

PMC POOL SCHEDULE

8am - 10am Daily
Morning Lap Swim

**10am - 7pm Daily
Open Swim**
Except on Monday, Wednesday & Friday opens at 11am

7pm - 8pm Daily
Evening Lap Swim

10-11am Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
Water Aerobics

POOL OPENS:
May 1st - Morning Lap Swim Only
May 24th - Morning/Evening Lap Swim & Open Swim

1. NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.
2. Membership/Guest and Pool Key Card is REQUIRED to enter the pool area.
A Membership card allows a member to bring up to 6 guests to the pool. A Member must be present.
A Guest card allows 1 person into the pool & only 6 guests per lot. (Every guest needs his/her own card)
Cards and receipts may be requested to be shown upon request at any time. If there is no compliance you may be escorted out of the pool.
3. Short term rentals are required to pay a \$5 fee at the Official/Pro Shop to swim each day.
4. **NO ALCOHOL OR GLASS** is permitted in the pool area.
5. No sports equipment (footballs etc.) allowed for safety and no floaties larger than 3 feet.
6. Lap swim is for ALL ages.

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Annual Meeting of PMCPOA Membership is June 15, 2024

PMCPOA Staff

The 2024 PMCPOA election is upon us and takes place during the annual Members' Meeting on Saturday, June 15, when three members will be elected to three-year terms on the Board of Directors. By now, you should have received the election packet in the mail. If not, please contact the business office immediately at (661) 242-3788.

The 2024 Member's Meeting will take place at 1:00 p.m. sharp at the clubhouse and also via Zoom. Note that there will be no in-person voting. To attend this meeting virtually, please log in at us02web.zoom.us/join, meeting ID 840 3531 8743, passcode 967290. Dial in to (669) 444-9171 with the same meeting ID and passcode.

In accordance with the Civil Code, you have been provided with a mail-in secret ballot for your vote. The Inspectors of Election (TIE) must receive all properly completed ballots by mail no later than 12 p.m. on June 15, 2024. Please contact the business office if your original mail-in ballots are

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Clubhouse Remodel Updates

Elisa Christensen

The Pine Mountain Club Property Owner's Association is excited to provide our community with the latest updates on the Pine Mountain clubhouse project. Here are the key milestones, challenges, and solutions, as well as upcoming tasks and community engagement opportunities.

Key Milestones

- Kern County guided the POA and design team on what is feasible due to the proximity of the discovered fault line. Additional drilling and investigations would need to occur to verify what would be possible regarding the proposed new recreational building and pavilion expansion. Therefore, it has been decided to focus on the remodel of the clubhouse and the existing pavilion instead of expanding the pavilion and adding the new recreational building.

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Assessments Due Next Month

The 2024/2025 assessment amount is \$1,961.00. The bills went out the first part of May and are due July 1. Please make sure to put your tract and lot # in the memo field if paying by check. That number is found on your member or guest card right under your name.

Our World of Nature

Spring Migration – a Local Story

Lynn Stafford with Liz and Bill Buchroeder

A major bird event has just occurred in our mountains. This is the annual movement of many water bird species from warm equatorial regions south of us to lakes, marshes and tundra further north (Fig. 1). These species have evolved the strategy of



Fig.1: A migrating 'wedge' of ibis flies past the Gorman Hills.

leaving crowded tropical and near-tropical homes and going northward, often thousands of miles, to less-occupied habitats rich in summer food. This behavior allows the parents to supply adequate food to their fast-growing youngsters.

These long-distance migrants require periodic stop-

overs for rest and feeding. This article focuses on waterbirds using a local natural water feature as a much-needed rest stop. Gorman Sag Pond is an ephemeral pond on, and created by, the San Andreas Earthquake Fault. The pond lies approximately three miles southeast of Gorman along Gorman Post Road (Fig. 2). During most years, it fills with water during the winter, and dries during the summer.

Fortunately, this migratory stopover pond has been the subject of an intensive photographic study since 2015. Bill and Liz Buchroeder continue to photo-document this migration stopover each year.

Shortly after surface water appears in the winter, flocks of

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Come have a good laugh
at Comedy Night at the
clubhouse on Thursday,
June 20!
See page 9 for details.

Preparing for Public Safety Power Shutoffs

PMCPOA Emergency Preparedness Committee

Several of the worst wildfires in recent years were reportedly ignited by overhead utility power lines and aerial communication facilities near power lines. In response, the California Public Utilities Commission developed a de-energization program, referred to as a "Public Safety Power Shutoff" (PSPS). This preventative practice has been approved for state-wide implementation by utility companies whenever certain weather-related factors increase wildfire risk.

