

Water Watcher

JULY 2015

Mark your calendar!

Next Chapter Meeting:

August 5, 2015

6:30pm Dinner
7pm Meeting

VFW Hall
8990 Kruitof Way
Fair Oaks, 95628

Upcoming Meetings

July - No meeting

August 5, 2015

September 2, 2015

**September 11-13 2015
Santa's Summer Get-away**

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Presidents Message

June is ended on a high temperature heat wave, going right into July with much of the same. Sacramento hit 106 to 108 degrees the last couple of weeks of June depending on where you were. We're all use to it though, this is common for this time of year. So it makes it even more important to take precautions in this kind of heat. Make sure to hydrate and stay cool. Start your days earlier, take lots of breaks, drink water and sport drinks to replenish electrolytes and potassium. Don't ignore signs of heat exhaustion. If you feel fatigue, disorientation, dizziness, nausea, stop sweating, lack of urination, and dry mouth, stop what your doing drink water and find shelter from the heat. Make sure someone knows where your going to be, frequently check in, incase you pass out, and can't be reached, someone will know where to find you. People die from heat exhaustion every year in much cooler temperatures. Be smart and take care of yourself. Watch for sun burns; wear protection for your skin. The hot temperatures also cause flared up tempers, avoid situations that may cause conflict. People and animals have the tendency to be very unpredictable when it gets hot.

Vehicle maintenance is also a must during hot temperatures. Check all fluid levels regularly and keep an eye on your gauges. Change your fluids and wear items on regular intervals according to your vehicle manufacturer's specs. Tires should be rotated and checked for proper inflation or psi biweekly to save on wear and tear, and improve gas mileage. Use windshield screens to keep your truck cooler on those longer service calls and try to park in the shade when you can. Even if you think your truck doesn't leak, try not to park in customers driveways, the excessive heat causes oil and grime to loosen up and drip from your undercarriage, witch can ruin concrete, making your customer very heated. Wash and wax your vehicle and dress your rims, tires and plastic moldings, to protect your vehicles surfaces from the sun. Your vehicle is an investment for your company, take good care of it, so it can continue to take care of you.

We all know what to do with swimming pools this time of year. Keep filters, and baskets clean. Make sure someone is brushing the pools if the service your customer has chosen doesn't have you doing it. Make sure to maintain chlorine residuals, and perfect water chemistry all the way around. Keep wear items on sweeps, filters, and

pumps replaced. Listen and look for problems. Replace or repair noisy pumps and motors. Keep all leaks fixed, water is a hot commodity this time of year. If you suspect a pool is leaking notify your customer do a bucket test and if the results of that test show a leak contact a leak detection company right away. Remember, water conservation can be done on pools too. Cut down on evaporation with pool covers or chemical covers, turn off water features and turn off whip tails on pool sweeps. All pools should be running extra hours now to stay clear.

The rule of thumb for most pools in this area, is for every ten degrees it is outside we need to run the pool one hour. Example; 105 degrees equals 10.5 hours. This obviously is much different for pools with two speed or variable speed pumps. If you need any help figuring out any problem pools please contact any number of the professionals in our chapter for help. Check the Resource Manual on CVIPSSA.com.

With the ongoing drought right now there have been some new developments I have discovered with several of my pools. It has been alarming how many pools are recently having this problem. I am advising everybody to watch there skimmers, water lines, fittings, in deck floor cleaning canisters, tile, and concrete decks or copings for strange movement or cracks. I have found a couple of my pools have skimmers being crushed by roots. Tiles coming off of walls in large sections feet at a time, from roots. Autofill cans lifting out of decks or roots growing through walls near fill lines and fittings. Decks buckling and coping cracking from root movement underneath. I have even had a root pop a light from a spa, where the root broke through the conduit and traveled towards the spa light can. Tree roots are seeking out water anywhere they can find it and the swimming pool is the only water they can find. So expect to start finding root damage everywhere around your pools. Much of this can be avoided, if customers are warned of potential problems. Trees growing too close to pools may need to be removed or root blocks installed. Even some bushes and shrubs have evasive roots that can damage pools. Please keep your eyes open and try to catch these problems before they become too costly. Each discovery for me was due to sudden water loss in swimming pools, and finding the problems after it was too late in the leak detection process. The skimmers suddenly had a bulge that cracked and each incident the deck started moving and new cracks were forming indicating a problem. This may not happen each time but if you suspect a problem area on one of your customers pools, please communicate that with them so they can be watching for problems too. Many times customers may be proactive and they will fix the problems before they start. You're the first line of defense and the professional they trust to identify these problems for them. Good luck. Hopefully nobody has to deal with any of the problems we have found. Most of them have been very costly.

Capital Valley IPSSA Chapter Meeting

**Wednesday
August 5th, 2015**

**6:30pm Dinner
Premier Pools
Featuring
Drought Presentation**

7pm Meeting

**VFW Hall -
8990 Kruitof Way,
Fair Oaks, 95628**

Thank You!

