro Invitational and the Tournament of Champions. Included with this newsletter is your Ballot for this year. You will be voting for the following Board positions: President; IT-Director; and Pro Tournament Director. All candidates are running unopposed. You will also be voting on the merit of several proposed amendments to the constitution. These amendments are proposed as a result of careful consideration by the Board of Directors of many proposals from members of N42PA.

### **Welcome to our New Members**

Nick Carter ... Cleveland, Texas  
 Sharon Carter ... Cleveland, Texas  
 Michael Nunez ... Austin, Texas  
 Debbie Watson ... Deridder, Louisiana  
 Betty Jaris...Lake Jackson, Texas

Sandy Sears...Palestine, Texas  
 Mark W. Jackson ... Magnolia, Texas  
 Charles Putegnat... Sweeny, Texas  
 Michelle Cooper ... Elk City, Oklahoma

## **Current Top "10" Ranked Players**

1	Lance, Dan	136
2	Cameron, Don	136
3	Perkins, John	106
4	Stigers, Scott	106
5	Springer, Elvira	91
6	Baker, Vernon	91
7	Roberts, David	87
8	Summers, Glenn	83
9	Graves, Louis	83
10	Lemons, Kitty	83

## 3rd Quarter First Place Tournament Winners

Stephenville Tourney – Stephenville, Texas  
Granbury Tourney – Granbury, Texas  
N42PA Open Tourney– Houston, Texas  
De Leon Peach – De Leon, Texas  
3 rd Qtr Pro invitational – Madisonville, Texas  
Hallettsville Kolache – Hallettsville, Texas

Joyce Pence & Maxine Dugan  
Vaughn Roberson & Virgil Strange  
Kay Foberg & Dave Goodgame  
James McMinn & Arlen Leeder  
Vernon Baker & Elvira Springer  
Roy McDaniel & Maurice Smith

## Fall & Winter Sanctioned Tournaments

N42PA Fourth Quarter Pro Invitational

October 14 – Hillsboro, Texas – Lacye Comer – 806-679-9413

North Texas 42 Tournament

October 21 – Garland, Texas – Don St. Clair – 972-224-7514

Harvest Moon Festival

October 21 – Granbury, Texas

Olive Branch Masonic

October 28 – Brock, Texas

N42-Online Tournament

November 18– Bryan/College Station, Texas

N42PA Tournament of Champions

December 2 – Waxahachie, Texas – Lacye Comer – 806-679-9413

## Board News

**Give a hearty welcome to two new board members**

Tim Lewelling was appointed to serve as Vice President in August. Tim is passionate about 42 and has been a part of this association since its founding. He is filling out the term vacated by Don Cameron. There is not enough space in this newsletter to give our thanks to Don and his commitment to this association. His family and work responsibilities made it necessary for him to resign the position of vice president but we will still get the pleasure of seeing him at tournaments during the year.

**A big shout out to Tim and Don....you are appreciated!!!**

Lacye Comer is an enthusiast extraordinaire for this game. He flies from Amarillo to tournaments throughout the state. He has graciously agreed to accept a board nomination to serve as Pro Tournament Director. David Roberts has been performing the duties of this position along with being Open Tournament Director. The addition of Lacye will give David a chance to get back to being the Open Tournament Director. Lacye and David will work closely together and each of us will benefit by having live tournaments to attend. Make sure you welcome Lacye next time you see him at a tourney.

All of the work done by your board of directors is for the benefit of YOU the members. Every board member serves on a voluntary basis without monetary compensation.

## Board Business

- The Board has approved an expenditure of up to \$900 for eight custom tables to be used by N42PA in our tournaments. Look for the unveiling at the Tournament of Champions on December 2, 2006.
- N42PA has another sponsor. Sixth Star Entertainment has placed an ad on our website. They are looking for "42" instructors. Anyone interested in going on a Royal Caribbean cruise for a deep discount and teaching a few 42 classes, please contact [www.sixthstar.com](http://www.sixthstar.com). Make sure to let them know N42PA referred you. The Board continues to explore additional sponsorships from other organizations. If you have suggestions, please contact any board member.

## Board of Directors

Jana Burns.....President...903-545-1234...president@N42PA.com

Tim Lewelling.....Vice President...817-597-4777...vp@N42PA.com

Jim Osina.....Secretary...secretary@N42PA.com

Dennis Roberson.....Treasurer...817-927-4278...droberson@colonialfw.com

David Roberts.....Open Tourney Director...830-990-123...opentd@N42PA.com

Lacye Comer.....Pro Tourney Director...806-679-9413...prottd@N42PA.com

Blaine Morgan.....IT Director...817-274-0233...itd@N42pa.com

## Who is in control of the N42PA?

The answer to that question is simple. YOU are! This association is guided by a document named The Constitution and By-laws. This document is the culmination of countless hours of work from many people. In January 2006 the Board of Directors amended the by-laws to require membership approval of any future changes/amendments – that is, the Board, by itself, cannot change the N42PA by-laws.

