

Week in Review, by Anonymous

October 29, 2012. Was that eight events in seven straight days, or seven events in seven straight days? Both, of course!

Nearly the end of October and the golf gods provided near perfect weather for the entire week — except for a minor dust-up with Hurricane Sandy. To match this, the Tour organized eight events covering all seven days!

The first event at Champlain was irresistible because the course manager asked the Slammer Tour to be a “focus group” of sorts. Obviously, they really don’t know Slammers because while we are a group, being focussed isn’t the first thing that comes to my mind. Nonetheless, it was free golf and free drinks for all who showed up and in return, the course wanted feedback — and *did* they get an earful! Actually, by all accounts, the course was viewed quite positively. Nice greens!

There was no baloney from Maloney who took first star, going 3-0 and collecting a couple of birdies, a skin and a dog. Grumpy played in the event.

On Tuesday at Outaouais, we got to play South-West for the first time this year. The greens were magnificent and the course was challenging, although first star, PointZero, managed to go 3-0 with a couple of birdies and three skins, putting him within two of the leading lady (aka Eddie).

Après un mois au sud de France, KaDaver a noté son retour avec un victoire contre DeeJay dans les demi finales au niveau Senior. Alors, il avance au championnat contre Ticklar, le vendredi suivant. Grumpy played in the event.

If it’s Wednesday, it must be Cedarhill and Davestator took the #1 star, upsetting a couple of opponents. While he was doing that, a contender for Ottawa Sun Rookie of the Year, Gator, was adding a 53rd event to his season, setting a new record — must be retired! And someone who is definitely not retired used the Cedarhill battleground to bring home the Cascagnette Cup with his decisive win over Chef for the TC Open Championship. Grumpy played in the event.

Thursday was a blue day at Hammond. Starting out a bit cloudy and cold, the day changed with the appearance of another full field of slammers who reportedly started shedding layers. What *was* important was Blue’s performance which included 3-0, four skins and a 64-rung jump in rankings to finish 28th — good enough for first star. Grumpy played in the event.

Friday was summer-like with the main event going down at the magnificent Loch March. A secondary event was then added at Manderley, for those who couldn’t get into LM and who couldn’t fathom going to the office on such a spectacular day. One literary OC wrote “the autumn colours of amber, gold, yellow and red accented the golf course, the glorious sun with little wind warmed our bodies and souls and the golf course was excellent”.



The Slammies!

Dec. 7, Falcon Ridge

Bring a loved one for a wonderful feast!

The Week’s Highlights

Three TC Champions were crowned: **Rio** in the Open; **KaDaver** in the Senior; and **The Enigma** in the D

IronMaiden sets the single-season doggie record with 48

Gator plays in his 53rd event in his rookie season — another new record

Grumpy plays seven of seven consecutive days — a record that leaves him only two behind in the full season record of 101 events — and with a couple of weeks still to go

Enjoy the last couple of weeks on the Tour, and don’t forget to sign up for the Slammies!

Malone received the first star at Manderley, going undefeated with two dogs and seven non-skins. Meanwhile back at the Kanata/Carp ranch, lots was happening. Bikini clad “Eddie” went skinless and doggieless but still held leads in both categories. Group three, consisting of PointZero, Sunny, Ticklar and KaDaver managed to hog the skins collectively taking seven of eight of them. Grumpy upped his event total to 97, closing in on the record of 101, and KaDaver took first star, edging Ticklar for the Senior TC while collecting two birds, two skins and two dogs — too bad the skulls are retired!

The 7th event took place on Saturday at Casselview where the Slammers were treated quite nicely by the staff. The real “Eddie” was still standing on the par-three 3rd when the last group passed through so The Maiden added another doggie to her new total of 47 (only the second time this has been reached). She also birdied the hole, making her the 13th Slammer to reach 50 skins in a season.

Meanwhile, her better half (sorry, other half) snatched first-star honours playing an outstanding round that included all wins, two birds and two skins that launched him to the upper echelon ranking of #4. While this was happening, poor Sunny won all of his matches, too, but dropped four spots in the rankings. Grumpy played in the event.

Sunday challenged the Slammers to take on the remnants of Hurricane Sandy and 11 pounced on the chance to play Manderley for the second time this week. The first star was The Enigma who took down Pommie in the D-Class TC championship match. By tossing in a victory over The Maiden, he upped his season winning percentage against her to 20%. He might want to consider a name change to “Hardhead”. The Maiden added a doggie and did I mention that Grumpy played in the event?

If I may grumble: have you ever made a spectacular putt only to have it lip out and come back to you because the cup was damaged — feeling frustrated and disrespected by those ahead of you? Scientific research conducted by yours truly indicates that the leading cause of “cup damage” during Slammer events is the two foot rule. Well, any time you put your putter head in the hole to measure out the Circle of Love, *is* “cup damage” — so, over the winter, please re-mark your putters at **24 inches from the grip end** — and starting next season, you can place your index finger on the end of the grip and gently place it at the edge of the hole and measure outward. And because you might actually have to bend down to do this, you’ll improve your physical fitness!



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