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Meeting Agenda Visit Fort Bragg

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

3:30 PM

Town Hall 363 N Main St.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1A. 25-337 Approve Minutes of Visit Fort Bragg Committee July 8, 2025

Attachments: VFB Minutes 07.08.2025

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

3A. <u>25-333</u> Receive Update from Idea Cooperative

Attachments: VFB Update Idea Cooperative 07.08

3B. 25-335 Receive Update from Visit Mendocino

Attachments: Visit Mendocino Update 8.12.2025

3C. 25-336 Receive Oral Update From VFB Special Events Subcommittee

4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

ADJOURNMENT

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COUNTY OF MENDOCINO)

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am employed by the City of Fort Bragg and that I caused this agenda to be posted in the City Hall notice case on August 7, 2025.

Stephanie Remington Administrative Assistant

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chair Albin-Smith called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present- Tess Albin-Smith, Lindy Peters, Debra De Graw, Roxanne Perkins, Cory Epperson, Jon Glidewell, Stathi Pappas, and Alison DeGrassi (arrived at 3:32 PM).

Absent- Barbara Bruce.

City Staff: Administrative Analyst Cristal Munoz, City Clerk Diana Paoli, and Administrative Assistant Stephanie Remington.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1A. 25-287 Approve Minutes of Visit Fort Bragg Committee June 10, 2025

The minutes were approved by the committee as presented.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comment was made by Ron White.

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

3A. <u>25-283</u> Receive Update from Idea Cooperative

Tom Kavanaugh presented an update on behalf of Idea Cooperative. He relayed upcoming events from September through the fall of 2026. TikTok and Social Media influencers will be discussed in further detail at the Subcommittee meeting to be held on Thursday July 10, 2025. Idea Cooperative's next newsletter will be published in about 2 weeks after the organization travels to the area for scouting purposes. They plan to begin plugs for lodging as Art in the Garden gets closer.

Public Comment: Jamie Peters-Connolly, Ron White.

<u>Discussion:</u> Discussion involved adding drone footage as a category in the Photo Contest (no fly zones, permits, and surface level environmental impact). The winning prize for the Photo Contest as well as voting possibilities were discussed.

3B. <u>25-284</u> Receive Update from Visit Mendocino

Jamie Peters-Connolly gave the presentation on behalf of Visit Mendocino and discussed

promotional materials for Fort Bragg and surrounding area. Emails and paid ads for the City of Fort Bragg and its events were also discussed; no paid ads are running at this time, but emails are being sent out regularly. Ads for WineSong are currently running.

Public Comment: None.

<u>Discussion:</u> Banners featuring both WineSong and Art in the Garden to be hung on Town Hall were discussed.

3C. 25-285 Receive Oral Update From VFB Special Events Subcommittee

Administrative Analyst Cristal Munoz opened her oral update to the committee to discuss their concerns and ideas for future events. A soft launch of Galaxy Digital's new volunteer website for the City of Fort Bragg was featured: volunteer.fortbraggca.gov.

Public Comment: Jay Rosenquist.

<u>Discussion:</u> Discussion was had on leaving QR codes up at Town Hall year round referencing future events and promoting lodging and tourism to an international demographic with a focus on the fall season. A reminder was given that public comment should be addressed at subcommittee meetings; the next to be held on Thursday July 10, 2025.

4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

Albin-Smith discussed the positives and negatives of the Fourth of July Craft Fair. The possibility of creating signage or pass along cards with a message not feed ravens was introduced. Public Comment: None.

Discussion: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Albin-Smith adjourned the meeting at 4:30 PM



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Receive Update from Idea Cooperative



