

-- CNYBA NEWS --

FESTIVAL NEWS

The final meeting of the 2010 CNYBA Festival committee was held on Tuesday, Aug. 14 at Parkrose Estates. As of that meeting, all plans are on-track and things are shaping up nicely. As always, there have been some minor 'snafus' to deal with, but this is not unexpected.

The **major concern** of the committee is **insuring enough help** from the membership to operate the festival. It is impossible for the committee to run the festival without your help – **we need YOU to volunteer** so we can insure a well-run event.

Free festival admission will be provided to volunteers agreeing to work more than 4 hours during the event. This is very generous, compared to other festivals, but we want to insure everyone has plenty of time for friends, jamming, and listening.

There are two ways to volunteer. The first is to **contact one of the following crew chiefs** and have your name added to the volunteer list.

Gate/Admissions

John Warner (607-244-4831)

Parking (Day and Camper)

Bob Hayden (315-673-1313)

Trash/Cleanup

Juergen Knauss (315-672-3749)

Hospitality

Joy Crouch (315-593-1646)

Security

Dennis Crawford (607-764-8453)



The **second way to volunteer** is at the gate when you arrive. When you pay your admission, mention you want to volunteer. You can then report to a crew chief for your assignment. You will **receive a refund** of your gate admission after confirmation by the crew chief.

At this time, the **most critical need** for volunteers is on the **Gate** crew and the **Parking** crew. **Please consider volunteering.**

OTHER NEWS/REMINDERS

Come and welcome our new officers and new board member at our brief meeting on **September 12th**, after our CNYBA festival. Due to the festival, there will not be a board meeting. The general meeting (2:00 pm) will be informational, but there will be very little business to conduct.

Finally, you will notice that there is **no 'Ramblin'** from Helen Weldon this month. She explained to the editor that no one had really sent her any news over the last month or so; in addition, she's helping her daughter move at this time. Hopefully, Helen will resume her column in the October newsletter. Send her your latest news!



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Calendar of Events for September

- Sept. 3 - 12:00pm - Boots n' Shorts at [North Branch Bluegrass Festival](#) - Bridgewater, VT**
- Sept. 9 - 10:00pm - Salt City Ramblers at [Awful Al's](#) - Armory Square, Syracuse, New York**
- Sept. 10 - Sept. 11 -- CNYBA Bluegrass Festival at Oswego County Fairgrounds, Sandy Creek, NY --**
See flyer on page four.
- Sept. 18- 3:00pm - Salt City Ramblers at [Ski Caz Jam IV](#) -5251 Rathbun Rd. Cazenovia, New York**
Read more: <http://www.myspace.com/saltcityramblers#ixzz0xkfAPTSx>
- Sept. 18 - 7 - 9 pm - Diamond Someday at Trinity Community Coffee House, 98 Main St., Camden NY**
- Sept. 24 - Jam at Chuck and Sharon Fultz's barn - 2pm until ?. Bring a dish to pass. 164 Hager Drive, Pulaski, NY. Ph# 315-298-2016; Email Sherona70@yahoo.com**
- Sept. 25 - Diamond Someday at Cicero Fire Department Picnic**
- Sept. 25 - 7 pm - Bluegrass in Augusta by Fairview Avenue at First Presbyterian Church - north of Oriskany Falls and South of Vernon Center, on Route 26. Free will offering. Refreshments available.**
- Sept. 29 - 9:30 PM [Boots n' Shorts](#) at Al's Wine & Whiskey, So. Salina St., Syracuse New York 13202 -Read more: <http://events.myspace.com/Event/3189047/Boots-n39-Shorts#ixzz0xjspJ9ef>**

Don't Forget --He's back.....Steve Kaufman!!!

CNYBA is pleased to bring Steve back for another Guitar Workshop, plus, this year, a Mandolin Workshop!

**Steve Kaufman's
Two-Day, All-Level, Hands On, 8-Hour
Flatpicking Guitar and Mandolin
Workshop and Concert**

**Nov. 18: Mandolin Workshop
Nov. 19-20: Guitar Workshop
Nov. 20: Concert at 8 pm
With opening act: The Atkinson Family**

**All events take place at the Marcellus United Methodist Church
1 Slocombe Ave, Marcellus, NY**

See our website for an informational flyer with a registration form: <http://www.cnyba.com>

SEPTEMBER MEETING IS ON SUNDAY, SEPT. 12TH AT 2PM



What's Happening? Out and About.....

