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Our mission is to promote, facilitate and coordinate the sustainability and expansion of aquatic resources within the Truckee Meadows.

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Moving Forward

Today Thursday, November 1st marks the 5 year anniversary of the closure of the Moana Pool. It is a bitter sweet anniversary as it marks the loss of the old pool, but also resulted in the birth of Sierra Nevada Community Aquatics (SNCA). Soon after the closure of the pool the City of Reno held focus groups

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and at these meetings we found other concerned aquatics users and formed SNCA. With the help from people involved with the competitive groups, learn to swim, therapy, water polo, etc...SNCA was born. When we started this process we thought it would be a slam-dunk, as everyone we talked to thought it was a great idea to build new aquatics facilities in our area. What we didn't count on was the economic down turn! It has

taken longer to get this pool built than we all expected, but it continues to be our desire to make this dream happen. In the past five years we have had so many meetings I can't even count them, from the City of Reno staff, Reno City council, City of Sparks, Washoe County, anyone that would listen to our plan, we have spoken with. Even though we don't have a pool built (YET!!!), SNCA feels we have improved our aquatics community.

SNCA brought the aquatics users together with the Adopt-A-Pool clean ups at Idlewild, Northwest and Traner pools. Additionally we have held successful fundraisers with the "Poor Man's Pool Party", and then renamed "An Evening with the Olympians" and now known as "Aquafest". With these events we have also brought Olympic swimming athletes to Reno to promote the need for expansion of aquatics in the region and make some great memories for all of us. As we mark the fifth anniversary we look forward to the building of a new aquatics facility on the site of the former pool. The old pool has been demolished to make way for the new facility. We have an option to enter into a lease with the City of Reno for a portion of the Moana site and we are currently working with interested funders and interviewing nationally renowned aquatic architects to get this project moving. The wheels on the pool project are starting to roll. Not only has SNCA been around for nearly five years, but so have I. I was elected the President of SNCA at the inception and I have remained in that

position through a lot of meetings, events and many learning experiences. Most functional boards have a rotation with their Presidents and our board should be no exception. With this being said it is time for me to step down from the Presidents roll with SNCA and leave it in the very capable hands of **Chip Hobson**. Chip has been on our board from the beginning and has been a tireless worker



for our cause. As many of you know I have a deep passion to get this aquatics center built and I will continue my work as a SNCA board member. Thank you to all of your support and patience over the past five years and please continue to support our effort. Mike Ginsburg

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E-mail Announcements and Newsletter

When you receive announcements from SNCA, you are either on our list of people who have either given us your names or you were from an e-mail list from the Sierra Nevada Masters, Reno Area Triathletes, or you are forwarded our newsletter by your coaching staff.

SNCA would like to make one centralized e-mail list. This e-mail list will be maintained privately and will only be utilized for distribution of materials related to SNCA and its mission. This housekeeping will also keep you from getting our e-mails multiple times if you belong to multiple groups. If you would like to opt out from the SNCA e-mails and information, please e-mail Mike Ginsburg – mike.ginsburg@sncaquatics.org If we don't hear from you we will continue to send you up dates to the e-mail we have listed for you.

Moana Springs Sports Complex - Update

Great Basin Youth Soccer League (GBYSL), Reno Youth Sports Association and the City Of Reno partnered on a project to build two new fields at the Moana Springs Sports Complex. Last week at the ribbon cutting for the fields, the Reno City Council dedicated the fields the "Richard L. Jay Fields". Richard Jay is the Commissioner for Great Basin Youth Soccer League.

City Council Members Jessica Sferrazza and Sharon Zadra approached Richard office almost five months ago and said "let's make this project happen for the community of Northern Nevada." From that day on, Richard made this project a personal crusade for GBYSL and the Community. Richard has put in countless hours with efforts included raising money for the fields, getting the project approved through the City Council, assisting with oversight of the field project and making sure the soil is perfect for the laying of sod.