OOTFA PRESIDENT SCOTT PHILLIP’S REPORT

LIVE FROM FRENCH GULCH

The president’s message is written two weeks or better before publication. Sometimes it is hard to think what will be past and what will present when it comes out. Part of the job is to remember and consider the past, act on the present, and prepare for the future.

So at the beginning of September, we remember how great the summer was with Fiddle Camp and the Willamette Valley Fiddle contest. And let’s not forget Fiddling at the Beach in Winchester Bay. Nothin’s like a few days at the coast.

The now is for getting ready for the fall Biannual Board and Membership Meeting at Prineville. District 3 has a grand time planned for us. There has been concern about the schedule changes from what has been done in the past. These changes were made because the community college has agreed to let us use some of their space for our workshops. And one of them will be a hum dinger! So we adjusted the meeting times to coordinate with what the district has put together. I am sure there will be evaluation sheets available, so be sure to fill one out.

Also on the change list are some minor revisions for the bylaws. Your committee has been hard at work to iron out the rough spots.

One last thing: Jeannette has promised pleasant weather and no smoke.

See you there

~Scott

The OOTFA ALL MEMBER Meeting will be held in the Main Building at the Crook County Fairgrounds in Prineville at 3:30 pm on Saturday, September 14. PLEASE COME. A quorum (as well as your input) is needed!
FROM THE EDITOR

I was sorry to hear about our friend, Joe Grivel, from District 6 who passed away July 25. I remember the tune he taught me when I first got to know him at Fiddle Camp in 2013. It was Braunla, a sweet tune that can be found on the District 6 website, which was organized and placed there by Joe himself. I will treasure the playing of this tune that Joe shared with me, and I plan to remember his kind and generous spirit every time I play it.

~Karen

EDITOR EMERITUS

Alice and I attended Darla Knudsen’s memorial, as many of you did. During the memorial a friend of hers played Darla’s favorite tune, “The Carpenter of Sollas.” There is a story behind this tune that has been very special to Alice and me. Years ago, at an auction at the Folk Life Festival in Seattle, I bought a “Wescott Fiddle” because of its special design. I restored the fiddle and then researched its maker. I had shared the story — somebody put it on a net and it went out all over the world. I heard from 132 people who responded to my story. THE WESCOTT FIDDLE by Lew Holt, Lewholt@aol.com, MISSING LINKS: Vol. 6, No. 13, 28 March 2001 or http://freetemplates.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~dgstuart/gs56.htm Those of you who are interested may want to read the whole story. Also, a performance: https://oregonoldtimefiddling.org/carpenter-of-sollas/carpenter-of-sollas/

I still write to “Cousin Willie” in Scotland after all these years. He shared his tune, “The Carpenter of Sollas” with Alice and me years ago. Alice shared it with many Oregon fiddlers, and it has become a fairly common tune in OOTFA circles. The tune became Darla’s favorite and was played at her memorial. The carpenter was a real person, Angus MacDonald. Alice found information about him on line, and was able to contact a descendant. Here’s the story in brief: During the 1700 and 1800’s many Scot farmers were victims of “Land Clearances.”

The rent paid by these people was not enough to satisfy the landowners. Raising sheep on the land would be more profitable. So the people living in the Highlands were routed from their homes, often violently. The people in the Scottish Highlands still feel the pain of the “clearances.” Many of these displaced people went to Cape Breton, Nova Scotia to settle and start new lives. One of the emigrants was a carpenter from Sollas. He was Angus MacDonald, known as An Saor Mor (the big carpenter), because of his large stature. With his carpentry skills, he was a big help getting his neighbors’ homes as well as his own built before winter came. Angus was born on North Uist in the Hebrides, the islands of western Scotland. His gr-gr-gr-granddaughter says he was born in 1781, came to Cape Breton in 1828 aboard the “Commerce.” He died in 1857.

So, The Carpenter of Sollas isn’t “just a tune” but a special tune that has a story behind it. Many of you know the tune already but perhaps others of you would enjoy reading its story again and would like to learn it. Just search OOTFA District 6 Fiddle Class. Then go to “sheet music” and find the letter C. It is one of the many tunes that District 6 has archived for us, and this version even has a harmony part!

