# **SPECIAL SECTION: CENTRAL OREGON**



# Several Central Oregon courses ranked among the country's best

Golf Digest has ranked several Central Oregon golf courses among the best you can play in the U.S. See Page 2.

# The Tour: Central Oregon has a wide variety of courses

There are so many choices for golf in Central Oregon, including Black Butte Ranch (right). See inside.



# RV's and golf: An open NW road

It seems as nothing can stop golfers who own recreational vehicles from hitting the open road. The number of RV golfers touring the Pacific Northwest has become significant – and it is a big part of the revenue for many courses, like Sun Lakes Resort (right) located in Central Washington. Camping overnight at a golf course is becoming very popular. For more, please see inside.

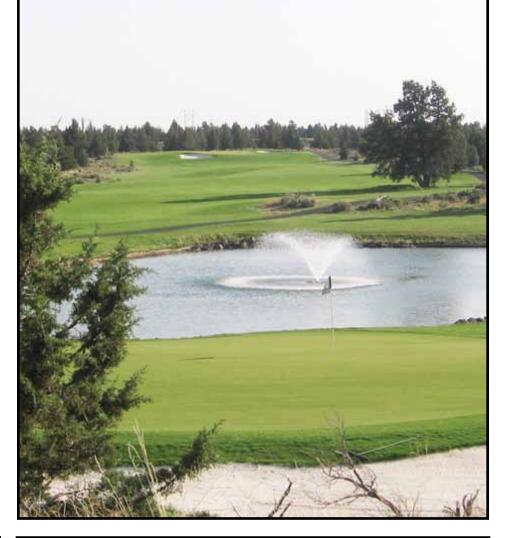


# Central Oregon: A golf bonzanza

There is no wonder why Central Oregon is one of the most popular destinations in the golf season for golfers from around the country. With its abundant of quality courses and resorts, it's little wonder why people from around the Pacific Northwest – and the rest of the country – have made Central Oregon an annual destination for a golf trip. And when you combine the outdoor activities such as biking, horseback riding, skiing, fishing, rafting and more, the area is truly a playground for families as well as golfers.

The area is ranked among the top golf destinations in the world with courses like Juniper (right), Crooked River Ranch (lower right) and Aspen Lakes (lower left). In fact, the Central Oregon area is considered one of the top golf destinations in the country. The area also is home to some top events like the Oregon Open, Pacific Amateur Golf Classic and Central Oregon Shootout.

For more, please see inside this special section of *Inside Golf Newspaper*.







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# **New fall tourmament**

Black Butte Ranch Resort and Eagle Crest Resort have joined forces to put on the inaugural Central Oregon Fall Shootout. This is a different format than the spring event the courses host along with Aspen Lakes.

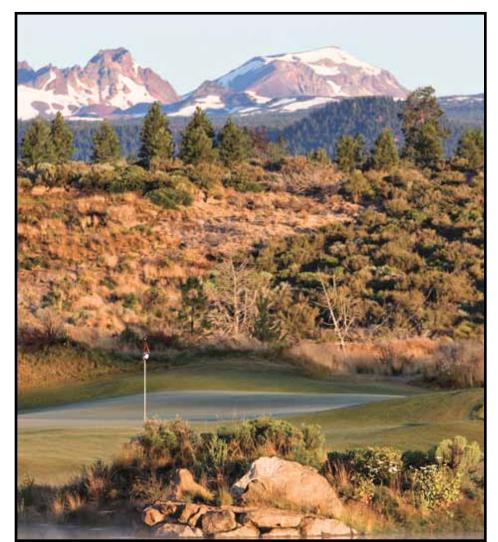
The Central Oregon Fall Shootout will feature four-player teams playing in two formats Oct. 5-6. Round one will be a 4-person Stableford with the second round a 4-person Best-Ball. Entry fee is \$900 per team and includes golf, food and more. For information call either 541.595.1292 or 541.504.3877.

# Several Central Oregon golf courses named among best by Golf Digest

The Central Oregon area was well represented when Golf Digest came out with its making of the top 100 Greates Public Golf Courses in the United States.

Among the top 100, were three in Central Oregon including Pronghorn (Nicklaus), Tetherow and Sunriver's Crosswater. Here's what the magazine had to say about the courses:

- When it first opened, Pronghorn was strictly private and its Nicklaus Course was ranked second by Golf Digest among America's Best New Private Courses of 2004. Four years ago, the club (which also has a Fazio-designed 18) began allowing public play on its Nicklaus track. Its back nine may be the most delightful Jack has ever designed, with gambling holes and gorgeous scenery at every turn.
- \* Part of Crosswater was reportedly built in the meadow where John Wayne, as Rooster Cogburn, filmed his climactic charge with guns blazing in the 1969 film, True Grit. The Bob Cupp design is far more subtle than a Wayne western, with low-profile greens edged by graceful chipping areas and fairways intersected repeatedly by the Big and Little Deschutes rivers.
- A decade after David McLay Kidd established his architectural reputation with the original Bandon Dunes course, he returned to Oregon, settled in Bend and built another dazzling course, Tetherow.





