

THE SKINNY - Week One *(Inside Nine)*

OBSERVATIONS FROM THE GREEN TEES: (Greg Waldie)

Another golf season has begun!

I was in the last group, so I didn't get a chance to see some of you in the clubhouse after play, but it was good to hear that many of the league newbies stopped into the 19th hole. One of the greatest benefits of playing in the league is getting to know others in a more relaxed setting.

For all of you who are new to the league, **I need your assistance!!** As you play your upcoming league rounds, please take note of newsworthy things that happen on the golf course and pass them on to me. You may include photos, a funny story you can pass along in the clubhouse, or something that you want to write up yourself. Cub reporters are always welcome!

Please don't be shy! This game of golf can be very frustrating, so it is important that we see the humor in it as well. There are a variety of topics covered in the Skinny, such as Quotes of the Week, On Course Antics, Fashion Corner, Schmidt Happens, Hole Prize Winners, Nasty Golfer, and, of course, a review of the Skins game. If you have ideas for new features, please pass them along to me.

I apologize in advance for the focus on Rusty Meska in this initial publication. He gets a lot of press for several key reasons: 1) He does a lot of funny things on the course; 2) His partner is Tom "The Prez" Burnie and he also does a lot of funny things on the course; 3) They are always in the clubhouse after play; and finally, 4) They make a point to tell me about the funny things they do.

If you tell me your stories, you won't have to hear so much about Rusty and Tom!

ON COURSE REPORTERS:

Probably the hottest topic of the week was the use of the green tees by some of us who have reached the ripe old age of 60. I can say from experience, it certainly was a different view on many of the holes.

It was reported that Rusty Meskaed up his first hole of the year in fine fashion. His tee shot did not make it to the green tees. His second shot did not make it to the forward (ladies) tees. This is what we refer to as an RNI, or a double RNI in this case. I am sure that most of you know about the unwritten rule regarding not reaching the forward tees with your tee shot. You'll have to ask a league veteran what RNI stands for.

Another story from Rusty...on #7. Tom's opponent, Howard, "low net" Peston, had a nice drive along the left side of the fairway, about 150 yards to the green for his second shot. Rusty, expressing to Howard, "Don't even worry about that tree!" So, Howard swings and, sure enough, he hits that tree squarely. Word has it, he had a net gain of 25 yards!

There was considerable chatter in the clubhouse about Andy "Pinto" Bean. According to anonymous sources, he didn't necessarily deserve to break 50 Thursday night!! His only saving grace was his ability to beg for "gimmies".

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"Every miss felt great!" This was Rusty Meska explaining, in utter disbelief, how he managed to hit some of his wayward shots.

GOLF HUMOR:

A 5 Hour Walk Turns Bad. The Doctor is a Bit Worried.



During my physical examination, my doctor asked me about my physical activity level.

I described a typical day, “Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five hour walk about 7 miles through some pretty rough terrain. I waded along the edge of a lake. I pushed my way through brambles. I got sand in my shoes and my eyes. I avoided standing on a snake. I climbed several rocky hills. I took a few ‘leaks’ behind some big trees. The mental stress of it all left me shattered. At the end of it all I drank eight beers.”

Inspired by the story, the doctor said, “You must be one hell of an outdoors man!”

“No,” I replied, “I’m just a sh*%ty golfer.”

NASTY GOLFER AWARD:

Gabe Beam was the runaway winner of the Nasty Golfer award with a net score of 47! He told me his 61 was the highest score he has ever shot and then, when he got home, found out his daughter broke her leg. Tough day indeed!



SKINS BREAKDOWN:

Hole 1: **Jerry Laban** starts out the year, in grand fashion, with a birdie and wins a Skin

Hole 2: **Greg Waldie** birdies here for a Skin and **Brian Steavens** wins a Net Skin

Hole 3: **Doug "2M's&N's" Kammann** kept the birdie string going with a deuce and a Skin.

Hole 4: Finally, pars ruled on this hole and there were.....NO SKINS OUT!

Hole 5: "**Labanski**" came back with another birdie for a Skin and a Net Skin win

Hole 6: Pars galore here andNO SKINS OUT!

Hole 7: Several pars here despite that tough pin.....NO SKINS OUT!

Hole 8: **Waldie** (who is this guy) has another birdie for a Skin and **Howard Peston** wins a Net Skin

Hole 9: Two birdies by Anderson and Corey cancel each other, but **Jenn Anderson** wins a Net Skin

Poker Hand: **Candace Schomisch** had five 5s to win the poker hand and a share of the pot.

Final Tally: 27 players in the game for a total pot of \$54/10 = \$5.40 each with Laban picking up \$16.20

Thanks for participating in the Skins game!