



UPCOMING EVENTS AT BEAR TRAIL FEBRUARY 2024

1ST ANNUAL SUPER BEAR SKINS — SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

On the day before this year's Super Bowl there will be a golf tournament put on by 2 of our members, Brad Neumann and Kevin Mininni, called the Super Bear Skins.

The format for this event is as follows:

SUPER BEAR SKINS ON SUPER BOWL SATURDAY Volume 1

Format:
Where does that \$100 go?

Flight Skins \$30: Flights will be determined by the number of players and handicaps. Only players in a flight can win a skin. Example: player in flight A can only win a skin against others in A flight. Flight A players cannot win a skin against flight B.

Super Skins \$30: A Super Skin is when a player has a skin that isn't cut by any other player in the field no matter what flight they are in.

Modified Stableford Blind Draw Team \$20: Players will earn points based off of their score on each hole. Teams will be drawn at the conclusion of play.

Polies \$10: If the tee shot on a par 3 is within a flag stick length of the hole the player has a "polie".

Food and Drinks: \$10

Mulligans: \$20 (OPTIONAL)
(1 per player limit). All money from mulligans goes towards CHEW, a charity to feed underprivileged kids in the area.

Day of play rules will be decided on the day of the event based of weather and course conditions. Member cart fee not included. Guest fee is \$44. Range balls included for all.



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**INCLUDES
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\$100
 FIRST ANNUAL
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BEAR TRAIL GOLF CLUB
SATURDAY 10
 FEBRUARY
12PM

If you are interested in playing in this event or having any questions please contact,
Brad Neumann (910) 934-8833 or Kevin Mininni (336) 239-3892 by Thursday.

THURSDAY BLITZ POINTS LEAGUE RESTARTS – MARCH 14TH

On Thursday March 14th we will be restarting the Blitz Points League that was started in 2023. In 2023, we awarded over \$4,500 in cash prizes. This league will run from the beginning of daylight savings time and run to the last week before the end of daylight savings time. To give you an idea of what the potential for cash winnings are throughout the year, here is the top 10 league members on the final money leaderboard from the end of the 2023 league season and it includes golfers of all skill levels:

1. Derek Prater	\$522
2. B.J. Seifrit	\$490
3. John Shivar	\$400
4. Lee Saballos	\$344
5. Matt Swedberg	\$327
6. Justin Leonard	\$300
7. William Levier	\$213
8. Ryan Scott	\$192
9. Val Shivar	\$176
10. Dan Thibault	\$164



Format for the League is as follows:

- \$25 dues are due prior to playing your first round of the league (money will go towards a Championship Belt awarded to year long money leader, Cash Prize to the Sandbagger of the Year, and a Year End Outing.
- \$10 to play each Thursday (does not include cart fee for members or greens fees for non-members).

- 9 holes every week and will alternate from front nine to back nine each week.
- Everyone will start out with an established quota based on their current handicap. It will then be readjusted after 3 weeks based on how you play on Thursdays, not your handicap. Then every week I will adjust your quota based on your most recent 4 scores on Thursdays.
- Bogey = 1 point, Par = 2 points, Birdie = 4 points, Eagle = 8 points, Albatross = 12 points
- Max Double Bogey (pick up at double bogey to speed up play)
- The goal every week is to get as many points as possible in 9 holes and to get over your established quota.
- Places will be determined by whoever gets the most points over their quota each week.
- Weekly cash payouts for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places
- Weekly cash payouts for skins

Ground Rules for League Play:

- You can play anytime on Thursday as long as you are there before the Pro Shop closes at 6:00 PM
- You must play with at least 1 other member of the league that is also playing their active round for league that day, for your score to count.

- No spotters, meaning you CANNOT play with a non-member or member of the league that already played that day in order for them to validate your score.
- Players 59 and under play from the WHITE TEES
- Players 60 and over play the GOLD TEES
- Players 75 and over and Women under 60 play the RED TEES
- Women 60 and over play the BLUE TEES
- Players under 50 that have a handicap that is 4 or lower play from the BLACK TEES
- There will be someone in the pro shop collecting money for the league and giving you your quota each week. Please pay before you play.
- Roll the ball and improve your lie in the fairway and play it down in the rough (except for roots, ant hills, mole hills, etc.)
- No Mulligans, Breakfast Balls, or gimmies. You must putt EVERYTHING out.
- Keep track of your score AND your points on a scorecard and turn it in either in the Pro Shop or the Drop Box in the Cart Shed, at the end of your round.
- Circle all your Birdies and Eagles on your scorecards.
- Places and skins will be paid out the following week OR if you have won money and cannot play the next week, the money will be set aside in an envelope at the front counter of the Pro Shop so you can pick it up at your convenience.
- An email will be sent out the weekend following the league night to announce the winners from the Thursday Night prior.
- Cash payouts will be tracked throughout the year and awards will be given for the Year Long Money Leader (Championship Belt) and the Sandbagger of the Year (cash prize). Sandbagger of the Year will be awarded to the person who had the most points over their quota in a given week that year.
- NO CHEATING, NO CHEATING, NO CHEATING.
- The year end tournament will just be the same format but will be 18 holes and played on a weekend. The year long prizes will be awarded, and food will be served at this event. Will most likely be in October prior to day lights savings time.

