

# Newsletter



## Southern California Association of Foresters & Fire Wardens

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2016-2017

#### OFFICERS

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Ed Shabro—Vendor Representative  
Doug Lannon—Arrangements  
Don Forsyth—Safety

*We, the members of the Southern California Association of Foresters and Fire Wardens, do band together for the purpose of strengthening inter-agency cooperation, fire safety coordination, and fellowship.*

**An Association dedicated to the  
Training and Safety of Southern  
California Wildland Firefighters  
for over 85 years.**



Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of the Southern California Association of Foresters and Fire Wardens

**87th Annual  
Wildland Fire Training  
and Safety Conference**

May 4th - May 5th 2017

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**Thursday**

Keynote Speaker- Rob McMullan  
ASCF, Inland Empire Bureau Chief

Mission Driven Culture

Pyro-Terrorism

Smoke Jumpers

San Bernadino Shooting

**Friday**

2017 Fire Weather Seasonal Outlook

WiFi Computer Modeling

Canyon Fire Burnover

Tamell Behavior Considerations

Next Generation PPE Update



**Southern California Association of  
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**2017 ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION  
OF FORESTERS AND FIRE WARDENS**

The board of directors will begin working on the programs and speakers for the **87TH Annual Wildland Fire Training and Safety Conference** that will be held on **May 4 & 5, 2017** at **Camp Pilgrim Pines** in beautiful Oak Glen, California. This promises to be another exciting and informative conference and we look forward to seeing you back at Pilgrim Pines.



You can now go directly to our web site by scanning the QRC (quick response code) with your smart phone.



**Cover Photo**

*The 2017 Fire Season begins in western Fresno-Kings Unit with the 5738 acre Jayne Fire, April 21, 2017.*



**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION  
OF FORESTERS AND FIRE WARDENS  
87TH ANNUAL WILDLAND FIRE  
TRAINING AND SAFETY CONFERENCE.**

**May 4 & 5, 2017**

Check our web site for further  
information [www.scaffw.org](http://www.scaffw.org)

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION  
of FORESTERS & FIRE WARDENS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 7, 2017**



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING NOTES**

The meeting of the Southern California Association of Foresters and Fire Wardens was called to order by President Vaughan Miller at 0905 hours at the Alan Hancock College Fire Academy, Lompoc, California on April 7, 2017. Division Chief Steve Oaks from the Santa Barbara County Fire Department welcomed the group. A round of introductions were made.

**Officers and Directors Present:**

- Don Hill- SBC Life Member
- Dan Snow-BDF
- Doug Lannon -BDU Ret. Arrangements Chair
- Phil Johnson- ORC Registration and Membership Chair
- Gary Helming- LPF
- Bart Kicklighter- SQF First Vice President
- Dave Witt- KRN Treasurer
- Chris Childers- SBC
- Dave Fowler- SLU
- Stan Hill- CNF
- Don Forsyth- ORC Safety Chair
- Tim Ernst- LAC
- Kurt Zingheim- MVU Exhibits and Demonstrations Chair
- Troy Whitman- SCE Historian
- Tim Chavez- RRU Secretary
- Vaughan Miller- VNC President

**Officers and Directors Absent:**

- Ron Jansen – BDU
- Dan Johnson- CSR
- Ed Shabro – Vendor Representative
- Nathan Judy-ANF Publicity
- Kevin Johnson- LAC

**Guests:**

- Don Trapp- BDC
- Don Hill – Life Member
- Tony Caezza- Life Member

**Minutes:** President Miller presented the minutes of the February 3, 2017 meeting. Single change to add Don Forsyth to the absent list. Motion by Director Whitman seconded by Second Director Childers, to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Witt presented his report covering February 3, 2017 to April 7, 2017.

Balance as of 2-3-2017                      \$31,636.96

Receipts:

Dues and Conference Registration    \$1298.90

Total Receipts:                              \$1298.90

Disbursements:

Director Witt (2017 Conference Insurance)  
\$192.00

UCCR-Pilgrim Pines (Conference Deposit)

\$6180.72  
Director Witt (Account start-up money)    \$100.00  
Custom Ink. Inc (conference give-away)    \$1214.00  
Director Ernst (conference raffle prizes)    \$500  
Total Disbursements:                              \$8186.72  
Balance on hand:                                      \$24,749.14  
Last year at this time:                              \$22,664.35

Motion by Director Whitman, second by Director Childers to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was approved.

