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The Mighty Ponderosa Pine

Probably our most common conifer in Cohasset (conifer means cone-bearing tree) is the Ponderosa Pine or Western Yellow Pine. It is a hard pine, compared to the Grey Pine for example, and is sometimes referred to as the Bull Pine.

Chances are your house was built with the wood of the Ponderosa Pine, because it's second only to the Douglas Fir as a commercial timber tree in North America. It is one of the tallest pines in the western states and is also



one of America's abundant tree species, covering approximately 27 million acres of land.

Ponderosa pine is found from Canada to Mexico and from the Pacific Coast eastward to the Black Hills of South Dakota. Its growth range covers an area of more than 35 percent of the total acreage of the U.S.

It's a tough tree and will grow on most soils including very sandy soils and sites with very little topsoil. Once established, it's very drought resistant.

Its growth is moderate to about a foot a year, but you can see up to about 2 feet of growth a year in good sites with plenty of soil and moisture. It grows to 100 to 160 feet in height, with some giants exceeding 180 feet. At maturity it can be 2-4 feet in diameter. It has soft dark green needles that are 6-10 inches long, arranged in bundles of three. Most Ponderosa Pine trees grow, mature and survive for about 125 years before they are lost to natural causes such as rot, insect damage, fires or wind throw. Occasionally, a lone specimen will survive for nearly 200 years.

It's a virtual refrigerator for wildlife. Chickadees, mourning doves, finches, evening grosbeaks, jays, Clark's nutcrackers, nuthatches, rufous-sided towhees, turkeys, chipmunks and squirrels all eat the seeds of Ponderosa Pine.

Nature deals it a tough hand just as she does to any organism when it comes to insects and diseases. Western pine beetle, which is common in the Cohasset area, is a frequent cause of death for older and drought stressed trees and even healthy, vigorous trees during epidemics. Bark beetles are naturally present in our area. Harvesting methods that leave large amounts of logging slash can allow bark beetle populations to explode and kill vigorous trees up to 1-2 feet in diameter.



Dwarf mistletoe is the most widespread parasite that causes branch and stem deformation. It germinates on Ponderosa Pine branches and forces its roots into the phloem of the host branch, creating stem cankers that leave the wood weak and unsuitable for use as lumber. This weakens the tree and leaves it susceptible to fungal infections and insect attacks. Root diseases, rusts, trunk decay organisms, and needle and twig blights also cause significant damage. But this fellow is a tough old bird and has and will be around for a very long time.

Report by Bob Tate



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July Deadline - June 10, 2010

CCA Building Rental Reservations

The Cohasset Community Center is available to rent for private functions. The rate is \$125 per day, and \$60 for a half-day (5 hours).

For more information, call 893-1616, email info@cohassetcommunity.org, or view the CCA rental agreement at:

<http://cohassetcommunity.org>.



CCA Home Page

What's Happening?



Living on the edge in Cohasset this June means a plethora of community meetings, events and activities to mark on your calendar and partake in.

For starters, it's time to vote again in our California Statewide Primary Election Tuesday June 8th. Vote in state and county races including our own all important local 3rd district supervisor race as well as five statewide propositions. Don't forget to exercise your right and be accounted for.

On June 10th the CCA General meeting and Elections are at 6 PM.

Friday June 11th brings exciting Bingo action to the Community Center and then on Saturday the 19th there are two new events for your pleasure, the Giant Garage Sale and the Free Membership Breakfast plus later that night the popular monthly community potluck dinner.

If you've got any time left over there's always African dance and rhythms the 6th and 20th or maybe the Volunteer Fire Department meetings on the 3rd and 17th interest you. You also might consider going to our community church any Sunday for their services at 10:30 AM.

You may want to reflect on joining the School Acquisition Committee, a community effort to acquire the abandoned Cohasset school site for our collective use or you might enjoy calling our CCA president and volunteering for one of the many upcoming positions to be filled with the very important 2010 Cohasset Bazaar and Music Festival Committee.

Cohasset is a vibrant community filled with fine folks from all walks of life and fortunately your community association is committed to uniting us all through the fabulous social and civic opportunities our little haven offers its environs month in and month out.

