

FFA Update

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Upcoming FFA
Events:

Nov 5th – FFA
Meeting

Nov 9th -
Friends of Ag
Dinner

Nov 13th -
Opening &
Closing
Contest

Dec 5th -
Sonoma
Section Fun
Night

FFA Leadership Conferences

By: Madison Soreng

On September 16th, eight freshmen attended the Greenhand Leadership conference. When asked about what they did, Sammy Strode said, “ We were split up into groups upon arrival, The Dark Nights, Tributes, Wizards, etc. In these groups we learned the three parts of Ag. Education: SAE, FFA and Classroom. We also learned the six benefits of being in FFA (experience, travel, learn-



Greenhands 2013

Ag. Booster Dinner

This year the Tomales Ag. Booster dinner will be on November 9th at Holy Ghost Hall in Petaluma, starting at 6pm. It will celebrate the 85th Anniversary of the FFA, the 80th of the iconic blue and gold jacket, and the 15th of the boosters. To start things off that evening, they will be

ing, competition, personal growth and leadership). We played fun games and learned about what FFA has to offer for us. I had a great time at Greenhand Leadership Conference and would definitely do it again if I had the chance.”

On September 20 - 21st the Tomales FFA Officer Team, Sectional Treasurer Jack Strozzi - Heckler and Advisor Mr. Costanzo, attended the COLC Leadership Conference in Kelseyville, California. While they were there they enjoyed a variety of workshops that were designed to share new ways to interact with the community, chapter members and fellow

officers. They met the California State FFA Officers and the theme for the 85th State Convention was announced. In addition, there was also an exciting lip sync contest and energetic dance afterwards, in which all the chapters participated. The officers learned the value of having self-confidence and taking control of their lives in order to lead and serve others.



Officer Team & Jack Strozzi

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servng a delicious free appetizer of barbequed oysters. Dinner includes a juicy New York Steak, creamy mushroom risotto, fresh salad, roll, 1 drink ticket and a scrumptious dessert. Tickets are only \$35.00 each, or a reserved table for 8 is \$350. After dinner, live, silent and des-

sert auctions will be held. There will be great items to bid on. All proceeds from this event will benefit the THS Ag. Department, as well as the Tomales FFA chapter. If you are interested in coming or have any questions, please contact Bill Costanzo at the THS Ag. Dept. at 707-878-2286.

“We are the Past, Present and Future ... We are Tomales FFA”

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Ag. Jokes

Two rednecks meet on a dusty country road. One of them is carrying a big bag labeled, "chickens."

"Chickens, eh?" says one guy. "Hey, if I guess how many chickens you got, will you give me one?"

"Heck," says the guy with the bag, "if you guess right, I'll give you both of 'em."

What do you call a crate of ducks?
A box of quackers.

Word From the President:

Hello again! The Tomales FFA Chapter is now operating at full speed. We have successfully completed our first “Sweet Addictions” coffee and goodies fundraiser. It was extremely well-received. Thank you to everyone who supported us, the coffee will be coming soon!

The week of September 30th - October 4th was our annual Greenhand Week. During lunch every day, a dedicated group of freshmen would come in and participate in activities that were very fun and rewarding.

Our next major event is the Ag. Booster Dinner. It will be on November 9th, at the Holy Ghost Hall in Petaluma. If you are interested in coming and want to purchase tickets, please contact Mr. Costanzo in the Ag. Department. Seating is limited, so act fast! I hope to see many of you there.

Sincerely,

Holly Soreng

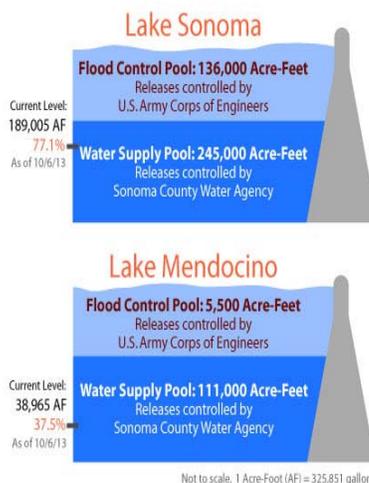


Reservoir Operation Status

By: Alejandra Flores

The Russian River is a managed river system with reservoir releases controlling river flows, especially throughout most of the summer and fall. When tributary stream flows are low, the Water Agency releases water stored in the reservoirs. This supplements the natural flows in the Russian River to provide adequate flows for water supply, recreation and aquatic habitat. A release from a reservoir can be categorized as being of ‘pass-through water’ or ‘stored water’. The term ‘project water’ is often used instead of stored water and is used to describe water that is present because of the dam and reservoir project. Pass-through water is water flowing into the reservoir that is not stored in, but passes through,

the reservoir. Project water releases to supplement the natural flows in the Russian River and Dry Creek are necessary to meet mandatory minimum stream flow requirements that exist for both of these water sources.



Recipe of the Month

By: Summer Cassel

Pumpkin Pancakes:

2 cups flour
2 tbs brown sugar
1 tbs white sugar
2 tsps baking powder
1 tsp baking soda
1/2 tsp salt
1 cup pumpkin puree
1 tsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp ginger
1/2 tsp allspice
1 egg
1 1/2 cups milk
2 tbs vegetable oil
2 tbs lemon juice
2 tsps grated lemon zest



1. Combine all dry ingredients in a large bowl.
2. Combine wet ingredients in bowl
3. Thoroughly mix wet ingredients into dry.
4. Prepare on a griddle and serve hot with butter.