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MVFA UPDATE

by MVFA Board of Directors

COMMUNITY UPDATES AT FINNON – FALL 2026

As we move toward the fall season, several exciting improvements and activities are taking shape across the Finnon Recreation Area — each one strengthening the amenities, infrastructure, and community experiences we're proud to support.

The solar power system for the Finnon Diner is now fully operational, marking a major milestone in MVFA's long-term effort to make the business more sustainable and affordable for future operators. This upgrade reduces energy costs, improves reliability, and supports the continued success of one of our most cherished community gathering spots.

Finnon will also host a major regional event this fall: the **48th Gold Pan Open – Western States Disc Golf Championships**, returning to the Finnon disc golf course on **October 3 and 4**. This PDGA tournament brings players from across the West Coast and beyond, showcasing our course, campground, and community hospitality.

Infrastructure improvements continue as well. **PG&E has completed the installation of underground power lines to the campground**, increasing reliability and reducing fire-risk exposure.

At the lakefront, **Smoke on the Water has added a Thursday afternoon Happy Hour**, giving locals and visitors another opportunity to enjoy good food, good company, and the beautiful Finnon setting.

Finally, **Shimmick Construction Company has removed the concrete batch plant** that supported the Mosquito Bridge project and is actively cleaning up the lease area. This marks another step toward restoring the property and preparing it for future recreation and community use.

Together, these improvements reflect ongoing investment in Finnon's future — strengthening local amenities, supporting recreation, and ensuring that this unique community resource continues to thrive.

CELEBRATE LOCAL CREATIVITY THIS FALL

September brings cooler mornings, turning leaves, and the excitement of one of our favorite annual traditions — the **MVFA Fall Festival at Finnon Lake**. As we move into the heart of the season, this year's festival promises to be a vibrant celebration of local talent, community connection, and the creative spirit that defines Mosquito.

Join us for an afternoon filled with handcrafted goods, seasonal treats, lively music, and opportunities to meet the local agencies and volunteers who help keep our community informed and resilient. Bring your family, invite your neighbors, and enjoy the beautiful surroundings of Finnon Lake as you explore everything this year's festival has to offer.

Your participation is what makes this event more than a gathering — it's what turns it into a tradition we look forward to year after year. Let's come together, support our local makers and partners, and kick off the fall season with energy, gratitude, and community pride.

Discover What's Waiting for You

Sweeney Acres • Three Goat Farms • Pam & Dave Angelo Glass and Wood Creations • Local History Booth • Arts • Crafts • Candles • MFPD • GVFPD • CAL FIRE • Emergency Services • Health Services • Local Radio Group • Fire Safe Council • El Dorado County Services • Free Lunch ...and many more local treasures to explore.

FINNON RECREATION PASS UPDATE – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1

Due to rising dam fees, insurance costs, and ongoing maintenance expenses, the Finnon Recreation Day-Use annual passes will see a modest adjustment beginning **September 1**. The update ensures continued upkeep of the lake and surrounding facilities for everyone's enjoyment.

- **1-Year Pass:** \$75
- **2-Year Pass:** \$100
- **5-Year Pass:** \$175

These changes help sustain Finnon Lake as a safe, accessible, and well-maintained recreation area for residents and visitors alike. Your support keeps this treasured community resource thriving for future seasons.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Fall Festival at Finnon Lake - 10 am - 3 pm Free Lunch September 12, 2026

Trunk-R-Treat - 6 pm - 8 pm October 24, 2026

Christmas Dinner at Station 75 - 5:30 pm Free Dinner December 5, 2026

The **MVFA Board Meeting** will be on **Wednesday, September 16th at 2:00 pm** at the **Diner**

NOTE: CHANGE OF DATE THIS MONTH

48th Annual Gold Pan Open

Western States Disc Golf Championships

Norcal Series PDGA B-Tier Event at Finnon

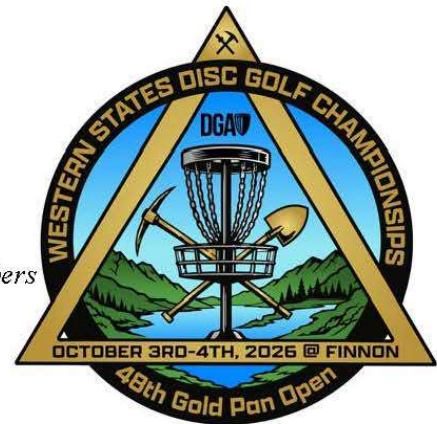
Presented by DGA - - Hosted by Mosquito

Volunteer Fire Association

108 Player Cap-Registrants MUST BE CURRENT PDGA Members

Saturday October 3rd - Sunday October 4th

(8:30 AM Shotgun Start; Both Rounds)



