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BANQUET RECAP

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The Waterloo Gun and Bocce Club was the setting for Kokanee Power's 2015 Fund-raising Banquet. As the sun began to set behind the trees, the venue began to come alive. An audible commotion can be heard as cars enter and their tires slowly spin on the parking lot pavement. Rumbles from diesel engines and their throaty exhaust systems fill the air. A line begins to form at the door as guests get checked in and receive their door prize – a popup, soft-sided cooler. There's smiles and laughter all around as friends and family talk about topics ranging from the drought situation and sports to their latest fishing expedition and the big one that got away. People fill the bar and begin ordering drinks. Others begin perusing the outskirts of the dining hall to see the 100+ raffle prizes, the 26 silent auction items, and the 46 live auction items. They begin to set their sights and think about what they want to bid on.

With guests getting settled in, a familiar booming voice comes over the audio system. The conversations diminish as all eyes turn toward the front of the stage. Bob Simms, host of KFBK's Outdoor Show, welcomes everyone to the banquet as the Master of Ceremonies and sets the stage for the exciting things are in store over the course of the evening.

As Bob concluded his introductory speech, the smell of food filled the air. Everyone's mind quickly shifted from fishing to the delicious buffet dinner that was available. It consisted of barbeque chicken, ribs, tri-tip, wonderful side dishes, and salad. The aroma made everyone's mouth water and the flavors did not disappoint. This set the tone for the rest of the evening – full of fun, very informative, and exciting!



In addition to the raffle and live and silent auctions, there were also special drawings and raffles that took place throughout the night for those guests who wished to participate. The first was an "early bird" drawing for those that made their reservation prior to February 28th. There were four prizes available. The first prize, a Vance's Tackle Kokanee rod and Shimano Cardiff reel, went to Michael Low. The second prize was \$100 in raffle tickets, and that was awarded to Bev Mierkey. \$50 in raffle tickets

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was the third prize, and that went to Ralph Schuhriemen. The last prize was \$30 in raffle tickets that Kelly Knaus won.

The next drawing was the 50/50. Each ticket was \$10, and 50 percent of the proceeds go to Kokanee Power and the other 50 percent is split and shared with three lucky winners. Those three lucky individuals were Kelly Knaus, Ken McDonald, and Danny Quintal. Each of them won \$175.

The last drawing was a special raffle called the "Tahoe Fish and Fun Raffle." Up for grabs was a trip for two people on Lake Tahoe with Mickey Daniels of Mickey's Big Mack Charters, a \$300 voucher to Harrah's Lake Tahoe Hotel and Casino, a \$200 gift card to Cabela's, and a \$50 Chevron gas card. At \$20 per ticket and 200 tickets sold, one lucky winner was announced – Jim Pickens, the new owner of the Fishermen's Friend in Lodi.

Congratulations to all those who won! And, a big thank you to all who came to the banquet. Kokanee Power strives to enhance California's inland fisheries and its management through partnership with the California Fish and Wildlife. It is the dollars from this fundraising banquet (coupled with membership dollars and derby entry fees) that make it all possible. Kokanee Power would not exist with everyone's support! One last thank you also goes to Nancy Coe who organizes this event and her wonderful team for the flawless execution and Dave Weaver for his photos, which can be seen on the Kokanee Power website.



Kokanee Power Vice President, Capt. Al Millan, with the 2014 Junior Anger's of the Year.

Special guests from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife were on hand to share information about the Kokanee fishery



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Information:

- \$80.00 Entry Fee Per Participant
- 100 targets, 10 to 12 Stations
- Entry Fee Includes Lunch
- 5 Person Squads
- Single person entries will be joined with open squads
- Lewis Class Scoring
- Awards for H.O.A. and 1st & 2nd in each class
- Junior Shooters Welcome!!

Application On Back

EVENT SCHEDULE:

8am: Orientation/Check-in
9am: Event Begins
12pm: BBQ Lunch Begins
1pm: Presentation of Awards

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