Tetherow (top) and Pronghorn's Nicklaus course (bottom) were among the Greatest 100 Public Courses in the U.S. says Golf Digest Magazine.



# **Central Oregon**

# With no shortage of award-winning courses and resorts, this is the place

Editor's note: *Inside Golf Newspaper* has traveled to the Central Oregon many times through the years. Here's a look at where to play and what is new at the courses in the area. We hope you like what you read.

## **Juniper Golf Course**

Juniper Golf Club has undergone some serious changes over the years. The biggest, of course, was a completely new Juniper. The old Juniper Golf Club was located near the Redmond Airport and when it became too costly to keep the land, the city of Redmond began to look at other options. The best one was to work on a deal with the Bureau of Land Management to acquire land just south of town and have Northwest architect John Harbottle design a new course.

When the new Juniper Golf Club opened for play it was a hit both on and off the course. Carved out of the desert landscape with panoramic views of Mt. Bachelor, Broken Top, the Tree Sisters, Mt. Washington, Three-fingered Jack, Mt. Jefferson and Mt. Hood.

The course plays to over 7,100 yards from the tips and has some terrific scenery, with the Oregon High Desert serving as a great background. *Golf Digest* took notice of the new course, naming Juniper as one of the Best New Affordable Courses (under \$75) for the 2006 golf

season.

Most holes have great views, but the view from the 14th tee is dramatic. The view from the 14th gives players a peek at two mountains. The 15th hole gives golfers a nice view as well as this par-4 features lava rock and a large sand bunker and water.

Juniper was host to the 2007 and 2010 Oregon Open and a repeat US Amateur qualifier site for six consecutive years, 2006-2010

#### **Crooked River Ranch Resort**

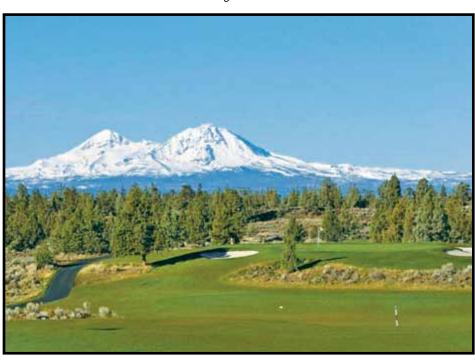
At Crooked River, the fifth hole is perhaps one of the most dynamic golf holes you will come across. There's a great view and a tough shot. The dogleg left hole, a 260-yard par-4, may not seem intimidating on the scorecard, but from the tee box it's another story.

The Crooked River runs along the left side of the hole in a large deep canyon and the desert sits on the right side. The green can be driven, but it's a tough shot. Any shot to the left, and you're left looking straight down 12 stories at your ball floating away in the Crooked River. In his book on Oregon Golf, author Paul Linnman calls the hole "the most spectacular golf hole in Oregon."

Crooked River Ranch is a place for families. Not only is there the golf, there's the camping, fishing and boating. With



Crooked River Ranch offers a terrific setting for families to take their vacation.



Juniper Golf Club in Redmond has been a host course for the Oregon Open.



# A trio to try at Eagle Crest

plenty of outdoor activities in and around the resort, a family vacation will never get boring. Long-time Director of Golf Pat Huffer has been elected into the PGA Northwest Section Hall of Fame.

#### **Aspen Lakes Golf Club**

Aspen Lakes is the result of a lot of hard work and imagination by the Cyrus family who bought the land in 1987. They turned a high desert farmland into one of the jewels in Central Oregon. They celebrated their 20-year anniversary in May of 2017 and plan on making Aspen Lakes an attractive family-time venue in the next 20 years.

If you had to pick two things that stand out at Aspen Lakes Golf Course it would have to be the unique red volcanic crushed rock sand used in the bunkers and the great views of the mountains in the Cascade Range.

Designed by Northwest golf architect Bill Overdorf, the course was named one of the "Top Ten Affordable Golf Courses" in 2001 by *Golf Digest*.

Ponderosa pines, scented juniper trees, pristine lakes and breathtaking views of the Cascade Mountains at almost every turn make Aspen Lakes an amazing all around golf experience. It's no wonder it is a popular place for families and as well as corporate outings. A new rustic clubhouse adds to the golfing experience.

The course hosts one of the top team tournaments each year with the Central Oregon Shootout that takes place each April. Visit www.aspenlakes.com for more information.

