



Nov-Dec 2016

California State Old-Time Fiddlers' Association

Coming Events

November 12, 2016

Grassy Green Picking and Fiddling Contest

Death Valley, CA

For more information call Bill Whitfield at 209.402.3881

April 11-15, 2017

Julian Family Fiddle Camp

Camp Cedar Glen ---- Julian, CA

Western Open Results, October 20-22, 2016

Peewee (age 8 and under) [5]

1. Niko Quale, Alameda CA
2. Daniel Crotty, Fresno CA
3. Gage Lindsey, Redding CA
4. Annie Culbreath, Chico CA
5. Owen Anderson, Lincoln CA

Youngest Fiddler

Owen Anderson, Lincoln CA, age 7

Junior Junior (age 12 and under) [22]

1. Miles Quale, Alameda CA
2. Elsa Crotty, Fresno CA
3. Teo Quale, Alameda CA
4. Cate Huiras, Chico CA
5. Leah Bowen, Sparks NV

Junior (ages 17 and under) [13]

1. Makaela Shippy, Caldwell ID
2. Amanda Culbreath, Chico CA
3. Sophie Peña, Palo Cedro CA
4. Jacob Alston, Eureka CA
5. Lanie Shippy, Caldwell ID

Young Adult (ages 18-36) [3]

1. Tallon Sandoval, Janesville CA
2. Skylar Gray, Bowmont ID
3. Jonathan Trawick, Portland OR

Adult (ages 37-54) [2]

1. Cynthia Hamm, Vancouver WA
2. Ginger Vogel, Chico CA

Senior (ages 55-69) [4]

1. Pat Scott, Red Bluff CA
2. Nicki Carlisle, Shingletown CA
3. Avery Ellisman, Encinitas CA
4. Randy Warner, Washoe Valley NV

Senior Senior (ages 70 and up) [8]

1. Hughie Smith, Bakersfield CA
2. Barbara Brooks, Poway CA
3. Jim McMillan, Bozeman MT
4. Mark Lund, Carson City NV
5. Les Tucker, Woodburn OR

Oldest Fiddler

1. Les Tucker, Woodburn OR, age 89

Open (any age) [8]

1. Tristan Clarridge, Forks of Salmon CA
2. Tashina Clarridge, Mt. Shasta CA
3. Aaron Carter, Portland OR
4. Alex Sharps, Julian CA
5. Celeste Peña, Palo Cedro CA
6. Eric Anderson, Lincoln CA
7. Aerie Walker, Berkeley CA
8. Starr McMullen, Corvallis OR

Junior Twin Fiddle (age 17 and under) [3]

1. Emily and Jillian Alldrin
2. Cate Huiras/Amanda Culbreath
3. Anneliese Alldrin/Bryon Brushett

Open Twin Fiddle (age 18 and up) [3]

1. Tristan Clarridge/Hughie Smith
2. Tashina Clarridge/Aerie Walker
3. Nicki Carlisle/Lyra Martin

Open Picking (any age) [3]

1. Randall Kerr, Camino CA
2. Avery Ellisman, Encinitas CA
3. Lee Brushett, Shasta CA

Junior Picking [10]

1. Teo Quale, Alameda CA
2. Daisy Kerr, Camino CA
3. Jillian Alldrin, Palo Cedro CA

Junior Jukebox (age 17 and under) [3]

1. Silly Strings
2. Natalie Parker-Blount, Shingletown CA
3. Patricia Lee-Johnson, Cottonwood CA

Open Jukebox (any age) [3]

1. Oliver Moore, Orland CA
2. Tricia Ferguson/Lindsey Ferguson/Shelby Crawford, Redding CA
3. Don Nichols, Willows CA

Accompanist

1. Al Myers, Redding CA
2. Eric Anderson, Lincoln CA
3. Jim McMillan, Bozeman MT
4. Jonathan Trawick, Portland OR
5. Bob Gardner, Atherton CA

Robert Strawn Award (most beautiful waltz) [9]

1. Tristan Clarridge, Forks of Salmon CA
2. Tashina Clarridge, Mt. Shasta CA
3. Tallon Sandoval, Janesville CA

Hot Fiddle Award [4]

