

# THE HOEDOWNER

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## COMING EVENTS

July 4-----4th of July Picnic--Sweet Home City Park----Sweet Home, Oregon  
July 13-----The Dalles Contest-----The Dalles, Oregon  
July 14-----Dist #6 Jam Session--Senior Citizen Center---Corvallis, Oregon  
July 19-20-----Wallowa County Fiddler Contest-----Joseph, Oregon  
July 20-----Far West Fiddle Contest-----Cottage Grove, Oregon  
July 27-----North Douglas County Fair-----Drain, Oregon  
Aug 4-----Dist #8 Jam Session--Buell Grange-----Buell, Oregon  
Aug 9-10-----Benton County Fair-----Corvallis, Oregon  
Aug 16-----Clackamas County Fair-----Canby, Oregon  
Aug 17-----Polk County Fair-----Rickreall, Oregon  
Aug 18-----Music by Moonlight-----Portland, Oregon  
Aug 24-----Canyonville Contest-----Canyonville, Oregon  
Aug 25-Sept 2 ---Campout Warwick Ranch-----Williams, Oregon

## THE DALLES CONTEST:

Date: July 13th Place: The Armory Registration is at 12:00 noon  
Playing begins at 1:00. The plan is to be through by 7:00 PM.  
Open and Senior Division only. Blue Mountain Fiddlers are the judges.

## TO THE HOEDOWNER

On behalf of all the people from California who attended your State Contest, I would like to offer a big heart-felt Thank you to each and every Member of the Oregon Assoc. The generous hospitality we were shown will remain with each of us always. We were very impressed with your Contest, and know that it took a lot of hard work on everyone's part to make it such a success. We each wish you continuing success in the work you are doing for Old Time Fiddling.

I personally am very proud to be an Assoc. Member of the Oregon Fiddlers. Thanks again and hope to see you all in Weiser.

Wanda Cumming

## DISTRICT #7 REPORTS

On May 30th, Fred Hildebrandt and his fiddling gang played at the Neighborhood House in Portland. Those participating were Fred Hildebrandt, Gladys Braskett, Penny Mead, Fred Mead, Chet Haven, Charley Johnson, Bob Fast, Eve Caldwell, Bill Weber, Wayne Walter, Frank Warner, Jim Braskett, Verneda Weber, Cleta Haven and Bea Graves.

On June 10th, Wayne Walter was in charge of the Fiddling Entertainment for the 100th Anniversary of the Oregon City Grange. There was quite a turnout, about 24

showed up to play. Wayne Walter, Mura Collins, Fred Hildebrandt, Penny Mead, Clarence Davis, John Daugherty, Mable Wood, Valdimar Nelson, Chet Haven, Earle Beckett, Jim and Gladys Braskett, Wes Brunson, George Jenkerson, Elmer Wilson, Stan Gleason, LeRoy Simms & Family, Bob Hughes, Ray Sisson, Frank Williams, Frank Warner, now how about that? Everyone had fun.

Bob Fast

DISTRICT #6 REPORTS

District #6 will host a State Jam Session for July in Corvallis Sunday the 14th, at the Senior Citizens Center, 25th and Harrison. Pot Luck at 12:00 noon, followed by a Jam Session. Let's have a big turnout of Fiddlers for this one.

Don Loring, Chairman

CONTEST RESULTS

This list was given to me stating the Winners of the Canyon City Contest held at Canyon City, June 7th, 8th 1974.

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

SENIORS

OPEN

- 1st, Clay Claughton
- 2nd, Dallas Goff
- 3rd, Lester Keisecker
- 4th, Jack Darland
- 5th, Smokey Parker

- 1st, Fred Hildebrandt
- 2nd, Roy Edwards
- 3rd, Esther Morgan
- 4th, Leon Stevens
- 5th, Ben Haybes

- 1st, Lloyd Wanzer
- 2nd, Jess Cooper
- 3rd, Rusty Madrill
- 4th, Bill Yohey
- 5th, Edna Grice

EASTERN OREGON

GRANT COUNTY

- 1st, Jess Cooper
- 2nd, Ivan McDaniels
- 3rd, Clay Claughton
- 4th, Barney Swan
- 5th, Lester Keisecker

- 1st, Ivan McDaniels
- 2nd, Clay Claughton
- 3rd, Gifford McIntosh
- 4th, Emil Domas
- 5th, Clifford Constant

Editor

NEWS

Wes Brunson, George Jenkerson, Bill Weber; a portion of our old time Fiddlers had the pleasure of entertaining some Senior Citizens at Woodburn, Oregon the 24th of May. June Secor Accompanied them on the Piano. They also have a date scheduled for the 28th of June to entertain at St. Patricks Church in Canby, Oregon. It is pleasurable and very soul satisfying to play for those people who seem to enjoy it so much.

