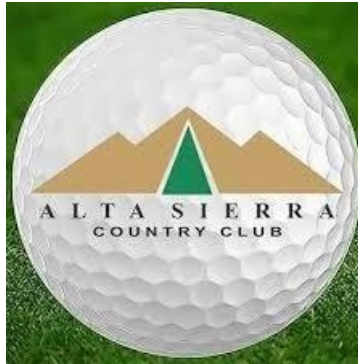


March 2026 Back Nine Bulletin



Objective of the Back Nine Bulletin – ASCC Monthly Newsletter

To keep Alta Sierra Country Club members and guests informed, engaged, and connected by delivering timely updates on membership news, Board activity, course maintenance, pro shop highlights, dining offerings, youth programs, and the many happenings that bring our community to life. Each edition aims to foster transparency, celebrate our vibrant club culture, and strengthen the sense of belonging shared by longtime members and first time visitors alike.

Alta Sierra Country Club Announcement

ASCC Governing Board Update – February 27 Meeting

The seven member ASCC Governing Board met on Friday, February 27, and shared several updates and upcoming dates for members and guests to note.

1. A additional event was added to the club calendar **Saturday, March 7th-Movie Night – Willy Wonka**: A family friendly feature.
2. This year's **Super Bowl Sunday** celebration was a **super success**. Thank you to everyone who joined in and helped make it a great day at the club.
3. **Fairway Aerification**: Scheduled to begin within the next two weeks in March, weather permitting and **Greens Punching**: Planned maintenance dates are **April 6–8** and **September 14–16**.
4. The Board approved the purchase of a **new electric power washer** to help remove excess dirt from golf carts and improve the cleaning process.
5. Seasonal Reminder-**Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 8**. Don't forget to set your clocks forward.

As posted in the last bulletin

The Alta Sierra Country Club Board of Directors—elected by our Proprietary Members—is pleased to share the Executive Officers and Committee Chairs serving for the 2026 season.

Executive Board

- **President:** Del Clement **Vice President:** Chuck Vold **Secretary:** Doreen Lewallen
Treasurer: Jean Metz

Committee Chairs

- **Finance :** Jean Metz | Support : Chuck Vold
- **Facilities:** Doug Bulman | Support: Joe Cochran
- **Greens:** Jim Pearce
- **Membership & Marketing:** Joe Cochran | Support: Doreen Lewallen
- **Swimming Pool:** Doreen Lewallen | Support: Doug Bulman

Emergency Contacts

- Joe Cochran — 530-412-0971, Jim Pearce — 530-205-6440, Chuck Vold — 831-595-4869

The Board looks forward to a productive and collaborative year in service to the Alta Sierra Country Club community.

Pro Shop Updates

Your Game, Our Priority Our Pro Shop team is here to support every part of your round—from tee times and tournaments to gear and guidance. As winter brings shorter days and colder mornings, we've adjusted our operating hours to better serve you.

Course Maintenance Notice – April 6–8

We want to keep everyone informed as we prepare for essential spring maintenance.

⚠️ **The golf course will be CLOSED April 6–8 for aeration.** This scheduled work is crucial for improving turf health, playability, and overall course conditions heading into the season.

🚩 **The driving range will reopen on April 8.** We appreciate your patience while we complete this important work.

Fall/Winter Hours

- Pro Shop: 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM
- First Tee Time: 8:00 AM
- Driving Range: 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM Monday closes at 3:00 PM

Please remember to check the Alta Sierra website each morning for daily course conditions, including 'Cart Path Only' notices or possible frost delays. The driving range will close at 5:00 PM.

Men's Club Quarterly Meeting — Summary

The Men's Club met on February 14, 2026, from 2:00–2:20 PM.

Financials: Current balance: \$5,302.21

Membership: 80 men members, all dues paid

NCGA Team Play:

The club voted to **reenter NCGA Team Play**, and a quorum was reached to field a team. A rotating group of 6–12 players will participate in Saturday matches, with **James Bramburg** serving as the point of contact. A sign-up sheet will be posted next week.

Hole in One: Patrick Ewald aced Hole #3 on January 29 with an 8iron from the Whites

Congratulations, Patrick!



President's Trophy: Edited after the meeting. The February President's Trophy Scheduled for Feb 16–21 has been moved to **March 2nd-7th**. The March Trophy week will be **the 23rd-28th**.

