



# Mosquito Byte

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## A BIT OF BYTE HISTORY

Some of you may not know how the *Mosquito Byte* came to be the Mosquito community newsletter. Many years ago, early 1980's, Lucille Davies started a publication called *Echoes from the Hill*. It mostly contained articles of historical interest, many of those are now in the booklet *Mosquito Memories*, and was published quarterly. Around May of 1987, it was decided that a monthly publication would be nice. A contest was held to name the newsletter and the *Byte* got its start. It is published by the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department, and "Volunteer" is the important word. The editors, reporters and everyone else involved are volunteers. The editors occasionally do a bit of "gentle nagging" to get the reporters to send their copy to us on time. We make every effort to have the *Byte* in the mail so that you receive it by the first of each month, but bear with us if it should be late. We occasionally do take a vacation! The charge for the *Byte* just covers the cost of printing and first class mailing.

If anyone has any suggestions for improvements, or is interested in writing a monthly column on gardening or our school kids or anything else of community interest, call either Pat at 622-6436 or Lela at 626-8265.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE!

Chief Leo Chaloux

I thought I would take this opportunity to give a report of the many things that have been taking place in the community and with the fire department.

First off the Fire Department was awarded a federal grant for \$154,000 to develop a fuel reduction plan for the Mosquito Community along with the physical removal of fuels within the plan area. The fuel reduction plan will be professionally developed with the primary goal being that of reducing the fire threat to the community. Since this is a federal grant the desire will be to reduce fuels on property adjacent to Federal lands. As I see it the areas of Swansboro along White Oak Point, Log Cabin Lane, Wildflower Court and Deer Canyon

Court have the highest threat to them due to Slab Creek Reservoir and Slab Creek. Any fire coming out of those areas would produce an immediate threat to many homes so if I get my way that is where the fuel reduction would first start. However, I do not know as much about fuel levels, fire potential and threats as some of these professional plan writers so we will go with the plan being developed. No matter where the plan states we should start first we will need the cooperation and support of everyone in the planned area. The key to this whole fuel reduction will be the buy in of everyone within the community, as all of us will be affected by it.

One thing to be aware of is a fuel reduction plan and carrying it out does not mean all trees will be removed. The majority of us live up here because it is a beautiful area and the many trees we have are a main reason for that beauty. The plan will be diverse with an emphasis on the removal of brush and ground fuels. **We will be having a meeting at the fire station on Saturday, July 19th at 10 in the morning** to discuss what this fuel reduction program will do for our area. We would like you to attend as we need your input and support and we would also like an opportunity to provide you with more information and be able to answer any questions or concerns you may have. It is extremely important that as a community we all participate in this process so we are planning on having additional meetings on the third Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. so that all of us can be informed and participate in this process. This grant provides us with a great opportunity to decrease the fire threat in our community and could be just the beginning of a comprehensive plan with action for many years to come.

I have to thank Len Newell, Walter Graves and Lynda Lima who have put in many hours of work along with their expertise, for they have made it possible for us to receive this grant.

During the last week in May many homeowners in Mosquito took advantage of a free chipping program offered by the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council. In fact the council made this program available to

Pollock Pines, Camino, Rescue, and other areas. In total over 200 people used this service of which over 40 were those from Mosquito. The demand and support in this community was so great that the Fire Safe Council is planning on having the chipper come back out to do more work. I have been told this will probably happen in July, so as soon as I find out I will get the word out or if you are interested give me a call and I will put your name on the list.

