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Come To The May 8 Jam

Banjoist **Bill Long** is organizing an acoustic jam at the **Washington**, **Georgia Farmers' Market** on **May 8** from 9:00 AM to noon and hopes you can come.

It is all acoustic, no electricity provided. There will be a canopy, but bring your own chair, bring your refreshment, come for the whole time or part of it.

The address is 13 N Spring Street, Washington, GA.



Breaking – New Jam

Word has reached us that there is now a jam in downtown **Ball Ground Georgia**, in the city park every Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00.

Readers of *The Breakdown* would appreciate it if anybody attending this jam would furnish this publication with more information and photographs. Write to

breakdown@sebabluegrass.org



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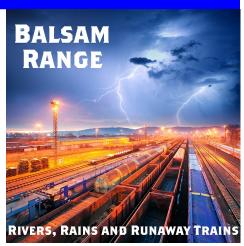
The family-friendly campground is open for the season! They claim to have all kinds of campsites to accommodate your camping style from tent, to RV's to Cabins. It's time, they aver, to get back outside and connect with nature. Turn off the devices and come camp!



The **Bill Monroe** Campground is in **Bean Blossom, Indiana**, and boasts these themed weekends this summer:

- *June 2-5 John Hartford Campout
 *July 30 & 31 Hippy Hill Dead Fest
 Campout
- *August 26-28 Blues Jam Weekend *September 10 & 11 To Be Announced
- *September 17-25 Bean Blossom Bluegrass/Uncle Pen Jams

Further information may be had at www.billmonroemusicpark.com/



New Release

Even with a long list of accolades to their name, Western North Carolina's Balsam Range still knows it's all about the song. As one of the quintet's fastest rising singles ever, "Rivers, Rains and Runaway Trains," which is No. 1 on this month's Bluegrass Today chart, is an example of the undeniably appealing combination meaningful songwriting and thoughtful arrangement — not to mention the stellar performance for which Balsam Range earned so many of those honors in the first place.

Balsam Range is **Buddy Melton** (fiddle, vocals); **Darren Nicholson** (mandolin, octave mandolin, vocals); **Dr. Marc Pruett** (banjo); **Tim Surrett** (bass, dobro, vocals); and **Caleb Smith** (guitar, vocals). The five original members are all acoustic musicians and singers from western North Carolina.

This link will allow you to hear it on a variety of internet platforms: https://clg.lnk.to/BRrt-s

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From the Editor's Round File



Welcome Anywhere.

A youngster returned home from his first upright bass lesson.

"How did it go?" asked his father.

"Great," said the child. "I learned how to play a G." The next week the child took another lesson and his father asked again, how it went.

"Terrific," said the child. "I learned how to play a D." The following week, the child didn't come home. The father was frantic with worry until the boy finally returned at 2:00 a.m.

"Where in heck have you been," shouted the father. "Well, I had a gig!" answered the son.

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Your Monthly guide to ... Live & Pickin Call before you go!

Please note that, due to the lockdowns, any or all may be canceled.

Look at SEBA's Live & Pickin' website for a more up-to-date listing:

http://www.sebabluegrass.org/events/wpw/

Submit yours to: www.sebabluegrass.org/events/wpw/submit.php

These Jams and Events meet weekly...

Tuesday - Australian Bakery Tuesday Jam, Australian Bakery Cafe, Marietta, GA, 6pm - 10pm, http://www.australianbakery.com, 678-797-6222

Tuesday - Little Italy's Tuesday Bluegrass/Music Jam, Tallahassee, FL, 6:30p - 10p, https://littleitalytally.weebly.com/ Ken Towcimak, Co-ordinator, (850) 386-4843

Wednesday - The Wednesday Bluegrass Jams - see back page Colossus Pizza, Tucker, GA 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Reformation Brewery, Woodstock GA. 4:30-7:00 April-October

Saturday - Weekly Jam Sessions, Everett's Music Barn, Suwanee, GA, 7pm-12am, http://www.everettsmusicbarn.net, renamacd@bellsouth.net, 770-945-5628

Reformation Brewery, Canton GA 12:00 – 3:00, see back page.

