

HOWDY

If you want to be removed from this list log on to www.JRHawkiis.com and tell me to stop, or call me @ 941-496-8395. How are things on your end of the world, are you getting ready for Christmas? First I must apologize about not getting a newsletter out earlier but my printer bit the big one and I got swamped with stuff that needed my immediate attention, so I will try harder next time

I must say a big THANK YOU to Donna Bishop and the rest of you who came out in August to see Carrie Hamby, Tom Stephens and myself when we made stops in Orlando , and the St Francis Inn in St Augustine , This was our first road trip and hopfully not our last. The August show at the Sailing Squadron was simply "Fantastic" I was joined by my dear friends Robin, Dan and Andy Leach, Tom Stephens and Mindy Simmons and it was truly a night to remember! Tom and I had the privilege of performing at the first RiverHawk Rhythm and Roots festival on November 9th and 10th. We did two shows at the Florida Pavilion Stage and we had a great time. Robin Leach joined us for the Saturday show and on the Sunday show Tom and I were joined on stage by not only Robin Leach but Carrie Hamby as well, and if I do say so myself we rocked the house. We received a lot of good feedback from our performances so we must be heading in the right direction.

Tom has been very busy performing with Charley Groth and did a couple of sets at Barberville and from what I heard he turned some heads, like I knew he would. Charley has also asked Tom to join him at the Florida Folk Festival in White Springs. So look for Charley Groths name in the program and check out this act. I'm sure that you will enjoy it! In October I was asked to play at a peace rally in Bradenton on the steps of the courthouse with Annie Wenz, Mindy Simmons and Panama Red. This was a great thrill for me. Not only just performing with these fine musicians but also to make a statement with my music.

I have just found out that Joshua Creek has been asked to perform at the 2003 Will McLean Festival in March. The line up for this festival will be myself, Robin, Dan, Andy and Tom, so come on out in March you'll love this sound.

The last appearance for me in 2002 will be at Fogartyville in Bradenton . I will be sharing the bill that night with Jim Glover. Jim is a folkie from way back, he spent his early days on the road with Phil Oches so he should have many stories to tell. And just the other day I got an e-mail from Gloria Holloway saying that she is putting together a CD release party for the Friends of Florida Folk sampler that "Swept Away" is on. This is scheduled for Dec 29' at Skippers Smokehouse. The line up for the CD release party right now is Cyd Ward, Grant Livingston, Bob Rafkin, Michele Morrissette:-Galloway, Mindy Simmons and Joey Errigo, now is this a party or what?

Mindy called me the other day and asked if I would perform at a festival in Naples in early February at one of the area parks so naturally I said, "YES". But for right now the details are a little sketchy so please check my website www.JRHawkins.com or the FoFF newsletter for info. The following is a list of things to come.

Friday Dec 20th @ Fogartyville, Bradenton . This is going to be fun. Jim Glover is a well-respected folksinger/songwriter in the Sarasota and Bradenton area. In his earlier days Jim toured with Phil Oches. So come on out and don't miss this show! For further info contact me @ www.JRHawkins.com or call 941-741-9755 for reservations, www.fogartyville.com

Sunday Dec 29' @ Skippers Smokehouse, Tampa This is a CD release party organized by Gloria Holloway. The performers are Cyd Ward, Bob Rafkin, Mindy Simmons, Michele Morrisette-Galloway, Grant Livivngston and Joey Errigo. Everything should get started at 3pm . There will be songwriters in the round as well as individual sets. Come on by and party with us. This will be a great show! For further info contact me at www.JRiiawkins.com or call Gloria 813-837-6572

Sunday January 19th @ the Sarasota Arts Day, Sarasota I will be manning a booth for the Sarasota Folk Club. There will be some live music, fliers, CD's and a lot of fun. The booth will be promoting the folk club in the area so stop by and say HOWDY! For further info check the webpage www.JRHawkins.com or call 941-496-8395

The new CD "Turn Back Time" is now ready and available at the gigs and the new recording is on the horizon. So if you can make any of these shows stop by and say HOWDY!

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