EVERY SECOND SUNDAY: CNYBA meeting and pickin' - Park Rose Estates, Liverpool, NY. For more info., see our web site at www.cnyba.com/. **EVERY SUNDAY 1 pm till? Jammin at Kellish Hill Farm,** 3192 Pompey Center Rd. (1/2 mile north of Rt. 20), Manlius, NY. For information, call Kathy at 315-682-1578. **EVERY 3rd SUNDAY: STBA** meeting at the **Tuscarora Elem. School**, Addison, NY. Picking begins at noon; meeting called to order at 1:00 -- then lunch -- then back to picking. Info: Ken Pearson, Pres., 269 Dweight Ave., Corning, NY 14830 (607-936-3103)

FOURTH SUNDAY -- FINGER LAKES BLUEGRASS MONTHLY JAM, 2 pm - 7 pm, EXCEPT DEC. and MAY thru AUG. at the ONTARIO COUNCIL, 65 S. Main St., Canandaigua, NY. Bluegrass Acoustic instruments only. \$2.00 donation at the door; please bring a dish to pass. For further information, call: THE ARTS COUNCIL, 585-396-0087, JOHN at 585-924-3117 or BUTCH at 585-289-4845.

EVERY MONDAY - JAM from 7-10 pm at the American Legion, Rochester St., Hannibal, NY. For information, call Bob Simmons at 564-5412 or 591-3296 or Butch Spencer at 598-1159.

EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT from 7 to 10:30 pm **BLUEGRASS OPEN MIC NIGHT** with **STRING THEORY** -- Bring down your banjo, mandolin, fiddle or acoustic guitar and sign up to pick. Just come to Johnny's Irish Pub. For more information, go to www.stringtheorybluegrass.com or call Jim Barbero at 585-489-0120. **EVERY TUESDAY: The Golden Link Folk Singing Society, Inc.** sing around 8 pm at 12 Corners Presbyterian Church, 1200 S. Winton Rd., 585-234-5004 or <http://www.goldenlink.org>

EVERY WEDNESDAY (thru the summer): 7-9 pm Jam Session at the **Hillview Baptist Church Hall**, O'Brien Rd., Baldwinsville, NY (off Rt. 48, near Soroco). Phone 455-2934 or 626-2594. - **EVERY WEDNESDAY, May - October:** 6-9 p.m. Jam Session at Evergreen Hills Golf Course, 285 County Rt. 20, Oswego. For Info, contact John at 342-7888.



EVERY THURSDAY: 7 pm - Musicians Forum at the Art Council - 108 W. Miller St., Newark, NY. Jacqueline Grey, Ex. Dir. Information: 315-331-4593.

EVERY FRIDAY: 7 pm- Jammin' at the Legion Hall in the village of Marcellus. Info: Sam and Marion at 315-673-2329 or Jack Burns at 315-673-1844. \$2.00 donation for hall use. **EVERY SATURDAY - Parish Fire Barn** - Country and some bluegrass - 6 to 10 p.m. Once a month **Northwind** plays (\$5.00 a couple; pickers free for jams). For info, contact Dianne at 315-625-5040. **EVERY SATURDAY Open Forum Acoustic Jam**, 7 - 11 pm - At the **Legion Hall** (next to the Fire Hall) in **Lyons, NY.** **EVERY 3rd SATURDAY:** 8 am til. . . **Stittville, NY - The Mohawk Valley Bluegrass Association** and the **Stittville Vol. Fire Dept.** -- Breakfast and jammin' begins at 8 am. Info: 315-339-2771 or 315-225-2906.



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Great Blue Roots Radio

www.greatbluerootsradio.net Out of Rochester - features Progressive Americana, Bluegrass, Roots, and Zydeco music 24/7

Brother Don's Internet Radio Show 10am & 10pm every day at <http://www.wdyn.net> - Independent Bluegrass and Old Time Artists. Send your CD, cassette tape, or LP To: Brother Don, 2440 Welch Road, Geneva, NY 14456-9303, bristbro@gmail.com OR Brother Don, WDM Independent Radio, 2844 Dewey Avenue, Rochester, NY 14616 USA 1-800-816-4262

Larry Hoyt: "Common Threads" folk music, 2-5 pm; WAER FM (88.3) Syracuse - every Sunday except when SU athletic contests pre-empt the show.

