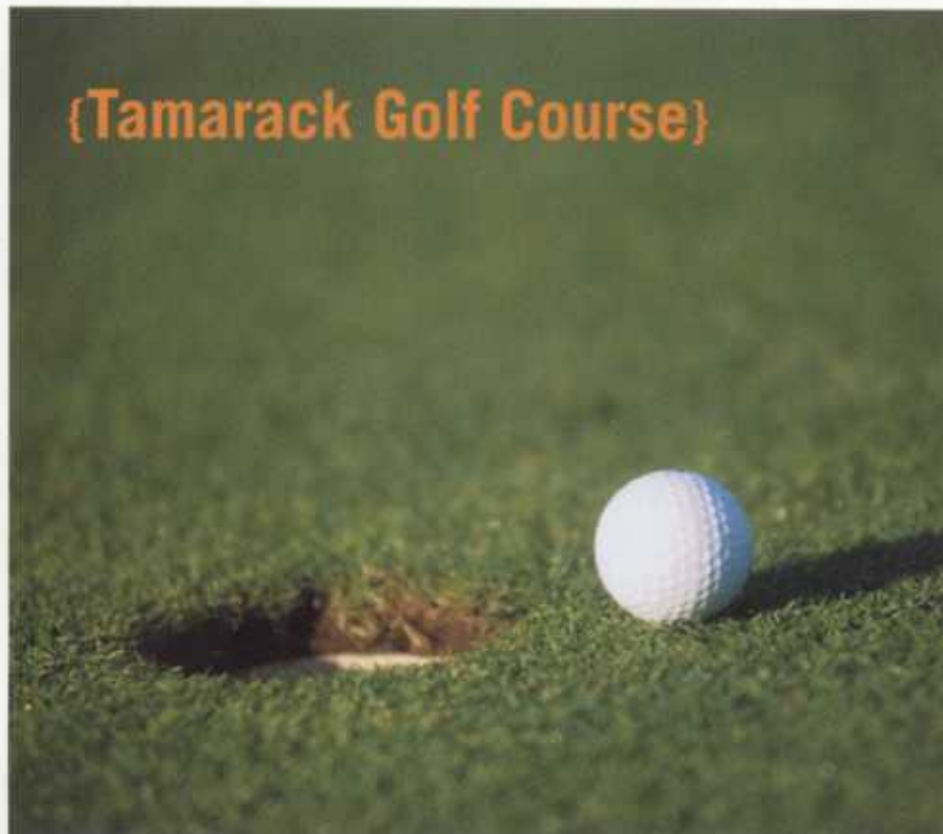


## {Tamarack Golf Course}



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by Ginny Eggleston

Highlighting this summer's activities in Donnelly is the opening of Tamarack's Robert Trent Jones II Signature Course. This championship course exudes the essence of an all-season mountain resort, with the Tamarack ski mountain on one side and beautiful Lake Cascade on the other. The course was rough-cut and sculpted with the highest importance placed on integrating the course with the existing environment. Designers say the scenic beauty and natural terrain of the Tamarack course will put it in the ranking of the top five golf courses in the Pacific Northwest. Additionally, the layout caters to both daily fee play and reserved club member access.

Unlike most golf courses that have three tee boxes per hole—a championship tee, men's tee, and ladies' tee—Tamarack Golf Course features four tee boxes per hole called 'double-diamond tees.' Each tee box will be rated similar to that of the ski resort: double black diamond, black diamond, blue and green. People can

choose which tees to hit from according to their abilities. Also, the golf rates will vary according to many different factors including time of year, time of day, groups and age. The specific rates have yet to be determined, and will be announced prior to the opening this summer. Tamarack Golf Course Supervisor Tom Altmann assures that rates will be adjusted "according to white space to help fill the tee sheet and make the course affordable for all golfers.

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Juniors are the future of golf, and this is certainly an area that will be focused on when it comes to special rates and programs. There will be women's, men's, seniors' and junior programs for those interested in social events and meeting new people."

Another non-traditional feature of the RTJ II course will be the par-ratings of each hole. Tamarack Golf Course will have five par 5s,

five par 3s and eight par 4s instead of the usual four par 5s, four par 3s and ten par 4s. The course will be finely manicured to ensure the finest quality appearance and golf experience while maintaining the natural beauty of the surrounding wetlands and meadows. Altmann says Tamarack will keep much of the area in natural condition, resulting in an aesthetically stunning golf course—a true gem in the mountains.

A soft opening of the front nine holes is set for July 1, 2005 with a Grand Opening of the par-72, 18-hole course set for Labor Day Weekend. All the Luxury Tamarack Resort Cottages, chalets and custom homes are available for rent through the summer. Charter air service is also available through Tamarack Air Service.

Travel and lodging can be arranged through Tamarack Central Reservations by calling 877-826-7377 toll free.