

Nordic Gazette November 2012



<http://www.sfvikingskiclub.org>

Calendar

Wednesday, November 7 – General Meeting
Bayshore Corporate Center conference room
1710 S. Amphlett Blvd, San Mateo

7:00 PM Board meeting
8:00 PM General meeting

Friday, December 7
Annual Holiday Dinner @ Nick's Restaurant
NO MEETING @ Bayshore Corporate Center

6:30 No host cocktails, Viking history slide show
7:45 Dinner

Wednesday, January 2 – General Meeting
Bayshore Corporate Center conference room
1710 S. Amphlett Blvd, San Mateo

7:00 PM Board meeting
8:00 PM General meeting

75th Anniversary – Christmas Dinner –
Raffle – Santa Claus
Friday, December 7th, 2012
Nick's Restaurant, Rockaway Beach,
Pacifica, Ca

Hi Vikings, What a fantastic way to jump-start the upcoming holidays by attending our annual Christmas Dinner at Nick's Restaurant. This year marks our fabulous ski club's 75th Anniversary. All you Vikings out there, active and passive, get out your party clothes and please make an effort to attend, as it would be wonderful to see all of our good friends we have made over the many years our club has been active. A special slide show will be presented by Vikings Curt Haney and John Fox, in the main dining room starting at 6:30 PM, so grab a

cocktail at the bar and watch the show. Also, if anyone has some pictures, old Viking Gazettes, please bring them to share.

Bring your children as Santa Claus will be making an appearance.

Adam Flores, will be handling the club's raffle this year, so please contact Adam regarding your raffle donation. Home: [408-655-0964](tel:408-655-0964) or e-mail adamflores@yahoo.com. Be creative and get together with some of your Viking friends to put together an interesting gift basket, donate a service, wine, etc. Alice M. has already sent out letters to the ski resorts for complimentary lift tickets, so there will be some great prizes.

Nick's always has a fun band playing in the bar area, so stick around and have a few dances before heading home (like the old days when we would close the bar/dance floor down before heading back to SF in dense fog). **SEE YOU ALL AT THE CHRISTMAS DINNER.**

Vikings History Presentation at the 2012
Holiday Dinner

To celebrate the 75th anniversary of the San Francisco Vikings Ski Club, John Fox and I will be giving a digital slide show and video on the history of the Club. The pictures to be presented are a compilation of select photos from the club's photo albums in the cabin, Barbara Supers collection, and rare pictures I obtained from Norm Saylor at the Donner Summit Historical Society. The presentation will take you on a chronological journey of the club from 1937 up to present day. John is presenting a video of personal interviews he

conducted with long time active and passive club members, recollecting their stories and past history of the club. The show will begin at 6:30-pm in the dining area at Nick's Restaurant. If there is time, we will give it again at about 7:15pm for late comers. Enjoy your cocktails this evening with some fun entertainment, and 75 years of Vikings history.

Curt Haney

Hi Anne, I don't know if you have enough space in the bulletin for this article I found while cleaning out a drawer...it is something else. Janet N.

Editor's note: there is room...

NEW YEAR'S WEEKEND 1961 (51 years ago)

Round one- Arrival and survival!

The New Year's Hangover Race started Friday evening, Dec.30, and ended Monday Jan 2. The Winner by a Fifth...Bill Ambrose. The Boys in the living room shifted and shuffled deciding who would sleep where. "Get your toe out of my nose!" Barry Jordan ended up on the big brown bed with the wooden springs (the floor). Gunner & Jo Torsfeldt and Sandy Murray mated their hats. By spring every member will have a genuine saber-tooth rabbit hat.

Round two- the Glug Party and New Year's Eve.

The social zenith of the New Year's weekend was the Saturday Night New Year's Eve Glug Party. It was a lip-smackin', rip-snortin', knock-down, pass-out night. Jo's herring wasn't the only thing that was pickled that evening. Enter Bob Maxwell, John Perkov, Jerry Quigg and a host of others.