## **Eagle Crest Golf Resort**

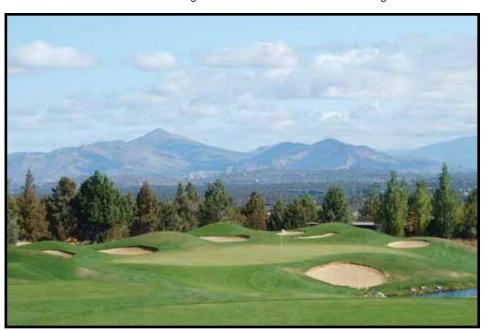
Surrounded by majestic, snowcapped Cascade Mountains, Eagle Crest Resort is located along the Deschutes River, just west of Redmond and north of Bend. Named a Golf Digest Best Place to Play in 2008 and 2009, guests return yearafter-year for the Resort's 54 holes of golf (three courses) and extremely valuable. unlimited golf packages. They also return for the fully renovated Lodge at Eagle Crest, well-maintained vacation homes, three sport centers, indoor and outdoor pools, multiple tennis, basketball and volleyball courts, miles of hiking and biking trails, spa, and countless recreational pursuits throughout Central Oregon.

When it comes to golf, challenge, variety and value are the top priorities at Eagle Crest Resort. With two championship golf courses, the par-63 Challenge Course, and a popular 18-hole putting course, links lovers are never far from their favorite pastime. Four sets of tees on each course allow the more experienced golfers plenty of challenge, and the less experienced equally enjoyable rounds. And thanks to the lower elevation, The Ridge and Challenge Courses remain open all winter long.

- The Ridge Course Host of the 1999 and 2002 Northwest Open, and 2006 Oregon Open.
- The Resort Course Host of the 2011 Pacific Amateur and Oregon High School State Golf Championships since 1991
- The Challenge Course Named the Pacific Northwest's best short course by LINKS Magazine in 2006.



Black Butte Ranch Resort has two golf courses - Glaze Meadow and Big Meadow.



Eagle Crest Golf Resort in Redmond has three different courses to choose from.





# Arnold Palmer legacy lives on at the Running Y Ranch

### **Black Butte Ranch Resort**

Black Butte Ranch is one of those special places that not only has plenty of family activities, but also offers two golf courses to choose from.

With the Big Meadow and Glaze Meadow golf courses, Black Butte is a golfer's paradise. Each course is provides a different, yet challenging golf experience and both are worth the trip to Central Oregon.

Big Meadow underwent a bunker renovation several years ago. With the new and remodeled bunkers, the course is even more challenging.

For years, many golfers have considered Glaze Meadow Golf Course at Black Butte Ranch to be the most iconic in Central Oregon. When the course reopened in 2012, after being closed for a year, for an extensive \$3.75 million renovation by architect John Fought, golfers were treated to an experience unlike anything else in Central Oregon. Featuring slightly elevated greens, square tee boxes and deep grass-faced bunkers, the new Glaze Meadow reflects the spirit of classic golf course design in a true mountain setting.

#### **Running Y Ranch Resort**

Running Y Ranch, Southern Oregon's only full-service destination resort, is home to the Arnold Palmer Signature Course, Arnold's only course in Oregon. Situated in the heart of the breathtaking Cascade Mountain range, just across the California boarder on the shores of Klamath Lake, the resort's exceptionally mild climate and 300 days of sunshine add up to a four-season recreational paradise.

The Arnold Palmer Signature Course at Running Y Ranch is consistently rated one of the country's best When Arnold Palmer was asked to pick a favorite golf course from his many designs, he did not chose one, but 16. The list has become known as Arnold's "Sweet 16", and includes his course at Running Y Ranch. "The course at Running Y Ranch is one of my best tracks." - Arnold Palmer.

If you're looking for an Oregon golf resort that has it all, along with plenty of value, you will find it here. Running Y Ranch features a fully renovated, 82room Lodge and new restaurant,

# **Lost Tracks Golf Club**

Lost Tracks Golf Club in Bend opened in 1996 and was carved out of a stand of Ponderosa pines with lava rock outcroppings and small lakes that give the course a nice peaceful charm.

The bridge to the par-3 16th green is a railroad car, complete with everything you would find in a passenger car including the many bag tags left by golfers from other courses. The course got its name after construction workers found old railroad spikes and train tracks during the early stages of course preparation.

Under owner Brian Whitcomb, Lost Tracks has made significant changes. The most recent change is dramatic - the removal of trees and between the 13th and 14th holes and the construction of a series of water features between the two holes, which includes ponds connected with a stream.



Aspen Lakes offers some stunning views of the Three Sisters during its 18-hole layout.

## River's Edge Golf Course

River's Edge Golf Course in Bend is known for its challenging layout that sits on a hillside and features rolling fairways and undulating greens. The course was designed by the late Robert Muir Graves. whose portfolio also includes Big meadow at Black Butte and Widgi Creek Golf

Along with its challenges, golfers should be pleased with the amount of positive changes the course has undergone. Tee boxes have been leveled, the fairway on the second hole has been made level, and No. 17 hole has been widened.

# Plenty of private clubs

There are plenty of private country clubs in the Central Oregon area as well as public courses. In Bend, there are three of the top courses in the state with Bend Golf and Country Club, Broken Top and Awbrey Glen.