1. Tristan Clarridge, Forks of Salmon CA
2. Tashina Clarridge, Mt. Shasta CA
3. Sophie Pena/Amanda Culbreath

Junior Piano (17 and under) [4]

1. Oliver Moore, Orland CA
2. Emily Alldrin, Palo Cedro CA
3. Patricia Lee Johnson, Cottonwood CA

Junior Junior Piano (9-12) [5]

1. Max Gandy, Redding CA
2. Allie Braitto, Cottonwood CA
3. Alicia Lee Johnson, Cottonwood CA

Peewee Piano (8 and under) [1]

1. Brooklyn Hobbs, Willows CA

District 1 Report

by District One State Director Mary Rose Preston

After doing a great job as State Director for District 1, Mary McCluskey has found it necessary to resign and Mary Rose Preston has agreed to assist District 1 by trying to fill her shoes for the remainder of her term and maybe beyond.

District One has a new website: www.csotfad1.weebly.com (thank you, Zeke!)

A little history about the District 1 parade trailer: we purchased it in 2015. Rayburn McDonald then rebuilt it and made some nice new benches, making it easier for all to sit and play during parades. There are also two new shade canopies for the trailer. We are really going in style now! We used it the first time at the 2015 Palermo Parade and it worked great. Thank you, Rayburn!

For information about joining us for any of our activities, contact District One President Jimi Beeler, 530-282-3205.

Recent Performances:

We had a nice time playing in the parade at the Palermo Community Festival on Saturday, September 17. Fiddlers and pickers performed from the District 1 trailer being pulled by one of our members' truck.

We had a wonderful day playing at the Salmon Festival on Saturday, September 24 in Oroville, with a great turnout. Our fiddle kids are featured in this community event that draws lots of families. It's a great opportunity for the little ones to try playing a solo with the back-up and support from the more experienced members.

Upcoming Performances/Activities:

- Friday, November 11, 11:00: Veterans Day Parade, downtown Oroville
- Saturday, December 3, play at 12:45-ish: Frontier Christmas Celebration at the Lake Oroville Visitors Center. Pioneer crafts and games, sing-alongs, entertainment, gold panning, storytelling, and Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus
- Sunday, December 4, 2:00: Christmas party/potluck at the Feather River Senior Center
- Saturday, December 10, 6:00: Parade of Lights, downtown Oroville

Ongoing Activities:

First and third Mondays, 7:00 - 9:00, January - October: Fiddle workshops at the Bolt Museum in Oroville. We have 15 to 20 people show up each time for these wonderful sessions. People interested in small group lessons before the workshops can call Jimi Beeler at 530-282-3205 for details. Next workshop: Monday, January 16, 2017.

First Sundays, 6:30 - 8:00: A small group continues to provide an evening of old-time and country music to the delight of the residents of Country Crest Assisted Living. There is a loyal group of fans that show up every time, and they do love those old country songs.

Fourth Sundays, 2:00: Monthly jams (except March and December)



The 2016 California State Fiddle Contest photos are posted at and They are divided in to two groups: Finalists and Contest

<http://fiddling.dateq.net/>

And the videos are at:

<http://youTube.com/FiddleSupporter>

Fiddle Wrangler

District 2 Report

Nothing Reported

District 3 Report

Nothing Reported

District 4 Report

OLD TIME FIDDLERS' ASSOCIATION HOLIDAY DINNER

Please join us for our annual Holiday Gathering.

When: Sunday, December 11, 2016 (Note: 2nd Sunday of month)

Time: 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Location: Orangethorpe Activity Building

Bring: Musical instrument & silverware

We are planning on fiddling at the park. This will be followed by a Holiday Dinner we'll order in advance and we'll serve at the Activity Building. There is no cost to you – we are using accrued funds. More fiddling to follow as time permits.

Please call Nadia Brown at (562) 424-0657 by November 13th to confirm your attendance. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

P.S. We'll also be processing membership sign-ups and collecting dues.

Happy Holidays to you!





District 5 Report

Our fiddle kids were a big hit in the annual extravaganza that Dist. 5 has put on for nine years. We had planned to hold it outdoors but when the appointed day of Oct. 2 came around, a surprise rain sandwiched between beautiful days washed away that idea. Maybe next year?

