



## THE HIGH COUNTRY RAT RACE

The 72<sup>nd</sup> High Country Rat Race was held August 29-31. One hundred two (102) golfers made fifty-one two-person teams. This is three more teams than last year and the most we have had in many years. The additional teams all came from AMGC!

Thank you Bill and Mona Williams for your organizational skills and dedication to the success of the Rat Race for the past three years.

Golfers came from Baker City, Echo, Enterprise, Hermiston, Joseph, La Grande, Pendleton, Tri Cities, Troutdale, Stanfield, Walla Walla, Wallowa and as far away as Idaho, Utah and Arizona to participate in this fun weekend.

The Saturday night dinner catered by JD's BBQ was beef Tri-Tip. Saturday lunch, sponsored by Ed Staub & Sons, was yummy chicken wraps. PBAR Inc. (Dan Probert) and Slack Drinks and Dining sponsored Sunday's lunch of taco salad with all the fixings.

Included in the fun was a raffle with over 55 items. Donations were mainly from local businesses, players and participants. The values ranged from \$25-\$500. Again this year a \$100 bill was hidden in three of the items. Diane White won the 50/50 pot of \$300 which she donated back to AMGC.

Many helping hands throughout the weekend made light work. Volunteers are key to the success of the Rat Race.

**Registration:** Erin Taggart and Ashley Chrisman from Helping Hearts and Belinda Kuntz helped Mona with registration. Helping Hearts works with the Foundation on some of the youth program ideas/fundraisers. The AMGC Helping Hearts tournament is a big fundraiser for them, so they volunteer for AMGC events whenever they can.

**Friday Evening:** Kathy Reynolds and Judy Ables arranged for all the food provided by the AMGC Ladies Club. Belinda helped with cleanup.

**Crazy Putting:** As in the past three years, Terry Lamb and Gary Marr assisted Bill Williams with the Crazy Putting Contest... which was REALLY CRAZY!

**Saturday Lunch:** Donna McCadden, Belinda and Mona made the wraps and Donna and Belinda served them to the golfers.

**Saturday Evening:** Belinda and Rachel Jones helped Bill and Mona with cleanup. Oliver Hinton, (Linnea Martin, mom and Curtis Martin, step-dad) helped in the kitchen scraping plates and washing dishes.

**Youth Fundraiser Hole #1:** Oliver Hinton, Winston Frey and Hudson Arellano helped with the fundraiser.

**Sunday:** Oliver helped Bill and Mona throughout the day. He was delivery boy for the awards while Scott did the announcing and helped Bill keep the porta-pots stocked with TP. Thank you Oliver!



"The best part of working at Alpine Meadows".  
Greg Oveson

**Raffle:** Rachel Jones solicited prizes and obtained two of the lunch sponsorships. She also provided two beautiful baskets and two other prizes. Bob and Cindy Williams presided over the raffle.

A big Thank You to Scott and Sylvia for making the event run so smoothly. They also provided their own table at all the tournaments for the youth program fundraiser.

A \$100 bill was the prize if any golfer participating in the fundraiser making a-hole-in-one on #1 hole. There were no winners this summer.

Last, but by no means least, a big thank you to Greg Oveson, JD Hagen and Wyatt Nash for their work throughout the season and especially during the Rat Race assuring that the course was in pristine condition.

Organizers for the 2026 Rat Race are Crystal Despain, Panky Hauxwell, Rachel Jones and Wendy McCullough. Interested in helping with the 2026 Rat Race? Please contact one of these organizers.



For \$10 youth fundraisers, Oliver Hinton, Winston Frey and Hudson Arellano, sold opportunities to win a sleeve of balls for Tee shots landing on #1 green.

## BOARD BUZZ

### September 9 Board Meeting:

The Annual Board Meeting, open to all Members, was held September 9.

AMGC closes October 15 signaling the end of another very busy and successful golfing season.

Election of officers will be held at the October 8 Board meeting.

