

# Renovation progress at Kah-Nee-Ta

Concrete trucks were rolling down Highway 3 in March, as the Kah-Nee-Ta Resort and Spa work continued, with a focus on pouring concrete for the large pools. The old pools needed to be completely replaced.

When complete, the new attraction will feature a large natural hot springs soaking pool, lazy river pools, a youth zero-depth entry pool, and youth soaking pool.

The Kah-Nee-Ta renovation team plans to launch a new website in the near future, said Jim Souers, executive director of Warm Springs Economic Development.

“There’s a lot going on with Kah-Nee-Ta,” Mr. Souers said. “We were busy in late March with the con-



March construction work at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort & Spa.

crete work, and we’re making great progress.”

The new pools are now completely re-concreted and finished. “That was a major task, a major achievement,” Mr. Souers said. “And we’re still working at opening this summer.”

Besides the concrete work, there is much other work to do. For instance, the waste lagoons have to be

fixed and repaired, another major task. Plus, “We’re remodeling the hotel, and we’re putting in a restaurant in the area that used to be the gift space area,” Mr. Souers said.

He reminds the community that the entire Kah-Nee-Ta Village area is an active construction site and for

safety and security reasons is completely closed to the public.

In 2021, Tribal Council approved \$4.58 million to fund Phase 1 of the project, to bring back the former Village area of Kah-Nee-Ta.

Another \$1.5 million was approved for the lagoon system. Council also in 2021 approved the 15-year agreement with the Ski Bowl group to operate and develop Phase 1. Future resort phases can happen as funding becomes available. This economic development and recovery project is allocated from funding of the American Rescue Plan of 2021.



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## At the Skatepark Opening



PacificSource provided more than 150 skateboards for a giveaway to local youth.



Emergency Management at the grill.



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With Council Chairman Jonathan Smith, skateboarder and park advocate Daquan Cassaway cut the ribbon, opening the new skatepark.

## Thank you to park donors

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Others who have helped with the new Warm Springs skatepark:

Dehen, the Roundhouse Foundation, and all the individuals who bought t-shirts and gear for the cause.

Thank-you also to the Warm Springs Community Action Team for being the fiscal sponsor. Chairman Smith also thanked Scott Koening, formerly of Tactics, and Lilly Schwimmer, formerly of the Skatepark Project, for all their help.

And the local organizer of the project has been Michael Collins of Warm Springs Managed Care.



Photo by John Laptad.

# Root Feast Rodeo

Warm Springs Rodeo Grounds

Saturday, April 29th, 2023

1:00 pm

### Events

- 3-Man Wild Horse Race: \$300 per team/ \$200 added
- Mini Bulls: \$30 per person/ \$100 added
- Bull Riding: \$70 per person/ \$200 added
- Team Roping: \$70 per team/ \$200 added
- Breakaway: \$70 per person/ \$200 added
- Barrel Racing: \$70 per person/ \$200 added
- Ranch Bronc Riding: \$70 per person/ \$200 added
- Stick Horse Race: Free (5yrs & under)
- Calf Scramble: Free

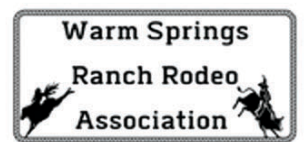
The WSRRA will be taking a \$10 office fee per person from the entry fee.

### Call-In's

Entries will be taken from Wednesday, March 1st to Wednesday, April 26th at 5 pm. Entries must be paid by 11 am on the day of the rodeo. To learn more information or to enter you can message the WSRRA Facebook page or call/text: (541) 460-3257.

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