

THE SKINNY - Week Four (Inside Nine)

OBSERVATIONS FROM THE DROP AREA FOR THE 8th HOLE: (Greg Waldie)

I discovered that it is not nearly as funny to be the Nasty Golfer of the Week as I had previously thought. In fact, I could have easily skipped the Skinny for week four.

But, in the spirit of the Skinny, where golf levity is what it is all about, I must subject you to my golf foibles once again in the Nasty Golfer section.

ON COURSE REPORTERS:

My sources told a story about Rob Earley hitting his tee shot to the right on #3. As he walked toward his ball, a disgusting person (he couldn't be called a golfer) who was playing #6 on the outside nine picked up Rob's ball and began walking away. Rob is no stranger to calling others out regarding a compliance issue and he yelled out to the offending party. So what dastardly deed did this schmuck do next...he lackadaisically tossed Rob's ball up over his head, where it landed right behind a tree and he walked off. Rob was about ready to chase him down and duke it out with the fiend when his level-headed partner Arthur intervened and convinced Rob to let it go...

Mike Nelson made a decree that he was not going to swear until at least the 4th hole and this was an edict that he could not live up to.

An unnamed source reported that Katie "Pure as the Driven Snow" Conklin even lost her cool on Thursday night and spewed a blue streak of her own. Oh my!!

Here's a story written by Art "Mr. Harmony" Kelley:

Rob Earley received a \$10.00 prize at last year's outing for tallying ZERO greens in regulation for the season. Well, that is not happening this year. On hole #2, Rob hit a very nice drive down the right side that managed to find air as it flew through a tree overhanging the edge of the fairway. His second shot landed 20 yards in front of the green, takes a hoppy roll, misses the left side trap, and then with some encouragement, rolls onto the green by, let's say, the diameter of one golf ball. It must have been the 10-15 yard advantage from those forgiving senior tees!

QUOTES OF THE WEEK:

"If you had hit that any softer, the ball would have stuck to the putter face." This was Carl Bond describing the tough downhill putt that Jerry Laban had on #6.

"Those stupid little things add up!" This was Ryan Holmes discussing the frustrations of this game. Yeah, tell me about it Ryan!!

"I held the branch, so he could hit his shot." This person shall remain nameless for the moment, until the rules committee comes 'a callin'. Of course, a writer never divulges his sources.

NASTY GOLFER AWARD:



I could not stand the idea of someone else taking my picture with this trophy monstrosity, so this “selfie” will have to do. Like my golf game...it took me several shots to get what I wanted...if you can call it that. I’d like to think I look like a movie or TV star in photos, but looking like Dick Vitale is not what I had in mind.

Yours truly has now had the pleasure of experiencing the Nasty Golfer of the Week award and the fine trophy. It is an ‘honor’ that I was desperately trying to avoid, but stupid shots and big numbers on a few holes got the best of me. I had particular fun on #8, where I dumped two golf balls into the pond. More than anything, I was disappointed to finish 7-7-5 and lose my match by 1 shot! We must keep telling ourselves this is fun!!

HOLE PRIZE WINNERS:

Closest to 150 yd marker in 1, #7 – Ryan Holmes
Most Greens in Regulation – Jerry Laban (Jerry played very well!)

SKINS BREAKDOWN:

Hole 1: A nice birdie start by **Ethan Olds** who wins a Skin
Hole 2: Nothing but pars here.....**NO SKINS OUT!**
Hole 3: **Patty Groh** makes a fine deuce here for a Skin and Net Skin win
Hole 4: **Jerry Laban** makes a perfect chip for a birdie and a Skin win
Hole 5: A number of pars and one belongs to **Gabe Beam** for a Net Skin
Hole 6: A birdie 4 for **Jeff Kroupa** wins him a Skin
Hole 7: **Carl Bond** hits a terrific second shot for an ‘easy’ birdie and Skin
Hole 8: **Patty Groh** makes a second deuce and doubles up again with a Skin and Net Skin
Hole 9: Offsetting birdies by Murphy and Olds on the closer.....**NO SKINS OUT!**

Poker Hand: **Shannon Beebe** had a full-house of 6s over 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 Groh carding \$21.60

Thanks for participating in the Skins game!