



THE GRIZZLY GROWL

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 19:
Father's Day

June 20:
First Day of Summer

June 20 - 24:
Junior Golf Camp #3

June 26:
Kodiak Bear Open

July 4:
Independence Day

July 11 - 15:
Junior Golf Camp #4

July 18 - 22:
Junior Golf Camp #5

July 25 - 29:
Junior Golf Camp #6

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



Father's Day is Just Around the Corner!

Made any plans for Father's Day yet to show your Dad how much you love him? Treat him to a round of golf at Bear Creek! Father's Day weekend is always a busy one for us at the course, so call to make your tee times early in order to ensure you get the time you want. You can schedule your tee times online or call our Pro Shop at 636-332-5018 and we will be happy to help.

Have any Juniors off for the Summer?

Who has kids at home on Summer break looking for something fun to do during their time off? Look no further- we've got you covered! Junior Camps continue through the end of July. This lesson program is great for Juniors 8-16 years old wanting to learn all aspects of the game of golf. Great for beginners or experienced junior golfers wanting to brush up on the fundamentals of their golf swing. This 1-Week Program meets for two and a half hours Monday through Friday at the time scheduled. Classes range in size from 12-15 students and are put together by the Bear Creek Golf Professional, Kirk Porter. Students should meet at the designated location and bring the club listed, or inform the instructor in advance that you need clubs. For more information, visit the Player Development page of our website. There you can also print off registration forms and drop them off at the Clubhouse. Or give us a call at 636-332-5018 and we'll take care of you over the phone.

Bridal Showcase: Lumpkins/Kowalewski

Sarah Lumpkins and David Kowalewski are excited for their Wedding Ceremony and Reception at Bear Creek on June 18, 2016. Sarah, from St. Peters, is a Financial Analyst. David, from Cave Springs, is a Police Officer. Sarah and David met in 2009 at a college party and have been together ever since. David surprised Sarah and proposed to her in their home and of course, Sarah said yes! Three words Sarah and David hope describe their wedding are Fun, Beautiful, and "Full of Dancing"! They chose Bear Creek because it has beautiful grounds and the windows look right out onto them, as well as a spacious deck and cozy fire place!

Addressing the Pace of Play

We all have our days where the ball goes exactly where we want it and the fairway is open when we walk up onto the tee. Then, there are days that don't work like that. On these days, there are things we can do to keep up with the group in front of us. Some of these things include allowing the short hitters to hit first if the fairway is occupied for the bigger hitters. In the fairway, walk to your ball while the other person is hitting their shot. Take a few clubs with you and walk on up to the green. Align your putts when others are putting so you can step up and putt when it's your turn. Clear away from the green quickly so the group behind you can hit. And lastly, get someone up on the tee right away so they can begin hitting. Did you know that when your group falls one hole behind, it can cost all the groups behind you to add 15 minutes to their round? One and a half holes behind for you adds 23 minutes to the group's round behind you. So let's do our best to keep the pace of play up for everyone's enjoyment.

Greetings from the Maintenance Department

Tis the season for bugs. The little, annoying creatures who literally want to suck your blood or just plain annoy you. Why am I telling you what you already know? Because bug spray. Bug spray works wonders to keep the little annoyances away, but can also be lethal to the grass. We ask that you spray yourself while on the cart or cart path, rather than on the grass. Worst case, you could spray in the rough, but never on a green, tee box, or fairway, as you will kill or injure some of the more sensitive grasses. We thank you for your cooperation to keep the course in great shape!

- Ben Sontheimer, Greens Superintendent

Chef's Corner

Stay hydrated by drinking coconut water. Infuse plain water with watermelon and cucumber to quench your thirst and add great flavor. Cashews and walnuts for snacking, along with dehydrated fruit, fits perfectly to replace lost energy that the heat takes away. At Bear Creek, we have a great Spinach and Goat Cheese Salad for you to order before or after your round of golf. It starts with a bed of baby spinach, topped with fresh sliced oranges, dried cranberries, candied walnuts, sliced strawberries, and homemade goat cheese fritters. Raspberry vinaigrette suits this salad just right or even a simple oil, vinegar, salt and pepper. Give it a try and let us know what you think!

- Ben Kendig, Executive Chef

Join our Couples League and Get a Free Gift!

We will be running a special golf promotion to help grow the Couples League and increase the prize fund as well. Bear Creek will give two free sleeves of golf balls to each new couple that plays for the first time in the month of June 2016. Please invite your friends to join us, come on out, and give it a try! All each new couple needs to do is tell the cashier before they tee off that they are a new member and fill out the information slip so that you can receive your new golf balls. We are now starting the Couples League tee times at 4:32pm, so please call in for a tee time early!

STAFF SPOTLIGHT:



Meet Derek Schwartz!

Derek has been a member of the Bear Creek team since August 2013. This summer he is helping out behind the Pro Shop counter and with the maintenance department. He graduated from Fort Zumwalt North High School before going to the University of Central Missouri to study Criminal Justice and Biology. Derek just finished his first year of college and will be returning this Fall for his Sophomore year. In the future, Derek wants to work in Federal Law Enforcement. For fun, Derek likes to go hunting and play golf. Fun Fact: Derek has placed nationally in both shooting and physical agility.

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