**Committee Reports:**

**Arrangements:** Chairman Lannon reported that he had visited Pilgrim Pines Manager Mr. Box and assistant Antonio Skidmore and the camp looks good. Oak Glen Conservation Camp had been very helpful doing tree work and general maintenance. Laws Coffee Shop manager Denise Estrada was ready for the Directors Dinner, 30-35 estimated attendees, around 6:30 on Wednesday. Menu to include Tri-Tip/Chicken/Salmon. Camp Luther Glen is available for overflow parking and rooms are available for directors. Bike parking attendant and Vans from VNC are ready. Crew is confirmed by Director K. Johnson. ABC Permit secure on 4/4 for \$50.00 +1.19 postage. Yucaipa PD and Camp manager signature secured. Director Janssen has arranged the Medics from Station 551 to attend. Motion by Dir. Helming and second by Dir. Zingheim to reimburse Director Lannon for the ABC permit in the amount of \$51.19. Motion passed. Motion by Dir. Ernst to cover Master of Ceremonies Tony Varela's room at Luther Glen for the conference, seconded by Dir. Childers. Motion passed. Motion by Dir. Childers to cover rooms for all speakers died without a second. A short break was taken to get parking permits for non-agency vehicles. Meeting resumed, a discussion to handle speaker room needs on a case by case basis occurred. Decision was made to handle each on a case by case basis and vote if needed at the Directors meeting on May 3.

**Program:** Acting Program Chair Director Ernst, led a discussion on the program for the 2017 conference.

Thursday Morning May 4, 2017

0900- Opening of the 87th Annual Conference

President Vaughan Miller, Deputy Fire Chief, Ventura County Fire Department

Honor Guard

Cal Fire Honor Guard

Bell Ceremony

Invocation

Jim Cook, Cal Fire

Pledge of Allegiance

Tony Caezza, Ventura County Fire Department, Retired

Introduction of Program Chair

1st Vice President,

Introduction of Master of Ceremonies

Tony Varela, Assistant Chief (Ret.), Los Angeles Fire Department

0930- Keynote Address

Rob McMillan, Inland Empire Bureau Chief, ABC-7

1000- Break

1015- Mission Driven Culture

Brian Fennessy, Fire Chief, San Diego City Fire Department

1100- Pyro-Terrorism

Robert Baird, Forest Supervisor, Los Padres National Forest, USDA Forest Service

1145- Introduction of Vendors and Exhibitors

2nd Vice President,

1200- Lunch

Thursday Afternoon May 4, 2017

1300- CHP Safety Message

1315- Smoke Jumpers

Jerry Spence- California Smokejumpers

1400 - Break

1415- San Bernardino Shooting Incident

FFPM Hans Strebel, OCFA

1515- Break

1530 – VNC UAS Use and DRTI Bird Imagery

BC Tim Chavez and BC Bill Breuklander

1615- Vendors, Exhibits & Demonstrations

1800- Dinner

1900- Entertainment

Friday Morning May 5, 2017

0700- Breakfast

0800- 2016 Fire Weather Seasonal Outlook

Rob Krohn, Predictive Services

0830- The “Smokey” Generation – A Wildland Fire Oral History

Bethany Hannah

0915- Break



0930- WIFIRE – Supercomputer Aided Realtime Fire Modeling

Carlos Calvillo (LAFD Asst. Chief); XXXXXX (PhD, UCSD)

1015- Canyon Fire Burnover

Richard Dykhouse, Fire Captain, Santa Barbara County Fire Department

1100- Behavioral Considerations - Yarnell Incident

Brad Mayhew

1130- Next Generation PPE Update

1200- Presentation to Outgoing President

1215- Final Raffle

1230- End of Conference/Lunch

Discussion of the Pyroterrorism presentation. Some indication from Director Childers that Bob Baird may not be able/willing to do the presentation. An alternative plan was made to have ORC Director Johnson look into a similar presentation and as a back up have a presentation of the Blue Cut Fire.

**Exhibits and Demonstrations:** Director Zingheim reported 13 exhibitors, 3 new. Sherman Oaks Burn Center, Gels, Midwest Fire Apparatus. A discussion of whether to rent a briefing tent for the vendors in case of inclement weather occurred. A motion to explore a briefing tent proposal not to exceed \$1000 was made by Dir. Helming and seconded by Dir. Lannon. Motion carried. There will also be a PPE display. Departments are encouraged to bring new innovative gear to display.

**Registration and Membership:** Director Phil Johnson reported that pre-registrations are coming in, there was a delay due to the web page but that is resolved.

**Entertainment and Raffle:** Dir. Ernst reminded everyone to get their \$75+ to him soon to purchase raffle prizes. A discussion of how many coffee cups to order resulted in a motion by Dir. Witt and second by Dir. Helming to order 250 cups.

**Publicity:** Director Judy was absent but Directors were encouraged to get the posters out.

**Historian:** Historian Whitman had nothing to report.

**Safety:** Chairman Forsyth reported that CHP has been contacted, and has placed our event on their calendar to do the short safety piece on Thursday. We will be using the bell at the camp as a fire/emergency signal again this year.

**Golf:** Director Snow says that the golf tournament is good to go. A discussion of what plaques to hand out to speakers occurred. By consensus it was agreed to get the “cutting board” style plaques for a change.

**Newsletter:** February meeting minutes and newsletter out. Some difficulty with the mailing list from Paul Rippens. for the conference.



A reminder will be sent out for LODD/in memory names for the bell ceremony

**Old Business:** Directors Shirts- Dir. Snow had the shirts and most have paid and picked them up.

SQF Director- Bart Kicklighter will resume SQF Director and First VP positions until further notice. Snow will be demoted to Director.

