

California Rare Fruit Growers – Central Coast Chapter – Vol. 18 Issue 3 – May/June 2015

Upcoming Events

The next two events are not to be missed so mark your calendars now!!!

May Meeting, Saturday, May 9, 1 p.m.

Location: Home of Central Coast Chapter members Don and Roxy James, 1035 Evy Lane, Arroyo Grande.

Don and Roxy will give a talk on blueberries and lead us on a tour of their orchard. They have over 400 hundred plants consisting of two varieties (Sharp Blue and Misty).



Photo-Joe Sabol

Team J-R will provide snacks. Directions: From the north exit 101 at Oak Park, turn left to get to Oak Park, turn left on Oak Park. Continue on Oak Park for approximately 2 miles. Oak Park turns into Noyes Rd. Turn right on La Teena. Continue to the top of the hill. Turn right at the "T" then left onto Phillips. Turn left on Evy Lane (cul de sac). From the south Take 227 north from the Village towards SLO. Turn left on Phillips (approx. 1.5 miles from the Village) Turn right onto Evy Lane. Please park on the street.

June Meeting, Saturday, June 13, 1 p.m.

Location: Rock Front Ranch. Home of Central Coast Chapter members Barney, Alisha and Ky Taff. Directions: 25.3 miles east of 101/166 junction. Barney and Alisha will talk to us (continued) about growing food in extreme temperatures, unfertile soil, hard water and scientific neglect.

April Chapter Meeting

Our April meeting was held at the Avila Barn. A blueberry plant was auctioned off. The bidding started off slow but with Chapter Co-Chair Les Ferreira acting as auctioneer it soon reached a fever pitch. The fabulous blueberry plant generously donated by Don and Roxy James sold for an incredible \$50.

Farm Manager, Jake Smith gave a wonderful talk on the history of the Avila Barn, then led a tour of one of the orchards.

Help! Help! Help!

Chapter member David Gurney has been working on his own in an attempt to maintain the CRFG orchard at Cal Poly. Anyone interested can meet David at the orchard on Sunday mornings, 8 a.m. till 10 a.m. The orchard is located at the Highland entrance to Cal Poly on the right hand side of the street with ample parking. With the Central Coast Chapter hosting the 2016 Festival of Fruit this is a great opportunity to get a head start on getting OUR orchard ready for visitors to view at this event.