Whenever one or a combination of the following conditions exist, a Preventative Safety Power Shutoff could be initiated:

- Red Flag Warning declared by the National Weather Service
- Low humidity levels, generally 20% and below
- Forecasted, sustained winds generally above 25mph and wind gusts over approximately 45mph, depending on location and site-specific conditions such as temperature, terrain, and local climate
- Condition of dry fuel on the ground and live vegetation (moisture content)
- On-the-ground, real-time observations from Edison's field crew

Customers located within an elevated or extreme fire threat area are more likely to experience a Public Safety Power Shutoff. However, your power may also be shut off if your community relies upon a distribution line passing through an area with an elevated wildfire risk. At most, customers will receive a 48-hour notice of a potential PSPS event from Edison. Being prepared is paramount, as each event could endure multiple days.

Before a Public Safety Power Shutoff

Use these tips to help before, during and after a PSPS event:

1. Identify and/or update the listed contact whom Edison will notify and determine how to internally communicate a PSPS event notice.
2. Monitor Edison's web page for potential PSPS when red flag fire alerts are issued by the National Weather Service.
3. Prepare or inspect emergency preparedness kits (e.g., flashlights, batteries, first aid).
4. Determine how your organization will communicate to staff and community members before, during, and after a PSPS event.
5. VOIP landlines will not work during a power outage.
6. Stock battery chargers for mobile phones and radios.
7. Ensure sensitive electronic equipment is protected by a surge protector.
8. Ensure all Uninterruptible Power Supply devices are functional and tested regularly.
9. If rain is expected, ensure a power supply for critical equipment such as sewer ejector pumps, HVAC condensate drain pumps, or any pumps that protect from flooding in low-lying areas.
10. Determine when refrigerators, walk-in-coolers, and freezers can retain refrigeration and plan accordingly. Ensure thermometers are functioning and freeze additional containers of water to use as ice inside coolers and freezers.
11. If the clubhouse will remain open, determine if food service needs will be affected and plan accordingly.

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The PMCPOA Board of Directors meets on the third Saturday of every month at 10 am in the Condor Room of the Clubhouse. All members are invited to attend the open session. The executive session is a closed meeting for the discussion of and action on legal and personnel matters, third party contracts, and member-requested hearings.

Members may request copies of the open Board Meeting minutes. These requests should be made in writing to the Corporate Secretary. There is a charge per page for making copies of the minutes.

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12. If security is a concern, ensure that security operations have adequate battery backup systems, and that telephone/ radio connectivity is not reliant on power.

13. Ensure backup generators and vehicles are fueled and ready to operate safely.

14. Update emergency response policies and procedures accordingly. For schools, this will include school safety plans.

15. Review coverage documents and discuss with your insurance representative any potential issues associated with a PSPS. For example, food spoilage is typically not covered when it results from a planned power outage.

During a Public Safety Power Shutoff

1. Turn off and unplug all electrical equipment to avoid damage from power spikes when service is resumed.
2. Leave one light turned on to indicate when the power is restored.
3. Never run a portable generator inside

or connect a generator to the electrical system without a properly designed and installed transfer system.

4. Do not use candles due to the increased risk of fire.

5. Assign personnel to refuel generators when needed (review fuel consumption rate and set a schedule).

6. Keep doors closed on refrigerators, walk-in coolers, and freezers. For life-safety purposes, never lock doors on walk-in-coolers or freezers.

After a Public Safety Power Shutoff

1. Write an after-action report to identify strengths and deficiencies for improvement purposes.
2. Inventory and restock emergency preparedness kits and other supplies used during the PSPS.
3. Service generators according to manufacturer's guidelines.
4. Determine if food in refrigerators or walk-in coolers/freezers is safe to consume. The FDA recommends discarding

any perishable food (such as meat, poultry, fish, eggs, or leftovers) that has been at temperatures above 40 degrees F for two hours or more or one hour if temperatures are above 90 degrees F.

Public Safety Power Shutoffs are a new risk management treatment being employed by electric companies to prevent wildfires. Advanced preparation and planning are crucial to minimize the impact of a PSPS event.

For additional assistance, contact EIA's Risk Control Department.

RESOURCES: Questions — Eric Lucero, EIA's Sr. Risk Control Specialist, 916.850.7300; www.CSAC-cia.org. Interactive Fire Threat Map, CPUC's website, cpuc.ca.gov/FireThreatMaps.

Learn How to Build Survival Kits at June 8 Town Hall

A series of town hall gatherings will take place at the clubhouse over the summer.

