

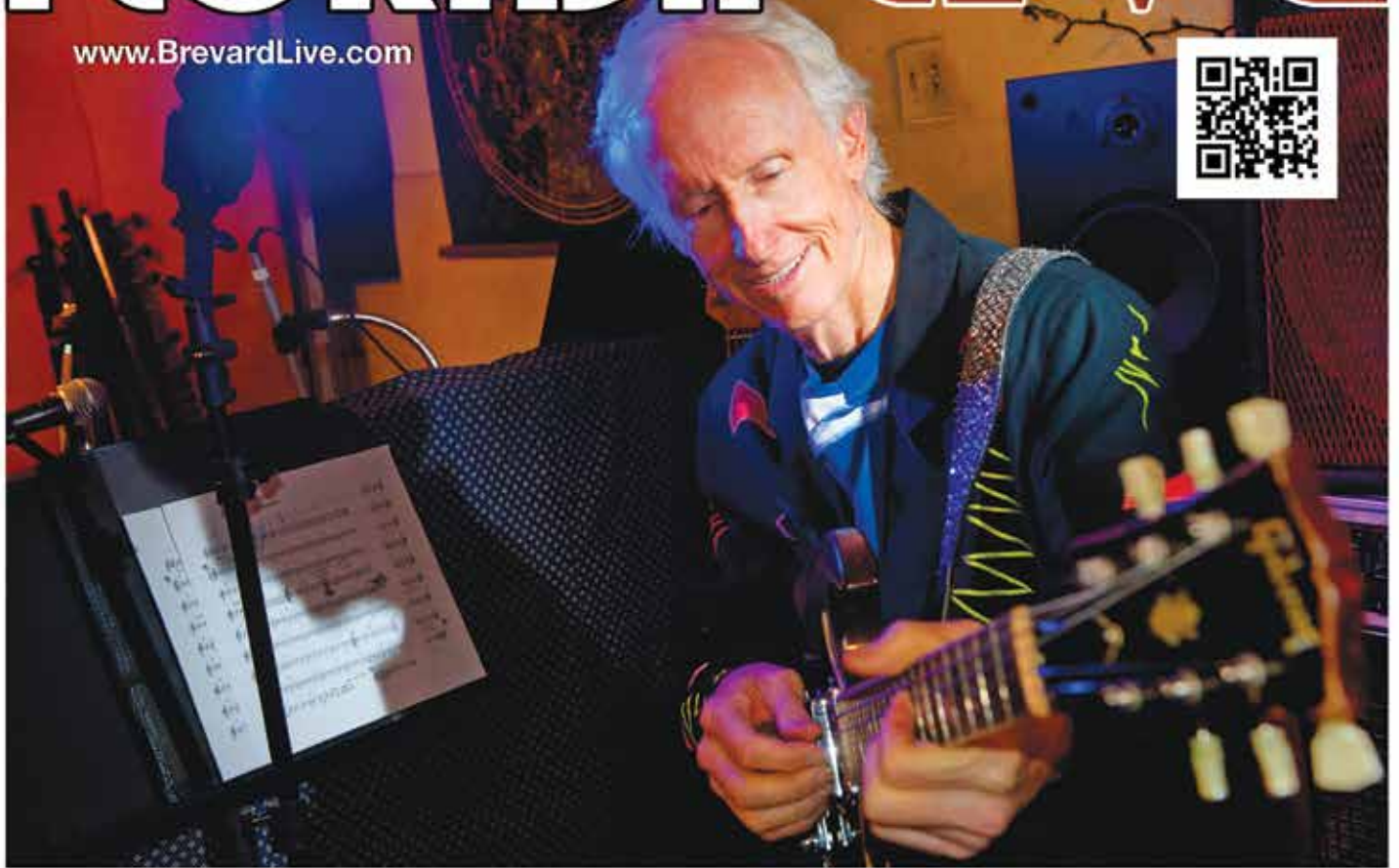
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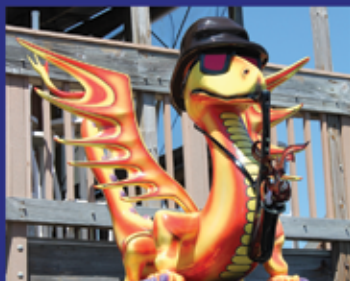
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We have some colorful personalities in Brevard County, and some are heavy-duty. Mark Longenecker has certainly put his mark on his hometown and an entire industry with his talents as artist, surfer, musician, yoga enthusiast and philanthropist. BL writer Steve Keller talked to Longenecker about his background and upbringing, the legacy of *Endless Summer Tattoo*, his time with *Ink Masters*, his role as Selector Longenecker and.... just read the article.

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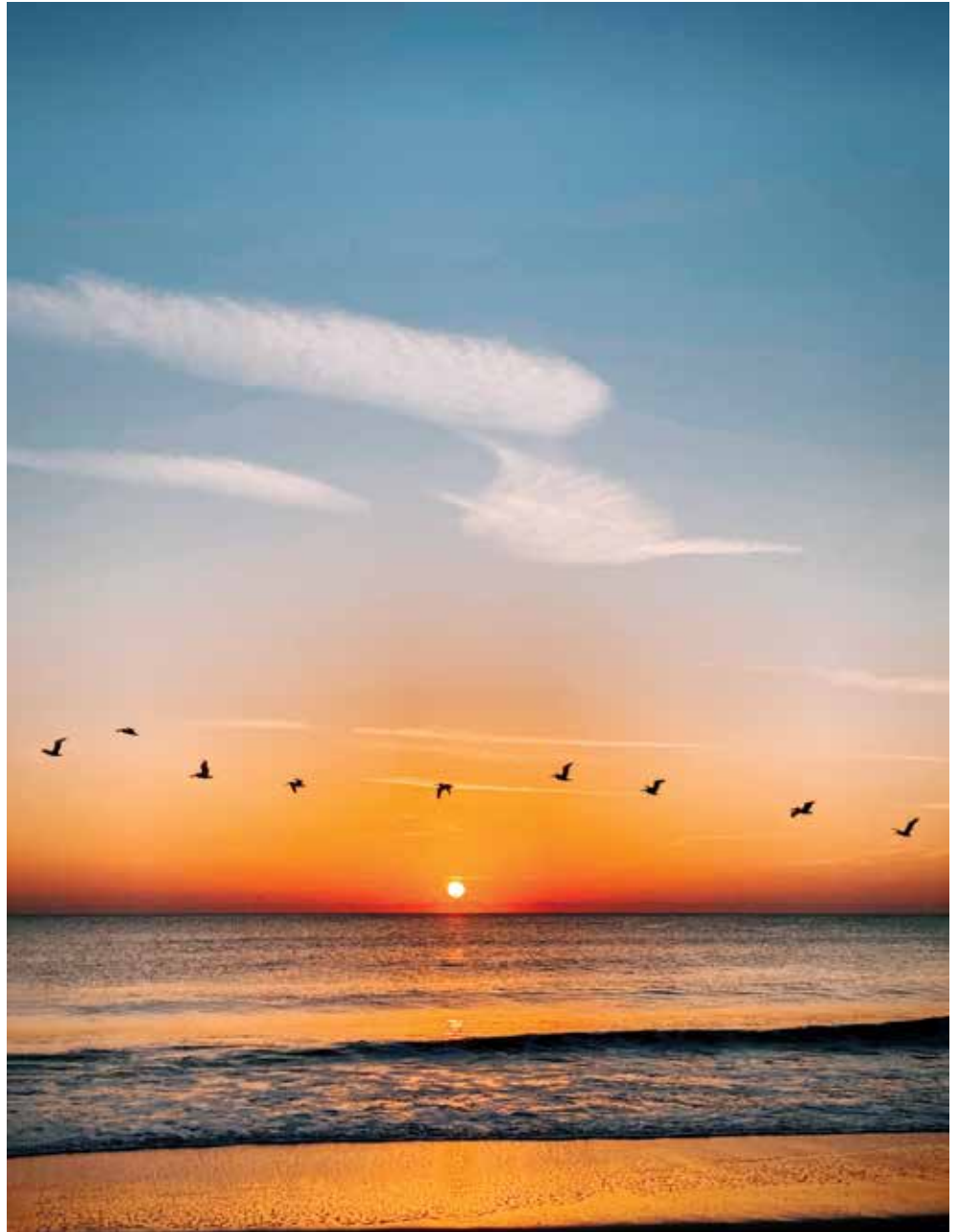
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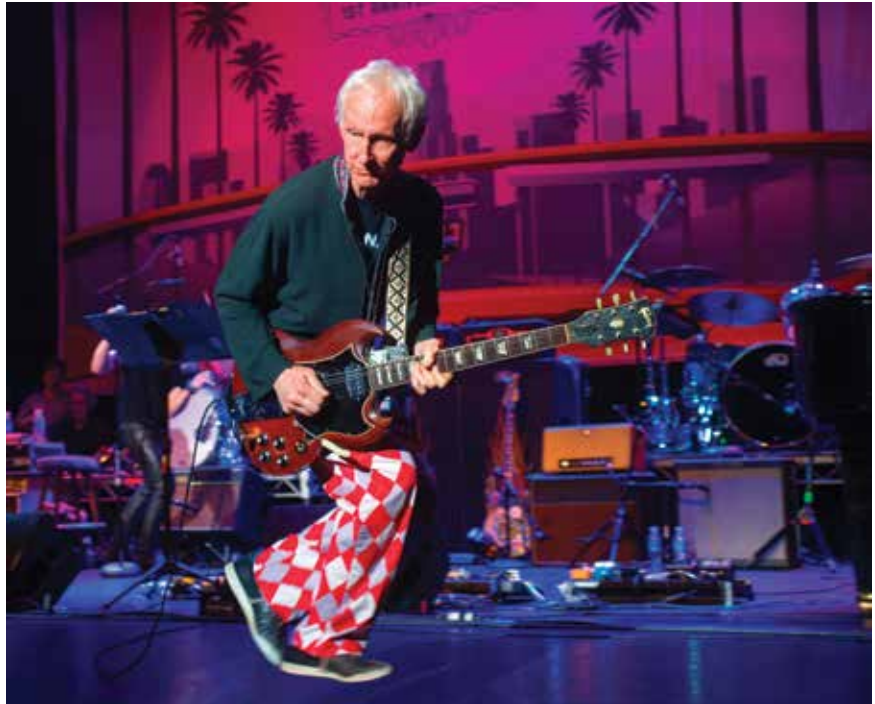
# Interview With **ROBBY KRIEGER** of The Doors