Saturday - Dahlonega Appalachian Jam. 2-5PM on the Gold Museum Lawn. http://dahlonegaappalachianjam.org Danielle Bell dbell@dahlonegadda.org

Saturday - Weekly Concert Mountain Home Music , Hiawassee, GA, 8-10 PM. http://mthomemusictheatre.weebly.com/, Stella Berrong, 706-896-3624 mountainhomemusic@gmail.com

Saturday - 1st & 3rd Saturdays - Pickin' on the Square, Court House, Newnan, GA, 10:30 am to 2pm, Art Arace, Art.Arace@delta.com

Sunday - The Sunday Bluegrass Jam, Colossus Pizza, Tucker, GA, 6pm - 8pm, www.facebook.com/Colossus-Pizza-in-Tucker, David Belcher, davidbelc@gmail.com, 678-231-7820

Various dates - The Crimson Moon, Dahlonega, GA. 7pm-9pm, Please call or check the website to see who's playing. The lineup varies and each night is special! http://www.thecrimsonmoon.com, Laura Mae Bain, crimsonmoonpublicist@gmail.com

These Jams and Events meet one time only or maybe once each month...

First Monday "Feed The Community" dinner Jam, Lawrenceville Rd.

Methodist Church, Tucker GA. Food @ 5:45, Music Jam @ 6:15
contact Michael Moseley 404-423-2315, www.lrumc.com

First Saturday – South Bartow Gym, 6505 Glade Rd, Acworth GA.

Jams 6:00 – 9:00, Bingo at 7:00. Note Change from 3rd Sat.

Second Sunday - SEBA Central Chapter Jam, Emory Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, GA, 3pm-6pm, http://www.emorypresbyterian.org/, Walter Stark, puppetstark@comcast.net, 404-315-6161

2nd and 4th Tuesday each month - Rochelle Georgia Bluegrass Jam, Cabin In The Orchard, 6:00 P.M.- 8:00 P.M , Bob McGuinty 229-276-5852, mcapple1@windstream.net

First Wednesday - Waller's Jam, Waller's Coffee House, Decatur, GA, 240 DeKalb Ind. Way, (Near Farmers' Market) 8pm-11pm, www.wallerscoffeeshop.com/events 404-975-3060

All other SEBA Chapters hold once-a-month Jams after a brief Chapter meeting.

Please see Page 8 in this Breakdown Newsletter for locations, dates, times, and contacts for a good time near you!

Festivals, Yes, Festivals!



June 10 – 12 Cherokee NC. Bluegrass Festival at Happy Holiday RV Campground

August 12 – 14 Marion NC. State Bluegrass Festival at Tom Johnson Camping World.

Both events: (386) 385-3500 evansmediasource.com

Sept 10 – 12 Bristol TN/VA.

Bristol Rhythm & Roots Reunion, a celebration of the best in Appalachian music's past, present, and future. More than 100 artists on 16 stages over the three-day weekend. Jason Isbell, Tanya Tucker, Blackberry Smoke, Yola, Steeldrivers, Rhonda Vincent, etc.

bristolrhythm2021.com







ROMP Fest at Yellow Creek Park https://rompfest.com/



Sept 23 – 26 Allegany County Fairgrounds 11400 Moss Ave. Cumberland, MD 21502

Things Are Happening...



May 13 – 15 Waleska Georgia

Reinhardt University Bluegrass Festival including *Smoke On The Mountain* performances. This show tells the story of a Saturday night gospel sing at a country church in 1938, and features two dozen bluegrass songs performed by the "Sanders Family". Learn more about this event at

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101 East North Broad Street Walhalla SC

www.walhallapac.com https://ci.ovationtix.com/36289

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Rhonda Vincent & The Rage Jul 31

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Jeannie Seely Sep 19

Mutts Gone Nuts Oct 2

The Platters Oct 10

The Little Roy & Lizzy Show Oct 22

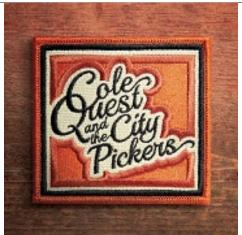
Dailey & Vincent Oct 29

Recent Releases



Bluegrass duet **Starlett and Big John** have been signed to a 2-CD deal at Turnberry Records.

The duo is comprised of 38-year music veteran and Virginian, Big John Talley, who has performed with various outfits including New Dominion Bluegrass, and whose performance resume includes many appearances with Bill Monroe and The Bluegrass Boys - including at the Grand Ole Opry--as well as with Jackie Phelps (Hee Haw). Tater Tate and Jodi Rainwater. Guitarist Talley is joined by the talented Starlett Boswell Austin, a singer since childhood recognized as bassist and vocalist with Lawson Creek Grass.



Cole Quest And The City Pickers are a group of New York City musicians connected by friendship and a love of bluegrass. Quest, grandson of the folk icon Woody Guthrie, has brought together a collection of eclectic pickers who have gained recognition on the local scene. Performing original tunes as well as traditional favorites, the City Pickers bring their special brand of high-spirited talent with upbeat, knee-slapping energy and a high lonesome sound that'll leave you Self (En)Titled wanting more. contains witty originals and crucial covers for the modern listener.



