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Get Out for Garage Sale on Saturday, April 24th

You can already feel it in the air. We've done our year of slowing everything down, restricting ourselves in one way or another. But now we are feeling more hopeful, despite the chances for variants to throw us a curve ball.

On Saturday, April 24th join your neighbors and open your garage to sell those items you no longer need. Of course, we ask you do it carefully, and we have an information sheet full of safety advice. See our page at maiduna.com for the link to our handout with Placer County Health and Human Services Department info.

You'll host your own sale in your yard and will gain publicity by being one of many in the neighborhood who participate. We usually have 80 to 100 homes holding a sale at the same time, and that attracts attention among potential shoppers. We will publicize the event through social media, newspapers, and volunteers on street corners handing out sale location maps. We publish the maps with each sale location so shoppers can easily find which households are participating.

Please use the form at the bottom of this page to sign-up for a spot on our map, or to make a donation. If you are a business owner, you may donate an item or service for our raffle among participating homes, and we'll thank you here in the newsletter for that donation. Please remember that to gain a spot on our map, we must receive your form by Wednesday, April 21st. Questions about the Annual Garage Sale? Send us an email at the address on the bottom of the form, or call a board member using a number from the left.

A Discussion of Changes at Maidu Park

It was a clear, relatively mild day in mid-February when neighbors met with City Parks, Recreation and Libraries Department staff to discuss issues and ideas about Maidu Park. Ten people, six neighbors and four staff, with masks on and spread apart, stood in a circle near the old batting cages and talked about the bike ramps (see our December and January issues), the recycling station (see our February issue), and improvements contemplated for the Park in the months and year to come.

We'd like to thank the City Staff for being so responsive to our questions. In this issue we have a story on a bicycle skills course. Next month we will have more.

2021 Garage Sale Registration

Name _____ Telephone # _____

Street Address _____ E-mail _____

_____ \$10 enclosed for the April 24th Garage Sale which supports the Maidu Neighborhood Association events all year.

_____ I do not plan to participate, but I would like to donate \$ _____ to the Maidu Neighborhood Association.

_____ I would like to help with map distribution or filling of balloons the day of the sale.

_____ I would like to donate a raffle prize. Each person or business donating will be acknowledged in this newsletter.

Make your check out to Maidu Neighborhood Association. Send form & check to Mary Steele, Treasurer, 1390 Cloverdale Circle, Roseville, CA 95661, **by Wednesday, April 21st** to get your address listed on the map.

Questions? Send email to [feedback\(at\)maiduna.com](mailto:feedback(at)maiduna.com)

City Parks and Rec Looks for Place for BMX Riding

Due to the discussion regarding the ramps built in Maidu Park by local children, we said the Neighborhood Association would contact the City Parks, Recreation and Libraries department to see if the City could formally provide an outlet for this activity. Board Member Shirley Brown arranged a meeting at Maidu Park to discuss options (see meeting described on the front page).

City staff immediately told us there were two areas they were looking at. One is within Maidu Park, and the other is at Lockridge Park next to Excelsior School on Eureka Road. They ruled out another area, the open space near Champion Oaks and Dry Creek, that Brown had asked them to consider. Because that area is in a flood plain and is designated Open Space, the regulatory changes needed to allow a bicycle motocross (BMX) skills course to be built there would be more challenging than in either Park. Also, there is only on-street parking in the area.

At Maidu Park

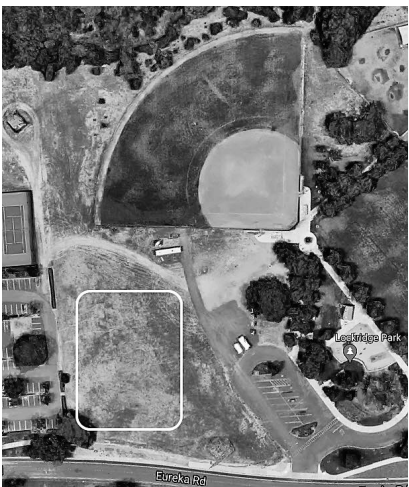
Within Maidu Park, the staff is considering using the space southeast of the soccer fields where the walking trail loops around what is a meadow (see the adjacent photo—the square outlined is the approximate area being considered). This location would have the advantage of being within a few hundred feet of where the children were already going to build their ramps, and there is parking nearby, although it would mean going several hundred feet on the trail to reach it.



Disadvantages to this location mostly have to do with changes to what is there now. There would be some loss of undeveloped open space, there would be additional bicycle traffic along the neighboring trails and, to the extent that hills are built into the course, some views that are open today would be obscured somewhat.

