

Sierra Recreation Association

June 1998

Springtime Finally

As I type this newsletter, it is absolutely perfect weather outside. It seems like it has been a long time coming this year. It is time for your annual fire safety yard cleanup. There will be inspections again this year and those cabins that do not meet the fire safety recommendations of the Forest Service can receive a fine. Remember that you are to clear the dead pine needles and branches to 30 feet away from your house. Also all pine needles are to be cleared from your roof and cut any branches that are hanging too close to your chimney.



The burn area is currently open to dump your pine needles and branches. Please do not take any other type of burnable garbage to the burn area. There are usually two piles at the burn area. If one of them is burning when you arrive to dump your needles, please put them in the other pile, not the one that is burning. Do not ever light the burn pile yourself; our caretakers will take care of this. The Forest Service closes the burn area every year when they determine that the fire danger is too great. Once they stop allowing us to burn, you may no longer dump your needles there, so don't delay in cleaning up your yard.



Sierra Park Lodge #376

Our regular monthly meetings are held on the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Hall. There is a potluck held the fourth Saturday before the Lodge meeting, to which all are welcome. However, this month, there will be no Lodge meeting or Potluck held on the fourth Saturday.

Welcome!

We have some fairly new owners in our park in the past few months. We would like to extend a welcome to Norman Cox, who bought Al Dean's place, Thomas and Brenda Ralston who bought the Ferrell place, and to Donald Reuss who bought the Lineaweaver place. Welcome to our park. We hope that you enjoy it here as much as we all do!

Annual Assessment

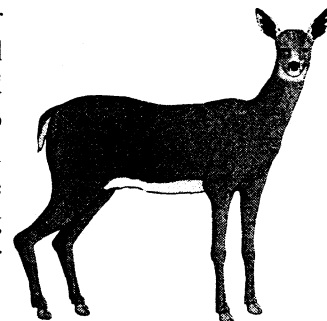
By now everyone has received the statement of their annual assessment. This is due upon receipt. Remember that any assessment received after July 31, will accrue a \$10.00 service charge for each month that it is past due. Also, if we must take your account to Small Claims Court for collection, all costs will be charged to you also, as it is not fair for those who pay promptly to have to bear the cost of collecting from those who do not. We have already received payment from many of you and would like to thank you for your prompt payment.

Picnic Area & Rec Hall Reservations

The Recreation Hall and/or Picnic Area have been reserved on the following dates:

- June 20 - Rec Hall - Hoffmann/Townsend
- June 27 - Picnic Area - Bonners
- July 4 - Recreation Hall - Doris Kilgore
- July 6 - Picnic Area - Mooneys
- July 11 - Recreation Hall - Hawkes
- July 15-19 - Rec Hall & Picnic Area - Bowmans
- Aug 1 - Picnic Area - Bonners

If you wish to reserve either the Recreation Hall and/or the Picnic Area, you can do so by sending a letter to the Board of Directors, stating the dates and purpose of your reservation, for their approval at their monthly Board Meeting or you can come to the Board Meeting in person to request a reservation. The Board of Directors' Meeting is held the first Sunday after the second Saturday of each month, unless otherwise notified.





Board of Directors Meeting Minutes June 14, 1998

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Del Wallis. Prayer was led by Richard Bonner. Those present were Del Wallis - President, Jim Morrison - Vice President, Fred Coleman - Secretary, Richard Bonner - Treasurer, Deena Hague, Ron Hawke, Robert Snell, and Gene Reed. Those absent - Greg Brown - excused.

MINUTES - Motion by Morrison, second by Snell to approve the minutes of the May meeting as mailed. Motion carried and so ordered.

MEMBERS BEFORE THE BOARD - None.

CORRESPONDENCE - Letter from Dorene Eggleston informing us of the fact that the snowplow broke a small section of pavement at 25431 Wheeler Road in front of her mother's cabin. Randy is to inspect the problem and do what is required. Letter from Jan and Bill Potts requesting permission to remove PG&E line crossing their property going to the restroom in the old camp ground. Motion by Hawke, second by Coleman to allow removal if no cost or problem to the park. Motion carried. Letter from Hawke requesting use of the Recreation Hall for a small group on Saturday, July 11, 1998. Motion by Coleman, second by Bonner to allow use - providing check comes in for the use one week in advance of use. Motion carried.

Letter from Deanna Mooney requesting use of Picnic Area July 6 for 100+ people. Motion by Coleman, second by Reed to allow use - providing the check comes in for the use one week in advance. Motion Carried.

Bonner requested the use of the picnic grounds on June 27, 1998. Motion by Coleman, second by Reed to allow use - providing the check comes in one week in advance of use. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER - Morrison - Water usage was 88,000 gallons. Would like to purchase a tape to be able to check water table in the wells. Cost is \$393.03 - Cemented corners on the six-inch line to hold the line steady and charged line - fifty feet of line across Jordan West. A new water box will be installed on David. Fencing around the water tank will be installed. Lake water quality will be checked during the summer.

ROADS - Reed - Work on the roads will probably begin in July. The weather does not permit repair at this time.

BUILDINGS - Hawke - Insulated the pump house at well six.