Bend Golf and Country Club is the oldest, having opened its original nine holes for play 75 years ago. It became an 18-hole course in 1974 and renovations have helped keep the course up to date. Both Awbrey Glen and Broken Top opened in 1993. Awbrey Glen opened as a public course, but turned private in 2000. Pronghorn is a private golf com-





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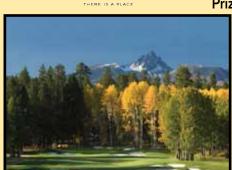
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# **Taking the Central Oregon tour**

munity and has two courses, which have already received a lot of attention. One is a Jack Nicklaus course and the other is a Tom Fazio course.

#### **Sunriver Resort**

If you are seeking a variety of incredible golf courses and want to stay in one place, then Sunriver Resort is the place for you. The Meadows and Woodlands courses are both beautiful and challenging, but are often are overshadowed by the attention given to the award-winning Crosswater. A new course called Caldera Springs has opened, located next to Crosswater, and is a perfect place for your short game practice, although there are some longer holes.

Sunriver's Crosswater course, designed by Bob Cupp and John Fought, is perhaps one of the most visually pleasing courses you will ever come across.

The course was ranked in the top 100 Greatest in the country by *Golf Digest*.

# Widgi Creek Golf Club

At just under 7,000 yards from the back tees and 5,000 from the forward tee boxes, Widgi offers a unique and fair challenge to all golfers. What the course might lacks in yardage, it makes up for with tight, tree-lined fairways and large, undulating greens. The 653-yard third hole is one of the longest Par 5s in the country and the 216-yard 11th hole is all the Par 3 you can handle. Widgi Creek also features an expansive practice facility that includes two practice putting greens, a bunker area and natural grass driving range.

# **Meadow Lakes Golf Course**

Designed by Canada's premier golf course architect Mr. Bill Robinson, Meadow Lakes Golf Course crosses the beautiful Crooked River 4 times. The terrain is fairly flat, making the course very walkable. As you meander through the rolling mounds, do your best to avoid the 9 ponds and 62 bunkers. Meadow Lakes is a player friendly course with generous fairways, huge greens (6,700 sq. ft. average) and 5 sets of tees. The course plays from 4,858 to 6,783 yards with a course rating from the back tees of 72.1 and a slope of 125.

# **Quail Run Golf Course**

Quail Run had always been thought of as a terrific nine-holer, but when nine new holes were built, the course suddenly became a Central Oregon hot spot. Quail Run plays to nearly 7,000 yards from the tips and features mountain and desert views. Located just south of Sunriver, the course is worth the few extra miles south.

# **Tetherow Golf Club**

With influences of David McLay Kidd and his usage of naturally rolling terrain, a genuine Scottish links-style course is very uncommon in the U.S., let alone in the high desert with Cascade views. All of these factors, with the addition of the fescue grass mixture, lead to a facility that is truly unlike any other. Playing links-style golf is traditionally done near seaside locations, but Kidd was able to have a vision that reminded him of a childhood dreamland. Most other courses in



Brasada Ranch offers some of the best views that Central Oregon has to offer up.

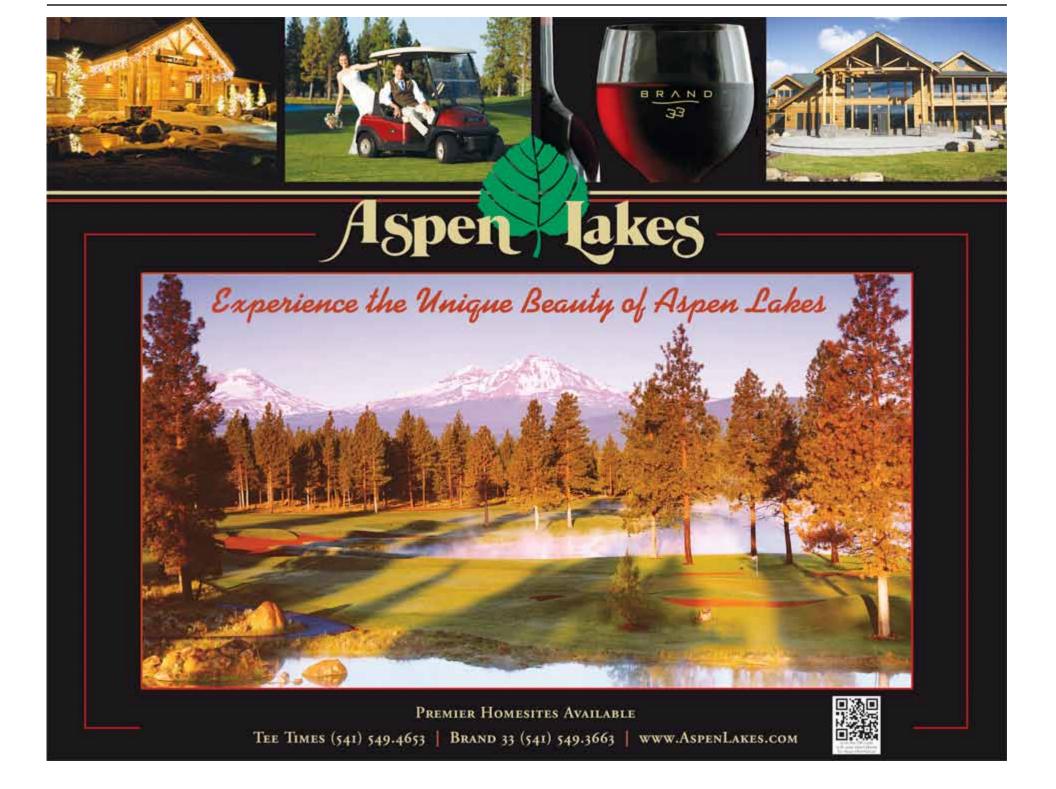
the area use either a Creeping Bentgrass or Kentucky Bluegrass grass mixture – which allows for softer playing conditions. With fescue, the grass doesn't require as much water or fertilizer and can withstand a playing condition that is very firm and fast (ideal for links-style play).

