

THE HOEDOWNER

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SALEM: Notes from our President: Our jam session at Philomath turned out very well with 126 present. The weather was perfect. A thank-you to all who helped to make it a success.

We have a request from Mrs. Jerry Anthony, Program Chairman for the 81st Annual Pioneer Picnic at Brownsville, to put on a fiddlin' show on Saturday evening, June 15th, at 8:00 p.m. So, all of you wishing to participate in this show, please write to me at 4285 Batting St. N. E., Salem, Oregon 97303.

Our next pot-luck and jam session will be at Scio on Sunday May 19th, at the Odd Fellows Hall. It is all on the ground floor and on Main Street, so it will be easy to find. Please bring your own table service. Also plenty of food! See you all there!

Don Leith

McMINNVILLE: Quips from our Secretary: Again we request some biographies of our members for publication in our newsletter. Also please send us any fiddlin' news---we'll print it! A hearty welcome to our new member, Gordon Neufeld of Cloverdale.

Bill Yohey

YAKIMA, WASHINGTON: A crowd of 1500 gathered to enjoy the fiddlin' show in Yakima on April 6th. Don Gish and Jim Thomas served as "engineers" for the 2 hours of entertainment, which was a huge success in every way. Oregon fiddlers participating in the show were: Charlie Johnson, Cliff Buker, Jerry White, Bill Yohey, Rusty Modrell, and Harold Allen.

TILLAMOOK: The Pacific Northwest Fiddler's Contest was held in Tillamook on April 20th, with the following results: Winner-Rusty Modrell, 2nd-Harold Allen, 3rd-Jimmy Miller, 4th-Cliff Buker, 5th-Gordon Neufeld. In the Senior Division: Winner-Cliff Buker, 2nd-Charlie Johnson, 3rd-Bill Weber. Larry Modrell was M.C. for the contest and judges were: Frank Knight, George Jenkerson, and "Pop" Powers. Highest fiddlin' score for the contest was made by Bill Yohey, but he disqualified himself when he repeated a tune in the finals that he had played in the preliminaries. *(This is wrong!) He didn't play the tune he was supposed to play*

PHILOMATH: The Oregon State Oldtime Fiddlers Association held their monthly jamboree at the High School Gymnasium, beginning with a pot-luck dinner followed by the fiddlers entertaining the audience with musical numbers. The following members played several numbers, with Don Leith, President, acting as M.C.: Dave Quinlan, Ray Mack, "Pop" Powers, Everett Tipward, Bob Hawes, Mervin Dickerson, Harold Allen, "Shorty" Allen, Bill Yohey, Dave Hite, Stan Edwards, Bill Weber, Clarence Greenlund, Cliff Buker, Charlie Johnson, Guy Kyler, Agnes James, Jim Westbrook.

Accompanists were: Agnes James, Dave Hite, James Ramsey, Wes Brunson, and Mr. Quinlan, using piano and guitar as their instruments. Bill Yohey also accompanied some of the members on his mandolin. Mrs. Buker accompanied her husband on the piano. A special number was played and sung by Mrs. Bernie Harlan on her guitar, as she was accompanied on the piano by her daughter, Lorna. Following the jamboree, chairs were pushed back and members and their friends enjoyed a period of dancing. An enjoyable time was had by all who attended.

Mrs. Don Hawes

WALDPORT: Marshall Jackson, Bessie and I played for the Realtyettes at the Sheraton Motor Inn in Portland on April 16th. April 28th, Dave Hite, Bessie and I played for the entertainment of the Veterans at the Hospital in Roseburg. May 11th I will play with the Merry-makers from Lincoln City for a Veterans Dinner at the Legion Hall in Newport. May 24th and 25th Bessie and I will play for the Senior Citizens Convention in Eugene, and of course, the Fiddlin' Show in Waldport May 18th.

Cliff Buker

COMING EVENTS * FIDDLIN' WISE

- May 18 - Waldport, Oregon - Fiddlin' Show sponsored by Moose Lodge
- May 18 - 19 - Bend, Oregon *1 pm* - Fiddlin' Contest, Anderson Trailer Sales Highway 97S - Box 15
- May 19 - Scio, Oregon - Jam Session and Pot-luck Dinner
- June 7 - 8 - Canyon City, Oregon - Fiddlin' Contest
- June 15 - Brownsville show*
- June 19 - 22 - Weiser, Idaho - National Oldtime Fiddlers Contest
- July 4 - Condon, Oregon - Fiddlin' Contest
Judges: Rusty Modrell, Bill Yohey, Harold Allen
- July 6 - Molalla, Oregon - Oregon State Fiddlers Contest
Judges: Vivian Williams, Monte Stephens, Kenneth Brank
- July 19 - Cottage Grove, Oregon - Far West Fiddlers Contest
Cottage Grove High School Auditorium
Bill Jenkins of Redmond will act as M.C.

Well, friends, that is the news for this month. If you Newsletter seems a little slim to you this time why don't you just sit down right now and send us the news of the fiddlin' activities in your part of the state. I know that where there's fiddlers there's got to be some carryins on of some kind! So please send your news items to Bill Yohey, 934 N. Davis, McMinnville; or else to me at 730 Kings Road, Corvallis. Our Newsletter will be printed a week early next month so please have your news items in by June 5th. See you all at Scio.

Shirley Allen