So many of us have done incredibly well (but also just good, quiet, and great simple) things during our time living in Cohasset. I'm sure much of what we have collectively done is worthy -- and worth sharing with each other, so also please consider joining and contributing to our community association... we really just want to simply celebrate the unique and special nature of all Cohassians and if you were hoping to join us but just can't afford it at this time in your life that's okay too? It matters most that we see you and share the community camaraderie that abounds at our meetings, activities and events.

Until then, go in peace, much luck to all and looking forward to seeing you out and about participating in the distinctive and friendly foothill village life we all enjoy.

Mike Dufloth - Editor

Renew your Membership or Join the CCA Today

Check one: Pine \$25 Cedar \$50 Oak \$75 Lifetime \$100

For existing Lifetime Membership sustaining renewals check one:

Silver \$25 Gold \$50 Diamond \$100

Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Mail to: 11 Maple Creek Ranch Road, Cohasset, CA 95973

Checks payable to CCA or call Janice at 343-1754

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Butte County Supervisor News

by Maureen Kirk,
Butte County Supervisor, District 3

We are almost half way through 2010. The year has gone by fast, but have you taken the time to enjoy it? There is a new movement called "mindfulness." It is not exactly a movement, but a way of thinking. What this advocates is being aware of every day and the wonderful things that happen. Don't take anything for granted. Ask someone who has recovered from cancer or has lost a loved one. It is the simple things that make life special.

We hired a new Director of Behavioral Health. Her name is Anne Robin. I am very impressed with her experience. She has worked in the public and private sectors. At this time, the budget for Behavioral Health is subject to the whims of the State. Some programs may be cut. Others will be downsized, and our payments will be delayed. It takes a calm and experienced person to deal with the ups and downs of budget and program demands, and I believe she will be able to do this.

We had a Four County Memorandum of Understanding for collaborative development of a regional water planning process associated with groundwater related activities. I am happy to report that this has been renamed the Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Planning Group. The reason for the change is that Sutter and Shasta counties have joined with us for regional planning. The original group was Butte, Glenn, Tehama, and Colusa. With six members, we have more strength in numbers and offers more opportunity for cooperation.

Cohasset Road is high on our list for a chip seal project. It will start just past the airport and go all the way up Cohasset. I had a call about Cohasset Road past the radio towers, and I am inquiring about that part of the road. I do not think this was included, but I will research the issue.

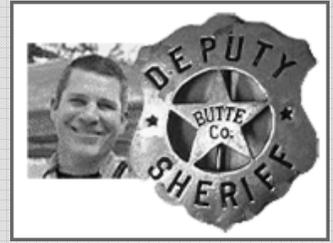
Pink Floyd has some great lyrics to their song "Time." One stanza is "Tired of lying in the sunshine staying home to watch the rain. You are young and life is long and there is time to kill today. And then one day you find ten years have got behind you. No one told you when to run; you missed the starting gun..."

Don't miss the starting gun.

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Police Beat

by Butte County Sheriff's
Deputy Doug Patterson



I've been a deputy sheriff going on 15 years, and over those years I have seen some pretty funny stuff. One of my best memories (and most painful) happened to me several years ago while on patrol in Oroville.

My partner and I were dispatched to an alarm call at a private residence in Oroville. When we arrived we both noticed the front door was wide open. We also noticed a very aggressive (and big) dog in the front yard that was not about to let us check the interior of the home for possible suspects.

So the only thing that I could do was pepper spray the dog so we could get inside the home. I'll tell you what, that dog took more pepper spray than any other dog I've ever encountered. Well, the pepper spray worked and we were able to check the interior of the home and determine that a burglary did not occur. Prior to my getting the alarm call, I had to use the restroom REAL bad but never did because of the alarm call. So here I am in a perfectly good house with a perfectly good bathroom. So I used it. The next thing I remember is the most painful burning sensation I've ever encountered. I began to scream and say a few choice words and found my partner running to the bathroom to see what was going on. This is when he discovered me standing up, next to the sink splashing water on my private parts. It seems that when you use a lot of pepper spray sometimes it gets on your fingers, and those fingers were used when I went to the bathroom and touched a very sensitive area. I swear it felt like 350 degrees down there.

