



News Release

For Immediate Release

Feb. 25, 2016

Contact: Shelly Cone (805) 757-7772, PR@SantaMariaFairPark.com

Creedence Clearwater Revisited brings American rock to the Santa Barbara County Fair

SANTA MARIA – Playing American rock songs that are touchstones for a generation and that remain staples of radio play and movie soundtracks, Creedence Clearwater Revisited will hit the stage at the Santa Barbara County Fair this summer bringing back old favorites and gaining a few new fans along the way. The concert takes place at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 16 on the KCOY Main Stage as part of the Bud Light Concert Series.

“Their music is iconic, especially for the generation that grew up in the 1960s and 1970s, but now it’s also resonating with a whole new generation. It’s going to be a fun night when Creedence Clearwater Revisited performs at the fair,” said Santa Maria Fairpark CEO Richard Persons.

Stu Cook and Doug “Cosmo” Clifford formed Creedence Clearwater Revisited in 1995. Originally, the duo, which made up the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame rhythm section of the legendary group Creedence Clearwater Revival (CCR), formed the band to perform CCR hits at private parties. Now they perform up to 100 shows a year and released the album “Recollection,” which was RIAA certified platinum.

“In the beginning Cosmo and I decided that if we could find the musicians that could capture the sound and recreate what the music was about, we’d do it,” recalled Cook.

They did. Cook and Clifford rounded out Creedence Clearwater Revisited with lead singer/rhythm guitar player John Tristao, formerly lead singer for the band People; multi-talented

instrumentalist Steve Gunner; and lead guitarist Kurt Griffey, who has recorded and toured with musicians including members of the Eagles, Foreigner, the Moody Blues, Wings, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Santana and Journey.

According to a *Hollywood Reporter* review of one of their concerts, “Their set was an amazing list of hit after hit that was done serious justice by the players involved. If anyone in the cheering crowd was disappointed [anyone] wasn’t there, they hid it well behind their big smiles and whoops of joy at hearing live some of the best American rock ever written and recorded.”

Creedence Clearwater Revisted’s performance at the Santa Barbara County Fair is free with admission. The fair takes place July 13-17 at the Santa Maria Fairpark. Entrance is still only \$10 for regular admission.

For more information, visit www.santamariafairpark.com or Like us on [Facebook](#).

About the Santa Maria Fairpark

The Santa Maria Fairpark serves as the hub for major events and community activities on California’s Central Coast. The state-owned facility hosts the annual Santa Maria Valley Strawberry Festival, which attracts more than 60,000 people and is home to its headlining event the Santa Barbara County Fair, which is attended by more than 140,000 people.