



The Colonial Crier

newsletter of

Colonial Shag Club, Inc.

a member of the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC)

September 2018

Hampton, Newport News, York County, Poquoson, Williamsburg, Virginia Founded In 2001

a note from the club President

SOS. If you're a shagger, you know what this means. Ten days in the Spring. Ten days in the Fall. Ten days of triple-D. That's drinking, dancing, and well, probably more drinking and dancing. Fall SOS starts in about two weeks. I wish all of our club members a safe, fun, and memorable visit to North Myrtle Beach.



So, to have a proper send-off to SOS and a little bit of fun for the rest of us, we'll have our *SOS Kick-off* party on the 8th of September. The club will supply boneless country pork ribs, and we ask that the members bring sides and desserts. We're asking for those with last names beginning with A thru M to bring a side dish (potato salad, baked beans, or your favorite). And N thru Z to bring desserts. If you have a hyphenated last name, you choose what you want to bring.

If you're a Shagger, have been around the military, and have eaten breakfast in a chow hall, SOS has another meaning. S___ or Something on a Shingle. That would be chipped beef and gravy on toast. Many a soldier has started their day with a big old plate full of SOS.

If you're a shagger, been around the military, owned a boat, and are the current President of the Colonial Shag Club, SOS means ●●●- - -●●● That's Morse code for *Save Our Souls*. Don't worry, I know better than to mess with your souls. But I am asking for your help. In our club, as it is with most clubs and organizations, there is a core group that volunteer and offer their time and talents to keep the club operating. Some of our committees are

unmanned and some could use your help. Please take a look at our list of committees on page 2, and if you would like to contribute a little time to your club, let me or another board member know. With all of the new members who have joined in the last year, having new faces and new ideas would be welcome.

September also means it's time to form a nominating committee for the board and club officers. I will be asking for volunteers for the nominating committee and for anyone that would like to help their club by serving on the board or running for one of the officers to let us know. All are welcome to add their talents and ideas to keep this club growing and operating as the friendliest shag club in the country.

And finally. I would like to wish a very special Happy Birthday to Carmen Rowell. May we all be shagging and doing a little rumba when we reach 93.

See you on the dance floor.

..... Tim Kroskey

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

Directors and Officers

President: Tim Kroskey – 757-870-0234, tckroskey@yahoo.com

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Committees

Audit — Lisa Jones

Budget — Rosalie Mitchell

Beverage — Sheila Kerr-Jones

Cards — Diane Capps

Charity — Suzanne Kolesha, Tim Kroskey

Christmas party — Marion Butsavage, Rosalie Mitchell, Connie Sled

Communications

Newsletter — Lloyd Pitzen

Social Media (Facebook) — Lisa Jones

Website — Joe Mitchell

Dance instruction — Darla Frederick

Elections — TBD

Junior program – Joe Mitchell

Hospitality — Sheila Kerr-Jones

Membership — Beth Liivak

Music — Jerry Nichols

Nominating — Dee Fertitta (chairperson), Pat Hughes, JR Jones, Jerry Nichols, Laura Smith.

Photographer — TBD

Social — Elena Gilmore

Venue negotiations – Joe Mitchell, Jerry Nichols, Harry Walthall

Venue Operations — J R Jones

Ways & Means (50/50 raffle)— Janie Tompkins

The Colonial Crier is published monthly for the Colonial Shag Club members.

Editor: Lloyd Pitzen, newsletter@colonialshagclub.com

the music goes on thanks to our colonial tunesmiths

September

- 1 David Miller
- 8 Cindy Black
- 15 Greg Howell
- 22 Greg Howell
- 29 Larry Black

October

- 6 David Miller
- 13 Cindy Black
- 20 Jerry Hardy
- 27 Greg Howell

See colonialshagclub.com for any updates to deejay schedule

Happy birthday — September

1	Carol Mitchell	18	Cindy Black
2	Carmen Rowell	20	Dennis Botkin
3	Donald Ellis	21	Eileen Monahan
3	Rick George	22	Linda Coolican
5	Geraldine Creech	22	Carolyn Taylor
5	Kimberly Irvine	23	Ray Paul
5	Dianne Ligon	25	Jay Gwaltney
7	Rosalie Mitchell	25	Jeanne Kunz
11	Louis Federico	26	Janet Richards
11	Harry Walthall	27	Edward Land
14	Robert Smith	29	David Sawyer
17	Rick Underhill	30	Colette Quinn

Colonial Shag Club

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Of The:



Colonial Shag Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 12104
Newport News, VA 23612-2104

Through the National FastDance Association, our club dance activities are licensed by:



Dance lessons at the
club's Saturday night socials

6-7pm

- A six-week series of *beginner* shag dance lessons begins the first 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.
- After six weeks of beginner lessons, *beyond basic* lessons will be given for the remainder of the month.

