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## SPLASH DANCE & THURSDAY 9/8 JAM BAND

Splash Dance was a blast, great music, great calling, great food, great venue, and we had a blob. One person jumps off a high board on to a big air cushion in the water, and another person, at the far end of the cushion, gets launched into the air when the first person hits.

This year the format for the music had, at each of the dances, two of our top local musicians leading open bands. The result was a great orchestral sound.

What this has to do with next Thursday is, that if you missed Splash Dance, or didn't and really liked the music, then that's exactly what we'll have this coming Thursday with Laura Lengnick and Karen Gaughan leading the Open Jam Band and flat-footing Terry Doyle leading the open mic.

Musicians bring your instruments, callers bring your cards, dancers bring your shoes, and

Bakers bring a pie and/or cake to share at the break and get \$3 off! Plus enter a drawing for one of two free ofb memberships.

## The Advanced Dance and the Y Dance

The two new OFB dances have continued to grow and evolve over the last year, and each has begun to have it's own distinctive flavor.

The Advanced Dance is drawing a crowd of dancers who enjoy dancing in a line with experienced dancers who give good weight, are reasonably close on timing, make good eye contact, don't need walk throughs except for the more complex dances, and most important, can laugh off the inevitable errors that give a contra dance it's spice.

If you've been going to the Advanced Dance, or even if you haven't, help us with a survey at: [kwiksurveys.com/?u=OfbAdvancedDanceSurvey](http://kwiksurveys.com/?u=OfbAdvancedDanceSurvey)

The YMCA/OFB dancers have been enjoying air-conditioned comfort over the summer, and the pleasures of a multi-generational crowd, with a good mix of dancers from 7 to 70 and a mix of dancing talent that leaves all the dancers smiling.

The music and calling, as always, has been fantastic for both dances.

### Membership

It's time to either renew or join for the first time.

The membership year starts on September 1st with a one month grace period. This means your current tag is good until the end of September, but after that you'll need a new tag.

To join or renew online, go to:

[www.oudfarmersball.com/members](http://www.oudfarmersball.com/members)

### English Country Dance New Venue

The ECD has moved to historic Montford:  
Homewood Event and Conference Center  
19 Zillicoa St.  
Asheville, NC 28801



**The Blob! Splash Dance**

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### OFB Contact Information:

Website: [www.oudfarmersball.com](http://www.oudfarmersball.com)

#### Look for links to:

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 see the member directory,  
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The Old Farmer's Ball is an **all volunteer** organization. Be a part of the dance *community*. Join one (or more) of these committees to help with behind-the-scenes work that makes the contra dance happen week after week. OFB also supports other forms of social dance in our community.  
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the Old Farmer's Ball News is published bi-monthly by the Old Farmer's Ball, and includes the Asheville Area Dance Flyer, project reports, contact info, announcements, and more.

## REGIONAL CONTRA DANCE CARPOOLING WEBSITE

<http://ofb-events.pbwiki.com/carpooling>

**OFB Board Meetings** — Everyone welcome  
 Second Mondays — 6:30 — Grey Eagle  
 See [www.oudfarmersball.com](http://www.oudfarmersball.com) for all the other Local and Regional Dance links!

# Asheville Social Dance Calendar

## Thursdays — OFB @ Warren Wilson

Bryson Gym, beginners welcome, lesson 7:30, dance 8:00, members \$5, non-members \$6

9/8 **Contra Jam Band** (Laura Lengnick, Karen Gaughan leading) w/Open Mic led by Terry Doyle *Musicians bring your instruments, callers your cards, dancers your shoes for a night of big band contra jamming. Bakers bring a pie or cake for the break, \$3 off admission.*

9/15 **Crooked Pine** (Marion Boatwright, Frank McConnell, Craig Bannerman) w/Charlotte Crittenden

9/22 **Hot Sonata** (Laura Lengnick, Art Shuster, Karen Gaughan) w/Mark Langner

9/29 **Elixir** (Nils Fredland, calling / trombone / vocals Ethan Hazzard-Watkins, fiddle Jesse Hazzard-Watkins, trumpet / flugelhorn Anna Patton, clarinet / vocals Owen Morrison, guitar / foot percussion) w/Nils Fredland

10/6 **New Time Jackrabbits** (Gailanne and Roger Amundsen, Nic Coker and Laurie Fisher) w/Beth Molaro

10/13 **Far Horizons** (Julia Weatherford, Art Shuster, Barbara Davis) w/Darlene Underwood

10/20 **Band TBA** () w/Diane Silver

10/27 **Footloose Trio** (David DiGiuseppe, David Coe, Pete Campbell) w/Anne Marie Walter

## Sundays — OFB English Country Dance

*Check out the venue and time: 4:30 - 7:00 pm.*

9/11 (George and Linda Schissler, Esther Holsen, Michael Garner) w/ AnneMarie Walter *Check out the Montford venue and time: 4:30 - 7:00 pm.*

9/25 (Robert Anders, Suzanne Hosch, Esther Holsen, Michael Garner, Karen Gaughan) w// Bob Thompson

10/2 (TBA) w/ AnneMarie Walter

10/16 (TBA) w/ Mra Hirschberg, Tom Calwell

For more information and the latest updates:

**[www.oldfarmersball.com](http://www.oldfarmersball.com)**

## The Monday Night Dance at the Grey Eagle

185 Clingman Ave., Asheville. Beginners welcome, dance 8:00. \$6 828-232-5800

9/5 **Fly by Night** (Laura Legnick, Julia Weatherford on fiddle and cello, Beth Magill on flute and percussion and Karen Gaughan on piano!) w/Diane Silver

9/12 **Dry Ridge Runners** (Roy Andrades, Parrish Ellis, Stephanie Wolf) w/Beth Molaro

9/19 **Contraversial** () w/Margaret Matthews

9/26 **Elixir** (Nils Fredland, calling / trombone / vocals Ethan Hazzard-Watkins, fiddle Jesse Hazzard-Watkins, trumpet / flugelhorn Anna Patton, clarinet / vocals Owen Morrison, guitar / foot percussion) w/Nils Fredland

10/3 **New Time Jack Rabbits** (Laurie Fisher, Nic Coker, Gailand and Roger Amundsen) w/Hank Morris

10/10 **CraggyHollow** () w/Barbara Groh

10/17 **Morning Coffee** (Diane Baker keyboard, Jeff Baker fiddle) w/Ann Marie Walter

10/24 **Steamshovel** (Roger Gold (Guitar, foot drum) and David White (fiddle and banjo)) w/John Combs

10/31 **Footloose** (Rex McGee playing fiddle and banjo, David DiGiuseppe on accordion, Pete Campbell on piano, and percussionist Jim Roberts.) w/Charley Harvey

## Fridays — OFB Advanced Dance

Monthly Fridays at the Masonic Lodge in downtown Asheville. 8:00, \$8

9/23 **The Honey Badgers** (David Lynch, Beth Molaro, Lawrence Dillingham) w/Diane Silver *Note the date change!*

10/28 **Hot Sonata** (Laura Lengnick, Karen Gaughan, Art Shuster) w/Tom & Myra

## Saturdays — OFB/YMCA Dance

4th Saturdays Asheville YMCA, beginners welcome, lesson 7:30, dance 8:00

9/17 **Goldie Locks and the Three Bears** () w/Barbara Groh

10/8 **Contraversial** (Cailen Campbell, David Brown) w/ Noah Grunzweig