Editor, June Secor.

DISTRICT # 8 REPORTS

A Jam Session will be held August 4th. Hall opens at 10:00 Potluck at noon. Join us for the good Music and Fun.

Carlton Smith, Chairman

TO THE HOEDOWNER

I want to thank all the Fiddlers and Accompanists for helping me make our Jam Session here in Yreka a big success, I really appreciate it.

A crowd of at least 300 enjoyed their wonderful music. Thanks again,  
Ralph E. Dias, Yreka

STATE CONTEST FINANCIAL REPORT 1974 ROSEBURG, OREGON

EXPENSES:

4/30	Dots Trophy Shop	\$300.00	
4/15	Gwyn Deaton Consession Supplies	\$ 40.00	
4/29	Martha Warwick	\$ 29.24	Dist #1 \$50.00

5/11 Prizes	\$695.00	Dist #7	\$ 50.00
5/11 Supplies Food Concession	\$185.48	5/11 Registrations	\$ 228.00
5/11 Judges	\$265.00	5/11 Door Receipts	\$1164.00
5/11 Jonas Cox-Misc. Supplies	\$149.18		
(posters-programs-postage-score sheets)		Martha, donations	\$ 200.00
5/11 Rent	\$150.00	5/11 Snack Bar	\$ 206.00
Total.....	\$1814.00	Total.....	\$1898.60
	<u>PROFIT</u>		<u>\$84.60</u>

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

A 4th of July Picnic sponsored by East Lyn will be at Sweet Home City Park. Go to 12th Avenue, turn South to 14th, follow signs to City Park.

#### DISTRICT #8 REPORTS

A well attended Jam Session was held at Buell Grange, Buell, Oregon June 2nd. Everyone enjoyed a lot of fun, food and fine music. Wayne Walter did his usual fine job of MC for the Program. Fiddlers were Dave Murray, Bob Fast, Merv Dickerson, Dave Quilan, Shorty Allen, Bill Yohey, Wes Brunson, Clarence Davis, Don Toom, Leonard Maas, Arthur Mosgrove, Valdimar Nelson, Dave Altman, Penny Mead, Elmer Wilson, Fred Hildebrandt, Clarence Greenland and Wayne Walter. Accompanyists were Penny Mead, Lloyd Smith, Frank Warner, Shorty Allen, Minnie Bennett, June Secor, Nell Turner, John Daugherty, Gus Pearson. Specials were Merv Dickerson, Mandolin, Ed Turner & Shorty Allen, Accordion, Bill Yohey, Banjo, Mandolin, Wally Weaver. Harmonica. Marvin & Loraine Chase, Accordion & Singing. Fred Hildebrandt & Leonard Maas, Fiddle Duet. John Daugherty & Gus Pearson each playing Mandolin Solos. Carlton Smith -Harmonica & Accordion. We always have lots of fun and urge everyone to come and join us.

District Reporter, June Secor.

#### DISTRICT #1 REPORTS

The Fiddle show at Burns, Oregon put on by District #1 was a pleasant experience. People started coming at 10:30 and kept coming until all the seats were filled. By noon there was a large crowd there to enjoy a new Oregon Fiddler, who also played the Harmonica while fiddling. Her name is Esther Race who hails from Idaho along with her husband Don, who played the Mandolin and tub. They have three children. They have just recently moved to Burns.

Another Idaho Fiddler was Wallace Baker from Wilder, who helped entertain much to the enjoyment of the listening crowd.

Other Fiddlers were Homer McLain, Irven Johnson and Susan Smith, accompanied by Clyde Lynch, Sam Watts and Anne Johnson on Guitar and Marion Enlow on the Banjo from Roseburg. Don Race played the washtub base and his son, Denver, played Spoons.

Later on in the afternoon Don Gish returned from the Canyon City Contest and he and the others fiddled away the afternoon. Another accompanist joined in name (Karen Bramas). A good time was had by all and the chairs were moved back to clear the floor for dancing.

We missed L.D. & Delberta Daniel who were unable to attend due to illness in the family. Also our other Fiddlers who usually are there and accompanists.

Special numbers were sung by Clyde Lynch and Sam Watts who along with Anne Johnson also accompanied themselves on the Guitar and a duet by Homer McLain and Ervin Johnson.