1. The revised Bylaws were approved.
2. The 2026 Rat Race chairs are Rachel Jones, Crystal DeSpain, Panky Hauxwell and Wendy McCullough.
3. Thank Yous were expressed to Greg Oveson and the grounds crew for the great condition of the Course and to Scott and Sylvia Marcum for their excellent management of the Clubhouse, increased membership and revenue.
4. Scott and Sylvia will be returning to AMGC in 2026. YAY!
5. The Foundation reported that they are working on a couple of grants for the Clubhouse balcony/stairway renovation, patio/cement pad repair and replacement of a utility vehicle.
6. Beginning with the November Board meeting, the Board voted to move the monthly meeting from the first Tuesday of the month to the first Thursday.
7. The next Board meeting will be October 14 at 5:00 p.m. the clubhouse.

### Alpine Meadows Information:

Address: 66098 Golf Course Rd  
Enterprise, OR 97828  
Telephone: 541-426-3246  
Website: [golfalpinemeadows.com](http://golfalpinemeadows.com)

### Hours of Operation:

April-May – 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM  
June-August – 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM  
September-October 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

**Newsletter Scoop:** Email pictures and information for the Newsletter to: [sallybfarms@conl.com](mailto:sallybfarms@conl.com)

## Ladies Club News

The Ladies Club met September 5. Appreciation Day for the grounds keepers and Scott and Sylvia will be October 14 at noon at the Clubhouse.

### Business:

1. Add Jim Kilgore's name to the Memorial plaque.
2. Purchase anti-fatigue mats for the area behind the bar.
3. Rachel Jones will look into shirts for the Ladies Club members to wear on Ladies Day, the Gayle Beck Invitational and/or out-of-town tournaments.

**Election of officers:** Voted to keep the same slate of officers for 2025: President - Belinda Kuntz; Vice President - Rochelle Danielson; Secretary/Treasurer - Beth Hough.

## Calendar of Events

**AMGC Board Meeting:** Tuesday, October 14 at 5:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

**Ladies Day** – Tuesdays from 7:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

## 2025 Golf Tournaments

Monday, October 13 –Bart Singley Wildland Firefighter Memorial Tournament

**GOLF COURSE IS CLOSED TO OPEN PLAY ON TOURNAMENT DAYS.**

### Greg's Revenge Scramble – September 27, 2025 - Eight teams, 32 participants

Position	Foursome	To Par Gross	TOTAL GROSS
1	Greg Oveson + Lance Homan + Chase Homan + John Decker	-7	65
2	Tristan Beck + Desiree Nash + Pat Lynn + Spencer Decker	-3	69
3 - Tie	Randy Slinker + Nathan Slinker + Tony Chrisman + Ed Millar	-2	70
3 - Tie	Terry Lamb + Jerry Hook + Justus Even + Dick Anderson	-2	70

KP 1/10	Desiree Nash
KP 4/13	Jess Fuchs

### Lion's Club Scramble – September 13, 2025 - Seven Teams, 28 participants

Position	Foursome	To Par Gross	TOTAL GROSS
1	Lance Homan + John Decker + Kaleb Oveson + Greg Oveson	-14	58
2	Cole Warnock + Marvin Gibbs + Anna + Brad Graybeal	-13	59
3	Joel Stein + Eric Sinclair + Glenn Brown + Brad Stephenson	-11	61

KP 1/10	Cole Warnock
KP 4/13	Jess Fuchs

Long Drive #2	Lance Homan
Long Drive #9	Brad Stephenson

## RAT RACE TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

**Fun Fact:** The flights are CATS for the 1st fight, RATS for the 2nd flight and CHEESE for the 3rd flight instead of flights 1, 2, & 3.

