

BLUEGRASS BREAKDOWN

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UPCOMING Events

Petitions for Directors Now Due for October Election

Annual elections for the California Bluegrass Association will be held in October, but the time is now to submit petitions to run for one of the nine director positions.

Nomination petitions must contain the signatures and membership numbers of ten (10) CBA members and be sent to either Carl Pagter, 17 Julianne Court, Walnut Creek, CA 94595 or Don Powell, 36 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

Persons elected to the Board must remember that they undertake certain responsibilities: 1) attending a board meeting every month; 2) helping promote CBA and other bluegrass events; and 3) taking responsibility for a portion of the operation of the Grass Valley festival.

Petitions need to be submitted by August 15 to qualify for the ballot to be mailed the last week of August in the quarterly magazine.

BANDS - Notice is given of upcoming selection of bands for 1989 GV

It was only weeks ago that the 1988 festival was held at Grass Valley, but already it is time to begin the process of selecting bands for the 1989 festival.

Bands wishing to be considered need to send in three things to the CBA Band Selection Committee: 1) a tape or record of your band; 2) a photo of the current band; and 3) the names of the band members and instruments they play.

This material needs to be sent to CBA Band Selections, 17 Julianne Court, Walnut Creek, CA 94595.

It should be pointed out to all bands (and all others as well) that the June Grass Valley Festival is sponsored by the California Bluegrass Festival. We do NOT sponsor any other festival held at Grass Valley or elsewhere.

Aug. 6 - 3rd Annual Lake Almanor Bluegrass Festival on the Timberhouse lawn, Chester, CA. Featuring Homemade Jam, 8th Ave. String Band, Dusty Road Boys. 9 hours of music and fun - advance \$3.50 or \$4 at gate; children 8-12 - \$2.00; under 8 free when accompanied by an adult. Food and drink available - **no pets or ice chests allowed.** Info: (916) 258-2729.

Aug. 20 - Fairfield Civic Arts bluegrass music day, Fairfield Community Center By-The-Lake. A free day of music and entertainment plus a crafts show. Will run from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. and features music, storytellers, quilters, weavers, carvers and blacksmiths. Refreshments will be available. Info: (707) 428-7435.

Sept. 1-2-3-4-5 - Strawberry Bluegrass Festival, Camp Mather, New Grass Revival, John Hartford, Nashville Bluegrass Band, Bryan Bowers, Bob Brozman, Way Out West, Marley's Ghost, Hot Rize, Red Knuckles & the Trailblazers, Nanci Griffith, David Bromberg, 8th Avenue String Band, Robert Earl Keen. Adult camping tickets: 4-day - \$62; 3-day - \$55; 2 day - \$49. Child camping (5-12 years - under 5 free) - \$28. Single day tickets (does not include camping) adult - \$20, child - \$10. P.O. Box 3097, Sonora, CA 95370 (209) 586-1061.

Sept. 17 - Bowers Mansion Festival, halfway between Reno and Carson City at historic Bowers Mansion State Park. Features bluegrass, folk, acoustic music. Includes International Nevada Spoon-off. Info: (702) 849-0276.
This is a fun one - attend if possible!

Sept. 23, 24, 25 - Gold Country Bluegrass Festival, presented by Steamboat Productions. Featuring Clyde McCoy & The Southern Sounds, Homefire, Sidesaddle, California Quickstep, Possom Hollow, Piney Creek Weasels, and more. Amador County Fairgrounds, Plymouth, Advance 3-day \$25 (purchased by Sept. 3) Friday - \$5; Saturday - \$13; Sunday - \$10. Includes camping & self-contained RV units. Info: Jim Ketler (415) 447-4836, Chet Butler (415) 634-5415. Steamboat Productions, 310 Pippo Ave., Brentwood, CA 94513.

Oct. 14, 15, 16 - 36th Golden West Bluegrass Festival, Prado Park, Norco, California. Featuring Jim & Jesse & The Virginia Boys, The Thrift Bros. & Eve (From England), Cheyenne, Damascus Road, Harvey Walker and Chaparral, Weary Hearts, Tom Sauber & Ed Lowe, Dixie Road, Scenic Road, & The Clogging Company. 3-day advance ticket - \$25, Friday - \$10; Sat. - \$12; Sunday - \$10. Advance tickets and info: Loretta Tyner, P.O. Box 341, Bonsall, CA 92003, (619) 758-7205.