This year's ballot contains five (5) amendment proposals for your consideration. This is the first year for membership-voted amendments because that authority was only vested in members at the beginning of this year (2006). Please carefully read over the amendments and vote.

One of the original purposes for forming the National 42 Players Association was to promote and preserve the live game of straight 42 in a competitive tournament environment. That has been done this year with overwhelming success. Our association alone has held six (6) tournaments and the Tournament of Champions is still ahead. We have sanctioned twenty-five (25) others! Already the 2007 calendar is filling up with sanctioned tourneys throughout the state of Texas. As the ole song says..."we must be doing something right".

## How do I rate against my competitor?

As a result of this question the formation of the Pro Point system for the ranking of players was developed as a part of the N42PA. This system has met with overwhelming success during our first full year of tournaments. The top award is called Pro Point Player of the Year and a special recognition will be presented during an awards ceremony at the Tournament of Champions Event. This year is a real race to the finish. Several players are true contenders and every single tournament matters. It is so exciting to see many great players coming together and enjoying the camaraderie of first class games while being a member of an association that recognizes and rewards their skill.

I hope each of you have enjoyed this year immensely.....Jana

## Treasurer's Report

REVENUE		2006	EXPENSES	
2005 balance		\$462.80	<i>General</i>	\$ 590.15
Membership Dues		\$2,100.00	Internet Site	\$74.99
Donations		\$0.00	Association Postage	\$145.32
Sponsors		\$950.00	Miscellaneous Supplies	\$154.94
Tourney Entry Fees		\$2,737.50	Checking Account Fees	\$24.00
Other		\$0.00	Flyers/Newsletters	\$190.90
			<i>Tournaments</i>	\$4,073.78
TOTAL REVENUE		\$6,250.30	Postage	\$35.97
			Supplies/Miscellaneous	\$92.63
TOTAL EXPENSES		<\$4,663.93>	Trophies	\$840.18
			Cash Awards	\$1,470.00
			Facility Rent	\$685.00
			Sponsored costs	\$950.00
			TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,663.93
BALANCE/NET		<b>\$1,586.37</b>		



## Voting in 2006

There are three (3) Board positions this election

President	Information Technology Director	Pro Tournament Director
Jana Burns	Mark Boyden	Lacye Comer

Each candidate is running unopposed. The term of office is two (2) years. The duties for each position are listed in the association bylaws on the website [www.n42pa.com](http://www.n42pa.com).

### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS - COMMENTARY

Part of the N42PA Board's responsibility is to take suggestions from our members for possible changes to our organization. Each submission goes through a rigorous review process to ensure that recommendations consistent with the Association's "Objectives" as defined in Article II of the Constitution and By-laws are presented to the general membership.

#### Amendment #1 – MEMBERSHIP RETROACTIVE PRO POINT AWARD

This allows new members to receive credit for qualifying tournaments played within thirty (30) days prior to paid membership.

#### Amendment #2- PRO POINT CREDITS

We felt it unfair to have members travel to a tourney and, in some cases, be unable to earn points because of the 16 team minimum requirement for a qualifying tournament. The Board responded to member comments and this amendment modifies [1] the size of qualifying tournaments and [2] the pro points earned in the place positions of those tournaments.

#### Amendment #3 –TOURNAMENT FORMAT-BRACKETS

This affects ONLY the National 42 Players Association Pro Invitational Tournaments! This seeding format has been used for several tournaments. This amendment is for a member confirmation of using the bracket maker format.

#### Amendment #4 – VOTING ELIGIBILITY

Establishes only those who are members in good standing prior to September 1<sup>st</sup> are eligible to vote.

#### Amendment #5 – BOARD ELIGIBILITY

Changes the eligibility of serving on the board to only members who [1] have earned a minimum of one pro point and [2] are members prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> of the election year.

#### Amendment #6 – AMENDMENT PROCESS

To establish a procedure for members to submit ideas for by-law changes or additions.

## Bios of Board Candidates

### Jana Burns – President

Having been appointed as president and serving this association for several months I made the decision to continue to serve by putting my name on the 2006 ballot.

### Mark Boyden – Information Technology Director

Born in Texas the son of an engineer/entrepreneur and theologian, Mark has continuously strived to be a part in helping to shape the world. He has worked with several volunteer organizations throughout his life including Boy Scouts, UT Student's Association, and now several local community organizations during his 20-plus-years in Austin. Now he owns his own information technology consultancy and a beer store and spends too much time playing webmaster and DJ at the local community radio station. Mark continues to invest time in the community by working with teachers in the area schools to educate young people about the opportunities in computer technologies. His past and current hobbies include 42, volleyball, canoeing, music, camping, massage, bicycling, skydiving, sailing, and the outdoors.

### Lacye Comer – Pro Tournament Director

My name is Lacye Comer and I am running for the office of Pro Tournament Director. I live in Amarillo and am the Operations Manager for a trucking company. I have played 42 for around 40 years with family and friends on holidays and special occasions. In May of 2005 I found out that you could play 42 on the computer from my neighbor in Amarillo and then in June I went to my first LIVE tournament. I joined N42PA there and have traveled to many LIVE tournaments since then. I enjoy the game and meeting the many fine people as I travel. I want to see the game of 42 expand and be enjoyed by as many people as possible.