At Lockridge Park

The second location under consideration is at Lockridge Park which is between the tennis courts of the Johnson Ranch Sports Club and the 4-6 grade Excelsior School on Eureka Road near the intersection with Roseville Parkway. The area (shown in the photo to the left where the square is drawn) has the advantage of being undeveloped, and there is parking immediately adjacent to it.



However, the site is about one and a half miles from Maidu Elementary School, and bike riders coming from our neighborhood would need to cross both Roseville Parkway and Eureka Road, both busy thoroughfares, to get to it. It also sits directly under high tension lines which could limit how high any hills for the course could be built. The City would have to get clearance from the Western Power Authority to build there.

In either case, the changes to a park would require revising the park's master plan and would go before the City's Parks and Recreation Commission for approval. There would also be a period of public outreach (3 to 6 months) to get feedback from the community on either location. All of this would be before any construction could begin. Still, it is hopeful that there are options that are being considered.

Our next meeting, online via Zoom, will be on Tuesday, March 23rd at 7 p.m.. Go to our web site on the day of the meeting to get the link.

Search for **Maidu N.A.** on Facebook and "like" us. Feedback or Questions? Email us at [feedback\(at\)maiduna.com](mailto:feedback(at)maiduna.com)

Our web site is maiduna.com

Getting a Vaccine locally

By Scott Reid

If you know someone older, or who is a healthcare worker, you may already know how some of the local COVID-19 vaccination programs are running. If not, here's a rundown on what some neighbors have experienced. All three of us qualified for our age (65 or older).

At The Grounds

First a personal recommendation if you are going to use the Placer County site: I learned of local vaccine slots open by texting "PLACERVACCINE" to 898211. This resulted in getting a text once or twice a week providing updates on supply shortages such as when the deep freeze in Texas happened, or open slots offered by the County at the old County Fairgrounds in Roseville, now called The Grounds. Once you hear there are openings, you go to an online form and fill in your identification information and the reason you qualify.

On the day of my appointment, I went to The Grounds near the Roseville Police Department and found ample parking. Signage all throughout the area allowed me to easily find my way to the right building. I had to show my photo ID with birthdate to confirm I was qualified. I was then routed into the building to wait for one of the dozen stations giving shots to open up. Only one person was ahead of me in line.

At the station itself, one volunteer handled the paperwork, and the other administered the shot in my upper arm and gave me a rundown of typical side effects. Then, I went to a waiting area in the other half of the building with chairs set at least six feet apart. A big clock up front helped to track the 15-minute "observation" period where the staff watches for someone with an immediate anaphylactic reaction. Once you know your time is up, you get up and leave.

The whole process was quick, just under a half-hour from when I left my car until I returned to it. Another neighbor who went to the same facility reported the same timing. He added, "I would not hesitate to recommend using the County. The staff was very professional and well organized, including suggesting we take a picture of our CDC Vaccination Card to have it in our cell phone (it's a little too big for a wallet)."

Through Kaiser

Another neighbor used Kaiser Permanente earlier in January. At that point she got it at their Riverside Drive facility. Since then they've moved to Sierra College where they have the room to vaccinate many more people per day. Kaiser notifies their members when they qualify when they know, for example, your age. This neighbor had to wait 90 minutes on the phone to schedule her initial appointment, but they scheduled her second one when they gave her the first dose. She was impressed with the speed and care that was taken during her visits.

Neither neighbor had a reaction to the first Pfizer vaccines they received. One of them had mild gastric distress after their second dose, but allowed it could have been something they ate. I had a mild tiredness and a headache the day after I received my Moderna dose, both known potential side effects, and some soreness in my upper arm at the injection site. I've not had my second dose.

There are more places to get a vaccine including through your health plan, at a Safeway, CVS, Remedy Rx, Walgreens or Rite Aid. Links to all of them are at <https://www.placer.ca.gov/vaccineclinics>, or use the QR code in the box below to find a link the site.

Our Events—Our Association has developed a tradition of having the following events. We set the dates for each one as the time approaches to match the availability of the people who will help put them on, but they usually don't vary by more than a few weeks from year to year.

- April 24th—*Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale.*
- June 19th—*Meet at the Park (being planned).*
- October—*Park Clean-up.*
- December—*Neighborhood Santa*

For more Information

Go to mna.rcona.com/2021-links. Or scan this QR code with a suitable app. There are links there to our related sites including our Facebook page. Sometimes there are story updates as well.