October 23 - California Bluegrass Association Annual Meeting, Special guest bands, election of directors, pickin' - just a wonderful Sunday afternoon of bluegrass fun. Full details in the next Bluegrass Breakdown.

Gold Country

Finger Pickin' Good

BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

With a Little Country
(California Freedom Band)
Presented By Steamboat Productions

Sept. 23, 24, & 25

Clyde McCoy & The Southern Sounds
Homefire **Sidesaddle**
California Quickstep **Possom Hollow**
Piney Creek Weasels
Brushy Peak

Amador County

Fairgrounds

Off Hwy 49 Plymouth,
California

Kids 12 and under Free

Presale 3 Day Tickets \$25 (Must be purchased Before Sept. 3rd)

	Starts	Ends	Cost for day
Friday	6:00 PM	10:00 PM	\$5.00
Saturday	10:00 AM	10:00 PM	\$13.00
Sunday	10:00 AM	5:00 PM	\$10.00

Camping & Self contained Units Included In Price & Encouraged

Bring your own lawn chairs and blankets

Jim Ketler (415) 447-4836 Band Info.

Chet Butler (415) 634-5415 Ticket Info.

Rick May (209) 823-3828 Mailing Info.

Corkey Draudson (415) 684-2237 General Info.

For Tickets Write To: Steamboat Prod. 310 Plppo Ave. Brentwood, Ca. 94513

Also Available at BASS Ticket Agencies

STRAWBERRY

BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL '88

FESTIVAL #10

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 1 thru 5, 1988

CAMP MATHER, YOSEMITE, CALIFORNIA

STRAWBERRY MUSIC FESTIVALS — P.O. BOX 3097 — SONORA, CALIFORNIA 95370 — (209) 586-1061

Master of Ceremonies — Dallas Dobro

September 1 THURSDAY	September 2 FRIDAY	September 3 SATURDAY	September 4 SUNDAY
5:00 To Be Announced 6:00 To Be Announced 7:15 Robert Earl Keen 8:30 Way Out West	11:00 Way Out West 12:15 Robert Earl Keen 1:30 8th Avenue String Band 6:00 Marley's Ghost 7:15 John Hartford 8:45 Hot Rize with Red Knuckles and the Trail Blazers	11:00 Marley's Ghost 12:15 John Hartford 2:00 New Grass Revival 6:00 Nashville Bluegrass Band 7:15 Hot Rize 9:00 David Bromberg	12:00 8th Avenue String Band 1:15 Bryan Bowers 2:30 Nashville Bluegrass Band 6:00 Bob Brozman 7:15 Nanci Griffith 9:00 New Grass Revival

"REVIVAL AT BIRCH LAKE"

Begins 9:00 a.m. - Sunday

Nashville Bluegrass Band • 8th Avenue String Band • Bryan Bowers • Marley's Ghost

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TICKET ORDER FORM

Name _____
Address _____
City/State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____

ADULT/CHILD CAMPING TICKETS

4-Day Adult#..... x \$62 = \$_____
3-Day Adult#..... x \$55 = \$_____
2-Day Adult#..... x \$49 = \$_____
Child (5-12 yrs.)#..... x \$28 = \$_____
(Under 5 free) Sub-Total \$_____

SINGLE DAY TICKETS (Camping Not Included)

Adult#..... x \$20 = \$_____
Child#..... x \$10 = \$_____
Sub-Total \$_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$_____

TICKET OUTLETS

CANOGA PARK Blue Ridge Pickin' Parlor (818) 700-8288	SAN LUIS OBISPO Boo Boo Records (805) 541-0657
CAPITOLA Cymbaline Records #2 (408) 462-0600	SANTA CRUZ Cymbaline Records #1 (408) 423-3949
MODESTO Replay Records (209) 521-0572	SONORA Cole Music (209) 532-5928
PALO ALTO Gryphon Stringed Instruments (415) 493-2131	STOCKTON Replay Records (209) 951-8010

Remember ... No Pets Allowed — No Campfires —
No Glass in Stage Area
Rain or Shine — Only 4500 tickets will be available
Sorry ... Sleeping Cabins are fully reserved.

Gates Open 8:00 a.m. to Midnight
(No admission Midnight to 8:00 a.m.)

Mail or phone orders received after Aug. 23 will be
held at the gate in "Paid Will Call". There will be
no "Unpaid Will Call."

The STRAWBERRY OFFICE will be open to process
orders and help with info until Noon, Tuesday, Aug.
30.

