



FOURTH OF JULY - A Rossmoor tradition

Entertainment, food, more planned for Dollar

By Brian Pennebaker
Events coordinator

Bring family and friends to the Rossmoor Fourth of July event at Dollar Picnic Grounds on Thursday, July 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Beginning at 10 a.m., the opening ceremony will feature the flag presentation and singing of the national anthem at the Rotary Stage. In the grass area from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., there will be Jungle James Animal Adventures, balloon creations, face painting and craft projects.

The entertainment on the Rotary Stage will feature performances by the Sony Holland Duo, the Chinese American Association of Rossmoor group featuring vocalist Harry Wong, the Na Kupuna O Ke Aloha dancers from the Hawaii State Club performing lively hula, and the Rossmoor Square Dancers. The show will conclude with the Walnut Creek Concert Band. The emcee for the event will be Rossmoor resident Lynne Forrette.

The Lions Club of Rossmoor will be selling donuts and coffee at 9:30 a.m. The Rotary Club of Rossmoor will host lunch from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The Rotary meal deal will offer the choice of an all-beef hot dog or apple chicken sausage with chips,



Sony Holland with Jerry Holland

cookies and a soda or water for \$10.

There will be food trucks in the Dollar parking lot with food for sale. The food trucks will be Bay Areas Munchiez (burgers, fries, sandwiches, veggie options), Cali Ice (dessert) and Rosie's Mexican Food (tacos, burritos, nachos and veggie options).

Parking is limited. Carpooling or utilizing the Rossmoor bus system is strongly encouraged. For those who wish to park at Gateway Clubhouse and attend the festivities, shuttle

buses will run between Gateway and Dollar from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Please do not bring dogs to this event.

There will be a ticketed event on the Fourth at 7 p.m. at the Event Center featuring the Fabulous Yachtsmen. There is a separate feature article in the News about this event.

This event is sponsored by Rossmoor Recreation. Call Brian Pennebaker at 1-925-988-7732 or email at bpennebaker@rossmoor.com for more information.

Fabulous Yachtsmen to play July 4 concert

By Recreation Department

Playing classic 1970s and '80s hits from the likes of Phil Collins, Rod Stewart, Boz Scaggs and Toto, The Fabulous Yachtsmen crew will bring the good mood of "yacht rock" to life in the Event Center on Thursday, July 4 at 7 p.m. The show will be filled with dancing, sing-along moments, and iconic solos. Led by Doc Rogers and flanked by saxophone, ripping guitar and backup singers, get ready for a high energy evening of new memories.

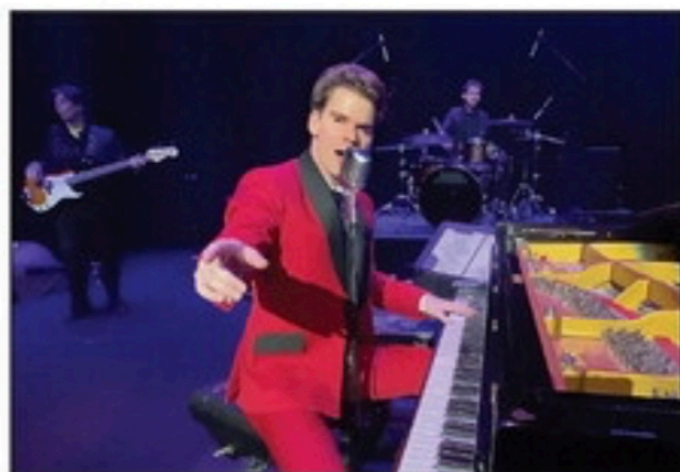
Based out of Los Angeles, The Fabulous Yachts-

men are a highly acclaimed Yacht Rock tribute band known for their authentic renditions of the smoothest and most beloved soft rock hits from the late 1970s and early 1980s. They capture the essence of the yacht rock genre with their impeccable musicianship, attention to detail, and engaging stage presence.

The Fabulous Yachtsmen meticulously recreate the smooth melodies, lush harmonies, and intricate arrangements that make yacht rock so popular. They pay tribute to artists like Christopher Cross, Michael McDon-

ald, Toto, Steely Dan, Hall & Oates, and many others who defined the yacht rock sound. From the silky vocals to the meticulously crafted guitar solos and the tight rhythm section, the band captures the essence of each song.

Tickets for this concert are \$22 and may be purchased on the MyRossmoor portal, by calling 988-7700 or in person at Gateway Administration Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information about this concert, call Brian Pennebaker at 1-925-988-7732. This concert is sponsored by Rossmoor Recreation.



Jared Freiburg on the piano

Jared Freiburg, the Vagabonds play Event Center on July 10

By Brian Pennebaker
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Jared Freiburg and The Vagabonds will perform at the Event Center on Wednesday, July 10, at 7 p.m.

Rock and roll piano virtuoso Freiburg's "Kings of the Keys Tour" is a trio show celebrating the songs of music's most distinctive piano icons, including Ray Charles, Fats Domino,

Billy Joel, Charlie Rich, Nat King Cole, Elton John, Little Richard and Jerry Lee Lewis.

Freiburg toured the world on land and sea performing the role of Lewis for five years in Broadway's Tony Award-winning musical, "Million Dollar Quartet." Since then, he has been traveling the world in his own show celebrating the music and artists of the early rock

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Steve Waddington performs the hits of Neil Diamond with his band Diamond Jubilee.

Neil Diamond tribute band to play Event Center on July 18

By Brian Pennebaker
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Steve Waddington and his band Diamond Jubilee will perform the hit songs of Neil Diamond at the Event Center on Thursday, July 18, at 7 p.m.

Enjoy Diamond classics such as "Solitary Man," "Cherry Cherry," "Song Sung Blue," "Cracklin' Rosie," "I

Am I Said," "Play Me," "Shilo," "Kentucky Woman" and "Sweet Caroline."

Waddington plays the same type and style of acoustic guitar that identifies each of Diamond's songs so well, and he has the quintessential sequined outfits to go along with a voice that captures the original Diamond recordings.

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Bob Roden Quintet to perform Saturday, July 6 at Event Center

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Berkeley-based jazz group The Bob Roden Quintet will perform at the Event Center on Saturday, July 6, at 7 p.m.

The show will feature clas-

sic tunes spanning the great eras of jazz, from Benny Goodman through Frank Sinatra and beyond. Songs will include "The Days of Wine and Roses," "Exactly Like You," "Autumn Leaves" and many more favorites.

Led by trombonist/vocal-

ist Bob Roden, the quintet - which also includes sax, piano, upright bass and drums, is renowned for its engaging performances. Now in its seventh year, the group has twice played featured slots at the Piedmont Jazz Festival, and

this month will make its third appearance at San Francisco's Cadillac Hotel.

Roden is from a family of musicians, and became a full-time professional himself at age 20. After spending a decade touring North America

alongside some of the biggest names in music, he became a successful business attorney, as in-house counsel for both Lucasfilm and Pixar Animation Studios.

This free concert is sponsored by Rossmoor Recreation.