#### **Brasada Ranch Resort**

Brasada Canyons offers amazing golf, top-notch service, and a front row seat to the natural wonder of Central Oregon. Designed by native Oregonian Peter Jacobsen and Jim Hardy, the course just

outside Bend is undeniably one of Central Oregon's most beautiful and enjoyable. As the name suggests, 18 distinctive and challenging holes wind through, across and along the canyons of Brasada Ranch, beginning from 3,272 feet above sea level and climbing to just over 4,000.

Here your ball soars farther, as does your eye, with dramatic, unmatched views of snowcapped Cascade Mountains from nearly every hole. Eighteen holes at Brasada Canyons isn't simply a day of golf. It's an experience never to be forgotten.





# Where to play golf in Central Oregon

- 1. Kah-Nee-Ta Resort 18 holes, 6,352 yards Warm Springs, Public
- 2. Nine Peaks Golf Course 18 holes, 6,582 yards Madras, Public
- 3. Crooked River Ranch
  18 holes, 5,521 yards
  Crooked River Ranch, Public
- 4. Black Butte Glaze Meadow 18 holes, 6,574 yards Black Butte, Public
- 5. Black Butte Big Meadow 18 holes, 6,850 yards Black Butte, Public
- **6. Aspen Lakes**18 holes, 7,302 yards
  Sisters, Public
- 7. Eagle Crest Resort 18 holes, 6,673 yards

Redmond, Public

- 8. Eagle Crest Ridge 18 holes, 6,927 yards Redmond, Public
- 9. Eagle Crest Challenge 18 holes, 4,160 yards Redmond, Public

- 10. Brasada Ranch Resort
  - 18 holes, 7,000 yards Redmond, Public
- **11. Greens at Redmond** 9 holes, 1,686 yards Redmond, Public
- **12. Juniper Golf Course** 18 holes, 7,200 yards Redmond, Public
- **Meadow Lakes**18 holes, 6,731 yards
  Prineville, Public
- **14. River's Edge**18 holes, 6,683 yards
  Bend, Public
- **15. Widgi Creek**18 holes, 6,903 yards
  Bend, Public
- **Orion Greens**9 holes, 2,075 yards
  Bend, Public
- 17. Lost Tracks
  18 holes, 7,003 yards
  Bend, Public
- **18.** Sunriver Meadows
  18 holes, 7,012 yards
  Sunriver, Public

- **19.** Sunriver Woodlands 18 holes, 6,880 yards Sunriver, Public
- 20. Sunriver Crosswater 18 holes, 7,683 yards Sunriver, Semi-Private
- **Quail Run**18 holes, 6,800 yards
  LaPine, Public
- **22. Running Y Ranch** 18 holes, 7,300 yards Klamath Falls, Public
- **23. Harbour Links**18 holes, 6,194 yards
  Klamath Falls, Public
- **24. Round Lake** 9 holes, 1,512 yards Klamath Falls, Public
- 25. Shield Crest 18 holes, 7,005 yards Klamath Falls, Public
- **26. Eagle Point**18 holes, 7,099 yards
  Eagle Point, Public
- 27. Centennial 18 holes, 7,200 yards Medford, Public

- **Quail Point** 9 holes, 3,034 yards Medford, Public
- 29. **Tetherow** 18 holes, 7,298 yards Bend, Public

# **COUNTRY CLUBS**

- **30. Awbrey Glen**18 holes, 6,908 yards
  Bend, Private
- 31. Bend Country Club 18 holes, 7,035 yards Bend, Private
- **32. Broken Top**18 holes, 7,161 yards
  Bend, Private
- 33. Reames Country Club
  18 holes, 6,564 yards
  Klamath Falls, Private.
- **34.** Prineville Country Club 9 holes, 2,525 yards Prineville, Private.
- **35. Pronghorn Golf Club**Two courses
  Redmond, Private

# Central Oregon Shootout conintues to be a hit with Pacific Northwest golfers

What started back in 2003 as a way to try and generate some interest in Central Oregon golf during the early spring has developed into one of the Pacific Northwest's premiere amateur tournaments in the Central Oregon Shootout.