On June 8, a town hall titled "Building Household Survival Kits" will be offered at 10am in the Condor Room. During the gathering, learn how to build a survival kit for each member of your household to keep your loved ones alive in case of an emergency. Pancakes and beverages will be included during this event.

On July 13, a CPR/First Aid Class will be held, where participants can become CPR and First Aid certified. Pancakes and beverages will be included during this event as well.

On August 10, the movie "Quake Heroes" will be screened. This film is a unique blend of Hollywood storytelling and real-life heroism, designed to inspire community resilience in preparation for the next big earthquake.

For more information, contact Elisa Christensen at 805-223-3314 or pinemountainpulse@gmail.com, or visit www.pinemountainclubpulse.com/townhalls.

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- Clubhouse construction drawings are nearing 90% completion, and the pavilion design development drawings are expected to be ready by the time of publication of this Condor.

Challenges and Solutions

- Kern County took almost nine months to provide the POA and design team with

direction on how to proceed, based on the investigation results discovered by Leighton & Associates, the soil engineer. This extended period is the cause of project delays.

Upcoming Tasks

- The Request for Proposal (RFP) for the clubhouse and existing pavilion remodel was sent out to interested general contractors on Tuesday, May 28, 2024.

- A bid site walk will be scheduled for Friday, June 7, 2024.

- Proposals from the general contractors will be due Friday, July 12, 2024, assuming sufficient information is available for them to complete their proposals.

- The board of directors will then review bids and potential funding options to be presented to the membership. This is targeted for August, barring additional delays.

Community Engagement

General contractors or trade contractors from Pine Mountain Club or other mountain communities interested in participating in the project may contact RCS-CM LLC at Info@RCS-CM.com with your information and interested scope of work. We ask that you notify RCS-CM by Wednesday, May 29, 2024. Any interest after this date may impact your ability to participate in the project due to the RFP timeframe. We appreciate your patience and support of the Pine Mountain Club clubhouse project. Together, we hope to create a beautiful space for our community.

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MIL POTRERO MUTUAL WATER COMPANY NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company, Inc., the Annual Shareholder's Meeting is scheduled for July 13, 2024, immediately following the Quarterly Board of Directors' Meeting which will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the Administrative Office Conference Room of the Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company, 16275 Askin Drive, Pine Mountain Club California, 93222. The deadline for clearing the Water Company accounts of overdue charges, to be eligible for submitting a proxy shall be June 5, 2024.

Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting before the close of the proxy box.

*William Martin, Board Secretary
 Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company*

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PMCPOA Transfer Site Hours & Info

8:30am - 5pm Daily

8:30am - 7pm Thursdays

*** For PMC residents/ guests only; please bring your member or guest card.**

*** Four vehicles at a time at the site; please wait your turn outside.**

*** Please secure your trash before heading to the site.**

*** Please do not leave trash outside the gate of the Transfer site. This is for your safety and the safety of the bears.**

Recycling

Don't forget, the PMC-POA transfer site accepts recycling of cardboard, bottles and cans and more, and is open seven days a week. Let's help keep our beautiful community clean.

PMC Facebook Page

The only OFFICIAL PMCPOA Facebook page can be accessed at

www.facebook.com/pmcpoa

The editorial and advertising deadline for the July 2024 Condor is Monday, June 10, 2024.

PMCPOA Patrol Service Calls for April

Compiled by Patrice Stimpson, Patrol Chief

During the month of April 2024, Patrol responded to 239 calls for service.

Observations and calls included:

STR		#	YTD (fiscal)
	Enforcement	44	608
1	Citations	4	36
	Written Warnings	0	3
	Incident Reports	1	4
	Public Assists	126	1710
	House/alarm checks	14	170
	Agency Assists	5	70
	Animal Control	8	66
	Conflicts	2	33
	Deaths reported	3	11
	General complaints	8	170
	Injury	1	3
	Medical	0	1
	Suspicious incidents	1	86
	Traffic incidents	1	29
	Welfare checks	4	42
	Wildlife	16	600
	STR CALL TOTALS	1	15
	Other:		
	Other:		

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A Message from the Chairman

Bill Lewis II
 pmcboard@pmcpoa.com



Bill Lewis II

In April, the board approved the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. We had some people think the assessment increase should have been more and some people think it should have been less.

I know the phrase “keep PMC affordable” is a popular campaign slogan with some of our candidates running for the board and I’ve heard at least one person is trying to take credit for single-handedly keeping PMC affordable. However, I’m of the opinion that it takes more than one or two people to accomplish this goal of affordability. It takes teamwork to keep PMC affordable and I believe it’s been working for the past 17 years.

