

# The Dallas/Fort Worth Driller

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## *The President Speaks*

By Mark Prestridge

I know its Dallas, but maybe I detected a hint of cool in the air this morning. It was quite nice whatever it was! The taste of cool weather is a reminder to me to begin making preparations for the end of year run-up in activity; combine that with the overcoming of adverse weather conditions. Why do we always plan our business like that? You would think we would learn one of these years.

This month we have Jeff O'Bryant with Hughes Christensen as our speaker. He will be discussing new PDC bit designs and cutter technology. It should be an interesting and informative talk. I look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday afternoon!

## Making Reservations

New Reservations Policy – We are trying to phase out the call in system, and go to an email system. For reservations, email your reservation to: [aadereservations@newtecheng.com](mailto:aadereservations@newtecheng.com).

When making your reservation by email, give the name/s and company of each attendee. Often times the voice messages are hard to understand. Going digital should help eliminate discrepancies in the spelling of names, and generally aid us in meeting preparation and record keeping. To use the call in number, dial 800-221-4826. When you get the main recording, push \*, then 3778, then #...leave your name and company after the AADE announcement.

## Golf Tournament – Oct. 2 – Firewheel – Garland, TX



The difference between golf and government is that in golf you can't improve your lie. ~George Deukmejian



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## IADC Rotary Rig Report

Rotary Rigs Actually Making Hole  
As reported by Baker Hughes  
For Week Ending Sept 8, 2006

Country	This Week	Last Week	Last Month	Last Year
USA	1728	1732	1728	1441
Canada	491	505	480	558

International Rotary Rigs Running  
Monthly Avg. for July 2006

Region	Current Month	Change From Previous Month
Europe	71	-7
Middle East	235	7
Africa	59	11
Latin America	323	-5
Asia Pacific	226	9

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### Upcoming Meetings & Events

Sept 20 – “New PDC Bit Designs Drill Faster & Save Trips”  
Jeff O’Bryant – Hughes Christensen

Oct 2 – Golf Tournament – Firewheel, Garland, Texas

Nov 15 - Hole Opening Solutions, ReedHycalog

Remember to check out [www.aade.org](http://www.aade.org) for meeting information and anything AADE related.

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### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL For 2006-2007

Renewal time is here! Now is the time to renew your AADE Chapter Membership for **2006-2007**. Feel free to renew during the monthly meeting or by completing the form included in this newsletter and mailing it in with your \$15.00 to the address on the registration form. Please contact June Allen if you have any questions concerning your membership. June can be reached at 817-366-4427 or by e-mail at: [mjunebugg@comcast.net](mailto:mjunebugg@comcast.net).

## September Meeting

<b>Date:</b>	Sept 20, 2006	<b>Speaker:</b>	Jeff O’Bryant, Hughes Christensen
<b>Time:</b>	4:30PM 5:30pm Social Hour	<b>Topic:</b>	New PDC Designs Drill Faster, Save Trips
<b>Place:</b>	Las Colinas Country Club Irving, Texas	<b>Cost:</b>	\$25 with reservations \$30 without reservations

Where: Las Colinas Country Club – 4400 N. O’Connor Blvd, Irving, Texas. Las Colinas CC is between Highways 114 and 183, near the DFW Airport. Call them at (972) 541-1141 or visit their website at <http://www.lascolinascc.com/> for directions.

**Dress Code – Business Casual**



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