



# Dance Club of Grays Harbor Newsletter

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# Dance Club News

## Dance Club of Grays Harbor 2022 TENTATIVE DANCE SCHEDULE

Hoquiam Elks, 624 K Street, Hoquiam  
Dance admission is only \$10 per person

March 19; April 23; May 21; August 20

**Wed., Apr. 6: Manhattan Club**, at AmVets Hall, 5717 S Tyler St., Tacoma; every Wednesday; free WCS lesson by Terry West 6:30; dance: 7:30-10pm; **Music:** DJ Terry West; \$7 members; \$10 everyone else; membership \$20; Info: 253/732-6664; [www.manhattanclub.org](http://www.manhattanclub.org)

**Sat., Apr. 9: Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; **Purple Bubble Ball**; **Music: Dukes of Swing**; social 5-6pm, dinner 6-7+, followed by program and music; \$30 per person, pre-sold tickets only; Info: (360) 532-2211



**Sat., Apr. 23, 2022: Dance Club of Grays Harbor** (usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: DJ Mark**; **FREE dance lesson:** 7:30-8 pm;

**Dance:** 8-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/ Raffle. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members



& guests: \$10. [www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com). **NOTE**  
**the change of DATE to 4/23 and TIME to 7:30pm as there is another event at the Elks before ours.**

2022 Dance Club Membership dues – Still only \$0 per person!!! That's right!

**Dance admission is \$10 per person!**

Please make checks payable to  
DANCE CLUB OF GRAYS HARBOR

**Welcome to our New Dancers!**

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) is a real thing. We ask you to consider your choices of scents (perfumes, colognes, lotions, etc.) when coming to our dances.



For our DCGH dances, various bands or DJs provide the music for dancing, to ChaCha, East Coast Swing, Foxtrot, Mambo, Merengue, Rumba, Salsa, Samba, Tango, Argentine Tango, Waltz, and West Coast Swing, as well as some line dances like Cowboy ChaCha, Ten-Step, and Tush Push.

**Our Dance Club will be following the Governor's guidelines as to mask requirements and vaccines.**

**Thurs., Apr. 28: Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; **Music: Dukes of Swing**; Info: (360) 532-2211



**Sat., Apr. 30 : Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; **Dancing** 7pm- ??; **Music: The Randy Band**; Info: (360) 532-2211

**Sat., May 14: Olympia Elks**, 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia; **130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala**; **Music: Black Satin Quintet**; **Dance**: 5pm-??pm; cost: \$35 per person; *tickets must be purchased in advance*. Info: (360) 753-0186. [www.facebook.com/OlympiaElks](http://www.facebook.com/OlympiaElks). If you deferred your ticket from the first date, you're all set. If you wish to attend, call the lodge secretary, or visit the lodge during lodge events, meetings, or Queen of Hearts to purchase a ticket. Tickets remain \$35.00 and no tickets will be available on the night of the dance. There will be dance only options for \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 a couple, but those too must be purchased in advance.

**Sat., May 21: Dance Club of Grays Harbor** (3<sup>rd</sup> Sat.), **Hoquiam Elks**, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: DJ Mark**; **FREE dance lesson**: 7-8 pm; **Dance**: 8-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/ Raffle. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members: \$10; Guests: \$10. [www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com)



**Thurs., May 26: Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; **Music: Dukes of Swing**; Info: (360) 532-2211



**Sat., May 28 : Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; **Dancing** 7pm- ??; **Music: The Randy Band**; Info: (360) 532-2211

**Sat., June 11 : Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; **BRIAN LEDBETTER**, Sensational Concert Illusionist; Dinner at 6pm (steak or salmon); only 100 presold tickets available! \$40 per person includes dinner and show; Info: (360) 532-2211

## 2022 Washington Senior Games Dance Competition



**Saturday, July 9, 2022**

Doors open at 11am; Competition 12pm – 4:30pm

The Olympia Center  
222 Columbia St. NW, Olympia, WA 98501  
360-586-6181

(Click on link below for more info, registration forms,  
and deadlines for entering)

<http://www.washingtonstateseniorgames.com/DanceInfo.htm>

## Other Dancing Events!

(Some of these are old sites, so be sure to check on them before you make the trip!)

**Tuesdays: OLY Swing, at Olympia Eagles**, 4<sup>th</sup> & Plum, Olympia; 6-7pm in-depth lesson; 7-7:30 class; dancing ECS, Blues, Lindy Hop 7:30-10:30pm. \$7 general admission.. [www.tuesdayswing.com/](http://www.tuesdayswing.com/) Vaccines and masks required.

**Wednesdays: Manhattan Club, at AmVets Hall, 5717 S Tyler St., Tacoma; every Wednesday; free lesson 6:30; dance: 7:30-10pm; \$7 members; \$10 everyone else; membership \$20; Info: 253/732-6664; [www.manhattanclub.org](http://www.manhattanclub.org). They're having dances again!**

**Wednesdays (and other days): Pacific Ballroom**, 1604 15<sup>TH</sup> St. SW, Auburn; 30 min. lesson, 90 min. social dancing; light refreshments provided. [www.pacificballroom.com](http://www.pacificballroom.com); Info : 253/939-6524; also other dances on other days: Wed., Thurs., Sat., and Sun.. DJ dances (some with live bands). Calendar available at [www.pacificballroom.org](http://www.pacificballroom.org) Must provide proof of vac or negative test. Look at their website. They have some interesting events coming up!