The approved assessment for the next fiscal year represents a 1% increase from the current year. Since 2008, looking at 17 budgets, the average annual assessment increase in PMC has been 2.5%. The average annual rate of inflation for the United States over the same time period has also been 2.5%. It looks like the association “budget team” throughout the years has been doing a good job at keeping PMC affordable for our members despite the challenges to stay pace with inflation, wages, and insurance rates.

Keeping PMC affordable has fallen upon the boards – past, present, and future – and it falls on the general manager, our treasurer, the accounting manager, our department managers, our employees, and the members serving on the Budget & Finance Committee. It’s a team effort.

Can we do a better job at reducing expenses and increasing revenue in a few departments? I think we can – and we are. Since 2018, as one example, we have decreased the losses in the café and lounge

combined from over \$250,000 per year to less than \$92,000 for the coming year with a goal to continue decreasing that amount. There are plans already underway to pursue similar results with the equestrian center to include a revenue-generating plan to offer riding lessons to members who do not own or board horses.

“Let the members vote” is another phrase being tossed around without any specificity as to what members might actually vote on other than what is already allowed by civil code and our governing documents. Some members believe this slogan means that members should be voting on all issues and expenditures, but the intent of this phrase by those who promote it is really to require voting on any expenditures related to the clubhouse revitalization despite the amount or source of funding.

PMCPOA is a corporation. Members vote for a board of directors to manage and conduct the activities and affairs of the corporation, and those activities include decisions related to the maintenance, repair, replacement, and improvement of the common areas.

Should the board consider member input? Absolutely. However, while boards may consider member input, it is the board – not the membership – that has the legal authority to make decisions related to the common areas.

Also, according to the Davis-Stirling.com website, members are not fiduciaries

to one another or to the association, so they are free to vote in their own self-interest without regard to the community. Members may ignore expert recommendations in favor of subjective biases or beliefs, or ignore costs or harm to others in favor of their own interests. Because they are not fiduciaries, members have no collective or individual responsibility or accountability for their votes.

I’d like to clarify information about a cease-and-desist letter to the association regarding the revitalization project. Two members retained an attorney who subsequently sent our general manager a letter last October to request a cease and desist from all work involving the clubhouse revitalization. The general manager does not have the authority to act on this request.

As a result of this letter, our legal counsel contacted the other attorney last year, and we were told the attorney retained by the two members verbally rescinded that letter after the facts were explained. I believe a few sentences from that original letter were posted recently but the posting failed to mention the letter was withdrawn last year according to the information we received and therefore the contents, including the cease-and-desist request, are not applicable.

Be safe, stay healthy, and please be positive.

This message is based in part on the Chairman’s Report from the May 18, 2024 board meeting.

PMC Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Grace Wollemann, Recording Secretary

These are highlights of the Board of Directors open meeting of May 18, 2024. Complete minutes are available at the business office or online at www.pinemountainclub.net after their approval at the next board meeting. Chairman Bill Lewis II called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Eight directors attended: Mark Bailey, Richard Ballard, Jennifer Emett, Philip Gabriel, Carolyn Gilbert, Brad Hudson, Bill Lewis II, and Ellen McClellan. Director Cam Acosta was excused. Also in attendance were General Manager Todd Greisen and Recording Secretary Grace Wollemann.

MOTION by Director Hudson, **SECOND** by Director McClellan to amend the agenda for the board of directors meeting of May 18, 2024 and remove the **motion** to ratify the Association’s April 2024 financials. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Hudson, **SECOND** by Director McClellan to approve the amended agenda for the board of directors meeting of May 18, 2024. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Hudson, **SECOND** by Director Emett to amend the draft minutes of the Board of Directors’ Regular Board Meeting April 20, 2024 and add Director Hudson’s approval vote for Resolution #07-04-20-2024, Resolution #08-04-29-2024 and the user fee. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Hudson, **SECOND** by Director Emett to approve the amended minutes of the Board of Directors’ Regular Board Meeting April 20, 2024. **MOTION** carried.

There were zero (0) committee applications for approval.

Chairman Lewis II presented the Chairman’s report.

General Manager Greisen presented

the general manager’s report.

There was no treasurer’s report for the month.

MOTION by Director Gilbert, **SECOND** by Director McClellan to approve seven (7) Environmental Control Committee project recommendations. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Gilbert, **SECOND** by Director Hudson to approve one (1) cottage industry permit. **MOTION** carried.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION by Director Gilbert, **SECOND** by Director Ballard to rescind the action by the board regarding the EC Committee recommendation for a variance to the side setback on 3507-175. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Gilbert, **SECOND** by Director Ballard to approve Business Policy A-5 (Business Policy Review). **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Gilbert, **SECOND** by Director Hudson to approve Business Policy C-6 (Safety Shoe/Boot Reimbursement). **MOTION** carried.

