

Bookie's Week in Review

November 14-20, 2011



News Briefs...

Don't miss the 2011 Slammies, December 2nd at Falcon Ridge.

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Well here it is gang, the official last week of the season and ergo the last official summary of the week's ups, downs and sidewayses! (If Carroll's walrus can make up words, why not me?) The weather was quite cooperative and allowed five events to take place without too much sog, ice or wind-whipping.

1. At Gatineau on Monday only four Slammers showed up – I guess Monday is not the best day for the Slammers – too many hangovers? But it was well worthwhile for those that did show – all sc*red in the 70s! Burnsy, Ticklar, Ruskie and ZenGirl. Nice!
2. The following day 12 showed up at Pine View. Malone really seems to be rounding into form, consistently scoring well and besting the competition. This day along with a 3-0 record over DeeJay (very close), Clang and PointZero, he managed four birdies and a dog.
3. I have to give over another point of the 18 to Malone just to highlight the great job he's done this year in setting up the regular events and masterfully planning the special events such as the Opener, Wind-Up, the EG Club Championship and the Smugglers' Glen Get-Away. All this and having a baby too! Well done, sir!
4. Back at Pine View, we mustn't forget the stars earned by Blue and Ripzone, although the latter star was characterized as "lame" – maybe because he was still wearing sandals?
5. Falcon Ridge has become a mainstay of the Slammer Tour and is also the home course of Ticklar, Chilly PuttPutt, Toro and others.
6. It was also the scene of Wednesday's event and, from the voluble but cryptic summary, the occasion of certain shenanigans. There was the inevitable showdown for Number One as Woodsy soldiered on to attempt to defend his ranking in mid-November and not just lose it by default. Unfortunately, Ticklar got in his way and took him down on the 14th. Guess that's why it's his home course!
7. Having star-worthy days also were Papa Malone and DeeJay.
8. At said course, it's always interesting how people manage Am*n Corner (to thwart the Masters' lawyers), and it was quite the gamut! Ticklar goes one over par; Stevie Ray scores the only par on 12; and another Slammer comes in just two under a full Slammie Max for the three holes (I won't mention his name – might get grumpy).
9. Cedar Glen is always one of the last to close. A few years ago we played there in December and then after more snow and a melt, we played it again in January! So it's not surprising that one of the last official events took place on Saturday.
10. PizzaMan was the OC at his favourite course. Apparently his name is derived by something that happened there years ago. A bet on a birdie or some such?

11. And the course apparently still agrees with him since he earned third star with a nice four-twenties and a 3-0. Also performing well were Clang, and Boomer – aka Dough Boy. Dough Boy? Is Boomer okay with this?
12. Quotable of the week: "The Game almost hit us on the tee, but nobody was upset, I think they were afraid to say anything." There's nothing to fear; his nickname should be Gentle Giant.
13. The final event of the season was on Sunday at the Canadian. Forty Slammers signed up but only 38 showed up – obviously a couple don't know about the basic Slammer creed: only snow will keep us from our appointed rounds.
14. The day was, at times, even pleasant. The sun shone and the wind died down and, thankfully, it didn't rain! The cold did descend for the last three or four holes – making for a rather fast run to the clubhouse!
15. It was nice that Number One was on the line at the last event. Ticklar was the defender and his challengers were Chilly, Lucky and KaDaver. Lucky was not a factor as he exited by the 14th. Ticklar managed a tie with KaDaver but, sorry Ticklar, there's no other way to put it: the big guy was hammered by Chilly, succumbing on the 15th, so once again, Chilly takes #1 for the end of the year and will win the Combat Hockey Cup at the Slammies on December 2nd at Falcon Ridge.
16. Since it was such a large event, I won't attempt a recapitulation here but rather direct you to Grumpy's complete [report](#), his Guinness-book-of-world-records 40th event as OC! Perhaps the most interesting feature of such a big event is the skins competition since it would be expected that very few skins would be captured. And indeed such was the case – only three. ProZee with a bird on number four, a pretty challenging par 4; and Sunny grabbed the other two with birdies on the 7th and 9th holes, both par-3s. Nice haul: 120 bones!
17. Not much to say for this point.
18. Well that's it. Another year gone down the hole(s). I've enjoyed writing these summaries and found them to be a challenge at times. Sometimes others have tried their hand at them and done quite a good job. Perhaps next year we could set up a regular rotation for the authorship. Just to give a little more variety. See you on the links in 2012!

Official 2011 Combat Sports Rankings

1) Chilly	2) Ticklar
3) Woodsy	4) Chef
5) Malone	6) Burnsy
7) Rulz	8) PizzaMan
9) ProZee	10) Clang



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