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Hoof Beats

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President's Message **By Jolene Cortright**

Happy November, Wild Oak Saddle Club! Last month, I wrote that many of us had just returned from the Wild Oak Saddle Club 2022 Mediterranean cruise. Take a look at the photos appearing later in this newsletter to see many of our happy Club members having a fabulous time on the cruise. We are hoping to have an October 2023 Saddle Club cruise showcasing the fall foliage of the East Coast and Canada. Watch for a launch of the cruise information in the next several weeks. I'm sure another great group of people will be traveling again!

I'm excited to announce that Kari Vigeland-Briner has stepped into the Activities Groups liaison position. Welcome and thank you, Kari! Since Kari has stepped up, she has already received some questions for the Board. First, she was asked how members can express concerns to the Board, if not at the Board meeting. Great question!

I've now formed a committee to be the conduit for concerns, grievances, or complaints about the Club, or a Member or the Board. Per our Code of Conduct document, this committee will consist of a Board Member, a Membership Committee Member, and a non-Board Member of the Club. I'm pleased to introduce you to that committee: Chair Keith Hilen, Marnie Goldschlag, and Burt Schraga. Feel free to reach out to them. Thank you three for volunteering to help our concerned members be heard. Of course, we always welcome your positive feedback for what is working!

Thanks too, to our Nominating Committee for all their due diligence to vet and interview WOSC Members who have expressed interest in volunteering for our Board of Directors. Watch your mailbox for the ballots that will be sent via USPS to our proprietary members according to our By-Laws. This may be one of our most important elections coming up in January, so please, be sure to vote and spread the word to vote.

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! It's a time of reflection and gratitude for our family, friends and the abundance that we have and enjoy. I certainly include WOSC on that list. See you soon at the Club, when the holiday festivities always seem to be joyful, happy and well-attended!

Your President, Jolene
Where would you rather be?

Social Activities for November & December

November 1	Tightwad Tuesday Fried Chicken Dinner
November 3	Burger Night
November 4	Friday Night Dinner, Farm-to-Fork
November 6	Sunday Brunch
November 8	Tightwad Tuesday
November 11	Friday Night Dinner, Mixed Grill
November 13	Sunday Brunch
November 15	Tightwad Tuesday
November 18	Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner (Moved up a week because of Thanksgiving)
November 20	Sunday Brunch
November 22	Tightwad Tuesday
November 24	Thanksgiving Day Feast (Takeout also available; see flier/menu page for details)
November 25	Club Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
November 27	Sunday Brunch
November 29	Tightwad Tuesday
December 2	Friday Night Farm-to Fork Dinner, Cellist Rebecca Roudman & The Renegades
December 4	Sunday Brunch
December 6	Tightwad Tuesday
December 9	Friday Night Dinner, Mixed Grill
December 11	NO SUNDAY BRUNCH Holiday Party 5:00 - 7:30 pm
December 13	Tightwad Tuesday
December 16	Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner
December 18	Sunday Brunch
December 20	Tightwad Tuesday
December 23	Club Closed for Friday Night Dinner; with Lunch Service Only
December 25	Closed for Holiday
December 27	Tightwad Tuesday
December 30	Club Closed; No Lunch or Dinner Service
December 31	New Year's Eve Dinner

News from GM Lori ... Special Events

November

- Burger Night November 3
- Prime Rib Night November 18
- Thanksgiving Day Feast November 24

December

- Friday Night Dinner, with December 2
Cellist Rebecca Roudman & The Renegades
- Holiday Party 5:00 - 7:30pm December 11
No Sunday Brunch on December 11
- Prime Rib Night December 16
- **Lunch Service only**, No Friday Dinner December 23
- **Club Closed**, No Lunch or Dinner Service December 30
- New Year's Eve Dinner December 31

News from the Social Committee

Herbert Inestroza, Chair

Just a reminder: The WOSC Social Committee will meet on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at 11:30am in the Trione Club House. To request a lunch reservation, please email:

herbertinestroza@comcast.net

The lunch group is limited to 20 people only. Thank you.

Book Club Meeting, November 8th

The WOSC Book Club meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 8th at 4:00pm in the Bunk House. Our book is *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge.

For the next few months, the meetings will take place on the second Tuesdays, Tightwad Tuesday.

Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday wishes to these wonderful members!

