

HARRY WALTHALL (2017)

Harry was exposed to formal dance while in elementary school, but transitioned to fast dancing (bop and jitterbug) in the early 50's. As a high school student, he danced to classic rock n roll and R&B, and continued social dancing as a young adult.

He reentered dance life in 1995 through country line dance lessons.

Then shag lessons in 2000 at the Omni in Newport News with VSHOF members Cindy & Larry Black. In 2001, the 25 members of this original class formed the Colonial Shag Club. His dedication to this new organization was all encompassing as an original board member, writer of the bylaws, designer of the club logo and website, service as president and vice president for numerous years, and successfully obtaining ACSC status for the club at the 2003 winter workshop in Charlotte, NC.

Through all this, he still had time to hone his shag skills through floor time, advanced coaching and workshop participation whenever possible. Finally, he always kept a quality dance venue for the Colonial Shag Club and lead club growth from the initial 25 to a total of 544 members in 2017!