

Maplecrest C. C. Recap: May 23, 2012

The MSGA's first tournament of 2012, the John Pavlos Classic, was held at Maplecrest C.C. in Goshen, IN on May 23rd.

The turnout was an excellent 111 for the first event of the season, very comparable to the 112 turnout for opening day at Maplecrest in 2010. Fifteen new members played in their first MSGA tournament, with several winning awards.

The weather was perfect with plenty of sunshine, gentle breezes, a few high clouds and temperatures near 80. The golf course was in beautiful condition with the fairways and rough very lush and consistent. The large greens were very fast and treacherous for early in the season. Overall with handicaps, 22 players bested par of 71 and six others matched par.

The highlight of the day was Wayne Slabach's hole-in-one on hole # 12 which played at 157 yards.

In the Individual Medal competition, Bob Lappin and Jay Harrison tied with six over par 78's, with Bob winning the tie-breaker. Jeff Starr, Louie Slabach and Larry Jackson finished one shot back with 79's. In the Net competition, Kelly Donahoe was the overall low net winner with an excellent ten under par net 61. Ahmad Kashani and Bob Lappin were three shots back with net 64's. Four others were next with net 67's.

In the Skins competition, Kelly Donahoe was the only multiple winner with two skins. In total, there were 26 skins in the four flights. In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, Wayne Slabach's hole-in-one was obviously the best of the day.

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights and especially to Wayne Slabach for his great day. The complete list of winners can be found on the Tournament Results tab.

In the season long Brady Cup competition, Dave Pendergast has the early lead with 565 points. Bob McFadden is second with 365 points and Jeff Starr third with 345 points. The Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.