# David Johnson Wins MGCSA Championship At Hillcrest Golf Club of St Paul

The MGCSA extends thanks and appreciation to Hillcrest Golf Club of St. Paul for hosting our Championship on August 28. The support from the club and great condition of the course made for a great day to enjoy golf.

As the field prepared to play, Mother Nature timely sounded the shotgun horn with some thunder but the rain held off for about 16 holes.

David L. Johnson, Rich Spring Golf Course, won a scorecard playoff with Brian Brown, Chisago Lakes Golf Course. David had a consistent round with one birdie and four bogeys to shoot a 75. Brown began his round with three straight bogeys but settled down and had three birdies in the next nine holes. Brown had another string of bogeys to finish with his 75. Three-time champ Jeff Pint, New Prague Golf Course, and 2005 champ Dennis Perreault, Pheasant Acres Golf Club, tied for third with 77s.

**Darren Gilgen, Eau Claire Golf & Country Club, won the First Flight** with a net 62. Eric Ritter, Spooner Golf Club, shot a net 67 to finish in second place. Third place honors went to Chad Belland, Oneka Ridge Golf Course, who fired a net 69.

Greg Paulus, The Ponds at Battle Creek, is this year's Senior champion.



A view of the ninth hole at Hillcrest Golf Club of St. Paul.

Paulus shot a net 67. Last year's

Champion Jim O'Neill, CycleWorks of Minnesota, shot a net 68.

Winning the Callaway Flight was Richard Carr, Interlachen Country Club. Richard shot a net 66. Jeff Whitehurst, Twin City Hydro Seeding, finished second with a net 71.

Our 2007 Long Drive Champion is Jeff Pint. Jamie Olsen, Lesco, sank the longest putt of the day on number 18. Closest-tothe-pin winners were Wally Freier, The Finley Group; Chad Belland, John Steiner, CGCS, White Bear Yacht Club, and Brett Wenzel, Keller Golf Course. Host Superintendent Thomas Schmidt and Assistant Justin Kramer and their staff presented the course in mint condition. Clubhouse manager Bev Johnson-Dumdei and her staff were very helful in pre-tournament prepparations. Brent Heit and his staff scored the event and helped the championship run smoothly.

Special thanks to Van Cooley, Malmborg's, for running the marshmellow shot on the first tee and to Mark Christianson, Yamaha, for displaying their cart. Also, thanks to all our sponsors for the events this year: BASF, Bayer Environmental Services, Cycle Works of Minnesota, Dow Agrosciences, HydroLogic, Lesco, Malmborg's Greenhouse & Garden Center, Mom's Garden Management, Northern Turf Services, Par Aide Products, Plaisted Companies, ProSource One, Superior Tech Products, Syngenta, Tessman Company, Turfwerks and Yamaha.

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Hillcrest Golf Club of St. Paul's Superintendent Tom Schmidt

# CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS Hillcrest Golf Club of St. Paul - Par 72

## **Championship Flight**

- 75 David L. Johnson, Rich Spring GC
- 75 Brian Brown, Chicago Lakes Golf Estates
- 77
- Jeff Pint, New Prague GC Dennis Perreault, Pheasant Acres GC 77
- 78 Barry Provo, Deer Run GC
- Jamie Olsen, Lesco, Inc. 78
- 78 Brooks Ellingson, Albion Ridges GC
- 79 Bill MacDonald, Tiziani Golf Cars
- 79 Scottie Hines, CGCS, Windsong Farm GC
- Jacob Kosak, Prestwick GC 80
- 81 Wayde West, Hoyt Lakes GC
- Jim Johnson, CGC S, Rich Spring GC 82
- 82 Jeff Backstrom, Cannon GC
- 82 Scott Novak, Zumbrota GC
- 82 Bill Brooks, Rose Lake GC
- 83 Gary Deters, St. Cloud CC
- 84 Paul Diegnau, CGCS, Keller GC
- 84 Arik Hemquists, Brackett's Crossing CC
- 86 Daniel Hinton, Jackson GC
- 87 David Newinski, Herfort-Norby
- 87 Ted Schirck, Hydrologic

