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Prairie Rose Golf Club opens soon for another season

BY BARRY POE

Hard to believe it was near zero degrees last week and over 90 a few days later.

However, because of the radical changes in temperature, there have been opportunities to get out and play golf.

Although Brunsville's Prairie Rose Golf Club has not announced an official opening for the course and clubhouse, the staff is gearing for another season.

Course Superintendent Brandon Phelan and his staff will soon be hard at work readying the fairways and greens and, as usual, keeping the course in excellent condition. Sarah Phelan is the clubhouse manager, ready and willing to meet your golfing needs. To reach the clubhouse, call (712) 533-6774.

The first tournament of the season, the Memorial Day 4-person scramble, is set for Saturday, May 23. Three days later, on Tuesday, May 26, the Great Plains Senior Tour makes its annual stop at Prairie Rose.

The second scramble of the season is the Cancer Tournament 4-person on Sunday, June 28. The ladies cancer drive pink night is scheduled for Wednesday, July 8 and the Brunsville Open, an 18-hole stroke play event, is Sunday, July 26.

Three-time champion Nick Dreckman will defend his title in the Brunsville Open.

All tournaments begin with a 10 a.m. shotgun start.

Membership dues must be paid before May 18 to take advantage of discounted rates. Prior to May 18, a family membership is \$625, but that increases to \$675 after the deadline. A couples membership can be obtained for \$550 before May 18, but goes up to \$600 on May 19. A single membership is \$475 before and \$525 after. College students can play all season long for \$200, while high school students pay only \$100 for the entire season. Memberships, of course, do not include cart fees.

Daily cart rental fees are \$20 (nine holes) and \$25 (18 holes) for weekdays and \$25 (nine holes) and \$30 (18 holes) on weekends. You must be a member to rent a space in the cart shed for \$150. The season trail fee is \$60 for those who wish to bring their own carts to the course, while the daily trail fee is \$15.



Above: Fresh green is returning to the fairways, and play will resume before long.

Daily green fees are \$16 for nine holes and \$22 for 18 holes on weekdays and \$22 for nine holes and \$27 for 18 holes on weekends.

Senior league (50-over) will be held on Wednesday mornings, women's league on Wednesday evenings and men's league on Thursday evenings. Starting on July 7, the 2-person best ball league will be played on Tuesday evenings. Tee times are necessary for all leagues, with no tee times allowed after 6:30 p.m. Be sure to check in the clubhouse or on the Prairie Rose website for a calendar of tournaments and other events.

As usual, Prairie Rose has a reciprocal agreement with courses in Hawarden, Akron, Remsen, Alcester (S.D.), Marcus, Canton (S.D.) and Beresford (S.D.) for free golf, with a required cart rental.

For additional information, contact any of the Prairie Rose Golf Club board members. They include Keith Koerselman (712) 540-0143, Justin Kellen (712) 540-2536, Judd Herzberg (712) 541-0648, Peggy Dickman (712) 540-4004, Steve Dickman (712) 533-6205, Sue Irwin (712) 539-2196, Travis Bultman (605) 651-1880 or Clint Kessenich (712) 539-2388.

Get ready for the Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.
Brunsville Park

Register to win door prizes • Bring your own basket



Deadline for the May/graduate edition is April 25

We invite you to share your graduate's details in the May edition, which doubles as our annual graduate edition. We recommend providing the graduate's photo, name, high school, college, field of study, and parents' and grandparents' names. Please send information to us using one of the methods listed on the back page. The deadline is April 25.

In Memory of ...

Delores Westhoff, who passed away on March 16.