TICKET REFUND DEADLINE - Aug. 1, 1988

PHONE ORDERS:

Visa/Mastercard
(209) 586-1061

MAIL ORDER:

Strawberry
P.O. Box 3097
Sonora, CA 95370

OFFICE HOURS:

9:30 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.
Messages may be left after hours.

Bluegrass Breakdown
California Bluegrass Association
741 East Street, Box 198
Woodland, CA 95695-4144

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Needed: Some help to put on an autoharp contest at the June 1989 GV

We have a chance to put on a special autoharp contest at the 1989 Grass Valley festival. The only problem is we need some people who would be willing to help in several categories.

The plan is currently to run preliminaries on Friday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and the finals from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. on Saturday. Prizes would be awarded by the leading autoharp manufacturer.

Besides the contest there would be 2-3 workshops for autoharpists conducted by the company and recognized experts.

If you would like to help run the contest, supervise, judge, etc., please contact: Don Powell, 36 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695 (916) 662-5691.

This is something requested the last two years, so now let's get down to brass tacks and get it set for June 1989.

Related music mags now available

Another new magazine now out is **Western Swing Newsletter**. Those interested should write to Steve Hathaway, 450 N. Mathilda Ave., T-202, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

The fourth issue of **Old-Time Herald** is now out. I recommend this magazine, but for some reason I have had to pay for two subscriptions to get one. Be careful in dealing with these folks - I always hate to say that, but they cashed my first check and then didn't give me credit for it. BUT it is a great magazine.

Gigs and Dates Band Information

8th Avenue String Band, P.O. Box
2036, Chico, CA, (916) 343-8173

Aug. 6 - Lake Alameda Bluegrass
Festival

Sept. 1-4 - Strawberry Bluegrass
Festival, Camp Mather

Fog City Ramblers, 3827 Everett
Ave., Oakland, CA 94602 (415)
531-3145

Paul's Saloon, San Francisco, every
Thursday night

Good Ol' Persons, (415) 530-0839

High Country, 1586 Vista St., Oak-
land, CA 94602, (415) 482-5134

Laurie Lewis & Grant Street, (512)
447-0544

Aug. 21 - Tahoe Tallac Association
Concert, South Lake Tahoe

Sept. 22 - San Luis Obispo Folk Society
Morro Bay

Sept. 23 - Linnaea's Coffee House, San
Luis Obispo

Sept. 24-25 - Follow's Camp Festival
Azusa

Possum Hollow (209) 532-5109

HOMEFIRE (408) 659-4121 or
(408) 625-1749

Phil Salazar Band, P.O. Box 1774,
Ventura, CA 93002 (805) 653-2380

August 4 - Sonoma County Fair, Santa
Rosa 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Aug. 5 - Mansion Cellars, Davis 8:30
p.m., (916) 758-8881

Sidesaddle, P.O. Box 462, Saratoga
CA 95071, (408) 353-4408

Aug. 5-7 - Grant's Festival, Hugo, OK

Aug. 13 - Gravenstein Apple Fair,
Ragle Park, Sebastopol, 2 & 4 pm

Aug. 14 - Apple Fair, 12 noon and 2

Aug. 19 - Stanley's Irish Bar & Grill,
Campbell, 8:30-12:30

Aug. 20 - Roaring Camp, Felton noon
to 3 p.m.

Aug. 20 - Paul's Saloon, SF, 9:30-1:30

Aug. 21 - Concert, Ryan Park, Foster
City, 2-4 p.m. (415) 349-4506

Aug. 21 - Gilroy Concert Series, Christ-
mas Hill Park, Gilroy 7-9 p.m.

Aug. 26-28 - Rocky Mountain Blue-
grass Festival, Loveland, CO

Surf City Boys, (408) 458-3449

Saturday nights at Santa Cruz Brewing
Co., Front St. Pub, 516 Front St.,
Santa Cruz 8:30 - midnight

Weary Hearts, 8309 E. Lewis Ave.
Scottsdale, AZ, (602) 941-0681

IBMA Bluegrass Fan Fest set for Sept. 23-24-25

The International Bluegrass Music
Association Fan Fest will be held Sept.
23-25 at English Park in Owensboro,
Kentucky.

Two books available

Jerry Duke has produced two new
books that touch Bluegrass. The first
Clog Dance in the Appalachians
costs \$6.95 and covers the 25
traditional clog steps with illustrations.
The other book, **Cajun Dancing**,
(4.95) touches a related music form.
Both books are available from Jerry C.
Duke, P.O. Box 22031, San Fran-
cisco, CA 94122. Please add \$1 for
each book for postage.