

Innsbrook C. C. Recap: July 23, 2018

The MSGA's sixth tournament of the 2018 season was held at Innsbrook C. C. in Merrillville, IN on July 23rd.

The Tournament was the seventh time the MSGA has played at Innsbrook C. C. over the years. Innsbrook is a beautiful old golf course that was built in 1919 and is always a great venue for the players. The course is unique in that it includes six par 3's, six par 4's and six par 5's.

The weather was perfect with plenty of sunshine, a few high clouds and warm temperatures in the low 80's. The golf course was in wonderful shape and was perfect for golf as indicated by the overall scoring.

The turnout was normal for a July event with 95 players entered, a number similar to the past few events at Innsbrook.

The course played quite easy as overall with handicaps as 39 players bested par of 72 while ten others matched par (52% of players). For the 95 players, the average Gross score was 91.8 with 73.0 as the average Net score, just 1.0 shots over par of 72.

In the Individual Medal competition, Tim Swallers and Dave Heckaman led the field with four over par 76's with Tim winning the tie-breaker. They were followed closely by John Hulewicz, Tom Knoll and Scott Smith with 77's. Six others shot scores in the 70's.

In the Net competition, Tony Gensel led with an excellent net 63. He was followed closely by Brian Chalik (64), Mark Timm (65) and Scott Smith and Abe Ismail with 66's. Twelve others shot scores in the 60's. In Flight E (played from the forward tees), Roland Pereira with a fine net 65 led and was followed by Bill Scully with net 66. Seven others shot nets in the 60's.

In the Skins competition, Mark Timm, Rick Commers, Mike Balunda and Buzz Cotton were multiple winners with two skins each. In total, there were 40 skins in the five flights. In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, Tom Knoll's shot on the 126-yard Hole #7 that finished 2' 8" from the hole was the best of the day.

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights. The complete list of award winners can be found on the Tournament Results tab.

In the season long Brady Cup competition, Jon Huffman continues in first place with 1070 points, followed closely by Steve Stone with 1060 points. Brian Chalik moved closer with 1045. Tom Knoll (915) and John Spensley and Gil Vayhinger with 895 each round out the top six positions.