

The Awesome Bands

The Gaslight Tinkers' blend of global rhythms creates a joyously danceable sound around a core of traditional New England old time and celtic fiddle music, merging boundless positive energy with melody and song. Described as "Music that consistently fizzes and pops with unexpected textures and turns," The Gaslight Tinkers' shows are packed with delightful surprises, elated crowds, and exuberant musicianship.

The Dam Beavers are Ben Schreiber on fiddle, Scotty Leach on piano, and Ness Smith-Savedoff on drums. With roots in a wide variety of styles and genres, their music comprises an eclectic mix of old and new, familiar and unfamiliar. Let the current sweep you away as they build a dam of rhythm beneath your feet.

Sound this year provided by the maestro Ed Howe

The Awesomer Callers

Will Mentor is a from Northern Vermont known for his clear teaching, upbeat wit, and relaxed stage presence. He loves to choreograph evenings with a variety of dances and tempos that at times surprise and always delight, all the while keeping intact his guiding principle as a caller: "It's about the dancers!"

Seth Tepfer teaches adults and children to dance in less than 60 seconds. He calls dances for adults and children like you've never seen before. Known for his infectious energy, his short walk-thru's, and his 'hash-contras', Seth's warm enthusiasm is contagious, and gets everyone moving, smiling, and having a great time.

The Saturday Night ROWDY ROCKABILLY REUNION!

It's been 3 years, so get ready for the Saturday night Rowdy Rockin' Reunion! Break out your poodle skirts, saddle shoes, leather jackets, pomade and dance the night away to our great lineup. No squares! No Pat Boone impersonators LOL!

Dining

Join us Friday for POTLUCK! Dinner begins at 6:30 pm. Bring your favorite food to share!

Need vegetarian, vegan, or gluten free? No problem - just let us know on your registration form!

Saturday lunch and dinner, and Sunday Lunch are provided this year by Camp Thunderbird if you purchase the meal plan.

We have added a Cookie Break on Saturday night, so feel free to bring your favorite baked goods to share. Gluten free treats are always appreciated.

Sleeping Arrangements?

We have enjoyed the close quarters cabins of Camp Thunderbird for many years of Meltdowns. This year, as a nod to lingering Covid concerns, we are not offering lodging options in the cabins. Many happy memories abound around bunkbeds and kid-sized showers but this year, we will make different memories. 2024 will see us rubbing elbows in the cabins and on the dance floor yet again!

Available are local hotels (Charlotte, NC near Carowinds, Fort Mill, SC and Rock Hill, SC). Camping is available at nearby McDowell Park (704/588-5224).

Efforts are currently underway to see if we can reserve a block of rooms at local hotels - so check back here for more details are they are firmed up.

Also, feel free to reach out to your Charlotte area friends to see if they have space! Or make a new friend by posting on our Facebook page to see what the natives might have!

Remember NO CAMPING at Camp Thunderbird.

Workshops and Special Events

Waltz Workshop

English Country Dance Playshop

Callers' Workshop

Challenging Contras

RushFest - Emily Rush

Sunday Morning Waltz

Registration

Registration is limited. We will confirm your registration by e-mail or SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope). Please be sure to send SASE or a clearly written e-mail address for confirmation.

Black Friday pricing is limited and runs 11/25-12/2

Early Bird pricing is limited and ends 1/15/23

Regular pricing ends March 10th at 3pm.

REFUND POLICY

50% Refund minus \$15 will be issued up to 7 days before the dance. No refunds within a week of the dance, but contact us to transfer tickets.

Contact & Registration Information

Carol Deacon - threedogfarm@comporium.net or (803) 517-6288. Please text message first, if possible.

Camp Rules

The following are NOT ALLOWED: alcohol, cooking, pets, camping, (this includes camping or sleeping in vehicles) and unsupervised children.

Carolina Meltdown March 10-12, 2023

Registration Form

Dancer 1 Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Dance& Food - (Black Friday \$140 11/25-12/2 ___)

(Early Bird \$150 12/3-1/15 ___) (Regular \$165 1/16-3/10 ___)

Dance Only - (Black Friday \$110 11/25-12/2 ___)

(Early Bird \$120 12/3-1/15 ___) (Regular \$130 1/16-3/10 ___)

If Meal Plan: Vegetarian Food ___ Gluten Free ___

Vegan Food ___ No Dietary Preference ___

Dancer 2 Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

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Total Amount Enclosed for all people above: \$ _____

We will confirm via e-mail or Self Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE). Please send SASE or e-mail address for confirmation.

If you are unable to attend, contact us to transfer your ticket or to arrange a refund.

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Code of Conduct

I(we) have read and will abide by the Charlotte Contra Dancers Code of Conduct. Dancer 1 ___ Dancer 2 ___
<https://www.charlottecontradance.org/code-of-conduct>

**Make checks payable to: Charlotte Contra Dancers
and mail with registration form to:
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918 Blakeley Walk
Rock Hill, SC 29732**