By Matthew Bretz

I couldn't believe it when I saw the email. I have conducted quite a few interviews throughout my tenor as a writer for *Brevard Live Magazine*, but this assignment was special. The man I was going to talk to was a member of one of the most iconic, influential bands in the history of rock n roll. He wrote one of the biggest and most covered songs ever. Oliver Stone made a movie about him and his friends! I was pleasantly surprised to find out that Robby Krieger - The Doors guitarist - was still out making music, even happier to find out he is coming to town, and triple the thrills to learn that I was going to take some time with him and dig into a bit about life in The Doors and what he's up to these days.

Robby called me mid-day to talk. His voice has this undeniable laid back So-Cal feel to it. Once you get that accent in your mind, picture Bruce Dern speaking with it...and that's what Robby Krieger sounds like.

*It's no secret that you are a member of the most legendary rock group of all time. What I wonder about that though is how it felt at the time. Did you ever have any idea that what you were doing could ever become what*



All Robby Krieger Photos by Jill Jarrett

*it did? Or was it more like four guys playing gigs in the moment?*

RK: There was definitely some of that feeling, but we didn't have any expectations for what happened. We knew we had something good and unique and comparatively we knew we could compete with other bands on the scene like the Stones. Led Zeppelin wasn't really doing anything yet and we were probably the top band, especially in California, that was doing anything psychedelic. We still looked up to certain bands like the Beatles and such, but we knew we were on our way.

*I don't suppose you could have ever imagined Oliver Stone would make a movie about you.*

RK: Oh, absolutely not! Who would ever think something like that. It was amazing and flattering and Val Kilmer really pulled off Jim well, but no, we could never have thought of that. It did kind of recharge our music though. I hadn't been playing Doors songs for 14 or 15 years at that point, but after the movie everyone was listening to us again and we had to get out there and do something. That's when John Densmore and myself started touring play-

ing Doors songs.

*I remember seeing a Storytellers on MTV around that time when you had Scott Stapp of Creed on lead vocals.*

RK: Yeah, that's right! That was a great show. It was neat having him sing our songs with us. He was a pretty good guy too...we all liked him.

*(Stapp and Krieger had the same manager until Stapp's death)*

*What do you think the magic ingredient was that set The Doors apart from everyone else?*

RK: I'm not completely sure about one ingredient, there were probably a bunch of things that came together just right. For one, we all had a lot of unique influences we were coming from musically. There was Indian, Latin, Afro-Cuban...I mean you name it, and we were adding it to the music wherever we could. On top of that we had Jim, and he was the biggest show in town every night.

*What was it like for three accomplished, professional musicians to play with a loose canon poet every night.*

RK: It was never boring that's for



damn sure. Jim wasn't the best singer when he started with us, but he knew how to stay on key and if he only sang three notes all the way through, they were the best three notes to sing. He just had that gift. We also didn't know what to expect from night to night so we had to always be on our toes. Depending on what drugs or alcohol Jim was, we never knew who was going to show up onstage. But that was part of the magic too.

*The Doors have always been known for wild live show...as you were just talking about, but there was a time when The Doors weren't playing much live but recording like crazy. Would you say you were more of a live band or a recording band?*

RK: I think it was relevant to whatever place we were in. After Miami (*Jim was arrested on stage*) we couldn't get any gigs, so we gravitated towards the recording studio and started writing. We put out 6 albums in 4 years so at the time we were a recording band.

*The first song you wrote for The Doors was "Light My Fire." That song went on to become enormously successful and continues to be covered by artists around the world. What's that like?*

RK: Yeah, that's a total trip on its own. It's funny, that song didn't start out even close to how it ended up. The only reason that song sounds like it does now is because we were able to play it every night for 6 months before we recorded it, there was a natural evolution to it. It kind of formed itself over time.

*You guys have historically had a love/hate relationship with Florida...*

RK: What do you mean?

*Well Jim was arrested, and you were banned from Florida for a while. You had Scott Stapp step in for a show after Jim, and he was from Florida. And the theater you are coming to play is just down the road from Jim's childhood home...and that will be in Florida.*

RK: Is that right? Jim's childhood home...

*(What goes on in the conversation here is me telling Robby Krieger about how Jim Morrison grew up in Melbourne, Florida. What has happened to the house since then and how it lies vacant and run down now. He was surprised and asked me to get him some information about Jim's life here. I happily agreed and that's how I became "best friends" with a member of The Doors.)*

*After everything you did with The Doors and what you all accomplished, do you have any regrets?*

RK: Yeah, a couple. The first is that we didn't play Woodstock and it was all Ray Manzarek's fault... that idiot. He said, "no way anyone is going to drive that far away from New York to see a concert in the middle of a cow pasture." So, we turned down the offer and missed the whole thing. The other thing was the Monterey Pop Festival. Jim pissed off the promoter and so we never got booked for that either.

*So, what can your fans expect from your show?*

RK: The Doors songs, of course! We are going to play a bunch of Doors songs. *L.A. Woman* just had its 30th anniversary last year so we will probably play some from that album.