In Our Prayers

Donna Erickson
Vernon Harrington
Suzanne Heeren
Kelly Hughes
Bev Hultquist
Jim Jackson
Jeanette Jensen
Vivian Johnson
Paula Lawrensen
Terry Ludwigs
Troy Ludwigs
Jim Martin
Stan Meyer
Dan Morton
Deb (Albright) Pick
Janice Plueger
Bill Renken
Janice Renken
Joan Renken
Rod Renken
Clark Schmitz
Kim Sherlock
Sandy Utesch Sievers
Brooklyn Smit
Max Utesch — in Happy Siesta
Lois Varenhorst
Family & friends of Delores Westhoff
Peggy Wilken

Birthdays

Brecca Bruscher April 1
Mary Renken April 2
Heidi Weiler April 2
Karsyn Jones April 2
Myles Mickelson April 3
Denise Ransom April 5
Lorraine Borchers April 5
Mary Korthis April 7
Denise Renken Anthony April 7
Alex White April 8
Kelli Babcock April 10
Grace Westhoff April 11
Rory Westhoff April 14
Darwin Lubben April 15
Becky Beitelspacher April 15
Brooks Beitelspacher April 15
Kenny Taylor April 15
Brooke White April 18
Carter Borchers April 18
Hendrix Taylor April 19
Max Westhoff April 21
Maggie Dickman April 22
Kris Westhoff April 26
Davey Hair April 26
Teresa Kroll April 27
Barry Wilken April 27
Isabella Livermore April 27

Ronnie Ludwigs April 29
Danielle Martin April 30
Brooklyn Smit April 30

Anniversaries

Jill & Scott Renken April 6
Wayne & Julie Beitelspacher April 7
Scott & Amy Borchers April 8
Amelia & Justin Parker April 12
Scott & Peggy Linstrand April 15
Stuart & Donna Dickman April 16
Rick & Kris Westhoff April 25

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH:

Darron Koolstra

Darron is coach of the Sioux City Bishop Heelan girls' basketball team that went undefeated during the regular season and reached the Class 4A state semifinals.



**Love bacon? Get a case of it
and support a great cause!**



Bacon fundraiser benefits shelter house

Purchase a case of twelve 1 lb. packages of Brunsville sliced bacon for \$75. Proceeds benefit renovation of the Brunsville Park shelter house. To place an order, please text Reno Dickman at 712-540-4429 and he will coordinate delivery. Thank you for your support.

Shelter house available to rent

The Brunsville Park shelter house is available to rent for \$50. Call Gisela at 712-540-3159.

The Curtain Rises Again!

Le Mars Community Theatre Reopens Its Doors May 1, 2026

After a 10-month restoration following a July 2025 ceiling collapse, the Le Mars Community Theatre will celebrate its grand reopening on May 1, 2026, unveiling a brand-new ceiling, state-of-the-art lighting and freshly painted walls. The theatre credits community support for its comeback and promises a more immersive audience experience. The 2026 season launches with *Blithe Spirit* (May 1-6), followed by *My Fair Lady* in August and *Jekyll & Hyde* in November. Tickets for *Blithe Spirit* go on sale April 13 for \$20 online, by phone or at the box office at 105 1st Street NE, open weekdays from 9-11 a.m.

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**Contact us using one of the
methods on the back page.**

Correction

In the March 2026 edition, we incorrectly referred to the annual Do Not Freeze Ride as "Bike Central's Do Not Freeze Ride." The correct name is the "Plymouth County Cyclists' Do Not Freeze Ride." We apologize for the error.

Casino Night well attended

The February 27th event was held in the Legion

The Prairie Rose Golf Club Casino Night was well attended and everyone enjoyed a delicious meal served by Home Plate Catering from Granville. We had a record number of 44 silent auction items donated by individuals and area businesses.

Board members Keith Koerselman, Justin Kellen, Reno and Peggy Dickman, Dave and Susan Irwin, Travis Bultman, Judd Herzberg and Clint Kessenich appreciate all the support given for the course.

Everyone who attended enjoyed a fun evening for a great cause.

Board members and clubhouse managers Brandon and Sarah Phelan look forward to seeing everyone this summer at our beautiful golf course in Brunsville.

The 2026 membership drive will be held on Monday, March 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse. There will be brat and beer specials along with two drawings: one for a \$50 clubhouse credit and one for a \$25 clubhouse credit. — Submitted by Kristin Koerselman.