~Lew

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Greetings All from District One,

We had a successful August and played for the Tulelake Street Fair as well as the Fort Klamath Civil War Reenactment! Our weather has cooperated and so far, we are pretty smoke free, and we’ve actually had a summer so far this year! I would like to send a shout-out to all the members of our small, concentrated group of core members who are always giving so much time and effort...so much of their time and talents to “be there” for all our events...thank-you, each and every one of you, YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE!!!! As we start to roll into September, our schedule is once again filling up. For this month, due to when Farmer’s Market lands, we will not have our monthly Meeting/Jam at the Anthem House. If you can, please carve out some time to join us in playing at the many gigs we have on our schedule for September. See you there! 😊

September Birthdays: Johnathan Etters, Jake Dreyer, Mike Foster, Patti Northcraft, Dean Oliver, Sherman Taylor, Teresa Hazen, Allison Prock, Phillip Smith.

~Jenny Dreyer, District 1 Reporter
Brian Wicklund

September Events
2  Lakeview Parade  starts 10 a.m.
3  monthly business meeting  Chamber of Commerce  7 p.m.
7  monthly jam  Chamber of Commerce  2-5 p.m.
5, 12, 19, 26  jams  Rosa Lee’s house

Brian Wicklund is widely regarded as among the top fiddle teachers and performers in the country. He is the author of the best-selling books, The American Fiddle Method published by Mel Bay. He heads American Fiddle

From the Chair of District 3, Jeannette Bondsteel

District 3 members are working hard getting all the last-minute details ready for our visitors to the Central Oregon Country Music Gathering September 12-14 at the Fairgrounds in Prineville, Oregon. We have really stepped up our game this year with an outstanding cast of performers.

Our latest excitement is to have Brendan Booher joining us on stage this year. Brendan began playing the fiddle at the tender age of 3, and by the time he was 12, he had already begun teaching. At 5 Brendan was on stage playing his heart out for audi

Brendan Booher

Thank you everyone for your patience. The last few months have been taken up with very important functions, but September will be more normal. Thanks again. We will be entered in the Parade in Lakeview on the September 2. It will start at 10 a.m. Please join us.

The monthly business meeting will be on September 3 at the Chamber of Commerce at 7 p.m. Our monthly jam is on the 7th at the Chamber of Commerce from 2-5 p.m. If you play, sing, or just want to listen, please join us.

Over the summer, our group played at the Occupy E Street on July 19. We were happy to be joined by Sheila Fry and Edna Jenkins. On July 27, we played for the Rope for Hope fundraiser in Denio, Nevada. We were happy to have Sheila Fry, Edna Jenkins, as well as Evert and Sylvia Costa. We had a great time!!

This report will be filed before the 100th Lakeview Round-up on the August 31, so I will report on it next time. Our weekly jams on Thursdays are on the 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th at Rosa Lee McLain’s house from 5-7 p.m. Join us if you can.

Birthdays for September: Larry McLain on the 8th (Terry said not to Mention him) SORRY Terry. Sharilyn McLain is the 14th. Happy Happy Birthday from all of us.

If you have 5 female pigs in one pen and 5 male deer in another, what do you have? “$10 Sows-n Bucks”.(-:

~Jerry Light, District 1E Reporter

~Kim Martin & Pat Borden, District 3 Reporters

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A reminder on the T-Shirts for this year’s event: the order form is posted on the website and can be downloaded and printed.

If anyone attending the Gathering has a pop-up canopy that they would be willing to let us use just for the days of the event, we would much appreciate it.

And do please keep those cans and bottles coming in. We are doing very well but each bag does help. One request, please do not include paper or plastic bags or cardboard bottle holders.

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~Kim Martin & Pat Borden, District 3 Reporters
District 3 - Bend, Redmond, The Dalles

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He currently fronts Minnesota-based progressive bluegrass band, Barley Jacks. barleyjacks.com

We are all looking forward to seeing new and old friends. Make your plans to join us and don’t miss any of the fun.

~Jeannette Bondsteel, Chair District 3

September Events
7 meeting/jam Fruitdale Grange, Grants Pass Meeting 11:30 a.m., open jam 12:30, sign-up jam 1-3 p.m.

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District 4 - Grants Pass, Medford, Ashland

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We’ve had a little break from the 90+ degree heat here in District 4 with a few days of summer showers. Unfortunately the rain can also bring lightning and fires, but we were spared this time here in our little valley and enjoyed the rain.

