



Northern Virginia Shag Club, Inc.

# SHAG RAG

## Inaugural Edition



Shag Dancer Newsletter

*Keep on Shagging*

Vol. I, No. 1, March 1994

### No. Va. Shag Club Meets

The charter meeting of the Northern Virginia Shag Club was held on Sunday, February 27th, at the home of our President, Dee Bassett.

The following Officers of the Club were elected:

Dee Bassett - President  
Debbie Nichols - Vice President  
Libby Hendrix - Secretary  
Dave Rapson - Treasurer

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### From the President

*By Dee Bassett*

Dear Members:

We did it! A NoVa Shag Club!

Formed to provide pleasure to all who enjoy good company, good music and the greatest of all, dancing.

It was said, "If you don't have a dream how will a dream come true."

Our Shag Club is a dream come true.

For all you do and have done, Thank You.

See you Shaggin',

Dee

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### Treasurer's Report

Everything is A-OK -- Full report Next Issue!!

### VA Beach Shag Club -- Sunday Social

*By Donna Harrington*

On Sunday, March 6th, several of our members attended the Sunday Social presented by the Virginia Beach Shag Club. This event takes place at "Steppin Out" on the first Sunday of each month.

Starting at 3:30 p.m., beginner shag lessons were given by Pete and Fran. It was good to be able to review and practice a correct Basic Step. We were reminded how important proper execution of the Basic is to the entire "art" of Shagging.

The instructors followed with an Intermediate level lesson which featured the "Fantasy," a step some of us had seen at the ACSC Workshop in Greensboro, NC, Feb. 18-20. Hopefully, we learned it well enough to share with the rest of our Club members.

At the conclusion of lessons we were treated to a buffet dinner and a great evening of dancing to our favorite beach music tunes.

I think we're already looking forward to the next Sunday Social in Virginia Beach!

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### New Shag Headquarters

The search is on! Nick Nichols is presently looking for a new location for us to meet each week for beach music, dancing and fun.

Any ideas and suggestions about a new place to dance should be submitted to Nick, who will do the footwork.

News / Info -- Contact: Janis Grimes, 202-737-2824; or 703-536-7362 - leave message.

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## MID WINTER

By Donna Harrington

Although the ACSC Midwinter Weekend was officially held from Friday, Feb. 14 through Sunday, Feb. 16th, there was already a great crowd of shaggers in the O.D. area of N. Myrtle Beach when Pauline and I arrived on Thursday, Feb. 13th.

Frigid temperatures didn't keep some 4,000 dancers from enjoying Beach Music at The "Spanish Galleon," "The Pad," "Duck's" and "Fat Harold's." Hotels in the area said it was the largest attendance they had ever experienced at a Mid Winter Weekend. (Our hotel, the Bel Aire, was filled to capacity and people were still calling "begging" for reservations.)

There were definitely a lot of "pro's" on the dance floor, including Jackie McGee and Charlie Womble, who gave free demonstrations, but they all made even neophyte shaggers, like us, feel comfortable and competent. We danced a lot and learned that a good, smooth basic and a willingness to learn always assured more dance partners.

We saw many familiar faces from the Virginia Beach and Richmond Shag Clubs as well as from Portsmouth's Boogie on the Bay Club, and met new dancers from the large groups from Charlotte, NC and Atlanta, GA.

To show their appreciation to the ACSC organization and its members both "Ducks" and "Fat Harold's" hosted free cocktail hours and a lavish dinner buffet on Saturday evening. From hors d'oeuvres to dessert everything was First Class!

Following complimentary free pours and Continental Breakfast on Sunday, tired shaggers packed and headed home. Thanks to President Joe McGee for his fantastic party.

We hope more NOVA Shag Club members will be able to attend one of these fabulous functions soon!

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Happy Birthday!



March 3 - Rick Hendrix

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Needed -- NVSC LOGO



We need a LOGO!! So, be creative! Send in your ideas to Rick Hendrix or Tom Lufkin.

Or, write an article! Call or send photos, info, and news of upcoming Shag Events to Janis Grimes. Remember, this is YOUR Newsletter!

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## Greensboro Fantasy Event

What a blast! We learned some great new steps which can be shared with you at our weekly get-together.

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## Carolina Shag Lessons



Learn North Carolina and Myrtle Beach Shag, and the latest line dances from Debbie Nichols!

Free lessons every Wednesday, 8-9 p.m., at the Juke Box Cafe, Backlick Rd., Springfield, VA. Dance to beach music and join the fun!