Please vote for me as your pro tournament director for the N42PA. Hope to see you at the next LIVE tournament and let us all "Rattle Dem Bones" and enjoy a great time of play and fellowship.

## Board Position Responsibilities

***President*** Maintain and complete all state and federal filings (state corp. forms, state and federal tax exemptions, IRS, etc.) Preside over all meetings. See that all orders and resolutions of the board are carried out. Is an ex-officio member of all standing committees.

***IT-Director*** >Information Technology-Web Site Maintain all aspects of the association website. Maintain the Pro Points accrued by members from tournament play. Maintain a list of all members with contact information such as name, mailing & email address and phone numbers.

***Pro Tournament Director*** Responsible for the multi-annual PRO Invitational tournaments as well as the Tournament of Champions tournament held at the end of each year.

No board member will be compensated monetarily for time or work performed for the Association.

# National 42 Players Association Proposed 2006 Amendments

Below are proposed amendments to the By-laws for your review. Please carefully consider these changes. A member approval would result in these changes becoming effective January 1, 2007.

## Amendment #2006-1 ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 10 - Pro points may be awarded to new members for any points earned within thirty (30) days prior to receipt of their membership dues.

## Amendment #2006-2 ARTICLE VI – PRO POINT CREDITS

### Section 1 - Qualified Tournament Levels

Below 10 teams (1 to 9)	Non Qualifying
10 to 19 teams	Level 1
20 to 49 teams	Level 2
50 and over	Level 3

### Section 2 - Pro Player Points

<i>Finish Position</i>	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>
1st Place	* 20 *	* 30 *	* 45 *
2nd Place	* 15 *	* 25 *	* 40 *
3rd Place	* 10 *	* 20 *	* 35 *
4th Place	XXXX <sup>2</sup>	*15*	* 30 *
5th thru 8th Place	XXXX <sup>2</sup>	XXXX <sup>2</sup>	* 25 *
1st Consolation	XXXX <sup>2</sup>	* 10 *	* 15 *
2nd Consolation	XXXX <sup>2</sup>	* 5 *	* 10 *
Bonus Points <sup>1</sup>	* 1 *	* 2 *	* 3 *

<sup>1</sup>Bonus Points – Every member accrues for playing in any qualifying tournament regardless of finish position.

<sup>2</sup>XXXX means – does not qualify for finish position points.

Pro Level (12 points) can be achieved from the bonus points only (never reaching the top finish positions), if that person plays in enough qualifying tournaments to accrue the acquired number for that tournament season.

## Amendment #2006-3 ARTICLE VII – INVITATIONAL PRO TOURNAMENTS

Section 5- Standardized tournament brackets will be used which place all 'bye' games in the earliest possible rounds. These double & single elimination brackets will conform to those used at the website [www.bracketmaker.com](http://www.bracketmaker.com).

Section 6 – Brackets will be seeded based on the performance of teams in the morning games. The team with the best record will play the team with the worst record, and so on.

## Amendment #2006-4 ARTICLE X – MEMBER AND BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

New Section – Only members in good standing as of September 1<sup>st</sup> may vote in the current year's election.

## Amendment #2006-5 ARTICLE X – MEMBER AND BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

New Section – Only members who are in good standing as of April 1<sup>st</sup> may run for the Board in the current year's election. Any member wishing to run for the Board must also have at least one (1) Pro point in the year they intend to run. There is no Pro Point requirement to remain on the Board each year.

## Amendment #2006-6 ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENT AUTHORITY

New Section – Any member in good standing may submit recommendations for By-law amendments to the Board. Recommendations must be submitted in writing and by August 1<sup>st</sup> in order to be considered for placement on the ballot. They should specifically state which Article & Section of the Bylaws are being addressed and why. Recommendations should be consistent with the Organization's "Objectives" as defined in Article II of the By-laws.

# National 42 Players Association 2006 Voting Instructions

You should have received with this mailing

1. a third quarter newsletter
  - a. four pages of the regular newsletter
  - b. 2- double sided insert sheets
    - i. commentary on the amendments
    - ii. candidate bios
    - iii. actual amendments as wording would appear in the by-laws if approved
    - iv. voting instructions
2. an self addressed, stamped envelope
3. a 3 x 5 index card voting ballot

**Please carefully read all the information provided YOU!**

It is very important to let YOUR voice be heard...and that is accomplished with a vote!

Cast your vote by making your choice known on the ballot card. Mark your choice in the approved or disapproved box. Then put the ballot in the self addressed, stamped envelope and forward to the association's secretary.

**All ballots are due to the association by December 1, 2006.**

Any ballot received after that date will not be counted in this election

The ballots will be collected and maintained by the secretary.

Opening and counting of the ballots will be done December 2<sup>nd</sup> by all board members in attendance of the Tournament of Champions in Waxahachie, Texas.

The results will be posted at [www.N42PA.com](http://www.N42PA.com) and reported in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2006 Newsletter.

Please contact any board member with your concerns or questions.