INNSBROOK C. C. Recap: May 19, 2025

The MSGA's second tournament of the 2025 season was played at Innsbrook C. C. in Merrillville, IN on May 19th.

The Innsbrook's tournament had a total of 101 players registering but only 96 finished their rounds and are included in the results. Twelve of 14 new members played in their first or second MSGA tournament, with six winning awards. For 2025 the MSGA continued using three sets of tees, which are Back (Gold tees), Middle (Blue tees) and Front (Green tees). Flights A & B play from the Gold tees , Flights C & D play from the Blue tees and Flights E & F play from the Green tees.

Players choose the tee of their choice; 35 played the Gold tees, 36 played the Blue and 25 chose the Green. Only limitation is to play Green tees, a player's age plus Handicap Index must be 85+.

The weather was very chilly for golf with limited sunshine, strong breezes, and temperatures in the low 50's. The golf course was in dry conditions with nice fairways, bunkers and short but tough rough. The large greens were just sanded but quick for an early season venue but definitely not up to normal Innsbrook standards.

Overall, the course played difficult vs. par with handicaps, as only four players bested Net par of 72 while no one matched par. For the 96 players who finished, the average Gross score was 91.9 with 78.6 as the average Net score, 6.6 shots over par, which was a higher than the normal 3 to 5 over par. The weather probably added a couple of strokes for most players.

In the Individual Medal competition for Gross scores by flight, Ron Dockery shot an excellent one under-par 71 in A flight followed by Tom Wells with 76, Tim Swallers and Cortie Willson with 78's and Jack Kary with 80 (all in A flight). Four others had 81's.

In the Individual Medal competition for Net by flight, Dan Lavin led with a nice three under par Net 69 in flight B followed by Tom Wells (A), Jeff Hazel (C) and Mike Conley (F) with Net 71's. Ron Dockery (A), Brad Parkhurst (A) and Dennis Rogala (D) posted Net 73's. Seven others recorded Net 74's in various flights.

In the Skins competition, Steve Hissong, Dan Schmelter, Mike Kinsey, Stan Pytel, Roy Andrysiak, Don Giedemann and Terry Bronowski all posted two Skins each in the various flights. In total there were 42 skins for the six flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contests, Tom Spartz (Gold tees) recorded the closest with a five-inch shot on hole number 4 playing from 127 yards.

Congratulations to award winners and especially to Ron Dockery with his excellent gross 71 and Dan Lavin with his net 69 on a very chilly day.

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