Our November birthdays are:

Barbara Imrie, Bill Noteman, Bill Salmina, Carol Nast,
Corinne Byrd, Dale Gummer, Dan Galvin, Gail Jamar, Gaye LeBaron,
Gus Shubel, Jeri Wylie, Judy Salmina, Melissa Bowers, Mike Farrell, Molly Buckley,
Paul Archambeau, Scott Bartley, Steve Corriher, Susie Reed, Tom Dunlap, Tom Jackson

11th Annual WOSC Fall Golf Tournament Wrap Up

October 14, 2022

By Doug Pavese, Chair

The 11th Annual WOSC Fall Golf Tournament was played on October 14th. A record number of 52 members and guest golfers teed off at 12:45pm under a Texas Scramble Format at the Sugarloaf Club Course. The weather was fantastic and could not have been better. Following the tournament, golfers and guests attended our Awards presentations social at the WOSC Pool where winning golfers were announced and received their prizes.

Thanks to our Golf Committee including Jeff Ray, Gus Shubel, Jamei Haswell, Judy Poremba, Karen Panting and Laura Whooley for making the day go smoothly. After golf, all players went to the WOSC Pool for our awards social where we announced the winners.

Thanks also to Lori and staff who prepared food and drinks around the pool. The winners were:

First Place Team - Jennifer Ammons, Kevin Konicek, Joe Dietzen, Joe McNeany

Second Place Team - Frank Kosta, Terry Byrne, Will Byrne

Third Place Team - Chris Dinno, Scott Tarr, Kari Vigeland, Bob Briner

Long Drive Hole # 13 - Men's Paul Zeni; Women's Joanne Phillips

Closest to Pin 3 16 - Men's Ken Jones; Women's Jennifer Ammons

Putting Contest - James De Nardi

The Golf Committee is looking forward to more Club Golf in 2023.

Be sure to get ready and practice by next April,
and also check your Hoof Beats newsletter in the spring
for details on the next tournament.

Club Activities Update

As mentioned in Jolene's President's Message, we have a new volunteer position: Activities Liaison! Kari Vigeland-Briner has stepped in as the contact person for the many activities we enjoy at the Club each week. In this role, she will serve as a bridge between the activities and Lori and the Board. A directory of all the various activities is being created along with contact people for each group. There are already over a dozen groups that meet each week, wow! Watch for this activity directory to be posted on the WOSC website, as well as being available in printed form in the Trione Club House.

You can also reach Kari directly at kvigeland04@gmail.com. Thank you, Kari, for serving in this important position.



**WILD OAK
SADDLE CLUB**

ESTABLISHED 1975

LUNCH

Daily Soup – Cup \$6

Lori's Salad \$17

Baby greens and romaine lettuce tossed in white balsamic vinaigrette with house-made applewood smoked bacon, oven roasted turkey breast, grilled shrimp, avocado, grape tomatoes, and hard-boiled egg

Grilled Salmon Salad \$18

Grilled salmon, garden greens, capers, olives, cucumber, and pickled red onions with a creamy lemon-dill vinaigrette

Fiesta Salad \$17

Seasoned ground beef and pico de gallo, cucumbers, tomatoes, red radishes, romaine lettuce, cilantro lime vinaigrette, cheddar-jack cheese, sour cream, and tortilla crisps

Turkey Club \$17

Oven roasted turkey breast, house-made applewood smoked bacon, tomato, baby greens, avocado, and mayonnaise on artisan sourdough toast

Grilled Chicken Melt \$17

Grilled chicken breast, sauteed bell peppers, baby spinach, and cheddar cheese with avocado mayonnaise on grilled ciabatta roll

Blackened Shrimp Tacos \$17

Blackened shrimp, cabbage and cilantro slaw, chipotle cream, on local artisan tortillas

Grilled Reuben \$17

Corned beef brisket, thousand island dressing, house-made cabbage slaw, and Swiss cheese on grilled artisan marbled rye

Bacon Cheddar Burger \$17

Local ground beef patty with house-made applewood smoked bacon, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion, and house-made dill pickles on a grilled bun

Impossible Burger (plant based) available +\$3

Sandwiches and tacos served with fries, garlic fries, side fruit or small garden salad

"Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions."