Upcoming Legion events

- April 6** Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting, 7:00
- April 11** Midwest Honor Flight fundraiser
- April 12** Pancake breakfast
- April 13** City council/town hall meeting
- April 18** Euchre
- May 4** Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting, 7:00
- May 11** City council/town hall meeting
- May 23** Bogenrief graduation
- May 25** Memorial Day celebration luncheon
- June 1** Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting, 7:00
- June 2** Election day
- June 8** City council/town hall meeting
- July 4** Kessenich wedding
- July 6** Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting, 7:00
- July 13** City council/town hall meeting
- Aug. 3** Legion meeting, 7:30/S.A.L. meeting, 7:00
- Aug. 8** Anniversary party
- Aug. 10** City council/town hall meeting

Submitted by Nichole Tonner.

St. Peter Lutheran & Christ Lutheran Lenten schedule

April 2 (Maundy Thursday) at St. Peter with communion, 7 p.m.

April 3 (Good Friday) at Christ Lutheran, 7 p.m.

April 5 Easter service with communion at St. Peter, 10 a.m.

All are welcome to "break into the bank"

The Craig Coffee Club invites you for coffee on Saturdays at 9 a.m. in the former Iowa State Bank building in Craig.

Don't miss out on events!

Remember to mark your calendar
with events found in each Blitz.



Pork Chop Supper Fundraiser for Midwest Honor Flight

Sat., April 11, 5-8 p.m.

Pork chops grilled by
the Plymouth County Pork Producers

Free-will donation

Sponsored by the Brunsville Post 724
and the Sons of the American Legion

Be in the know! Attend the next council meeting

The next Brunsville City Council meeting will be held at the Legion on April 13 at 5:15. p.m.

We're very busy and need more volunteers!

Want to volunteer, adopt or donate?
Contact us today!



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Recipe of the month: Pineapple-Crusted Ham

1 (20 oz.) can crushed pineapple
1 c. packed light brown sugar
1 c. applesauce
1/4 c. cornstarch
1/2 tsp. ground cloves
1 (5 to 6 lb.) fully cooked cured ham

Preheat oven to 375°. Line a roasting pan with aluminum foil, then coat with nonstick cooking spray. In medium bowl, combine all ingredients, except ham, mix well. Place ham in roasting pan. Pat pineapple mixture over ham, coating completely. Bake for 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 hours, or until heated through and coating is crisp and brown, spooning pineapple mixture over ham every 20 minutes. Slice and serve. Yield: 6 to 8 servings.

The above recipe was submitted by the late Mary Singer and can be found on page 273 of the Brunsville Centennial Cookbook that was published in 2010.

Have a recipe to share? Contact us!

*The cookbooks have sold out at the bank.
Get to cookin', people!*

Water report available

The 2025 Consumer Confidence Water Report is available upon request, or can be viewed at the Brunsville Post Office, Iowa State Bank or Legion Post 724.

Interested in submitting information or photos?

The deadline is the 25th the month before publication. Thank you for your submissions, donations and support.

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Quote 'Ems

- Your inner strength is your outer foundation. — Allan Rufus
- Nine-tenths of our suffering is caused by others not thinking so much of us as we think they ought. — Mary Lyon
- You probably wouldn't worry about what people think of you if you could know how seldom they do. — Olin Miller
- Confidence is contagious. So is lack of confidence. — Vince Lombardi
- Life has no remote ... get up and change it yourself! — Mark A. Cooper
- When someone tells me "no," it doesn't mean I can't do it, it simply means I can't do it with them. — Karen E. Quinones Miller
- You have no responsibility to live up to what other people think you ought to accomplish. I have no responsibility to be like they expect me to be. It's their mistake, not my failing. — Richard P. Feynman
- It's not who you are that holds you back; it's who you think you're not. — Denis Waitley
- Doubt kills more dreams than failure ever will. — Suzy Kassem
- Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do. — John Wooden
- No wonder young people are confused. Half are urged to find themselves; the other half are told to get lost. — June Flynn

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