My partner could not stop laughing, and I could not stop burning. I pulled up my pants, ran out the door, jumped in the patrol car and went code 3 (red lights and siren) to the Palermo Sub-Station, where they just happened to have a very low mounted sink. Cold water never felt so good. If I were ever in doubt about karma before this incident, I was a changed man now. That dog sure got his revenge.

Take care and I will see you out there.

Contact me at dpatterson@buttecounty.net or call 538-7321.

Thank you all ... Deputy Doug Patterson

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President's Message



August 7th 2010 Cohasset Bazaar

Yes indeed! It's soon to be the 40th annual "Cohasset Bazaar," and planning is well underway. Volunteerism and financial contribution are essential to keeping your community building open. With so many services going away, your community building will still be there for you, but we need your help. The CCA receives absolutely no support from government agencies, and is sustained entirely by donations from generous folks like you. The list is endless; there are many ways a person can help, so please contact any board member or myself and find out how you can make our community a better place. If you would like to be a volunteer, or be a sponsor for the 2010 Bazaar, please email or call.

Jill Stewart- Jillian@gotsky.com
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570-3088

Shirley White

On behalf of the 2009-2010 Cohasset Community Association, I offer our sincere condolences to Mark White and Michelle White-Garcia during their time of grief over the loss of their mother, Shirley White. Shirley, along with her late husband Chuck White, were two of the original founders of the Cohasset Community Association; it is true that their hard work and early dedication continues to live on.

Report by Jill Stewart

Cohasset Bingo Night! Please Join Us Friday, June 11th.



It's official, Butte County has approved the Bingo License for the Cohasset Community Association! The first Bingo event will be held Friday, June 11th. This will be a soft opening, and our grand opening is planned for July. Doors open at 5 pm; Bingo starts at 6 pm. Bring your daubers (bingo card markers) or purchase them at the event.

Entrance fee is \$10 per person, which includes a card packet for all 10 games. Additional game packets are available for \$5. Individual cards will not be available for the soft opening, but single game cards and Pull Tabs will be available for future events.

Hot dogs, snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. Come early as space is limited!

If you have any questions about the Cohasset Bingo, please call 893-5432 and leave a message.

Report by Daniel Botsford

Who Walked the Road and Picked Up Filthy Garbage This Year?



*Top left Linda Hartson, Tami Early, John Dubois, Sally DeBoth, Kathy Lawson and Ken Lawson
Middle Row from left Dave Westphal, Bob Hursh Patrick Tobin, Brien Haley, Marilyn Colson, Will Colson, Mark Lawrence and Bruce Gallaway
Front row Bob Tate and Rupe McDowell*

Cohasset Road Clean-Up a Success

The road clean-up this year was quite successful, although fewer people than last year attended. Maybe the power outage that day had something to do with it. There was also less garbage on the road than in years past, which is a good thing. Linda ended up frying the pizza on her BBQ and rumor has it they came out better than in the oven.

Rupert did a great job of coordinating the event again this year, and as usual all the folks who walk Cohasset road year round and pick up garbage daily were greatly appreciated as much of the road was again this year already clean. Thank you all including those not pictured above for an important job well done.!

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First Annual Giant Cohasset Garage Sale

Saturday, June 19th till Noon

Want to sell your extra stuff, antiques, art, crafts or treasures someone else would love?

What: Giant Garage Sale

When: Saturday, June 19th

Time: 8:00am to 12 noon

Where: Front yard of the CCA building

Cost: \$10 for a 10x10 space plus a \$30 deposit to be refunded at the end of the day after

your space is clean and all of your items have been removed.

Advertising: Chico ER, News and Review, KHSL, Craig's List and flyers

Reserve a space today by emailing Mayeve at Mayeve@hughes.net or calling 530-342-2494

In addition there will be a Cohasset Table of donated items where the proceeds will go to the CCA building repair fund. Linda Hartsong and Mayeve will be accepting sellable donations for the Cohasset table.

