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District 4

Get ready for Hoots and Emmett Cherry Festival

It's time again to start thinking about Hoots and the upcoming summer months. We're looking forward to seeing everyone in May at Hoots. It's always such a great time! And then not much after that, it'll be time for Emmett Cherry Festival on Wednesday, June 17. We'll be playing from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and hope to have lots of musicians join us!



**Wednesday, June 17
from 3:30 to 5 p.m.**

**Fiddlers
will play
at the
Emmett
Cherry
Festival**

for 2009. We were delighted to have a wonderful turnout of District 4 and District 5 members for the evening festivities. It's always such fun to have a good group of musicians! We'll be continuing with the potluck/jam sessions on the third Saturday of the month from now through October with the jam starting at 5 p.m. and potluck at 6 p.m. Hope to see another good turnout on April 18th!

See ya' all at Hoots!

—Marlene Moore

The Open Acoustic Jam in March was another fun time with lots of musicians and restaurant patrons at Cold Mountain Creek here in Emmett. We were fortunate again to sign up some new members — Bill McKeeth and Roy Miller. And earlier, we also had Sandy and Clint Alley officially join our group. Welcome to all of you to the IOTFA! We're glad to have you all join our group! We are holding one more Open Acoustic Jam on Saturday, April 11. This time, it will also be a benefit for Bob Blaser, a local Emmett musician who recently had a stroke, and we're trying to help him out with his medical bills.

Besides the regular plays in March, we also started the Horseshoe Bend Senior Center potluck/jam sessions

District 12

Mules dance to District 12 fiddling

It has been brought to our attention that at the annual Salmon Select Horse and Mule Sale at the Fairgrounds one year ago, the mules were jumping and dancing to our music. They were outside the building and on the other side of the wall from where we were playing in a barn.

Fred Snook, the sales host, has

arranged for the fiddlers to relocate for the sale this year as the owners want a quieter spot for the sale animals. So, we will be on the other side of the barn on April 17 and 18. You are welcome to join us. We can all play Flop-Eared Mule together! We really have fun at this event.

The rest of the month will be as usual with the Thursday jams and meeting on the last Thursday. As I write this, I am listening to my CD called "Old Time Fiddle Tunes Our Dads Played" by Ludiker Music. I would highly recommend the different CD's they produce for learning in tablature or music notes. I have several of them. JayDean Ludiker plays fiddle and Becki Stevens accompanies her. Becki grew up in Salmon and her father Dr. Richard Young was my dentist. Her mother taught music in the schools and at home. Small world!!

Remember that a fiddle is a violin with an attitude.

—Submitted by Kay Smith
for Rosalie Hawley



May 1 and 2 — Spring Jam at Hoot's Cafe at Whitebird.

May 29, 30, 31 - State Fiddle Show at Cedar Park Golf Course, Rigby, Idaho. More info coming.