

Rotary



Club of Chico Sunrise

Butte Sailing Club...Yes it does exist!

By Sean Isom on Thursday, August 24, 2023



President **Nancy Haas-Depa** opened the meeting with her highly cherished bell and gavel. Since she is quite unfamiliar with said bell, her ringing still has a slight thud to it.

Our only member sailer was not in the house, but Leo W. did attend via Zoom. Leo shared prayer for peace, cooperation and other 4-way test virtues, as well as leading us in the pledge to our flag.

Guest today were James Fischer, a real estate professional and prospective member, as well as Mark Conry our speaker.

Announcements & Comments

- Paul P. was noted to be celebrating his birthday on the 29th, but received no bells nor gifts.
- Mark S. was accused of shirking his duties as a greeter, which he said he did a wonderful job for the last 5 minutes...5 bells.

Breakfast Trivia

President Nancy then led the club in a game of Breakfast Trivia. We were all divided into 4 different groups, based on colors at your seat. She then quizzed us on questions like: The word breakfast was created to sell what food: Kellogg Corn Flakes. Do more men or women skip breakfast: both are equal. What country eats the most eggs: China, 5x India totals. Most popular fast food breakfast meal: McD's Sausage Biscuit hash brown. The winner got bottles of Salted Carmel Whiskey!

Recognitions

- Randy Korte was in Switzerland recently. He visited 5 alps, 3 waterfalls and was very impressed with the country. He brought back Swiss chocolate for President Nancy as well as gold coins from the 'original coin maker' for all club members...1 bell.
- Desiree went to Ohio which was really close to Kentucky. So while she was afraid of seeing banjos and missing teeth, she saw none. As a gift to the president, a large bottle of Kentucky bourbon was given as well as a small container of moonshine...1 bell.

Program

Phil W introduce our guest speaker, Mark Conry. Mark is the staff commodore of the Butte Sailing Club. Mark grew up in Eureka where he learned to sail in Humboldt Bay and surrounding lagoons. Mark came to Chico in late 70s and met his wife Marla at Chico State. He recently was part of a three-member team who raced a 40-foot sailboat 850 Miles in the '[Baja Ha-Ha](#)' from San Diego to the tip of Baja.

Mark shared how the [Butte Sailing Club](#) may not have an impact on most of our lives, they have put the knot in not-for-profit and do work with juveniles on probation and it's 90-member group works to instruct others how to sail and enjoy the sport. They are located at the Oroville Afterbay where they invite all to Wet Wednesday as well as to other sailing events and trainings. They have about 14 boats that are available to learn on and use with annual membership costing \$50/year.

He also gave us the overview of the rigging and ways to sail with the wind and into the wind. While we are late this year, May through July offer education. Looks like [Super Wet Wednesday](#) is right up our club's ally!

In Closing

Nancy thanked everyone for their participation.

Thanks To:

Greeters: Mark Stuenkel

Invocation: Leo Weiss

Events/Speakers

August 31st

[Weekly Meeting-Ann Nikolai, Osher Lifelong Learning Center](#)

September 7th

[Weekly Meeting-Alex Beehner, Boys and Girls Club](#)

September 14th

[Weekly Meeting-Todd Dowell, PEP Schools](#)

September 21st

[Weekly Meeting-AT CENTENNIAL PARK, Annabel Grimm, CARD](#)

Birthdays



[Paul Peck](#)
August 29th



[Bob Linscheid](#)
September 13th

Club Anniversaries



[Tanya E. Layne](#)
09-01-2006
17 Years



[Nick Mariottini](#)
10-27-2011
12 Years



[Neil Yelland](#)
10-31-2019
4 Years



[Timothy Suderman](#)
09-15-2022
1 Year



[Daniel DeCaires](#)
09-15-2022
1 Year

[Desiree Gonzalez](#)

Check in: Christian Garcia & Geralyn Sheridan
Bulletin: Sean Isom

Next week's duties are assigned to:
Greeters: Mark Murgia & Tim Suderman
Invocation: Phil Wilke
Check in: Kevin Baker
Bulletin: Sean Isom



09-15-2022
1 Year

Club Meeting

Chico Sunrise
Meets at Mom's Restaurant
209 Salem St
Chico, CA 95928
Time: Thursday at 06:45 AM