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a note from the club President

On the weekend of July 14-16, Camille and I had the privilege of representing our club at the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC) Summer Workshop in Concord, North Carolina. The ACSC summer workshops are weekend events that are very much like other weekend events that many shag clubs put on during the year, except this event has mandatory attendance for all ACSC member clubs. As with all ACSC events, there are many opportunities to network with other club's officers to see how they operate. Camille and I took this time to meet club officers and representatives from all over the southeastern United States and, in particular, the Hampton Roads area and northeastern North Carolina. There was a four hour ACSC meeting on Saturday morning with presentations about various topics pertaining to the ACSC and its member clubs. The main topic of this workshop was music and deejays. The featured speaker was Dennis Brumble, President of the Association of Beach and Shag Club Deejays (ABSCDJ). Dennis talked about the requirements to become a member of the ABSCDJ, the benefits of being a member, the cost to be a member, the membership meetings, and the DJ Throwdown event held every year in North Myrtle Beach. The ABSCDJ was first organized in Chapel Hill, North Carolina in 1984 and now has approximately 250 active members. I am proud to say that seven people in our club are ABSCDJ members. One statement Dennis made that stuck with me was that the organization recommends that ACSC member clubs consider hiring ABSCDJ members to play at their events, but will never tell the clubs who they must hire or how much to pay for their services. As we all know, music is the reason we want to get on the floor and dance. The better the music, the more we want to dance. The ABSCDJ organization strives to have their deejay members exhibit a high level of professionalism in both the presentation of music and personal demeanor while playing. Among the directors and officers of the ABSCDJ are the Councils of States, and our very own Larry Black represents Virginia in that position.

The reason I mention all of this about the ABSCDJ is that we, the Colonial Shag Club, are extremely fortunate to have five regular deejays who are members of the organization, two substitute deejays who are members of the organization, and three substitute deejays who are not members, but could one day quite possibly be an ABSCDJ member. Please keep all of this in mind when you're on the dance floor enjoying what we all come to Saturday night socials to do. That's to dance to great music and socialize with great friends. I don't know how it could get any better.

The ABSCDJ lost one of its longtime members on February 7 this year when Rodney Still passed away. Rodney's wife, Helen Still, was Chairwoman of SOS and resigned from the board to take care of and be with Rodney. For those of you who never had the opportunity of hearing Rodney Still deejay at an event, you missed a real treat. Rodney was a true Southern Gentleman and an excellent deejay who exemplified professionalism.

See you on the dance floor

Harry

Board Meetings

Typically, a board meeting is held the second Monday of each month at Two Left Feet Dance Studio. If interested in attending any particular board meeting, check with a board member for exact time.

Any regular member is welcome to attend a board meeting as a “visitor.”
The beat goes on thanks to our club board of directors and committees

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The music goes on thanks to our colonial tunesmiths

5  Greg Howell  29  Greg Howell
12  Jerry Hardy  26  Cindy Black

3  Dana Kohlhorst  26  Tracie Brown
12  Jim Overton  26  Stan Crockett
17  Ron Johnston  26  Brian Eubank
17  Michael Reese  26  Carol Miller
21  Lloyd Pitzen  26  Deborah Wilson
22  Don Milton  27  Toni Termini
24  Rhonda Burrell  29  Laura Russ
24  Barbara Elliott  30  Eddie Hardy
25  Sonny McRae

To see what’s happening at Two Left Feet Dance studio
go to twoleftfeetdancestudio.net

For your Beach Music listening pleasure ...

Larry’s Beach Party” Live radio show - WFOS 88.7 FM - Saturdays from noon to 4pm. Listen on line at www.cpschools.com (select WFOS Live Radio).
Dance lessons at the club’s Saturday night socials 6-7pm
- Beginner shag dance lessons each week of each **odd-numbered** month. The lessons are progressive — starting with the basic steps and adding a few turns/moves in the following weeks.
- ‘Beyond basic’ shag dance lessons each week of each **even-numbered** month. The subject of each lesson is chosen by the instructors.