This summer has brought many opportunities to play music, and the most delightful one has been the West Cascades Fiddle Camp and Workshops in Lebanon. About 10 members from District 4 attended this year. The report from them was that they learned a great deal from the classes and workshops. They brought home new skills, techniques, and many new tunes. The preeminent consensus is that the instructors for the classes and workshops were excellent, well suited for their students and extremely prepared. The campus was lovely, the classrooms comfortable, the food delicious and the fellowship uplifting, and they can’t wait ‘til camp next year. Many, many thanks to the OOTFA officers and board members who organized and administered this excellent enterprise. The only complaint heard was from little Jubal Price who had an unfortunate run-in with some yellow jackets. He’s fine now.

Many District 4 members and many from around the state will remember Delsa Corder. She and her husband, Joe, were active long-time members until their health began to fail. Delsa played the fiddle but is best remembered for her talent at the piano. You name the tune and she could play it in almost any key, and she was such a sweetheart. Joe passed away about a year ago and now Delsa has gone to be with him. We miss them both.

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September Events

11 gig Inland Point 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
16 gig Pacific View 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
18 jam Winchester Bay Community Center Potluck at noon
25 gig Avamere 1-2 p.m.
28 gig Myrtle Point Harvest Festival 2:30 – 3 p.m.

We are proud of our young Rachel Eickhoff, who besides playing with us older folks with her brother, Tyler, has branched out to bring old time fiddling to the community in a new platform: The Teen Talent Contest, which is held once a month at the Egyptian Theater in Coos Bay. The last performance will be September 18 at 6 p.m. Her beautiful fiddling stands out as a singularly shining jewel in a field of today’s pop music. She is our new emissary for Old Time Music!

Young Sidra Price from District 4’s beginning fiddle class performs at Central Point Senior Center. Her tune was one she had recently learned at Fiddle Camp called “Aaron’s Boat Song”.

See you soon,

~Judy Lyons, District 4 Reporter

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By now, we are all shifting into our fall schedules and events and I hope this finds you all looking back upon a summer season filled with sweet times filled with friendship and our music! At this writing, we still have two more performances for our Bullard Beach Campground venue in Bandon. This remains a most popular gig—both for our musicians and the tourists and campers who come to enjoy our music. Expect news and maybe a photo or two, from our annual Winchester Bay Campout which will be held August 15-18, which pre-dates this writing. Your friends here in District 5, hope that you will come and join us for this delightful time. See you back here with that report, next month. Suffice it to say, we are anticipating a fun event and hope many of you are, too!

~Jeannette Bondsteel, Chair District 3

September Events

14 jam Dora Corn Feed Dora Community Center Potluck at noon
16 gig Pacific View 2-3 p.m.
21 jam Winchester Bay Community Center 1-3 p.m.
25 gig Avamere 1-2 p.m.
28 gig Myrtle Point Harvest Festival Play in front of Cherry Creek Floral time TBA

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WOW...West Cascades Fiddle Camp and Workshops aka Fiddle Camp was a HUGE success.

There was a major change this year...we moved from a one building called Westridge Middle School in Westfir where we had been for 8 years to a six building campus at East Linn Christian Academy in Lebanon. It was a little scary to make the change but we feel for the most part...it was a great move!!! You may ask WHY the move. The Oakridge School District needs the building for two years while they make major repairs at their other schools. That was a MAJOR reason. HOWEVER, it really proved to be a WIN-WIN for us.

- We had a record breaking number of about 230 participants. About 42% were between 7-18 years of age.
- The nearby community of Lebanon was very accommodating for the emergency needs of camp...from extra food & classroom items to family last minute needs at the several major food/one-stop-shopping stores to a local hospital (which to our knowledge was not used but comforting to have it so close.).
- The Camp Office was very functional at East Linn. Linda Parks and Patti Luse did not have to carry on business in a “closet-like” space while stepping over Bass Fiddles in their classrooms but instead had a building where people knew would be staffed most of the time...with air conditioning.
- The classrooms at East Linn were either air conditioned or insulated such that it seemed they were! PLEASE NOTE: Happy to get rid of the box fans!!!
- Cell service for those of us with AT&T was wonderful which was not the case last year.
- It still had its security and “community like feel” by being at the end of the road so no contact with “the outside world” unless needed.