The Mosquito Fire Safe Council with the help of the Swansboro Pilots Association is doing great work. They will be helping with doing the inspections on homes in the area. The California Division of Forestry and Fire Protection is no longer doing home inspections even though they are required to do so. Seems they do not have the time or money. So with the help of the fire safe council we will be doing it. This inspection process will be one of invitation only. If you want us to inspect your property for fire clearances and offer any advice to make your home more fire safe we will be glad to do so. If you do not want us on your property we can respect that also. Part of the reason for doing this besides meeting state laws for the 30 feet of clearance around a home is to gather information that will increase our capability to protect your home in the event of a wild land fire. For example the information we need is the length and width of driveways, turn arounds at the end of driveways, amount of brush around a home, propane tank locations, electrical service panels, and distance the home is from the nearest fire hydrant or water supply. This information will be maintained at the fire station in a computer database and will be utilized when we are dispatched to a residential fire. It just provides us with a little more information so we can be more prepared to fight a fire. If you have any questions regarding this program please call, if you do not want your home to be inspected or if you would like to help just call the fire station.

The Board of Directors of the Fire Protection District just completed and had approved by the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors the Districts Development Improvement Plan. This is a plan the District has to have as it collects money whenever a new home is built so capital equipment can be purchased. Since the fire district purchased a new fire engine last June it was determined that we have enough fire engines for our size and population but not enough water supplies. So the plan calls for the installation of additional fire hydrants in the EID areas of the District, the construction of a water pumping station at Finnon Lake, and money to be set aside for the purchase of a new water tender to

bring more water to the areas in the District that do not have any water supplies at all. This plan is a long term one so the above improvements will take some time. However, with the help of EID we should be installing at least 3 new fire hydrants almost immediately and then 3 more later on in the year. The other two items will take time and as growth in the area continues to increase so will the money to carry these out.

One last thing, the Board of Directors just approved the preliminary Budget for the fiscal year starting July 2003 through June 2004. As long as the State of California leaves us alone we will be doing quite well. If they start getting into our pockets as they did in the early 9s things could get difficult. Biggest problem is not knowing what they are going to do, makes it real difficult to do any long term budgetary planning. Right now the biggest problem we are facing is the rapid increase in workers compensation insurance. Two years ago we paid \$12,000 for workers comp, this last fiscal year it increased to \$22,000 and our estimate for this fiscal year is over \$36,000. At this rate our entire budget will be going to an insurance company.

All in all things are quite well, at the least we are making it one day at a time. Fire season is here and if you have looked around you can see how dry the grass and brush are. It is going to get drier and more dangerous so please be careful with outdoor activities. And if you need us give a call.

## **MVFD BOARD NEWS**

Debbie Minor

It has been very quiet around the community as far as calls to the department have been this last month. Hope everyone has settled into summer now that it is here. Just remember to be careful concerning fires with all that dry grass all over the place.

On July 19, we will be having our Annual Volunteer Fire Department Picnic. Please mark your calendars to attend this event. Every year this event is well attended with lots of good food and drinks, music, friends and of course getting wet in the lake or from the spray from the fire truck. We will also have some products from A to Z wholesale for sale. These products include, among other items, knife sets depicting fireman and their bravery during 911. There will also be many other items of interest to all. Come and have a look. You might find something you have been searching for or a special gift to give.

We will need volunteers to help with serving food and drinks, setup and cleanup, and anything else

that might come up. If anyone would like to help with any of these please contact me at 621-3533.

The restaurant is getting closer every day to being able to open. Although there are still many things to finish before that can happen. It sure has been nice to see all the progress coming along so nicely. Thank you to all the volunteers that have put in all that hard work and time towards this project.

A portion of the fuels reduction demonstration project at Fannon Lake will include chipping brush and undesirable trees in a large "tub-grinder." While the grinder is on site, residents will be invited to bring clean brush and wood waste (no nails, concrete, dirt, etc.) to be chipped. For more information, contact Debbie Minor, chair of the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department (phone: 621-3533) or Dan Macon, High Sierra RC&D (530/823-5687 ext. 115

## **CRAFT REPORT**

Sharon Hern

Our next Craft Sale will be on July 19<sup>th</sup> at the Volunteer Fire Department Picnic.

The next craft meeting is on July 25<sup>th</sup>, hope to see you there as we have a lot of different projects that we are working on and need all kinds of crafty help. We do hope that you will continue to help us out by working on crafts at home. We will arrange to pick up your items or have them dropped off at the Firehouse. All of our proceeds go to our Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department, so please help support your fire community.