REGISTRATION :: DGSCENE :: FRIDAY AUG 28 :: 6PM

\$65 PRO :: \$65 AM :: \$30 JUNIOR

\$18 AS PASS THROUGH FEES

[PDGA \$3 :: NORCAL SERIES \$8 :: PARKING \$10]

BECOME A SPONSOR

Sponsorship

Hole Sponsor, \$25

Get your name out there on this legendary track

Water Station Sponsor, \$50

Help supply the field with pit stops along the way

Gold Sponsor, \$100

Major tourney support and Gold Pan gift

**Successful fundraising will be applied to:*

Tournament expenses and B-tier added cash



PLAN YOUR WEEKEND

Camping

Campground reserved for Disc Golf

Reserve Your Camping at time of Registration for:

- ◆ Individual Camping - Site Undesignated - \$20 Flat Rate
- ◆ Reserved Site Camping - \$60 Flat Rate, Limited Supply
- ◆ Larger Rig Site Camping \$60 Flat Rate, More Limited Supply

Flat Rate Includes:

Friday and Saturday Nights with **Late Check-Out Sunday**

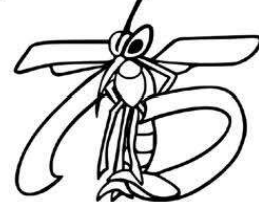
Additional Time Before Friday Reserved with MVFA at Hipcamp

All Camp Rules Apply :: Propane OK :: Campfires may be Prohibited, TBD

Stay Sunday Night if needed, \$30 Per Site, Coordinate with TD/MVFA



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Volunteer Fire Association

****Notes****

Tourney details found on DGScene

DGScene fees are separate from all tournament registration fees

Pass through fees included in registration; Juniors pay no pass through fees

Details may change at any time at the discretion of the TD

Join us for the

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

Hosted by the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association



FINNON LAKE CAMPGROUND

Saturday, September 12

🕒 10 AM - 3 PM

Local Vendors & Community Booths



Free Lunch for All!



Fun for the Whole Family!



Enjoy a Day of Connection & Fall Fun!

9100 Rock Creek Rd, Placerville

OES/Cal Fire/MFPD/County Services/MFSC/Arts-Crafts/Jewelry/Pottery/Local Radio Group/Local History/Sierra Sound Box/Red Cross/Wood & Glass Wood/Local Growers/Candle Ladies/Pet Care/Ceramics/Homemade Items/And more..

HISTORICAL ARTICLES SERIES

In this third chapter of our Historical Articles Series, we return to a piece of Mosquito's past that still echoes across our community today. Long before Finnon Lake became a gathering place for neighbors, volunteers, and visitors, it served as home to Camp Mosquito — a Civilian Conservation Corps site where young men from across the country worked, learned, and helped shape the landscape we now call home. Their efforts left lasting marks on our roads, forests, and local heritage, reminding us that the story of Mosquito is also the story of the people who built, protected, and cared for it.

FINNON LAKE RECREATION AREA: MANY THINGS TO MANY PEOPLE

Our beautiful 55-acre Finnon Reservoir was completed in 1907 by the construction of an earthen dam to help supply water to an old powerhouse located below us on the American River.



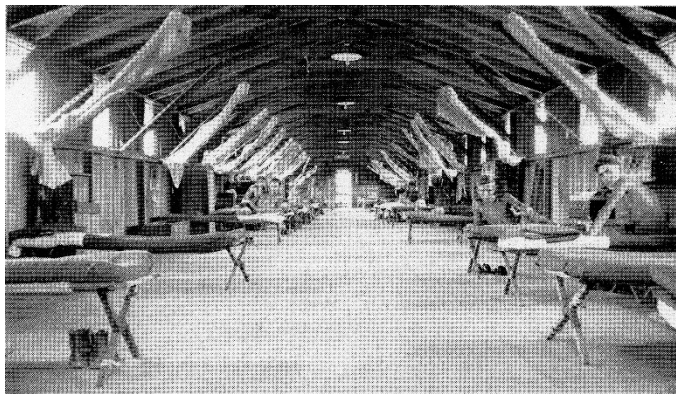
would continue to be used for public access and open space. The Finnon Lake Resort operated there for many years and hosted huge numbers of campers and day visitors, and even a music festival with over 1,000 people in attendance.

