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## RECAP

# BLACKTHORN G.C. South Bend, IN June 29, 2026

The MSGA's fifth tournament of the 2026 season was played at Blackthorn GC in South Bend, IN on June 29<sup>th</sup>.

The tournament had a total of 97 players. Players choose the tee of their choice; 39 played from the Gold tees, 37 played from the Blue, and 21 played from the Green.

The lunch was buffet style in the pavilion which was a change from box lunches in previous years. It was a hot and humid day but there was a breeze which definitely helped reduce the effects of the heat.

The course played difficult as only 4 players bested Net par of 72. For the 97 players, the average Gross score was 92.9 and the average Net score was 80.0 which is higher than the normal range 3 to 5 over par for Net.

In the Individual Medal competition for Gross scores by flight, Kevin Shidler in A Flight led with a score of 76 followed by Daniel Levin (B) with 79 and JB Overmyer (C) with 81.

In the Individual Medal competition for Net by flight, JB Overmyer (C) and Chuck Blair (E) had Net 68's, Daniel Lavin (B) had Net 69, Kevin Shidler (A) had Net 70, Robert Dragani (B), Dan Molchan (B), Mike Christoph (D), and Dave Combs (E) all had Net 73. Players are allowed only one award, so those with Gross and Net awards are limited to one award each.

In the Skins competition, JB Overmyer, John Hampton, Gil Vayhinger, Chuck Blair, Dennis Rogala, Ron Gross, and Michael Balunda recorded two skins each. There was a total of 35 skins in the six flights.

In the Closest-to-the-Pin contests, Jerry Giolitto (Blue tees) recorded the closest with a 3' 6" shot on hole #8 playing from 118 yards followed by Kevin Shidler (Gold tees) at 4' 10" on hole #8 from 125 yards and Cory Dennie (Gold tees) at 6' 3" on hole #3 from 155 yards.

Congratulations to award winners and especially to Kevin Shidler with his round of 76. Congrats to the new 2026 members and particularly those who won awards.

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