NOTE: Change in date for September Craft Meeting has been moved to October 3. There will be 2 Craft Meetings in October.

Future Meetings:

Meetings are scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month at Darlene Rood's home

Next Meeting: August 22, 2003

Time: 9:30 - 11:30 am

Location: 2211 Swansboro Road

Dates: July 25, August 22, October 3, October 24 and November 28.

## **GARDEN TOUR A HIT**

Jan Okumura

The first annual tea and garden tour was a hit! There was a very nice turn out of very nice people! We all had such a wonderful time chatting and eating that when it came time to start the tour Jeannie Albright made a comment to the effect – "do we have to go on the tour, this is so much fun sitting around and talking!"

Anyway, we did force Jeannie and everyone else

to go on the tour and it was amazing to see what a "labor of love" gardening has been on the hill. The gardens were incredible, each with their own unique touch.

I want to thank all the people that showed their gardens. I also want to thank all of my great helpers, Fred and Mary Ann Broddrick, Gary and Pat Johnson, Seth and Samantha Ford, Tillie Elliot and Virginia Feagans.

Hope to see you next year and I hope Fannon Lake landscape will be part of the tour.

## **4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY TREAT**

Evelyn Potter

I know that we all have probably made Rice Krispies Treats, but here is something different to do with them.

### **Rice Krispies Treats Flags**

3 T margarine or butter

1 pkg (10oz, about 40) marshmallows or 4 cups miniature marshmallows

6 cups Rice Krispies cereal

Blue and red frosting and star shaped candy sprinkles

1. In a large microwave safe bowl, melt margarine and marshmallows on HIGH for two minutes stirring after 1 minute. Stir mixture until smooth.

2. Add Rice Krispies cereal, stirring until well coated. Spread cereal mixture into a 13x9x2-inch baking pan coated with cooking spray. Allow to cool. Cut into rectangles for flags.

3. Decorate using blue frosting, star-shaped candy sprinkles and red frosting for stripes.

Yield: 6-8 flags, depending on size of rectangle.

ENJOY

## **U.S. FOREST SERVICE GRANT**

Len Newell

Saturday, May 31, 2003 was a happy one for the residents of Mosquito who had applied for a grant from the Community Protection Program of the United States Forest Service, to manage forest fuels adjacent to the Forest and the Community. Eldorado Forest Fire Chief Scott Vail and District Ranger Tim Dabney of the Georgetown Ranger District presented a check for \$154,825 to Devery Minor, Battalion Chief of the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department. The funds will be used to develop a strategic plan and a management plan, and will provide the means to put the plans into action on the ground over the next 18 months to reduce dangerous fuel levels.

In the days before the Sierra Nevada area was

settled by descendants of Europeans, fire was a frequent occurrence in the forests. Caused by lightning strikes or deliberate burning by American Indians, these fires kept fuels volumes relatively low, and fire size and intensity were correspondingly low during this era. After settlement, however, all fires were suppressed with the result that fuels accumulated steadily. Today, under the worst weather conditions (low humidity, high winds and temperatures,) fires can get very large and burn very hot. The three factors that most determine fire behavior are fuels, weather, and topography. Communities wanting to protect themselves from fire cannot do anything about weather or topography, so fuels management is the key to success.

On May 31, U.S. Forest Service representatives brought an array of maps that show fire history, fuels loading in relation to homes and other structures, and printed information on managing fuels around buildings. One map showed that in much of the Swansboro Subdivision of Mosquito, there is no record of a fire over 5 acres occurring in the last 100 years. (Mosquito Fire Chief Leo Chaloux reports that there was one fire of 40 acres in that subdivision during the 1990s.) This explains the high volumes of accumulated fuels so prevalent in the community, and underscores the wisdom of making the grant investment here. "The Mosquito Community and its Volunteer Fire Department have shown great initiative and foresight in applying for this grant, and are prepared to use it to help themselves to a more fire-safe future" Chief Vail said in making the presentation.