What: Accepting donations to Cohasset table

When: Friday June 18th

Time: 4:00pm to 7:00pm

Where: CCA bldg

Start spreading the word. Someone else's junk could be your treasure. Don't miss this fun event and CCA fundraiser. Admission is Free.

Report by Mayeve Tate

Free Pancake Membership Breakfast

FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST
FOR ALL WHO JOIN, RENEW OR ARE
LIFETIME MEMBERS OF THE CCA
Saturday, June 19 from 8 to 10 A.M

Come join or renew your membership to the Cohasset Community Association and you will be rewarded with a delicious pancake breakfast, compliments of the CCA and Hearth & Stone Bakery, our wonderful local bakery.

If you value any of the fine programs & events the CCA sponsors or if you benefit from any of the work done for our community by this organization, please show your support by becoming a new member or renewing your membership. You will be rewarded with that good feeling of contributing and being part of an important organization working to improve and enrich our community.

A community garage sale will also be happening on the Association grounds that morning, so come enjoy breakfast with your friends & neighbors & have fun shopping as well!

Report by Janice Lee



Bazaar Music Festival

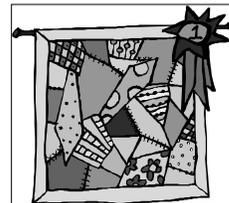


All bands have been confirmed for the 40th Cohasset Bazaar and Music Festival, Aug. 7th. Dale Price of Electric

Canyon Recording Studio will be doing the sound again for us this year. The headliner band will be Electric Circus. Also playing will be The Alice Peake Experience, Ruby Hollow Band, Local World and Mud Creek Kenny.

Report by Alice Peake

Cohasset Quilt Tickets Go On Sale

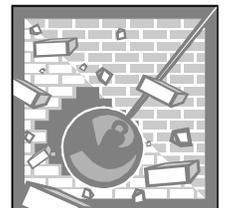


Tickets for this year's Cohasset raffle quilt are on sale now. Don't wait to get yours! Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. To obtain

your winning ticket, call Kathy @ 343-1479, Marilyn @ 892-1864, or Mayeve @ 342-2494. The drawing for the quilt will be August 7th at the Bazaar. *Report by Kathleen Lawson*

Fire House Salvage Materials

When the demolition of the old firehouse was completed, some building materials were salvaged. For a list of items



including lumber, siding, electrical parts, toilets, sinks, etc., call Bob Hursh at 345-4769. He would be happy to give you more information and arrange a time to view the items. *Report by Bob Hursh*

Community

Notes from the EPC

As you know, the Cohasset EPC mission is to assist Cohasset residents to prepare for any emergency. Well, there are many ways to prepare for emergencies. One way is to collaborate with each other to form a support group of friends and neighbors, sharing ideas, skills, and talents. And we all have some talent.

We had a short little planning meeting that you'll be sorry you missed. We passed out catalogs from San Francisco Herb Company. Now, this is a mail order business that specializes in bulk herbs, spices, botanicals, potpourri supplies, and other interesting items at very low prices. If you are interested, drop by the community association building. We left a few catalogs there. Or call Linda or Liz at 891-8337. There is a \$30 minimum order. If you can fall in love with over \$30 worth of herbs, you may place your own order at your leisure. If you would like to split with someone or just pick up a few items, we will be placing a group order.

Important dates:

- 6/1/10 Deadline for submissions for the group order to L&L 891-8337
- 6/15/10 Next EPC meeting and herb distribution.
- 7/20/10 July EPC meeting
- 8/17/10 August EPC meeting

What we want to do is stretch our hard earned dollars as far as possible. We want to expand on our homesteading skills. So, are you interested in:

A canning workshop. (You help make your own jam, or can your own tomatoes, take them home and eat them.)

A dehydrating workshop. (Another tried and true way to preserve the harvest.)

Do you know of anyone who will have free fruits, veggies, or orchard nuts that we can glean and then put up?

Got a catalog?

Quilting? Sewing?

Do you have an idea? Come share it!

We want to have fun. We want to save money. I bet you do too!

