Long Beach C. C. Recap: September 10, 2012

The MSGA's ninth tournament of 2012 was held at Long Beach C. C. in Michigan City, IN on September 10th. This was the MSGA's third event at Long Beach over the years and proved to be an extremely difficult test of golf.

The turnout was a very large 116, extending the fine turnouts for 2012 events.

The weather was perfect with temperatures in the mid 70's, light breezes and plenty of sunshine throughout the afternoon. The golf course was in excellent condition with beautiful fairways and very thick rough. The greens were extremely fast and most were very sloping, resulting in plenty of three putt scores. With the fast and sloping greens, two-putting from anywhere above the hole was a very tough task. Overall with handicaps, only four players were able to beat par of 72, while four others matched par. The average net score for all players was a very high 80.9 strokes, 8.9 strokes over par.

In the Individual Medal competition, Jerry Giolitto won Low Gross with a fine six over par 78. X. Gartland was next with 79, followed by Fred Mitchell with 80. Jeff Starr, Eldon Miller and Jerry Pado each posted 81's.

In the Low Net competition, Jerry Pado was the overall winner with an excellent five under par net 67. X. Gartland and Mike Conway were next with net 70's followed by Roland Pereira with a net 71. Only 13 other players were able to post net 74 or better.

In the Skins competition, Paul Kamanaroff was the only multiple winner with three skins. In total, there were 21 skins in the four flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, Bob Hart was closest with his shot stopping at 2' 3" on the 115 yard hole #5. Jerry Millard was close behind with his shot on the 116 yard #16 ending 2' 5" away.

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights and especially to Jerry Giolitto and Jerry Pado for winning the overall Low Gross and overall Low Net awards. A complete list of winners can be found on the Tournament Results tab.

With only one tournament remaining on the schedule, the season long Brady Cup competition is extremely close with only 15 points separating the first three places. Mike Robinson holds the lead with 1555 points, but is followed closely by Bruce Fisher (1545 points) and Dave Pendergast (1540 points). Mike Conway (1450) and Gil Vayhinger (1385) round out the top five places. The current Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.