We wish to give a special Thanks to Scotty Withers, a Fiddler from Burns, who arranged the program and furnished coffee for the Musicians. Wish you would have played, Scotty.

Irvin Johnson, Chairman of Dist. #1 appointed Esther Race from Burns as Co-Chairman for Harney County.

We wish to express our appreciation for the High School Gym and to Principal Bill Opitz for his contribution to putting on the show and custodians John McKee and Vick Gard for cleaning the building after the show.

Irvin and Anne Johnson

**SPECIAL!!!**

Ralph Daniel, Eagle Point Oregon, brother of Fiddler, L.D. Daniel suffered a severe stroke and is recuperating at a Medford Hospital.

Irvin and Anne Johnson

CONTEST NEWS

The second annual Kootenac County Fair Fiddle Contest will be held September 6th, and 7th, 1974 at Coeur d' Alene, Idaho. Two Big Days. For additional information, write or phone: Don Wiles PO Box 543 Coeur d' Alene, Idaho Phone 664-5463 area code 208

Coeur d' Alene is just 32 miles from the Spokane EXPO!!!!!!!!!!

MORE CONTEST NEWS

The Annual Callahan Old Time Fiddling Contest will be held July 26-27. Starting at 9 P.M. Friday evening, 10:30 A.M. Saturday. The scores will be held over so that any fiddler who can't come until Sat. will still be in competition. Prizes are as follows;

Open Division - 1st prize - \$20.00 and trophy  
Junior Div. - Trophies to 3rd place

For anyone who has campers or trailers I have plenty of parking area and all are welcome. To get to Callahan, take the 3rd Yreka-Fort Jones Exit. Go to Fort Jones and follow signs to Callahan, or come in to Yreka and call me - 842-3112.

Ralph E. Dias Rt. 1 Box 532  
Yreka, California 96097

CONTEST NEWS

5th, Annual Old Time Fiddling Contest. Friday and Saturday July 19th & 20th at Joseph, Oregon, Civic Center. 1974. The Wallowa County Contest is open to residents only. Entry Fee is \$3.00. The Senior Contest will be limited to fiddlers 60 years or older. Saturday -- 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Registration and free lunch for all Contestants and Accompanists. There will be a meeting of fiddlers, Judges, and Blue Mountain Officers at 12:15 to answer any questions contestants might have.

A dance is scheduled for Saturday evening, music furnished by the Fiddlers.

Admission Charges	Friday Evening	\$1.50
	Saturday Afternoon	\$1.75
	Saturday night	\$1.75
200 Reserved Seats,	Saturday night only	\$2.00

NEWS ITEM

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Kochie request the desire to announce the new Fiddlers Association, of which Mr. Kochie is the President and his wife the Secretary. By name it is called The Okanagan Valley Fiddlers Assoc. Information on contests there in the valley are as follows:

1. The Okanagan Valley Championship Contest to be held in Kelowna, B.C. Sponsored by the Elks Club. August 9th and 10th 1974.
2. The Nicola Valley Oldtime Fiddlers Contest. To be held in Merritt, B.C. on August 31st. 1974 Sponsored by the Elks Club of that Community.
3. The Harvest Special Oldtime Fiddlers Contest to be held in Salmon Arm B.C. on Sept. 14th, 1974. Sponsored by the Lions Club of that City.

These people state that Mr. & Mrs. Fred Virtue of Coquille, Oregon were recent visitors of theirs. Their address is Mr. & Mrs. K. Kochie 467 Municipal Ave. Penticton, B.C. V2a 2R3 Canada.

NOTE

I hope you will please accept my Apology for being a bit late with the Hoedowner. Extended our vacation after attending the National Contest at Weiser, Idaho.

Editor.

CONTEST NEWS

Our National Contest at Weiser, Idaho is past History now. It was a fine contest as usual and we heard lots of fine Fiddling. The Champions were as follows:

OPEN DIVISIONS

Duane Youngblood	8th place
Jerry Rabichaud	7th place
Jana Grief	6th place
Lloyd Wanzer	5th place
John Francis	4th place
Junior Daugherty	3rd place
Dick Barrett	2nd place
Grand Champion Benny Thomason	

SENIOR DIVISION

Chuck Beall	5th place
Clarence Norberg	4th place
Ben Setras	3rd place
Joe Pancerewski	2nd place
Benny Thomason	1st place

JUNIOR DIVISION

Loretta Brank	5th place
Sheilla Wright	4th place
Connie Bonar	3rd place
Ron Walbower	2nd place
Mark O'Connor	1st place