Sunday morning found many members picking almonds from between their teeth. For those wishing to sue for irreparable bodily harm and personal injury, have your attorney contact Mal & Sandy Murray, and Ed & Fran Carcot. What did they say they made the Glug with??? old laces, ski boots and socks? In a dark corner Frank Moore, placed his damp fingers tenderly against Jo Reimche's lips and whispered softly into her ear, "But there wasn't any toilet paper...aagh!"

Round Three – The Fun Race

Someone put the snatch on Rejane Drobey's Brandy Sunday morning. It was a dirty trick; after skiing through the race course with 200 lb.

"Schussboomer" Charlie King, tied to her back she

needed a drink. We thought for a while we might have to call Nurse Gwen Sanders for her professional services. Jan Sullivan, Bob Neilsen, Bud Smith and Jim Kaufman did a good job of setting the Fun Race course – a little sadistic maybe, but fun-loving kids. Seriously, have you ever tried to blow up a frozen balloon?...ask Millie Bauer. Wish there were some finish line photos of the happy, screaming couples who scratched, kicked, crawled, and blew their way under the card table. It would end the crowded hill and long lift line problem. No one in his right mind would ski on the same hill with those maniacs!! Scotty Smith would have been a sure bet for first place if he wasn't slipped a faulty balloon. But the best couple won – John Weber and Ray DeVincenzi. Congratulations Lovers!!

Round four – PSC'S COCKTAIL PARTY

Someone created an upheaval, or should I say heavenupal, over Hannie DeMont's fur jacket at the Peninsula Club's cocktail Party. Speaking of PSC's party, through the courtesy of Chris Flynn, some of the latest fashions were worn by prominent Vikings, Jim Marsh modeled his casual 100% horse manure sweater, Al Ferriera appeared in his Mexican Bogner's and Alcatraz tailored shirt. During the song fest, a Jack Norton quote for the evening. "I like that song but what does PSC stand for?"

Round five- Recovery and the Trip Home

Talk about intestinal fortitude – Kathy Hardy ordered Chili Beans in Sacramento for dinner Monday night – shades of Jim Kaufman!!

Decision of the Judges

All in all the weekend was a blast. The New Year was rung in and the Vikings wrung out. Ahh! Yes the vultures swooped low that Sunday morning over the little red cabin on the Summit.

New Year's Weekend Special Awards

First in line for the showers for three consecutive days Award- Alice Schneider, Best dressed women on the hill Awards, Berg Carlsen, Johanna DeMont, and Barb Lind. Financiers of the best dressed women on the hill, Stan, Norm and Tor. Sexiest man on the hill Award (those levi's get 'em every time – Andy Montgomery, Bedtime stories for skiers Award Boris Karloff, Bob Ebro. DYICFA

Award (Defend your ice cream from Alphonse, Shirley and Hal Carlson.

New Year's Obituaries

John Metz, Bob King, Jack Smith...cause of death- Too Much Party.

The 36th Annual Donner Lake Turkey Trot – November 11, 2012

Thanks to the support of The Town of Truckee, Truckee's Police Dept and TDRPD the event is back for 2012

Make room for all those pumpkin pies and treats! Starting and finishing at West-End beach – Donner Lake.

- 9:30am – Walkers start
- 10am – Kids "Mashed potato Mile" race starts. Medals for all kids in the mile
- 10:30am – 7 mile race starts
- Well behaved dogs on a leash welcome

Entry fees are kept low at just \$15 for adults, \$10 for 18 & under, \$5 for mashed potato mile if you pre register

\$25 for adults, \$20 for 18 & under, \$10 for mashed potato mile if you wait till race morning.

<http://auburnskiclub.com/nordic/summer-fun-runs/donner-lake-turkey-trot/>



The idea of a fun race around Donner Lake was hatched back in 1976 by a small group of enthusiastic runners who wanted to make room for

all the turkey and pies they were going to be eating in the weeks ahead.

34 years later the Donner Lake Turkey Trot is a popular event attracting 200 runners from Reno, Sacramento & The Bay Area as well as many locals who enjoy the excuse to support a good cause & get out for a morning run/walk

Auburn Ski Club Junior Nordic Team organizes the race as a fundraiser and a way to get ready for the ski season.

