

Briar Ridge C. C. Recap: July 20, 2015

The MSGA's sixth tournament of the 2015 season was held at Briar Ridge C. C. in Schererville, IN on July 20th. This event was the first time the MSGA played at Briar Ridge and the course proved to be a very good challenge for the players. The tournament was played on the Red and Blue courses.

The turnout was 102 players, a nice turnout for a first time course.

The day's weather was sunny with temperatures in the upper 80's and quite humid. With all the rain in the previous weeks, the golf course was in beautiful shape with lush the fairways in perfect condition to provide plenty of good lies. The rough was thick in places, but very playable. The large rolling greens were very consistent and fast, and especially difficult for the many long downhill and sidehill putts. The course played very difficult for most players.

Overall with handicaps, only 13 players bested par of 72 while seven others matched par. The average Gross score was 96.1 with 77.1 as the average Net score, 5.0 shots over par of 72.

In the Individual Medal competition, Tom Knoll led the field with an up and down four over par 76 that included three birdies and seven bogeys. Bill Gustin with a 79 was the only other player to break 80. John Hampton was next with an 80, while three others posted 81's.

In the Net competition, Bill Gustin was the overall low net winner with a very fine seven under par 65 followed by Dave St. Clair with a net 68. Five others players posted net 69's. Those players were Bruce Neulieb, Randy Decker, Roland Pereira, Steve Raymond and Buzz Cotton. Next in line with net 70's were Rick Commers, Paul Baldoni, Rich Dobis and Dale Pflughaupt.

The low-net winner in Flight E (played from the forward tees) was Bill Hehemann with a five under par net 67. Bruce Wargo with a 73 and Bob Hartmann with a 77 followed. Twelve players played in Flight E (players whose age plus handicap equals 95).

In the Skins competition, Bill Hehemann led the field with three skins while Rick Commers, Dave St. Clair, Greg Dupont and Paul Kamanaroff each had two skins. In total, there were 33 skins in the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, the shot of the day was Bruce Neulieb's shot that rolled within one inch on the 143 yard Hole #3 (Red course).

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights and especially to Tom Knoll, Bill Gustin and Bill Hehemann for their excellent rounds on a very tough golf course and Bruce Neulieb for his

almost hole-in-one. The complete list of winners can be found on the Tournament Results page.
In the season long Brady Cup competition, Kent Naylor continues to lead with 1170 points followed by Ed O'Conor with 1080 points. Bruce Neulieb moved into third place with 915 points followed by Jim Pawlik with 905 points and Bruce Ruge with 885. The Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.