Report by the EPC



CCA Membership Reorganization



In order to continue to grow & expand our programs, the CCA board has voted to reorganize our existing membership levels & offer new opportunities to those who wish to become

sustaining supporters. The goal of this reorganization is to revitalize our membership and give a sustained boost to our treasury.

The new membership levels are as follows:

Pine—\$25 Cedar—\$50 Oak—\$75

Lifetime Sustaining Silver—a one-time donation of \$100 plus an annual \$25 donation thereafter

Lifetime Sustaining Gold—a one-time donation of \$100 plus an annual \$50 donation thereafter

Lifetime Sustaining Diamond Star—a one-time donation of \$100 plus an annual \$100 donation thereafter

Lifetime Basic—a one-time donation of \$100 (this tier is no longer offered to new members)

Lifetime Sustaining memberships will require a one-time donation of \$100 (just as it has past lifetime memberships) and in addition they will choose which level they wish to renew at annually. Each time a Lifetime Member renews at the Diamond Star level, a star will be added to their name, indicating their extraordinary generosity and the number of years they have been sustaining supporters at the Diamond Star level. Please note that if any Lifetime Sustaining members do not make an annual contribution, their membership will revert to Lifetime Basic after one year.

Lifetime membership as we know it will be retired. All existing Lifetime memberships will be grandfathered in, which means if you are currently a Lifetime member, you will always be a Lifetime member. Current Lifetime members will be classified as Lifetime Basic unless they choose to become Lifetime Sustaining members by making an annual donation.

While the Lifetime membership seemed like a good idea at the time it was conceived, it actually has worked like a faucet being turned down very slowly to a dribble. The revenue from annual memberships that was once a great boost to our treasury, has dwindled to a trickle since lifetime membership made the \$100 gift a final gift. The new Lifetime Sustaining membership levels give a new opportunity to those generous community minded members who wish to make an ongoing contribution.

Report by Janice Lee and Linda Hartsong

Rewarding Volunteer Opportunity

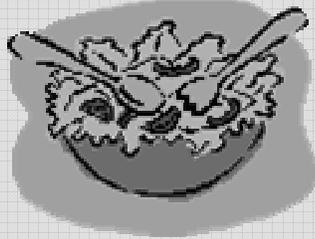
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Call CCA President Jill Stewart at 898-8197

Upcoming Events & June Calendar

June Community Potluck

Saturday June 19th
5:30 PM



Look forward to the June Potluck on Saturday the 19th at 5:30 pm! We'll try something different: your favorite salad. Anything from a fresh garden salad to macaroni, tuna, pasta or chicken. You name it; there's an endless variety.

See you there.

Report by Mayeve Tate.

Cohasset Home Brew Club News

Tuesday, June 1st, 7pm CCA Building



It was our big Tuesday night meeting and the flavor of the month was Barleywine....That legendary stuff that drove Vikings into a wild frenzy and their women weak in the knees. And just like us, Barleywine gets smoother and more interesting with age. Peculiar is a word they use a lot. We compared a Sierra Nevada Bigfoot '08 and '09; also an 8- and 10-year-old batch were among the highlights. On and on the amber nectar flowed, with a lively discussion on yeasts, ingredients, proper storage, and aging. It may have been the warm spring weather, but by evening's end, I did detect a rosy glow among my companions. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June first, 7 PM; and for the summer our subjects will be on lighter, crisp, and refreshing beers (for the hot weather). The June meeting will be on blonde ales and lagers...So come on by!

Report by Eric Petersen



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7:00 - 9pm Brew Club	2	3 7-9pm Cohasset Volunteer Fire Dept Mtg	4	5
6 10:30am Church Service 10:00am African Dance	7	8 Election Day <i>Reminder!</i>	9 12pm-2pm Commodities Distribution	10 6-7pm CCA General Mtg 7-8pm CCA	11 6-9pm Bingo <i>Excellent</i>	12
13 10:30am Church Service	14	15	16	17 7-9pm Cohasset Volunteer Fire Dept. Mtg	18 <i>Don't Forget</i>	19 Garage Sale/ Membership Breakfast 8-noon Potluck Dinner 5:30
20 10:30am Church Service 10:00am African Dance	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Special June Events

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