

MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER



EAST BAY BANJO CLUB

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Play-out Schedule

⇒ Mon, Sept 6

Walnut Manor
Walnut Creek
1:30PM to 2:30PM

⇒ Sun, Sept 12

Banjo Jubilee
Palo Alto
Time TBA

⇒ Fri, Oct 1

Aegis
Concord
3:30PM to 4:30PM

⇒ Sun, Oct 10

Chateau I
Pleasant Hill
2:30PM to 3:30PM

⇒ Fri, Oct 15

Danville Park
Danville
6:00PM to 8:00PM

A message from our President Bob Nelson



Tuesday Nights crowds are still increasing with standing room only at the railings most nights, plenty of enthusiasm and fun along with outstanding banjo playing and individual performances of our vocalists, spoon, bone, gut bucket, washboard, tambourine, castanets, tuba & base players. Since our last edition, we have six new members! Please welcome **Jack Burros, John Leary III, Jack Larmour, Larry Martin & Kaitlyn Vaught**, and **Guy Black** as new members to our East Bay Banjo club. It is rumored that Kaitlyn is the youngest ever member of the EBBC at 8 years old.

From The "Oval Office" of the EBBC

President Bob

Pickers please at picnic

August 7 found seven of our EBBC members playing for a picnic sponsored by the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) group in Larky Park in Walnut Creek. **Ed Rossman** led **Pat Wheaton, Faye Gonzales, Jack Starr, Tim Perry, Bud Pearce, and Randy Veirs** in some summertime favorites like "By the Sea". After extending our scheduled playing time by 30 minutes by special request, banjoists also enjoyed some barbequed hot dogs!

Up-Coming Events

⇒ Aug 11 to 14

FIGA Convention
Sacramento, CA

⇒ Sun, Sept 12

EBBC Summer Picnic
Starr Ranch
Time TBA

⇒ Tues, Dec 7

EBBC Christmas Party
Round Table—Oak Park
8:00PM to 10:00PM

EBBC strummers bring joy to a great birthday party

By Terry Horner

On Sunday, July 25th, we played for **Len Ambrose's** birthday party in a lovely picnic site in Rossmoor. We had a dozen members, plus Len himself on the washboard, for a rousing hour of old favorites led by **ED ROSSMAN**. Ed and president **BOB NELSON** and **RICH BOSS** set up all the audio equipment, including some of Ed's personal stuff, which required borrowing a golf cart to carry it all into the site. Thanks guys. **GARRY KERR**, and **BETTY DAVID**, and **TIM PERRY** arrived just before downbeat, having had an unplanned tour of all the Rossmoor clubhouses looking for the picnic. Other players included **GARRY DIETZ, JACK STARR, DIANA STARR, MARILYN YOUNG**, and **PAT WHEATON**. We had some fine vocals from **KIT NELSON**, and wash board virtuosity from a guest member, **DINA MELAMED**, and **TERRY HORNER**, and **LEN**, the birthday boy.

EBBC adds excitement to 4th of July

Our banjoists brought a very patriotic mood to the audience at Kensington Retirement Center. One member of the audience who served 30 years as a WAVE was particularly happy with the EBBC's rendition of "Anchors Aweigh". **Bill Cooper** led a group of flag waving banjo players that included **Jack Starr, Tim Perry, Kit Nelson, Betty David, Bud Pearce, Chris Horner, Diana Starr,** and **Mickie McDonald.** **Terry Horner** provide the rhythm section on the gut bucket and washboard. Plenty of good old fashion American Forth of July favorites!



Special guest wash boarder Ron Perry (Tim's son) joins in on the fun.

Strummers bring cheer to Rossmoor

Toes were tapping and people were grinning when the small group of EBBC banjo players performed for the retirement community at Rossmoor on June 5. **Bill Cooper** led the energetic group of banjo players including; **Chris Horner, Marilyn Young, Diana & Jack Starr, Tim Perry, Betty David,** and **Bud Pearce.** Keeping time were **Fredy Kinadeter** on the tuba and **Terry Horner** on the wash board.



Just a few of the many happy listeners!

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