The board sent and received twelve (12) items of correspondence.

The next regular open board meeting will take place on June 15, 2024 at 10am in the Condor Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

FINES:

The Board of Directors imposed fines at their executive session on May 18 (2024) for the following violations:

- Rule 3.10 (abusive behavior)
- Rule 7.04 (food trash left outside)

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lost or destroyed. Since the Inspectors of Election will be attending virtually, ballots will only be accepted via mail. Make sure to mail your ballots early enough to ensure they are received in time to be tabulated at the virtual meeting. On meeting day, the Inspectors of Elections will tally the votes, with the winners to be announced immediately thereafter.

This meeting will be held in accordance with the Bylaws for the Association for the following purposes:

1. To elect three (3) members of the Board of Directors for a three- (3-) year term.
2. To ratify the Board Approved Amendments to Bylaws (Complete Bylaws can be found on the website at www.pinemountainclub.net).
3. To transact such other business as may be properly presented and discussed at the annual meeting.

The candidates are Shawn Coulter, Candace Bennett, Randall Gates, Rob Fredericks, Ross Canton, Cecilia Torres and Arturo Preciado. Natalie Sturm and Elisa Christensen have withdrawn.

In order to conduct the annual meeting, a quorum of at least 25 percent of the membership entitled to vote must do so by mail. If a lack of a quorum results in adjournment of the annual meeting, a second meeting will be immediately convened with a quorum of 15 percent in accordance with the Bylaws.

Treasurer's Report

Full financial packets are available for viewing at www.pinemountainclub.net/group/pages/financials.

Due to PMC accounting operations converting to a new management software system starting last month, the Treasurer's Report for April is not yet available. Audits are in progress to ensure the accuracy of general ledger amounts carried over from the old system to the new. Both April and May Treasurer's reports are expected to be available in June. CA Civil Code requires that association boards of directors review financial statements, at least quarterly. So, even with this delay, the POA remains in legal compliance.

---General Manager's Update---

Hello Members,



Todd Greisen

A very hot topic these days – bear activity at Pine Mountain Club – continues. As reported in both national and international media, our bear incidents have doubled since last July. The good news is that this media attention has helped us get more focus from California Fish & Wildlife. The only bear trap they have available for Kern and Tulare counties has been stationed here at PMC for the past few weeks, with successful trapping and tagging of several bears. PMC Patrol provides assistance to F&W when bears are captured for tagging. They also continue to respond to calls for bear break-ins. Residents are always encouraged to call them

when they are observed in your area, or during and after a break-in. These incidents are tracked and updated on a map published on our Facebook page. As we build our new website, this information will also be shared there.

Regarding the new website, we have recently hired a new communications coordinator to build a more professional and usable website and enhance overall transparency of the POA through various media outlets, including Facebook, Instagram and emails. The communications coordinator will also have responsibility for the monthly Condor, and enhancements to it. Members will begin to see more frequent communications and improvements in the coming months to this very important component of our community.

Behind the scenes, in-depth analysis and improvements to our IT infrastructure and systems continues. We have begun seeing improved efficiencies with cost savings expected in upcoming budgets. For example, accounting historically spent 3-5 days completing monthly bank reconciliations. Through software systems integration, this is now an automated process that reduces the manual effort to a few hours each month. Further operational improvements will continue in the coming months, including work orders for more efficient community maintenance functions and improved rule violation management. Better violation management will provide the ability to be more proactive in environmental control and patrol departments, ensuring consistent and equitable enforcement. My motto for violation enforcement is: All the rules; All the time; on All the properties. That is the direction we are striving toward.

Staff continues improvements to various amenities, some of which have been neglected and become run down. Other work involves upgrades to them. For example, we've created a new horse and hiking trail near Fern's Lake, where previously, riders and hikers had to use the golf cart path to continue across the

common area. As most of you know, for safety reasons, the golf course is only available to golfers, except for special events and only in designated areas. The new path will keep horse riders and hikers safer as they come close to the golf course. Staff will be working on more improvements to hiking trails in the coming months.


As always, my goal is to make better use of the limited space and amenities we have to get the best value from your assessments and increase opportunities for additional revenue, where possible. Another example is in the room where the Board meetings are held: We are making better use of existing storage space, allowing us to reopen the window seating in the Condor Room to allow for a spectacular easterly view of the golf course and valley.

