

December 2025 Back Nine Bulletin



Our objective is to keep the **Alta Sierra Community**—our neighbors and public guests— informed, involved, and connected. Every edition delivers up-to-date news and club highlights, including membership updates, course care, pro shop happenings, youth activities, and more. Through open communication and shared stories, the newsletter celebrates the unique spirit that makes Alta Sierra a welcoming place for both members and guests.

A Word from our General Manager Phil Green

November was Phil Green's last month in his role as ASCC General Manager. We wish Phil the best in his future endeavors and are actively pursuing his replacement.

 **Membership News:** ASCC Men, Women, and Family Memberships has remained steady at 158.

Men's Club Quarterly Update

The Men's Club currently has 79 members, with recent hole-in-one honors going to Steve Ebbage, Bruce Danielson, and Thom Anderson. Planning for the 2026 Gold Rush Series is complete, with schedules carefully arranged to avoid conflicts, and new "fun" tournaments under consideration. Veterans will be invited to play free at the annual Folds of Honor event.

The Club will continue fielding teams for NCGA tournaments in 2026. Current board members will remain in place, joined by new adjunct members Chris Sweeny, Patrick Ewald, and Seth Reader.

Special thanks were extended to Scott Byous and Cliff Ostrander for their quick medical assistance to a fellow member. Additional ideas, including Men's Club "Event Nights," are under review. The next meeting date will be announced soon.

Men's Club-Past Tournament Results

 **Congratulations to our November President Trophy Winner!** Rob Zaro battled through tough November conditions and posted an impressive Low Net 72 from the Whites. Well played, Rob! 

- The final **Trophy Week** of the year runs **December 8th–13th**.
- Winners will advance to the **President's Trophy Tournament** on **Saturday, December 20th**.

This is your last chance to get those scorecards in—stay tuned for more details coming soon!



Upcoming December Tournaments & Events

No upcoming December tournaments scheduled.



Stay in the Loop with Women's Golf!

Curious about the latest buzz around the fairways? Check out the Nif-Tee Niners and Women's Club News sections in the ASCC News for event results, updates, and more. There's always something exciting happening at Alta Sierra!"



Pro Shop Updates

Your Game, Our Priority

From tee times to tournaments, gear to guidance—our Pro Shop team is dedicated to making every round seamless and enjoyable. Whatever you need, we've got you covered!

As the days grow shorter and the mornings turn colder, we have adjusted our hours of operation:

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.

ASCC Golf Pro Shop Christmas Sale: December 1st - 23rd. **Special pricing available:** many items will be sold at wholesale cost plus 20%, including clothing and golf accessories (excludes golf balls).

As the mornings get colder, please be vigilant about checking the website for early morning tee times to see if there will be frost delays or cart path only restrictions.

Important Dates:

- **December 24th:** Pro Shop will close at 1 PM. Carts must be returned by 3 PM.
- **December 25th:** Course and Club will be closed for Christmas.
- **December 30th:** Pro Shop will close at 1 PM. Carts need to be returned by 4 PM.

Thank you for your continued support — we look forward to seeing you on the course!

ASCC Restaurant & Bar Highlights

Relax at Timbers Bar & Grill

Relax and unwind with a casual meal overlooking the picturesque fairways of Alta Sierra. Whether you're finishing a round or simply dropping in, our welcoming staff is ready to serve delicious fare in a laid-back atmosphere that's all about good food and great company.

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

Please Note: To ensure you have the best experience, please note that our operating hours may occasionally be adjusted for private events. It's recommended to contact us, especially on weekends, to confirm that the clubhouse will be open until the standard 6 PM closing time

The kitchen stays open later on Fridays and Saturdays until 6:30 PM. No breakfast service on Mondays.

Upcoming Events at Timbers

- **December 1st, 2025 – Monday Night Football** -Giants vs Patriots 5:15pm
- **December 3rd, 2025 – Wednesday Karaoke Night** | 6pm-9pm “Sing, sing aloud, sing out strong” Limited menu available during the event.
- **December 8th, 2025 – Monday Night Football** - Eagles vs Rams 5:15pm
- **December 10th, 2025, Wednesday Trivia Night** starts at 6:30 pm. Please arrive early, as the dining kitchen will be closed for meals due to the holiday schedule.
- **December 15th, 2025 – Monday Night Football** – Dolphins vs Steelers 5:15pm
- **December 17th, 2025 – Wednesday Bingo Night Dinner at 6pm**, Bingo at 7pm (Reservations required – book early!)

- **December 22nd, 2025 – Monday Night Football** - Colts vs 49ers 5:15 PM
- **December 29th, 2025 – Monday Night Football** -Rams vs Falcons 5:15 PM

Course News & Grounds Report

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

Course Infrastructure & Safety Update

Turf, Fairway & Green Maintenance

- We have seeded various areas in the fairways, approaches, green surrounds, and tees with rye grass to enhance course quality.

Trees & Vegetation Management

- Our team is currently trimming all trees around the course to ensure safety and improve aesthetics.
- Cleaning and maintaining areas around the greens and tees is a top priority.
- Landscaping around the clubhouse is also being maintained and trimmed.

Wildlife & Pest Control

- Gopher abatement efforts are ongoing, utilizing various methods such as trapping and baiting. We are successfully capturing approximately four gophers each day.
- Beavers continue to pose an issue in the ponds near hole 15. We have engaged a federal trapper to assist with this matter.

Bunker & Course Features

- Bunkers are being regularly pumped out following rain events to maintain their playability.

Fairway Findings

With all the course green and tee box improvements, cooler and wet weather does not seem to deter enthusiastic golfers, both members and guests, course play will slow down, but not too dramatically.

A **smart tip** for winter golf! 🎖️ Carrying multiple clubs and a divot sand & seed bottle really helps keep play moving when carts are restricted to the path.

Poolside Time

As warm weather fades into memory, cooler days and rainy weather have arrived. With the change in season, the ASCC swimming pool is now closed for the winter months. We look forward to welcoming swimmers back when the pool reopens in Spring 2026.

Pickleball Corner

Rain and cold don't always mean a cancellation for dedicated Alta Sierra pickleball players—just a little warmth and sunshine is all it takes to keep them coming to the courts! Our goal is to improve these facilities to attract new players and enhance the quality and safety of play for everyone. With better courts and a welcoming environment, Alta Sierra pickleball can continue to grow as a fun, active, and connected part of our community.

Cooler Temperatures/Overcast Skies:

Increased Endurance: The absence of intense heat allows for longer rallies and extended play without the rapid fatigue associated with high temperatures, building stamina.

Better Ball Control: Pickleballs tend to be less bouncy when cool, which can aid in executing drop shots and dinks with greater precision.

Optimal Performance: Many players find cooler weather provides a comfortable environment for peak athletic performance.

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