For more information about Robby Krieger or The Doors ask anyone in the world... it's the friggin' Doors. Robby is coming to the King Center on June 15th, 8 pm. The Doors have sold over a hundred million albums worldwide, inspired a major feature film, been awarded a Lifetime Achievement Grammy, and been inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. Robby, meanwhile has also become a Grammy-nominated solo artist, and was listed among the "100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time" by *Rolling Stone*. He is also an accomplished painter and the cofounder of the annual Medlock-Krieger Rock & Roll Golf Classic & All-Star Concert.

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## June 18, Sandbar, Cocoa Beach **Sandbarpalooza**

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## July 4th, Cocoa Riverfront Park **Symphony & Fireworks**

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# Mark Longenecker

By Steve Keller

**B**revard County has some colorful characters. There are the loud and outrageous ones. The ones that seem to act crazy to hog all the attention for themselves. To make sure that their interests are met first. Then there are people like Mark Longenecker. His heavily tattooed body and often high coiffed hairdo and facial hair make him instantly recognizable. Spend even just a few minutes talking to him, however, and you get to see how the soft spoken artist, surfer, musician, yoga enthusiast and philanthropist truly is and how much Brevard County means to him.

“I was born and raised in NJ,” he explains on a late afternoon phone call last month. “I went to college in Savannah (Georgia) at the Savannah College of Art and Design. I then moved to Key West to work for Jimmy Buffet.” Longenecker is happy to expand when prompted on the ‘one of my first jobs was working for Mr. Margaritaville himself’ piece of info. “My friend used to wear my t-shirt designs when he was home from college,” he continues. “His parents worked for Jimmy Buffet. In fact, he was my friend’s Godfather.” A brief gig designing merch soon changed direction as he explored his artistic options. “My first roommates were tattoo artists. They got me into it.”

He soon ventured all around Florida; Miami, Fort Lauderdale, eventually finding Brevard and specifically Cocoa Beach. By 2004 he was ready to launch what would become his legacy; *Endless Summer Tattoo*. “I knew we had to be near the water,” he recalls of the early days tattooing out of the famous beach house turned business. He spent many years operating in Cocoa Beach as well as traveling to various Tattoo Conventions. He kept hearing about a reality show called *Ink Masters* which was a couple of seasons deep on cable TV. “I noticed that the contestants from that show were getting more attention at the conventions.” In a ‘if you can’t beat them, join them,’ strategy, he made him-



Photo by Raelene Longenecker

self available to the producers of the show. Longenecker had some good meetings but felt like they weren’t going to pursue him becoming a contestant on the show. Season 5 was being cast then he was contacted. “The Producers picked artist Ryan Eternal and asked him who he wanted to work against (The premise of this season was to pit artists who knew each other beforehand against each other in the competition) and he picked me. The show was already familiar with who I was so they cast me.” When the dust settled, Longenecker took 4th place on the show. Brevard residents, fellow cast mates (and brothers) Robbie Rivoli and Jayvo Scott also competed on the show that season. Recently *Paramount Plus* added *Ink Masters* to its streaming lineup for a whole other generation to watch and enjoy.

“I didn’t really know Mark at the time that we were on the show,” reflects Scott. “But we actually had a really good, long conversation one day on set without the cameras rolling. We hit it off really well. He’s a cool cat and we’ve been bros ever since.”

Cool may be a perfect word to describe Longenecker. His passion for art may only rival his other passions in life. His love of water and surfing made way to another hobby, this time on land; yoga. “When I get into something, I dive in head first,” he admits. “I began learning all I could about



yoga and the spiritual and physical effects of it.” After leading classes and the outpouring of people who wanted to participate, he got certified to teach officially. “A lot of people who sign up to take the classes are tattoo artists who have messed up backs from all the years they’ve tattooed,” he explains. “Some no longer want to do long tattoo sessions cause it hurts them, but I love the long sessions to be able to work on an epic piece.”

If art, surfing and yoga weren’t enough in his busy daily life, he pursues the one thing in his life he has been doing longer than tattooing; music. “I was playing music and had been in bands in high school and college,” he continues. “At first I was against the djs of the 90s that were playing techno, I didn’t view it as music.” Much like *Ink Masters*, Longenecker saw an opportunity to incorporate his art into the genre and thus *Selector Longenecker* was on the scene. “I had reggae music playing at my booth at tattoo conventions for years,” he recalls. “Everyone was playing rock and alternative. Now years later everybody is playing reggae,” he laughs. He takes his dj’ing skills and performs and hosts live concert events all over the county. A frequent collaborator and friend is DJ C-Lioness. “He’s an eccentric, gifted artist/yogi/DJ/surfer/creative person with a good heart and a big personality,” she says when asked to describe him. “He is imaginative and inspiring to be around. He is great at enjoying life and living in the moment, and you can’t help but get caught up in that same energy when you’re around him. He’s fun to be friends with!”

Fun is a big part of Longenecker’s life. So is charity. He has been a big supporter of *Surfers For Autism*, a non profit headquartered in Stuart which runs fundraising events all over the state. He will be live painting a surfboard that will be raffled off at Cocoa Beach event happening June 18th. “I’m able to share my gifts and spend time with some amazing people,” he states, noting that he has been involved in the charity every year that they have done events in Brevard. “They take people with Autism out on the water and it legit can change their lives,” he continues with added enthusiasm in his voice. “I’m honored to be a part of these events. He also donated his time and talents to Manatee preservation, a charity also near and dear to a certain Jimmy Buffet. “I guess my journey has come full circle,” he thinks out loud.

When asked if there are still things on his bucket list, Longenecker fires off trips to Red Rocks in Colorado and hiking in the Himalayas. With all the long distance adventures still to be had, the matter of factly indicates that Brevard County is his home. “I’ll live here until I die.” This place just wouldn’t be the same without him.



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# The Column

By **Chuck Van Riper**

## Abbreviations

As usual, I have questions, I tell you! The English language is confusing enough even if it's your primary language. The use of "there, their, they're" has led to the ire of many grammar police. Why doesn't bough rhyme with rough? The abbreviation for teaspoon is tsp, the abbreviation for tablespoon is tbsp, so why is the abbreviation for pound lb? Why is the abbreviation for ounce oz? (For that matter, does the word "abbreviation" really require two B's? If it was spelled with one B, that wouldn't change the meaning or the pronunciation of the word. What's with the extraneous B?) Anyway, back to the conundrum at hand. The reason pound is abbreviated lb come from the old Roman term "Libra Pondo". Libra (just like the constellation) referred to balance or scales and used as a unit of measurement. So libra pondo meant pound by weight, which was shortened to libra and abbreviated lb. It came into common use in the 14th century. The English currency (the pound) also relates to this inasmuch as it was equal to a pound of silver and the symbol for the pound looks like an ornate "L" (£). By the way, the pound sign (#) comes from the way medieval scribes wrote the abbreviation lb.

Ounce is another word with a latin derivation. The word "uncia" meant a twelfth of something as a unit of weight. This is where the word "inch" comes from. Originally a pound consisted of 12 ounces instead of 16. (So wouldn't something that weighs a pound whether it was divided into 12 or 16 pieces? Or was the measure of a pound different than it is today? I got questions, I tell you!) So, still, how did uncia become oz? Well, "unce", which also came from "uncia" came from the French, however in medieval Italian, that was "onza", and that's where oz. comes from. Whew!

Why do we say 11 AM or 11 PM? Where did am and pm come from? I could just as well been LQ and WF, couldn't it? LQ being morning and WF being afternoon. Well, not exactly. The 12 hour system started back in ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia. By the time the Renaissance rolled around, all the clocks had 12 hours on them. Imagine a wristwatch with 24 hours on it. That would be a tight squeeze! So that necessitated a way to tell the difference between day 11 o'clock and night 11 o'clock. I guess looking out the window was too inconvenient. So ante-



meridiem and post-meridiem were put into play. However, there was a great debate as to what to call 12 noon, as it actually was midday. Should it be AM (ante meridiem or before midday), or post meridiem (after midday)? After all, one second past noon is after midday. Also, midnight is 12 hours after 12noon and 12 hours before 12 noon. I'm sure there were battles over this forever, but it was finally settled that pm started at noon and am started at midnight. Of course, this whole thing could be avoided using military time.