The Fiddle Camp Committee has met to review the evaluations which the participants filled out and are beginning to think of our 10th Annual FIDDLE CAMP in the summer of 2020. SO...stay tuned!
Beginning Fiddle for Youth w/ Jodie St. Clair

Advanced Beginning Fiddle for Youth w/ Amy Burrow & Donna Wynn

Advanced Beginning Fiddle for Adult w/ Kim Collar

Intermediate Fiddle w/ Shari Ame (& Jenny Humphrey)

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Advanced Fiddle w/ Aarun Carter

Fundamental Rhythm Guitar w/ Jerry Parks

Flat-Picking Guitar w/ Josh Humphrey (the one with the wig)

Intermediate Mandolin w/ Chico Schwall

Beginning Upright Bass w/ Ken Luse

Intermediate Clawhammer Banjo w/ Martha Stone
On stage at Winchester Bay, Joan Harrington and Maggie Dickerson play twin fiddle accompanied by Hal Thompson and Ken Luse.

On July 17, we were invited to play at Dora, one of our favorite places to play and the home of our Mapril and Grant Combs—parents of our Coos County Judge, by the way! The event was a memorial celebration of life for Alberta McGeorge Lynn, who was a spirited and well-loved longtime community member. She was nearly 103 when she passed and she loved our music. We played for her 100th birthday and felt honored to be asked to play for her well-attended memorial.

We are so happy to congratulate and honor our four District 5 members who celebrated 60 years of marriage on July 19. Our Bill and Pat Winfrey play regularly with us and her sister and their brother-in-law, Loretta and Ron, are also District 5 members, but live in California and summer here and play at our events. Pat relays that she and Bill knew one another in high school when she was a sophomore and he was in his senior year. Ron was Bill’s best friend and Pat’s sister was good friends with them, too. Pat quips, “Bill thought I was a brat!” Bill, not to be outdone, jests back, “And she was!” When they got around to dating, Bill says, “Her parents made me wait until she had graduated from high school.” All worked out in the end, with both couples getting married in Pat and Loretta’s mother’s garden in a lovely double wedding. Pat, as you can see from their picture here, plays guitar and she has a lovely voice. Bill plays a spirited harmonica and they uplift us all with their music together for 60 years!

~Barbara Scheirman, Reporter District 5

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The local Cub Scouts had a Jamboree on July 10 at the Church Of Christ. Fifty Cub Scouts attended, with ages ranging from 5 to 10 years old. Twelve players from District 6 played familiar folk songs. One tune that I think they enjoyed the most was played by Amy Burrow called “The Possum’s Tail is Bare”. Amy told a story about why the possum’s tail is bare and then played and sang the song. That was a big hit. It was a good time for everyone.

On July 14 at Central Grange, we held our quarterly membership meeting. Our noon potluck was followed by Darla Kundson’s Memorial Jam. We had a good turnout (almost 50), with some visitors. It certainly was a memorable jam. We played many old time tunes that everyone enjoyed. Thanks to all of the backup players. It is wonderful having these guitars and bass players there to help us keep the beat.

Starr McMullen coordinated the annual Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest held on August 2 at the Benton County Fair. People from all around the state competed, and we had about 16 participants from District 6. Thanks to all who participated and worked behind the scenes to make it a successful event! Thank you, Starr, for your leadership! Contest Results on Page 10

On September 27, we are going to have a special performance for the Willakenzie Grange. It’s our regular jam night there, but with a few changes. The Grange is putting on a spaghetti dinner from 7 30-8:15 p.m. and we will play during their dinner. Dessert will be provided for musicians afterwards. See Dick Penny (d-penny@usa.net) 650-964-4593 or Jessie Kurtz (jessiefeliz@yahoo.com) 541-543-1305 for more details.

Ila Mae’s Intermediate Fiddle Class had a good turnout on Saturday August 3. We had Jude Stensland, Chair of District 10, come to play the bass along with Ronnie Ray Carper. At our Central Grange jam on August 14, around 13 people attended. Karen Bennett filled in playing the piano and mandolin, and her husband played guitar. They came over from Terrebone (District 3). We had a nice snack and lots of old time music that everyone enjoyed.

A little information from Jessie Kurtz about Fiddle Camp. It was an impressive gathering with over 250 people. Everyone enjoyed the new location at Lebanon. Thanks to the camp committee for handling the new location and making Fiddle Camp run so efficiently. Jessie says it was wonderful to see so many kids excited about the fiddle tunes. More about Fiddle
Camp in the Junior Hoedowner section.

Just a reminder: if you need to pick up the blue collection bags for the Bottle drop fundraiser, contact Vicky Megowan (vmegowan@hotmail.com), Jessie Kurtz (jessiefeliz@yahoo.com), Lisa Ponder, lponder@efn.org or Chuck Roehrich (chuckr8620@gmail.com).

