



# Inter Tribal Sports: The Rattle

## 2019 MAY EDITION

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 10**

Softball Team Registration &  
Uniform Order Due @ 12pm

**May 12**

Mother's Day

**May 16**

Outreach Challenge: Soboba

**May 18**

Flag Football Championship Day  
@ Barona

**May 27**

Memorial Day Office Closed

**June 1**

Softball Camp

**June 7**

ITS 10th Annual  
Golf Tournament Fundraiser

**June 15**

Softball Opening Day  
C & D - League

**June 15**

San Pasqual Peon and  
Bird Singers Gathering

**June 16**

Father's Day

**June 22**

Cahuilla Earth Day and Gathering

**June 29**

Sycuans 13th Annual  
Ipai-Tipai Mataayum

**July 4**

Independence Day Office Closed

**July 4 - July 8**

Unity Conference  
in Orlando, Florida

**July 20**

Campo 24th Annual  
Star Gathering

**July 27**

Mesa Grande Cultural Gathering

**July 28**

Softball Championships

## FLAG FOOTBALL OPENING DAY



ITS Flag Football Opening Day was on Saturday, April 6th on the Barona reservation. Youth from all over were all eager to get their season started and score some touch downs. ITS also had the Rez Dogg Refreshments booth with an assortment of delicious fruits, nuts and beef jerky, along with our Strawberry Blackberry infused water.

During the half-time break for all of our football teams, our DreamCatchers Cheerleaders performed an amazing cheer and showed all of the amazing moves they have been working on.

We would like to thank The Barona Band of Mission Indians for hosting, our coaches, our youth, parents and volunteers that were present. Everyone helped contribute to a fun-filled day!

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## COMMUNITY OUTREACH: SAN PASQUAL EARTH DAY



On Saturday, April 6th, ITS went to San Pasqual for their Unite The Tribe: Earth Day Concert. We set up a booth with our activities wheel and Rez Dogg Refreshments. The Rez Dogg Refreshments consisted of an assortment of delicious fruits and nuts, along with our strawberry blackberry infused water. Throughout the day, we ran workshops on how to play Shinny. These workshops allowed kids and parents to learn the traditional ways of the game while having tons of fun!

# COMMUNITY EVENT: CHAIR VOLLEYBALL



On April 16th, the ITS team helped the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians with their 3rd Annual Chair Volleyball Tournament. The day consisted of the ITS team helping officiate the intense games that were played between tribal teams from all over the country.

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## OUTREACH CHALLENGE: SYUCAN



Sycuan decided to accept our challenge to a flag football match, which we agreed to with much excitement. The ITS program staff then headed out to Sycuan on Thursday, April 18th to face off against their team. The game was highly competitive. Ultimately, the ITS team prevailed with a victory and received their fifth ITS Outreach Challenge win. This challenge is made possible by the Nike N7 Fund ( [N7](#) ).

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## FLAG FOOTBALL AND CHEER PICTURE DAY



Our Flag Football and Cheer Picture Day was on May 4th at the San Pasqual Reservation. The day ran from 10:00am - 3:00pm with all of the athletes showing great effort and sportsmanship which resulted in everyone having a great time. Halfway through the day, our DreamCatchers Cheerleaders stole the show by providing the community with an amazing performance and routine. We would like to thank The San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians for hosting this event!

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## OUTREACH CHALLENGE: SAN PASQUAL



San Pasqual decided to accept our challenge to a flag football match, which we agreed to with much excitement. The ITS program staff then headed out to San Pasqual on Thursday, May 2nd to face off against their team. The game was highly competitive. Ultimately, the ITS team prevailed with a victory and received their six ITS Outreach Challenge win. The ITS team is currently undefeated against all tribes who have participated in this challenge. This challenge is made possible by the Nike N7 Fund ( [N7](#) ).



# COMMUNITY OUTREACH: SANTA ROSA EARTH DAY



On May 4th, ITS went to the Santa Rosa Earth Day event. The Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians provided lunch and activities for all ages. ITS had a booth with our activities wheel and Rez Dogg Refreshments. The Rez Dogg Refreshments consisted of lemon infused water. We would like to thank The Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians for the opportunity to participate in this event. We look forward to participating in this event next year!

## ANNOUNCEMENT

### ITS SPOTLIGHT: VERONICA RUIZ VIEJAS BOARD MEMBER



We would like to welcome our new ITS board member from Viejas, Veronica Ruiz. She is in her first year working as a Supervisor for the Viejas Recreation Center. When asked what it means to be an ITS board member, Veronica expresses how she feels excited to be on a team that works together to empower Native youth through sports development. Veronica states, "I will try my best to represent the tribe I work for and offer my strengths wherever needed." Veronica is passionate about what she does and loves the opportunity to build a strong relationship with other tribes that surround Viejas.

