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Our 2022 Winners

Next Year's Tournament News

This year our family's golf tournament was held at the Eagle Creek championship golf course in Willmar. Saturday had its share of lightning and thunder while Sunday was bright, breezy, and cool.

Saturday's lightning and thunder distracted us because we had to check to see how close the lightning was before we took a swing at the ball. Fortunately, it never got any closer than a couple of miles. The accompanying rain was no more than a "heavy mist."

Team Competition day:

On Saturday, the fun day, we had 6 teams. In a testament to how well the teams were assigned, almost all of them came in under par. Further, all of the teams were in the hunt until late on the back 9, when Brock's team finally won it.

Chad's team (Chad, Tony, Katelyn) shot a blistering 33 (3 under par) on the front nine. At the turn, they led all the other teams by at least 4 strokes.

The lightning and thunder on the front nine distracted Brock and kept his team (Brock, Roger, Emily) from doing any better than shooting a 37 (1 over par). However, when the skies cleared and the lightning was only a distant memory, Brock got down to business and brought his team in with a 32 (4 under par) on the back nine. It was enough to win the team championship by 2 strokes.

Woman's Competition:

This year, there were four women playing in the tournament. A quick survey of those betting on the game had Elizabeth as the odds-on favorite to win the women's tournament. But it was not to be.

What actually happened was that



**Brock and Emily
2022 Family Golf Champions**

Michelle took the lead right away from the 1st hole and kept it through the 3rd hole. On the 4th hole, (the long, up hill, par five) Michelle ran into more trouble than she could handle. Her problems allowed Emily to catch up and take the lead. From there, Emily kept it for the rest of the game. Congratulations to Emily.

Men's Competition:

Brock won the championship again this year, but it was not without trying to let Derrick win.

So, what happened? Well, on the front nine, Brock carded a triple bogey (ouch) on the 5th hole (#1 handicap hole), and two double bogies. If you want to know why the 5th hole is the #1 handicap hole, just ask Brock, but be prepared to listen for a while.

Derrick finished the front nine only one stroke behind Brock. He played consistent bogie golf with a par on hole #8 (3rd most difficult hole). He didn't win the low gross prize, but went on to win the Low Handicap prize by a significant margin. Congratulations to Derrick on a great game.

It was still close after nine holes, but

Brian, Kathy, Erik, and Michelle will be hosting the 2023 Cruze Family Golf Tournament and food fest at the Litchfield Golf course.

The 2023 golf tournament will be held at the Litchfield Golf course. We played in Litchfield before, in 2011. It's a par 70 course with a slope rating of 126 (moderately hard). The 2023 tournament will be held the weekend of July 29th and 30th. The winning score will likely be around 85.

If you don't remember the course, the following should help. It has an enormous number of trees, there's water on 8 holes, and there're are out-of-bounds markers on 9 holes. And hole #2 has both water in front of the green and an out-of-bounds marker.

There are so many trees that the long-ball hitters are going to be faced with choosing between getting more distance and recording more (extra) strokes. Remember, if you end up in the trees with an unplayable lie, it will cost you a stroke to drop it in a playable spot (no closer to the green).

The most difficult hole is number 8. It's 547 yards long and is lined with trees.

Brock came alive on the back nine with three pars and a birdie. He simply pulled away from the rest of the field. Congratulations to Brock on a good game.

Contests:

Steven won both the Junior Championship this year and the longest drive contest. (Remember you heavy hitters, the ball has to be the longest and it has to be in the fairway in order for it to count).

Brian won the closest to the pin contest.

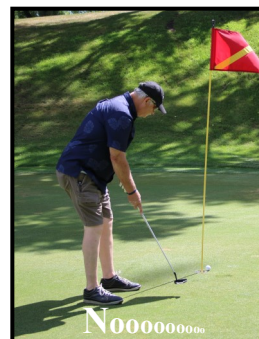
Connor won the longest putt contest.

Staff Writer

News on the back swing



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2022

Women's Standings

1. Emily
2. Michelle
3. Elizabeth
4. Katelyn

Men's Standings

Handicap

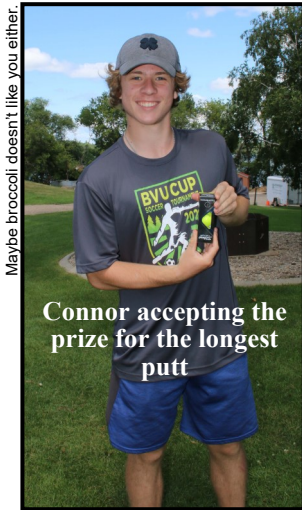
1. Derrick
2. Steven
3. Brian
4. Chad
5. Brock
6. Daniel
7. Connor
8. Erik
9. Jake
10. Art
11. Steve R.
12. Tony
13. Caleb

Low Gross

1. Brock (Men's)
2. Emily (Women's)



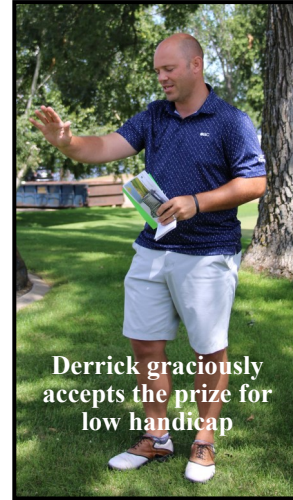
Brian accepting the prize for closest to the pin



Connor accepting the prize for the longest putt



Steven accepting the prize for the longest drive



Derrick graciously accepts the prize for low handicap

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Nothing rhymes with orange. No it doesn't!



Way too much energy



They'll never see me here





Waiting for a new deal

Handover: wreath of grapes



All the money winners



A wonderful end to a wonderful day



At age 70, there's nothing left to learn the hard way.

Congratulations to Paul the 2022 Cruze Family Texas Hold'em Champion



Pilots in training.

Handkerchief: cold storage



Bonnie Harris—special guest appearance



Not everyone played poker.



I failed at math more time than I can count.



...and that's not all of the fun that was had.