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## RBS' SUMMER 2021 NEWSLETTER

### Greetings RBS Members and blues fans,

Some updates to report with our first event of the year on July 3rd at Living the Good Life in Carson City, and it's free, with the Mudd Bonz performing; an announcement of our new dues year for everyone July 1- June 30; our membership party Saturday, Aug. 21, time and band tbd, at Susan Sturtevant's home; and other blues and music updates. And don't forget our monthly social **Third Thursday (June 15 this month) at Silver Peak on the River (1st and Sierra) starting around 5pm or so.** Here is the latest...

### Independence from Covid Blues Show July 3<sup>rd</sup> with Mudd Bonz in Carson City

The Reno Blues Society is working with Living the Good Life in Carson City to put on a blues show on Saturday, July 3 from 6:30 to 9:30pm. The Mudd Bonz, a rockin' blues band from South Lake Tahoe and who played at our Mardi Gras Dance and summer membership parties a couple years ago, will be the featured band. We're helping to pay for the band and promoting it. This FREE event will take place in Living the Good Life's parking lot and will go on rain or shine since they have a stage inside their restaurant-bar. The event is FREE - all we ask is you renew your RBS membership, or become a member (just \$20 a year) and put a few bucks in the tip



jar. Living the Good Life is in the heart of Carson City at 1480 N. Carson Street. This locally-owner business has great food and a full bar with a stage and a small dance floor. They also have a large parking lot. Reservations may be made by calling 841-4663. If you have not seen Mudd Bonz before, check them out on Facebook or at their website, [www.muddbonz.com](http://www.muddbonz.com).

### New Dues Year for All RBS Memberships Begins July 1

We're moving to a one-time-of-year for all memberships (other than lifetime trustees, of course), with everyone being due July 1 and running through June 30 of the following year. With our membership chair Pam Farmer moving away and no one to replace her and to be more in line with other organizations having a set calendar time of year for all memberships, the RBS is doing that, as well. If you've joined in the last six months or so, you're good until next July, but if you joined last year, we're going on the honor system for you to please renew your membership. Yearly memberships are \$20 for an individual or \$30 for a family (or for an individual for two years) and lifetime trustee memberships are \$200 (pay once and never pay again!). You can do this via our PayPal link on our website, [www.renobluesociety.org](http://www.renobluesociety.org), or make a check payable to the Reno Blues Society and mail to Reno Blues Society, P.O. Box 10742, Reno, NV 89510. Hope to see everyone renew soon.



### **RBS' Third Thursday June 17 (Plus July 15, Aug. 20, Sept. 16, and Oct. 21)**

Our monthly social this month is Thursday, June 17 at Silver Peak by the River (1st and Sierra) outside on their patio, starting around 5pm or so. First one there, save a table for us. Next month is Thursday, July 15 at Mamma Celeste's Gastro Pub, 360 Los Altos Pkwy. in Sparks. We move this around to bars/restaurants in the area and the full schedule is on our website, [renobluessociety.org](http://renobluessociety.org), and each event is posted on our Facebook page well in advance.

### **Sands Pool Parties Run June through August Every Wednesday Evening**

The Sands pool parties with free blues, 6-9pm, will run this summer with the Bill Nagel and his All-Star Band providing the entertainment every Wednesday.

### **Blues Tuesdays at Harrah's Stateline with Buddy Emmer and Guest Artists Late June through July**

The Buddy Emmer Blues Band (pictured right with Chris Cain at our Halloween Dance 2019) will again be doing free, live blues at Harrah's in Stateline in the Center Stage Bar near the South Shore Room from 8:00-11:30pm. Here is the initial lineup with guest artists listed: June 29 Andy Santana; July 6 Kyle Rowland; July 13 Jeff Watson; July 20 Mighty Mike Schermer; and July 27 Chuck Dunn. If these go well, they will book him for additional months.



### **Heavenly Village Summer Music Series Memorial Day to Labor Day**

All summer from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend, there is free, live music every Friday and Saturday from 5:45 to 9:15 and a few other days thrown in like holiday weekends. No true blues acts and too many bands to list but a few highlights: A very good r&b band Island of Black and White on Friday, Aug. 20; local favorites Arizona Jones, a classic rock and soul band, plays Saturday, June 5 and Thursday, July 8; local r&b band Musicole plays four times including Friday, June 18, Saturday, July 17, Saturday, Aug. 7 and Saturday, Sept. 4; and Steel Breeze plays two Saturdays, July 4 and 11.