The Shootout just finished its 17th run and its popularity just keeps on growing. In fact the 150-team field sold out well in advance of the tournament. Aspen Lakes, Black Butte Ranch Resort and Eagle Crest Resort have all teamed up to stage the tournament for the 150 teams, giving golfers a variety of golf to play over the three days of the tournament.

The tournament offers plenty for the entry fee, including three tournament rounds of golf plus good and tee prizes.

This year were a total of six divisions in the tournament. The first day features a scramble format, the second day is a best-ball and the final day is a chapman. The tournament offers over \$20,000 in prize gift certificate payouts.

It all starts with a welcome ceremony at Aspen Lakes' Brand 33 restaurant and then continues for the next three days with plenty of golf.

For more on the tournament, see the web sites for any of the courses involved.



Aspen Lakes 28,000 square foot clubhouse - featuring a pro shop, bar, and restaurant.

# Centennial Golf Club was designed to challenge your game

Centennial Golf Club in Medford is one of those places that you need to play if haven't already. Northwest architect John Fought designed an 18-hole gem in Medford, that offers a Scottish links-style layout with some length and plenty of challenges.

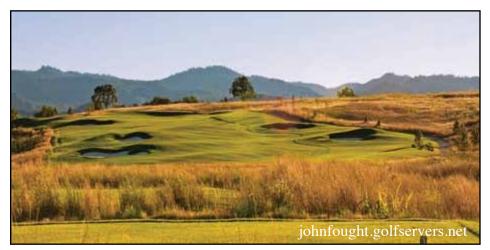
The course stretches to over 7,300 yards from the tips and offers five tee options. Fought said he had plenty of inspiration when he came up with the design for Centennial Golf Course.

"The design was inspired by the classic designs from the Golden Age of golf course architecture," he said. "Such geniuses as Donald Ross, Alistair Mack-

enzie and AW Tillinghast were creating their master works."

Centennial was honored as one of the Top 50 Public Courses in the country by readers of *GolfWorld* magazine in 2010.

The wide fairways belie the perils lurking on this course, such as knee to waist-high fescue if you wander too far off the fairway, or the formidable greens that are fast and seldom offer a level putt – rated by some as the best greens in southwest Oregon. The wind can be your friend when at your back, providing some lengthy drives, but when it's against you, it can be brutally cruel.



Centennial Golf Course is a link-style layout designed by John Foughts.

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# Golf and RV's perfect fit for the NW

In search of golf courses with spots for recreational vehicles, golfers find there are many choices to stay and play when traveling around the Pacific Northwest looking for action

The attraction to RVs is growing and mini vacations are more prevalent as RV owners and renters find it's an attractive alternative to paying for expensive motels and restaurant meals.

There are many stories of how much cheaper traveling in an RV is over a car and motel/hotels but is that really true? When you factor in the cost of the RV and gas mileage that hovers around 10 MPG, you can stay in a lot of motels for that price.

However, if you compare it to cruises or air travel and the value of your investment, it begins to look pretty good. That being said, the intangibles such as sleeping in your own bed, having the ability to take a weekend trip on the spur of the moment and without a lot of prior planning, it's worth a lot emotionally in our sometimes stressful and hectic lifestyle. Hit the road without the hassles of hotel bookings, flight delays, lost luggage, car rentals, crowded restaurants and unexpected cost overruns.

With an RV you can sleep in and approach the day on your schedule, knowing that you have all of the creature comforts that you would have at home. Another benefit to RV traveling is the ability to bring the family pet with you, something that is not possible, or at least not comfortable, when traveling by car and staying in motels.

Many golf courses around the Pacific Northwest have either upgraded their RV lots or added spaces to their parks. And these are not just any ordinary spots. Most have full hookups with cable television, WIFI connections, laundry rooms, day-rooms and some have swimming pools, kids play stations, dog washing and walking facilities and more. Some RV resorts offer volleyball or other forms of gaming, like Horn Rapids RV Resort in Richland that has shuffleboard, a pool, a dog wash and a full time Activities Director. The RV lifestyle offers wonderful moments that many people never experience like nights sitting around in campchairs visiting with friends.

Imagine waking up in the morning and looking out your front window at a lush and inviting fairway. All is quiet except the sound of a distant mower. You make a pot of coffee and have a leisurely breakfast and enjoy the quietness of nature before you wander over to the clubhouse See RV golf, Page 11

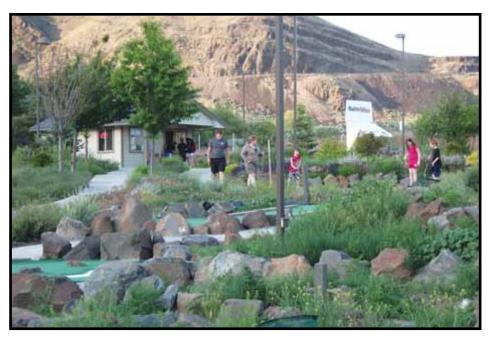


Horn Rapids RV Resort in Richland is across the road from Horn Rapids Golf Course.





Sage Hills in Warden has 42 sites, restaurant & bar, pool and a championship golf course.