The dam was condemned so the water level was lowered in 1996, but Finnon and other lakes now within the homeowners association were, and still are routinely used to supply water tender fill-ups and helicopter water drops on larger fires around this area. The dam for the lake was rebuilt in 2011, allowing the lake to return to full pool and be annually stocked with fish. When full, at 350 acre-feet, Finnon is the largest body of water on the Georgetown Divide.

It was named after Irish brothers Christopher and James Finnon whose home was located below the lake spillway, just south of Trail Gulch. The Finnon family were early pioneers with a small lumber mill on the edge of the lake, which they owned prior to the local electric power company buying it and then later selling it to three local farmers in 1937. The State of California later owned the property until 1997 when the 121-acre property was sold to the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department primarily as a means of preserving a major water resource for firefighting and, secondarily, as a location for fundraising opportunities. It came with the understanding that it

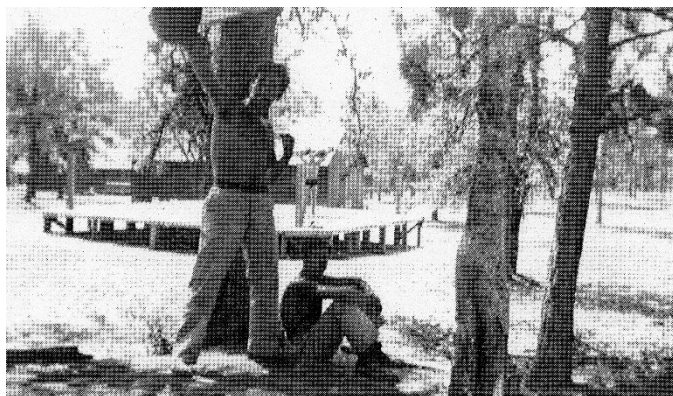


The Finnon Lake property was used beginning on July 23, 1935, as Camp Number 298 for the Civilian Conservation Corps or CCC, which was originally established by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to provide jobs on public works projects during the years of the Great Depression.



was placed in charge of the program. Officers from the U.S. Army were in charge of the camps, but there was no military training.

The typical CCC enrollee was a U.S. citizen, unmarried, unemployed male, 18–25 years of age. This was later expanded to include men 17-28 as well as veterans. Each enrollee volunteered and, upon passing a physical exam and/or a period of conditioning, was required to serve a minimum six-month period, with the option to serve as many as four periods, or up to two years if employment outside the Corps was not found. Enrollees



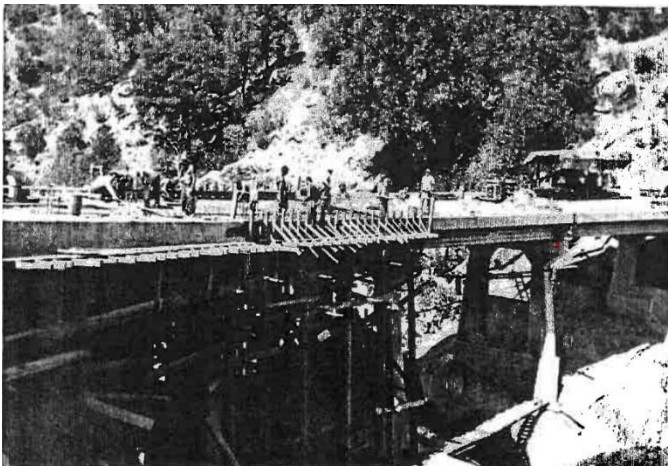
worked 40 hours per week over five days, sometimes including Saturdays. In return, they received \$30 per month (equivalent to \$770 in 2026) with a compulsory allotment of \$25 (equivalent to about \$642 in 2026) sent to their family, as well as housing, food, clothing, and



medical care. Many men also received their GED., and all were given other academic and vocational training. Leadership advancement positions with an increase in pay were also offered to hard workers. Enrollment peaked at 505,782 in roughly 2,900 camps by late summer 1935.

Following the attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941, the Roosevelt administration directed all federal programs to emphasize the war effort. Most CCC work, except for wildland firefighting, was shifted onto U.S. military bases to help with construction. By 1942, with World War II raging and the draft in effect, the need for work relief declined, and Congress voted to close the program.

