



RYDER CUP WATCH PARTY AND POT LUCK - SUNDAY OCTOBER 1ST

The final round of the 2023 Ryder Cup will be this Sunday. Since this year's Ryder Cup is played in Italy the final round will start on Sunday at 5:30am. The pro shop at Bear Trail opens at 6:30am and will have the Ryder Cup on in the back room. Feel free to show up at any time after 6:30, bring a breakfast dish of your choosing and we will root on the USA together as a club. The Dew Sweepers morning group will then be playing a round of golf after the final round of the Ryder Cup. If you have any questions, feel free to contact B.J. Seifrit at btleagues@beartrailgolf.com or at 717-424-6438.



BEAR TRAIL GOLF ASSOCIATION REMAINING SCHEDULE

The next BTGA event will be a 2 Person Texas Scramble on Saturday October 7th. There will be a signup sheet in the Pro Shop in the coming days or you can text me, B.J. Seifrit at 717-424-6438 or email me at btleagues@beartrailgolf.com.



In the first 7 events we have paid out a total of **\$5,635** in cash prizes for gross and net places in each flight, skins, and 50/50. The event on October 7th will be the last BTGA event of the season. Other than some uncontrollable weather events, the first year of the BTGA has in my mind been a great success and I hope that everyone that has participated has enjoyed it. I look forward to running the BTGA for many years to come and I hope those of you that were unable to join this year will consider joining next year. If you have any questions or ideas for the BTGA moving forward, please feel free to contact me.

THURSDAY BLITZ POINT LEAGUE YEAR END EVENT – SUNDAY OCTOBER 22ND

In March of this year, we started the Thursday Blitz Point League. After 29 weeks we have given out a total of **\$3,923** in weekly cash prizes. The league will continue through Thursday, October 19th and then we will have a year end event utilizing the same format and quota points that we have used all year but for 18 holes on Sunday, October 22nd. We will most likely offer tee times in the morning and then following play there will be pizza and beverages served. You must be a current member of the league to participate in the year end event. All money won during the year end event will count toward the year long money leaderboard. Afterwards, we will award the championship belt to the year long money leader and the Sandbagger of the year. There will be a signup sheet in the pro shop in the weeks to come for members of the league to sign up for the year end event.



KING OF THE HILL – SATURDAY OCTOBER 28TH

For the entirety of the 2023 Bear Trail golf season, I have been tracking all the events that have been played at Bear Trail and have assigned points to individuals that placed or participated in those events. Individuals that played in the weekly Blitz Point League, the BTGA events, and the regular yearly Bear Trail Events have received points for doing

so. The top 19 people on the points leaderboard will qualify for the year end King of the Hill event. This will be a net tournament based on white tee handicap (adjustments will be made for different tees played per USGA). Players will receive 75% of their handicap. All 19 players will tee off on the same hole and players will be eliminated after each hole. In the event of a tie, a chip off will occur at that moment with the pro picking a spot and the closest to the pin will move on and the remaining players will be eliminated. There are still 2 more events remaining in which members can earn points for:

BTGA - 2 Man Texas Scramble – October 7th Fall Cross Country – October 14th

Following the Fall Cross Country, I will tally up the points and will send out the final list of the 19 individuals that have qualified to participate in the King of the Hill. If there are individual that qualified but cannot participate, I will move down to the next person on the list. If you do not qualify for the event, please feel free to come on out and watch. This type of event is a blast and always fun to watch. The King of the Hill Leaderboard currently stands as follows.

