

White Hawk C. C. Recap: August 3, 2015

The MSGA's seventh tournament of the 2015 season was held at White Hawk C. C. in Crown Point, IN on August 3rd. This event was the first time the MSGA played at White Hawk since 2005 and the course proved to be very playable for the players. The tournament was played on the Black and Grey courses.

The turnout was 76 players, a disappointing turnout, although mid-summer events are usually less than normal turnouts.

The day's weather was beautiful with temperatures in the mid 80's and light winds and bright sunny skies. With rain the night before, the golf course was very soft with lush the fairways in excellent condition to provide plenty of good lies. The rough was quite short and very playable. The large rolling greens were consistent and fast, and especially difficult for the many long downhill and sidehill putts. The course played relatively easy for most players.

Overall with handicaps, 28 players bested par of 72 while four others matched par. The average Gross score was 93.0 with 73.8 as the average Net score, just 1.8 shots over par of 72.

In the Individual Medal competition, four players tied for first with 78's. Bryan Boettger won the tie-breaker over the threesome of Roger Stevens, Tom Knoll and William Perkins. No other players scored better than 81.

In the Net competition, Bob Dobis, Ray Brosseau and Bruce Fisher tied with seven under par net 65's with Bob winning the tie-breaker. One shot back were the trio of Greg Dupont, Kevin Coleman and Roland Pereira followed by Roger Stevens, Bruce Neulieb, Buzz Cotton and Bob McFadden with net 67's. Seven other players posted net 68's or 69's.

In the low-net competition for Flight E (played from the forward tees), Jim Hutton and Jerry Gerard tied with net 68's with Jim winning the tie-breaker. Robert Rogers was next with a net 69. Sixteen players played in Flight E (players whose age plus handicap equals 95).

In the Skins competition, Bryan Boettger, Ray Brosseau and Jerry Flanagan led the field with two skins each. In total, there were 31 skins in the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, the closest of the day was Bob Dobis's shot that finished two feet, seven inches on the 103 yard Hole #15 that is surrounded by water.

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights and especially to the group of four who tied for Low Gross with 78's and the three players who tied for Low Net with net 65's. 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 1280 points followed by Ed O'Conor with 1180 points. Bruce Neulieb (1035) and Jim Pawlik (1030) held their respective positions at three and four. Ray Brosseau moved into fifth place with 1015 points. The Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.