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Subject: Excessive noise from the fairgrounds Sunday events

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I am writing about the excessive noise on the east side of Petaluma from the Sunday events at the fairgrounds that began last April. These events tend to run from one or two o'clock in the afternoon until 9:00 at night and can be clearly heard all over town. It sounds like someone is parked in front of my house, screaming and blasting music (with LOTS of drums) over their cranked up stereo for several hours. If that was the case, I could ask them to turn down the sound or move their car. If only I could do this with the fairgrounds.

Pleas for relief to the CEO have fallen on deaf ears. Apparently, they do not care about being good neighbors to the community. When you add in the noise from the Saturday night races, this noise pollution essentially runs for the entire weekend. I am sitting inside my house on a beautiful Sunday afternoon, with the doors and windows closed. I can still hear it clearly.

I understand that the sound levels have been measured, and fall within the city's noise ordinance limits. I have been in my home since 1989. We are over a mile from the fairgrounds, and, with the exception of the Speedway, have never been bothered by noise from any other concerts or events being held at the fairgrounds. The problem is limited to the Sunday events. The fairgrounds management needs to take action to keep the sound from traveling all over Petaluma or end these events. Surely, we are entitled to one weekend day of peace and quiet.

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