We are saddened by the loss of Joe Grivel. He was a good friend, a good fiddler, and a good helper with our online website. He passed away Thursday, July 25.

Birthday Greetings: Don Baldwin (9/1), Clarence Horner (9/5), Dorothy Sather (9/14), Sandy Wallrich (9/15), Arlo Hamilton (9/28), Darla Miller (9/30)

Wedding Anniversaries: Tony and Shirley Humphreys (9//21)

Hope everyone enjoys what we have left of summer.

~Shirley Humphreys, District 6 Reporter

District 7 - Portland, Northern Coast Area

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District 7 members were busy this summer and enjoyed playing together many times. In September we will have four more excellent venues where we can play together again! I look forward to seeing you all then. Thanks to Ron Zubudsky for scheduling all these events for us.

In July, District 7 had at least 15 members who attended the Fiddle Camp in Lebanon. Some of them were: Aarun Carter (my fabulous teacher), Cherie Sue Lily, Randy Schachterle, Chuck McConnell, Connie Smith, Barb Finn, Joan Harrington, Jeff Croxford, Donna Reuter, the Weston Family, and my husband Pete and me. The camp was in a beautiful facility this year and everyone loved the gorgeous country views that we saw everyday as we walked to class. I heard there were forty more participants this year, and as usual the classes and the workshops were excellent. If you have never been to the camp, you should consider it next year. There are so many people who put in so much time to make it an excellent experience-- I know you would really enjoy it.

We are continuing to enjoy our regular jam every first Saturday at the Sunnyside Grange in Happy Valley. We have a great turnout with new musicians coming most Saturdays. I always look forward to playing in this historic old building. In addition to the regular musicians we also have a number of folks who come to listen to us play. Jay and Barb Petrin from Tigard regularly come to enjoy the music and bring treats for our break. They are music lovers and have been attending our jams (and the NW Jam) for many years now. Thanks to them for all their support.

This summer we again played at the Clackamas County Fair. Thanks to Donna Foreman for organizing this event. We had a great turnout and lots of fun playing to a lively audience for two hours. This is always a highlight of the summer, and it is a delight to be up on stage with all the musicians. This year we had two talented young members play with us. Nathan Weston played Devil’s Dream, and he and his sister, Mary, played Bonaparte Crossing the Rhine. The audience loved them!

Have a fun September.

~Elaine Schmidt, District 7 Reporter

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District 8 - Salem, McMinnville, Tillamook/Newport Area

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Did you forget to sign up for scholarship help? Contact Marie ASAP if you wish to participate for the 2019-20 season.

Directions to Mt. Angel Towers from Salem: Take Silverton Rd., approx. 7 miles east from Lancaster Blvd. Past Howell Prairie Rd. (stop sign), to Shannon Rd. Highway sign says “Mt. Angel Left”. Turn left on Shannon Rd. Go to next stop sign, turn right on Hazelgreen Rd, To next stop sign and turn left on Mt. Angel Hwy. Go 4 miles to a Y with two stop signs, take the first to the right on Church St. Continue across road on Church,, Church changes to College St. past St. Mary’s Church. Continue

District 7 members at Fiddle Camp!
to large sign on left for Mt. Angel Towers. Turn left and park in any space not numbered, or the street to the left of the lot.

**Slow Jam:** We will be starting a Slow Jam in September on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month from 1-3 p.m. at Marie’s home, located at 5001 S.E. Rice Ln. Amity, OR. Amity is on Hwy 99W 8 miles south of McMinnville. Rice Ln. is at the school cross walk at the north end of town. Her home is 8 tenths mile from the highway. Look for the white rail fence at the drive entry. If you need more directions call Marie at 503-835-7185.

Please bring something to write on and a list of the tunes that you know and the key they are in. This is a trial run, and we can talk about better days, times, locations, for everyone if the interest is there. OR, we can explore a rotation schedule.

**The Basic Fiddle Class:** 3rd Saturday of the month, from 9 to 10 a.m.; September 21, October 19, November 16, (NO Dec meet) January 18, February 15, and finale March 14 (one week before March Fiddle contest). The class would have a set repertoire for the season, passed out first class. Each class gets more polished, adding ornaments, variations, and performing as a group in Entertainment Division at the contest, or at the retirement community...but there will be a performing goal.

