



Newsletter



An Official Publication of the South Nacimiento Road Association.

May 2014

THANKS!!!

Each month we try to acknowledge those who freely give of their time and energy to support SNRA. SNRA has no employees. Everything is accomplished by volunteers who give generously of their time and talents. Many of the things we take for granted just wouldn't happen if it weren't for people like these.

Thanks to :

- Cal Shasta for the use of their building for our board meetings.
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?? **Who have we missed??** There are surely others who are expending effort to support SNRA, with no expectation of reward. If you know of someone who has not been recognized, please give Brenda Brooner a call (312-3268) so they can be included in this column next month.

WANTED: Someone to give a little of your time to your Road Association.



We need a Secretary!!! There are only six meetings a month now - January, March, May, August, October and November - so pretty easy to fit into your schedule. The job is primarily taking the Minutes at the meeting and sending them along to the Newsletter editor. I've done this (off and on) for about 9 years now. When I began I had never taken a Minute in my life. But everyone is very helpful and it isn't very hard. The time commitment is only about 5 - 6 hours (including the meeting) each month that there is a meeting. It is a good way to meet SNRA members and be a bit more involved in the community. Please consider it.

Sue Kennedy, Treasurer and erst while Secretary

Nacimiento Reservoir Data

As of : May 20, 2014

- Surface lake elevation: 724.4
- Capacity: 21%
- Lake water release: 60CFS

SNRA Board Members

Phil Humfrey - President	238-9462
Ken Thomas - Vice President	481-9069
Sue Kennedy -Treasurer	226-0697
Celia Shockey - Secretary	(541) 912-5937
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Faron Goodwin—Tri-Counties	238-1593
Carl Steinkraus-Running Deer	237-1182
Leo Kennedy-Running Deer	226-0697
Newsletter-Brenda Brooner	312-3268

South Nacimiento Road Association
May 18, 2014

President Phil Humfrey called the Board Meeting to order in the Cal Shasta Clubhouse at 8:58 AM.

Roll Call of Officers

President	Phil Humfrey
Vice President	Ken Thomas
Secretary	Celia Shockey
Treasurer	Sue Kennedy
Representatives	
Cal-Shasta	John Hunter
	Steve Selby, Absent, replaced by Lee Davis
	Ken Thomas
Private Property Owners	Jim Shockey
	Russ Johnson - Absent
Running Deer	Carl Steinkraus, Absent, replaced by Jerry Ahrens
	Leo Kennedy
South Shore Village	Brent McClurg - Absent, replaced by Charlie Hermes
Tri-County	Randy Tognazzini
	Faron Goodwin, Absent, replaced by Mike Lemos

Presidents Message

No message

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made by Russ, seconded by Leo to approve the minutes as they were printed in the newsletter. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report

A motion was made by Randy and seconded by Russ to accept the treasurer's report as presented, motion carried. Beginning balance as of March 2014 was \$56,641.64. Over the March and April 2014 period an income of \$92,595.00 was received. Expenses for the same period of time were \$2,970.55, leaving a balance on hand of \$146,266.09. There was one budgeted invoice presented for payment from Jim Shockey for \$1,500.00, which was for weed spraying. A motion was made by Leo, seconded by John and passed to pay this bill.

Correspondence

A Certificate of Insurance was received from Michael Fredericks.

Electric Gate

Jerry reported; the camera has been replaced with the cost being split between SNRA and Running Deer.

Membership - Sue Kennedy. No new members reported

Budget & Maintenance

Russ reported; maintenance work on the roads will begin May 27, and should be completed by June 6. Work will consist of shoulder and culvert cleanup, hot patch, patch level and seal some areas. There will be a need for some road closures during some of this time. Please refer to the Newsletter and emails for updates. Every effort will be made to keep inconveniences to a minimum.

Fire Committee

Leo reported; the fire trailers have been checked and are ready for use.

Old Business

There is no written report yet in reference to our financial review, however, verbal input from the auditor was that she found no issues. Item carried over to the next meeting.