Now we've already seen where the word "inch" comes from "uncia". The abbreviation for inch is in. You have to put the period after it otherwise it would just be the word "in". So you have in. to mean an inch. That's not really an abbreviation, it's JUST LEAVING OFF THE LAST TWO LETTERS! And since you need the period, it's just one character difference! Really! You couldn't get your lazy-ass fingers to type one more character? And the C and the H are closer on the keyboard than going all the way down to the period. O.k., end of rant. Speaking of which .....

O.K. was first used in the 1800's. Back then, they had fun playing with language and abbreviations. For example, KG stood for "know go," the incorrect spelling of "no go." Back in 1823 this was considered hilarious, lol. Now we know what they did before technology. In 1839, in an article in the Boston Morning Post used the abbreviation o.k. It meant "oll korrekt" which was the incorrect spelling of "all correct." As incredibly hilarious as this was at the time, by the end of 1839 it had become commonplace in the vernacular of the time and lasted all this time. Now we even have a spelling for it, okay, which actually started out as an abbreviation.

So I hope you enjoyed this look at abbreviations (see what I did there?) and remember, give them an in. and they'll take a mi.

## June 11th: Punk In The Park

Eau Gallie Art District continues its series of concerts and festivals: "Punk in the Park" on June 11th at the band shell will feature headliner TSOL (True Sounds Of Liberty) and several local original bands. At press time following bands were confirmed: Easy Uzis, Porch Coffin, Sixty Foot Giant, Face First, Vicious Dreams, Casket Culture, 430 Steps, The Drop Ins, Skatter Brainz, Never Ender, Speed Sprits, Noxious Profit. The free event starts at 1pm, and there will be over 40 vendors on site. Proceeds will benefit Harbor City Local, a non-profit dedicated to supporting our local original music vital to our art culture. [www.spacecoastrocks.com](http://www.spacecoastrocks.com)

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## Entertainment Calendar

### 1 - WEDNESDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7:30pm Dueling Pianos  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm Rock-Star Karaoke  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Jake Salter  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm Retro Active Daze

### 2 - THURSDAY

**CARIB BREWERY USA/**  
**TAPROOM:** 7pm Trivia  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 5pm Scotte Hopson  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm Teddy V  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6-9pm Don Furman  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm Sky Club  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 7pm Joashua Dean  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Karaoke  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Matt Riley  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm T.A. Williams

### 3 - FRIDAY

**BLIND LION:** 8pm Mr Martini Jazz & Blues Collective  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:** 6pm Matt Adkins  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/**  
**TAPROOM:** 7pm Dave Birks  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 9pm Macey Mac  
**CROWNE PLAZA/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** 6-9pm Soul Taxi  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm Mike Cambron  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 8:30pm Heatstroke  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6:30pm Billy Chapman  
**HILTON CB/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm Lil Lin Band  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 5:30pm Karaoke w/ Bob Neal; 9:30pm Rukus

**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 6pm DJ Chris Long  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:** 5pm Karalyn Woulas  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Atomic Revolutionary Wrestling  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Drifting Roots; 9pm Tidal Theory  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Dave Myers  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm Buck Barefoot  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm No Pressure Band, 1:30am DJ Ray  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 8pm Latin Dance w/ DJ Hans

### 4 - SATURDAY

**BENDER BAR & GRILL:** 6pm Lil Lin Band  
**BLIND LION:** 8pm Which Doctors  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:** 6pm Reggae Juice  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/**  
**TAPROOM:** 6pm Captain Tom  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 9pm Alex Hayes Band  
**CROWNE PLAZA/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** 1-4pm TBA; 6-9pm TBA  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm Alita Davis & the Boyz; 8:30pm Luna Pearl  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm Andrew Walker  
**HILTON CB/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm Jeff Bynum  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 1pm John Nugent; 5:30pm Karaoke w/ Cindy; 9:30pm Jette County Dragsters  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 8pm SEED  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:** 5pm Eric Webb  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Interposse Promotions music event  
**SANDBAR:** 1pm RokSlyde; 9pm Coastal Breed  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 9pm Rockfish; 1:30am DJ Ray  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Pompano Pete  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm Bonnie Harrington  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 6pm Key Change Duo

### 5 - SUNDAY

**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:** 4pm Reggae Juice  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/**  
**TAPROOM:** 6pm New Generations Steel Orchestra  
**CROWNE PLAZA/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** 1-4pm Reggae Sundayz w/ Good VibeZ Band  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm Biscuit Miller  
**HILTON CB/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 2pm John McDonald & The Mango Men; 7pm Syd Taylor  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 7pm Big D  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:** 3pm Martini Martini  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Radar Red; 10pm DJ Cerino  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Anja  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 2-6pm 106 South Duo

### 6 - MONDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7pm Sweet Beans  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm Alexander James  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7pm Dirty Bingo  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 7pm Jam w/ Florida Rock All Stars  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Jam Band

### 7 - TUESDAY

**GOOMBAY'S:** 5-7pm Dudley Quest; 7:30pm Trivia  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 6:30pm Trivia  
**SANDBAR:** 10pm Electric Tuesdaze  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm Jam w/ Russ Kellum

### 8 - WEDNESDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7:30pm Dueling Pianos  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm DJ Brian  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7pm Rock-Star Karaoke  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Catgut Stitches  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm Retro Active Daze

### 9 - THURSDAY

**CARIB BREWERY USA/**

**TAPROOM:** 7pm Trivia  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 5pm Anja  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6-9pm Don Furman  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm ELW  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Karaoke  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Matt Riley  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm Karalyn

### 10 - FRIDAY

**BENDER BAR & GRILL:** 6-10pm DJ  
**BLIND LION:** 8pm Tony Wynn & Cameron Brown  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:** 6pm Lowell Everly  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/**  
**TAPROOM:** 7pm Open Mic w/ Steve Hodak  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** private event  
**CROWNE PLAZA/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** 6-9pm TBA  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 8:30pm CheckMate  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6:30pm Billy Chapman  
**HILTON CB/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm Allen Wrowko  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 5:30pm Karaoke w/ Bob Neal; 9:30pm SASS  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 6pm DJ Chris Long  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:** 5pm Vince Love  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Casket Culture, Swearwolf, Martians In 321  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Coastal Breed; 9pm DJ Goldfinga  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Buck Barefoot  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm Josh Keels  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm Radar Red; 1:30am DJ Ray  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 6pm SheepDawgs Duo

### 11 - SATURDAY

**BENDER BAR & GRILL:** 6-10pm TBA



# Entertainment Calendar

**BLIND LION:** 8pm  
Shuffletones  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:**  
6pm Tru Phonic  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/  
TAPROOM:** 6-9pm Wes  
Hufnagel  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** private event  
**CROWNE PLAZA/  
LONGBOARDS:** 1-4pm Jake  
Salter; 6-9pm Luna Pearl  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm  
Double Standard  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm  
Relentless; 8:30pm Shovelhead  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm Alexander  
James  
**HILTON CB/  
LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance  
Lessons; 9pm Country Music  
DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm ELW  
Band  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 1pm Denise  
Turner; 5:30pm Karaoke w/  
Cindy; 9:30pm Switch  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 8pm  
SEED  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:**  
5pm Bi;u Chapman  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Actus Reus,  
Tactosa, Yosemite in Black,  
Once Kings  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm The  
Syndicate; 6pm Love Valley;  
UFC 275  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm  
Bonnie Harrington  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm  
Dave Myers  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 9pm  
Forte; 1:30am DJ Ray  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 7pm  
Absolute Blue

