



Meadow Valley G. C. Recap: May 19, 2021

The MSGA's first tournament of the 2021 season was held at Meadow Valley G. C. in Middlebury, IN on May 19th.

Opening day was successful with a total of 104 players participating. Twenty-one new members played in their first MSGA tournament, with several winning awards. Three returning members also played.

The weather was good for golf with mostly overcast with some late sunshine, nice breezes, and temperatures around 80 degrees. The golf course was in good condition considering the lack of rain over the spring. The large greens were quick, but sometimes inconsistent from hole to hole. Speed was difficult to read for the many downhill and sidehill putts. Local knowledge was useful on several elevated greens.

The course played somewhat difficult as overall with handicaps; only 21 players bested par of 72 while seven others matched par. For the 104 players, the average Gross score was 91.8 with 75.4 as the average Net score, 3.4 shots over par of 72.

In the Individual Medal competition (flights playing Regular tees), Darren Stevens and John Anderson led the field with two over par 74's with Darren winning overall first place on the tie-breaker. They were followed by Kevin Shidler with 75 and Brad Bucher with 77.

In the Net competition (Regular tees), Kevin Shidler, Darren Stevens, Brad Bucher and Ed Hupp tied with net 67's with Kevin winning overall first on the tie-breaker. Roger Stevens was next with net 68.

In the Individual Medal competition (Forward tees), Louie Slabach won the overall first with a solid 80. Eight others posted scores in the 80's.

In the Net competition (Forward tees), Loren Jackemyer won first with a net 65, followed by Fred Evans and Norm Michaels with 66's and Rich Stalbrink with 67. Seven other bested par of 72.

In the Skins competition, Brad Bucher recorded three skins while Mike O'Malley, Mike Kinsey, Mike Shikany and Phil Meyer posted two skins each. In total there were 35 skins for the five flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contest, John Anderson recorded the closest with a 2' 4" shot on the 128-yard hole number 15 in the Regular tee flights and Ray Ginsburg was closest with 2' 1" on hole number 8 playing from 66 yards in the Forward tee flights.

For the season long Brady Cup competition, Chuck Blair has the early lead with 520 points.

The complete list of award winners can be found on the Tournament Results and Brady Cup pages.