New Business

Tim Kopack with Yesterday's T-shirts will again be donating T-shirts for sale over the Memorial Day Weekend. The Board discussed the pros and cons of clearing the rock from the lower crossing in the summer. We have a permit to clear the rock in the summer and it was decided we will continue to do so.

News Letter Items

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Three Minutes for Members - None

Announcements

Dates for future meetings are as follows; Board meeting August 10, General meeting October 12 and Board meeting November 9. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

The next Board meeting will be at 9:00 AM Sunday, August 10th at the Cal Shasta Clubhouse.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Randy, seconded by Ken and passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 AM. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Celia Shockey, Secretary.

With the lake level down some people have taken to riding their ATV;s and off road vehicles along the lake bottom. When the lake is up, Monterey County has authority over the water. When the lake is down, the property belongs to the individual property owners, not Monterey County. Just as you would not like people crossing your property, property owners do not want you crossing theirs. Please do not take your ATV's or off-road vehicles onto adjoining properties.



SNRA has an easement to access our properties. This easement allows us to use the road, however we do not have the right to take ATV's or other vehicles off the road. To do so creates not only a violation of the easement, but creates a significant fire danger. Anyone observed operating a vehicle off the road will be reported to the sheriff's office.

T-Shirts For Sale Thanks to Yesterday's Sportswear

If you missed out last year or want to add to your classic SNRA shirts collection, you will have a chance to purchase shirts this weekend. Yesterdays Sportswear and Tim Kopack have again donated shirts and caps for us to sell as a fund raiser for road repairs.

We will be at the front gate Friday afternoon and evening of Memorial Day Weekend.

Thanks SO much to Tim and Yesterdays for this big gift!!



SNRA Newsletter Advertising

In order to help defray the cost of the monthly newsletter, the SNRA Board has decided to accept some advertising to help defray the cost of the newsletter. Business Card ads will be accepted from SNRA members in good standing to advertise their businesses. Cost for these ads will be \$10 per ad, per month. Additionally we will accept ads (as we have done in the past) for members to sell personal items, i.e. boats, cabins, etc. These personal ads will be at no charge. The ads will be run on a space available basis. Obviously, too many ads will make the newsletter more costly to print than the revenue generated by the ads. Ads can be submitted to your SNRA representative..



If cows are loose outside lease area, please call Darren Shetler (805) 459-8010 or Chris Keehn (831) 755-4700.

ARE YOU A BUSINESS OWNER??

Are you an owner of a business that could benefit SNRA members?? For a limited time the SNRA Board would like to offer business owners, who are SNRA members in good standing, the opportunity to place a business card size ad in the SNRA Newsletter free of charge. As owners of property behind the Running Deer gate it seems we should do all we can to support our members in their respective businesses. After all, these are the people who support the efforts of SNRA to keep our roads safe and in good repair. We should support those who support us. As a business owner, you can run your ad for free, and it will appear in the next two issues of the SNRA Newsletter. After that time, the Board will determine if this has been effective and determine if we will continue the practice.

If you are interested, please contact Phil Humfrey, philhumfrey@aol.com, Celia Shockey, celiashockey@aol.com or Sue Kennedy, kenedyir@gmail.com to make arrangements for your ad to run.

Below is our yearly road maintenance schedule for this year



Starting 5/27 we will be working on Running Deer Road from the lower crossing towards the main gate to A&E Ranch (up the first big hill) and from the Gage Irving/Allen Road intersection to Sandy Creek. Most of this will be shoulder/drainage work. A couple of days after and until 6/6, we will be patching the roads (previously mentioned) as well as the main gate up to the top of the big hill, the Gage Irving Loop from the Running Deer Road intersection (near Hamilton's) up to the Boyles driveway, and finally from the lower crossing up to the upper cattle guard. All of this work will require a short delay in your travels (from 8am to 5pm).