GRS #1 – 4-Man Scramble:

The Blue Flight winners were Brian Hixon, Brad Stewart, Bradley Spangler, and Paul Aldrich with a Net 57, while the White Flight winners were Dann Counihan, Chuck Vold, Jim Pearce, and Cliff

Ostrander with a Net 58. Closest to the Pin winners are still being reviewed, and payouts will be available in the Pro Shop next week.

Next Meeting: May 9th- Quarterly Meeting #2 following GRS #3: 2-Man Championship (NCGA Senior 4-Ball Net)

 **Alta Sierra Men's Association — GSR #1 Tournament Results** 

Thank you to everyone who came out and made GSR #1 a fantastic event. Great play, great weather, and great company out on the course.

 **BLUE FLIGHT**

1st Place — Brad Stewart • Brian Hixon • Brad Spangler • Paul Aldrich with a Net 57

2nd Place — Seth Reader • Troy Sidebottom • Bill Alvarez • Justin Morgan

 **WHITE FLIGHT**

1st Place — Dann Counihan • Cliff Ostrander • Jim Pearce • Charles Vold with a Net 58

2nd Place — John Jones • Pete Gobby • Marshall Barnes • Roger Cravy


“Closet to the Pin” WINNERS

Hole #3 • *Blues:* Troy Sidebottom (4'2") • *Whites:* Jim Pearce (20'11")

Hole #7 • *Blues:* Matt Sowell (6'6") • *Whites:* Chuck Vold (31'8")

Hole #12 • *Blues:* Dean Painter (11'3") • *Whites:* Chuck Vold (2'4")

Hole #15 • *Blues:* Big Cat (7'5") • *Whites:* John Jones (9'7")

 Prize envelopes are available in the Pro Shop.

Men's Club Members,

NCGA Club Team Play season is right around the corner, and we would love to have strong participation this year!

If you are interested in representing the club, please stop by the **Pro Shop to sign up** as soon as possible. This is a great opportunity to enjoy some competitive golf, meet players from other clubs, and represent Alta Sierra on the course.

If you have any questions about the format or commitment, feel free to ask James in the Pro Shop.
We look forward to great season — sign up today!

  **Upcoming Tournaments & Events — Men's Association 2026 Tournament Schedule**

March Due to the snow and rain in February. The **February President's Trophy** will be moved to **March 2nd-7th**. The March Trophy week will be **the 23rd-28th**.

March • Mar 21 — GRS #2: 2-Man Best Ball (NCGA Qualifier: 4-Ball Net & North Valley Zone) •
Mar 22–28 — President's Trophy, Week #3

April • Apr 19–25 — President's Trophy, Week #4

May • May 9 — GRS #3: 2-Man Championship (NCGA Senior 4-Ball Net) + **Quarterly Meeting #2**
May 17–23 — President's Trophy, Week #5

June • Jun 21–27 — President's Trophy, Week #6 • Jun 26–28 — GRS #4: Men's Invitational
(Fri/Sat/Sun)

July • Jul 10–11 — GRS #5: Men's Club Championship (Fri/Sat) • Jul 19–25 — President's Trophy,
Week #7

August • Aug 15–16 — Men's Challenge Cup + Lunch + **Quarterly Meeting #3** • Aug 23–29 —
President's Trophy, Week #8

September • Sep 20–26 — President's Trophy, Week #9


October • Oct 18–24 — President's Trophy, Week #10

November • Nov 14 — GRS #6: Folds of Honor (Military Recognition Day) + Lunch + **Quarterly Meeting #4** • Nov 15–21 — President's Trophy, Week #11

December • Dec 6–12 — President's Trophy, Week #12 • Dec 19 — President's Trophy
Championship

All Tournaments Check In: 8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start: 9:00 a.m.

More Information: Contact Justin Morgan — (530) 263-1084

 **Stay in
the Loop with Women's Golf!**

Stay connected with the latest in women's golf at Alta Sierra! Explore the **Women's Club News** sections in the ASCC newsletter for event highlights, results, and updates.

ASCC Restaurant & Bar Highlights

Unwind at Timbers Bar & Grill—where good food, great views, and even better company come together. Whether you're wrapping up a round or simply stopping in, Timbers is the perfect spot to relax, refuel, and enjoy the heart of our club community.

 **For current hours and our full menu, visit the [Menu Page](#) or call 530-273-2868.**

Please Note: To ensure the best experience, be aware that operating hours may occasionally shift due to private events. We recommend giving us a quick call—especially on weekends—to confirm the clubhouse will remain open until the standard 6 PM closing time.

