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“BOOGIE KINGS AT THE RIVER RUN ATV PARK IN JACKSONVILLE, TEXAS”

I couldn't believe it when I saw the River Run ATV PARK. There was 2000 acres of nothing but fun. Thousands of people were in the Park, most on their ATVs others in vending booths cooking and dancing. It was an eye opener for sure. You can contact Jeff Drost at 337-540-6151 or Rock Bordelon at 318-572-6803 for information about the park.

The bandstand was huge. It was covered, and had three walls. We lucked out. There was no rain, and it was just cool enough for a light jacket.

The band played great. We had a very good sound system provided by Show Gear Systems. These guys were great. You can contact them at 512-573-0801. Ask for Ron. “A great time was had by all”. ☺

“BOOGIE KINGS IN SHREVEPORT”

We've booked a gig in Shreveport at the Riverfront Amphitheater for “Holiday-in-Dixie. The gig is on April 20th. We will play from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The public is invited.

THE BOOGIE KING ARE BEGINNING A NEW ERA

Doug Ardoin, Bert Miller, Bryan Leger, and Jim Darnell have retired. I can't speak for the other guys, but I retired for health reasons, and a desire to spend more, mentally relaxed, time with my family. Bert and I have asked Sir Christopher John (Frog) to be the new Leader of the Band. Frog has asked his brother, Parker James, to work with him in developing the new direction of the Kings. Frog has told the other members of the band that they would be welcome to stay with the group. I have no knowledge as to what's happening

with that. What I can tell you is that my last gig in Jacksonville, Texas was a blast. Every one of us played at a high level. It was fun. It was great to have Tommy Richard next to me, on the stand, during the gig. Tommy is a great guitarist and a great friend.

Rene' Theall has been a great source of information for us. Her contacts seem to be limitless. She is authorized to accept gigs for us. Details of which will have to be forwarded to Frog for final negotiations, and for preparing a contract.

Don't forget, you can buy Boogie King merchandise from Rene'. Her web site is: www.boogiekings.com or you can call her at 337-258-3834.

Well, this is my last newsletter. I ask all of you to please support Frog in his new, very demanding position. I know he will do awesome.

I might play with the band from time to time. If I do, I'll let you know. I do plan to play LOPSTOCK every year, as long as John (Lapin) Bertrand wants to do it.

Thanks to all of you for being such great fans. I really enjoyed hearing from you when I sent out the newsletter. Please support Frog and the new Boogie Kings.

Thanks again,

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