

## Beechwood G. C. Recap: August 31, 2022

The MSGA's ninth tournament of the 2022 season was held at Beechwood G. C. in LaPorte, IN on August 31st. This was the second Guest Day for 2022 with 13 guests playing.

The Tournament was the 3rd time the MSGA has played at the course. Beechwood is a challenging layout with a mix of very difficult and some shorter less difficult holes. The difficulties are mostly in the length of par-4s and the large greens.

The weather was beautiful for a late summer golf tournament with the temperature in the 80's and a few high clouds.

The turnout was 95 including 13 guests. The players played in three regular tee flights and two forward tee flights.

The golf course was in wonderful condition with near perfect fairways and greens. The large greens were quite fast and tricky especially for the downhill putts. The rough was difficult on some holes and with trees lining many holes, keeping the ball in the fairways was a big advantage.

The course played quite difficult with only 12 players besting par with their net scores while six others matched par of 72 (19% of players). For the 95 players, the average Gross score was 91.8 with 76.7 as the average Net score was 4.7 shots over par of 72.

In the Individual Medal competition (flights playing from regular tees), Cory Dennie won the overall low gross with a fine two over par 74. Tom Spartz followed with 76 and Darren Stevens and Kevin Shidler posted 77's.

In the Net competition for regular tee players, Bob Lappin recorded net 64 followed by Cory Dennie with 65, Dale Garwood with 67 and Joe Letherman with 69. Five others bested par of 72.

In Individual Medal competition for (flights playing the forward tees), Chuck Zimmerman, Fred Hillis and Dale Cramer tied with 83's with Chuck winning the tiebreaker. Three others followed with 84's.

In the Net competition for forward tee players, Brian Chalik won with a net 68 followed by Dale Cramer with 69 and Bob Hendrikson and Gerry Garwood with Net 72's.

Awards were higher than normal as the awards pool from the Legacy Hills Guest day were rolled over and added to the Beechwood awards pool. Legacy Hills was rained out after approximately players complete 12 holes.

In the Skins competition, Larry Hackett recorded four skins in Flight E and Doug Schnick, Kent Naylor, and Paul Martindale each posted two skins. In total there were 30 skins in the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, Phil Droege recorded the closest with a 4' 4" shot on the 158yard hole number 15 in the Regular tee flights and Terry Bronowski was closest with 7' 0" on hole number eight playing from 128 yards in the Forward tee flights.

In the Brady Cup competition, current results are posted on the Brady Cup page.

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