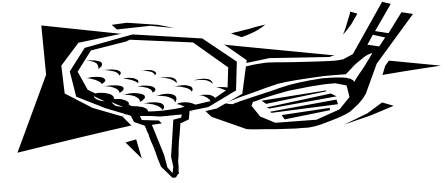


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# NIMAGA NOTES

## NIMAGA CUP

The event will be played at Plum Tree National Golf Club in Harvard on Sunday May 21st. The team Captains are firming up their teams but might add a player or two from the May 6<sup>th</sup> event. The defending champs in the A division will face a strong challenge this year. Carl Janas is in charge of the event so if you have any questions he can be reached at 312-983-8989 (D) or 847-381-1638 (N)

## Stableford Event

Our newest event The Modified Stableford will be held again at the Arboretum Golf club on Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have ever watched the PGA event in Colorado when the players needed points in the last few holes and scored a double eagle we hope this event will generate a similar level of excitement. Don't miss it!

## TASTE OF NIMAGA

Our taste of NIMAGA option permits any member to invite a friend who might have an interest in becoming a NIMAGA member to try an event to see if tournament golf is for them. You may copy the guest entry blank found at the back of your Handicap booklet and enter your friend into any event. If they have the same handicap range as you do they may play with you. If you are a 5 handicap and your friend is a 25 handicap they would play in the Trevino Division.

Your friend cannot win any prizes but they can experience what a NIMAGA event is all about. At the conclusion of play your friends will receive a \$10 certificate good for joining NIMAGA if they wish. If you have any questions on this opportunity please email us at the web site [WWW.NIMAGA.ORG](http://WWW.NIMAGA.ORG)

## NIMAGA MEMBER-GUEST

The Member-Guest event deadline is fast approaching. The event will be Monday May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Cress Creek Country Club. It is a first class Club and with dinner and prizes and a memento included in the \$125 fee. All members of NIMAGA are eligible to compete in this event. You may play as a single and we will pair you with others. It's a great way to play with some of your friends in a fun event. If you take customers out for golf this would be the perfect place to bring them. Entry blanks will be available at the May event however the final deadline is Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon as we must advise the course of our final totals. If you have been invited to play at a private country Club and have been unable to return the favor to your pals this will give you a great opportunity. Don't miss it! We need players for this event!

## MEMBERS WANTED

The Marketing Committee would like everyone to know that Business cards and Bag Tags alone can't bring in new members. We still need each of you to be bold enough to talk to your friends and people you meet at your regular golf courses about our group. We ask golfers all the time, "Are you interested in playing tournament Golf?" Many people answer "I'm not good enough", however NIMAGA has a place for all skill levels so please tell your friends and pass out the cards to people you meet. If you have any ideas about Marketing we have a committee who wants to hear from you.

## USGA RULE CHANGES

There are changes to the rules for 2006. For more information log onto the USGA web site at [WWW.USGA.ORG](http://WWW.USGA.ORG) or the Royal and Ancient at [WWW.RANDA.ORG](http://WWW.RANDA.ORG) and take the rules test.

## 2006 NIMAGA CUP

It's necessary to restate the 2006 NIMAGA Cup qualification process. In the past NIMAGA Cup players qualified by winning money with the top nine money winners in each division making the team.

The changes for 2006 are as follows:

The top ten low net players plus the low gross winner will get points for the NIMAGA Cup. If you place solo 11<sup>th</sup> in any event you DO NOT get any points.

If there are only 9 players "cashing" in an event you still get points for finishing in the tenth position.

The points are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> net and gross 125pts, 2<sup>nd</sup> 85 pts, 3rd 60 pts, 4th 50 pts, 5th 45 pts, 6th 40 pts, 7th 35pts, 8<sup>th</sup> 30 pts, 9th 25 pts, 10<sup>th</sup> 20 pts. All ties will be awarded the full points for that position.

As an example a 3 way tie for second will have the 3 players getting 85 points each. All players who are not fully eligible with an asterisk will be awarded 15 points. The only exception is the championship division low gross makes get full prizes with an asterisk. These prizes will be doubled for the two day August event. The two-man best ball points will be detailed prior to the event. Points will be awarded for the mid-week events as well. Look for an update on this in the next NIMAGA NOTES.

## MINIMUM SCORE RULE

Page 2 of the booklet defines this rule which requires that our members turn in outside scores to be fully eligible to win prizes in our events. Please read the rule.

A number of players did NOT have the required one score.

## Tournament deadlines

All NIMAGA events have a stated deadline of when the entry blank must be received. The NIMAGA tournament director may choose to take a late entry based upon when the pairings are being done. However when the tee sheet is sent to the course we can't get any extra tee times so be certain to mail your entries in early to meet the deadline. Late entries may also put more players into one division. We strive to have equal numbers per division. So bottom line is **"get your entry in on time"**

## NIMAGA MARKETING

There are a number of Demo Days occurring at many ranges during this spring. If you are planning to attend a Demo Days and would like to talk to a few players about NIMAGA we would be happy to supply you with extra business cards. A simple "You have a nice swing-Have you ever played tournament golf" can get a conversation started. Please let us know if you can help in this area. We have a very limited budget to spend on advertising so any help would be valuable.