JUNIOR, JUNIOR DIVISION

Amy Kenny	3rd place
Jess Cooper	2nd place
Mark O'Connor	1st place

LADIES DIVISION

Sabrina Michelson	5th place
Edna Grice	4th place
Francis Anderson	3rd place
Patsy Buckley	2nd place
Jana Grief	1st place

The **First** award for best liked Accompanists went to Aaron Lowe, second place went to Ossie White and 3rd to Jerry Thomason. Benny Thomason was also voted the best liked Fiddler. Congratulations to all those winning awards and especially to Benny who was a three time winner. We are **very** proud to announce that our own Oregon Fiddler John Malnachuck was the Winner of the Contest for Certified Champions, he is also our State Champion. Congratulations to you John. He resides at Lebanon, Oregon and was formerly from White Fish, Montana, he was the Montana State Champion.

Editor.

DISTRICT #4 REPORTS

District #4 has had two very successful jam sessions lately, as well as giving a superb program for the Rogue Community College on May 19th. For this event we had a big turn out of fiddlers and had as our Emcee, Jim Wilson of Radio Station KAJO and G.R. Carl Harper, one of our own members, gave Jim a break now and then during the long show with some of his fine Emcee work. We received a special thank you from the president of the college with his personal invitation to return again in the fall.

On May 26th we travelled to Canyonville for our monthly jam session which was arranged by Gynn & Jim Deaton. We had a good turn out of fiddlers and seconds, excellent food, a fine responsive audience, nice weather and lots of fun. The Fiddlers who played at all three events will be listed only once in this article.

June 2nd we were all in Wimer at the grange there. We needed a "wall-stretcher" to accomodate the audience. We used the floor and spilled over into the kitchen since no wall-stretchers were available.

John and Laura Hoerster and Ken Yokum were our hosts for this fun Sunday. There was some early jamming before the excellent feast. The ladies in the kitchen are always so gracious. Cheers to all cooks and helpers.

The following fiddlers and seconds have made these last three events successful: Jonas Cox, Tiger Bell, Alta Bance, Sherman Wilson, Ivan Shuck, Jack McCasland, Jim Cloud, Fred Samples, Curtis Cox, Claire Johnson, Jim Rose, John Hoerster, Chris Christiani, Phil Simmons, Hugh Samples, Jean Claxton, Al Delorme, Shorty Bell, George Bell, Ralph Houston, Bob George, Virg Evanc, Don Gish, Ralph Dias, Jim Hoots, Tom Joyce. Seconds: Al Ponderlick, Jimmy Bevel, Bud Cancler, Tom Grissom, Bud Richardson, Vic Flood, Tom Joyce, Jack McCasland, Phil Simmons, Ray Turner, Bud Bishop, Eldon Powell, Velma Lowery, Fred Samples and Delores Lakey.

We have been having some fine specials on our programs. Jonas Cox with his harmonica, Vic Flood and daughter Linda, with vocals and Dave Robinson and his harmonica. These are besides some fine specials done by different fiddlers.

On July 4th fiddlers have been invited to perform at **the annual** Ashland celebration in Lithia Park in the afternoon. Also on July 4th there is a contest to be held in Wimer. Hopefully some fiddlers will go to each event. Try to be in Wimer by noon.

Jim Hoots arranged for some fiddlers to play at the Veterans Memorial Building in Medford on June 15th. This was a bad time since so many of our fiddlers were leaving for Weiser that day, (Those of us who couldn't go this year will be crying all week) but as always, our fiddlers come through.

District #4 will not have another official Jam Session until September. The time and place will be announced later. We want to thank all who have done so much to make our year so successful.

We are receiving inquiries regularly about the campout. It is to be August 25th through Sept. 2nd. All fiddlers and seconds and their families are welcome. Red does not have the new bridge done yet but works every weekend on it. We can not schedule a "get ready" weekend at this time, because the bridge isn't done. We may just have to do this the first part of Camp Out week. Anyway it works, we'll have fun. See you at the Camp out.

Martha Warwick

#### DISTRICT #7

**FIDDLE SHOW** - Orchards Elementary Grade School 7000 N.E. 117th Orchards, Wn.  
Directions- Out 4th Plain Road to 117th, turn left at blinker. **TIME: 2 to 4 P.M.**  
Sunday July 28th, 1974 Open to all fiddlers and Accompanists.

**JAM SESSION** - Kendall Hall - Pot Luck and Jam Session, Hall open 10:00 A.M.  
Lunch at noon, Show at 1 P.M.

Wayne Walter, Chairman