Regarding the building, we've finally made progress toward getting actual pricing for a clubhouse and pavilion remodel. The plans will not include a proposed additional building to be used for a recreation and fitness center, due to its proximity to the nearby fault line. Alternatives to these amenities will be addressed at a later date. The county has given us the go ahead to submit plans, so bids are expected to go out in the coming weeks. We hope to have bidder responses around mid-June. That will be followed by the board of directors determining possible financing options in July, allowed under Davis-Stirling civil code.

I encourage you to keep your eyes open for more improvements to the amenities in the coming months and years, and your suggestions are always welcome. If you haven't already, please complete the member survey. Many hours of work have been done by the volunteer planning and communications committees to make this all happen.

I hope you all enjoyed the Lilac Festival. PMCPOA partnered with the village in a few areas to bring this event together and we are working closer with them for upcoming festivals, as well.

That's some expensive FIREWORKS!



PMCPOA Rule 21.20C: Discharge of fireworks is strictly prohibited.

Along with the real possibility of starting a devastating fire, and being *illegal* in the mountain communities of Kern County, the discharging of fireworks in PMC carries a fine of up to \$1500 from both entities for the first offense!

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Outdoor MOVIE NIGHT


Outdoor movie nights begin this month. The June lineup is as follows:

<p>Friday, June 7 Pool, 8pm Little Mermaid (PG)</p> 	<p>Friday, June 21 Golf Course, 8pm E.T. (PG)</p> 
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PMC Clubhouse Comedy Night

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Condor Room
Tickets: \$20
Purchase tickets at the PMC office or call (661) 242-3788

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Condor Cafe Hours

Breakfast and Lunch

Wednesday - Friday
Breakfast 8-11am
Lunch 11am-2pm

Saturday - Sunday
Breakfast 9am-12pm
Lunch 12-2pm

Sundays: Breakfast & Lunch are served in the Condor Restaurant & Lounge with a full bar.

The Condor Cafe is open for inside dining for breakfast and lunch.

Condor Restaurant & Lounge Hours

Dinner

Thursday Night Special
4 to 7:30 pm

Fridays and Saturdays
4 to 8:30 pm

(Full dinner menu)

Takeout is available; please call 661-242-2233

Reservations and Takeout

Walk-ins are welcome. However, if you have a party of six or more, we require a reservation to guarantee seating. For parties of six or more, an 18% gratuity is added to your bill. You can call the restaurant any time during our hours of operation at 661-242-2233 to place your reservation with a server or to order takeout, available for all meals. Please note that all food items are available while supplies last.

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Lot Clearance Deadline is June 1

June 1 is the deadline for lot clearance. This is for every lot. Property inspections by the fire department will begin June 2. You don't want to get a hefty fine from the fire department, so get those dead trees, broken branches, dead bushes, weeds, pine needles and pinecones picked up and taken to the green waste site. If you transport the cuttings / leaves, etc. in bags, please empty them at the site and take the bags home with you or drop the empty bags at the transfer site.

Please help us to save trees and keep our costs down substantially by allowing us to email all of your member notices and your monthly Condor to your email address. Simply email me at gm@pmcpoa.com and we will add your email address to your member account.

*Thank you,
 Todd Greisen, GM*

COMPLIMENTS, CONCERNS, COMPLAINTS

PMCPOA welcomes member input. Drop ideas off in the CCC Box in the Clubhouse lobby, or click on the "CCC Box" menu item on the members'-only side of the PMC website at www.pinemountainclub.net. Anonymous submissions will not be published, and individual submissions of a more personal nature that don't pertain to the membership in general may not be published.

Monthly CCC recap: For the June 2024 CCC column, there were no submissions from the lobby box or the website.

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Emergency Preparedness Radio Safety Net

The PMC community has always pulled together to assist one another in times of emergency. To improve our Emergency Preparedness Committee's efforts, PMCPOA has started a **Radio Safety Net (RSN)**.

This will link volunteers across PMC, who monitor situations in their own neighborhoods and exchange critical information with fellow RSN members, Patrol, and local agencies. When other communication lines are down, this system is a vital lifeline.

We continue to recruit volunteers throughout PMC. We will teach you everything you need to know about obtaining, setting up, and using specified GMRS radios to help keep our community connected.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

To find the latest information on the next training session, or to sign up for the PMC RSN call 661-241-3754, go to ep-rsn.org, click or scan the QR code.

Help Native Plant Garden Through GoFundMe Campaign

Susan Amon

Lockhart Native Plant Garden needs your help! Half of our fencing is nearly 20 years old and some of the rails are in need of replacement. Also, new plants and a new garden hose needs to be purchased. Please help by donating to our GoFundMe campaign.