Cats Flight			
Position	Player	Total to Par Gross	Total Gross
1	Mike Alverson + Dara Alverson	+9	153
2	Chris Greenough + Carla Greenough	+17	161
	Greg Carter + Heather Carter	+22	166
3	Alan Stephens + Heather Carter	+23	167

Rats Flight			
Position	Player	Total to Par Gross	Total Gross
1	Douglas McKinnis + Desiree Nash	+21	165
	Chuck Haines + Rachel Jones	+23	167
2	Ron Schuening + Wendi Schuening	+31	175
3	Kory Terry + Amanda Terry	+33	177

Cheese Flight			
Position	Player	Total to Par Gross	Total Gross
1	Mark Sherman + Tiffany Sherman	+32	176
2	Ryan Dragoo + Morgan Grosz	+33	177
	David Brunkow + Wendy McCullough	+42	186
	Eric Sinclair + Mary Sinclair	+42	186
3	Mike Taylor + Patsy Taylor	+47	191

Cats Flight			
Position	Player	Total to Par Net	Total Net
1	Lloyd Baker + Nita Baker	-7	137
--	Mike Alverson + Dara Alverson	-1	143
2	Greg Carter + Heather Carter	E	144
3	Bill Ables + Judy Ables	+1	145

Rats Flight			
Position	Player	Total to Par Net	Total Net
--	Douglas McKinnis + Desiree Nash	-15	129
1	Chuck Haines + Rachel Jones	-13	131
--	Ron Schuening + Wendi Schuening	-5	139
2	Don Westfall + Peggy Westfall	-4	140
--	Kory Terry + Amanda Terry	-3	141
3	Dan Allen + Sharon Allen	-3	147

Cheese Flight			
Position	Player	Total to Par Net	Total Net
1	David Brunkow + Wendy McCullough	-19	125
--	Ryan Dragoo + Morgan Grosz	-13	131
--	Mark Sherman + Tiffany Sherman	-10	134
2	Eric Sinclair + Mary Sinclair	-6	138
3	Curtis Martin + Linnaea Martin	-2	142

High Country Rat Race - Best Ball		
Position	Team	Score
1	Michael & Dara Alverson, Mike & Kathy Reynolds, Kory & Amanda Terry	161
Tie	Chris & Carla Greenough, Don & Peggy Westfall, Curtis & Linnaea Martin	162
Tie	Delmer & Susan Hanson, Ron & Wendy Schuening, Eric & Mary Sinclair	162
Tie	Greg & Heather Carter, Kevin & Stormie McCarthey, Ryan Dragoo & Morgan Grosz	162
Tie	Bill & Judy Ables, Ron & Wendy Schuening, Mike & Patsy Taylor	162

**Thank you  
Bill and Mona Williams  
for the past Three Years!**



Golfers swap tales of long drives and amazing putts waiting to tee off on hole #7.



# THE 2025 RAT RACE

## More Rat Race Results

### High Country Rat Race – Sole Survivor

Position	Team
1	Ron & Wendy Schuening
2	Chuck Haines & Rachel Jones
3	Doug McKinnis & Desiree Nash

### Long Drive #2 - Men

Flight	Golfer
Cats	Lloyd Baker
Rats	Kory Terry
Cheese	Ryan Dragoo

### Long Drive #6 - Women

Flight	Golfer
Cats	Ashley Cornford
Rats	Katie Williams
Cheese	Mary Sinclair

### Closest To The Pin

Day/Hole	Golfer
Saturday #1	Carol Franks
Saturday #4	Stormie McCarthy
Sunday #1	Susan Hanson
Sunday #4	Dara Alverson



Marvin Gibbs draws another Raffle winner with helpers Cindy Williams, Knightly Benjamin, daughter of Peter & Candi Benjamin.



Scott instructs the golfers before the Rat Race shotgun start.

Perfect weather  
Great golfing  
AND  
Fun!  
102 golfers  
72<sup>nd</sup> annual  
High Country  
Rat Race!



**Sole Survivor Hole #4** L to R: Scott Marcum, Chuck Haines, Rachel Jones, Desiree Nash, Marvin Gibbs, Wendi Schuening and Ron Schuening. Not pictured, Doug McKinnis who was putting.

