



Valparaiso C. C. Recap: June 12, 2017

The MSGA's third tournament of the 2017 season was held at Valparaiso C. C. in Valparaiso, IN on June 12th.

The turnout was excellent with 110 players entered, but with the hot weather only 107 players finished.

The day's weather was very hot with temperatures in the low to mid 90's. However, with gentle breezes, low humidity and plenty of bottled water on the course, it was at least bearable. As for the golf course, it was in excellent condition. The fairways were in perfect condition providing plenty of nice lies. The issue was keeping balls in the fairways. The small greens proved to be very quick and tricky, especially for putts from above the hole. Overall, the course proved to be quite playable, yielding many scores around net par.

Overall with handicaps, 28 players bested par of 72 while eight others matched par. For the 107 players who finished, the average Gross score was 94.7 with 75.4 as the average Net score, 3.4 shots over par of 72.

In the Individual Medal competition, four players (Don Perkins, Tom Knoll, Tony Fallucca and Bryan Boettger) tied for low gross with 78's. Don Perkins won the tie-breaker with a par on the number one handicap hole. John Hampton with a 79 was the only other player to break 80.

In the Net competition, Gil Vayhinger and Roy Shepard tied for the overall low-net for Flights A-D with excellent net 62's. Gil won the tie-breaker. Next in line was Abe Ismail with a net 63 followed by Roger Stevens, Randy Kerns and Bruce Fisher all with net 67's.

The low-net winner in Flight E (played from the forward tees) was Bill Root with a net 68. Bill Scully (69) and Bruce Wargo (70) followed. Sixteen players played in Flight E (players whose age plus handicap equals 95).

In the Skins competition, there were three multiple winners with Steve Raymond, Roy Shepard and Bill Scully each recording two skins. In total, there were 30 skins in the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, the best of the day was Roy Shepard's shot that stopped two feet three inches away on the 142-yard Hole #17.

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

In the season long Brady Cup competition, Gil Vayhinger continues to lead with 650 points followed by Kent Naylor with 600 points. Abe Ismail (595), Rich Stalbrink (590) and Stu Holaway (540) fill out the top five places. The Top-25 standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.