



NIMAGA NOTES JULY 2011

June Senior Open Winners at Schaumburg G. C.

Each year our members aged fifty and over compete for the title of Senior Open Champion! Many times the field consists of some of our longest standing members! This year was no different!

Low Division

Low Gross : Mike Kruegar

Low Net : Pete Angelakos

High Division

Low Gross : Roger Scott**

Low Net : Morris Replogle

**It should be noted that Mr. Roger Scott, former NIMAGA president, won event by overcoming an on course injury. On hole #11, the head of a club came off on a follow thru and into Roger's face as he was watching the player make a shot. Despite bleeding and swelling Roger was able to still shoot a 40 on the back nine to secure his victory! A special thank you goes out to longtime member Robert Yedinak who provided an ice bag to assist Roger in tending to his injury and to go on to win a five hole playoff for low gross. Congratulations Roger and thank you Mr. Yedinak for being prepared!

Congratulations Red White Best Ball Winners at Marengo Ridge

Low Division

Low Gross : Amardeep Sangha & Laurito Martin

Low Net : Tom Niketopoulos & Bob Miles

High Division

* Low Gross : Jeff Toth & Willaim Walsh

* Low Net : Tom Hoffman & Stephan Minakovic

♣ Won in playoff

Congratulations July Midweek Winners at Waters Edge

Low Division

Low Gross : Mike Medin

Low Net : Frank Kaldis

High Division

Low Gross : Dan Plens

Low Net : Rich Belanski

Match Play Event Winds down

The quarter final round of the Match Play Tournament has been completed. The final eight matches were played this week and finished in dramatic fashion.

John Lemm beat past champion Mark Cummings on the 19th hole at Settlers Hill. In the match John Lemm was 3 down with 3 to play and went par (with a chip in), birdie, birdie to take it to extra holes, Mark was on the green in two and three putted to bogey the hole while John Lemm was in a greenside bunker in 2. John Lemm blasted out to about 3 feet and sunk the par putt to win the match in overtime. They both stated it was a real fun match and was great competition

We now move on to the Semi-Finals with the winners advancing to the final round at Cog Hill #4-Dubsdread. The remaining players are:

Good Luck to Our Match Play Finalist

Hogan Division

Claude Childers vs. Michael Cholewa
Wes Stinich vs. Cliff Levy

Jones Division

Jim Murrow vs. John Lemm
Tom Jenks vs. John Snow

Turning Scores In

Peer review is what the in USGA requires of any golf association. What that means is that you can see if one of your friends or playing partners turned in that really low round that will lower their handicap. NIMAGA requires that all scores be turned in within the handicap period that there are recorded. So if you are a 10 handicap and you shoot a 75 it should be turned by the next reporting period. If a NIMAGA member fails to turn in a low score that has been reported to us we will consider lowering your handicap. Our dual handicap system has made it fair for all of our players but ONLY if they turn in all their scores

Former NIMAGA Member Remembers his Ace!

A former member was recently visited by two current members, Ken Larsen and Roger Scott. When they visited Mr. August (Augie) Rodenbostel, age 89, who is now in a nursing home. He became excited when his NIMAGA days were mentioned and especially when his Hole in One was mentioned. It happened in the early 1980's at the #12 hole on the Silver Lakes North course which was playing about 155 yards. It should be noted that Mr. Rodenbostel also won 3 events over his NIMAGA career. If during a NIMAGA event you get a Hole in One, you will receive a nice plaque from NIAMGA. If you ever make a Hole in one, please let us know about you achievement. Just maybe, if you grow to the young age of 89 you will recall nice memories about NIMAGA!

Speaking of past memories, NIMAGA just played the July two day event at Buffalo Grove Golf Course and at the 4th tee there is memorial plaque honoring former NIMAGA Vice-President Dana Johnson. As NIMAGA prepares to complete 52nd years we should take time to recall our past and late members who helped shape the organization and carried its tradition in the early years! As I write these notes I am reminded that Dana Johnson also wrote the Notes when I was a young member. Back then, the Notes were sent out periodically using US mail. Thank you Dana for your years of service!

Milwaukee Challenge Match Set for September 24th

The Milwaukee Challenge Match is quickly coming up on its 36th year! Each fall approximately 40 NIMAGA members face off with their Milwaukee counterparts in a match play tournament in Evergreen Wisconsin. Shown as an invitational event, this event is now open to the first 40 golfers that apply. Applications will be posted on the Website and an email will be sent to the membership. Plan to get your application in early to enjoy this fabulous event which is scheduled for Saturday September 24th. The 8:00 am Shot-Gun event is followed by a Wisconsin steak dinner. Many choose to arrive on Friday for a practice round and local fish fry dinner. If you have played in the event please consider it, you will not be disappointed! Last year NIMAGA was defeated by MCPLA but we are planning on bringing the CUP back home!

Rules Corner: On the Green: Can I do That?

When I am playing, especially in a tournament there are some questions that come up on the green that are good to know. Here are some of them:

- 1) **You can sweep away loose Impediments with your hand, hat, towel or glove. Remember not to press anything down with these items. (Decision 16-1a/8)**
- 2) **It is ok to stand astride or with one foot touching your line of putt when you tap in if you are doing so to avoid someone's line. (Decision 16-1e)**
- 3) **It is ok when tending the flag to place it on the ground and then pick it up to move it if the putted ball may strike it. (Decision 171/6)**
- 4) **It is ok to remove the flagstick with one hand and tap the ball in with the other provided the ball does not strike the flagstick. (Decision 171/5)**
- 5) **It is ok to step on your line of putt provided you do not improve the line. (Decision 16 1a /12)**
- 6) **It is ok to use the shaft of your club to make the position of hole as long as you treat it like a flagstick and the ball does not touch it. (Decision 17 3/6)**
- 7) **It is ok to re-mark your ball if you think it may have moved because of strong winds or from the slope of the green. You can clean it as well. (Decision 16-18/1)**
- 8) **It is ok to repair spike marks on the green except on your line of putt or if repairing them assist another player. Then you cannot. (Decision 16-1c/4)**
- 9) **It is ok to touch the green on the other side of the hole from where your ball is resting, provided it is not to indicate the line of play. (Rule 8-2b)**
- 10) **It is ok to shade the ball for a period of ten seconds to get the grass to wilt and allow the ball to fall into the hole. After ten seconds you would receive a one stroke penalty. (Decision 16-2/3)**

****These rules are taken from the April, 2011 Golf Digest magazine, page 54.**

UPCOMING EVENTS!

August Classic on August 14th - Deadline was July 29th

August Midweek on August 22nd- Deadline is Aug. 12

Patriots Day Open on September 10th - Deadline is August 26th