The history of the event has always been to be fun and funky and happens regardless of the weather. The event has happened with snowstorms, below freezing temperatures, ice, rain and beautiful sunny days.

Auburn Ski Club has upgraded the timing of the event from the self timing days, but still tries to keep the spirit of fun and families.

Saturday, December 1st **Wine vs. Beer Pairing Dinner**

Benefitting Disabled Sports USA Far West
Join us for a unique pairing event at Longboards Bar and Grill at the Plumas Pines Golf Resort for a "Wine vs. Beer" Pairing Dinner. Enjoy the fine cuisine of award-winning Chef Sean Conry. With each course you will receive a paired beer and a paired wine. Be prepared to be dazzled with Chef Conry's exquisite culinary talents! Longboards is located in Graeagle about 45 miles north of Truckee. Enjoy a leisurely drive with beautiful scenery.

5-Course Dinner 5:30 p.m.

Tickets \$75.00

Longboards Bar & Grill

402 Poplar Valley Road, Graeagle, CA

For more information:

530-581-4161 x205

<https://dsusafw.webconnex.com/wfd>

Plan to arrive early and enjoy a fun-filled day of festivities at the 18th Annual [Graeagle Holiday Festival](#) from 1-5 p.m. Horse-drawn trolley rides, refreshments and specials at participating Graeagle merchants are a few of the activities planned for the day.

All proceeds will benefit [Disabled Sports USA Far West](#), supporting programs that change the lives of people with disabilities.

Other Upcoming Events

John Fox shared the following:

Snowbomb coming to SF Bay Area:

http://www.skiandboardfest.com/?hq_e=el&hq_m=1383393&hq_l=27&hq_v=11c6802c15

Squaw's opening lifts for one day on Thursday of this week (28" of snow).

Warren Miller films are hitting the bay area in early November.

How To Make Your Cabin Reservations

Please note new contact information for cabin reservations: Diane Kemsley and Janet Neilsen

Tel: **925-837-8664** e-mail: janneilsen@juno.com

Please indicate VSC or cabin reservations in subject line, so that your email does not get deleted due to large volume of email.

Due to the increased usage of the cabin especially during holiday periods please use the following information to ensure we can get maximum usage of the cabin. Reservations must be made year round. (Work party reservations should be made with the cabin chair or person leading the work party.)

1. Email janneilsen@juno.com or call **925-837-8664** **before 8 PM.**
2. Give the **nights** that you will be staying at the cabin.
3. Give the makeup of your group (i.e. 3 males, 2 females and guest or member).
4. Bunk or room preference.
5. If you do not receive confirmation within 48 hours email or call again.

Guests:

Guests can get bumped from the cabin based on the needs of the members. The official deadline for bumping guests, per cabin rules, is the Thursday before the weekend of your reservation, but the reservations person will try to inform you before then.

Cancellations:

If you are unable to make it to the cabin or need to change the nights of your stay, it is very important to inform the reservations person as soon as possible. This will allow for members/guests who might be on a waiting list to get a bunk in the cabin.

Rooms and Bunks:

Requests for specific bunks or rooms will try to be accommodated. Unfortunately there will be times that your request will not be able to be fulfilled due to the needs to accommodate as many members/guests as possible. Once at the cabin, if you would like to change your assigned bunk/room see the weekend chair before making any changes to the bunk list.

Weekend Chair:

Each weekend or holiday period, a weekend chair is assigned. The weekend chair assigns the chores, collects the nightly fees and mails them to the treasurer, and makes changes to the bunk list as necessary. They are also there to resolve any issues that might come up during your stay.

Important Information and Reminders

- The first person at the cabin should take chore #1: shoveling the stairs to the solarium and removing the ice. This must be done at the beginning of your stay, and touched up while people are there. (Have cabin chair assign it to a second person if a storm comes through.) The stairs are our fire escape, and must be kept free of ice for safety. Also, shovel and remove the ice at the entrance.

- We have a "bear" box for the garbage which means we don't have to take garbage home with us! However, we still have to put it into the garbage can and put the can into the box. The waste disposal company will only take garbage in the can. Recycling, in a blue bag, can be set next to the can, or in the can, space available.