If you are looking for a place with lots of things to do, Sun Lakes Resort is the place for you.

# For golfers traveling the road with RV's, there are choices

There are plenty of choices to make for golfers travelling with RV's. Here are a few that should be on your route:

• **Desert Aire:** Located in Mattawa, Wash. Desert Aire with RV golfers, with a course and RV parking next to the Columbia River. The original nine opened in 1970 and a new nine was added in 1992. The course annually enjoys a long playing season.

Desert Aire is offering a Stay and Play deal for \$100 Monday through Thursday for two rounds and a night's lodging with the RV.

- Sage Hills: This Central Washington Golf and RV Resort is a real gem located in Warden, just south of Moses Lake, on Highway 17. It has 42 premium RV spots overlooking the 18-hole course where tree-lined fairways demand golfers to stay focused. The greens are always in great shape and the lush but firm fairways are especially appreciated by travelers coming from the coast. The course will challenge every level of golfer. Other amenities include a swimming pool, day-room and a restaurant and bar that overlooks the course.
- **Sun Lakes:** Sun Lakes in Coulee City is a family-friendly resort. There are over 100 camp sites and several cabins. The water sports are a huge attraction and the Vic Meyers Golf Course is a 9-hole challenge that is a green belt through high desert sage brush. Resort visitors can enjoy a putt-putt course, bike riding, volleyball, hiking or just relaxing in the sun. There are also plenty of sights to see in the area including the Lake Lenore Caves, the Dry Falls and the Coulee Corridor, a fantastic drive along Highway 17.

There are plenty of options at Sun Lakes for the RV traveling golfers.

• **Wildhorse:** Far from big city crowds, yet easily accessible for a quick escape, lies an oasis of recreation, relaxation and exhilaration: Wildhorse Resort & Casino in Pendleton. Its 100-space RV Park welcomes travelers to stay at the foot of the Blue Mountains just outside of Pendleton, Oregon.

Full hook-ups are available along with a heated pool and spa, showers and laundry facilities. Just steps away, the championship golf course offers 18 challenging holes featuring lush undulating fairways, silky bent grass greens and panoramic mountain views.

• Suntides: Probably one of the best kept secrets in Eastern Washington is Suntides Golf Course and Suntides RV. This 18-hole par-70 course is nestled in a small valley just outside of Yakima near the Naches River and Highway 12, with over 300 days of sunshine each year. While the course is not long at 5,914 yards, it offers plenty of water hazards, lots of trees and well-placed bunkers, giving it some teeth.

Suntides RV Park is adjacent to the course and has a recently established bike/walking trail near by. The park has manicured grass, mature shade trees, paved roads and sites that provide easy access for big rigs. Past visitors describe it as being super clean with a very friendly staff.

• Horn Rapids RV Resort: Located in Richland across the highway from Horn Rapids Golf Course. This is the top-of-the-line RV park with concrete pads, dog grooming area with fenced dog run, mini-mart store, rec room with kitchen, pool, three laundry rooms, shuffleboard, WIFI, and more. They also have a full-time Activities Director on staff. There are 225 full hookup sites...no tents.



# Northwest golf course with RV accommodations

## **OREGON**

CEDAR BEND

Golden Beach

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9 hole par 72 (18 holes)

11 RV spaces with water/electric only

#### **CROOKED RIVER RANCH**

**Crooked River** 

(800) 841-0563 or (541) 923-1441

18 hole par 71 golf course

91 RV spaces 21 tent spaces under

separate management

#### JUNIPER GOLF COURSE

Redmond

18 hole par 72 golf course

(541) 548-2711

(Expo Center RV Park next door)

116 sites

separate management

(541) 548-2711 (park)

KAH-NEE-TA RESORT Warm Springs

1-800-831-0100

18 hole par 72 golf course

50 RV spaces w/ full hookups

## MALLARD CREEK GOLF & RV RESORT

Lebanon

(541) 259-GOLF (4653

18 hole par 72 championship golf course

43 RV spaces w/full hookups

#### WILDHORSE CASINO

Pendleton

(541) 276-5588 golf course

(541) 966-1891 RV park

18 hole par 72 course

100 RV spaces with full hookups

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Astoria (503) 338-3386

9 Hole par 36 golf course

70 RV spaces with 30,50 & 100 amp service

# **WASHINGTON**

**DESERT AIRE GOLF COURSE** 

**Desert Aire** 

(509) 932-4439

18 hole par 72 golf course

10 spaces with full hookups

CRESCENT BAR RESORT

1-800-824-7090 or (509) 787-1511

9 hole par 35 golf course

RV park next to course **CHEWELAH GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB** 