Our Events
Club social — Saturdays 6-10pm at Two Left Feet Dance Studio in Fairway Plaza Shopping Center, 1405 Kiln Creek Parkway, Newport News. Lessons 6-7pm. Dancing to deejay music 7-10pm. Cover charge — $5 regular member, $7 everyone else. You may bring your own beverage and snacks (including beer, wine, and alcohol).

Other Shag Dance Events
Virginia Beach Shag Club *Mix & Mingle* Wednesdays at The Yacht Club at Marina Shores, Virginia Beach. See VBshagclub.com.
Boogie On the Bay Shag Club social — Friday nights at Big Woody’s in Chesapeake Square Mall in Chesapeake. Lessons by Boogie on the Bay Shag Club instructors Tom Edwards and Marsha Ruth — every Tuesday night at Big Woody’s in Chesapeake Square Mall in Chesapeake, 7-9pm.
Northern Neck Shaggers — dancing every Thursday night at KC’s Crabs and Cues on Rt. 200 a few miles north of Kilmarnock, Virginia. Deejay Greg Howell. See Northern Neck Shaggers on Facebook.

If your address, phone number, or email address has changed, notify membership@colonialshagclub.com

Shag dancing every Thursday
at Mario's Italian Restaurant/Nick's Too Lounge
611 Airline Blvd, Portsmouth
starts at 6pm
deejay Jerry Canada

SOS events
in North Myrtle Beach (unless otherwise specified)
- Fall Migration, September 15-24

Get the latest info on our club events, go to
*Colonialshagclub.com*
A shaggle of shaggers from throughout Hampton Roads and beyond followed the Band of Oz to Riverwalk Landing in Yorktown on July 27 for the last in the series of Sounds of Summer concerts
(if a bunch of geese are a shaggle then a bunch of shaggers could be called a shaggle just as well)

None of the seven concerts were threatened with rain except Band of Oz stopped playing five minutes ahead of schedule because “rain was on its way”

Clad in flip flops, sneakers, dancing shoes, or bare; happy feet did their 1&2-3&4-5,6 to shag tunes from the Band of Oz

Larry Williams and Virginia Beach Shag Club present
Steve Owens and Summertime Band
Sunday, August 27th
at The Yacht Club at Marina Shores
2100 Marina Shores Drive, Virginia Beach

Doors open at 5, band plays 6-9pm, deejay Larry Williams 5-6pm, 9-10pm

pizza served 6-7pm

BYOB. Setups available

$15 per person
for tickets, call Wayne Tate 757-816-1616 or Jim Crutchfield 757-635-3266

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ASCAP  BMI  SESAC

at The Banque
Sunday, August 13th
Soul Intent band
Doors open at 4.
Band starts at 6pm

1849 East Little Creek Road, Norfolk
757-480-3600
Outdoor concerts

Wednesdays

**Live on the Square at Port Warwick**

Newport News
6-9pm

**August**

2 Tumbao Salsero
9 Gina Dalma and the Cowtippin Playboys
16 Rooserfoot
23 Slapnation
30 The Original Rhondels

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**Paradise Ocean Club**

at Fort Monroe
6:30-10:30pm ($5 cover charge)

**August**

4 River Boyz
11 Original Rhondels
18 Janitors
25 Tidewater Drive

**September**

1 Slapnation

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**Thursday**

**We Be Jammin’ Barrett’s Landing**

Franklin
6-10pm

**August**

3 Black Water Rhythm and Blues
17 Hog Bear
24 Midnight Allie
31 Silver Street

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**Fridays**

**TGOV (Thank Goodness Ocean View)**

Norfolk
6-9:30pm

**August**

4 Janitors
11 Savannah
18 Power Play
25 Bill Deal’s Original Rhondels

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**Fridays**

**Sunset Thursdays at Portside**

Portside – Portsmouth
6:30-8pm

**August**

3 - Blaque Velvet
10 - Tidewater Drive
17 - Evolution Soul
24 - Michael Clark Band
31 - Heather Murphy Band

... and more

See portsvaevents.com/portside-events/