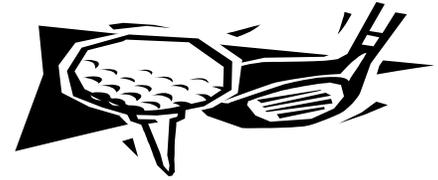


APRIL 2005



NIMAGA NOTES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the 2005 season of NIMAGA Tournaments. This is our 46th year of conducting tournaments for the public fee golfer. We are pleased to see a number of new members, former members and returning members who make up our total membership. For our new members, don't be discouraged if your first few tournament scores are higher because it takes a few months to get tournament tough. If you have any questions, please bring them to your tournament director.

THANK YOU TO OUR ADVERTISING FRIENDS

The White Pines Golf Dome in Bensenville, Chicago Bills Golf Shop in Roselle, Village of Bridgeview SportsDome, Bridgeview, Des Plaines Golf Center and EJM Custom Clubs in Willowbrook have displayed NIMAGA flyers. Also Chicagoland Golf newspaper and the Daily Herald have been strong NIMAGA supporters. NIMAGA will assist the Daily Herald with their County Open on July 18th at Whisper Creek. We will have entry forms at the April event.

RULES TO FOLLOW

There are a number of rules to follow in NIMAGA Tournaments:

- 1 - You must check in with the starter ten minutes prior to your tee time. If you are late and do not make your tee time you are assessed a two stroke penalty. You must tee off with the last group of the tournament to avoid disqualification.
- 2 - There is a Pace of Play Rule in NIMAGA. For 2005 the board has continued with the same policy we have used the past 3 years. The tournament directors have issued only 2 penalties in 2004 so the policy has worked to keep play moving. The Pace of Play Rule is: If a group finishes:

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM US!

If you enter the regular tournaments by the deadline date the pairings will be mailed to those who do not have internet access and they will be posted on our web site about one week prior to the event. About one week after the event you should receive a gift certificate if you "cashed" in the event. The winning scores should be on our web site about a week after the event. At the following month's event you should receive the winner's plaque.

CORRECTION TO THE BUSINESS CARD

The business card has an asterisk for the August event which means a cart is included. This is NOT correct as a cart is NOT included in the \$110 fee for the two day event.

MEMBER GUEST EVENT

Hey! Have you been waiting to introduce a friend to NIMAGA? Here is your chance! On Monday May 23rd, NIMAGA will host a Member Guest event at the Seven Bridges Golf Club in Woodridge, IL. This event is designed to allow our membership an opportunity to bring a non-member and have him play a NIMAGA event. The event is open to all NIMAGA members. Guests are not required to have a certified handicap. Guests without a handicap will be assigned one. There will be 6 divisions, members' high/low, guests with handicaps high/low and guests without handicaps high/low. The 1:30 PM shot-gun event will permit you to work in the morning and arrive in time for the shotgun start. Payout totals will be determined by the number of entries. The cost of the event is \$95.00 and includes: golf, cart, memento, dinner and prizes. All new and former members should have received an application for this event but if you need one, please pick one up at the April event or call Roger Scott at 630-483-4320.

You can have up to 3 guests for this event or more if

14-18 minutes behind the group in front of them,
AND **26** minutes behind two groups in front of them
– **1 Stroke Penalty**

19 minutes or more behind the group in front of them,
AND **26** minutes behind two groups in front of them
– **2 Stroke Penalty**

The first time in a year a member is in a slow group, the penalty is as written above. The second time in the same year a member is in a slow group, the penalty is twice what is written above. The third time in the same year a member is in a slow group, the penalty is twice what is written above. In addition the board will review his membership. The only time these criteria will not apply is if the group's total playing time is 4 hours or less. Keep up the good pace of play.

3 – You are responsible to keep each others scores and you will fill out a “white card” when finished that will certify the accuracy of each hole played. Take this responsibility seriously and do not rush to turn in your score. If you make an addition error and all holes are reported correctly the Tournament Director will correct your error. If you report a “4” (lower score) on a hole you had “5” on (higher score), you will be disqualified. If you report a “5” (higher score) on a hole you had

a “4” on (lower score) you are stuck with that error. If you have a concern about a ruling, ask the Tournament Director “BEFORE” you submit your score. If you are on the course and you and your group are unsure what is the ruling, play a second (alternate) ball. Get the ruling from the Tournament Director!

NIMAGA WEAR

The new NIMAGA wear from last year was a modest success. We will have a sample of each at the April event and if there is sufficient interest we may reorder some of the items.

needed so if you want to entertain a few customers this will provide an excellent opportunity. Sign up ASAP to be sure you are not left out! 14 entries have already been received!

NIMAGA CUP

The team captains will be lining up their players at the April event. If you were a top 9 money winner from last year be sure to see your Captain on April 9th.

Certified Golf

Everyone should have a mailing from Certified Golf. If you joined after 3/24 you may NOT have a mailing from them as yet.

INDIAN LAKES UPDATE

The East course was just re-rated from 69.8/114 to 70.8/127. The East course is open but the Blackhawk will not open until 4/8. Tom Denklaus will provide a \$30 rate on the East and \$40 rate on the Blackhawk to NIMAGA members who wish to practice. Just present your handicap card. The Blackhawk course will also host the Hooters tour on May 12-May 15. You will never get a better chance to get up close to the pros than at the Indian Lakes event. At last years event most players flew over the lake at 15 and when asked “How did they know they could get over the lake” one pro replied “It’s ONLY 280 over the lake so with a little breeze at my back I just hit it up in the air and it’s no problem”

NIMAGA PROMOTION/ADVERTISING

NIMAGA will be promoted on Score sports radio 670 AM at approx. 6:30 AM this Saturday April 2. We will also have copies of the NIMAGA flyer at the April event that may be placed at the local Golf courses and Retail shops. Please take some! If you have a non- golf retail business and would be able to place NIMAGA flyers as well, please assist us in this effort.

