

THE SKINNY - Week Six (North Nine)

OBSERVATIONS FROM BELOW A WHIRLYBIRD: (Greg Waldie)

No one seems to like being the Nasty Golfer any more. Even easy-going Howard Peston reached a tipping point last Thursday. He just couldn't take any more insults from this game we love...and hate. On the last hole, the relentless rudeness of golf overtook Howard and he launched his putter high enough to create a whirlybird sound. As I stood over my 4-footer, I had the thought that a helicopter was going over, but then it landed with a thud.

ON COURSE REPORTERS:

Speaking of #9, Larry Perfitt must have had the shot of the week. Let me set the scene. As we walked off #9 tee, I mentioned to Carl (my partner) that he still had one more stroke to pick up on Larry, his opponent. Carl definitely took this to heart and hit a gorgeous second shot into that green. Meanwhile, Larry hit a so-so drive, a poor second shot, and a so-so third shot. His ball was about 30 yards in front of the green for his 4th shot. Unbeknownst to me, Carl had walked up and marked his ball...about one foot from the hole. So, he is thinking, I'm going to pick up at least one shot and probably more. But, Larry wasn't done. He proceeded to hit a low whistling shot that went over the crest of the green's front level and barreled right at the hole. It hit the pin dead on and bounced backwards, but it had so much over spin that it spun right back into the hole for an easy par and a tied match!

Here's story from one of our roving reporters (Mike Longstreet):

Koz earned himself a new name – OB wan Koznobi. Tough night as he hit 5 out of the star system (OB) in the first six holes. Fortunately, he was able to replace them when, on the 4th hole, he found not only his drive but a few other orphan Ewoks nestled together under the bridge. His drop shot went left of the cart path where his trusty bloodhound, ChewbaKroupa, fresh from sniffing out his own from the right ditch, tracked it down. After they agreed upon an ideal extraction strategy, the force was strong within OB wan Koznobi. The carefully planned recovery shot nailed the, forgotten to be moved, golf cart and banked into the open – as if Yoda willed it. In the end he was poised for a great finish, or so we thought, when his second shot on the 9th ended up just mere paces off the right side of the green. Hurrahs were anxious to erupt. Turned out, however, it wasn't his ball he hit. F@#\$%ing dark side anyway!

See Howard having fun next to #3 tee below. This turned into a Quad RNI!



We happened to meet up with John DeRose's brother (below) roaming around on the course Thursday night.



Andy "Kidney" Bean was sky high when he reached the clubhouse Thursday night and his head was seriously inflated. He had shot his best score of the year (on the Nasty North), a net 31, and had won 9 of 11 points. He was frantically lobbying for 'player of the week' and said he had to kind of crook his neck to get his head through the door of the clubhouse. There was even a comment about him being on his way to being the "A" player.

GOLF HUMOR:

Signs that you might be a golfaholic.....

- You have a pet name for any of your golf clubs or bag
- You schedule events, parties, or functions so they won't interfere with your tee time
- You spend over \$300 on a new club solely for the hope that you might gain an extra 3 yards with it
- You only remember the great shots you had... you're in complete denial about those bunkers
- You have nightmares about hitting the ball into hazards
- Your copy of Hogan's 5 Lesson's is the only book you have opened in the last year
- You clean your clubs more than your car
- You take your own putter to mini golf
- You think someday you'll shoot your age, when a more realistic goal would be to shoot your weight

(Editor's Note: You mean not everyone does these things??)

QUOTES OF THE WEEK:

"I went 2 days without eating and had an organ removed and lost 3 ounces!" This was Troy Boy expressing the important things he was thinking about when his appendix burst and he had to undergo emergency surgery.

"You went from a lady to a man overnight." In between his incessant whines about getting beat soundly, fun league sub, Dave Madilla, couldn't resist ribbing Jerry Labanowski about his beautiful new red Ford truck. (For those of you who don't know, Jerry had been a long time mini-van driver)

The truck envy continued...Rusty Meska felt a serious need to add his two cents. Apparently his wife Cathy, mentioned Jerry's new shiny truck as well and even though Rusty had recently purchased a new motorcycle, he was feeling a great need to go truck shopping...immediately, if not sooner.

Rusty also proudly announced, "Hey, I went the whole 9 holes without having to towel off!"

“Serenity now” Well, at least he wasn’t saying “Johnny, Johnny, Johnny”, before hitting his first tee shot OB. Guess who.

“They wore the starter out on that cart.” Carl Bond commenting on the PP team’s stop and start night.

“I’ll give you 2 ½ shots and we’ll play for a beer.” This was Brian Steavens getting ready to play Rusty Meska. Rusty took him up on it. Although, Brian did not show in the clubhouse, the final result is shown below.

Text Message 7:46 PM

I o u a beer. Brian

FASHION CORNER:

A man in black always stands out!



NASTY GOLFER AWARD:

A very tough night for Howard...but he has recovered with a smile.



HOLE PRIZE WINNERS:

Longest putt on #3 – John DeRose
Lowest Net on the Par Fives – Lee Woodruff (9)

SKINS BREAKDOWN:

- Hole 1: Nothing but pars here.....NO SKINS OUT!
- Hole 2: Again, nothing but pars here.....NO SKINS OUT!
- Hole 3: More pars.....NO SKINS OUT!
- Hole 4: Offsetting birdies by Laban and Bond.....NO SKINS OUT!
- Hole 5: Boring...more pars.....NO SKINS OUT!
- Hole 6: **Ethan Olds** breaks the streak with a nice birdie, a Skin and Net Skin
- Hole 7: Back to pars, but one belonged to **Ryan Holmes**, who won a Net Skin
- Hole 8: Birdies by Olds and **Lee Woodruff** and he wins a Net Skin
- Hole 9: **Carl “Bondo” Bond** ends well with a birdie and Skin

Poker Hand: **Lee Woodruff** had a straight to win the poker hand and another share of the pot.

Final Tally: 27 players in the game for a total pot of \$54/6 = \$9.00 each

Thanks for participating in the Skins game!