To recycle cardboard, it needs to be in a blue plastic bag. If the garbage collector has to pull out loose items that are not either in the trash can or a blue bag we are charged extra fees. Even stacks of cardboard that are bound together must be in a blue bag.

The box is located out by the road on the cabin side of the parking lot driveway. It's painted grey-blue and raised on stilts to keep it above the snow, so someone has to lift the can to get it in (ask for help if you need it.)

- Please keep Margaret Glomstad mglomstad@comcast.net and Anne Ording ording.anne@gmail.com informed of your current address, phone number(s), and email so that important information reaches you.

- We have Viking Ski Club stickers. They are available for \$2. The stickers must be displayed in your vehicle when parked at the cabin.
- Cabin keys are available from Mike Masek for \$3.
- Keep the front door to the cabin closed and locked at all times. Do not leave the door open with the expectation that someone else will close and lock it.
- If you are staying in one of the smaller rooms, please remember to vacuum the room as well as your assigned cabin chore before you leave.

Links to Ski Organizations

There are many ski organizations that organize trips, publish newsletters, etc. Here are a few to check out online if you wish:

<http://www.skibac.org/index.html>

<http://www.fwsa.org>

<http://auburnskiclub.com/>

<http://www.fis-ski.com/>

<http://www.skimtta.com/>

<http://www.nationalskiclubnews.com/home.html>

Truckee Donner Land Trust Events

<http://www.tdlandtrust.org/news-events>

Check out the Donner Summit Historical Society newsletter:

<http://www.donnersummithistoricalsociety.org/PDFs/newsletters/news12/October12.pdf>

Editor's Note

Early snow. Boreal's open.

Happy Trails,

Anne Ordning

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Club Meetings are held at 8:00 PM on the first Wednesday of every month at the Bayshore Corporate Center in San Mateo, unless otherwise noted in the Gazette or on the website.

The Nordic Gazette, the newsletter of the San Francisco Viking Ski Club, is published monthly. Items for publication should be submitted to the editor by the 20th of the month.

Please send all submissions via e-mail to the Nordic Gazette editor Anne Ording

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The Club Roster is maintained by Margaret Glomstad. Please send your email address as well as contact updates to:

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Directions to the VSC Monthly

Meeting:

Bayshore Corporate Center, 1750 S. Amphlett Blvd., conference room, San Mateo, is off Hwy 101 just northwest of the intersection of Hwy. 101 and CA-92. Please see the Viking website for more detailed directions.

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**75th ANNIVERSARY
SAN FRANCISCO VIKING SKI CLUB
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER**

NICK'S RESTAURANT, ROCKAWAY BEACH, (Pacifica), CA.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 2012

DINNER: 7:45 PM.

COCKTAILS: 6-30 -7:45 PM SLIDE SHOW PRESENTATION: 6:30 PM

MENU: Choice of one of the following: Prime Rib of Beef au Jus, Roasted whole half Chicken, Grilled Halibut Steak. All dinners come with a mixed green salad with seafood, baked potato with sour cream and chives, vegetable du jour, garlic bread, ice cream, coffee/tea and of course, WINE.

COST OF DINNER: PRIME RIB \$38.00, GRILLED HALIBUT STEAK \$35.00

ROAST CHICKEN \$30.00 per person, which includes the tax, tip, corkage and wine.

CHILDREN'S MENU: Choice of one of the following: Chicken Fingers, Fish and Chips, Hamburger and Fries. COST: \$12.00 per person.

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Please mail your check (made payable to the SF VIKING SKI CLUB, and reservation form to Janet Neilsen , 2974 Limestone Road, Alamo, CA 94507

Deadline for Reservations: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4th, 2012. Any questions and/or last minute reservations, please call Janet at (925) 837-8664.

MENU: Grilled Halibut _____ Roast Chicken_____ Prime Rib of Beef_____

CHILDREN'S MENU: Chicken Fingers____Hamburger_____ Fish & Chips_____

REMINDER: Attending the dinner counts as a required meeting attendance. There will be no general meeting on Wednesday December 5th, 2012, at the location in San Mateo.

YEAR YOU JOINED THE CLUB_____