

Sierra Recreation Association

Newsletter

July 2000

Summer in the Park

The tules in the lake have been sprayed and are turning yellow. The Board is going to try and find someone who can remove them after they are all dead. The algae will be sprayed after the lake is drained in the fall. Maybe next year it will be easier for the kids to fish in the lake. By the way, the man who is doing the spraying is licensed by the State to do it so he knows what he is doing. He has told the Board the sprays he's using in the lake will not hurt any swimmers or the fish.

The timber harvest is finished in compartment 4, so on and after July 15, homeowners may go into the area to cut wood. Check with the caretakers for the exact



location. All the rules for cutting wood in the National Forests apply here: chain saws must have spark arresters, and you must have a shovel and fire

extinguishers with you ready for quick use if necessary.

Another reminder: Dogs must be on one end of a leash, with you on the other end! Also, dogs are not to be in or near the lake.

The California Department of Forestry (CDF) will be doing re-inspections of lots during the rest of July. Be sure and have your pine needles raked up and hauled away.

Questions?

Direct all calls to the park answering machine: 586-3098, leave a message and the call will be answered by the correct person.

Just as a reminder be watchful for snakes.

On the Lighter Side

If it were to cost one cent to ride a thousand miles, a trip around the world would cost 25 cents; to the moon, \$2.38: to the sun, only \$930.00: but a trip to the nearest star would cost \$260,000,000.00 (Just imagine what is would cost with what gas costs today!)

Be yourself! Who is better qualified!

We'd all get along better if we used the advice we give others.

Many things are easier to get into than to get out of.

Overheard at a funeral: Its really too bad about him. He had the same thing I've got, only mine's a lot worse.

A newspaperman was listening with disbelief to a politician who was giving his version of the facts. "How can he do this?" whispered a fellow writer. "He's murdering the truth." The first newspaperman disgreed. "He'll never get close enough to it to do it bodily harm," he said.

Sierra Park Lodge #376

Our regular monthly meetings are held on the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

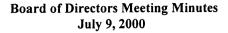
Calendar Of Events

Holiday Dinner	Saturday, December 9,2000
St.Patrick's Day Dinner.	Saturday, March 17, 2001
Annual Meeting	Sunday, May 27, 2001
Fish Derby	Saturday June 16, 2001



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The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Del Wallis. Those present were President Del Wallis, Secretary Norrine Coyle, Treasurer Richard Bonner, and members Fred Coleman, Deena Hague and Ed Smith. Absent were Robert Snell and Raul Morales, excused, and Greg Brown, unexcused.

The invocation was given by Richard Bonner.

MINUTES - By motion (Coleman/Hague, unan.), the minutes of the June II, 2000, Board meeting were approved as mailed. Apologies were made by those who typed the newsletter and minutes concerning errors in the June issue. By error, the draft was given to the printer rather than the corrected copy. It was mentioned that apparently not many noticed the errors because there were very few comments or calls about them.

CORRESPONDENCE - A note from Maureen & Gerald O'Rourke thanking the Board of Directors, caretakers and residents "for the lovely park we have"; a request for information about the assessment invoice and a copy of the C.C.&R.'s from "Access for Disabled Americans": a letter from Elsie Manning concerning the statement showing the assessment is "past due"; and a letter from Lorraine & Gordon Nicholson commending the caretakers for a "great job" and asking for information concerning some items. There were also grant deeds showing the sale of John & Geri Quartarolo's property on Abraham to Alfred & Cara Ornellas; Joseph T. Martin and Billie C. Martin's property on Deborah to Gerald Pasa and Victoria Stewart; Phillip and Linda Butler's property on Deborah to Wayne and Julie Shellcross; and Robert & Kay Muth's property on Deborah to John & Misty Stevens.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER -Morales: Randy reported that 1.1 million gallons of water were used during the past month. Much of this was to water dirt roads in the back area where logging was being done. Tests were taken on well #2 but results have not yet been received. He reported that a water pipe through the creek keeps getting exposed because materials they put over it keep getting washed away. By motion (Coleman/Hague, unan.) It was decided to purchase some rock to use to protect the water pipe. The caretakers cleared weeds from ditches on Wheeler Road and will start replacing water valves.