Marketing Campaign Monthly Update

July 8, 2025



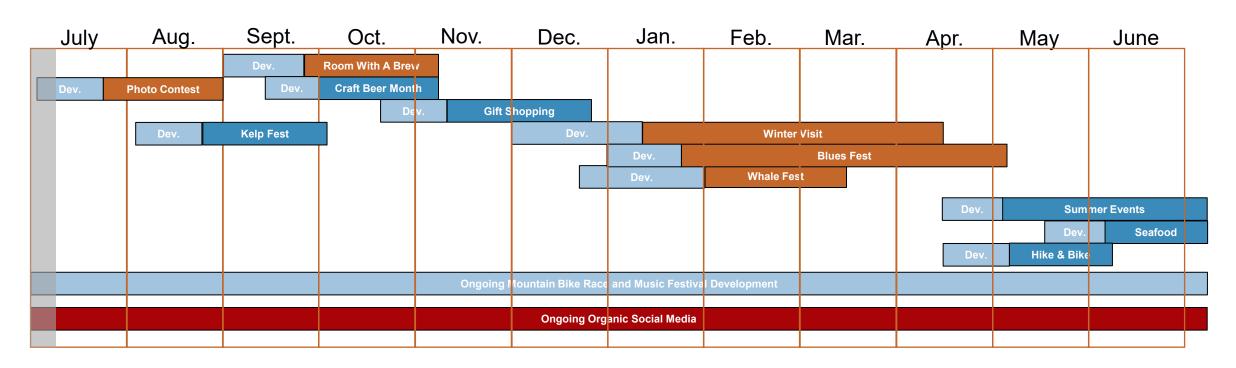






Preliminary Promotional Calendar

2025 > 2026



Major Promotion

- Hotel Involvement
- Landing Page
- Paid Media
- Organic Social
- Newsletter
- Conversion CTA

Minor Promotion

Campaign Development

- Landing Page
- Organic Social
- Newsletter





VisitFortBraggCa.com

MONTHLY SITE TRAFFIC

Google Analytics

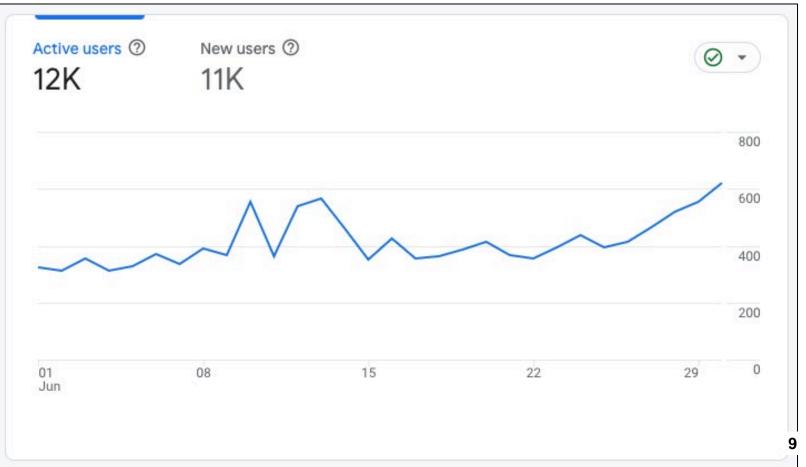
- April 2025 7.6 K
- May 2025 9.6 K

✓		Total	27,916 100% of total
<u>~</u>	1	1	3,056 (10.95%)
✓	2	/fort-bragg-independence-day- fireworks/	2,361 (8.46%)
<u>~</u>	3	/events/	2,161 (7.74%)
✓	4	/glass-beach/	1,301 (4.66%)
<u>~</u>	5	/plan-your-trip/stay/hotels/	943 (3.38%)
	6	/plan-your-trip/stay/camping/	820 (2.94%)
	7	/the-worlds-largest-salmon-bbq/	814 (2.92%)
	8	/about-fort-bragg/	701 (2.51%)
	9	/plan-your-trip/play/coastal-activities/	622 (2.23%)
	10	/plan-your-trip/play/shopping/	556 (1.99%)

June:

- 2023 9.3K
- 2024 10K

June 2025





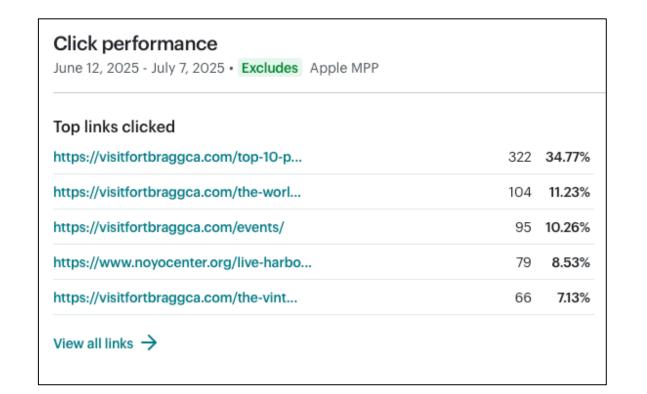


Newsletter

APRIL EMAIL

- 8066 Sends (+194)
- 1,994 Total Opens (+612)
- 13% Open Rate
- 926 Total Clicks (+272)
- 5.7% Click Rate (+.6%)
- 37.6 Clicks Per Open (+6.1%)

Recent growth New contacts added to this audience in the last 30 days.				
94 New Contacts From June 3, 2025 to July 3, 2025	94 Subscribed	O Non- Subscribed		





shops and sellers are come together on this day at Larry Spring Commons on Redwood Avenue to create a full vintage marketplace. Featuring over 25 collections, this is a must for vintage lovers.