Donations can be made at www.gofundme.com/f/lockhart-native-plant-garden.

Film Screening at Clubhouse June 23

"The No Problem Zone," a 17-minute short film that was shot on location here in PMC, will be screened on Sunday, June 23 at 12:30pm in the Condor Room. The film stars Academy Award Nominee Eric Roberts. A Q & A with some of the cast and crew will be held after the showing.

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mallard ducks arrive (Fig. 3). Most will stay for a while, then move on northward. If the ducks ascertain the water will last long enough, one or two pairs will stay to nest (Fig. 4). With enough water present to provide safety from predators, they will produce fine families of ducklings (Fig. 5).



Fig. 2: Gorman Sag Pond sits beneath the Gorman Hills.

Cinnamon teal, also lovers of shallow water, often appear with the mallards (Fig. 6). However, none stay to breed. They are headed for fresh water and marshes further north.



Fig. 3: A flock of mallards and one widgeon arrive at the pond.

A spectacular event at the pond is the arrival of many great egrets during the spring (Fig. 7). These majestic wading birds stalk small animals both in the water and on nearby hills (Fig. 8). Six other species of herons and egrets visit this watering hole on their way north. The related white-faced ibis lend their exotic appearance to the feeding frenzy (Fig. 9).



Fig. 4: This pair of mallards decided to stay and raise a family.

Photographer

Bill Buchroeder

All photos taken at Gorman Sag Pond

Several shorebirds, including sandpipers, plovers, snipe, avocets, stilts and dowitchers have been documented here by the Buchroeders. The greater yellowlegs (Fig.



Fig. 5: The mallard brood is doing just fine.

10) and the black-necked stilt (Fig. 11) are two easily noticed arrivals.

The Gorman Sag Pond is on private property and must not be disturbed or en-



Fig. 6: These two male cinnamon teal will continue northward.

tered. There is a pull-out at the edge of the road where the pond may be observed. The pond, adjacent wetlands and the Gorman Hills are all on private property with



Fig. 7: April and May are the main arrival months for great egrets.

the potential for residential and commercial development. The Buchroeders' photo records will be an important tool for assessing the environmental value of this area in the future.



Fig. 8: There is plenty of food for this hungry egret.



Fig. 9: This white-faced ibis is refreshing at the pond.



Fig. 10: The greater yellowlegs is an aptly named sandpiper.



Fig. 11: The black-necked stilt uses its bill as a scythe for feeding.



PMC Summer Camps Begin

PMC's popular summer camp program begins this month with Pickleball Camp June 25-27. The camp takes place from 9-11am and is for ages 8-14. Tom Smith is the instructor. Please make sure campers bring a pickleball paddle.

Camps continue July 9-11 with Arts & Crafts taking place from 10-11am.

Pickleball

Mon, 9-11am

Wed, 7-9pm

Sat, 9-11am

Pickleball players generally gather to play during the above days and times, though times are subject to change.

If the courts are not being used, anyone can come and play tennis or pickleball outside of scheduled pickleball times.

GUILD ACTIVITIES

Every Monday and 1st & 3rd Wednesdays

10-3 • Lace Guild • Pavilion

Second/Fourth/Fifth Wednesdays

9-3 • Quilt Comfort Zone • Pavilion

First Thursday

6 pm • Quilt Guild Business Mtg • Pavilion (April through December)

Every Friday

9-3 • Quilt & Chat & More • Pavilion

This camp is for ages 6-12, and Erin Pat-tarino is the instructor. July 16-18 brings Golf Camp, taught by Cody Rose, from 9-10:30am. This camp is for ages 8-12, and there are 12 spots available. Please sign up for this camp in the Pro Shop.

In August, Swim Camp will take place on Aug. 5, 7 and 9 from 10-11am. This camp, taught by Angela Kelly, is for ages 8-13, and campers must know how to swim, should bring goggles and must wear proper swim attire.

All camps are \$35. Signups are in the business office, except for Golf Camp. For more information, call the office at 242-3788.

Fern's Lake Reminder:

There is no fishing allowed in Fern's Lake after the gate is closed at dusk. And NO swimming, rafting or playing are allowed in the lake at any time.



4 Lads from Liverpool

Concert on the Greens Continues

PMCPOA Staff

Our popular Concert on the Greens series continues this month on Saturday, June 29, from 4-7pm on the golf course and will feature 4 Lads from Liverpool, a Beatles tribute band.

Concert on the Greens is a free event. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, or park your golf cart on the driving range. No outside food or alcohol is allowed. Outdoor food and barbecue are available for purchase.

