

MSOTFA NEWSLETTER

2023 Montana State Contest Results | 2024 Montana Fiddle Camp

Upcoming Fiddle Contests & Events | Workshops | Jams

Membership Renewal

Ensure your membership is up to date. Renew online [here](#).

2024 Fiddle Contests

Winter Fair Fiddle and Picking Contest

Lewistown, MT - January 27

[Event Details](#)

41st Dillon Junior Fiddlers Contest & Variety Show

Dillon, MT - February 17 & 18

[Event Details](#)

Glacier Fiddle Festival

Kalispell, MT - April 5-6

[Event Details](#)

Northwest Regional Fiddle Contest

Spokane, WA - April 20-21

[Event Details](#)

Weiser National Fiddle Contest

Weiser, ID - June 17-22

[Event Details](#)

Montana State Fiddle Contest

Bozeman, MT - August 23-25

[Event Details](#)

2024 Fiddle Events

Pony Workshop: TBA

Fiddler's Picnic

Livingston, MT

August 2-4



A Message From The President

Dear MSOTFA Members,

Happy new year! As we step into 2024, I am excited about the year ahead filled with fiddle tunes and community spirit. I'm happy to report that we had improved attendance at our fall general meeting with some enthusiastic conversation & ideas about the upcoming year.

Get ready for some fantastic events coming your way in 2024, including Montana Fiddle Camp, the Montana State Fiddle Contest, workshops to be held around the state, and various other fiddle contests & events that celebrate our passion of fiddling & old-time music. Looking forward to a harmonious year ahead!

Fiddle on!
Kelly Buckley

2023 Montana State Contest Results



Championship Division Top 5 (right to left):
1st (and certified to Weiser): Nancy Padilla
2nd: Isaac Callender
3rd: Kelly Buckley
4th: Steve Stafford
5th: Jeanette Purcell



Senior Division Top 5 (right to left):
1st (and certified to Weiser): Fred Buckley
2nd: John Cochrane
3rd: Alida Wright
4th: Sandy James
5th: Marvin Steinway



Adult Division Top 5 (right to left):
1st (and certified to Weiser): Lydia Conway
2nd: Libby Rogers
3rd: Cadhla Norris
4th: Jenny Korenke-Stanger
5th: Mary Murphy



Junior Division Top 5 (left to right):
1st: McKenna Jensen
2nd (and certified to Weiser): Jasmine Salix
3rd: Savannah Stafford
4th: August Witham
5th: Stella Witham



Junior Junior Division Top 5 (right to left):
1st: Roslyn McCarver
2nd (and certified to Weiser): Jacey Smith
3rd: Odessa Coyle
4th: Haddon Witham
5th: Braelynn Baldwin



PeeWee Division Top 5 (right to left):
1st (and certified to Weiser): Abby Buckley
2nd: Maggie Buckley
3rd: Hartford Coyle
4th: Elsie Watson
5th: Mia Bieler

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Adult Picking Division Top 5 (right to left...kind of...not really):

- 1st: Taylor Buckley (second from right)
- 2nd: Chad Fadely (far right)
- 3rd: Joe Rockafellow (second from left)
- 4th: Isaac Callender (center)
- 5th: Fred Buckley (far left)



Youth Picking Division Top 5 (right to left):

- 1st: Isaac Stafford
- 2nd: Hartford Coyle
- 3rd: Sierra Stafford
- 4th: Abby Buckley
- 5th: Maggie Buckley (in the 'stache!)



2023 Twin Fiddle Division winners, Louise Steinway and Isaac Callender (certified to Weiser)



2023 Gambler's Division winner, Taylor Buckley



2023 Entertainment Division winner, Sandy James

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Our 2023 Dance Fiddle Division winner, Isaac Callender



2023 Oldest and Youngest Fiddlers:
Marvin Steinway, 83 years young (left)
Wilhemina Bieler, 5 years old (right)

Our 2023 trophies were fiddle quilts made by Diane Anderson, Penny Callender, Angie Norris, Teri Keith & Debby Carlson. Special thanks to all of them!

Junior-Junior and Peewee winners got wagons made by the late Orville Grasdock.

2024 Free Workshops

Look forward to free workshops in Kalispell, Missoula, Ennis, Dillon, Helena, Great Falls, and Bozeman. Dates & details to be announced soon!

Montana Fiddle Camp

Montana Fiddle Camp:

June 2-7 & June 9-14

Online registration opens January 29 at 6am

[Event Info](#) & [Registration](#)

Stompin' the West:

May 23-27

Online registration date: January 15 at 6am

[Event Info](#) & [Registration](#)



Are you in the Bozeman Area?

Join us for a jam!

2nd and 4th Wednesday at the story mansion at 7pm

Mondays at 7pm at Lockhorn Cider House.