The latest entry in Mountain Home Music Company and Organic Records' groundbreaking set of collaborations under the Bluegrass at the Crossroads banner brings together some of the best musicians over fresh material that blends individual mastery with the of excitement new musical conversations.

Co-written and sung by **Darren Nicholson** of Balsam Range, *Lonesome is the Price I Pay* is an archetypal bit of bluegrass — a happy-sounding song with miserable lyrics! In this case, the lyric's narrative is built around a "get out of town" theme.

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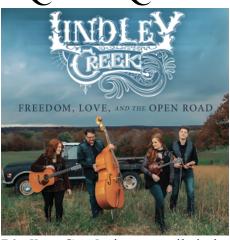
Recent Releases



Sturgill Simpson returns to his bluegrass roots on Cuttin' Grass, Vol. 2, the second installment in a series of surprise albums that reimagines Simpson's best-loved songs as barn-burning string band Simpson once again numbers. tapped producer David Ferguson to helm the album, which features many of the same players who contributed to Vol. 1. Vol. 2 mines material from his previous solo albums, and includes two songs, Tennessee and Jesus Boogie from his work with the band Sunday Valley and Hobo Cartoon that he wrote with Merle Haggard.

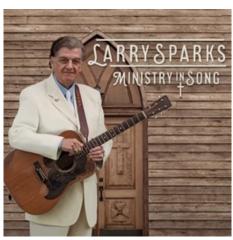
Grascals have 2 new singles

Traveling the Highway Home Once More These join 2 other recent singles: Sleepy Little Town Flowers and Lace



Lindley Creek just unveiled the new video for their latest single, The track will Sunshine Song. serve as the final release from their debut Pinecastle Records album Freedom, Love, And The Open Road, which came out in mid-2020. Produced by Jim VanCleve, the recording is perfectly timed to send positive vibes out into the world just as the weather is beginning to get warmer. Fans can download and stream the song/album **HERE** on YouTube.

The straight-ahead Bluegrass single *Sunshine Song* is all about spreading positivity. Written by **Jase and Kathie Greer**, the lyrics send a happy tone to listeners as winter comes to an end. Shot in the Rio Grande Valley, the video showcases the picturesque beaches of South Padre Island and the fragrant orange groves.



Bluegrass music emanates from the heart of Larry Sparks. Gospel music bounds from his soul. Paired together, bluegrass gospel represents the very best of Larry Sparks as a singer and as a man.

To that end, Rebel Records is thrilled to announce a forthcoming gospel project by the Bluegrass Hall of Famer Larry Sparks, Ministry In Song, now available for pre-order ahead of its May 21 Sparks' first all-gospel release. recording in ten years is filled with well chosen tunes including four new compositions from popular songwriter Daniel Crabtree, as well as a number of classics that highlight his soulful singing and distinctive picking. Quite timely given this past year, Ministry In Song offers songs of joy to be enjoyed and songs of comfort from which we can gather hope.

We recognize and thank our new and renewing members, for helping us to spread the word!

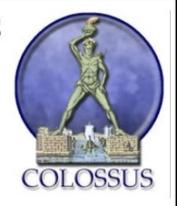


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Emory Presbyterian Church 1886 N. Decatur Rd Atlanta, GA 30307

2nd Sunday 3 - 6pm

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VP Joe Matteson 706-319-2045 SEBADahlonega@sebabluegrass.org

Farmington Creek Clubhouse

35 Harvest Circle, Dawsonville Ga. 30534 Click for Map

3rd Sun 2 - 5pm

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SEBA TAG (Chattanooga, TN)

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Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 7407 Bonny Oaks Drive, Chattanooga, TN. 37421

3rd Sunday 2 -5pm

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VP Dan Daniel 770-900-7472

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Woodstock Community Church 237 Rope Mill Road Woodstock, Georgia. 30188

4th Sunday 1:30 - 4:30pm

SEBA Middle Georgia Bluegrass Macon Ga

VP Joe Choo

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Young America Music School (YAMS) 6361 Zebulon Rd, Macon, GA 31220

2nd Sunday 2 – 5pm

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Blueridge Music Store

629 Duggan Hill Rd. Clayton, GA 30525

1st Saturday 12pm - 3pm

SEBA Macon County, NC

VP Jay Baird 828-200-1932

Apr – Oct: Macon Heritage Center

51 Cowee School Drive, Cowee, NC 28734

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