## 12 - SUNDAY

**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:**  
4pm Rick Ferrin  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/  
TAPROOM:** 6pm New  
Generations Steel Orchestra  
**CROWNE PLAZA/  
LONGBOARDS:** 1-7pm  
Reggae Sundayz, Nostaljah  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm  
SRachelle Cobra Trio  
**GOOMBAYS:** 3pm Reggae  
Sunday w/ THC  
**HILTON CB/  
LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 2pm Castoffs;  
7pm Catgut Stitches

**PUB AMERICANA MELB:**  
3pm TBA  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Absolute  
Blue; 10pm DJ Cerino  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Alex  
James  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 2-6pm  
Karalyn

## 13 - MONDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7pm Sweet Beans  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm Alexander  
James  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7pm Dirty  
Bingo  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 7pm  
Jam w/ Florida Rock All Stars  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Jam Band

## 14 - TUESDAY

**GOOMBAY'S:** 5-7pm Dudley  
Quest; 7:30pm Trivia  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 6:30pm Trivia  
**SANDBAR:** 10pm Electric  
Tuesdaze  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm  
Jam w/ Russ Kellum

## 15 - WEDNESDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7:30pm Dueling Pianos  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm  
Rockstar Karaoke  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance  
Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm Rock-  
Star Karaoke  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Anja  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm  
Retro Active Daze

## 16 - THURSDAY

**CARIB BREWERY USA/  
TAPROOM:** 7pm Trivia  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 5pm Teddy V  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6-9pm Don  
Furman  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance  
Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm Love  
Valley  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Karaoke  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Matt  
Riley  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm  
Male Review

## 17 - FRIDAY

**BENDER BAR & GRILL:**  
6-10pm DJ  
**BLIND LION:** 8pm Jeff  
Stanton Trio  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**

**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:**  
6pm Matt Adams  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/  
TAPROOM:** 6-9pm Alex  
Warner  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 9pm Sweet Beans  
**CROWNE PLAZA/  
LONGBOARDS:** 6-9pm Sky  
Club  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm Shari  
& The Groove Cats  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 8:30pm  
Joey Tenuto & Muggy Doo  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6:30pm Billy  
Chapman  
**HILTON CB/  
LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance  
Lessons; 9pm Country Music  
DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm  
Loaded Dice  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 5:30pm  
Karaoke w/ Bob Neal; 9:30pm  
Last Call Band  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 6pm  
DJ Chris Long; 8pm Murphy's  
Law

**PUB AMERICANA MELB:**  
5pm Lee Zalnoski  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Enemedia, Ashes  
Of Elysium, Death on Fire,  
Sonic Conversations  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Jeff Marquis;  
9pm Drifting Roots  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Tim  
England  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm  
Mark Soroka  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm  
Rios Rock Band; 1:30am DJ  
Ray  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 8pm  
Latin Night w/ DJ Hans

## 18 - SATURDAY

**BENDER BAR & GRILL:**  
6-10pm Guy Lee Trio  
**BLIND LION:** 8pm Josh  
Miller's Blues Review  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:**  
6pm Jackie Lynn  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/  
TAPROOM:** 6-9pm DJ  
C-Lioness  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 9pm Blue Diamond  
**CROWNE PLAZA/  
LONGBOARDS:** 1-9pm Vibe  
Tribe  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm DJ  
Brian  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm

Love Valley; 8:30pm Wicked  
Garden Gnomes  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm TBA  
**HILTON CB/  
LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance  
Lessons; 9pm Country Music  
DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm Matt  
Rosman  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 1pm John  
McDonald; 5:30pm Karaoke w/  
Cindy; 9:30pm TBA  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 8pm  
Dreamer  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:**  
5pm Martini Martini  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Extreme Music  
Scene tba  
**SANDBAR:** Sandbarpalooza:  
Noon to Midnight live bands  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Two  
Rock  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm  
Matt Riley  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm  
Love Valley, 1:30am DJ Ray  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 6pm  
Greg Caputo

## 19 - SUNDAY

**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:**  
4pm Reggae Juice  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/  
TAPROOM:** 6pm New  
Generations Steel Orchestra  
**CROWNE PLAZA/  
LONGBOARDS:** 1-7pm One  
Harmony  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 3pm Adam  
Sean  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm  
Little Mike & The Tornados  
**HILTON CB/  
LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 2pm Highway  
1; 7pm Pete Soth  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 6pm  
My Remedy  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:**  
3pm Travis Smith  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Stoney &  
The House Rockers; 10pm DJ  
Cerino  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Josh  
Keels  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 2-6pm  
Andrew Rickman

## 20 - MONDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7pm Sweet Beans  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm Alexander  
James

# Entertainment Calendar

**LOU'S BLUES:** 7pm Dirty Bingo  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 7pm Jam w/ Florida Rock All Stars  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Jam Band

## 21 - TUESDAY

**GOOMBAY'S:** 5-7pm Dudley Quest; 7:30pm Trivia  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 6:30pm Trivia  
**SANDBAR:** 10pm Electric Tuesdaze  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm Jam w/ Russ Kellum

## 22 - WEDNESDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7:30pm Dueling Pianos  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm Rock-Star Karaoke  
**RUBIX:** 7pm El Escapado, collision riot, the Rottens  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Teddy V  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm Retro Active Daze

## 23 - THURSDAY

**CARIB BREWERY USA/TAPROOM:** 7pm Trivia  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 5pm Jeff Marquis  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6-9pm Don Furman  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm Juiced  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Karaoke  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Matt Riley  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm Corey Yentz

## 24 - FRIDAY

**BENDER BAR & GRILL:** 6-10pm DJ  
**BLIND LION:** 8pm Tony Wynn & Cameron Brown  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:** 6pm Matt Adkins  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/TAPROOM:** 6-9pm Open Mic w/ Steve Hodak  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 9pm No Pressure Band  
**CROWNE PLAZA/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** 6-9pm Umbrella Thieves  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 8:30pm Radar Red  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 7pm Alexander

James  
**HILTON CB/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm Acoustic Eric  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 5:30pm Karaoke w/ Bob Neal; 9:30pm Juiced  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 6pm DJ Chris Long  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:** 5pm Travis Smith  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Atomic Revolutionary Wrestling  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Tidal Theory; 9pm Rising Lion  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Andy Harrington  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm Alex Warner  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm Karalyn & Dawn Patrol; 1:30am DJ Ray  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 7pm Green Light

## 25 - SATURDAY

**BENDER BAR & GRILL:** 6-10pm Angel City Band  
**BLIND LION:** 8pm TW6  
**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:** 6pm Reggae Juice  
**CARIB BREWERY**  
**TAPROOM:** 6-9pm Joules Rio  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 9pm Dallas Tyler Band  
**CROWNE PLAZA/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** 1-4pm James Gang; 6pm TBA  
**DREW'S BREWS:** 6pm Rockstar Karaoke  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm Reckless Shots; 8:30pm Loaded Dice  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm Alexander James  
**HILTON CB/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**KEY WEST BAR:** 9pm Rockfish  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 1pm Don Ugly; 5:30pm Karaoke w/ Cindy; 9:30pm Luna Pearl  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 8pm KomeBack Kid  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:** 5pm Alex James  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Deep Six

Promotions  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Funk In The Trunk; 9pm Cheetah Coalition  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Matt Riley  
**SLOW & LOW Viera:** 7pm Anja  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm Which Doctors; 1:30am DJ Ray  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 6pm Harbor City Sound