Tightwad Tuesday

Clubhouse opens at 5:30pm

\$22.00 + tax per person

November 1st, 2022

Fried Chicken

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Radishes, Strawberries,
Shaved Carrot, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Buttermilk Biscuits

Dessert:

Pumpkin Cake

November 8th, 2022

Slider Night

Meatball Slider

Turkey Melt

House Smoked BBQ Pulled Pork with

Coleslaw

Garden Salad

Blackberries, Shaved Radish, Rainbow Carrots

Roasted Vegetables

French Fries

Dessert:

Apple Cranberry Crisp with

Whipped Cream

November 15th, 2022

Chicken Parmesan

Pasta in Marinara

Caesar Salad

Roasted Vegetables

Garlic Bread

Dessert:

Pumpkin Cheesecake

November 22nd, 2022

Meatloaf with Brown Sugar Glaze

Garden Salad

Dried Cranberries, Baby Greens, Shaved Squash,
Pears, and a Balsamic Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Red Skin Potatoes

Dessert:

Vanilla Cake with Chocolate Frosting

November 29th, 2022

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Butter Lettuce, Radishes,
Black Berries, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Saffron Rice Pilaf

Dessert:

Chocolate Pudding Cake

December 6th, 2022

Fried Chicken

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Radishes, Shaved Squash,
Shaved Carrot, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Buttermilk Biscuits

Dessert:

German Chocolate Cake

Friday Night Dinner

Clubhouse opens 5:30pm

Dinner 6:45pm

\$50.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$40.00 + tax per person without alcohol

November 4th, 2022

**Farm to Fork
Family Style Dinner**

Sourcing the Best local ingredients;
menu will be announced Tuesday,
November 1.

November 18th, 2022

**Prime Rib Dinner
Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, *au jus*
Halibut with Salsa Verde**

Roasted Kabocha Squash Salad
Honey Roasted Squash with baby Kale, shaved Brussels
Sprouts, Medjool Dates, Pumpkin Seeds, with a
Pomegranate Vinaigrette

Braised Baby Tokyo Turnips and Rutabagas
with Sautéed Chard

Sour Cream and Chive Mashed Potatoes

Dessert:

Flourless Chocolate Cake with
Raspberry Coulis

November 11th, 2022

Mixed Grill Night

**Hand Carved Grilled Steaks, Chicken,
Grilled Fish, and Sausages**

Butter Lettuce Salad

Creamed Spinach

Twice Baked Potatoes

Dessert:

Kozlowski Farm's Pie with
Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

CLUB CLOSED Friday, Nov 25th

December 2nd, 2022

**Farm to Fork
Family Style Dinner**

Sourcing the Best local ingredients;
menu will be announced Tuesday,
November 29th.

\$70.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$60.00 + tax per person without alcohol



Burger Night

Thursday, November 3rd

Clubhouse opens at 5:00,

Burgers at 6:15



Come Join us for Burgers with all the Fixings!

- Wine Pour & Full Bar During Cocktail Time 5:00-6:15pm
 - Ice Cream Sandwiches
 - \$30 + tax per person

Reservations Required

(707) 539-8634 or

Reservations @wildoaksaddleclub.com



Thanksgiving Day Buffet

Thursday, November 24

1:00 – 3:00pm

Harvest Garden Salad

Fresh Fruit Salad

Mashed Potatoes

Herbed Turkey Gravy

Roasted Root Vegetables

Roasted Yams with Maple glaze and Bruleed Marshmallows

Traditional Bread Stuffing

Tangerine-Cranberry Chutney

House Cured and Smoked Ham with Honey-Pineapple Glaze

Roasted Turkey Breast with Braised Leg and Thigh

Potato Dinner Rolls

Assorted Desserts

Take out is also available for any item on the full menu.

To place your take-out order, contact Chef Joe directly at the club – (707) 539-8629

\$45.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$40.00 + tax per person without alcohol

\$25.00 + tax per person aged under 20



I Love Our Club Because ...



This feature is a new addition to Hoof Beats which highlights brief interviews with Club members about what they love about WOSC.

Judy Monroe, Member since 2009

What does the Club mean to you?

Judy: I am feeling so good about the Club. It is probably the most wonderful club going in Santa Rosa, and that's why everyone wants to join. Lori has set up the card and domino room wonderfully for our groups.

I appreciate all the staff and everybody helping to make it a beautiful gathering place for a unique group of interesting people. It really is a home to me, a place where I can be myself and dance to Spencer Day if I want! I love WOSC.

Sal and Connie Rosano, Members since 2015

What is your favorite thing about WOSC?

Sal: My favorite thing is Sunday Morning Brunch with the boys for the past 5 years. It's an eclectic group of usually 8 to 10 men that meet early on Sunday mornings and stay for the better part of the morning enjoying a leisurely breakfast and a wide range of conversation, ultimately solving all the problems in the world until the next Sunday.