About a dozen children showed off their skills under the direction of incoming Dist. 5 president Eric Anderson, who teaches fiddle to most of them. It was the first appearance at the kids showcase for one of our new member families, the Huirases. Cate and her parents, Chris and Debra, come all the way from Chico because of our program. While Cate fiddled, Chris barbecued hot dogs and burgers under a hastily erected tent and Debra handled a lot of kitchen duties for the feed that Eric and his wife, Sandi, put together as they do every year. Cate looks like a sure bet to place high in the state fiddle contest in Oroville next March 17-18.

The next big event is our annual holiday feast featuring turkey and all the trimmings at Dist. 5's monthly jam Nov. 13. Our annual all-you-can-eat-and-more dessert special will occur at the jam after that on Dec. 11. Any of you fiddlers and friends from other parts of California passing through the Sacramento area those dates are welcome to join in the fun and contribute music if you wish. We meet at the Grange Hall, 5807 Walnut Ave., Orangevale east of Sacramento near Folsom.

Don



Carl



Karen



Nick

District 6 Report

The Holiday Months are upon us and District 6's event calendar is filling up fast. This is always a busy and enjoyable time of the year for the members of District 6 with no shortage of things to plan for and events to attend. For all of the details just go to our website at www.northstatefiddlers.com and check out the Grapevine Newsletter and schedule of events link.

It was nice to see so many of you at the 34th Annual Western Open Fiddle Championships in Red Bluff this year. By all estimates it was the very best event ever staged. Attendance and participation was great and the folks that are most responsible for making it a huge success, Tex and Sharon Ash, and their crew of volunteers, deserve a big "Congratulations" for a job well done once again.

The musicians that represent District 6 and those that support the Fiddler's Association have a busy schedule during this time of year. They will be kept busy as usual, not only playing at our twice monthly scheduled events on the first Sunday

and third Sunday each month but also playing at many assisted living facilities and for other community events during the Holiday Season. We will all be getting together on December 18th for our Annual District 6 Potluck Holiday Dinner at the Millville Grange in Palo Cedro.

This past month we completed our annual elections for our District 6 Board of Directors and the results are: President, Timothy Garrison; Vice President, Lloyd Raeg; Secretary, Carolyn Faubel; Treasurer, Pat Scott; Publicity Chairman, George Fredson; Membership Chairperson; Mary Raeg; State Representative, Tex Ash; Advisors, Lee Brushett, Anne Huber, Tom Spence, and Danny Lindberg. We are all looking forward to serving another year and are anxious to keep District 6 alive with events and activities that serve the membership and the community.

We would all like to wish you all a Happy Holiday Season with safe travel, wonderful family gatherings and lots of wonderful music to make the season filled with joy.



District 7 Report

Nothing Reported

District 8 Report

Nothing Reported



District 9 Report

Article for Soundpost from District 9 Greetings to all from the members and friends of District 9. We have had some wonderful jams over the past few months. Our facebook friends list continues to grow and we've had several new members join our group, both musicians and music lovers alike. As with all the Districts in our State organization, we are anticipating a full involvement in the vote to the Revised CSOTFA Bylaws. Our members have done due diligence in reading and questioning the revisions. We are seeking nominations for our Board of Officers for 2017. Voting occurs in December in our District. We are also gearing up for our Christmas Jam and Potluck on December 11th. The much anticipated drawing for the various items in our raffle, where up to approximately 30

to 35 different items are displayed, and tickets are sold and redeemed when your number is called. So much fun! One person's white-elephant is another's treasure. Among the most popular items are the handcrafted Raggedy Ann & Andy cloth dolls and the recycled vinyl LPs wall clocks. If you are visiting family and/or friends in the east San Francisco bay area on Sunday, December 11th, come join us for some holiday fun, great music and awesome food!! See our website for time and directions. Happy and safe holidays to all and keep on singing and playing!! Submitted by Ruth Oveland, District 9 Director