**Nic Benny and Zodiac
for last months dinner and
presentation!**

Business is definitely booming, despite the drought, I've noticed our suppliers have been busy and there's a whole lot of pool guys on the road. If you see a new pool guy out there in the field, stop and talk to him. Invite them to a meeting and a free dinner to check us out. We still pay a bounty of \$50 for new member sign

Copies of our new Chapter Standing Rules and Sick Route Policy will be available at the next meeting.

ups. If you want to give back to this organization, and don't know how. This is it, help us find new members. It improves our industry, and makes us a better stronger community of swimming pool professionals.

If want to do something very rewarding, we have some board and committee chair positions opening soon. We have board meetings coming up. If you are interested in seeing what it is like to be involved in this organization please come out to one of our board meetings. Contact any of our board members for details. This is a lot of fun. We all really enjoy doing this, and would like to share in the benefits. We would love to see some new faces. Give back to a worthy organization.

At our last chapter meeting...

Nic Benny from Zodiac gave a great presentation and provided dinner for the chapter. Thank you Zodiac for everything. Scott Houseman also filled in for me at our last chapter meeting while my family and I moved and dealt with all the craziness that moving brings. Thank you so much Scott!

We have **no meeting this month** in observance of Independence Day July 4th.

We do have a meeting next month August 5th with Premier Pools, which will include important drought information. Premier Pools will also be providing dinner.



Everybody have a wonderful 4th of July! Drive careful, and watch for people in the streets lighting fireworks. Stay cool and hydrated. Be safe. See you at the meeting in

August.

"Keep up the good work"

Sincerely,
Gregg Simon
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SICK ROUTE

Thank you for your support!
New sick route policy is available at
www.cvipssa.com

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Sick Route Chairman
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What Summer tips do you have to share??
What is your favorite trick or treatment?
Did you have a really cool or horrifying picture of an account you would like to share?
Safety warnings? Local water news?
Pools or equipment for sale? Events?
PLEASE share!

Want to write an article, submit pictures, or have news to share?

Please send it to
contactus@pollywogpools.com
by the 20th to be included next month.

We are always looking for industry news, event, stories, and pictures.

Want to help with this or many other volunteer positions?
Contact one of our Board Members or Committee Chairmen today!

Advertising space available!
Contact newsletter for monthly pricing.

Membership

August is the first meeting of 2 for the 3rd quarter. You must make at minimum 1 meeting per quarter to avoid fines.

\$50 referral for bringing in a new member to Capital Valley IPSSA.

For more information please contact:
Mike Assenza
Membership Chairman
(916) 860-7115



Capital Valley IPSSA Presents 6th Annual Santa's Summer Getaway Sly Park Recreation Area



September 11 - 13, 2015

Registration Form

Dates: Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon, September 11 - 13, 2015

Place: Sly Park Rec. Area, Group Site #5, 4771 Sly Park Rd., Pollock Pines (off Hwy 50 & Sly Park Rd)

Price: \$35.00/per adult (age 13 & over) ~ \$20.00/per child (age 5-12) ~ Under 5 years, free

What you get: Camping for 2 nights, breakfast on Saturday & Sunday mornings, dinner and dessert on Friday and Saturday nights, crafts for the kids, campfires, swimming, horseshoes and many recreational activities.



Featuring Pinewood Derby on Saturday

Official Pinewood Derby Car Kits available: Contact George Stevenson (916) 863-1700 or hotwaterworks@hotmail.com for purchase and more info.

Camping Space is Limited! Submit your Registration Form ASAP!!
Send in Registration Form by (8/31/15) - No Refunds

FFFF \$5.00 discount per adult if registered & paid by May 6, 2015 chapter meeting!EEEE

Need More Info: General Info: Jack Emlay at jjemlay@comcast.net
Reservations: Shaleen Stevenson at hotwaterworks@hotmail.com

Names of all campers: _____

Contact person e-mail address: _____ Phone: _____

Free T-Shirt for every registered & paid camper by: 8/22/15 List Quantity:

Adult Sizes: Sm _____ Med _____ Lg _____ XL _____ 2XL _____ 3XL _____

(Adult t-shirt sizes available in tank tops: Please make a note with "T" above size)

Child Sizes: 18-20 _____ 14-16 _____ 10-12 _____ 6-8 _____

_____ # of Adults @ \$35.00 each - Saturday use only \$20.00 each

_____ # of Children Ages 5 - 12 @ \$20.00 each - Saturday use only \$10.00 each

_____ # of Children under 5 years of age, FREE

\$ _____ Total enclosed

_____ I'll be in a trailer (Length: _____ ft.) I'll be in a tent: How many tents and size? _____

**Make Checks Payable To: Capital Valley IPSSA & mail with Registration Form to:
Shaleen Stevenson, 5228 Wagon Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628**



JULY 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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5	6	7	8 CVIPSSA Board Meeting	9	10	11
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AUGUST 2015

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September 11-13th 2015 - Santa's Summer Get-Away (2016 - Sept 16-18)

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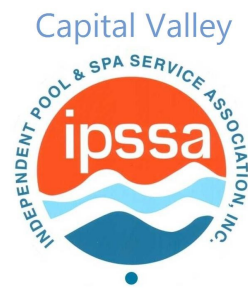
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Thank you from Capital Valley IPSSA Chapter!

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They are here to help you be your best!

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