Walter Graves, Chairman of the Mosquito Fire Safe Council, after thanking the U.S. Forest Service, observed that, with the awarding of the grant "Now the real work begins. We've got to produce results on the ground, and we're eager to get at it." The community will work closely with the Eldorado National Forest to ensure that their work is complementary and mutually reinforcing. Ranger Dabney stated "We are happy to have this partnership in fuels management with the Mosquito Community, and look forward to a safer fire situation in both the Forest and the Community.

## **TO MOSQUITO RESIDENTS:**

Regarding: School in Your Area

As you are aware, the Placerville Union School District was considering building a school in your area. In 1997, under the State guidelines at that time, the District was eligible for full funding for a necessary small school. A site for the school that

was acceptable to the School District and the community could not be agreed upon. The District decided not to continue to pursue a school at that time.

In 2001 when I was hired as Superintendent, the Board of Trustees asked me to reinvestigate the feasibility of a school in the Mosquito area. Since 1997, the State has changed the funding guidelines and the District is only eligible for 50% funding from the State. After almost two years of pursuing other funding options, I have now determined that there is no way to receive full funding for a Mosquito school.

At this time, the Placerville Union School District is discontinuing the plans for a school in your area.

If you have questions, please feel free to give me a call at (530) 622-7216.

Sincerely,

David R. Freeman, Superintendent  
Placerville Union School District

## **SCOPA**

*The following are excerpts from the minutes taken at the June 14 SCPOA meeting. The minutes have not been approved as there has not been a meeting since then.*

Tod Sorell, maintenance, reported that Trout Pond and Dyer Lake have been harvested, and algae has been treated. The beaches at Dyer and Catfish have been improved. The roof was removed from the pavilion, bathroom and pump house for repairs. Debris was removed from Claim court, and potholes on Lawyer fixed. It was suggested a sign be placed at Dyer Lake stating "No

Lifeguard on duty." There have been reports of young children in the lake with no adult in attendance.

The Architectural Review committee reported three new sets of plan have been submitted, two were accepted, one needs more information.

There have been a lot of complaints about dogs running loose.

There will be more new fencing installed and a new roof will be placed on the pavilion, bathroom and pump house at Dyer lake.

There were discussions about a need for office space, unauthorized real estate signs, property mergers, quad runners and dirt bikes being ridden carelessly by young adults and dumping on vacant lots.

**SEE YOU AT THE PICNIC!**

**CHECK YOUR PETS**

Pam Steinke, DMV

We recently became property owners in Mosquito . While hiking through the abundant grasses that the late rains produced I noted several types of seeding weeds commonly known as "foxtails" . These foxtails can enter any area in or on your pets . The most common area for cats is under the lower or 3rd eyelid . In dogs, it's their ear, nose, armpit and between their toes . These stickers go in one direction so once they enter an area they can travel deeper and may become a serious health problem.

Prevent exposure by cutting weeds before they seed and check your pet on a regular basis . Signs to look for are eye swollen shut, shaking head or head tilt, sneezing (especially if blood produced) and swelling between toes or on skin.

FREE Electronic Waste Recycling Event. Here's an opportunity to dispose of all those electronic devices that no longer work and are just sitting around collecting dust. Saturday, July 26th, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. behind the El Dorado County Library, 345 Fair Lane, Placerville. E-Waste includes: TVs, computer monitors, hard drives, keyboards, printers, mice, CD players, stereo equipment, VCRs, telephones, answering machines and calculators.

**PHONE BOOK UPDATE:**

Add: Angela Taylor-Sommers  
3310 Holiday Lane 626-3043

The *MOSQUITO BYTE* is available by subscription and is mailed first class to subscribers. Cost of subscription is \$11.00 per year. Mail check to 2300 Mosquito Cut-Off Rd, Placerville, CA, 95667-9081. Deadline for news and advertising is the 19th of each month.

