



THE GRIZZLY GROWL

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Issue 7

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 7th:
Yogi Bear Open

September 8th:
Monday Men's League
Appreciation Night

September 16th:
Tuesday Men's League
Appreciation Night

September 17th:
Wednesday Men's League
Appreciation Night

September 18th:
Thursday Men's League
Appreciation Night

September 24th:
Merkel League Apprecia-
tion Night

September 25th:
Thursday Ladies' League
Appreciation Night



**The Growl is a
Bi-Weekly
Publication to
Keep You
Informed About
What's Going
on at Bear
Creek Golf Club.**

Annual Golf Pass Program

When Bear Creek opened in 1998, it was designed and built to be an upscale public golf facility. Annual Golf Memberships were a hot ticket and were sold that first year to local residents. The same membership program continues today but has been re-named as the "Pass Holder Program". This program is available all year but most people join in December for the following year in order to take full advantage of the package. This also allows them a 10% discount with the Early Pay Program and allows us to prepare our budget for the upcoming season. Pass Holders also receive numerous benefits and services along with their golf package and they come at a fraction of the cost compared to the private clubs! Interested in learning more about becoming a Pass Holder next year? You can check out our website on the Annual Passes tab or contact Kirk Porter or Sara Boehlein. We would be happy to meet with you and discuss your options!

EXCLUSIVE OFFER: JOIN BEAR CREEK FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS YEAR AND RECEIVE FOUR FREE PASSES TO BRING GUESTS TO COME OUT AND PLAY WITH YOU!

Pace of Play Tips

In past editions of the Grizzly Growl, we have dealt with playing "ready golf" on the greens and as you leave the greens. This week we'll address "ready golf" from the fairways, roughs, and hazards. If you know for sure where your tee shot has come to rest and your cart partner hasn't been as fortunate, help him find his errant shot before moving on to play yours. It speeds up play if you walk to your longer tee shot while your cart partner hits his shorter tee shot. By doing this, you will be ready to hit your shot as soon as your cart partner hits his and won't have to wait for your cart partner to return to the cart and drive you to your ball. Be alert for numerous situations that develop where you can save time by not being bound by "the farthest player away plays first" rule. On "cart path only" days, take three clubs with you so you don't have to make a return trip to your cart. If you walk to your ball to hit your approach shot, bring your putter (and maybe a sand wedge) with you in case you can save time by walking to the green, rather than walking a longer distance to your cart.

2014 Women's Member Club Champion

Our current Bear Creek Pass Holders are playing in matches to determine the 2014 Men's and Women's Club Champion. This event has been going on since 2002. We want to congratulate Joyce Neill for winning this year's Women's Club Championship! The Men's Club Champion will be awarded within the next few weeks. As always, THANK YOU to all Pass Holders for their continuous support of Bear Creek Golf Club.

"The Timinator"

The new tool being used for the bunkers has proven to be a success. Named "The Timinator" by the Maintenance Staff after Greens Superintendent Tim Bergmann, this tool was designed to be attached to the sand pro, in place of a rake. It is made out of square tubing and rebar with cultivator teeth attached to the base. The cultivator teeth came off an old field cultivator used for farming. When used, it leaves very deep rows in the sand. These rows bring deep compacted sand to the surface and destroys any layering that has occurred from numerous rains. It takes about a day to complete all of the traps and then it is removed and the rake is placed back on the machine to make the bunkers playable again. The end result leaves us with a much softer sand and better drainage.



Sharing the Beauty of Bear Creek

Bear Creek Golf Club is a beautiful piece of property and consequently many different "constituencies" seek to enjoy its beauty. However, the only persons who should ever be on the private property of the golf course are golfers who have checked in and received permission from the Pro Shop, Bear Creek employees, and persons being accompanied by a Bear Creek employee. Others may enjoy the beauty of the golf course "from a distance", from the roads, sidewalks, and properties adjacent to the golf course. For their own safety, walkers, runners, cyclists, and everyone else must stay off of the golf course and cart paths. The Bear Creek subdivision is blessed with wide roadways and ample sidewalks to accommodate those seeking exercise venues. Pet owners are not permitted to walk their dogs on Bear Creek Golf Course property and must use proper pet procedures and etiquette when doing so on subdivision roads, sidewalks, and common ground. When they use proper etiquette/procedures to clean up after their pets, they may not use golf course or clubhouse trash receptacles to dispose of their pet droppings. The golf course is an attractive site for picture-taking by wedding parties holding ceremonies or receptions at Bear Creek. For the safety of the wedding parties and the convenience of golfers, photographs for wedding parties will be restricted to holes #17 and #18 and only with the accompaniment of a Bear Creek Management staff member.



From Our Kitchen To Yours:

Barry's Tuna Salad Recipe

- Three 5oz. Cans of Tuna in Water
- 1 Cup Mayonnaise
- 2 Tablespoons Dijon Mustard
- 3 Tablespoons Sweet Relish
- 3/4 Cup Diced Celery
- 1/4 Cup Diced Green Onion
- Garlic Pepper to Taste
- Lawry's Seasoning to Taste
- Dash of Worcestershire Sauce
- Two Sliced Hard Boiled Eggs

Mix all ingredients together. You can add more or less of each ingredient to fit your taste. Enjoy!

Staff Spotlight:



Meet Robert Boyd

This is Robert's second year working at Bear Creek as a Pro Shop Cashier and Range Attendant. Before Bear Creek, Robert was a Plant Manager at Florsheim shoes in Chicago. He moved down here when his wife was transferred to be with family and his college buddies. He has been married for 41 years and has two boys and two grand-kids. In his free time, Robert likes to play golf and travel, particularly to Florida and on cruises. Fun Fact: Robert has snorkeled off of every continent except Antarctica.

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