Bookie's Week in Review

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Is anything more unpredictable than golf? A horse race? A Canadian election?

Last week I was singing the praises of Smitty who had gone 23-1 so far this season and I predicted a Number One in his future. Well I guess I gave him the "announcer's curse" – he was nearly tenholed by Malone in his next outing! Sorry about that Mr. Smitty. At that same event at Outaouais (the scene of the EG Opener on May 21), besides Malone, both Crenshaw and Jelvis go 3-0. Welcome to the Tour, Jelvis, and well done!

Speaking of unpredictability, at this event there were only *two* skins. As a result, Malone and Smitty collect 35 cool ones. That's why, gang, you should *always* participate in the skins game – you just never know! Even your faithful correspondent of modest golfing skills scored the only skin at an event a couple of years ago and came away with 70 bones. Take heed!

On a rather cool and rain-threatening Wednesday, 11 Slammers showed up at Metcalfe. As it turned out, there were just a few drops to dance through toward the end of the round. Earning firststar honours, Sutty finds sweet revenge as he gets back at Grumpy for a recent thumping. And a rare eagle landed: ProZee makes short work of no. 15: driver, laser 3-wood and snaking 30footer in the hole. Congrats!

On Friday there wasn't so much rain as there was the remains of the rain. Puddleview Pineview was the site of a decent showing by Hacker, KidsClub and Blue. I'm sure the presence of so much water was the reason eight guys contributed over \$25 to the kids.

Things had dried out nicely by Saturday as reports indicate that eQuinelle was in fantastic shape – the best of the year, even better than Maryland. Once again Number One was on the line and...once again the defence failed.

Chef wrests the honour from Ticklar and almost hands it on to TeeDub.

The competition on the Slammer Tour has really tightened up. (Note to Grumpy, the statman: see if the number of ties and matches that finish on the 18th increase this year.) FishHawk scores an eagle with an 85-yard hole-out on #11. Well done!

For those not quick enough on their mouse to sign up for eQuinelle, there was another event at Nationview. Among the eight players who participated, PizzaMan resurfaces with the low round of the day and both IronMaiden and Stevie Ray make good showings as well. And someone (Stevie Ray?) invents another term for a Slammie Max. You've heard of hockey sticks and snowmen. Well now we have the snowcone for a 9. Not sure it'll catch on. Let's just hope you never have to worry about it!

The weekend finished up with two events on Mother's Day. At the Marshes, two rookies made an appearance: Caveman and Danger. Welcome to the Tour.

KaDaver continues his good play taking down some very formidable opponents: Ruskie, ParBreaker and Cuba. He also takes a skin with a par on the infamous Hole Number Two.

And finally there was Casselview. I'm not exactly sure what went on at this event. It's shrouded in some of Grumpy's cryptic comments and, unless it's a misprint, Chilly gathers a First AND Second star. Hmmm....how does that work? Well one thing is for sure: the kids made a decent haul on this Mother's Day. Also of note is that Sunshine records her first skin with a par on Number One. See what I mean? Always go in for the skins!

