



The Colonial Crier

newsletter of

Colonial Shag Club, Inc.

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

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

President's corner

2020 — Colonial Shag Club's Year of *Enhancing your Dancing.*

In October of 2019, the CSC Board made changes to our lesson schedule to give our members more opportunities to learn shag moves at a higher level than Basic Shag every week. The turn out for the weekly Beyond Beginner lessons has been beyond our basic expectations with as many as 40 couples for our guest instructors, Kevin and Joan Byrnes. We have also managed to continue teaching our true basic lessons in the front room, the back room, the parking lot, and even on the roof when we were overrun with more than twenty five beginners at the start of the January. That's a great problem to have. Our true basic lessons continue in the front room, but will be progressive for each Saturday of that month. After the second week, new beginners will be asked to wait for the first Saturday of the next month to participate. Jerry and Lana Nichols are in the middle of their progressive basic classes at the Newport News Brittingham Midtown Community Center. Watch for announcements of more beginner and beyond beginner lessons from them.

January is gone and we're exhausted. Midwinter ACSC meeting and SOS. Three days of Triple D. Two lessons with Jackie and Charlie. Tuesday night lessons at Big Woody's with Tom and Marsha. Teaching Basic at CSC. I got to help Jerry and Lana on one Thursday. And last but certainly not least, our killer Re-up Party with 134 attendees, and great food. (Thanks to all of you salad and



dessert makers, you know who you are.) And all of the many helpers that make these events possible.

So, in keeping with our quest to improve everyone's dancing, I figured I'd start with me. And for better or worse, Cyd gets dragged along. We've had at least one lesson, and sometimes 3 every week this month. The club's emails, website, and newsletter will keep you posted on learning opportunities in our area. I'll tell you about our private lesson with Jackie and Charlie next month. "Good Lord Tim, what do you call that?"

As you can see, there are plenty of opportunities near and far to get better at shag. You'll most likely have a great time, meet some friendly people, and get some exercise. You can even practice at home with a CD from our CSC library or googled up on YouTube.

So, as they say in German, join us in "Enhancin' da Dancin".

See you on the dance floor.

Tim

CSC 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 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

February

- 1 Brian Eubank
- 8 Jerry Hardy
- 15 Cindy Black
- 22 Greg Howell
- 29 David Miller

March

- 7 Chris Coolican
- 14 David Miller
- 21 Lloyd Pitzen
- 28 Greg Howell

See colonialshagclub.com for any updates to deejay schedule



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| 1 Carolyn Felder | 17 Suzanne Kolesha |
| 1 Kendall Hockaday | 18 Betty Hargrave |
| 2 Shirley Baucom | 22 Janie Tompkins |
| 2 Laura Smith | 23 Dennis Kiser |
| 7 Brenda Pollock | 24 Cyd Kroskey |
| 9 David Miller | 26 Lisa Cooper |
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| 12 Cindy Matheson | 27 Debbie Fertitta |
| 13 Janet Zenarolla | 27 Diane Underhill |
| 14 Jim Cooper | 28 Pat Hughes |
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Colonial Shag Club

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



Steve Owens and the Summertime band

at the Royal Courtyard, Virginia Beach
Sunday March 1st 4-8pm

hosted by the Virginia Beach Shag Club

Tickets \$20 — Advance sales only

Deejay Gary US Barnes

Doors open at 4. Band will play from 5 to 8pm
Full service bar with sandwiches available for purchase

No outside food, drinks, or coolers permitted

What is an SOS card?



SOS Card Information

Purchase your SOS card at the SOS Company Store (in North Myrtle Beach), all partner clubs, tents set up during SOS, or on the SOS website shagdance.com.

Cards are also available from your local shag club.

The SOS card gives you membership for the entire calendar year with the following benefits:

- A subscription to the *Carefree times* (CFT) magazine (handouts at spring event and fall event and mailouts for winter and summer. This publication is “The Shaggers Bible” with information on events, activities, local shag clubs, shag merchandise, and other shag related items of interest.
- Unlimited access (no cover charge) at all the participating lounges during both ten-day SOS events and the three days of Mid-Winter Break.
- Discounts at many shops and restaurants during the SOS events in N. Myrtle Beach.

SOS cards are not transferable

Source: *SOS*— *Society of Stranders* Facebook page

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)

Dance lessons at the club’s Saturday night socials 6-7pm

- Beyond beginner’ in the main room. Dance Instructor Schedule:
 - February 1 -- Mel and Peggy Hemphill
 - February 8 -- TBD
 - February 15 -- Cindy and Larry Black
 - February 22 -- Cindy and Larry Black
 - February 29 -- Cindy and Larry Blac
- Beginner lessons in front room — progressive (i.e, after first class, each class builds on what was covered in prior class) starting and ending with each month. No new students accepted after the first two lessons in a series.

Other Shag Dance Events

Virginia Beach Shag Club *Mix & Mingle* every Wednesday night at Royal Courtyard, Virginia Beach. See VBshagclub.com and Facebook page.

Boogie on the Bay Shag Club social every Friday night at *Big Woody’s* in Chesapeake Square Mall in Chesapeake. See Boogieonthebay.com and Facebook page.

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

Northern Neck Shaggers social every Thursday night at *KC’s Crabs and Cues* on Rt. 200 a few miles north of Kilmarnock. Deejay Greg Howell. See Facebook page.

Franklin Shag Club social first and third Wednesdays of every month at *Fred’s Restaurant* in downtown Franklin. See Facebook page.

Boogie on the Bay Shag Club—Shaggers At Heart, in Williamsburg on January 31 - February 2, 2020. See Boogieonthebay.com

What happens at a Colonial Shag Club social when you hold a “Re-up” party with a gourmet dinner, lots of home-made desserts, Shag Icon guest dance instructors Joan and Kevin Byrnes, a 200 dollar 50/50 pot (lucky Lenny Peaden) and an ABSCDJ deejay, Jerry Hardy, in the booth? You get a packed studio with 134 very happy dancing members and guests. The atmosphere at the social on January 25th was party, party the night away. Thank you to all the volunteers (especially cooks Tim and Cyd Kroskey) that worked so hard to put this special event together. Shag dancing is alive and well at Colonial Shag Club.

Source: a posting by Alan Michaelis on *Colonial Shag Club* Facebook page



Colonial SC Re-up Alan Michaelis 1/25/2020

Just three of the ninety pictures on Facebook



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

To see flyers for shag opportunities in Hampton Roads and beyond, take a look at *Boogie on the Bay* Facebook page – *Upcoming shag opportunities* photo album



2020 SOS events

in North Myrtle Beach (unless otherwise specified)

- Spring Safari April 16 –25
- Summer Workshop July 10-12 in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
- Junior SOS, July 14-19
- Fall Migration, September 17-26

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).

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

Colonialshagclub.com