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- 88 Dean Wojtczak, Whispering Pines GC
- 88 Mark Kamish, Siren National GC
- 89 Tom Proshek, Brackett's Crossing CC
- 97 Steve Makowske, Interlachen CC

- First Flight (Net Scores)
- 62 Darren Gilgen, Eau Claire G&CC
- 67 Eric Ritter, Spooner GC
- 69 Jeff Vinkemeier, Glencoe CC
- 69 Chad Belland, Oneka Ridge GC
- 70 Cary Femrite, MTI Distributing Co.
- 71 James Bade, Somerset CC
- 71 Justin Kramer, Hillcrest GC of St. Paul
- 72 Rob Tripp, Northland CC
- 72 Brett Wenzel, Keller GC
- 73 Leroy Wurm, Albion Ridges GC
- 73 Chuck Tuthill, Thief River GC
- 73 Larry Gorman, GreenImage LLC
- 74 Dennis Salwei, Reinders, Inc.
- 74 Matt Rostal, Interlachen CC
- 74 Charlie Miller, Goodrich GC
- 74 Chuck Schoenrock, The Wilds GC
- 75 Scott Austin, CGCS, Meadowbrook GC
- 75 Erin McManus, Medina G&CC
- 75 Thomas Schmidt, Hillcrest GC of St. Paul
- 76 Jared Finch, Giants Ridge GC
- 76 Mike Knodel, Oakdale GC
- 77 Cliff Cline, Long Prairie CC
- 77 Ron Manske, Versatile Vehicles
- 78 Erik Pille, The Meadows at Mystic Lake
- 78 Jamie Bezanson, Prestwick GC
- 79 Brian Ziegler, The Wilds GC

- Ben Just, Midland Hills CC
- Rob Adams, The Ponds at Battle Creek 80
- 80 Jason Swanson, Hidden Greens GC 80
- Tod Blankenship, Big Fish GC 80
- Dave Kazmierczak, CGCS, Prestwick GC 83 Chad Snuggerud, River Oaks GC
- 84 Kris Johannsen, The Wilds GC
- 84 John Granholt, Eau Claire G&CC
- Wade Vecchio, Pioneer Turf & Equipment 85
- 91 Jim Schmitz, Mom's Garden Management
- Jon Almquist, MTI Distributing Co. 92

#### Senior Flight (Net Scores)

79

- Gregg Paulus, The Ponds at Battle Creek Jim O'Neill, CycleWorks of Minnesota 67
- 68
- John Monson, Long Prairie CC 69
- John Steiner, CGCS, White Bear YC 69
- 70 Brad Klein, Northern Turf Services
- Jerry Webb, CGCS, Riverwood National 73
- 75 Doug Daniel, CycleWorks of Minnesota
- 76 Dan Hanson, St. Cloud CC
- Rick Grannes, Superior Tech Products 76
- 77 Mike Redmond, MTI Distributing Co.
- 78 Walt Braunig, Thompson Oaks GC
- 78 Wally Freier, Finley Group

### Callaway Flight (Net Scores)

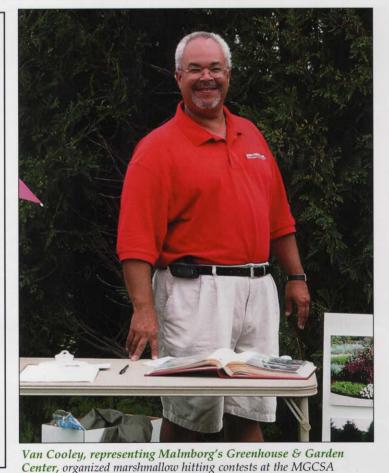
- Richard Carr, Interlachen CC 66
- Jeff Whitehurst, Twin City Hydro Seeding 71
- 71 Brian Boll, Interlachen CC
- Joe Edberg, Tiziani Golf Cars 72
- Brian Grill, Interlachen CC 73
- 74 Bob Frank, MTI Distributing Co.
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- 75 Rick Gabler, Superior Tech Products
- 78 John Meyer, Agrotain International



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