

Doug Strother (2019)

Doug joined the Richmond Shag Club (RSC) in August 2001. The next month he attended his first SOS, and started focusing on the dance, taking lessons whenever and wherever. It paid off, as he was voted the

RSC's Most Improved Male Dancer of 2002. He was recruited as a dance instructor in 2003, and has served as instructor from beginner to advanced level in all but 3 years (when he moved to Florence, SC) ever since.

Later, as Dance Committee Chair, he took instruction teams to Williamsburg and Wintergreen Ski Resort to spread the knowledge of, and promote our dance, while bringing in \$1,000 to the Club treasury from resulting instruction fees. He also was the featured instructor in 2007 at the Outer Banks Shag Club at their New Year's Eve Party. In 2010, a 3-year move to Florence, SC, did not break his stride, as he continued teaching at the Florence Shag Club and was a principal instructor for the Florence Junior Shaggers.

Back in Richmond in 2013, he resumed his very active roles in helping to stage the Boogie on the James events, annual golf tournament, trips to Camp Fantastic, and teaching at Sunday Socials and Shag Jams. He served as club Vice President in 2005, and President in 2006 during a memorable time when the Club negotiated a new RSC dance venue, Visions Dance Club, where the Club continues to meet.

His SOS dance career includes 6th, 5th, 4th, 3rd and 2nd place finishes at the O.D. Arcade's Rookies Revenge shag contest. He was on the Richmond Shag Club dance team for the 2016 Boogie on the James entertainment, continues his instruction career, and remains a favorite dance partner in Richmond and throughout the region.