



MSGGA 2021 Championship Recap: August 16-17, 2021

The 19th annual MSGGA Championship was held at Swan Lake Resort G. C. in Plymouth, IN on August 16th & 17th. The event was also the eighth of the MSGGA's 2021 season. The turnout was a full field of 72 players for the Two-man Best-Ball event including two guests. Six flights were required to accommodate the 36 teams.

This was the eighth consecutive year playing the MSGGA Championship at Swan Lake, although the MSGGA has played the course other times for regular tournaments. The staff at Swan Lake, led by Head-Pro Chad Hutsell, did a great job in preparing the course and hosting the championship that included two continental breakfasts and lunches. Prior to the start, several players stayed overnight at the resort.

The weather was terrific with temps in the mid 80's with gentle breezes on Monday for the three match-play rounds and perfect with light breezes, high clouds and temps also in the mid 80's on Tuesday for the final two match-play rounds and the Championship shoot-out. The shoot-out was exciting in that the elimination of teams after each hole required chip-offs on the first three holes including four-way chip-offs on the first two holes.

For the 2021 MSGGA Championship, the winners were Ed Meyer and Tom Smith who qualified by winning the Albatross Flight (A). Second place went to Mike Hoffman and Andy Dosmann who placed first in Eagle Flight (E). On the final hole, Ed recorded a two-putt birdie on the par-5 18th hole to secure the victory. Other flight winners were Steve Stone and John Hulewicz in the Birdie Flight (B), Tom Gambon and Ray Ginsburg in the Chip Flight (C), Louie and Wayne Slabach in the Drive Flight (D), and John and Chuck Spensley in the Fairway Flight (F).

Congratulations to the flight winners and runners-ups and especially to Champions Ed Meyer and Tom Smith who will have their names added to the permanent John J. Pavlos Memorial Championship trophy as the winners of the 2021 MSGGA championship. They will also be awarded individual trophies at the final dinner event at South Bend C. C. All results of the Championship tournament are shown on the Tournament Results tab. Pictures of the Flight winners and scoresheets for the Flight results are shown on the MSGGA Championship tab.

The Championship resulted in changes to the overall Brady Cup standings. Ray Ginsburg regained first place and holds a big lead with 1490 points. Mike Hoffman (1330) and Andy Dosmann (1310) moved to second and third with their second-place finish in the Championship. Chuck Blair (1305) and Tom (1245) Smith round out the top five places. The current standings are shown on the Brady Cup tab.