

Nordic Gazette

September 2015



<http://www.sfvikingskiclub.org>

Calendar

September 2 - Wednesday – 6p.m. Annual Picnic and Party/ General Meeting at Beresford Park, San Mateo – see article

October 4 – Sunday – 10:00. Meeting and East Bay Hills hike – see article

October Work Party - at the Cabin - TBD

November 7 - Saturday – Wine Tasting and Meeting. Location details TBD

Viking Membership -

Our V.P., **Barbara Sorenson** is asking for Vikings who will work with her to brainstorm and implement a plan to increase (double) Viking membership. A big part of our income is from dues, and with membership being low, and years of low cabin use, we need a plan to turn that around. Barbara will bring copies of our membership list to the picnic.

Current Membership:

65	Active (maximum of 125)
17	Junior
4	Life
35	Passive
5	Probationary
3	Student Leave

September 2, Meeting and Cookout – Beresford Park, San Mateo

Starting at 6:00 p.m., we guarantee perfect weather and a fabulous time with fellow Vikings. Gather up your picnic gear, dinner and concealed libations and come to the annual cookout in San Mateo. Note this is a change from previous years – this year bring your own picnic items and a desert to share with others. There is a BBQ for our use. Don't forget your tablecloth, seat cushions, and lanterns/flashlights. We will have a short meeting to discuss Viking business. Please contact Rory Hayden to give him an idea of numbers of attendees and to help in any way if you can. roryhayden@sbcglobal.net

Directions: From Hwy 92, take the Alameda de las Pulgas exit south, right on 28th Avenue, right on Parkview Way, parking lot is on right.

Web link:

<http://www.cityofsanmateo.org/exploreourparks/Parks/BERESFORD/beresford.html>

Sunday October 4th – Meeting and Hike

Our adventurous President, **Rory**, is leading our Fall Hike.

The hike will start at the Sequoia Bayview Trailhead on Skyline Blvd in Oakland, a short distance up Skyline from where it meets Joaquin

Miller Rd. The hike will start at 10:00 am Sunday October 4. Bring a sack lunch and a water bottle. Suitable for all skill levels of hiking.

Joaquin Miller Park is a large open space park in the Oakland Hills about 25 minutes from San Francisco. The park's 500 acres (2.0 km²) are heavily wooded with some amazing views of the bay especially from the lookout point. The park is named after early California writer and poet Joaquin Miller, who bought the land in the 1880s. Many of the trees were originally planted by Miller himself. The park has tens of trails to explore by hiking or mountain bikes.

August was a Splash – Pool Party

John and Robbie Fox hosted the August meeting with their annual pool party. Only nine Vikings attended but they made up for it by enjoying themselves in the pool. Beer and Mai-Tais and pool water soothed hot brows. Good food and good company was enjoyed by all. Lacking a quorum the board meeting was mercifully brief. And all enjoyed the prospect of a snowy El Nino winter.

Thanks to Robbie and John for opening your home to the Vikings.

August Work Party – All Organized

Thanks to **Mike Masek** for the following report on the results of the last work party.

The August work party was short on bodies but long on accomplishments. **Phife and Annabelle**, along with soon to be new member **Rex Haber** worked cracks in the parking lot, painted the stairs to the Solarium and designed and installed a storage system for the Viking sled collection. You may remember the area under the solarium stairs as in need of some attention- not anymore! Thanks to Phife and crew for a job well done.

Around the Club –

Viking Website - Are you a techie? The board is looking for someone who can set up and rewrite the website for the Club. Contact any of the board members if you would be interested. We are looking at Google Website Designer/Hangouts

Email Maureen at mo_sala@pacbell.net with any news items. Deadline for October Gazette is September 25th.

Phone numbers:

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

Summer Cabin Chairmen:

Mike Masek on 510 688-0440, or Paul Kensinger on 415-467-9337.

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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: Maureen Sala, mo_sala@pacbell.net

The Club Roster is maintained by Barbara Sorenson. Please send your email address as well as contact updates to: barb@barbsorenson.com

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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