

# Dance Club of Grays Harbor Newsletter

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2025 Dance Club Membership dues – **\$0.00** per person!!!

Dance admission is \$10 per person!

Please make checks payable to DANCE CLUB OF GRAYS HARBOR

Welcome to our New Dancers!



For our DCGH dances, live bands or DJs provide the music for dancing to Cha-Cha, East Coast Swing, Foxtrot, Mambo, Merengue, Rumba, Salsa, Samba, Tango, Argentine Tango, Waltz, and West Coast Swing, as well as some line dances like Cupid Shuffle, Cowboy Cha-Cha, and Electric Slide.



#### Dance Club of Grays Harbor

Hoquiam Elks, 624 K Street, Hoquiam Dance admission is only \$10 per person Dance is from 7:30pm to 10pm

2025 DANCE SCHEDULE

February 8 January 4 March 22 May 10 April 19 June 14

Fri., Apr. 4: Aberdeen Elks; 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; Music: Dukes of Swing; Info: (360) 532-2211



Sat., Apr. 5: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia: Lesson: Night Club 2-Step 7-8pm; Music: Michael Crain Duo; Dance: 8-10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org Upcoming live music: 5/3 The Tropics Duo; 6/7 Magic Boyz

Trio; 7/5 Michael Crain Duo

Sun., Apr. 13, 2025: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia **Elks** (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.), 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia; Music: ; Dance: 1-4pm;



FREE!; Info: Peter Pease @ 360-280-5019 or sixtyrso@comcast.net

Sat., Apr. 19, 2025: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (3rd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; Music: DJ Dr. Mark;

Dance: 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Food and refreshments available through the Elks.) Members



and Guests: \$10. www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com Upcoming dances: 5/10 Randy Litch; 6/14 DJ Dr. Mark Sat., Apr. 19, 2025: Love to Dance Club Dance, at

Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Lesson: East Coast Swing 7-8pm; Music: The Tropics Duo; Dance: **8-10:30pm**; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



Sat., Apr. 26: Aberdeen Elks; 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; Music: The Randy Band; Dance: 7pm-??; Info: (360) 532-



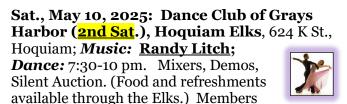
Fri., May 2: Aberdeen Elks; 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; Music: Dukes of Swing; Info: (360)

Duo; 6/7 Magic Boyz Trio; 7/5 Michael Crain Duo

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Sat., May 3: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; *Lesson:* **7-8pm**: *Music*: Tropics Duo; Dance: 8-10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org Upcoming live music: 5/3 The Tropics

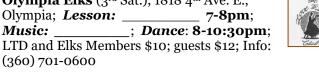


and Guests: \$10. www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com

Sun., May 11, 2025: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia **Elks** (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.), 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia; Music: **; Dance**: 1-4pm; FREE!; Info: Peter Pease @ 360-280-5019 or sixtyrso@comcast.net



Sat., May 17, 2025: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Lesson: \_ 7-8pm; \_; *Dance*: 8-10:30pm; Music: LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info:



Fri., May 23: Aberdeen Elks; 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 6:30-??pm; Music: 593 Singers; Info: (360) 532-2211



Sat., May 31: Aberdeen Elks; 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; Music: The Randy Band; Dance: 7pm-??; Info: (360) 532-



Sat., June 7: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; *Lesson:* \_ \_\_\_\_\_ 7-8pm; *Music*: Magic Boyz Trio; Dance: 8-10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org Upcoming live music: 6/7 Magic Boyz Trio; 7/5 Michael Crain Duo

### 2025 Washington Senior Games **Dance Competition**



Saturday, June 7, 2025

Doors open at 9am; Competition 10am – 5:50pm

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

Sat., June 14, 2025: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (2nd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St.,

Hoquiam; Music: DJ Dr. Mark; Dance: 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Food and refreshments available through the Elks.) Members



and Guests: \$10. www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com

**July 10-July 21: Dance Cruise to Alaska** on the Queen Elizabeth for 11 days, returning July 21. Ports of call: Seattle, Ketchikan, Glacier Bay, Haines, Tracy Arm Fjord, Juneau, Sitka, Misty Fjord, Victoria (BC), and return to Seattle. (When booking, mention that you are travelling with Bill Barber.) Contact Bill Barber for more information at 253/224-8244.