TIMBER - Coleman - Craig Tolmie thanked us for the chance to speak at the General Meeting. He wants to give a guided tour and explain the sample area behind homes and fuel break, either July 4th or 5th if the board agrees. This will be set up for Labor Day Weekend. Please let us know if you plan on attending so we can prepare handouts. We will provide more information in the future. Craig sent two copies of Road Maintenance plan and his proposal. The harvesting contract has been sent to Tanner Logging. Coleman will need to sign it when it comes in. A letter

was sent to Sierra Pacific Industries changing the expiration date to October 31, 1998. Coleman will need to sign the new agreement when it comes in.

RECREATION - Snell - The Fishing Derby will be held Saturday, June 20, 1998. It starts at 8:00. Sand has been put on the beach and tarps on the sun shade at the beach. It is ready for use. The Boy Scouts have been asked to donate for some of the cost of the fish. They will be allowed to fish in the a.m. providing they are supervised by an adult.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Hague - We have been in touch with Environmental Health about scattered garbage. Owner was contacted and it has been cleaned up. The Porta-Potties are in place at the lake and by the maintenance shed.

FINANCE - Bonner - Bills for this month are \$9,365.20. Motion by Hawke and second by Hague to pay all bills. Motion carried. We are checking on way to increase our interest rate. In July the end of the year financial report is to be sent out.

EQUIPMENT - Brown (absent) - Work has been done on the Backhoe, four-wheel drive has been fixed. The backhoe is to go in for overheating problem. The park truck needs service and overheating problem fixed. The chain saws and weed eaters are ready to go.

OLD BUSINESS - The county responded to our concerns about the road they request before we can develop the five acres. They want a secondary access road. The county does not want us to close the road to Long Barn during winter. We would have to keep it open even if there is snow. Del Wallis replied to the County letters. We will compact the road, put down 4" of rock, put in four turnouts and allow the County to do the job of maintaining it. Del to try to move our problem to the Planning Department and Board of Supervisors if needed.

NEW BUSINESS - Minutes for annual meeting corrected. Fishing Derby is to be held June 20, not June 13, as printed. The board has sent billing to membership for annual assessment. Motion by Bonner and Second by Hawke that the budget and assessment are correct as printed and mailed and also as approved by the A and B membership at the annual meeting. Motion carried. At the annual meeting there was a quorum of A membership. In an absence of a quorum of the B membership, the Board took the action of formally approving the Budget and assessment.

Question of how often the burn area needs to be burned. Burning must be done because of a problem of filling up, it can't wait. We have to burn when it fills up. It is so smoky because the pine needles are so wet this year.

Motion by Coleman and second by Hague to allow the Sewing Club use of the Recreation Hall. Motion carried.

Meeting closed at 9:55 a.m. The next meeting will be held July 12, at 8:30 a.m.



Checks disbursed for June 1998

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
6/9	8750	Twain Harte Lumber	Buildings/Water 38.58
6/9	8751	J.S. West and Symons	Recreation/Buildings 122.85
6/13	8752	Randall J. Tolbert	Payroll Through June 15, 1998 768.16
6/13	8753	Michael W. Caropresso	Payroll Through June 15, 1998 479.08
6/15	8754	US Bank	Payroll taxes 868.87
6/15	8755	AT&T	Telephone 6.07
6/15	8756	PG&E	Utilities 557.47
6/15	8757	Pacific Bell	Telephone 57.08
6/15	8758	Cal Sierra Disposal	Garbage 764.20
6/15	8759	AquaLab	Water testing 175.00
6/15	8760	General Supply Company	Building maintenance 84.36
6/15	8761	J.S. West and Symons	Propane 204.07
6/15	8762	Village Mail Stop	Member communication 72.04
6/15	8763	Zaks	Maintenance, Equipment 62.38
6/15	8764	Lawrence Haun	Professional Services 75.00
6/15	8765	Doherty Tire of Sonora	Tire repair 20.00
6/15	8766	Sierra Resources	Timber expense 741.25
6/15	8767	Mother Lode Portable Toilets	Porta Potties 63.73
6/15	8768	Duane St. Clair Trucking	Trucking 144.00
6/15	8769	George Reed Inc.	Road Base/ Beach Sand 334.29

The following will be written when new checks are received

8770	Eric Carlson, Accountant	Professional Services	650.00
8771	Kolpac	Road maintenance/ culvert	111.54
8772	Randall J. Tolbert	Payroll Through June 30, 1998	768.14
8773	Michael W. Caropresso	Payroll Through June 30, 1998	479.06
8774	US Bank	Employee retirement	175.00
8775	US Postmaster	Trust Fund/Postage/Box Rent	302.00
8776	Glenda Bonner	Bookkeeping/Gate services per year	427.00
8777	Cathy Bowman	Newsletter/Minutes per year	427.00
8778	Richard Bonner	Reimburse for postage for statements/New Checks	164.59
8779	Robert Snell	Mileage/Building Supplies	69.21
8780	Jasper Morrison	Mileage & Towels	57.49
8781	Deena Hague	Mileage	37.50
8782	Fred Coleman	Mileage & Office Supplies	58.19

Total	9,365.20
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