## 26 - SUNDAY

**BONEFISH WILLY'S**  
**RIVERFRONT GRILLE:** 4pm TBA  
**CARIB BREWERY USA/TAPROOM:** 6pm New Generations Steel Orchestra  
**CROWNE PLAZA/**  
**LONGBOARDS:** 1-7pm Reggae Sundaayz  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm Shaw Davis & The Black Ties  
**HILTON CB/LONGBOARDS:** TBA  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 2pm Coolers; 7pm Jeff Bynum  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 6pm My Remedy  
**PUB AMERICANA MELB:** 3pm Eric Webb  
**RUBIX:** 7pm Legion of the Serpent Tour  
**SANDBAR:** 4pm Shuffle Tones; 10pm DJ Cerino  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Wes Hufnagel  
**SPACE COAST HARLEY:** 2pm Liliac  
**WHISKEY BEACH:** 2-6pm Joey Ferris

## 27 - MONDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 7pm Sweet Beans  
**GOOMBAYS:** 7pm Alexander James  
**EARL'S HIDEAWAY:** 2pm Nasty Habits  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7pm Dirty Bingo  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 7pm Jam w/ Florida Rock All Stars  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Jam Band

## 28 - TUESDAY

**GOOMBAY'S:** 5-7pm Dudley Quest; 7:30pm Trivia  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 6:30pm Trivia  
**SANDBAR:** 10pm Electric Tuesdays  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm Jam w/ Russ Kellum

## 29 - WEDNESDAY

**COCOA BEACH FISH**

**CAMP:** 7:30pm Dueling Pianos  
**HURRICANE CREEK**  
**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm Rock-Star Karaoke  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Catgut Stitches  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8pm Retro Active Daze

## 30 - THURSDAY

**CARIB BREWERY USA/TAPROOM:** 7pm Trivia  
**COCOA BEACH FISH**  
**CAMP:** 5pm Jersey Mike  
**GOOMBAY'S:** 6-9pm Don Furman  
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**SALOON:** 7-9pm Free Dance Lessons; 9pm Country Music DJ  
**LOU'S BLUES:** 7:30pm R.A.D.  
**MELB BIERGARTEN:** 7pm Murphy's Law  
**SANDBAR:** 8pm Karaoke  
**SLOW & LOW CB:** 7pm Matt Riley  
**SOCIAL DISTANCE:** 8:30pm TBA

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Thru June 26:** Dreamland Miniature Golf & More Pop-Up, former Foosaner Art Museum, Eau Gallie, DerekGores.com/dreamland-mini-golf

**June 1 & 2:** Yankee Doodle Concert, Melbourne Community Orchestra, Melbourne Auditorium, 321-285-6724

**June 3:** Opening Reception: Water and Creatures in the Gallery Exhibitions, Fifth Avenue Art Gallery, Eau Gallie Arts District, 321-259-8261

**June 3:** First Friday Reception, Eau Gallery, Eau Gallie Arts District, 321-253-5553

**June 3-5:** Disney's Aladdin Kids (youth theatre), Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse, 321-636-5050

**June 4:** Patrick Lamb, Greg





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**June 4:** Death and the Maiden Concert, Space Coast Symphony Orchestra Winds, Eastminster Presbyterian Church, Indialantic, 855-252-7276

**June 5:** Audience Favorites Concert, Community Band of Brevard, Merritt Island High School, 321-338-6210

**June 5:** Happy Together Tour, King Center, Melbourne, 321-242-2219

**June 7 & 8:** Waitress, King Center, Melbourne, 321-242-2219

**June 8 & 9:** MMB Pops! Concert, Melbourne Municipal Band, Melbourne Auditorium, 321-724-0555

**June 10-12:** Shrek the Musical Jr. (youth theatre), Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse, 321-636-5050

**June 10-19:** The Three Musketeers Fractured, Surfside Playhouse, 321-783-3127

**June 12:** Sybil Gage and the Merry Band of Catahoulas Jazz Concert, Space Coast Jazz Society, Veterans Memorial Center, Merritt Island

**June 16:** Robbie Krieger of The Doors, King Center, Melbourne, 321-242-2219

**June 17:** Friday Funday

(youth theatre), Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse, 321-636-5050

**June 18:** Legally Blonde Jr. (youth theatre), Titusville Playhouse, 321-268-1125

**June 18:** Love, Death & Madness Concert, Space Coast Symphony Orchestra, Scott Center at Holy Trinity, 855-252-7276

**June 18:** BSA Woodwind Quintet, Brevard Symphony Orchestra, Suntree United Methodist Church, 321-345-5052

**June 18:** Classic Albums Live: Pink Floyd – The Wall, King Center, Melbourne, 321-242-2219

**June 24:** Jitterbug June Dance, Melbourne Municipal Band, Melbourne Auditorium, 321-724-0555

**June 24-26:** Footloose (youth theatre), Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse, 321-636-5050

**June 25:** America the Beautiful Concert, Space Coast Symphony Orchestra, Scott Center at Holy Trinity, 855-252-7276

**June 26:** America the Beautiful Concert, Space Coast Symphony Orchestra, Riverside Presbyterian Church, Cocoa Beach, 855-252-7276



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# GALAXY

By Steve LeClair

It's been a long day at work when a text comes over: 'hey, what are we doing this weekend?'. Instantly you perk up as your thoughts envision cold drinks and music, and classic rock is definitely your music of choice. Chances are you will catch the band Galaxy as they are one of the busiest bands in Brevard.

You can always expect a great night of memorable classic rock from them whether they are performing as an acoustic duo or the full band. Together for over 9 years, the band consists

of Kyle Amos on guitar and vocals, James Beumer on drums, guitar, and vocals, and Joe Gaudy on bass guitar and vocals. Let's meet them!

Joe was born in New York City and moved to Florida in 1987 when he was twenty-three. Musically his biggest influences were the Beatles in which he's a huge fan along with all the British Invasion music. He stated that he loved harmonies in particular as he would sing along with them on the radio constantly. At 17 he bought a bass guitar and proceeded to join a band. That lasted only a year, however, before life got in the way. He didn't pick up the bass again until he was 60! The band's beginnings started when he jammed with Kyle and Gary Thompson and, as they say, the rest is history.

James hails from South Florida where he started playing in clubs at 16. He's worked in a variety of different acts playing rock, top 40 as well as jazz and blues. His performance experience

includes playing at festivals as well as on Norwegian Cruise lines with his own band for two years. James moved to Brevard County in 1993 and started playing with various bands here. His influences are diverse and at any given time, you'll catch hints of jazz, punk, blues or reggae in his playing.

Kyle is a Melbourne native and has been playing guitar since he was 12. His biggest influences were listening and learning guitar to Iron Maiden and Judas Priest. He's played with numerous musicians over the years including several that work in national touring acts. A fun fact is that he was sort of forced into singing as the band couldn't find an acceptable singer.

Many of you may be familiar with the Galaxy Skateway on Aurora Road and are wondering if there is a link between the band and the rink or if it's just a coincidence because of us living on the Space Coast. Well, the band IS directly connected! The band came together prompted by Kyle's wife's suggestion for Kyle to jam with Joe. Kyle's wife knew Joe (who owns Galaxy Skateway) from playing Roller Derby at the skate rink and hooked Joe and Kyle together for some jamming. It all worked out as they connected on playing and their personalities clicked. As for the band name, it was an instant and obvious choice with it being the common thread that linked them together. James wasn't the original drummer for the band but had known Kyle through working at Rock Bottom Music. James was a regular at their gigs and became friends with the band and after being asked to fill in one night, he turned into a full-time member soon after.

All three members of the band are huge *3 Stooges* and *Seinfeld* fans so it's only natural for them to add in some comedy while they interact with the audience between songs. Some fun and silliness surely will happen as they describe themselves as clowns. You may even get a celebrity impression from James!

