



Island Hills G. C. Recap:

August 30, 2021

The MSGA's ninth tournament of the 2021 season was held at Island Hills G. C. in Centreville, MI on August 30th.

The Tournament was the fifth time the MSGA has played at the course. Island Hills is an excellent public golf course with several challenging holes and large undulating greens.

The weather was near perfect with temperatures around 80. A light breeze helped to make the day great for golf.

The turnout was the only 93 players. The players played in three regular tee flights and two forward tee flights.

The golf course was in great condition from tee to green and the greens were quick with lots of subtle undulations. The size of the greens meant plenty of long putts.

Overall, net scores were near normal. For the 93 players, the average Gross score was 92.2 with 74.5 as the average Net score that was 2.5 shots over par of 72. Normal average net scores are usually in the range of 2-4 over par.

In the Individual Medal competition regular tee players, Dan Lavin won with a 77. He was followed closely by Doug Schnick, Matt Chamberlin, Jim Champer and John Hampton with 78's. Brad Bucher had 79 and four others posted 80's.

In the Net competition for regular tee players, Rich Emery recorded a net 64 followed by Dan Lavin with 65 and Dave Pendergast with 67. Ten others posted net 70 or better.

In Individual Medal competition for forward tee players, Fred Hillis led with a 75 followed by Louie Slabach with 77 and Dale Cramer with 80.

In the Net competition for forward tee players, Dale Cramer posted a net 60 followed by Fred Hillis with 63 and Rich Stalbrink and Jerry Stayton with 67's. Five others recorded 70 or better.

In the Skins competition, Jim Champer, John Chamberlin, Dan Lavin, Matt Kohut, Joe Letherman and Louie Slabach had two skins each. In total there were 37 skins in the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, Tom Spartz recorded the closest with a 1' 9" shot on the 131-yard hole number 12 in the regular tee flights and Larry Hackett was even closer at 0' 9" also on hole number 12 playing from 97 yards in the forward tee flights.

In the season long Brady Cup competition, Ray Ginsburg took over the lead with 1610 points. He has a commanding lead over Mike Hoffman with 1430 points and Tom Smith with 1345. Bruce Fisher and Bob Stachowiak round out the top five places with 1325 points each.

Congratulations to award winners in all flights. The complete list of award winners can be found on the Tournament Results and Brady Cup pages.