LEARN MORE

Ongoing Festivities

Weekly Wednesday Farmer's Markets continue throughout the year, as do Downtown First Friday celebrations.

EXPLORE



Share the love of Fort Bragg and the incredible North Coast. Click below to forward this email so they can see how much is happening in and around Fort Bragg.

Forward To A Friend



See Where the Seafood Comes In

The Noyo Center For Marine Science Field Station Live Stream offers a continuous view of the harbor. Click for an online reminder of Fort Bragg's working harbor on the Noyo River.

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Fort Bragg is nothing less than a seafood lover's paradise. You can eat your way from one end of town to the other, noshing on everything from fish and chips to fancily prepared black cod (always fresh and local!) We've put together a <u>Top Ten List for the Seafood Lover</u>, including local tips, so you won't miss a spot on your next visit to Fort Bragg.

LEARN MORE



Summertime fun continues! Pack your bags for a summer season packed with events in Fort Bragg. It's a summer filled with unique events you'll only find in Fort Bragg.

- The <u>Vintage Hoopla</u> is coming up at the end of this month (More info below.)
- Fireworks for Independence Day
- The World's Largest Salmon Barbecue
- Art in the Gardens at Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens
- Paul Bunyan Days

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR



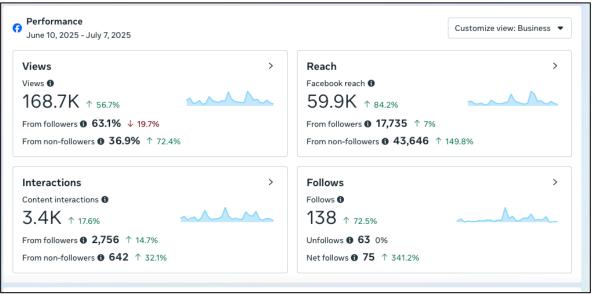
Plan your stay early!

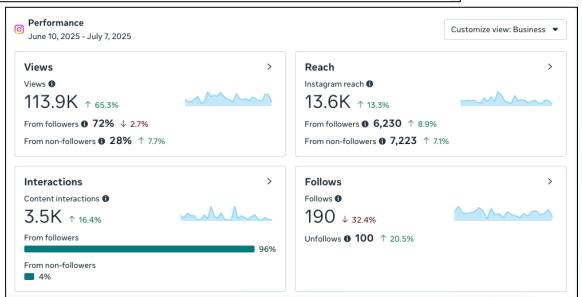
Summer is Fort Bragg's busiest season. Book your accommodations now for the best selection of hotels, ocean front inns, and campsites.

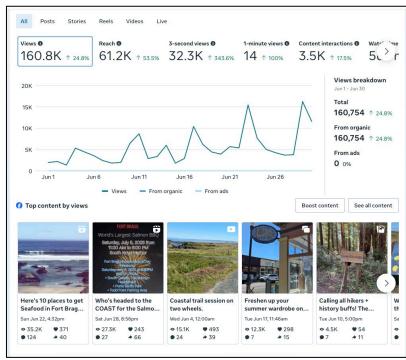


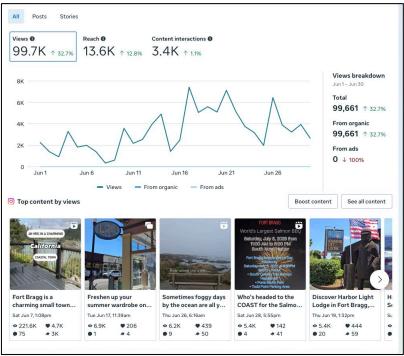


June Social













Miscellaneous

2026 > 26 Promotion Calendar:

- Return of Photo Contest
- Kelp Fest
- · Finalizing This Month

Listicles:

- Seafood
- Next?

Bike Race Groundwork:

- Southern Route Landowners Outreach
- Scouting July 14

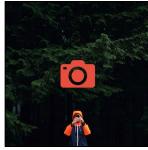
Summer Events:

• Open Studios, Art In Garden, Headlands Race, Paul Bunyan, Winesong!, Noyo Harbor Fest, Kelp Fest













FORT BRAGG



Top 10 Places for the Seafood Lover

Nestled on California's breathtaking Mendocino Coast, Fort Bragg is a seafood lover's paradise, offering a varie the region's fireth catches and a side of coastal charm. Every spot provides a unique dining experience that reflect Whether you's escking fireth catches, secinic waterfront dining, or unique cultinary twists, these top restaurants as



5. Noyo Fish Company

Castul and inviting, this harbor-side entery is known for its delicious fish & chips and creamy clam chowder. Located directly over the water, you might get lucky and see a family of resident river otters.