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## GALAXY continued

Galaxy played their first show May 13th, 2013, at Boondocks Bar in Melbourne and within a month they were booked at Lou's Blues, Squid Lips and Sebastian Beach Inn. The band now plays more than 100 shows every year in central Brevard. James jokes he nicknames the band the All-Weather Galaxy as 90 percent of their shows are outside which can be a challenge. Tarps are always on hand. They've played in all types of weather; heat, rain, wind, cold and even a tropical storm.

With juggling day jobs and gigs, another challenge Kyle told me jokingly was mowing the lawn! You can expect a wide variety of music from Galaxy. If you remember AM Gold Classic Top 40, the old syndicated show, you can expect to hear a lot of those types' songs. The type of songs you remember fondly and can sing along to or ones that you heard from your parent's radio and one hit wonders. Kyle describes it as an old juke box from 1976 with all the 45s still in it. A perfect example of this would be *Brandy* (you're a fine girl) but also expect covers Pink Floyd, Tom Petty, Steve Miller, the Police, Joe Jackson, Counting Crows and many others, pretty much every era of rock music so there is always something for everyone. When I asked Kyle about the acoustic duo that he and James do, he stated that they change up the format a little and play mostly folk acts and singer songwriters, so expect Jackson Browne, Jim Croce and more casual songs. They stated performing is "always rewarding" and comments like "we stayed all night just to hear what was next" and "can you perform at our wedding" make it even more special. They love what they do and you can tell! You won't be disappointed in your trip through the Galaxy. Follow them on *Facebook*.

## One Night of Queen at the King Center

Review By Charles Knight

On March 17th, 1975 the band Queen played their first ever concert in Miami Florida at The Miami Marine Stadium on a floating stage in the midst of The Sheer Heart Attack tour. I was there along with a couple thousand others to see this new act out of the United Kingdom that sounded like a whole orchestra and then some. There was no such thing as MTV so most of us had little to no idea what to expect.

It was mesmerizing! The lights! The fog! The sound! It was a grand spectacle indeed! And that front man! Whew, still one of the greatest rock and roll showmen ever in my book! I had recently purchased the album at the local record store and knew that the group was good, but how good? Undoubtedly one of the best concerts I've ever experienced. As a result I was hooked, I bought every album ever recorded by them over the years, yet never had the opportunity to see them live again before Freddie's passing in 1991. Of course I watched the Live Aid televised concert along with millions of others, Queen's performance at Wembley was definitely the highlight of the show as far as I was concerned but admittedly I was (and still am) biased.

Years passed, no, decades passed. We all thought Queen was gone I mean "Who could possibly replace Mr. Mercury"? And then I read that Paul Rogers formerly of FREE and Bad Company was touring with the band as a replacement vocalist. Now, I have always admired Paul as a singer but doing Freddie's songs? I was just not convinced it would work to say the least. It's evident that I wasn't alone in my scepticism and his tenure was short lived. Once again I thought "Queen is dead".

Then came American Idol and a singer named Adam Lambert. Again, I doubted someone else could pull it off. I was wrong. Although Freddie was the greater showman, the young Mr. Lambert has an incredible instrument at his disposal and Lissa and I took our youngest Dallas and along with friends we saw him perform in South Florida with Queen on August of 2019. None of us were disappointed. It was a tremendous show.

Over the last few years we had heard of a tribute act from England called One Night of Queen. The front man\ vocalist, Gary Mullin, had received rave reviews by critics and music journalists the world over, so when it was announced that they were coming to Florida our friend reserved six seats so that we could all attend. And then... The 'C' word happened! That's Covid. Fast forward two years and the show was rescheduled and everyone was excited. The King Center was almost sold out and the crowd was obviously happy to get out and see a live show and a Queen tribute at that! The house lights dimmed and the familiar sound of a Brian May riff filled the air! Oh boy! This is going to be great! But alas, it was pretty good at best, and although the singer is alleged to have aided in the vocal tracks for the film *Bohemian Rhapsody* his voice this evening was adequate at best. Now, as a professional singer with more than 50 years experience I understand that even the best have the occasional off night so... This must have been one of his. While his professionalism and stage presence were unquestionably terrific, it was painfully obvious that he was a bit hoarse and the band had tuned down in order to accommodate him. Don't get me wrong, the production as a whole was quite impressive with tremendous musicianship, sound and lighting that rivals many larger touring acts and it was worth the ticket price. All in all I would certainly attend another of their shows in the hopes that Mr. Mullin (Freddie) were in top shape vocally.





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## **Flori-Duh**

Sweetwater's Diversity  
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Memoirs By Charles Knight

A small town with a population of five hundred or so in the fifties through the seventies, Sweetwater was considered by some as a haven for a more rough crowd with a penchant for something a little different than what they might do in their own homes. A place to go on a weekend night and get in some fighting time, or a chance to get away with some shady activity that may not go over so well with the authorities in the larger neighboring city of Miami. A common error on the part of the misinformed. While the town itself mirrored many southern burghs of the era, it was commonly referred to as South Florida's version of Mayberry, the fictional home of Andy, Opie, Barney, and Aunt Bea. There were many physical similarities indeed. We had towering Australian pine trees and fishing holes as well as tomato strawberry and bean farms, and a cast of interesting and eclectic characters.

The long hot summer days saw any number of the town's children swim-

ming in one of the canals or rock pits that dotted the land, or riding bicycles on the hot asphalt or gravel roads. Perhaps some would stay busy building a fort or a tree house in one of dozens of empty lots and fields while some rode horses through town and in the woods adjacent. Almost every business had a hitching post in front where one could tie their horse while shopping or getting a cold drink. Dad was the chief of police and although he had a police car he often rode his horse while on patrol. Some of the adults would be working a field or at their respective jobs in town or Miami while others had any of a number of small businesses within the town limits. Some of the adults were college graduates and worked in various professional areas, some were tradespeople that fixed or repaired things, some were grocers or barbers or whatever. It didn't matter because I came from a small town that had deep roots in local culture where almost everyone got along despite their differences whether they be academic or anything else.

I was a child in Sweetwater. Born in nineteen fifty seven I was witness to many things that the youngsters of today couldn't possibly relate to, World war two ended a mere twelve years prior to my birth, we were made aware of the men and women that sacrificed their lives for the freedoms and the good of all, many of which had called Sweetwater home. We had a diverse if not unusual population for a small southern town. We lived amongst, went to school with, attended church with, had picnics with, and celebrated holidays with our Japanese friends whom mere years before were imprisoned in internment camps right here in Florida and other states within our country because we were at war with their homeland. Grandma Rose (most of the neighborhood kids called her Grandma although we weren't actually related) and her husband Eddie were a lovely Jewish couple that had tattoos on their arms given to them by Nazis in

a death camp. I believe that was where they met and fell in love. We picked strawberries with our friends of color who years before were not allowed to vote, eat in a restaurant, or even ride in the front of a city bus, we ate ice cold watermelon and home churned ice cream with our friends and neighbors that were quite different in stature because they were little people. In fact, the town itself was founded by a group of Russian circus little people. To us, these folks weren't different, they were our people, the heart of our town, the soul of a place that can't be replicated in today's society. We went to school with Native Americans, both Seminole and Miccosukee. Some of my best friends had different color skin, some had differing diets or beliefs, some were democrats and some were republicans. My parents had friends and people that they cared deeply for that they had absolutely nothing in common with. They taught us to relish the difference in our lives, I grew up eating the foods of several different cultures, listening to stories of folks and their ancestors from different societies and places. I learned to curse in Spanish, Haitian, and American Indian as a youngster. I learned that the only real difference between us was the ways in which we thought and our upbringing. Fortunately there were a lot of open minded folks in our town but not all of them. There were racists in Sweetwater, there were bigots and some truly evil people as well. I'm afraid that we will never truly be rid of evil, but maybe, just maybe if we relearn that we are all just the heart, the soul, and the people that make up a bigger town, things will improve. In the meantime we could work towards ending the divisiveness that is permeating our country and accept that the only true constant is change.

