

Grumpy's Grumblings

May 22, 2013. Before I get started on this report, I would like to take my hat off to Bookie — since these weekly summaries were originally his idea. His latest, May 7th, was our 81st to date and the librarian has authored half of them.

The last two weeks! This review will cover May 7-20 inclusive and the events are #40-54. Did you know that Grumpy is a bit of a numbers guy?

Well here are some numbers for you to crunch. There have been 185 Slammers to play on the Tour so far this year. Sixty-two of them are rookies so it looks like the Tour will continue to grow. Some have returned, too, proving that once you become a Slammer, it's tempting to come back for some good old match-play. Flash and Wilford were welcome sights!

Occasionally we hear stories about how people found out about the Tour, or what prompted them to join. I would like to share one that I heard recently, and I have a prize for the first person to tell me to whom I refer.

He was a member at Kingsway Park a couple of years ago, and, at the course playing golf, he saw us Slammers on the course, took note of our Tour banner, took note of the website URL and went home to look us up.

He thought that it all looked pretty good, so on our second weekend of 2012, there he was at Prescott playing in his first event. Apparently still liking it, he played his 25th career event last weekend. Do you know who this Slammer is? Send your guess to grumpy@slammertour.com.

My theme for this summary is the 100th Event Milestone. Rulz was the first Slammer to play in his 100th and did so on August 4th, 2004 at Cloverdale where he defeated Newsy & PK Nolan and held on to tie Snapper.

The list in the middle of this summary shows the fastest 10 to reach 100 events. Gator will break that record soon and become the quickest ever. Juice was the 41st Slammer to get there on Saturday May 11th at Canadian.

Did you know that when you play in your 100th event, you earn a milestone award? Juice has already ordered her Slammer shirt. Who will be next? Pepilepu, Pommie or Bubba!



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Fastest Slammers to reach 100 events!

Slammer (# Days) Date

Grumpy (460)	21/07/2010
Boomer (499)	08/10/2006
IronMaiden (570)	08/11/2009
Cuba (643)	09/04/2011
Ticklar (725)	29/04/2006
KaDaver (752)	14/06/2011
PizzaMan (764)	22/05/2010
Steamer (785)	01/07/2009
ProZee (829)	01/04/2007
Kricket (868)	02/09/2007



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Bookie will win a pair of shoes after five more events when he hits his career 400th. PizzaMan is next to earn an umbrella when he hits 300. DeeJay and KaDaver are in a race to be the 26th Slammer to earn their 200th-event jacket.

Some other milestones... IronMaiden defeated BogeyMan at Buckingham on May 12th. Happy Mother's Day to the only mother in the group! This was her 500th career win and she was the 7th ever to do so.

PointZero was the 10th Slammer to score 100 skins. KaDaver was the 20th to reach 300 wins when he beat T-Bone at The Marshes. Sunny earned his 500th career point when he defeated X-Tour last Friday at Falcon Ridge. In the same event, Wilford gained his 300th point, just six days after Pepilepu was the 37th to get to that plateau. Stevie Ray's next birdie will be his 200th and DeeJay's next will be his 150th. IronMaiden is stuck at 99 career dogs.

Speaking about Bubba, he is about to go under the knife for his carpal tunnel syndrome. Also having an operation is T-Bird (was in his last event for a while at Edelweiss, last Monday), who is about to have his gall bladder removed.

Smitty is almost recovered from his appendectomy and will play his first event this upcoming Saturday. Well the Sens went through a year with many operations, so now I guess we Slammers are following suit.

Those poor Leafs fans: the abuse continues! Sometimes, though, they even do it to themselves. So, with regrets to Blue, The Enigma, Number 7, PinShark, ShortStack, T-Bone and Wilford (and a few that don't tell us as loudly), here is one that Blue *has* shared: he is playing Grumpy next week in a Senior Tour Championship match and he's been having these dreams where he is up three with three to play, but Grumpy comes back to tie — then wins on the first extra hole.

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