



## **Warren Course at Notre Dame**

### **Recap: August 26, 2024**

The MSGA's ninth tournament of the 2024 season was held at Warren Course at Notre Dame in Notre Dame, IN on August 26th.

The weather was extremely warm with temperatures in the mid 90's and high humidity. Only light gentle breezes made the day playable.

The course has generous fairways, plenty of sand from fairways to and around large greens. The greens were playable even with the many undulations on the greens.

The tournament had a total of 101 players participating, the largest turnout of the year. For 2024, the MSGA continues to use three sets of tees. Flights A & B are played from the Gold (back) tees, Flights C & D played from the Blue (middle) tees and Flights E & F from the Green (forward) tees.

Players choose the tee of their choice; 30 played the Gold tees, 42 played the Blue and 29 played the Green. Only players whose age plus handicap index equals 85+ may play the Green tees.

Overall, the course played tougher than normal vs. par with handicaps, as eight players bested Net par of 71 while three others matched. For the 101 players, the average Gross score was 92.7 with 78.4 as the average Net score, 7.4 shots over par 71, which was above the normal of 3 to 5 over.

In the Individual Medal Gross competition by flight, Darren Stevens led with a two over par 73 in Flight (A) followed by Jack Kary (A) and Ron Dockery (A) with 75's, Chuck Zimmerman (E) with 76 and Scott Bowmar (C) and Kent Kaeppler (E) with 79's.

In the Individual Medal Net competition by flight, Chuck Zimmerman (E) led with a net 65 followed by Darren Stevens (A) and Brian Chalik (F) with 67's and Dave DeBoer (E) with 69. Steve Hissong (B), Keith Bope (C), Mike Christoph (D) and Rich Dobis (F) posted net 70's.

In the Skins competition, Cory Dennie (A) led with four followed by Kyle Elliott (A) and Eric Morris (B) with three. Five others recorded two skins each. In total there were 43 skins in the six flights.

In the Closest-to-Pin contests, Mike Christoph (Blue tee) hit his shot to 1 foot 7 inches on #14 from 157 yards and Dave Niespodziany's (Blue tee) shot ended at 2 feet 3 inches on #4 from 124 yards.

After nine tournaments, the Brady Cup competition is led by Brian Gensel with 1560 points followed closely by Kevin Shidler (1548), Tom Moser (1424) and Bill Dekker (1422).

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