Brad Edmonson: WVBR (93.5 FM) Ithaca; **"The Salt Creek Show"** 6-10 every Sunday, playing a mixture of music. Saltcreek@wvbr.com

Bill Knowlton's Bluegrass Ramble: Sundays 9 - midnight WCNY-FM (91.3), WUNY (89.5) and WJNY (90.0) www.wcny.org and Udmacon@aol.com

Barbara Heller Burns: Thursdays 3 pm; **"String Fever"** WSLU-FM (89.5) Canton, (88.9) Watertown, (91.3) Thousand Islands, and (91.7) Tupper Lake

Bruce Cutler's "Gospel Doings" (Christian Country & Bluegrass) is heard on: WACK-AM Radio 1420, Newark NY, Sundays 6:30 a.m. **"Country Roots" (Secular Country & Bluegrass)** on: WETD-FM Radio 90.7; Alfred NY, Sundays 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Contact Bruce at jockey1170@verizon.net

Central New York Bluegrass Association presents the...

Friday & Saturday, September 10th & 11th

2010 CNYBA Bluegrass Festival

At the Sandy Creek Fairgrounds, Sandy Creek, NY

From 81 north or south, take exit 37 and follow fairgrounds signs

Gates open Friday at 9:00am ~ Please vacate no later than 1:00pm Sunday



Performing on Friday

Diamond Someday
Boots 'n Shorts Change
Dave Nichols & Spare Change
The String Band
The Cabin Fever Band



Guitar Raffle - Donated by Dave Nichols of Custom Pearl Inlay (Malone, NY)
50/50 raffles will be held throughout the festival

Covered seating in stage area – show continues rain or shine
No alcohol in performance area
Pets must be leashed at all times
No pets in the performing area



Appearing on Saturday
Lake Effect Bluegrass
Lonesome Road Ramblers
Erich Royer's One Man Bluegrass Band
Bill White and White Pine
James Reams and the Barnstormers

Tickets:

Advanced sale both days ~ \$45.00
\$40 for Members of a Bluegrass Org & for Seasoned Citizens, (65 and Up)

Single-day admission ~ \$20.00
\$17.50 for seniors and members of Bluegrass organizations

At the gate:

For the weekend - \$50.00, Single day - \$25.00
Children (under 16) free w/paid adult admission
Send your requests for Advanced Sale Tickets to –
John Warner
PO Box 274
Sherburne, NY 13460

Orders must be received by AUGUST 20TH

Pick up advanced sale tickets at gate day of show.
Please provide proof of age or Bluegrass Org for discounts when picking up your tickets

Food available from the Sandy Creek Grange
Many vendors have been invited to attend

Bill Knowlton, Howard Bonner & Mike Bonczek - MCs

Open stage : 11:00 – 1:00 and 5:00-6:00 each day.

Open stage will be available from 11:00 - 1:00 and 5:00-6:00 each day to encourage the formation of pickup groups, 'jam' groups, etc. to perform. Sign up with the stage manager for the open stage slots. Judges will be circulating throughout the grounds and inviting jam groups to participate in the open stage.

Rough camping included in ticket price. There is electric and water hookup available for \$15.00 per night –
Some of the sites have waste hookup at no extra charge. All hookups are first come-first served. There is a dump station available at no charge.



BOOTS N' SHORTS -- Members include Mike Mawhinney - Mandolin, Kevin Morel -

Guitar, Jason Borisoff - guitar, Aaron Chamberlain - Bass, and, formerly, Andrea Asprelli - Fiddle

Formed in 2005, **Boots n' Shorts** can best be described as an eclectic blend of Bluegrass, Celtic, Old Time & Jam Band music. What started out as just jamming out and playing with friends has now produced three original albums and countless memorable live performances. Their music is constantly growing into new forms, from barnburning breakdowns to sea shanties to epic jams, a mix equal parts toe-tapping originals and legendary covers. They have had the honor of performing live on Bill Knowlton's Bluegrass Ramble on WCNY 91.3fm, and their recordings have been featured on WAER 88.3fm's Common Threads with Larry Hoyt and TK99's Soundcheck with Dave Frisina.