Winter Hours Update:

The kitchen stays open later on **Fridays and Saturdays until 5:30 PM**

No breakfast service on Mondays

Upcoming Events at Timbers Bar & Grill

- **Wednesday, March 4th, 2026 – Karaoke Night** | 6pm-9pm “Sing, sing aloud, sing out strong” Limited menu available during the event.
 - **Saturday, March 7th, 2026- Movie Night – *Willy Wonka*:** A family-friendly feature.
 - **Wednesday, March 11th, 2026, Trivia Night** starts at 6:30 pm.
 - **Wednesday, March 18th, 2026 – Bingo Night Dinner at 6pm**, Bingo at 7pm (Reservations required – book early!)
 - **Wednesday, March 25th, 2026, Trivia Night** starts at 6:30 pm.
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  **Course News & Grounds Report**

*Comments from the “**Top of the Hill**” — Our Alta Sierra Country Club Grounds Superintendent, Jeff Hill*

As we transition into spring, our maintenance team is focused on key preparations for the upcoming growing season. Core aeration of fairways and roughs has been completed to relieve soil compaction, improve root development, and enhance overall turf health. This process also improves water infiltration and nutrient uptake, setting the foundation for strong turf performance.

We are also starting up the irrigation system to ensure all heads, valves, and controllers are functioning properly. Each zone is being tested and inspected, with any necessary repairs made before peak summer demand.

In addition, general course cleanup is underway, including debris removal, bunker edging, and clearing winter debris from landscaping beds. We are addressing any winter turf damage and performing early-season weed control as needed.

These efforts will position the course for optimal playing conditions as we head into the busy season.

Course Infrastructure & Safety

Routine inspections and preventative measures continue to ensure safe and reliable course conditions.

Turf, Fairway & Green Maintenance Pre-emergent herbicide applications to all turf areas have been completed to prevent crabgrass and goosegrass from germinating.

Trees & Vegetation Management Cleanup has been completed around the pond behind #12 green and #13 tee.

Irrigation & Water Systems An irrigation audit is currently underway to ensure the entire system is operating efficiently.

Wildlife & Pest Control Gopher abatement efforts are ongoing using multiple methods, including trapping and baiting. On average, two gophers per day are being removed when traps are deployed.

Bunker & Course Features Bunker sand has been pushed up where needed to repair storm damage and restore proper playability.

Equipment & Operations

Greens, tee, and fairway mowers have been sharpened to maintain clean, consistent playing surfaces.

Player Experience Enhancements

Pin locations continue to rotate on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday to provide variety and balanced course setup.

Fairway Findings

The ASCC Golf Course recently received four to six inches of snow. Fortunately, we experienced no visible tree damage or major branch breakage, and families from the surrounding community were able to enjoy sledding on several holes without causing any harm to the fairways. The February precipitation was much needed, and we hope our golfers took advantage of the unexpected downtime by visiting the gym, staying active, and keeping up with their golf specific stretches to stay ready for the season ahead.

Clubhouse Fitness

If you are interested in improving your balance, strength, and flexibility, Clubhouse Fitness offers several excellent classes.

Two of these classes, Golden Years Fitness and Tai Chi, are specifically tailored for seniors. Classes are free for Clubhouse Fitness members, with a \$10 drop-in fee for all others. Classes

are conducted in the upstairs exercise studio, just steps away from the ASCC, and no reservation is required. Additionally, the first class is free for all ASCC members.

Class Schedule

- Monday 5:30 p.m.: Mat Pilates
- Tuesday 10:00 a.m.: Golden Years Fitness
- Tuesday 5:30 p.m.: Yoga
- Wednesday 10:00 a.m.: Tai Chi
- Thursday 10:00 a.m.: Golden Years Fitness
- Saturday 10:00 a.m.: Yoga

If you have any questions regarding classes or membership, please contact David at 530-446-1221.

Pickleball Corner

Quality equipment can make a meaningful difference for weekend pickleball players. A well made paddle offers a larger, more responsive sweet spot, giving players better control and fewer mishits. Higher quality paddles also reduce vibration, which helps with comfort and can lessen strain on wrists and elbows. Premium balls bounce more consistently and last longer, keeping rallies smoother and more predictable. While upgraded gear won't replace practice, it can make the game feel easier, more consistent, and more enjoyable for players of all levels.

Poolside Time

We look forward to welcoming swimmers back when it reopens in Spring 2026.

Our newly appointed Swimming Pool Committee members are:

Chair: Doreen Lewallen **Support:** Doug Bulman

Respectfully submitted by Scott Singer, ASCC Member **“Every day, a little bit better, HEY”**