Chewelah

(509) 935-6807

27 hole golf course

RV spaces by separate mgmt DEER PARK GOLF COURSE

**Deer Park** 

(509) 276-5912

18 hole par 72 golf course

127 RV spaces

HORN RAPIDS RV RESORT

Richland

Across the highway from Horn Rapids GC

(509) 375-4714

18 hole par 72 golf course

225 RV spaces

MAPLE GROVE GOLF COURSE

Randle

(360) 497-2741

9 hole executive course

160 RV spaces

OASIS RV GOLF PARK

**Ephrata** 

(509) 754-5102

9 hole par-3 course

RV spaces with full hookups

ODESSA GOLF CLUB

(509) 982-0093

9 hole par 36 golf course

**RV** spaces

OTHELLO GOLF CLUB

Othello

(509) 488-2376

9 hole par 35 golf course Parking for several RVs, electric for 8

RIVERSIDE GOLF COURSE

Chehalis (360) 748-8182

18 hole par 71 golf course

26 RV sites with full hookups

**COLOCKUM RIDGE GOLF CLUB** 

**Quincy** 

(509) 787-3244

18 hole par 70 golf course

17 spaces with electricity

ROYAL CITY GOLF COURSE

**Royal City** 

(509)346-2052

9 hole par 36 golf course RV spaces with full hookups

SAGE HILLS GOLF COURSE

(509) 349-2603

18 hole par 71 golf course

42 spaces with full hookups

SALISH CLIFFS

**Shelton** 

(800) 667-7711

18 hole par 72 golf course 44 spaces with full hookups

SUN COUNTRY GOLF COURSE

Cle Elum

(509) 674-2226

18 hole par 71 golf course

14 RV spaces with full hookups SUNTIDES GOLF COURSE

Yakima

(509) 966-9065 18 hole par 70 golf course

RV spaces (usually full)

SWINOMISH GOLF LINKS

Anacortes

18 holes par 72 (360) 293-3444 35 spaces located at casino **VIC MEYERS GOLF COURSE** 

(Sun Lakes Resort), Coulee City

(509) 632-5738

9 hole par 36 golf course

Private park and State Park next to course **IDAHO** 

# **ASPEN ACRES**

Ashton

(208) 652-3524

18 hole par 60 executive course

**RV** park

CENTRAL LINKS GC & RV PARK

(208) 425-3233

9 hole par 33 golf course

**RV** park **CLEAR LAKE COUNTRY CLUB** 

Buhl

(208) 543-4849 18 hole par 72 golf course

20 RV spaces with full hookups semi-private open to public

RIVER PARK GOLF COURSE

MacKay

(208) 588-2296

9 hole par 31 executive course

**RV** park

**MONTANA** 

GLACIER VIEW GOLF CLUB **West Glacier** 

(406) 888-5471

18 hole par 68 golf course 9 RV spaces

MEADOW CREEK GOLF COURSE

**Fortine** (406) 882-4474

9 hole par 27 golf course 10 RV spaces with full hookups

RIVER'S BEND AT THOMSON FALLS

**Thompson Falls** 

(406) 827-3438 9 hole par 36 golf course RV park next door

# Looking for a great way to see NW courses? Take an RV

Continued from Page 9 for a relaxing round of golf. That is what golfers experience when traveling to the course with an

Driving in an RV has several advantage: a better view of the surroundings (from a motorhome) at a higher vantage point; being able to pull off the road and have a relaxing meal in your home-away-from-home; being able to change your itinerary at will and, most of all, having all of your creature comforts from home with you – your clothes in the closet instead of a suitcase, your favorite brands of food and drink,

your own pillow and bed. There is a change in the demographics of RV owners, the fastest growing group of RV owners are those between the age of 35 and 44, with the average age being 48. The RV lifestyle - the

average age of RV owners is getting younger,

from an average age of 67 a few year ago to less than 50 today. RV travelers want to have a home base from which to explore local points of interest. Young people pile a bunch of friends in a rented RV, stock the cooler and head out for a weekend golfing trip. But, it's not time to forget the retiring baby boomers as many are choosing to explore the open road and get in as many weekend outings as possible. For boomers, golf

and RVs seems to be a perfect match. This growing market has not gone unnoticed by golf courses across the country and in par-

ticular, the Northwest. Mirroring the surge in RV ownership is the growth in RV clubs. These groups like to travel together and have the potential to fill a golf course or at least fill the campsites, and they tend to stay for a few days and play more than one round of golf. This is good news to golf courses who have

already made an RV investment. Many golf courses around the Pacific Northwest have either upgraded their RV lots or added spaces for recreational vehicles. And these are not just any ordinary spots. Most have full hookups with cable television, WIFI connections, laundry rooms, day-rooms and some have swimming pools, kids play stations, dog washing and walking facilities and more. Some RV resorts offer volleyball or other forms of gaming, like Horn Rapids RV Resort in Richland that has shuffleboard, a pool, and a full time Activities Director. The RV lifestyle offers wonderful moments that many people never experience - nights sitting around in campchairs

visiting with friends. All courses with RV camping have stay and play specials but these can change throughout the year so check the courses before leaving.

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off Highway 101. In addition to the amenities of the Little Creek Casino Resort, there is also the award-winning Salish Cliffs Golf Course that the RV travelers can take some swings at. Salish Cliffs is one of the top courses in the state of Washington and has easy access from highway 101. For

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