There will be sign up sheets for the league in the Pro Shop in the very near future. If you have any questions or concerns about the league, please feel free to contact me, **B.J. Seifrit** at **717-424-6438** or by email at btleagues@beartrailgolf.com.

BEAR TRAIL GOLF ASSOCIATION

The Bear Trail Golf Association was established last year in an effort to have more yearly events and increase comradery among its current members. Last year was the inaugural year and we had a total of 8 events throughout the golf season and awarded over \$6,500 in cash prizes. The only change that we will be making to the BTGA this year is that it will be exclusive to Bear Trail Members and individuals who are not members of Bear Trail can no longer join or participate in the BTGA events. In 2024, the BTGA will again consist of 8 events total throughout the year starting in March and ending in October. In order to be a part of the BTGA there will be yearly dues and the money collected from those dues will be utilized as prize money for each event throughout the year. Every event will be flighted based on player's handicaps. Every event will include cash prizes for places in each flight and then skins and 50/50 for a small additional fee at each event. There are 2 options when it comes to dues for members that want to join the BTGA which are as follows:

Option 1 – Pay As You Go

- **\$40 (non-refundable) dues** to get into the BTGA
- **\$25 entry fee** for each event (does not include cart fees)
- \$40 dues and \$25 entry fees will be used for prize money that goes right back into your pocket throughout the year.
- Optional Skins and 50/50 for every event (\$20 a team, \$10 a man)
- This option is for individuals who are unsure if they can play every event and think they might only be able to play in a few events.



- \$40 dues along with \$25 entry fees for 8 events would equate to \$240.

Option 2 – The Best Option

- 50% discount if you pay your dues/entry fees prior to the first event.
- **\$120 (non-refundable)** covers your dues to get into the BTGA and your entry fees into all 8 events through the year (does not include cart fees) and is used for prize money that goes right back into your pocket.
- Optional Skins and 50/50 for every event (\$20 a team, \$10 a man)
- \$120 total for the year when you pay upfront vs. \$240 total for the year when you pay as you go (better value when you pay up front)

The Tournament dates have yet to be determined but a schedule with dates will be out soon along with a signup sheet. The tournament formats will be as follows but are subject to change:

March – 2 Person Scramble
April – 2 Person Better Ball
May – 2 Person 6-6-6
June – 2 Person Alternate Shot
July – Flag Tournament
August – 2 Person Cumulative
September – 2 Person Texas Scramble
October – 1 Person Scramble

Unlike last year, most if not all the events will be held on Saturday Mornings with the exception being reschedules due to weather.

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GHIN HANDICAP DUES - \$30

If you use the USGA GHIN (Golf Handicap and Information Network) system to track your handicap this is a friendly reminder that the \$30 dues are due by March 31st. If you are wanting to register for the GHIN to start a handicap through Bear Trail, please contact Kyle Simpson through the Pro Shop and he will assist in getting you registered.

MEMBER OF THE MONTH



1. Name: **Trevor Horne**
2. Handicap: **9.2**
3. How Long have you been a member at Bear Trail? **7 years**
4. What is your favorite thing about Bear Trail? **The members and the staff**

5. What is your favorite golf memory? **Golf trip to Bandon Dunes in Bandon, Oregon**

6. How would you describe your golf game? **Hopefully improving**

7. What would you say is a strength in your golf game? **Short Game**

8. What would you say is a weakness in your golf game? **Distance**

9. Do you have a hole in one? Where? What Hole? **Yes, Bear Trail, Hole #4**

10. What is your lowest score? **71 at Bear Trail**

11. What is your dream foursome? **Arnie, Jack, Lee Trevino, and Chi Chi**

12. Who is your all-time favorite golfer? **Arnold Palmer**

13. What is your favorite course that you have played? **Bandon Trails**

14. What is a course that you have yet to play that is on your bucket list? **TPC Sawgrass**

15. Have you attended any PGA Tour Events? **No**

16. What PGA Tour Event would you most like to attend? **The Masters**

17. What is your biggest pet peeve on the golf course? **Slow Play**

18. What is your drink of choice during or after the round? **Bourbon and Diet Coke**

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Any questions or suggestions about current or future editions of the Bear Cave can be sent to btleagues@beartrailgolf.com or contact me @ 717-424-6438



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