



Warren Course at N. D. Recap: June 13, 2016

The MSGA's third tournament of the 2016 season was held at The Warren Course at Notre Dame in South Bend, IN on June 13th.

The turnout was an excellent 110 players. The total was very comparable to turnouts for prior events at Notre Dame.

The day's weather, with lots of sunshine, light breezes and temperatures in the upper 80's was nearly perfect. As for the golf course, it was in excellent condition. The fairways were in great condition providing plenty of good lies with straight tee shots. The rough was thick and sometimes difficult, but fair. The greens were smooth and fast and especially tough for downhill putts. Overall, the course played difficult, but fair.

Overall with handicaps, only twelve players (11%) bested par of 71 while five others (5%) matched par. For the 110 players, the average Gross score was 94.3 with 77.0 as the average Net score, 6.0 shots over par of 71.

In the Individual Medal competition, Bryan Boettger, Tom Knoll and Doug Chapman all finished with four over par 75's, with Bryan winning the tie-breaker. Following were Jeff Starr with 77, Jerry Giolitto with 78 and Fred Mitchell and Greg Sheetz with 79's. The next best round was 83.

In the Net competition, Jeff Starr, Greg Sheetz, Gil Vayhinger and Gary Drutis all recorded five under par net 66's. Greg Sheetz was the overall low-net winner for Flights A-D based on the tie-breaker rules. Next in line were Tom Knoll and Doug Chapman with 67's and Buzz Cotton with a 68. Three others, Lee Burdorf, John Farron and Bruce Fisher finished with net 69's.

The low-net leaders in Flight E (played from the forward tees), were Bill Root and Jerry Gerard who both shot one over par net 72's. Bill won the tie-breaker. Following was Jerry Stayton with 74. Twelve players played in Flight E (players whose age plus handicap equals 95).

In the Skins competition, there were four multiple winners with Jeff Starr, Terry Brownell, Gary Drutis and Jerry Stayton posting two each. In total, there were 30 skins in the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, the best of the day was Brian Chalik's shot that finished one foot, six inches away on the 142 yard Hole #9.

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights and especially to Jeff Starr, Tom Knoll and Doug Chapman for their fine rounds the ten players who recorded net scores in the 60's. The complete list of winners can be found on the Tournament Results tab.

In the season long Brady Cup competition, John Hampton holds the lead with 650 points followed by Bob McFadden with 600 points. Bob Henrickson (590), Tim Holmes (575), Bill Gustin (550) hold the top five places. The Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.