



LITTLE LEAGUE | DISTRICT 3 ALL-STAR TOURNAMENT



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Blade Soto waits for the pickoff possibility at third during play Saturday in the 2017 District 3 Little League All-Star Tournament held in Enterprise. Soto played for the Wallowa Valley Little League 9- to 11-year-old squad. Play continues throughout the week at three fields.



Tyler Knapp opened on the mound for the Wallowa Valley Little League 8- to 10-year-old all-star team in Saturday's 2017 District 3 All-Star Tournament.



Members of the Wallowa Valley Little League 9- to 11-year old team chill prior to its first outing Saturday afternoon in Enterprise: Drew Beachy, left, Gabe Nobles, Lane Botts, Tyler McQuead and Paizley Grover. Saturday was warm and players were encouraged repeatedly to stay hydrated.



Nathan Goodrich tosses a foreign object off the field during cleanup prior to the last game of the day Saturday in the 2017 District 3 Little League All-Star Tournament in Enterprise. Goodrich was among a small army of volunteers who made the week-long event possible. This year's tourney was hosted by Wallowa Valley Little League.

Golf requires attention to etiquette

It's a rarity to make a tee time at Alpine Meadows. It's a perk golfers find enjoyable after playing an out-of-town course. Most golf courses require a tee time, especially in more highly populated urban areas.

This is how it works. Let's say your tee time is 10:05 a.m., then at 10:05 a.m. you'd better be on the tee box ready to golf, otherwise you may lose your turn or have to wait for an opening.

A busy course will set tee times in intervals on an average of 7 to 15 minutes to keep a steady flow of golfers. That means there is always a foursome behind your group pushing you.

Some courses have a marshal who drives the fairways, encouraging slower golfers to move along. For higher handicappers, the pressure of "ready play" can be a pain in the-you-know-what. Instead of enjoying the game, you wind up in a big hurry consequently hitting poor shots.

Not to say that golfers should not visit

tee time

Rochelle Danielson

other courses. Players of the game should learn to branch out: Practice golf rules, play efficiently (not necessarily fast), never fret about playing with strangers, talk less and don't whine while playing (well, maybe on Ladies Day Tuesday).

Golfers need to keep a steady pace, be courteous and if possible, let the team behind go on through.

Golf etiquette is a must on any course. If learned on our hometown course, members and guests should feel more comfortable visiting other golf facilities.

Alpine Meadows is an exceptional and special place. Visitors marvel at its beauty and well-maintained landscape. Let's all respect

it.

Ladies Wine-Down Thursdays scramble net-score winners this week: Carol Marr and Rochelle Danielson, 24.5. Kathy Reynolds and Dayle Harmon, 30.5. Judy Ables and Cheryl Kooch, 32. Lil Harshfield and Nancy Hook, 33.25. Other teammates: Tammy Crawford and Laurel Stahlke; Billie Suto and newcomer Sarah Follet.

Of the nine couples playing Friday Scotch Ball, winners were Gary and Carol Marr, first low gross, 39. Ray and Dayle Harmon, second low gross, 41. Ken and Panky Hauxwell, first low net, 28. Dale and Lou Johnson, second low net, 31.1.

The five couples who could have/should have won were Jim and Ernestine Kilgore, Jerry and Nancy Hook, Bill and Judy Ables, Mike and Kathy Reynolds and Gary Marr II and Rochelle Danielson.

Rochelle Danielson writes an occasional column during the golfing season.

Little League softball teams in tournament

Three teams from Wallowa Valley Little League participated in the 2017 Softball All-Star Tournament last weekend in La Grande.

Lisa Bateman's 10- 12-year-old team finished fourth in the double-elimination event with two wins and two losses. Aimee Meyers, Liz Rowley, Emma Starker and Chloe Walker were named outstanding players, one for each of the four games.

Bateman said the girls did an outstanding job.

Mark Moeller's 8- 10-year-old team did not fare as well and did not win a game. Moeller said the competition was tough, particularly the Grant County team, whom he said were a "solid softball team."

No information was available on the third team prior to press deadline.

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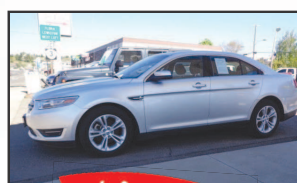
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