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Your deposit will be refundable up to 3/11/25.

**Hurry!** 

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

Tuesdays: OLY Swing, at Olympia Eagles, 4th & 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/ Vaccines and masks required, 360/943-4010

Wednesdays: Manhattan Club, at AmVets Hall, 5717 S Tyler St., Tacoma; every Wednesday; free lesson 6:30; dance: 7:30-9:30pm; \$10 members; \$13 everyone else; membership \$25; www.manhattanclub.org Info: 253/732-6664; 360/357-6152

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; Info: 253/939-6524; also other dances on other days: Wed., Thurs., Sat., and Sun.. DJ dances (some with live bands). Calendar

available at <a href="www.pacificballroom.org">www.pacificballroom.org</a> Look at their website. They have 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; email 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; <a href="https://www.facebook.com/tacomaswingdance/">https://www.facebook.com/tacomaswingdance/</a>.
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

**Fridays: Olympia Eagles**, 4<sup>th</sup> & Plum: Salsa Fridays; 7:30 lesson; 9-12 salsa social dance; \$10

Ballroom dance classes are being offered through the Tenino Parks & Rec; call 808/212-4597 for info.

<u>Tuesday</u> – Swing at the OLY Eagles

Wednesday – Manhattan Dance Club at AmVets Hall

in Tacoma www.manhattanclub.org

<u>Thursday</u> – T-Town Swing in Tacoma

Thursday - Randy Litch at OLY VFW 1-4pm (check with

Randy at <u>www.randylitch.net</u>) (need to bring a partner)

<u>Thursday</u> – Pacific Ballroom, Auburn www.pacificballroom.org

Friday - Salsa Dance Social in OLY

Friday - Rockin' Horse Dance Barn in Renton

<u>Saturday</u> – Pacific Ballroom in Auburn

Saturday - 4th Saturdays: Aberdeen Elks

Randy Band 2025 Schedule:

Saturdays:  $\frac{1}{25}$ ;  $\frac{2}{15}$ ,  $\frac{3}{29}$ ,  $\frac{4}{26}$ ,  $\frac{5}{31}$ ,  $\frac{6}{28}$ ,

7/26, 8/30, 9/27, 10/25, 11/29, 12/20; and Wed., 12/31/25 for New Year's Eve

Sunday – NW Dancesport Dance in Auburn

#### <u>Instructors:</u>

- \* David Lynch (h) 360/754-6697 or (c) 360/701-4294 <u>www.olympiadancelessons.com</u>
- \* Marie Kiser 360/880-5492, Centralia mkiser1202@aol.com





The next <u>DCGH board meeting</u> will be **Mon.**, **May 5**, **at 5:30 pm** 

at Mark Van Hemert's office. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

#### 3/22/25 Dance Photos

















#### **Editor's Notes:**

I'm sorry I missed getting out the newsletter for the beginning of the month. Why I thought I had already done it, I don't know, but there you have it. The newsletter has the April dances, a lot of May dances and some for June and July as well. Don't forget the Washington State Senior Games Dance Competition on Saturday, June 7, 2025. See the info in the newsletter above. It's a fantastic competition! And it's **FREE** for spectators! Come watch the amazing dancers.

Our dance for April is on Saturday, **April 19**, the day before Easter, from 7:30 to 10pm. I hope you all will be able to join us.

Hoquiam Elks had the following dates available for our dances for 2025: 1/4/25 (1st Sat.), 2/8/25 (2nd Sat.), and 3/22/25 (4th Sat.), 4/19 (3rd Sat., the day before Easter), 5/10 (2nd Sat.), and 6/14 (2nd Sat.). I'm sorry about all the changing around for different Saturdays – we're happy to get to do our dances! We're working on getting the fall schedule set. We'll be sure to let you know the rest of the schedule when we have the dates!.

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

Sharon Pleus

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Those who danced were thought to be quite insane by those who could not hear the music.

~ Angela Monet ~

# Links for DCGH website, and other links to photos and videos

The DCGH website – Check us out at www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com.

Previous Senior Games videos of heats, exhibitions, demonstrations and awards ceremonies, posted on YouTube:

www.youtube.com/user/1AlaskaGal.
Photos of the Senior Games heats posted on Flickr:
www.flickr.com/photos/sjpleusphotos/albums/.
If you're on Facebook, you can go to our page:
www.Facebook.com/groups/danceclubofgraysharbor

