



Rock Hollow G. C. Recap: September 7, 2016

The MSGA's ninth tournament of the 2016 season was held at Rock Hollow G. C. in Peru, IN on September 7th.

The turnout was 92 players. It was a nice field for an early September tournament.

The day's weather was extremely hot with temperatures above 90 with heat indexes above 100. Of the 92 players, nine were unable to finish because of the extreme heat and little breeze. The results include only those players who completed rounds. As for the golf course, the greens were very soft and held shots well. Many of the greens are quite large and produced plenty of long putts. The fairways had many areas where the hot and humid weather had caused dead spots. Even with the fairway issues, the fairways were firm and the ball rolled well. The course required accurate tee shots with the many trees, water, wetlands and narrow roughs. Even with the difficult course and the weather conditions, there were still many good scores.

Overall with handicaps, 26 players (31%) bested par of 72 while two others (2%) matched par. For the 83 players who completed rounds, the average Gross score was 91.6 with 75.0 as the average Net score, 3.0 shots over par.

In the Individual Medal competition, Jerry Giolitto finished with an excellent two under par 70 that included three birdies and one bogey. Jeff Miller followed with a 76 and Tom Knoll, Joe Simanski and Roger Stevens all posted 77's.

In the Net competition for Flights A-D, Bruce Fisher led with a net 65, followed closely by Jerry Giolitto and Bill SanGiacomo with net 66's. Joe Simanski, Roger Stevens, Jeff Miller, Bill Gustin and Tom Workman all recorded net 67's.

In Flight E (played from the forward tees), Ken Everett led with a net 64 followed by Bill Root with 65. Fourteen players entered, but only nine finished because of the weather conditions. Flight E is for players whose age plus handicap equals 95.

In the Skins competition, there were seven multiple winners with Bill Root recording four and Ken Everett three. Bill Gustin, Gil Vayhinger, Fred Evans, Bill Hehemann and Jerry Stayton each recorded two skins. In total, there were 35 skins in the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, the best of the day was Steve Raymond's shot that finished only nine inches away on Hole #8 that played from 101 yards.

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights and especially to Jerry Giolitto for his excellent two under par 70 and Bruce Fisher for his fine net 65. The complete list of winners can be found on the Tournament Results tab.

In the season long Brady Cup competition, John Spensley (1625 points) holds first place over Bill Gustin (1480), Bob Henrikson (1365), and Max Borden and Bob McFadden who both have 1325 points. Several others are still in the race for the top five positions. The Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.