To see what's happening at
Two Left Feet Dance studio

go to twoleftfeetdancestudio.net



Shag dancing every Thursday

at

Mario's Italian Restaurant/Nick's Too Lounge

611 Airline Blvd, Portsmouth

starts at 6pm

deejay Jerry Canada

Our Events

Club social — Saturdays 7-10pm at Two Left Feet Dance Studio in Fairway Plaza Shopping Center, 1405 Kiln Creek Parkway, Newport News. Social is preceded by one-hour dance lesson; (i.e., lesson 6-7pm)

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

Friday December 7 — Boogie on the Bay Shag Club's Christmas dinner and dance at Hilton Garden Inn, 5921 Harbour View Blvd, Suffolk

To get the latest info on our club
events, go to

Colonialshagclub.com

Virginia Shag Clubs Free Pour!!!

Fall SOS 2018, Friday, September 21st 1-4pm at Ducks
Come PARTY with all your friends from the commonwealth!!!

Participating VA clubs include:

- Richmond Shag Club
- Virginia Beach Shag Club
- Northern Virginia Shag Club
- Colonial Shag Club
- Boogie On The Bay
- Darville Shag Club
- Roanoke Valley Shag Club
- Lynchburg Shag Club
- Battlefield Boogie Club



Music provided by various Virginia DJs

Food provided by Ducks at 1:30pm



* Drink tickets only good until Free Pour money runs out. Tickets do not guarantee drinks

Fee for Colonial Shag Club members to attend is \$10 per person. Pay Tim Kroskey in advance

2018 SOS Fall Migration BAND SCHEDULE

Wed 9/12	8:00	Ducks	Blackwater R&B Band
Thurs 9/13	8 pm	Ducks	The Entertainers
Fri 9/14	2-6 8 pm	Fat Harold's Spanish Galleon	Too Much Sylvia Jim Quick & Coastline
Sat 9/15	2-6 8 pm	Fat Harold's Spanish Galleon	East Coast Rhythm & Blues East Coast Party Band
Sun 9/16	1-5 2-6 8 pm	Ducks Fat Harold's Spanish Galleon	The Embers Fantastic Shakers The Band of OZ
Mon 9/17	1-5 7-11 8 pm	Ducks O.D. Arcade Spanish Galleon	Blackwater R&B Band Too Much Sylvia The Embers
Tues 9/18	1-5 2-6 8 pm	Ducks Fat Harold's Spanish Galleon	Gary Lowder & Smokin' Hot Holiday Band Jim Quick & Coastline
Wed 9/19	1-5 2-6 8 pm	Ducks Fat Harold's Spanish Galleon	Envision Band Jim Quick & Coastline Band The Embers
Thurs 9/20	2-6 8 pm	Fat Harold's Spanish Galleon	Steve Owens & Summertime The Band of Oz
Fri 9/21	2-6 8 pm	Fat Harold's Spanish Galleon	Fantastic Shakers Blackwater R&B Band
Sat 9/22	8 pm	Spanish Galleon	The Fantastic Shakers
Sun 9/23	5 pm 6-10	Ducks Fat Harolds	Blackwater R&B Jim Quick & Coastline

What's all the to-do about SOS? What is SOS?

If someone says that they are going to "SOS," they are referring to one of the shagging events sponsored by S.O.S. (Society of Stranders), Inc. held every year in North Myrtle Beach. These events are:

- Mid winter in January (four days)
- Spring Safari in April (ten days)
- Fall Migration in September (ten days)

In addition to the S.O.S.- sponsored events, *Junior SOS*, which is held for six days in July, is sponsored by the Junior Shag Association.

(The word *Stranders* comes from the *Grand Strand*, which is a 60 mile stretch of beach that includes the beach of Myrtle Beach.)

A Brief History of S.O.S

By Phil Sawyer (SOS President emeritus)

SOS, the Society of Stranders, was born on a brilliant fall weekend in 1980, when over 4,000 "Stranders" returned to Ocean Drive Beach where they had summered as life guards, pavilion workers, bingo callers, and beach bums for a reunion. It was immediately obvious that this would become an annual event.

Throughout the mid to late 1980's, SOS grew in strength and character. Shaggers and Stranders came back to Ocean Drive in the spring and fall by the tens of thousands for what everyone agreed was the finest party for adults in the entire country. Everyone who ever had one grain of sand in his or her shoes agreed that SOS was great for the Grand Strand, and to miss one was unthinkable.

In 1989, the originator and owner of SOS, for business and personal reasons could not continue to run it. He sold it to the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs, which has continued and enhanced the great tradition.

SOS enjoys unprecedented growth. Many exciting features have been added. The trams, the food, the expanded Carefree Times, Line Dance Competition, the SOS Beach Run, and Fun Monday are Association initiatives. Funds for SOS support local club activities, the Association budget, the Mid-Winter Beach Classic and charities.

Through effective leadership and dynamic cooperation by all interest at the beach, SOS will continue well into the 21st century.

It will stand!

Northern Neck Beach Music Festival

Colonial Beach . . . Saturday, September 22, 2018
 Noon - 8pm • Town Hill • 500 Washington Ave., Colonial Beach, VA 22443




The Rhondels **The Embers**

Bring a chair and enjoy . . . music, dance lessons, contests with great food and more!