The work of CCC workers was significant and long-lasting. They planted more than 2.3 billion trees, constructed 126,000 miles of roads and trails, and laid 100,000 miles of telephone lines through national forests. They expended some 6,500,000 person-days fighting forest fires and similar time conducting fire prevention operations on forest lands. They built millions of small check dams to control soil erosion, 45,000 bridges and buildings, and more than 7,000 large diversion dams. They built hundreds of state parks with cabins, artificial lakes, and water supply systems, and much of the infrastructure in the U.S. National Park System was created using CCC labor. CCC workers built water tanks for cattle on the Western plains and constructed fire lookout towers in forests.



By the time it closed, nearly 3 million young men had served in approximately 4,500 camps across all 48 states, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. They sent \$663 million home to their families — the primary income, in many cases, for 12 to 15 million Americans.

Locally, the CCC crews built Rock Creek Road and the Rock Creek Bridge in 1936 and 1937. CCC Camp Number 298, called Camp Mosquito, housed at least 200 men and

consisted of barracks, classrooms, a large kitchen and dining room, and several big garages and places to work on large trucks and equipment. They also had a recreation room and exercise facilities including a boxing ring. Due to the economic factors and lack of jobs during the Depression, the lives of these men and their families were greatly improved by this program, both at the time and for years to come.

Camp Mosquito closed on May 28, 1942. As no specific records have been found, what became of the infrastructure, buildings, and equipment is unknown, but the legacy of this popular and proven program stands firm here and around our nation as much as it does in history books.

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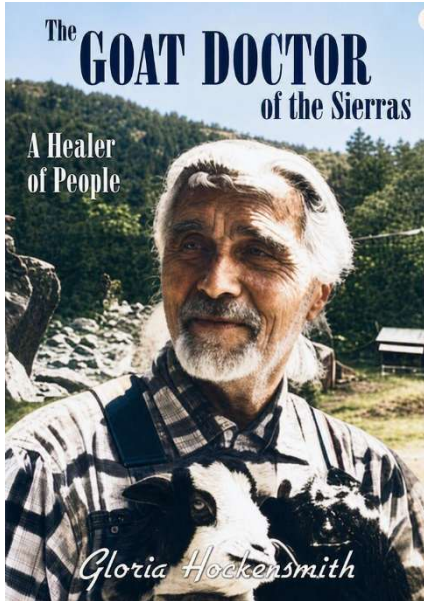
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<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Civilian-Conservation-Corps>

SPECIAL HISTORY EVENT

Many neighbors in Mosquito are interested in the story of the Goat Doctor. This local legend and his mother's intriguing story will be portrayed in an upcoming stage event, and we wish to tell you a little about them and share the related details. See below for more information.

Francis Xavier "Frank" Macek Andre (1888–1959), known as "The Goat Doctor," was a highly eccentric and wildly successful homeopathic healer who practiced from his rustic cabin, which



doubled as a chicken coop in Mosquito, a rural hamlet seven miles north of Placerville. Dressed in long hair and always working completely barefoot to draw "health-giving powers" directly from the earth, Andre drew large crowds of desperate patients seeking the unique psychic diagnoses of Andre and his mother, and his intuitively osteopathic and highly successful adjustments. Despite the nickname, Andre did not treat animals; rather, the moniker came from the goats that roamed his property and whose skins served as upholstery, covered the walls, and even covered his treatment table. Andre treated thousands of patients over more than 35 years, many suffering chronic pain that conventional medicine and chiropractors had failed to resolve. At his peak, patients from around the world—many referred by their doctors—lined up for days outside his cabin.

Anna Elizabeth Raker Andre (1865–1948) was the adoptive mother of the Goat Doctor and an anchoring presence throughout his life. Anna and her husband Ernest lived in San Francisco, where they met and adopted a young Austrian immigrant who soon became deathly ill with tuberculosis and seemed unlikely to survive. They relocated to rural Mosquito in hopes that the clean air would cure Frank's tuberculosis. Anna possessed a sixth sense, especially concerning people's health, and was determined to instill this sense, along with her naturalist beliefs and spiritual ideologies, in young Frank. She isolated him for five full years and developed a regimen to restore his health. As her son slowly recovered, Anna played a large role in his development into one of the region's most successful, famous, and unconventional folk healers.

If you are interested in the Goat Doctor, stage actors in period dress will be portraying a portion of his story at an event on October 17, 2026, at Placerville Union Cemetery, 650 Bee Street, where local history will come to life. **Save the Graves 2026 – Everyday Heroes** will feature six interesting historical figures who "broke the mold" in El Dorado County.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and are available online and at the door. Kids 17 and under are free. The 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. event showcases Placerville's beautiful Victorian cemetery and raises awareness and funds for the restoration and maintenance of El Dorado County's many cemeteries. This organization has contributed sage advice, time, and materials toward the restoration and upkeep of our own Nelsonville Cemetery. For event information and tickets-

<https://savethegraveseldorado.org/performances/save-the-graves-2026-everyday-heroes/>.