1. Derek Prater	15925
2. B.J. Seifrit	15750
3. Don Mash	15700
4. Vic Tompkins	15000
5. David Cumbo	14300
6. Donnie Pierce	13700
7. John Shivar	13250
8. Kevin Mininni	13000
9. Val Shivar	12925
10. William Levier	12525
11. James Simpson	11950
12. Brad Neumann	11550
13. Trent Cloninger	11500
14. Chris Bartosz	11400
15. Jake Taylor	11275
16. Tyler Blanding	10200
17. Dan Thibault	9525

18. Justin Leonard	9450
19. Courtland Blanding	9100

Members that are on the outside looking in are as follows (only including players that are within 4000 points of 19th place since that is the maximum amount you can receive if you win first place in your flight of both of the remaining events):

Jeff Allen	8525
Ed Kangas	8300
Kyle Holbrook	8100
Skip Brinson	8000
Buddy Foy	8000
Trevor Horne	7800
Chris Young	7625
Robby Bergener	7375
Matt Swedberg	7325
Bill Kohl	7225
Will Kramer	7100
Rob Font	6900
Michael Havens	6500
Shayne Yenser	5950
Tim Prevatte	5925
Glenn Cannon	5900
Ryan Scott	5825
Bart Cragen	5800
Luke McKinney	5650
Josh Demo	5600
Gary Whitehead	5300

Cash prizes will be awarded to players that finish in the top 10 of the event and the winner will receive a cash prize and a championship belt. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

DEW SWEEPERS - WEEKEND MEMBER GROUP

If you are new to Bear Trail and you are looking for a group of members to play with on the weekends there is a group of guys that play every weekend and block off morning tee times depending on how many people sign up to play. We typically play a low net individual, low net random team,

and skins game for \$20. If you are interested in joining the Dew Sweepers feel free to email BTleagues@beartrailgolf.com or call Brad Neumann @ (910) 934-8833.

POOL HOUSE RENTAL

If you are interested in renting the pool house, please contact Phyllis at phyllis.beartrailgolf@gmail.com

RYDER CUP – FUN FACTS

On the top of the trophy there is a figure of a golfer who is a British professional golfer Abe Mitchell, who happened to be the friend and golf instructor of Samuel Ryder. Mitchell himself played in 3 Ryder Cup competitions.

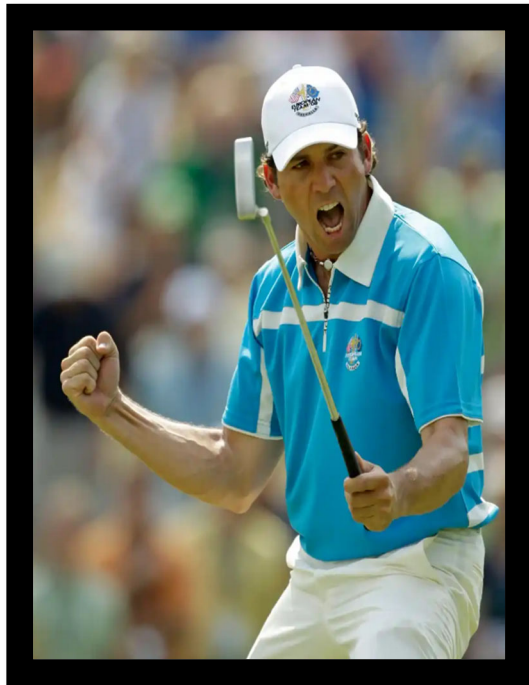


Between the years 1935 and 1985, a gap of 50 years Europe emerged as a winner only once and that was in the year 1957. Although out of these 50 years, there was no Ryder Cup tournament for 10 years because of the two World Wars.

In case of an injury to a player on either side, a Captain of each team has put one of his team member's names in a sealed envelope and that player will withdraw from the other side and each team will then be awarded half a point.

The 'Captains Pick' system was introduced in 1979 and since then US picks have won 46% and European picks have won 52% of their matches.

The youngest player to play in the Ryder Cup was Sergio Garcia in 1999; he made his debut at the tender age of just 19. Sergio Garcia also has the most European Ryder Cup victories with 25 total victories (25-13-7)



There have only been six holes-in ones in the history of the Ryder Cup, just one of these was by an American.

In 1993 at the age of 51, Raymond Floyd became the oldest player to make a Ryder Cup debut.



Arnold Palmer has the most American Ryder Cup victories with 22 total victories (22-8-2)



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