



## **KENDALL HOCKADAY (2020)**

Kendall started taking shag lessons in Powhatan in 2007 with his wife, Stephanie, at a Powhatan Co. Adult Education Class taught by Jane Renger and Doug Strother (VSHOF, 2023 & 2019, respectively). They both joined the Richmond Shag Club (RSC) in 2008 and won the Club's "Most Improved Couple" award the same year. He began serving as one of the RSC DJs in 2022. Kendall's other accomplishments and contributions to the Shag community include:

- Teaching beginner, intermediate and advanced lessons at RSC.
- Taught beginner and intermediate lessons every Monday night for 6 years in Crewe, Va. for the Southside Shaggers' informal club formed by Ron Bessent (VSHOF, 2016).
- Taught beginner lessons at The Highlands Country Club, Chester, VA.
- Participated in demos at Powhatan Relay for Life, Ashland Street Festival, among other events.
- Served on the RSC Board as Social Committee Chairman for 2 annual terms (entails spring and fall parties, monthly birthday cakes, Sunday socials, Christmas party).
- Helped the RSC Beach Party by towing DJ sound equipment trailer to North Myrtle Beach for SOS.
- Co-chaired the RSC bus-trip to Virginia Beach for the Beach Music Festival.
- Helped with the RSC Brunswick stew fund-raiser doid multiple times a year.
- Competed in the Newcomers Division at the Eno Beach Shag Club Contest (Durham, NC).
- Represented the RSC at the ACSC meeting workshop in NMB.
- Helped with the Central Virginia Junior Shaggers contests and the CSA Richmond contests and financially donated to the Central Virginia Junior Shaggers.
- Attended many of the Living Legends and Hall of Fame inductions ceremonies supporting RSC members.
- Participated in the Guinness Book of World Records event in NMB.
- Continuously takes lessons from professional shag instructors to improve his dance repertoire.
- Has been a multi-year sponsor at the Shad Alberty junior scholarship event in NMB at Mid-Winters SOS.
- Member of multiple shag clubs and attends events at multiple clubs.
- Always there willing to help out with anything needed and is a great ambassador for the shag club, welcoming new members.
- Has demonstrated the shag dance in Australia at his son's wedding and in the Dominican Republic for fellow tourists while vacationing.

Kendall has been totally involved in shag dancing and its lifestyle since he discovered the dance in 2007. He has served on the Richmond Shag Club's Board of Directors and has participated in many other activities over the years for the RSC, other shag events, and is a true ambassador of the dance. Kendall has become quite a well-accomplished dancer, he continues to refine and learn new steps, and is willing to pass them along to others. He is always a fun and thoughtful partner with a wonderful attitude.