MOSQUITO CRAFTERS

By Natasha Cutter



spirit allows us to both teach and learn new skills, enriching our individual talents. Our support extends beyond just crafting; it's about nurturing a community of care and camaraderie. We are truly fortunate to be part of such a vibrant group and eagerly anticipate continuing to offer unique, handmade treasures to enrich our community.

The Mosquito Crafters are a talented, generous, and dedicated group of women who pour their hearts into every project they undertake. Each member is committed to ensuring that their creations bring joy and value



to our community and buyers. They personally invest in the materials needed for each craft and devote their free time to designing and producing items they believe will be cherished.

We gather each month to share our creative ideas, fostering an environment where we uplift and encourage one another. This collaborative



SMOKE ON THE WATER

by Kirk Bronsord and Matt Ridgeway



Summer might be packing its bags, but we're just getting started!

September and October bring the best weather of the year — sunshine, breezy evenings, and that perfect lakeside soundtrack of laughter and good times.

Diner Hours:

Monday – Wednesday – Closed

Thursday – Happy Hour 3 pm – 5 pm

Friday- 10:30 am – 1:30 pm

Saturday - 11 am - 6 pm

Sunday 8 am - 2 pm

(Breakfast served on Sunday only)

Slide on down to the diner and enjoy our beautiful lakeside seating, delicious food, and an ice-cold drink that hits *just right*. Cold weather will be here before long, so let's savor the view while it's still showing off!

With the new bridge opening soon, we're excited to welcome lots of new friends who'll get to experience our little paradise for the first time.

Happy Hour continues, Friday lunches are on, Saturday dinner specials are ready to impress, and Sunday early-bird breakfasts are waiting for you. Whatever you're craving, we've got it — and we're here to make your day feel like a mini vacation.

See you soon!

Your Smoke on the Water Family

SCPOA REPORT

By Meredith Blain

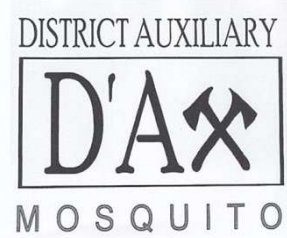
The Swansboro Country Property Owners Association Board of Directors (SCPOA) meets monthly at the MFPD Fire Station, 8801 Rock Creek Road, on the fourth Wednesday of the month. **The next SCPOA board meeting will be on Wednesday, September 23, 2026.** Meeting agendas are posted on the bulletin board at Dyer Lake and on the SCPOA website. All SCPOA Members are invited to attend.

Members of SCPOA can visit SCPOA.info, the official SCPOA website, and get information about upcoming meetings, meeting agendas and minutes, association bylaws, individual unit's DC&Rs, using the Swansboro Airport, information for use of common areas, and much, much more! If you have not requested a login for the SCPOA website, please send an email to Kpaulscpoa@gmail.com, or Ashley.Silva@managementtrust.com to gain access.

DISTRICT AUXILIARY aka D'Ax

By Meredith Blain

D'Ax is excited to participate in the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association's Fall Festival on September 12, 2026! Stop by our table for free popcorn and shave ice and be among the first to see the new 2027 Mosquito Calendar, featuring beautiful photos of our wonderful Mosquito community. We'll also have Mosquito swag available. Stop by, grab a treat, check out the calendar and swag, and say "Hi!"



D'Ax has been busy planning some exciting events for 2027 that will benefit both our fire department and the Mosquito community. We are in the early planning stages for a Car and Big Toy Show, with hopes of hosting a welcome reception the evening before featuring food and entertainment. The following day will feature the show, along with food, raffles, auction items and prizes!

If you have a special vehicle or "big toy" you would like to enter, keep an eye on the BYTE for updates as our plans come together. We are also looking for volunteers to help with planning and to assist during the events. If you're interested, contact any D'Ax director and we'll add you to our volunteer list.

D'Ax is also focusing on building improvements for Fire Station 75. Ask any D'Ax director for more information about these projects and how you can help.

In the meantime, if you would like to make a contribution to benefit our Mosquito community, please visit the D'Ax website for information or contact any D'Ax director. D'Ax accepts cash and Zelle donations, as well as donated items that can be used for future auctions and raffles.

