

Valparaiso Recap: 08-08-2011

The MSGA's seventh event of 2011 was held at Valparaiso C.C. in Valparaiso, IN on August 8th and was the final of two guest days for the season.

The turnout was an excellent 111 players including 11 guests. The weather was forecast for thunderstorms during the late afternoon, but the rain held off until a few minutes after completion of play. During play, the weather was great for golf with nice breezes and very comfortable temperatures. The course was in good shape from tees to greens except for some low spots that were still wet from the overnight rains. The toughest issue was the sloping greens which placed a premium on keeping approach shots below the pins. With the greens soft and receptive to approach shots and the greens putting true, scores were outstanding. Overall with handicaps, 20 players bested par of 72 and eight others matched par.

In the Individual Medal competition, the overall low gross winner was Barry Light, a guest for the day, with a fine one over par 73. Jerry Giolitto was second with a 76, followed by Fred Mitchell with a 77. Steve Kahn and Jeff Starr were next with 79 and 80, respectively.

In the low net competition, Walt Ailes and Bill Root tied for first with solid six under par net 66's with Walt winning the tiebreaker. Art Bartholomew, Scott Dolfman and Jerry Barry were each at five under with net 67's. Barry Light, Carl Dywan, and Robert Rogers were another shot back with net 68's

In the Skins competition, Dan DeMartinis and Bill Hehemann were multiple winners with two skins each. In total, there were 25 skins in the four flights. In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, Tom Workman's shot on the 158 yard 17th hole was very close to the MSGA's second Hole-in-One for 2011 with the ball ending up just six inches away.

Congratulations to award winners in all the flights. The complete list of winners can be found on the Tournament Results tab. We enjoyed having 11 guests for the day and extend invitations to all to join the MSGA as permanent members.

In the season long Brady Cup competition, Bruce Fisher continues to lead with 1285 points. Steve Raymond has retained second with 1165 points followed by Art Bartholomew (1070), Mike Gilpin (1040) and Maynard Weimer (1035). The Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.