Then, we will be chip sealing and seal coating. This work has yet to be scheduled, however we will be closing the road to all traffic for a day. We will give you all plenty of notice prior to our work, rest assured. All of those poor souls that have to go to work will not be delayed in the morning. They might have a delay in the late afternoon however.

Thanks for driving slow and being cautious during our road work.

**Have a great Memorial Weekend and be fire safe!
Your SNRA Board of Directors**

FIRE SEASON IS HERE

A Defensible Space of 100 feet around your home is required by law. The goal is to protect your home while providing a safe area for firefighters. The Defensible Space is composed of 3 zones.

Noncombustible Zone: Create a “Noncombustible Zone” at least 3 feet wide around the base of your home. This zone needs to have a very low potential for ignition from flying embers. Use irrigated herbaceous plants (such as lawn, ground cover, and flowers), rock mulches, or hard surfaces (such as concrete, brick, and pavers) in this zone. Keep it free of woodpiles, wood mulches, dead plants, dried leaves and needles, flammable shrubs (such as juniper), and debris.

Lean, Clean, and Green Zone: For a distance of at least 30 feet from the home, there should be a “Lean, Clean, and Green Zone.” “Lean” indicates that only a small amount of flammable vegetation, if any, is present within 30 feet of the house. “Clean” means there is no accumulation of dead vegetation or flammable debris (including woodpiles) within the zone. “Green” requires that plants located within this zone are kept healthy, green, and irrigated during fire season. For most homeowners, the Lean, Clean, and Green Zone is the residential landscape. This zone often has irrigation, contains landscape plants, and is routinely maintained.

Reduced Fuel Zone: The fuel reduction zone in the remaining 70 feet (or to property line) will depend on the steepness of your property and the vegetation. Spacing between plants improves the chance of stopping a wildfire before it destroys your home. You have two options in this zone: 1.) Large trees do not have to be cut and removed as long as all of the plants beneath them are removed. This eliminates a vertical “fire ladder.” 2.) Create horizontal and vertical spacing between plants of different heights. The amount of space will depend on how steep the slope is and the size of the plants. For more on this see the “Defensible Space Flyer” link at the bottom of this page.

Address: The home address must be posted both on the driveway entrance and on the home. The address sign should be made of reflective, noncombustible material with contrasting characters at least 6 inches high with a minimum 1/2-inch stroke.

Driveway/Road Clearance: Remove flammable vegetation extending at least 10 feet from both sides of the driveway/road. Overhead obstructions, such as overhanging branches and power lines, should be removed or raised to provide at least a 13.6-foot vertical clearance.

CAL FIRE and Fire Safe Counsel of SLO (fscslo) sponsor great websites to visit for more information on protecting your property and surviving a wildfire:

<http://www.fscslo.org/Document/chcklist.pdf>

http://www.fscslo.org/Document/Flyers/20090518_LivingwFire.pdf

<http://www.calfireslo.org/Documents/Prevention/PrevPage/DefensibleSpaceFlyer.pdf>

Fire Danger

Please stay on the roads! Fire danger is high and will only get higher this season. Please monitor your family and guests.





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Open Invitation

SNRA 2014 Meeting Schedule
The 2014 SNRA Meeting schedule is as follows:

January 19	October 12
March 9	November 9
May 18	
August 10	

All Meetings will be in the Cal-Shasta Clubhouse, start at 9:00 AM, and are open to all SNRA members.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, August 10, 2014 at 9:00 am in the Cal-Shasta Clubhouse.



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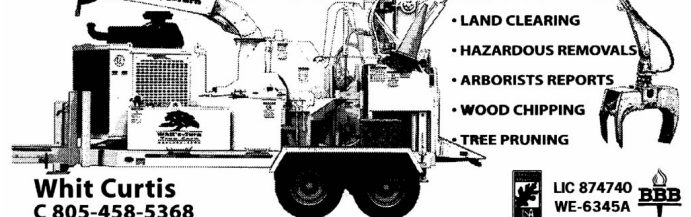
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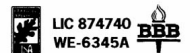
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