



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

Welcome to March.

St. Paddy's Day. Big pots of Irish Stew on the 14th. March 7th, our newly inaugurated Basic lessons start at Two Left Feet, 4:30 to 5:30pm. We will continue our Beyond Basics lessons with guest and CSC instructors with Moves You Can Use. Our dance floor has been filled from 6 to 7pm every Saturday with 25 or more couples every week. We are delighted with your response and will keep looking for ways to make them even better.

As most of you are aware, we are a volunteer club. There are people doing everything it takes to keep our club the great dancing experience it is, mostly behind the scenes, every week.

If you are a person with computer skills and would like to make a valuable contribution to our club on a regular basis, we are in need of someone to take over as our webmaster, or at least know how to do it if something were to keep our current webmaster from fulfilling his duties. Joe Mitchell has done a fantastic job for 15 years. But, as happens with a man of his advanced years, not everything is working the way it used to. If you think this might be an area where you can help, please talk with either Joe or me and we'll be happy to give you the low down.

We are also in need of a lead person for our Venue Supplies committee. Unfortunately, we have not been able to get those cases of water, bottles of soft drinks, plates, cups, and utensils to walk themselves over from Sam's and Costco. If you



think you wouldn't mind picking up a little extra when you shop, we can use your help. Our club always gets the help we need on nights we ask for volunteers to help serve and clean up after an event, and for that we thank you. But these two jobs need done on a weekly basis and are important to keep this well-oiled machine running. If you can help, let us know.

As promised, or threatened perhaps; a private lesson with Jackie and Charlie. First, I would highly recommend this to anyone that wants to improve their dancing. Second, wear your big boy pants. Ladies too. If your feelings are easily hurt, bring a box of Kleenex.

We asked for help, we, I got it. The first thing they asked for was a demonstration of the basic shag steps. Starter step, female turn, male turn, pivot, etc. Now comes the critique. Jackie wants to know if my stomach hurts. No. Then why is your free hand on your stomach? I don't know, but now my stomach hurts. Charlie doesn't like my hesitation move. Turns out all of my moves have a hesitation. It's a variation to help give you time to think of the next move. They went move by move correcting everything I thought I had right and gave Cyd a little pointer on squaring up on the pivot. The final analysis from Jackie was; Cyd, if you can find a good competition partner, you can be a really good dancer. Tim, you've got good hair. I need another Kleenex.

Keep Enhancin' der Dancin'.

See you on the dance floor.

Tim

The beat goes on thanks to our club board of directors and committees

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Social — tbd

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the music goes on thanks to our colonial tunesmiths

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 Matt Rehim | 14 Lynn Patykula |
| 2 Deborah Williams | 19 Greg Howell |
| 10 Larry Brown | 20 Debra Janezeck |
| 10 Anne Mercer | 21 Ray Talaie |
| 11 Patti Nohilly | 22 Jim Frederick |
| 11 Toni Nolker | 24 John Polson |
| 11 Patty Swan | 25 Joan Ward |
| 12 Robert Calloway | 28 Larry Black |
| 12 Al Lukac | 31 Steva Williams |
| 14 Ruby James | |

Colonial Shag Club

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



Basic shag dance lessons

provided by Colonial Shag Club in conjunction with
Two Left Feet Dance Studio
starting March 7th

Two sessions — Basic 1 and Basic 2

Each session consists of four one-hour lessons, each on a Saturday at 4:30pm at Two Left Feet Dance Studio, Newport News

Cost — \$20 per person per session payable at the door at the first lesson of each session. Contact Rick (owner of TLF) at 757-813-4371 to register.

Basic 1 — March 7 through March 28 — starts with the basic footwork, introduces the student to the dance and the music, explains technique and style, and incorporates simple basic moves

Basic-2 — April 4 through April 25 — completes instruction on basic moves, incorporates optional footwork, and introduces moves that combine elements of the two sessions. (Prerequisite — Basic 1 not required; however, knowledge of the basic footwork is required.)

Each lesson is progressive, that is, each lesson builds on the previous lesson. As such, a student may not start a session after the first lesson in that session.

Students are encouraged to remain at the dance studio for Colonial Shag Club's weekly social and practice what they are learning. The fee for the lesson does not cover admittance to the social.



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)

'Beyond beginner' dance lessons at the club's Saturday night socials, 6-7pm. Each lesson is independent from others; that is, you may take one without having taken the previous one

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.

Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony
March 20-22, Fredericksburg



The theme of our club's
Saturday night social on

March 14th

is

St Patrick's Day party

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

go to twoleffteetdancestudio.net



Thaw out by thinking
about the

Beach Music Cruise-In festival

on the beach at 30th street, Virginia Beach

Weekend of May 8-10

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

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.

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

Colonialshagclub.com

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