Local Tipe A great spot to watch fishing boats coming in with fresh catches

This family-owned gem blends Latin flavors with fresh scafood - a staple of Fort Bragg food culture, and a favorite of the locals (which says volumes!)

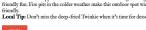
Local Tipe Follow them on Instagram to get their weekly taco Tuesday



6. CASA DEL SOL

1. SEA PAL COVE

Located right on the wharf, this casual gem serves up crispy fish & chips stunning harbor views. Enjoy your meal outdoors as fishing boats glide b seals bark from the opposite bank. Perfect for outdoor dining and dogfriendly fun. Fire pits in the colder weather make this outdoor spot win





Princess

2. Princess Seafood & Deli

A seafood lover's dream, Princess offers sustainably caught fish from loc A scaroot lover's areain, trinces orters sistenainy caught his from not waters by an all-female crew. Fresh seafood offerings include anything a everything that is catchable on the North Coast, along with specialty ite like smoked fish and seafood salads. Princess has two locations: the seafo market and deli near the entry to the wharf and their restaurant which si the farthest point along the wharf. At the restaurant you will find superly tacos made with locally caught cod among the fresh fish fare. Dishes at healthy, crisp and fresh, severed with a delicious limey slaw for crispy b Local Tip: Nothing is ever fried here, so don't ask!



8. Off the Hook Sushi or Taka's

Fort Bragg has two places to satisfy your sushi cravings with premium sushi grade fish and creative rolls in a hid-back atmosphere.

Local Tip: The udon noodle soups and ramens are just the thing on a cool

A Fort Beagg staple since the 1910s, this classic eatery offers traditional scafood dishes paired with panoramic views of Noyo Harbor.

Local Tipe Eat your meal at the bar for some local color and conversation





3. MAYAN FUSION

4. Noyo River Grill

Experience the vibrant flavors of Mexico with a seafood twist. Dishes like seafood enchiladas and ceviche make this flavorful stop a memorable experience. Executive Chef Silver Canul has Yucatan roots and is French trained. The result is a menu of unique dishes you'll crave forever. Local Tip: Most definitely order one of the specialty margaritas

Set along the Noyo River, this serene spot run by the Guillermo Broth features fresh seafood delights like coconut prawns and ahi tartar, serv a side of spectacular views. Watch boats come and go from the wall of wi Local Tip: There's an excellent full bar spanning one end of the r





9. KW Saltwater Grill

Upscale fresh local seafood with a welcoming atmosphere, KW Saltwater elevates Fort Braggs's seafood scene with a refined menu and cozy ambiane Perfect for a special night out on the North Coast.

Local Tipe The black o





10. CATCH IT YOURSELF!

Head out to sea in one of Noyo Harbor's many fishing charter boats and bring home the catch of the day yourself to cook at home. Anchor Charter, Hooked on Mendo, and All Aboard Adventures are all great choices!



LOCAL TIPS:

Explore all the coastal charm, fresh flavors, and unforgettable dining experiences has to offer.







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Receive Update from Visit Mendocino



August 2025 VFB Meeting

VMC Ads via Facebook and Instagram (Combined)

Winesong - ongoing 165,865 reach 6,294 clicks 347,013 impressions \$0.34 cpc

MailChimp eBlasts

Summer Fun / August Events (sent 7/9)

- ~Included Art in the Gardens
- ~Included link to lodging
- ~Included link to all events on VM.com

39,192 delivered

Open Rate of more than 8.7% for Total Opens 4,952

Winesong (sent 7/23)

~Included Link to Lodging

39,521 delivered

Open Rate of approximately 7.8% for Total Opens of 4,439

Splendid Summer Events (sent 7/30)

- ~Included Art in the Gardens
- ~Included Paul Bunyan Days
- ~Included Winesong
- ~Included Noyo Harbor Fest
- ~Included Deals & Specials link
- ~Included link to lodging

39,344 Delivered

Open Rate of approximately 10.4% for Total Opens of 6,285

AiG was the third most clicked link



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Receive Oral Update From VFB Special Events Subcommittee