**Thursdays: Randy Litch at the Olympia VFW**, 2902 Martin Way E., Olympia; 1-4pm; need to have a dance partner to attend; \$20 per couple; no mask or vaccination requirements. Water and coffee provided; food and beverages available from the bar; [www.randylitch.net](http://www.randylitch.net); email [randylitch@comcast.net](mailto:randylitch@comcast.net); cell/text: 253/530-6185.

**Thursdays: T-Town Swing**, at Urban Grace, 902 Market St., Tacoma; every Thursday; lesson 8pm; dance 8:30-11:30pm; <https://www.facebook.com/tacomasingdance/>. Masks and proof of vaccination required.

**Thursdays: Tacoma Elks**, at Allenmore Golf & Events Center, 2013 S. Cedar St., Tacoma; every Thursday; \$6 Elks members; \$8 USA Dance members; \$10 all others; Info: 253-272-1117

Tuesday – Swing at the OLY Eagles

Wednesday – Manhattan Dance Club at AmVets Hall in Tacoma [www.manhattanclub.org](http://www.manhattanclub.org)

Thursday – T-Town Swing in Tacoma

Thursday – Randy Litch at OLY VFW 1-4pm (check with Randy at [www.randylitch.net](http://www.randylitch.net)) (need to bring a partner)

Thursday – Pacific Ballroom, Auburn

[www.pacificballroom.org](http://www.pacificballroom.org)

Friday – Salsa Dance Social in OLY

Friday – Rockin' Horse Dance Barn in Renton

Saturday – Pacific Ballroom in Auburn

Sunday – NW Dancesport Dance in Auburn

Studio 6 Ballroom: [www.Studio6Ballroom.com/](http://www.Studio6Ballroom.com/). Note: **\*Dances currently suspended due to health mandates.**

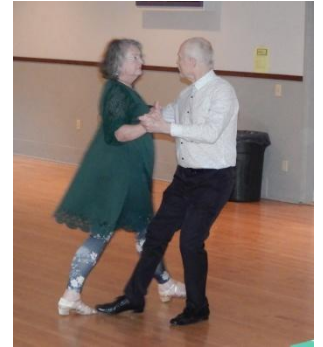
**No word yet** from the Love To Dance Club, Olympia Elks, Tacoma Elks, Absolutely Ballroom, SRC, USA Dance Tacoma, Aberdeen Elks, or any of the casinos.



# News & Views

The next DCGH board meeting will be **Mon., May 2, 2022, at 6 p.m.** at Hoquiam Chiropractic (Mark Van Hemert's office), 320 23rd St., Hoquiam. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

## DCGH Dance on 3/19/22





Arlene and Mark made in 2020 are getting closer to being posted on YouTube.

The videos are Foxtrot, Merengue, East Coast Swing, Cha-Cha, Samba, Tush Push, Tango, West Coast Swing, Ten-Step, Salsa, American Waltz, and Rumba. When I get them uploaded to YouTube (*each one takes about 45 min. to upload*), anyone will be able to access them, and you won't have to have a Facebook account to look at them.

There is a PDF spreadsheet link posted on the Photos page of our website with of all the demos and general dancing that have been posted to YouTube by Ron Eckardt and by me. Just click on the links (or copy and past them to the YouTube website) and it should go right to the dance. Ron has posted hundreds of videos from our dances since 2011, from general dancing to events to an awards ceremony, and there are many more demonstration dances than are listed on the website. I hope you enjoy all of these. A lot of these links are also posted on the Photos page of our website.

Our DCGH website will be updated soon, with more information and with the photos from our March dance. There are links to previous dances and demonstrations on the Photos page. Please check our website periodically to see what's new!



***Dance! It's what we do!***

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**Links for DCGH website, and other links for photos and videos**

The DCGH website – Check us out at [www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com).

Previous Senior Games videos of heats, exhibitions, demonstrations and awards ceremonies, posted on YouTube: [www.youtube.com/user/1AlaskaGal](http://www.youtube.com/user/1AlaskaGal).

Photos of the Senior Games heats posted on Flickr: [www.flickr.com/photos/sjpleusphotos/albums/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/sjpleusphotos/albums/).

If you're on Facebook, you can go to our page: [www.Facebook.com/groups/danceclubofgraysharbor](http://www.Facebook.com/groups/danceclubofgraysharbor)

*DCGH would appreciate raffle gift donations at our monthly dance if you would like to "re-gift" something nice. Thanks!*

**Editor's Notes:**

Good news! Other dance clubs are getting to open up again to dancing. Check out the lists above!

The teaching lessons that