**Life Membership Recommendations:** Nomination of Dan Kleinman. Meets criteria. Motion by Dir. Helming, second Chairman Forsyth. Motion passed.

**New Business:** Web Master- A correspondence was received from our Webmaster Jim Bunte that he was doing our web page for free as a personal favor to Paul Rippens. That will be ending and he is asking for compensation for maintaining our web page. He advised that he usually \$150/year for hosting plus \$100-200/month for maintenance. A motion was made by Dir. Ernst and seconded by Dir Kicklighter to offer some compensation for this past year and It was agreed to explore options for the future and/or negotiate a price with Jim that will be in our budget. This will take place after the conference is over in May. Motion passed.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern California Association of Foresters and Fire Wardens will be held 1500, May 3, 2016 at Camp Pilgrim Pines, Yucaipa, CA. A Directors' dinner will follow at 1800.

The meeting was adjourned at 1130.

Respectfully submitted.

Tim Chavez, Association Secretary



## 2017 CALIFORNIA INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM

### INCIDENT COMMANDERS

#### TYPE 1 FEDERAL INTERAGENCY TEAMS

TEAM 1 Jerry McGowan

TEAM 3 Mark Von Tillow

TEAM 4 Jay Kurth

TEAM 5 Mike Minton

#### TYPE 2 FEDERAL INTERAGENCY TEAMS

NorCal 1 Curtis Coots

NorCal 2 Rick Young

SoCal 1 Chris Fogle

SoCal 2 Dave Kelly

SoCal 3 Mike Wakoski

Central Sierra Deron Mills

Central Coast Van Arroyo

### CAL FIRE TYPE 1

Team 1 Brett Gouvea

Team 2 Glenn Patterson

Team 3 Kevin Lawson

Team 4 Todd Derum

Team 5 Ron Bravo

Team 6 Brian Estes

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION of FORESTERS and FIRE WARDENS**

**Scramble Golf Tournament**

**Limited To First 60 Golfers**

**Reservations REQUIRED No Walk-Ups**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017**

**7:00 A.M. = CHECK-IN**  
**8:00 A.M. = SHOTGUN START**

**Location:**  
Yucaipa Valley GOLF CLUB  
33725 Chapman Heights Rd.  
Yucaipa, CA 92399  
(909) 790-6522

**Price:**  
**\$ 65<sup>00</sup> per person**  
Includes: Green Fees, 1/2 Cart, Range Balls, Prizes, & 2017 SCAFFW Membership (\$5.00 all Conference registration when you present your 2007 Membership Card)

**Reservations: Required**  
Reservations must be made & payment received by:  
**April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Dan Snow**  
34981 Shadow Wood Dr.  
Yucaipa, Ca. 92399  
Phone: 909.809.7654  
dysn714@hotmail.com

**DETAILS**

- Scramble Format
- Fourteeen = Teams
- Men = White Tees
- Women = Red Tees
- Each player hits from the location of the best shot chosen by the team
- Must use at least 3 clubs from each team number
- Longest Drive & Closest to Pin Wins

San Bernardino Co. TO 92405, 92

Yucaipa Chapman Heights Rd. 10th St. Yucaipa Valley (9111 1111) Yucaipa Blvd. Oak Glen Rd. Live Oak Canyon / Oak Glen Rd. Redlands

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# WILDLAND FIRE LESSONS LEARNED CENTER



## PODCASTS

Name	Description	Released	Price
1	Fuel Geysers: A conversation with Ralph Gonzales. Unfortunately, when it comes to fuel geysers, there are many popular misconceptions. True or False: "Fuel geysers only happen when it's hot." "Fuel geysers only happen with chainsaws." "The ...	4/6/2017	Free <a href="#">View in iTunes</a>
2	Drip Torch Leg Burns. 2016 marked the eighth year in a row that the Wildland Fire Lessons Learned Center has received at least one report of a serious burn ...	2/15/2017	Free <a href="#">View in iTunes</a>
3	Scouting...High Risk? Do you like scouting? Do you acknowledge the risk involved? Chances are you take on more exposure than you realize whenever you "go take a ...	12/13/2016	Free <a href="#">View in iTunes</a>
4	The Bull Fire Entrapment. What is it actually like to "Wag Dodge" it? What does it feel like to realize you are in a bad spot? What are some ...	10/25/2016	Free <a href="#">View in iTunes</a>
5	Lessons and Data. Where do the lessons live? In this episode we discuss the relationship between lessons and data and why it matters. Along the way we wander ...	10/13/2016	Free <a href="#">View in iTunes</a>
6	The Contractor's Dilemma. In this episode we tackle the "Contractor's Dilemma" - the idea that contract fire resources face different pressures that make some conversations about assignment risk ...	10/6/2016	Free <a href="#">View in iTunes</a>
7	Emerging Lessons - 2016. Alex Viktora and Travis Dotson discuss emerging numbers and lessons from the year so far. Topics discussed include early season physical training medical emergencies, equipment ...	9/23/2016	Free <a href="#">View in iTunes</a>



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