More Information:
 beachmusicbva@gmail
 or call 240-994-3642

BUY TICKETS EARLY & SAVE

www.nnbeachmusic.org

Buy Tickets: Online or Credit Card Sales: \$30
www.eventbrite.com (Northern Neck Beach Musical Festival)

In Person, Cash or Check: \$20
 In Colonial Beach: The Beach Shop, Coldwell Banker Elite, CB Outfitters, Chamber of Commerce, Denson's, Halls, and Raggs

Ticket price at the gate and after September 15 is \$40.




- noon-1pm Shag Dance Lessons
- 1-4pm Rhondels
- 4-5pm Shag dance contest
- 5-8pm The Embers






1:00 PM
 Bell's Island Clubhouse
 582 Bell's Island Road
 Currituck, NC
 Sunday October 7, 2018

Come join us for a Sunday afternoon at Beautiful Bell's Island.
 Fish, cole slaw, cornbread and beverages will be provided.
 Just bring a covered dish, a lawn chair, and your dancing shoes.

Music will be provided by DJ Harvey Taylor

\$8 for OBX Shag Club Members
 \$10 for Non-Members
 \$0/50 Raffle

We welcome visitors to all of our events, so bring friends and family for a day of good eating, fellowship and, of course, dancing!

RSVP: Sally Myers 252-207-1704
wvobx@aol.com

Virginia Beach Shag Club's Fall Fling

Workshop, Dinner, Dance

Saturday, October 6th

DanceSportVA

5721 Arrowhead Drive, Virginia Beach

Doors open 2pm

lessons 3-5pm, dinner 5:30-7pm, dancing 7-10pm

Dance instructors — Sam and Lisa West

Intermediate lesson 3-3:45pm, A step Above Basic lesson 4:15-5pm



TICKETS
 VBSC Members \$20
 Non-Members \$30
 See Angie Etheridge, Dee Scherr or Sandra Alford Sawyer
[Click Here to Buy Online](#)

ABSCDJ DJ Harvey Taylor

BYOB. Setups & Chicken provided
 Please Bring a Dish to Share
 Last Name A-I: Vegetable Dish
 Last Name J-R: Side Dish
 Last Name S-Z: Dessert

Committee Chair:
 Donna House 757-200-7640
 Jack Witzendorf 757-689-3464

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Through the National Fiddlers Association, our club dance activities are properly & legally licensed by:





Go to vbshagclub.com to buy tickets online

Boooooogie on the Bay Shag Club Annual Halloween Dance

Saturday, October 20, 2018
 7:00 to 11:00 PM

Rattle your bones with **ABSCDJ DJ Harvey Taylor!**

BYOB
 (Except Beer)
 Setups and Chicken provided.
 Please bring a Dish to Share!
 Last Name A-I: Dessert
 Last Name J-R: Veggie Dish
 Last Name S-Z: Side Dish

Door and Costume Prizes!



Eagles Club
 521 Maple Street
 Chesapeake VA 23324
 Directions:
<http://tinyurl.com/FratEagles>

Sponsored by:
 Boogie on the Bay Shag Club
www.boogieonthebay.com

Tickets
 Members \$10.00
 Non-Members \$15.00
 Sorry, no refunds but transferable

Purchase Tickets from:
 Janie Tompkins 757.484.7021 or jtompkins@verizon.net
 Dottie Landreth 757.560.5546 or HalloweenDance@boogieonthebay.com
 Toni Termini 757.641.2126 or tombaloni@cox.net

Last Chance to buy Tickets: Friday October 6th!
 Event Chair: Dottie Landreth 757.560.5546 or HalloweenDance@boogieonthebay.com



at Foodbank warehouse
in Hampton

Thursday September 27
5:30-8:30
Rain or shine

Enjoy music by Bill Deal's
Rhondels

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

SOS Fall Migration in North Myrtle Beach September 14-23

Ticket includes all-you-can-eat crab cakes, fried fish
filets, oysters on the half shell, steamed crabs,
clam chowder, fried scallops, pulled pork
barbeque, coleslaw, hushpuppies, sweet potato
fries plus beer, wine, iced tea, & water.

Tickets \$40 in advance available at [eventbrite.com/e/
kiwanis-8th-annual-shag-seafood-festival-tickets-
44920857494](http://eventbrite.com/e/kiwanis-8th-annual-shag-seafood-festival-tickets-44920857494)

Starting Wednesday, October 11th,
**the Virginia Beach Shag Club will have their
weekly social on Wednesdays at Royal
Courtyard in Virginia Beach**

The club is forced to leave their current
location, Marina Shores Yacht Club, because
the building will be demolished and replaced
with apartments

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line at www.cpschools.com (select WFOS Live
Radio).

The Banque is in the beach music
business again

Soul Intent band

Sunday September 30

6-9:30

Call 480-3600 for reservation
\$10 cover charge

The Banque
1849 East Little Creek Road
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