Love the camaraderie, food, view, weather, and stillness of the early time at the club.

Connie: Phil Trowbridge convinced Pat Veale and me to join the Club. So glad he did that!

I'm a cowgirl at heart, and I love the horse country setting and its quaint authenticity. It's a place where we can laugh and talk about our lives. It was a wonderful place to go during the unsettling fires we all experienced. I find there's never enough time to talk to all the nice people who are there. I love the food, especially Fish and Chips and to sit under the great Oak tree with friends. Nothing in life is perfect, but the club is really close to it. What is not to love?!

Deneene and William (Bill) Arnone, Members since 2022

What's it like being new members to the Club?

As new members we are in a fun learning phase. This past Friday Prime Rib night was so amazing with the entertainer Spencer Day, who was able to read the group and play such wonderful music. His band was fantastic, and we were smiling the whole evening.

We especially enjoy the pace of the evening being able to mingle with folks we know, and some we are just meeting during the first hour, and then sit at the table and have time to really connect with our table mates.

Deneene raved enthusiastically about the salad which was stunning both visually and taste-wise with crunchy bits on top. Bill mentioned how fun it was to reconnect with some folks, like the mother of their daughter's prom date ... that would be none other than Kari Briner! As new members, both Deneene and Bill said they look forward to meeting new friends and having lots more smiles!

Welcome, Deneene and Bill!



WOSC Holiday Party
Sunday, December 11th
5:00pm - 7:30pm

Hors d'oeuvres ♪ *Food Stations* ♪ *Live Music*
Full Bar ♪ *Chef Joe's Delicious Creations*
Reservations Required
\$50.00 per person (+ tax)

Reservations@wildoaksaddleclub.com - 539-8634 or
sign up in the Reservation book in the Club living room





New Year's Eve Dinner

5:00 – 9:00pm

Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022

Come celebrate the New Year with an elaborate dinner, fine wines, cocktails, and wonderful friends at WOSC!

Club opens at 5:00pm ♦ Dinner Served at 7:00pm

♦ Hors d'oeuvres ♦ Live Music ♦ Full Bar

Evening Concludes at 9:00pm

\$95 per person + tax with alcohol

\$85 per person + tax, w/out alcohol

Please note: Until Dec. 1, it's a Members-only sign up ... and after that date, Members may add guests to their reservation, provided we are not already sold out.

Reservations Required

Reservations@wildoaksaddleclub.com – (707) 539-8634

or sign up in the Reservation book in the club living room



SADDLE CLUB CRUISE 2022











Meet the 12 Candidates for WOSC's January 2023 Board Election
Candidate Forum on Wednesday, November 30th
5:30 -7:00pm

The Club's Nominating Committee is sponsoring a Meet the Candidates gathering of those candidates running for election to WOSC's Board of Directors. Members are invited to come and meet and greet the candidates on Wednesday, November 30th from 5:30 until 7:00pm.

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present a large and diverse slate of candidates for **six (6) open seats** on WOCS's Board of Directors. The candidates are, in alphabetical order by first name: **Barbara Katona, Cristie Marcus, Doug Pavese, Fred Merrill, Herbert Inestroza, James Henderson, John Meislahn, Mark Randol, Pam Kersch, Scott Bartley, Steve Olsen, and Tom Hinde.** Note that a Board member once elected serves a three-year term. Also note that only proprietary members will be eligible to cast a vote in this election of Directors.

Since we have so many candidates - and in the interest of time - the November 30 gathering will not include any individual Q&A debate time. Our goal is to put faces with names and give each person 3 to 5 minutes to introduce themselves and state why they believe they should be elected to join the Board of Directors. The order in which each candidate will speak will be chosen by lot that evening, with each candidate informed of his/her place beforehand.

All WOSC Members are invited to attend the Candidate Forum. As we expect a fairly large number to attend, **reservations are required:** Call (707) 539-8634 or email: reservations@wildoaksaddleclub.com.

Ballots for voting will be mailed to proprietary members in advance of the meeting, as established by our Bylaws. The new Board will be announced and introduced at our Annual General Meeting which will take place on Tuesday evening, January 17, 2023. Proprietary members are urged to return their completed ballots prior to the Annual Meeting to facilitate the count.

Light snacks and wine (courtesy of Tom Hinde) will be available at the Meet the Candidates Forum. (The Bar, however, will not be open for this event.) We look forward to welcoming you on November 30.