Veronica has been able to accomplish a lot things in just a short time working for Viejas, but so far she has enjoyed "learning about the different programs and culture of the tribe and organization" the

most. Her most memorable moment so far for her is, "working with ITS and trying my best to learn the different sports (basketball and football) so I can teach our Viejas youth. Driving to all of the different reservations and making new connections has been real fun and supportive in my new role."

Veronica is a very talented individual with many goals and aspirations. When asked what she looks forward to accomplishing the most in her time at Viejas and with ITS she states, "I look forward to building our team at Viejas. We have many open positions and I'm eager to hire so we can have the staffing to revamp our programs and really deliver quality youth centered programs. When it comes to ITS, I look forward to learning more about this great organization that offers our tribal youth opportunities to grow and develop skills in sports that can transfer to skills in life."

ITS is excited and fortunate to have Veronica join the ITS team and we look forward to seeing the huge impact she sets out to make!



INTER TRIBAL SPORTS INTRODUCES

# CROSS COUNTRY

COMING IN FALL 2019

STARTING EVENT: AUGUST 24  
OPENING DAY: SEPTEMBER 14  
WEEK 2: SEPTEMBER 28  
WEEK 3: OCTOBER 12  
CHAMPIONSHIPS: OCTOBER 26

QUESTIONS: [INFO@INTERTRIBALSPO RTS.ORG](mailto:info@intertribalsports.org) | (951) 719 - 3444

ITS would like to announce and share that we have added a new sport into our program. Cross Country will be an official sport that will be offered to the ITS service area next fall in 2019! Our youth will now have the opportunity to participate in a great sport that offers many unique benefits that are different from our other sports. Cross Country will be the first ITS sport that features individual competition. All our participating tribes and organizations are encouraged to sign up their youth as there is no required number of athletes needed to join. For those coaches or volunteers that need a little extra help on how to coach and train your youth on cross country, please contact the ITS office. We are in the process of developing an outstanding coaches development program for this sport and we are excited to launch it next fall!

Make sure to check out ITS social media and our Rattle for more news and updates about cross country. We look forward to offering this new sport next fall!

## TRIBAL SPONSORSHIP

Tribes, independent businesses, corporations, and individuals are invited to become sponsors of ITS! Your generous support directly benefits youth by allowing Inter Tribal Sports to continue to offer outstanding athletics and enrichment programs. For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact the ITS office. To become a sponsor, please complete and submit the following sponsorship agreement below to the ITS office.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### OUTREACH CHALLENGE

ITS is challenging all tribes to any ITS sport for an ITS Staff vs Youth game. The prize is a pizza party for everyone who accepts the challenge and wins!

Soboba is the latest tribe to accept the ITS Outreach Challenge. The flag football match between our undefeated ITS team and their youth will take place on May 16th.



# 2019 FLAG FOOTBALL SEASON



March 8th: Team Registration & Uniform Order Due @ 12pm

March 30th: Camp @ San Pasqual

April 6th: Flag Football Opening Day @ Barona

Games are on Saturday

**NO GAMES ON APRIL 13**

May 4th: Picture Day @ Picture Day

May 18th: Flag Football Championship Day (A,B,C-League) @ Barona

-Please don't forget to register your players online at our website: [www.intertribalsports.org](http://www.intertribalsports.org)

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# 2019 SOFTBALL SEASON



May 10th: Team Registration & Uniform Order Due @ 12pm June 1st: Camp @ TBD

June 15th: Softball Opening Day @ TBD

Games are on Every Tuesday and Thursday

**No Games on July 4th & July 25th**

July 28th: Softball Championship Day (A,B,C-League) @ TBD

-Please don't forget to register your players online at our website: [www.intertribalsports.org](http://www.intertribalsports.org)



# 10th ANNUAL ITS GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER:

WE INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR



10th Annual  
ITS Golf Tournament Fundraiser  
at  
Morongo Golf at Tukwet Canyon

FRIDAY JUNE 7TH 2019  
36211 Champions Dr,  
Beaumont, CA 92223

To register or view our sponsorships  
please visit our website  
[www.birdeasepro.com/intertribalsports/](http://www.birdeasepro.com/intertribalsports/)



ITS would like to invite everyone to the 10th Annual ITS Golf Tournament Fundraiser. Participants will experience a great day of fun, food, drinks, and relaxation at the Morongo Golf Club at Tukwet Canyon nestled between the natural beauty of Beaumont's breathtaking mountain view. Your involvement, support, and generous donations will help benefit our native youth in southern California as 100% of the proceeds go back into the ITS youth programs! ITS would like to give a BIG thank you to The Morongo Band of Mission Indians for hosting this special event!