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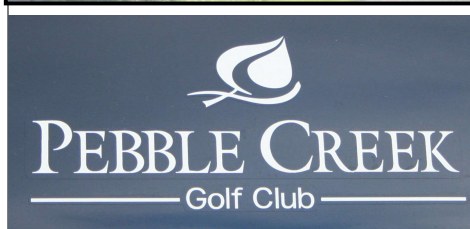
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April 2024

## Pebble Creek

### 31st annual tournament is set for August

**T**his year, the 2024 Cruze Family Invitational Golf Tournament will be played at the Pebble Creek course in Becker.



**T**he thirty first annual Cruze Family Invitational Golf tournament is scheduled to be held the weekend of August 3rd and 4th.

Pebble Creek is a pretty course. It's well kept and it's challenging. If you don't remember the course, it may be because you're still trying to forget how poorly you played back in 2021.

Here's a brief review of the disaster...

While Brock carded 9 pars and recorded an incredible 86 at the Pebble Creek golf course, no one else scored anything under 100. In fact, Jake took second place after carding 16 strokes more than Brock. And that was the best response any of us could offer. Wow!

Even after assigning a sizable handicap to Derrick, Brock still won the handicap trophy by a stroke. Decency prevents me from detailing the rest of our scores.

This is not an easy course. It's one of the longer courses that we've played and it has a very high slope rating of 130. That's right next to a course rating of "brutal."

How bad were we? Well, 70% of our scores were at double bogey or worse. Even worse, more than 25% of our scores were with quads (four strokes) or worse. That includes the scores for all of the par 3's. Surely we can score better than that this year! Right?

Bring your "A+" game. Few quick tips; slow down your swing, keep your head still, keep your ball in the fairway, don't take unnecessary chances, and then, when putting, don't just poke your ball, swing through it and give it a little less break than it looks like it needs.



Staff writer

The rules for the tournament are simple - in order to win, you have to be eligible to play, you have to sign up, you have to show up, and you have to have the lowest score.

Only a select few are eligible to play in this tournament. If you are one of the few who are direct descendants of Carl and Leona Cruze, (or are one of their spouses or children) you are invited to play in this year's Cruze Family Invitational Golf Tournament.

Signing up for the tournament is as easy as dialing a telephone and giving your name to the tournament director. Not calling the director is the only way you can miss the fun.

The tournament begins on Saturday and ends on Sunday. The best score from Sunday's game wins the tournament. However, if Sunday's game cannot be completed, then the best score from Saturday's game wins the tournament.

Although Saturday's game is not required, it's your chance to become familiar with the course, that is, find the traps, trees, water, blind shots, and observe the pin placements. It's also your chance to join in the fun of our team competition.

There are no "gimmies" in this tournament and you can stop swinging only after your ball is in the cup.

The winner will be presented with a traveling trophy which will have their name engraved on it for all time and

### The Bridge at Pebble Creek

will receive a stylish cap with the tournament name and year on it.

A special feature of the tournament is that the player with the highest score gets to have their picture taken while presenting the trophy to the winner of the tournament. We suggest that you don't waste any strokes.

**This year we will not have a bean bag tournament. However, we will have other games for the young at heart.**

#### Registration Instructions:

If you want to play in this year's tournament, call Danny at **320-492-4534 on or before July 5th to reserve your place.** Telling someone else in the hopes they will remember to tell the director has not worked well in the past.

Because of the "Pot Luck" dinner, there won't be a tournament entry fee. See the second page for more details on how to help with the potluck. You'll have to pay for your "green fees", tees, and golf balls. Miss the deadline and you'll miss the tournament.



Staff writer

When your mom is mad at your dad, don't let her brush your hair.

### Saturday (August 3rd) Pot luck Dinner

The Family Food Fest will be held at the Pavilion in Clear Lake.



The 2023 Defenders

It's too expensive for the host to purchase all of the food for the Saturday pot luck dinner. So, in lieu of an entry fee for the tournament, **Chad, Elizabeth, and Danny** will be furnishing the hamburgers, hotdogs, condiments, buns, plates, and plastic ware. The rest of us are asked to bring something to share. Plan on bringing a salad, your special dish, and/or a dessert.

In the past, we've had around 35 people for the potluck.

More to follow from **Chad and Danny** via emails.

Golf Tournament dates:  
**August 3rd and 4th**

Tee times:

Saturday's tee time is **7:00am**  
Sunday's tee time is **7:00am**

Groups reserved:  
up to 24 players

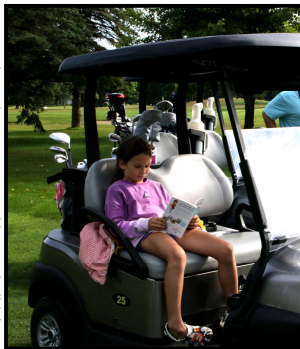
Green fees:  
\$67 includes a cart  
& range balls

There is a putting green.  
There is a driving range.

Double negatives are a "no-no" in English.



I went to the paint store to get thinner. It didn't work.



When asked about the upcoming poker tournament, the four time champion answered "I know who's going to win, I'm just wondering who will come in second."



Wanted - Alive  
**\$10 bounty**



Emails will follow  
with more details.



No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize a cat.



When is a door not a door? When it's ajar.

This year's Annual Family Texas Hold'em tournament will be hosted by **Peter and Megan** in their home in Cold Spring. The poker tournament will be held on **Saturday, July 13th**.

Lunch starts at **11:30ish**. The tournament will begin at **1:00**.

It will go until there is one person left, probably between **6 & 6:30**. Cost is \$25, same as last year. That's \$20 for the entry fee which includes one re-entry chip and a \$5 bounty chip.

Peter and Megan are supplying the meat, please bring a side-dish.

Questions? Call Megan at: **715-456-6307**