



# THE GRIZZLY GROWL

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Sunday, September 10:**  
Yogi Bear Open

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Nikki Cayton at  
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What's Going on at  
Bear Creek Golf  
Club.*



## **Golf Groups Pairing up on the Tee**

When you arrive at the course with less than four golfers and it's busy, we are often asked to pair up with other players to share the tee time and ride in carts to make a foursome. This is usually done in season, on the weekends, and holidays at Bear Creek when it's busy. This is quite normal in the golf industry and has quite a few benefits to the golfers and to the course. It is a great way to meet new people and keep your green fee and cart fee rates as low as possible. It also reduces the number of carts in a group and total number of groups on the course allowing for less congestion and a potentially faster pace of play. Also, when you pair up to make a threesome or foursome your pace will be more enjoyable than if you're a single or a twosome waiting on foursomes. Singles and twosomes quite often play by themselves in the off season or in season during the week or weekends and holidays in the afternoon or evenings. Pick your tee time based on your availability and choose slow times or busy times depending on what your plans are for that day.

Always go to [bearcreekgolf.com](http://bearcreekgolf.com) to book your tee time for the lowest rates available. And remember, you can do this on your phone so it's super easy!

## **Greeting from the Bear Creek Grounds Department!**

The weather is so nice I'm having trouble sitting inside to write this. Hopefully all of you are able to get out and enjoy this early Fall. The course is really coming alive with the onset of the cool temps and projects are starting to dominate our thinking. We're trimming trees, removing under brush, and starting to repair the cart path edges that have rutted up over the years. We hope you can soon visit us and check out all the work going on. Enjoy your rounds.

**Ben Sontheimer, Greens Superintendent**

## Hole-In-One

Congratulations to Jim Morningstar who shot a Hole-in-One on hole #3 here at Bear Creek Golf Club. It was a 146 yard shot and he shot his 8 iron. Tom Compas who works here in the Pro Shop was able to witness this great shot! Congratulations again to Jim!

## Get Your Holiday Parties Booked

It's never too early to start thinking about planning and booking your Holiday Party! Get your date and time booked now before all the dates are filled up. Call our Event Coordinator, Elizabeth Hamman, at 636-332-5018 to get on the calendar. The Holiday Season will be here before we know it! Get ready to have some fun and start celebrating the season!

## Nikki Cayton, Marketing Director

### 10 Wedding Planning Musts

1. Start with the perfect date—Choose an easy travel date for out of town guests and be sure to give them plenty of notice.
2. Separate out wants and needs—Identify what you absolutely need and then purchase what you want after your needs are covered.
3. Set a budget—Having no budget will let spending spiral. Do frequent budget checks to stay on the right track.
4. Choose a theme—A theme will make décor, flowers, and colors easier to pick. What is your vision for your wedding?
5. Do the paperwork—Get a marriage license at the start of planning and getting written contracts from all of your vendors.
6. Get help—The average wedding takes 240 hours to plan. Seek help from your wedding venue, planner, family, and friends.
7. Have a timeline—Set deadlines for tasks and rsvp's, and remember to schedule final payments and meetings with all vendors.
8. Forget multitasking—Juggling tasks can lead to oversights, complete one project and then move on to the next.
9. Add personality—Plan for personal touches; such as flowers from a family garden, family recipes for desserts, and favorite songs, etc.
10. Slow it down—Allow ample time for planning. Don't forget to enjoy wedding planning and your wedding day!

## Elizabeth Hamman, Event Coordinator

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT:



### Meet Tori Vogt

**Meet Tori Vogt. Tori started working here at Bear Creek in the Pro Shop in June 2017. She began working here because she lives in Bear Creek Subdivision and has been familiar with the course since she was little. Tori currently attends William Jewell College where she plays volleyball. She is studying Elementary Education. In her free time she loves boating and hanging out with her family at the Lake of the Ozarks. Please help us in welcoming Tori to the team!**

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