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## Wednesday Beach Night

The weather has been frightful, but the faithful have been Dancing at the Beach (in spirit at least), on Wednesday nights at the Juke Box Cafe. *Be There, or Be Square!*

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# 1994 Event Planning Calendar 1994

<p><b>JANUARY 1994</b></p> <p>1 JBBA Annual Pig Roast                  2-8 Blues Cruise                  6-8 So. CA Swing Champ's, Buena Pk                  8 FBI Party                  14-16 Mid Winters, OD                  14-16 Matinee Swing, Las Vegas                  22 JBBA Black &amp; White Party                  28-30 Winter Blues Bash, New Bern, NC                  29 Winter Chillout, SCSC</p>	<p><b>FEBRUARY 1994</b></p> <p>4-6 Winter Boogie, Lake Hickory                  11-12 Spring Fling, Daytona                  11-13 Winter Blast, Atlantic Bch., NC                  12 FBI Party                  18-20 ACSC Winter Worksp, Greensboro                  18-20 Capital Swing, Sacramento, CA                  18-20 Lake Norman Chicken Pickin'                  18-20 Magic Getaway, Derby City                  19 Valentine Party K/C (Date Chg.)                  19-20 Memphis Winter Warm-up</p>	<p><b>MARCH 1994</b></p> <p>4-6 DJ Throwdown III, NMB                  5 FBI Oyster Roast                  12-15 SOB, Panama City                  19 JBBA St. Patrick's Day Party                  19 FBI St. Patrick's Day Party                  22-27 Back to the Beach IV                  25-27 DJ Extravaganza, NMB                  25-27 Las Vegas Swing                  TBA Nat. Shag Champ'ships, NMB</p>
<p><b>APRIL 1994</b></p> <p>1-3 Seattle '94                  1-3 Shag Attack, N. Myrtle Bch.                  14-16 Back to the Beach, Jax Bch.                  20-24 S.O.S. Spring Safari                  23-24 Desert Swing, Palm Springs                  28-5 Waikiki (714) 894-5757                  30 JBBA Tacky Party                  TBA San Francisco Swing                  TBA Outer Banks Spring Break                  TBA Arizona Swing Championships                  TBA N. Calif. Swing Champ'ships</p>	<p><b>MAY 1994</b></p> <p>7 FBI Party                  12-15 Sons of the Beach, Panama City                  12-15 Boogie on Bay, Portsmouth, VA                  14-15 Sweet VA Breeze, Martinsville                  20-22 Shagger's Holiday, Folly Bch, SC                  21 JBBA 50's Party                  27-29 Music City Anniversary Party                  28-30 San Diego Spring Fling                  TBA Nat. Swing Conven'n, Las Vegas                  TBA Golden Oldies, ODSC, NMB                  TBA Fat Harold's Golf Tourname't, OD</p>	<p><b>JUNE 1994</b></p> <p>2-5 St. Louis Swing Invitational                  10-12 Golden Isles Shag-A-Ganza                  15-19 Boogie on the Riverwalk IX, Jacksonville, FL                  24-26 ACSC Summer Workshop, Augusta, GA                  TBA FBI Party                  TBA Jivin' June Jam, Lancaster, SC                  TBA Summer Sizzle IV, Smithfield                  TBA Summer Flashback, Charlotte                  TBA Feather Awards</p>
<p><b>JULY 1994</b></p> <p>23 JBBA BMF Hangover Party                  TBA CLASS Blast, Lugoff SC                  TBA FBI Party                  26-30 Beale St Bop Festival, Memphis                  TBA ACSC Workshop, Greenville, SC                  TBA St. Louis Swing Invitational                  TBA Summer Shag Exp. Greensboro                  TBA Sandy Beach Sand Kicker                  TBA Boogie &amp; Bogie on the Pines</p>	<p><b>AUGUST 1994</b></p> <p>3-7 Boppl'n on Beale St., Memphis                  20 JBBA Luau Party                  TBA Hall of Fame Induct'n, G'ville, SC                  TBA West Coast Swing Convention                  TBA Olympic City Jam, Atlanta                  TBA Clubowner's Weekend, OD                  TBA FBI Party                  TBA Geechee Blast, Charleston, SC                  TBA Gaston Chicken Pickin'</p>	<p><b>SEPTEMBER 1994</b></p> <p>1-5 Bay Swingers, San Francisco  <del>15-18</del> SOS Fall Migration, NMB, SC                  24 JBBA Fall Kickoff Party                  TBA Dallas D.A.N.C.E.                  TBA Long Beach, CA Swing                  TBA FBI Party                  TBA World Swing Champ., Anaheim</p>
<p><b>OCTOBER 1994</b></p> <p>2-9 Seattle Cruise (206) 355-8202                  29 JBBA Halloween Party                  TBA Tulsa Midwest Championships                  TBA Queens Cotillion, Charlotte, NC                  TBA Derby City 4th B'day Bash                  TBA FBI Party                  TBA VA Swing Championships                  TBA Richmond Birthday Bash                  TBA TBBB Party                  TBA Rocky Mt. Swing, Denver                  TBA VA Beach Bash</p>	<p><b>NOVEMBER 1994</b></p> <p>4-6 Fall Cyclone, Twisters                  18-20 Memorial DJ Extravaganza, NMB                  TBA Orange Squeeze, Daytona Bch.                  TBA Columbia Invitational (SC)                  TBA FBI Party                  TBA Slip, Slide &amp; Shag, Greenwood SC                  TBA Low Country Bol, Savannah, GA                  TBA Isl. Throwdown, S. Pines, NC                  TBA Shaggin Gobbler, Kannapolis, NC                  TBA Holiday Shag Expl., Greensboro                  TBA U.S. Open Swing, Anaheim, CA</p>	<p><b>DECEMBER 1994</b></p> <p>3 JBBA Anniversary Party                  31 JBBA New Year's Eve Party                  TBA SHAG Atlanta Christmas Party                  TBA TBBB Party                  TBA FBI Christmas/Anniversary Party                  TBA Nat'l Championships, Dallas</p>

