

2015 - MISGA 2-MAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

This year's championship tournament was contested on Thursday, August 27, at picturesque Norbeck Country Club in Rockville, MD. In early morning, fifty very talented old-timer 2-man teams (100 players) from 29 of MISGA's 60 member clubs hit the highways of Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania vying for the honor of being crowned MISGA's Gross and Net 2-Man Team Grand Champions. The weather goddess was very cooperative.



She provided ample sunshine and temperatures ranging in the low-to-mid 80s. Norbeck's course, as the norm, was in immaculate playing condition. The tee boxes, fairways, greens and roughs were a golfer's delight. From the forward (*gold tees*), the par 72 course measured 5,790 yards with a course rating of 68.1 and a slope of 124. Playing time ranged from "first in" at 4 hours, 40 minutes to "last in" at 5 hours, 15 minutes.

At conclusion of play, two golden-ager teams had tied for the *Gross Grand Champions* crown with a blistering score of 69. This required a sudden-death playoff. Hence, **Brian Lord & Charles Gouert** (*Rookery North - Div. I*) and **Tom Duvall & Nick Kraft** (*Bretton Woods - Div IV*) proceeded to hole #1 for the shootout. Finally, on hole #4, **Gouert's** approach shot landed about 1 foot from the cup. He sank the birdie putt capturing the *Gross Grand Champions* title, trophy and \$100 each gift certificate for his team.



GROSS GRAND CHAMPIONS

(L-R): **Earl Gentry** (*MISGA President*), **Brian Lord** (*GGC*), **Charles Gouert** (*GGC*), **Lloyd Stimson** (*MISGA Tournament Chairman*), **Jake Jacobi** (*Tournament Coordinator*), **Clark Sisson** (*NCC Head Pro*)

On the **Net** side of the tournament, **Frank Goldstein & Maurice Spedden** (*Prospect Bay - Div. III*) shot a blistering 56. This resulted in a 4 stroke margin of victory over last year's grand champions **Tim Brewer & Patrick Normyle** (*Rattlewood - Div. II*). Teammates **Goldstein & Spedden** each were presented with a **Net Grand Champion** trophy and a \$100 gift certificate for their golfing prowess.



NET GRAND CHAMPIONS
(L-R): **Earl Gentry** (*MISGA President*); **Maurice Spedden** (*NGC*); **Frank Goldstein** (*NGC*); **Lloyd Stimson** (*MISGA Tournament Chairman*); **Jake Jacobi** (*Tournament Coordinator*); **Clark Sisson** (*NCC Head Pro*)

Many thanks and kudos go to the entire staff of Norbeck Country Club. Their hard work and diligence provided MISGA with another fantastic tournament. Much praise and thanks must go to **GM John Warnack** for agreeing to host the *2-Man Team* tournament. Success always starts at the top. Head Pro **Clark Sission**, supported by his very capable assistants, **Andrew Strenger & Mike Grantham**, and the entire Pro Shop staff deserve many thanks and kudos. Their superlative performance resulted in a highly veritable golfing experience for all the finalists. And, once again, **Jay Nalls** and his talented course management staff deserve many thanks and accolades for providing an exceptionally fine playing field. From each tee through every green, the entire course was a joy to play. Gracious thanks and acclaim must go to Catering Director **Charlotte Kates**, Executive Chef **Richard Norton** and the entire dining and bar staff. Once again, they performed in an exemplary manner. The pre-golf luncheon with corned beef, pastrami and turkey was a tasty menu for the arriving golfers. The post-golf cocktail hour with its variety of libations and delectable hors-d'oeuvres provided a proper respite for the finalists. The awards banquet presented the golden-age linksters with a gourmet's double entrée feast (*filet & shrimp*) with equally tasty sides. The ice cream was a proper finale'. Julia Child couldn't have matched this feast of food.

Of course, the success of this year's *2-Man Team* tournament could not have been accomplished without the highly focused, expended elbow grease and management skills of Tournament Coordinator **Jake Jacobi** and Division Director/Division Tournament Chairman **Gary Manion**. Manion's preparation efforts and Jacobi's on-site supervision provided "the right stuff." MISGA owes them many kudos and its gratitude.

Lloyd Stimson

MISGA Tournament Chairman

NOTE: Scroll down for a complete list of all the *2-Man Team* winners (*pages 4 & 5*)

For many more photos of the 2015 *2-Man Team* tournament, open the link below to Tom Tarpley's Photo Pages on the MISGA website.

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NORBECK COUNTRY CLUB -- THURSDAY - AUGUST 27, 2015



GRAND CHAMPIONS *(Trophies & Gift Certificates)*

Finish	Amt.	Grand Champions	Score	Div.	Club
1G	\$100 ea.	LORD, Brian & GOUERT, Charles	69	I	Rookery North
1N	\$100 ea.	GOLDSTEIN, Frank & SPEDDEN, Maurice	56	III	Prospect Bay

(Lord & Gouert defeated Duvall & Kraft on the 4th hole of a sudden-death playoff)



WINNERS *(Gift Certificates)* *(All ties broken by a match-of-cards)*

Finish	Amt.	Gross Winners	Score	Div.	Club
2G	\$80 ea.	DUVALL, Tom & KRAFT, Nick	69	IV	Bretton Woods
3G	\$70 ea.	CAMPBELL, Ray & WALKER, Craig	70	III	Hog Neck
4G	\$60 ea.	ORWIG, Patrick & GREENE, Bradley	72	IV	Hobbits Glen
5G	\$50 ea.	LEE, Kevin & DENEVAN, Frank	72	VI	Univ. of Maryland
6G	\$40 ea.	ROONEY, Dick & ORTON, Steve	74	VI	U.S. Naval Academy
7G	\$30 ea.	YORK, Jay & FRAWLEY, John	74	IV	Montgomery
Finish	Amt.	Net Winners	Score	Div.	Club
2N	\$80 ea.	BREWER, Tim & NORMYLE, Patrick	60	II	Rattlewood
3N	\$70 ea.	JENNELLE, Jim & BROWN, Ron	61	II	Rattlewood
4N	\$60 ea.	SMITH, Cris & GAYLER, Earl	62	IV	Kenwood
5N	\$50 ea.	BELL, Tim & FITZSIMMONS, Bob	63	II	Holly Hills
6N	\$40 ea.	TAYLOR, Tom & WILMSEN, Garey	63	II	Quail Valley
7N	\$30 ea.	EMERT, Joe & WEEMS, Ray	63	VI	Bowie

CLOSEST-TO-THE-PIN *(Box of balls)*

Hole	Yardage	Winner	Dist. to Cup	Div.	Club
3	142 yds.	LARIMER, Rick	4' 4"	I	Garrisons Lake
6	158 yds.	ROONEY, Dick	5' 5"	VI	U.S. Naval Academy
12	160 yds.	TENGWALL, Dave	2' 9"	III	Prospect Bay
16	169 yds.	WILMSEN, Garey	14' 5"	II	Quail Valley

CLOSEST-TO-THE-LINE *(Box of balls)*

Hole	Yardage	Winner	Dist. to Line	Div.	Club
7	404 yds.	BREWER, Tim	1"	II	Rattlewood

WINNERS BY DIVISION

Division	Allotted	Teams	Winners
I	7	7	1
II	10	11*	4
III	5	5*	2
IV	11	11	4
V	4	4	0
VI	11	12	3
TOTAL	48	50*	14

TIME OF PLAY

First Foursome In	4h 40m
Last Foursome In	5h 15m

* Includes the 2014 2-Man Team Gross & Net Grand Champion Teams