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**ADVERTISING**

There is no charge for advertising in the *Mosquito Byte* for our subscribers. Deadline for advertising is the 19th of each month. Call Pat at 622-6436 or Lela at 626-8265. Ads in the "For Sale" department will run for three months unless you call to say the item has been sold, or you want the ad extended.

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**WANTED**

Basketball anyone? I'm looking for people interested in playing basketball at Dyer lake. Weekdays about 4:30pm or weekends. Call Solon at 621-3875

**MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

LIVESTOCK OWNERS, ANIMAL LOVERS, PARENTS, HERBAL NOVICES AND GARDENERS... The World Renowned Herbalist and Veterinary, Juliette de Bairacli Levy will be speaking, here in Mosquito. "As a sort of New Age Doctor Doolittle, Juliette pioneered the use of herbal treatments for animals and children. She has published many books on a wide variety of subjects including, *Traveler's Joy*, *The Complete Herbal for the Dog and Cat*, *Herbal Handbook for Farm and Stable*, *Nature's Children*, and *Common Herbs for Natural Health*." In 2000, a documentary, called *Juliette of the Herbs*, was released. "The story weaves narration, firsthand accounts, and black and white photo stills, following the mysterious career and life of Juliette from her privileged upbringing in Manchester, England, through her days with the gypsies and nomads and finally to her 11th garden on the Greek Island of Kithira." Juliette is approximately 90 years old. She is coming to Bella Terra Farm, during the next month. We are inviting all who would like to hear her speak, to a vegetarian, potluck picnic, in her honor. A donation would be appreciate as to support her travels through the US. She will have her books available for sale, as well. Please RSVP Samantha Ford at (530) 344-1744 with interest in joining us...

**HOMESCHOOLERS:** We are interested in becoming familiar with how many of us there are "on the hill". Would you like to start a co-op, group activities, newsletter, support groups or play dates to meet each other? We welcome all homeschoolers interested, there will be no discrimination based on age, religion, race, ethnic, or cultural background. Contact the Ford Family @ 344-1744.

**HERBAL MEDICINE MAKING CLASSES** for adults and children will be held in the fall. Call now to sign-up or create your own classes. Homeschoolers welcome. Call Samantha Ford (530) 344-1744

**MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP** Mosquito/Swansboro area residents and visitors can now attend Christian fellowship, Bible studies for all ages, and participate in ministering to the spiritual and physical needs of this area without driving off the hill. The Sunday Bible study begins at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Celebration service at 11a.m. **MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP** is a non-denominational congregation of Christ's church. The Celebration service features contemporary music, prayer, testimony and the Word of God. All events are held at 3342 Stope Drive in Swansboro. For more information about **MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP** call 621-4282 and visit our Web site at <<http://www.cmna.net/mfom>>

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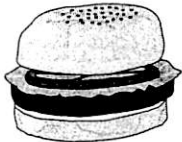
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# ANNUAL FIREMAN'S PICNIC AT DYER LAKE



Saturday, July 19, 11:30 a.m - 4:30 p.m.

BBQ, music and raffle

Wine, beer and soft drinks will be for sale.

See you there - bring the whole family

All proceeds benefit the


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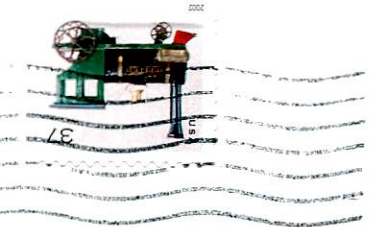
Questions?? Call Belinda Brent 621-3377 or Debbie Minor  
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All Meetings are at the Mosquito Fire Station unless otherwise noted.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 MVFD BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM	4 	5
6	7	8	9	10 MFPD BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM	11	12 SCPOA BOARD MEETING 10:00 am
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 FIRE SAFE MEETING SEE PAGE 1 PICNIC, SEE PAGE 7
20	21	22	23	24	25 CRAFT MEETING SEE PAGE 3	26
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