D'Ax is grateful for the continued support of our community and our fire department. Thank you to everyone who attends our events, donates items, bids on auction offerings, and volunteers their time. Your support is what makes our community events and fundraising efforts successful.

Visit our website at Dax-np.org or email us at admin@dax-np.org.

D'Ax's next Board of Directors meeting will be held Monday, September 21, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the firehouse kitchen. We appreciate MFPD's continued support of D'Ax, including approving our facility-use requests and making this meeting space available to us.

AIRCRAFT DISPLAY DAYS

By Kim Purcell

The Swansboro airport is home to many interesting aircraft, both homebuilt as well as production built. We are doing our aircraft display September 17, 18 and 19 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM each day at the airport. Aircraft that are unique as well as older than 35 years will be out and you are invited to look but be sure to remain well clear of the active runway. Please also be respectful and look but do not touch without guidance from owners. If you have any questions, would like further information or a guided tour you can contact Kim Purcell at (530) 621-1049.

BIRDING AT FINNON LAKE

August Birdwatch Report

As summer gives way to the first hints of fall, August brought a lively mix of familiar residents and seasonal visitors to the Mosquito area. Activity around Finnon Lake remained steady, with several species showing strong numbers as they take advantage of late-season food sources and cooling temperatures.

Waterbirds were present in modest numbers this month, including **Canada Goose**, **Mallard**, **American Coot**, and a healthy group of **Pied-billed Grebes**. Two **Double-crested Cormorants** and a striking **Great Egret** added a touch of drama to the shoreline, each making brief but memorable appearances.



Hairy Woodpecker

Woodpeckers continue to dominate the forest edges, with **18 Acorn Woodpeckers** leading the count and a single **Hairy Woodpecker** joining the mix. Songbirds also made a strong showing: **Wrentits**, **Bewick's Wrens**, **Lesser Goldfinches**, and a lone **California Towhee** contributed to the steady chorus around the lake.

Blackbirds and their relatives were especially active, highlighted by **20 Great-tailed Grackles**, a species that has become increasingly prominent in recent months. **Red-winged Blackbirds** and a solitary **Common Raven** rounded out the list.

September Bird Count

1 Canada Goose	2 Double-crested Cormorant	4 Wrentit
2 Mallard	1 Great Egret	2 Bewick's Wren
3 Mourning Dove	18 Acorn Woodpecker	6 Lesser Goldfinch
2 American Coot	1 Hairy Woodpecker	1 California Towhee
4 Pied-billed Grebe	2 Red-winged Blackbird	1 Common Raven
	20 Great-tailed Grackle	

As we move deeper into fall, keep an eye out for shifting patterns in migration, changing plumage, and the arrival of seasonal visitors. Thank you to everyone who continues to support our monthly Birdwatch — your observations help us track the rhythm of wildlife throughout the Mosquito community.

MVFA CRV RECYCLE PROGRAM

Please drop off bags of **Plastic Bottles** and **Aluminum Cans (Sorry no Glass)** at the back of Station 75. Note: Lids and caps on plastic bottles must be removed before they can be redeemed. Lids and caps can be included for redemption. Stay green, stay responsible, and happy recycling! ♻️



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We offer CCW and Renewal classes in our onsite classrooms along with all private and group classes to improve your shooting and safe handling skills, and also offer archery lessons in our indoor range, and let's not forget the available Women's classes. Come in and try our Milo Virtual shooting range using your own hand gun and live ammunition with over 200 different challenging and fun scenarios to choose from.

We are open from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on Sundays.

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36 - 12 X 12 Tiles Terracotta
Plus More (530) 642-9084 or (916) 539-5395



SEPTEMBER 2026						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5 Support Group Training 9am Station 75
6 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am	7	8	9	10	11 MFPD Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	12 Bird Watching FLRA 8am Fall Festival 10am–3pm Fannon Lake
13 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am	14	15	16 MVFA Board Meeting 2pm Diner	17	18	19
20 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am	21 D'Ax Meeting 2pm Station 75	22	23 SCPOA Board Meeting 6pm Station 75	24 MFPD Board Meeting 3:00pm Station 75	25 MFPD Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75 Crafters Meeting 10am	26
27 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am	28	29	30	31		

Local Area Web Links

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association (MVFA)
 Fannon Lake Recreation Area
 Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD)
 District Auxiliary - Mosquito
 Swansboro Country Property Owners Association
 Mountain Fellowship in Mosquito (MFOM)
 El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

<https://www.gomvfa.org>
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<https://dax-np.org>
<https://scpoa.info>
<https://mfom.net>
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