It all started back in the summer of 2005, when **Mike Mawhinney** and **Kevin Morel** decided that they had a common vision that playing music for folks who like to dance is a good time, and if they could get the occasional free draft, well, that would be nice, too. Kevin was always a jam band fan, and Mike was more into the old time bluegrass sound, but they both agreed that acoustic instruments were the way to go, because they could be played anywhere. At that time they could just as likely be playing on a park bench or outside of a bar as they would be on a stage. One of their favorite haunts was Old City Hall in Oswego, NY, that had the best open mic in the area every Tuesday, and the crowds would come to call for them by name. With Mike on mandolin and Kevin on the acoustic guitar, they developed a natural sound that could take the listener from a mellow sea shanty to a barn burning breakdown in no time.

It was later that year they decided that some folks would appreciate having a few of their songs on cds to listen to at home, so they gathered together some of their original material and started recording. Kevin met **Jason Borisoff** at Onondaga Community College and decided to ask for him to contribute some free labor in the way of laying some bass riffs on the recording. It went so well that he decided to join the crew. Pretty soon free drinks turned into paying gigs and the guys used the money to buy some mics and stands and PA gear to liven up the shows a bit. Since Jason was a music major at OCC, Mike and Kev soon discovered he was awesome on the lead guitar, so they put him on guitar and went bassless for a little while. They played at Half Penny Pub and The Bull and Bear Pub in downtown Syracuse, NY, The Autumn Cafe in Oneonta, NY, Sterling Stage, The Bluegrass festival, May Memorial, and the Westcott Community Center, to name a few.

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Aaron Chamberlain was an accomplished singer-songwriter who, after touring the Northeast extensively, had been a part of the Austin, Texas, music scene before returning home to Upstate New York. In the meantime he had mastered several instruments, one of which was the upright bass, with which he decided to offer his services in hopes of finding some people to play with. The BnS trio, as it was, was attentively looking out for just this kind of person; and after getting in touch and practicing for a few weeks, they hit it off and would soon be out playing again, hitting up Mezzanotte's in Syracuse, NY, Walter's Cafe in Fayetteville, NY, The Palisades in Rome, NY, and the Syracuse Suds Factory in Armory Square in Syracuse, NY.

Andrea Asprelli was born in Colorado & went to college in Massachusetts. After college, she spent a year abroad & became interested in American Folk Music. She added awesome fiddle work to this group, but she has recently left the band and moved away from the area.

So come to the CNYBA festival where **Boots n' Shorts** will be playing and see for yourself what everyone's talking about. Everything goes better with a little Bluegrass! Read more: <http://www.myspace.com/bootsnshorts#ixzz0xkUyIEro>



Classified Ads



For Sale: Mint condition upright bass; **Cremona, SB-3**; new Obligato strings and comes with **Ingles** stand & case; must get at least \$1000.00. For info, contact Lou Cicconi 607-857-2434 or bluelou@stny.rr.com

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Royer's One-Man Band

The photo to the left shows Eric Royer with banjo, dobro on stand at lap, and the foot controlled Guitar Machine at his feet. Eric designed and built the dobro and machine.

Eric Royer has been appearing as **Royer's One Man Band**, performing bluegrass and old-time country music at festivals, bars, schools, parties, churches, in subway stations and on the street since 1994. Royer has performed all across the United States and has done several tours in Europe. He has shared the bill with everything from punk bands to quiet folk acts and performs regularly on the streets of Boston, being received well by a very diverse audience. His one-man band's unique sound is arranged using 5-string banjo, dobro, harmonica, vocals, kazoo, and his home made one-of-a-kind foot controlled "Guitar Machine" (bass and acoustic guitar - see photo at left), all played at the same time.

Royer was winner of Best Folk Act in the 2004 Boston Music Awards for his band **The Resophonics** and has recorded and played banjo with many musicians including The Sacred Shakers, The Eric Royer Band, The Tim Gearan Band, Session Americana, The Smalls, Dan Fram, Dave Foley, David Rovics, Jimmy Ryan, Stone Mountain Live, Alastair Mook, Kris Delmhorst, The Resonars, Barely Bipedal, and Sam Reid and The Riot Act.

CNYBA is very pleased to have Eric join us this year at our festival.

Read more: <http://www.myspace.com/>



*****Note-- Deadline for ads, articles, show flyers, event info, etc. is the 25th of the month prior to the one in which you want your material printed. Summer deadline is July 25th.*****



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renewal date!*