The Sweetwater that I spent a good deal of my youth in is gone. Gone are the empty lots and fields, gone are the gravel roads. There are no longer

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Frog Legs • Alligator • Seafood • Steak  
 Beer Can Chicken • Smokehouse Favorites  
 Burgers • Salads • Sandwiches



Draft & Bottle Beers • Craft Beers  
 Great White & Red Wine Selections  
 Specialty Drinks • Moonshine Mixes

**HAPPY HOUR • MON-FRI 2-5PM**  
**50% OFF ALL DRINKS**

<b>SUNDAYS</b> Bottomless Mimosas for the Ladies 11-4	<b>TUESDAYS</b> Half Price Gumbo & Domestic Drafts	<b>WEDNESDAYS</b> Rib & Wine Specials All Day	<b>THURSDAYS</b> Wing & Whiskey Specials All Day
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**LIVE MUSIC**

<b>THURSDAY 5PM</b> 2nd Scotte Hopson 9th Anja 16th Teddy V 23rd Jeff Marquis 30th Jersey Mike	<b>FRIDAY 9PM</b> 3rd Macey Mac 10th Lowell Everly 17th Sweet Beans 24th Andrew Rickman & No Pressure Band	<b>SATURDAY 9PM</b> 4th Alex Hayes Band 11th Tru Phonic 18th Blue Diamond 25th Dallas Tyler Band
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**WEDNESDAYS 7:30PM** Dueling Pianos  
**MONDAYS 7PM** House Band Sweet Beans

**HUGE GAME ROOM**

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**BIKERS WELCOME**



Thursday, June 2nd, 6pm  
 & every 1st Thursday of the Month

**BIKE NIGHT**

**KITCHEN OPEN TUES-SUN**

Variety of Appetizers • Nachos • Tacos  
 Quesadilla • Wings • Burgers • Hot Dogs  
 Sandwiches • Wrap • Specials

**HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY 11am-7pm**

**BIG OUTSIDE BAR & PATIO**

**LOTS OF PARKING**

**COLDEST  
 BEER**

**LIVE MUSIC  
 ON WEEKENDS**

**BEST  
 PRICES**

Saturday, June 4

**LIL LIN BAND** 6-10pm  
 Saturday, June 11, 6-10pm

**TBA**

Saturday, June 18, 6-10pm

**GUY LEE TRIO**

Saturday, June 25, 6-10pm

**ANGEL CITY BAND**

Fridays, June 10, 17, 24, 6-10pm

**DJ (JP ENTERTAINMENT)**



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**RUBIX CAFE & VENUE**  
**June Live Music**

- 3 - Atomic Revolutionary Wrestling
- 4 - Interposse Promotions Live Music
- 10 - Casket Culture // Swearwolf // Martians in 321
- 11 - Actus Reus // Yosemite In Black // Once Kings // Tactosa
- 17 - Enemedia // Death On Fire // Ashes Of Elysium
- 18 - Extreme Music Scene TBA
- 22 - El Escapado // Collision Riot // The Rottens
- 24 - Atomic Revolutionary Wrestling
- 25 - Deep Six Productions Live Music

Tuesday Cover Band Jams / Thursday Karaoke

**26 FREE Play Gaming Console Stations**  
**TAP BEER SPECIALS**  
**HOT FOOD - WINE**

Check Weekly Events Schedule On Facebook  
**701 Apollo Blvd - Melbourne**

**OUTSIDE OCEANSIDE SEATING**  **RELAX ON OUR DECKS**

**Hilton**  
 Cocoa Beach Oceanfront



**Longboards**  
 TIKI BEACH GRILLE

**REGGAE SUNDAYS | LIVE MUSIC**  
 1 to 4pm on our Deck | Fri/Sat 6-9pm • Sun 1-4pm

**View On The Atlantic Ocean**

**HAPPY HOUR** **FOOD AND DRINK SPECIALS**  
 Sunday-Thursday 3-6pm

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**LIVE MUSIC**  
**FRI & SAT 5-8:30PM**  
**SUNDAY 3-6:30PM**  
 in DT Melbourne



**HAPPY HOUR**

Mon-Fri  
 3-6pm & 9pm - close  
 Sat/Sun 9pm - close  
 \$2.50 select drafts  
 \$4 mixed drinks  
 \$4 house wines

**OUTSIDE SEATING**

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**WING WEDNESDAYS**

99 cent wings (min 8) • \$7 Bud Light pitcher  
 \$5 Tito's and Jack Daniels  
 4pm - close at both locations



Award Winning  
 Burgers And  
 Gourmet Pizzas



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**JAZZ & BLUES CLUB**

**JUNE 2022**

**NO COVER FRI & SAT**

2 Drink Minimum

Featuring  
 our  
**FULL  
 MENU**

**FRIDAYS at 8pm**

- 3rd** Mr Martini Jazz & Blues Collective
- 10th** Tony Wynn & Cameron Brown's Jazz Therapy
- 17th** Jeff Stanton Trio Blues, Rock, Funk
- 24th** Tony Wynn & Cameron Brown's Jazz Therapy

**SATURDAYS at 8pm**

- 4th** Which Doctors Blues, Guitar Rock
- 11th** Shuffletones Blues
- 18th** Josh Miller Blues Review
- 25th** TW6 Jazz & Funk

Thurs, 6:30  
**SC COMEDY  
 SHOWCASE**  
 by Judd Jones

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 Craft  
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## SPECIALS

### MEXICAN MONDAY

1/2 Priced NACHOS w/ 1st Pitcher  
\$3 Jack, Jim, Jose

### TACO TUESDAY

1/2 OFF Tacos & Select Drafts

### WING WEDNESDAY

8 WINGS 50% OFF w/ Every Pitcher  
\$3 White Claws & Fireball

### PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY

Large Pizza @ Small Pizza Price  
\$4 Three Olives Vodka

### CRABBY FRIDAY

1 lb Crablegs \$10 Off Market Price  
\$3.25 Landshark

### SANDBOOZE SUNDAY

\$2 Drafts, \$3 Tequila & Fireball  
Daily Specials Start at 4pm

# ALL DAY BOOZE

**ALL DAY  
EVENT  
SATURDAY  
JUNE 18**

12PM-1PM | Radar Red  
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM | Roksllyde  
3PM-4PM | The Bullet Dodgers  
4:30PM-5:30PM | The Syndicate  
6PM-7PM | TBA  
7:30PM-8:30PM | Vinny Michaels  
9PM-10PM | Love Valley  
10:30PM-11:30PM | Cheetah Coalition  
12AM-1AM | TBA

**SPACE COAST'S  
LONGEST  
RUNNING  
MUSIC FESTIVAL**

**MONDAY JAM BAND  
ELECTRIC TUESDAZE**

**WEDNESDAY ACOUSTIC  
THURSDAY KARAOKE**

## REGGAE FRIDAYS

3 - DRIFTING ROOTS 4PM  
TIDAL THEORY 9PM  
10 - COASTAL BREED 4PM  
DJ GOLDFINGA 9PM  
17 - JEFF MARQUIS 4PM  
DRIFTING ROOTS 9PM  
24 - TIDAL THEORY 4PM  
RISING LION 9PM

## SUPER SATURDAYS

4 - ROKSLYDE 1PM  
COASTAL BREED 9PM  
11 - THE SYNDICATE 1PM  
LOVE VALLEY 6PM  
18 - SANDBARPALOOZA ALL DAY/ NIGHT  
25 - FUNK IN THE TRUNK 4PM  
CHEETAH COALITION 9PM

**6/11:  
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275**

## SANDBOOZE SUNDAYS

5 - RADAR RED 4PM • 12 - ABSOLUTE BLUE 4PM  
19 - STONEY & THE HOUSE ROCKERS 4PM • 26 - SHUFFLE TONES 4PM  
DJ Cerino 10pm - 2am

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