June 4-5, 1994  
Days Inn - Plantation Road  
Roanoke, Virginia



**MUSIC:**

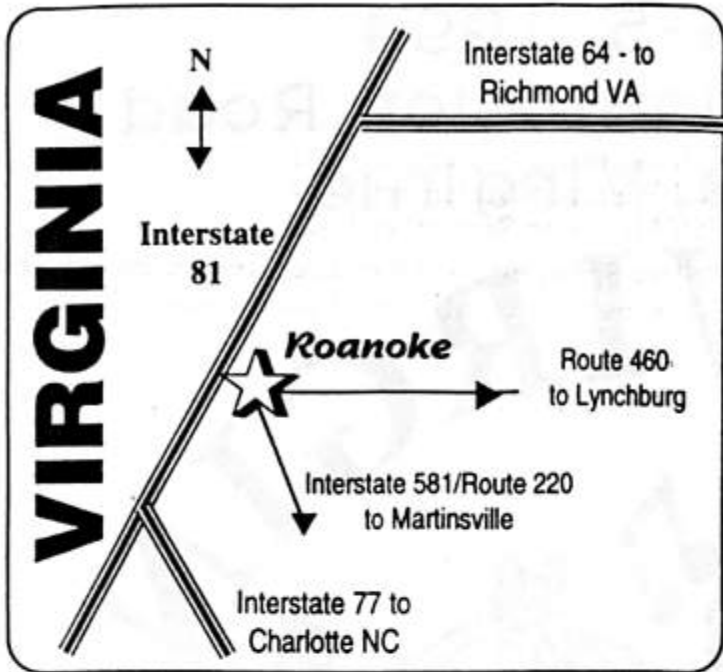
*Harold Beaver, Mike Lewis and Paul Bailey.*

**SATURDAY:**

Your workshop instructors, *Gail and Ernie Holmes* from Rocky Mount, NC, are members of the Competitive Shaggers Association, SPA participants, and placed 3rd in 1990 and 4th in 1993 in the National Shag Championship.

**SUNDAY:**

Learn a new and unusual line dance - *the Milk Cow Boogie* - thanks to Joy Bradshaw of the Martinsville Shag Club!!



For reservations, call the Days Inn-Airport at 1-800-952-4200 by May 14th and ask for the shag rate (\$44.00). The Days Inn is at Exit 146 (Plantation Road) on Interstate 81.

**Sponsors:**  
**Martinsville Shag Club**  
 Contact Roger Hankins (919) 623-5538  
**Lynchburg Area Shag Club**  
 Contact Cathy Nichols (804) 525-1385  
**Roanoke Valley Shag Club**  
 Contact Jim Skinner (703) 562-1096

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

<u>Saturday, June 4</u>	
11:00 am	Registration @ Days Inn
12 noon - 2 pm	Shag Workshop - Gail & Ernie Holmes
2 - 5 pm	DJ Paul Bailey Subs, Pizza, and Beer (while they last)
5:00 - 9:00 pm	DJ Mike Lewis
9:00 - 1 am	DJ Harold Beaver
12:00 Midnight	Daybreak Country Style Breakfast (free)
<u>Sunday, June 5</u>	
9:00-11:00 am	Continental Breakfast (free)
11:00 am - noon	Line Dance Workshop Milk Cow Boogie
Noon	Liquid Sunshine
11 am - 3 pm	DJ Paul Bailey

To reserve tickets, mail to: Connie Harlow (LASC), P. O. Box 4726, Lynchburg, VA 24502

Please reserve the following ticket(s) to the "Sweet Virginia Breeze" on June 4-5:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Tickets @ \$25 per person - *Postmarked by May 14, 1994*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tickets @ \$30 per person - *Postmarked after May 14, 1994*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Enclosed (Checks payable to Sweet Virginia Breeze)**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed a self-addressed, stamped envelope; please mail my confirmation to the above address.