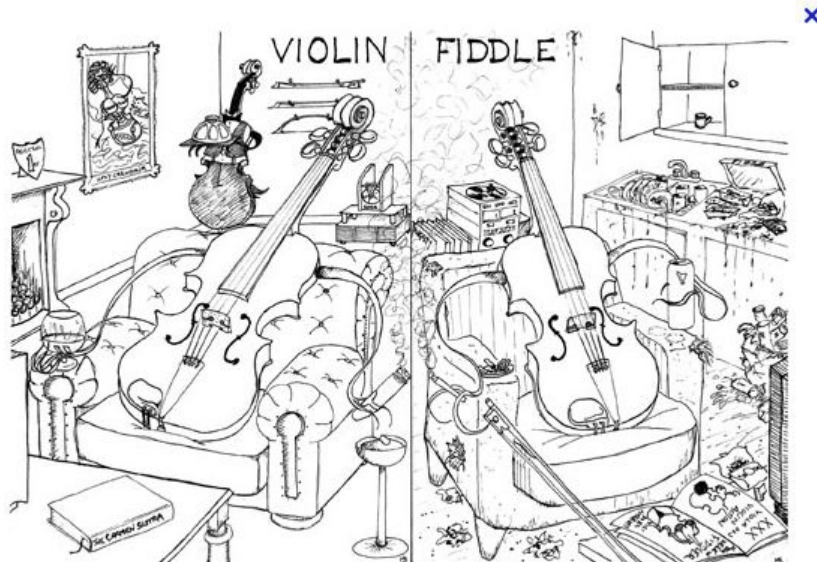
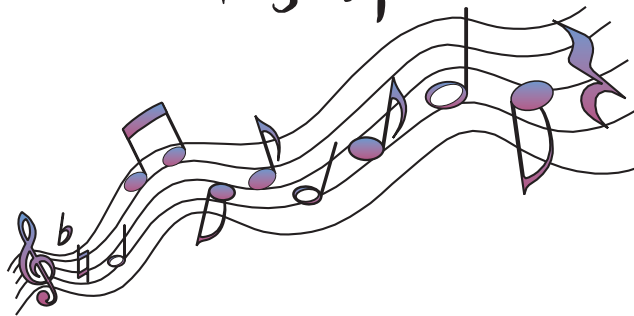
District 10 Report

Nothing Reported



District 14 Report

Nothing Reported



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DISTRICT MEETING LOCATIONS, DATES, AND TIMES:

District 1: Feather River Senior Center 1335 Meyer St. Oroville 4th Sunday 1:00-5:00 p.m.
District 2: Brooks Ranch Restaurant, Hwy 99 & Chestnut : Fresno call for dates/times 2nd Sunday 2pm.
District 3: 21100 Lonely Lane, Tehachapi Ca 2nd Saturday 2:00-5:00 p.m.
District 4: Orange Thorpe Pk. Activity Bldg., 1414 Brookhurst Fullerton Ca 1st Sunday 1:00-4:00 p.m.
District 5: Orangevale Grange, 5807 Walnut Ave. Orangevale Ca 2nd Sunday 1:00-5:00 p.m.
District 6: St. James Lutheran Church 2500 Shasta View Blvd. Redding, CA - First Sunday of each month 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM and Millville Grange Hall, 22037 Old Fourty-Four Drive, Palo Cedro, CA - Third Sunday each month 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM.
Web site: www.csotfa.org
District 7: District 7: Terrace Est. Club Room, 1815 Sweetwater Rd. Spring Valley, CA, 2nd Sunday 12:00-3:00 p.m.
Rancho San Diego Public Library, 11555 Via Rancho San Diego, El Cajon 4th Sunday 12:00-3:00p.m.
District 8: Oak View Community Center, 18 Valley Rd. Oak View Ca 2nd & 4th Sunday 1:30-4:00 p.m.
District 9: United Methodist Church, 19806 Wisteria St., Castro Valley Ca 4th Sunday 1:30-5:00 p.m.
District 10: Redwood Café, Cotati 4th Sun.+ traveling jam: call Mark Hogan 707-829-8012 or Katy Bridges 415-331-9661
District 14: Methodist Church Pre School, 8th & Olive, El Centro. Sept 15 to May 30. 1st & 3rd Sunday 1:00-3:00 p.m.

CSOTFA Districts



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District Websites

State – <http://csotfa.org/>
District 1: www.orovertimefiddlers.com
District 2:
District 3: www.tehachapifiddlers.org
District 4:
District 5: www.csotfa5.com
District 6: www.northstatefiddlers.com
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