BUILDINGS -Smith: Well house windows will be replaced and the caretakers cabin will be painted in September.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Hague: The tules in the lake have been sprayed by a person licensed to do this type of spraying. The algae will be sprayed after the lake is drained. The star

thistle in the meadow has been sprayed. There are a lot of dead little perch floating near the edge of the lake. They were there before any spraying was done. The caretakers will see if they can get the dead fish out of the lake. The dock was fixed last month. There was a discussion about some dead trees in the park, some on park property and some on homeowners' property.

RECREATION - Coyle/Snell - A successful fishing derby was held the day before Father's Day with lots of prizes for both children and adults. Through donations and ticket purchases for the adult prizes, a total of \$962.25 was raised. The cost at this point was \$949.00, with a few bills still to come in.

FINANCE-Bonner: Total Park bills amounted to \$10,153.91. By motion (Smith/Coleman,unan.) The bills were approved for payment. It was mentioned that the interest rate is going up a little on the C.D.'s as it comes time to roll them over. It was mentioned that 292 assessments have been paid. By motion (Hague/Coleman,unan.) It was agreed to transfer \$7,240 into the Equipment Reserve.

TIMBER -Coleman - The timber cutting is now complete in Compartment 4 with about 331,000 feet of lumber being harvested. On and after July 15, any homeowners may go into that area and start cutting downed wood. People cutting need to have a spark arrester on their chain saws, and have shovels and fire exinguishers with them, the same rules as apply in the national forests.

ROADS-Snell: The pad has been poured under the garbage bin.

NEW BUSINESS - Mrs. Manning's letter was reviewed. It was decided that in the future, the first billing will show "Current" rather than "l-30 days past due." Dues are actually due on June I, but the bills don't get out until shortly after the l st. There has been some vandalism to one of the gate posts in the old camp ground area, also. This has been referred to the Park's attorney for action. Cars were parked in the old camp ground area, also.

There is a question about exactly where a lot line goes, and appears to be in one of the Park's streets. The Board is looking for an agreeable way to solve the problem.

It was mentioned that the information forms being included with the dues assessments are for the purpose of determining exactly how many lodge members are homeowners in the Park. People who are not I.O.O.F. or Rebekah members should not receive proxies with the annual meeting notice.

There being no futher business, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. The next meeting will be on August 13, 2000, at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norrine Coyle, Secretary



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Checks Disbursed for July 2000

DATE CHE	CK# DESCRIPTION	<u>AMOUNT</u>
06/12 9564	Calaveras Trout Farm - Fish for Derby	\$ 826.50
06/19 9565	Signs Right Now - Park signs	187.69
06/19 9566	L.C.R.S Office Supplies	59.06
07/09 9567	Twain Harte Lumber - Shop- Roads	336.32
07/09 9568	Eric A. Carlson - Accounting	1,010.00
07/09 9569	Randall J. Tolbert - Payroll	838.68
07/09 9570	Michael W. Caropreso - Payroll	542.22
07/09 9571	Randall J. Tolbert - Payroll	838.69
07/09 9572	Michael W. Caropreso - Payroll	542.22
07/09 9573	US Bank - Payroll Deductions	175.00
07/09 9574	US Bank - Payroll Taxes	972.36
07/09 9575	Employment Development Dept Payroll Taxes	73.88
07/09 9576	J.S. West Propane	34.23
07/09 9577	Mother Lode Portable Toilets	159.44
07/09 9578	George Reed, Inc Beach sand	515.77
07/09 9579	AT&T	22.29
07/09 9580	AquaLab - Water test	200.00
07/09 9581	Doherty Tire of Sonora - Tires	210.97
07/09 9582	Twain Harte Saw - Chainsaw & Trimers	610.54
07/09 9583	Cal Sierra Disposal - Garbage	1,093.80
07/09 9584	Void	
07/09 9585	Mother Lode Equipment - Maintain Equipment	356.74
07/09 9586	Village Mail & Print Stop - Newsletter, AnnMinutes	165.02
07/09 9587	W.H. Breshears - Shop Supplies	60.59
07/09 9588	Norrine Coyle - Mileage & Fish Derby Expenes	123.13
07/09 9589	Deena Hague - Mileage	37.50
07/09 9590	Randall J. Tolbert - Petty Cash	63.27
07/09 9591	Duane St. Clair Trucking - Haul Beach Sand	144.00
	TOTAL	\$10,153.91
07/09 9592	World Savings - Equipment Reserve Transfer	7,240.00

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