Marie says: Members of OOTFA Districts 6-7-8 joined together August 8 at the Polk County Fair to play for a large audience. Great show – all who participated and many thanks for the good old time music. Thanks to District 6 and 7 members who came to help us at the Polk County Fair in Dallas. Marie Bailey, Ila Mae Carmichael; Fred Davis, Jesse Knudsen; Jim Hoots, Loita Colebank, Marcella Easley, Truman Price, Alice Holt, Lew Holt. Dennis Brutke, Johnnie Williams, Fred Davis, Darlene Bryant, Ray Cunningham, at the back. Great show and our deepest appreciation.

~Gayle Clarity, District 8 Reporter

**District 9 - Burns - John Day Area**

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September 5, 6, 7, and 8 at 3 p.m. each day. Great to be part of our fair!

Be certain to call one of the officers for the home or facility that the Friday Night Jams are held in. We always welcome newcomers, card players, clappers and especially the regular musicians.

Musically Yours,

~Marianne Andrews, District 9 Reporter

**District 10 - Roseburg, Canyonville, Sutherlin Area**

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you’d like more info about the shirts or how to obtain one.

Monday night jams from 6:30 - 9 p.m. are going strong. The practice is paying off, and we sound tighter at gigs. Thanks to all those who have hosted one at their house. As the location varies each week, contact Jude or Kelly to find out where it’s happening. All OOTFA members are welcome.

Jude has set up a “Google Group” (like a chatroom) that keeps subscribers informed of District 10 events and breaking news. To subscribe, contact Jude and she’ll e-mail you the link.

This month, we’d like to wish a very Happy Birthday to Jude Stensland (Sept 11), Doris Stayer (Sept 11), Bill Adney (who turns 90 on Sept 14), Karen Bennett (Sept 26) and Sharon Pinard (Sept 30). If we missed your special day, please let us know.

Let’s Pick!

~Joe Ross, District 10 Reporter
A Nonprofit Organization Article II:
“Purpose - To promote, preserve and perpetuate Old Time fiddling and Old Time music. To encourage everyone, especially young people, to play the fiddle and appreciate Old Time Fiddling and Old Time Music. To provide regular times and places to meet to play this kind of music”.

We're on the web:
Facebook Group...Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers' Association
www.ootfa.org

Welcome to Our New OOTFA Members:

New OOTFA Members September 2019

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The 22nd Annual Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest
held on August 2, 2019 in Corvallis was a huge success.
Here are our winners: (These Divisions with * paid 7 places,)

Novice Division
1. Susannah Epps, Corvallis
2. Ai Nguyen
3. Eleanor St. Clair, Eugene
4. Helena Soanes
5. Michael DeCarteret

PeeWee
1. Lucy Bragg, Eugene
2. AiNhugen, Kaiser
3. Arden Felotico

Junior-Junior*
1. Mediena Mikalawksaithe, Wilsonville
2. Mia Dawson, Salem
3. Lilian Epps, Corvallis
4. Asher Brewster, Corvallis
5. Noelle Stasak, Hood River
6. Piper Baisted, Corvallis
7. Gretchen Ropp, Lebanon

Junior
1. Kelly Makela, Boise ID
2. Nathan Pednault, TX
3. Emilie Miller, Spokane WA
4. Kennadi Johnston, Dayton
5. Saxon Ropp, Lebanon

Adult
1. JayDean Ludiker, Spokane WA
2. Andy Shelton, Albany
3. Cynthia Hamm, Vancouver WA
4. Scott Sumner, Milton Freewater
5. Marena Stewart, Spokane WA

Senior
1. Eileen Walter, Portland
2. Evelyn Horner, Monroe
3. Jerry Parks, Lebanon
4. Randy Warner, Washoe Valley NV
5. Kelly Wadsworth, Roseburg

Championship*
2. Laura Weber White, Nashville TN
3. Doug Fleener, Portland
4. Tom Weisgerber, St. Peter MN
5. Alex Sharps, CA
6. Andy Emert, Portland
7. Gary Schuh, Happy Valley

Accompanist
1. Rod Anderson, Spokane WA
2. Ed Miller, Spokane WA
3. Ken Luse, Eugene
4. Tom Weisgerber, St. Peter MN
5. Jeff Walter, Portland

Judges:
Donna Reuter, Hood River
Colt Tipton, Eugene
Alita Weisgerber, St. Peter MN
MC: Erin McMullen, Philomath