

Bookie's Breakdown

September, 2014. Here's a summary of the 2014 Slammer season, so far... with lots of outdoor golf still left to play!

In the middle of this 2014 Slammer Tour season, I've been asked to provide a summary of the story so far. No problem – a bit like reducing Les Miserables to a Twitter feed:

Guy steals loaf of bread, goes to jail, escapes, becomes mayor, loves candlesticks, is pursued by zealous cop, confesses. French Revolution in background. Bread was mouldy!

Well I'll give it a shot anyway.

At this point we've had nearly 200 events in the outdoor season and great participation from nearly 150 Slammers, who have each played in at least five events. Among this number are 35 rookies who are welcome additions to the Tour. I might finger one in particular: FingZ. He bears a physical challenge with great good humour and livens up any foursome he's with. His dog-ball marker is rather memorable (to put it mildly!) and somehow... makes up for his missing digit!

The competition for the top spot in the rankings is always of interest. So far this year only nine Slammers have occupied that spot. There were the usual suspects: McGee666, Malone, and Fowler. But also achieving that exalted status were Pouf, F6Noob, Sunny, GoTee, and Smitty. And perhaps most notably, we had the first woman Slammer to gain the top spot: IronMaiden. Congratulations!

Aside from the top spot, we should give special mention to McGee666 who has compiled a winning percentage of 96.2% over 30 events. This is jaw-droppingly amazing! Only three Slammers were able to best him: Woodsy, Malone, and Fowler.

On the other hand, even with this outstanding winning percentage, he'll have to play in a lot more events to catch up to our overall points leader, IronMaiden, who has accumulated 310 points in 80 events. The next best showing is by Cuba with 260. McGee666 lags way behind with a paltry 155, exactly half of IM's number.



Another point to be made about Woodsy's defeat of McGee666 is that it was a TC Open match and now Woodsy will meet Malone to decide the champion in that division. Several of the TC winners have been determined already: Fodder has won the A division, defeating Chilly; IronMaiden, the Ladies B, taking chill in 20 holes; chill, the Ladies A, taking IronMaiden on the 18th; and Duker who won the Junior title. Congratulations to all.

Of course, at every event there is recognition for the top Slammer that day, the First Star. And then there are the star of stars – those who have been tapped for First-stardom on several occasions. The Slammer who was named First Star most often was none other than chill – nine times. Just behind her was GoTee at eight, followed by Sunny with seven commendations, and then with six each, Juice, PointZero, IronMaiden and Fowler (his were gained in only 12 events).

Another competition of great interest is the race for the Culligan Cup that goes to the Slammer scoring the most number of dogs during the season. Last year GoTee captured the cup rather easily with 31 dogs (the next best being 24). Well it appears that he's once again nailing these dogs rather regularly having accumulated 34 already -- although he is getting some competition from Juice who has 31 and IronMaiden with 28. It could get close before the end of the year.

The competition in this year's Commish's Cup was extremely close. IronMaiden's Team South took the title 53 points but the next three teams came in at 52, 51, and 50 points. Certainly the closest race yet.

Still lots of golf to be played... until the snow flies!

Holes-In-One

With so many rounds being played, the chances of someone making a hole in one were great. And indeed, there have been four already!

Kaki, Chicklets, and Gru have also made holes-in-one in non-Slammer outings. Well done!

**HawkEye
Marshes #17**

**BigGuy
Gatineau #10**

**Pearls
Loyalist #2
\$735**

**Sunny
Talon #12
\$684**



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