

12th DICK'S HATBAND RECAP: Round 1...

Two time DHB Champion Brett W. Tilly made it thru "W's Corner" mostly in tact enroute to a net 70 taking the first round lead at Bloomington's Den at Fox Creek. Typically W's nemesis, the Den's brutal fifth, sixth and seventh holes bared no teeth at him this time.

Phil Tilly and Dan Grimm fed off of each other's curmudgeonry and fired solid 71's from the early group. Threesomemate, Jeff Doeden carded a 77 in a lackluster defense of his DHB title.

HHS stalwart Eric Nieukirk's 73 will keep him in the hunt at least for a while. Ern was leading the round as late as the fourteenth hole.

Everybody else played mostly uninspired golf with no highlights of note except for Todd Tilly's smokin line drive off the tee on number 8. Straight into Tommy Wagner's golf cart which was parked inexpicably directly in front of the tee box. Like right in front. As in directly. For the record, Wags did offer to move it.

12th DICK'S HATBAND RECAP: Round 2...

After a ninety minute weather delay, second round action began in rainy conditions at Metamora Fields (MFER) amidst some minor underbreath grumbling and traditional "Its not worth it" ing.

Predictably, the rain and slop were no match for Denny Dennis the Mudder Tilly and his day low round of 65. DT vaulted from second to last, up the leader board, to tied for fourth at three over par.

To keep his nerves in check, Todd Tilly hummed the tune of The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald with its hyper-repetitive chord progression. It worked. His 66 has him tied for the lead at one under par going into moving day.

Tennessee Ernie Nieukirk continued his mind-numbing beat down of the field. A 69 puts Care Bear tied atop the leader board.

Defending champion Jeff Doeden continued his uninspired defense of his title and sits at four over par.

12th DICK'S HATBAND RECAP: Round 3...

For a few it was a giant moving day. For others, a day of giant movements. Tommy Wagner's incredible 62 took him out of a four-way tie for sixth and put him in the lead by two shots going into the final round on Saturday. Joining TWags in the leaders' last group will be Andy Schlicksup, Brett W. Tilly and Eric Nieukirk. Schlickel bounded up

from twelfth place to fourth with a 64 while W. and LeBeau played steady golf all day to stay near the top.

For Todd Tilly, instead of imagining the tune of the Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald, it actually was the Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald. His 75 dropped him back a group and into a tie for fifth with heem brother Brad who gots a 70.

PVT was perhaps even more unseaworthy in hitting his iceberg of a 78. Meanwhile, with very little mud on the course today, Denny Dennis the Mudder Tilly sank to the bottom under the weight of his 85.

12th DICK'S HATBAND RECAP: Final Round...

On a clear but windy Saturday, Brett W. Tilly overcame Tommy Wagner's two shot lead to capture his record tying third Hatband title. With the victory, W has now also won the second most Major championships in history - seven. Brad Tilly still holds that record with an outlandish fourteen.

Third round leader, Tommy Moonlight Graham played well but found it difficult to cope with the occasional surges of adrenalin that always accompany the Leader at the Lariat. He could be seen retrieving doses of metoprolol from his black tote bag in an attempt to conquer his Sudden Onset Airmailing Syndrome. He also commented that playing one Nike Lunar Links II and one 1928 Jarman patent leather messed with his balance. Twags finished in third place.

Eric Nieu Kirk was solid again but needed less concrete and more fireworks to shoot to the top. ERN finished fourth while Todd Tilly's 67 earned him a top two finish.