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Entertainment Line-Up:

Piano Bar 5-7pm
Friday nights 7-10pm
Saturday nights 7-11pm

Saturday, June 1
 5-7pm Piano Bar -- David Mack
 7-11pm -- The Towels (Country, classic rock, reggae, blues & bluegrass)

Friday, June 7
 5-7pm Piano Bar -- Steve Wilkinson

7-10pm -- Asher Nicholson (Folksy & Mellow)

Saturday, June 8
 5-7pm Piano Bar -- Dave Silversparre
 7-11pm -- Runaway (Country, Classic & Southern Rock)

Friday, June 14
 5-7pm Piano Bar -- Steve Wilkinson

7-10pm -- Karaoke
Saturday, June 15
 5-7pm Piano Bar -- Richard Schwagerl

7-11pm -- Almost Famous (Classic Rock from '60s, '70s, '80s & '90s)

Thursday, June 20
 7:30-9pm Comedy show

Friday, June 21
 5-7pm Piano Bar -- David Mack
 7-10pm -- The Mike Casey Band (Rock & Blues)

Saturday, June 22
 7-11pm -- Journey in Time ('60s & '70s Soft Rock, Folk &

Country)

Friday, June 28
 5-7pm Piano Bar -- Richard Schwagerl
 7-10pm -- Bandit (Mix of Classic Rock, Blues & Country)

Saturday, June 29
 4-7pm Concert on Greens -- 4 Lads from Liverpool (Beatles Tribute Band)

7-11pm -- The Rick Berthod Band (Mix of Rock & Motown Soul)

Community Yard Sale

Saturday & Sunday
Aug. 24-25, 9am-3pm

Participate from the comfort of your own garage.

Sign up and pick up a free permit in the office by Monday, Aug. 19

Condor Lounge Bar Hours

Thu, 4-10 p.m.
 Fri, 4-11 p.m.
 Sat, 4-11 p.m.

And for special occasions

Rec Room Hours

12-5pm
 Fridays-Sundays
 Open daily 12-5pm as of June 13
Arts and Crafts for Kids

Sundays, 3-5pm

Golf Course Pro Shop Hours

8am - 6pm Daily

The Pro Shop has a wide selection of terrific items available for purchase, including T-shirts, hats, glassware, greeting cards, puzzles and more. There are many items with the PMC logo on them.

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PMC Fitness Classes

Classes meet in the Condor Room (except for Water Aerobics), and are \$5 each (except for Tai Chi, which is \$20 each, and Yoga, which is \$10 each), payable to the instructors.

Water Aerobics with Angela

Every Mon/Wed/Fri 10-11am

Yoga with Deb

Every Tues/Thurs at 12pm
 (Please bring a yoga mat and water.)

Rise and Shine with SunJay

Tues 10-11am (for summer)
 (Please bring a mat, blanket and water bottle.)

Tai Chi with Shannon

Mondays, 5-6pm
 Tuesdays 4:30-5:30pm
 Thursdays 9-10am

Ecstatic Dance Class with SunJay

Ecstatic Dance with SunJay is an introspective spiritual experience of individual expression and self discovery through movement. Classes are on the last Wednesday of each month from 7-9pm in the Condor Room. The class is \$15, payable to SunJay.

Reservations for the class are requested by texting (213) 718-1198 or emailing sunjaysmedicine@gmail.com.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Most committees meet in person. Please check with each committee for current details about the meetings.

Saturday, June 1 (First Saturday)
 9am Governing Documents ZOOM
 1 pm Planning Pavilion/ZOOM

Tuesday, June 4 (First Tuesday)
 6 pm Communications ZOOM

Friday, June 7 (First Friday)
 9am Greens and Grounds Pro Shop
 2pm Environmental Control Condor Room

Wednesday, June 12 (Wednesday Before Board Mtg)
 5 pm Budget & Finance Condor Room/ZOOM

Saturday, June 15 (Third Saturday)
 10 am PMCPOA Board of Directors Mtg. Condor Rm./Stream

Saturday, June 22 (Fourth Saturday)
 9 am Emergency Preparedness Pavilion
 10:30 am CERT (CERT Facility/Pavilion when cold)

Member & Guest Card Information

If you have any questions regarding member cards, guest cards, pool key cards, or member card stickers, please call (661) 242-3788, ext. 225, or email adminclerk@pmcpoa.com Monday through Friday.

Please remember to always carry your member or guest card with you in PMC. You may be asked to present it at the transfer site or in the clubhouse. Also, if you are asked to show your ID in the lounge, please do so; otherwise you will not be served any alcohol.

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