### **Carolyn Dolan's Big Red at Dangberg Estate June 17**

Carolyn Dolan's blues band Big Red plays June 17 from 6:30-8:30pm at the Dangberg Ranch Estate in Minden. This is a ticketed event and you should bring lawn chairs and food if you wish. Ticket link is: [dangberg.eventbrite.com](http://dangberg.eventbrite.com). She will also have special guests perform r&b and soul at Living the Good Life in Carson City June 24 and July 8.

### **Lazy 5 Wednesday Night Music Series, 6-9pm, June 23-Aug. 25**

The Lazy 5 Washoe County Regional Park is once again doing free Wednesday night live music with some food trucks and other vendors. Snakeboy Johnson Band plays June 23 and the Buddy Emmer Blues Band plays Aug. 11. Go to the Washoe County parks' website for the complete schedule.

### **Blues At Atlantis' Chalk Art Festival July 9-11**

JP Soars, Eddie Cotton and David Gerald will play free blues shows at the Atlantis for their Chalk Art Festival July 9-11 as part of Artown festivities. Soars, from Boca Raton, Fla., plays Friday the 9th from 7-9:30pm. Gerald, from Detroit, will play Saturday from 4-6:30 and Sunday from 3-5pm. Cotton from Jackson, Miss., will be featured Saturday from 7-9:30 and Sunday from 12-2:30. Hot Rod Rebellion, a rockabilly band, also plays Friday from 1-3:30pm.

**Levitt Amp Music Series at Brewery Arts Center in Carson City Begins July 10; Tommy Castro 7 the Painkillers July 24**

The annual summer Saturday night free music series at Carson City's Brewery Arts Center parking lot from 7-10pm is planning a season but starting July 10 rather than in June. The eight-week series includes a great blues band and a party and r&b band among its featured artists. Sal's Greenhouse opens the series July 10, Mestize Beat is July 17, **blues legend Tommy Castro (pictured right) and the Painkillers are July 24** and Loud as Folk plays July 31. August 7 is The Fire, Aug. 14 Southern Brawl Band, Aug. 21 Los Coast and **Aug. 28 is party and r&b favorites Mumbo Gumbo**. The BAC is located at 449 W. King St. in Carson City.



**Squaw Valley Tuesday Bluesdays Begin July 13, go through September 14**

Chuck E. Dunn (pictured left) of local blues favorites The Blues Monsters has informed us they will open this series, as usual, July 13 from 6:00 to 8:30pm. The event will go every Tuesday through Sept. 14. Harmonica player Mark Hummel will play July 20, legendary guitarist Chris Cain is featured July 27 and JC Smith performs Aug. 10. Haven't seen acts booked for Aug. 3, 17-24-31 or Sept. 7-14 yet and the S.V. folks don't have ANY acts listed on their website. We've found out these bookings by the artists themselves, many of whom have played at our events. Go to the S.V. website for updates at [squawvalleyusa.org](http://squawvalleyusa.org).

**Artown July 1-31 at Rancho San Rafael; All Events Ticketed**

Artown has moved most of their events to Rancho San Rafael and all events there are ticketed with a cost depending on the artist/event. Most of the events are \$15 for a pod of four people as they will mark off and socially distance folks there with identified circles throughout the park. Bigger name acts will cost more with tickets for **Keb' Mo', a Grammy-winning blues artist on Thursday, July 22, \$60-\$100**. The price is per pod, so for Keb' Mo' at \$60-\$100 split between 4 folks isn't unreasonable. Go to [artown.org](http://artown.org) for details and the complete schedule.



**Summer RBS' Membership Party Saturday, Aug. 21**

Susan Sturtevant has agreed to offer up her home and patio again for our annual potluck membership blowout with a great blues band, lots of food and a great time. The potluck will probably start around 5 with music from 6-9pm or so. This is free but we will ask for donations to help offset the cost of the band. It's a bring a dish to share and your own beverages.

**Friday-Saturday Music at 4<sup>th</sup> and Washington (The Sands' Neon District), July 9-Sept. 11**

Food trucks and live music, 4-9pm, every Friday and Saturday from early July through early September in the Neon District, 4<sup>th</sup> and Washington by The Sands. Bay Area blues-rock musician Maxx Cabello, Jr., plays July 9-10. Go to the [glowplaza.com](http://glowplaza.com) for music lineups.

**Battle Axe and Tracks Blues Festival, Oct. 2-3 in Carson City**

Carson City is putting together a major blues festival in early October at the Eastgate Depot. Go to [battleaxeandtracks.com](http://battleaxeandtracks.com) for details. Kenny Wayne Shepherd, Larkin Poe, North Mississippi Allstars, Samantha Fish and many others headline this first-time event.

Keepin' the blues alive,

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