2026 Contra Dances

Beginners are welcome/No lesson needed
(The Dancing Fish, Melrose, FL)

Feb 21, 2026   Caller: **Drew Thomas**   (Sat: 6-9PM)
with *Loco-Motion*: Kathie Aagaard, Sarah Mitchell, Sherry Mattos, Joe De Paolo

Mar 6-7, 2026   Caller: **Will Mentor**   (Fri: 7-10PM, Sat: Noon-3PM + 6-9PM)
with *Jet Bridge*: Sam Bartlett, Abby Ladon, Sami Braman, Paula Bradley   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)

Mar 21, 2026   Caller: **Vicki Morrison**   (Sat: 6-9PM)
with *In Cahoots*: Andrea Stanley, Steve Hodges, Laura Gayle Green

Apr 3-4, 2026   Caller: **Diane Silver**   (Fri: 7-10PM, Sat: Noon-3PM + 6-9PM)
with *Hot Coffee Breakdown*: Tom Cunningham, Kate Sanders, Luis de Leon   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)

Apr 17-19, 2026   *Wild Asparagus Weekend*   (Fri 7-10PM, Sat Noon-3PM + 6-9PM, Sun Noon-3PM)
Caller: **George Marshall**   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)
with **Becky Tracy, Ann Percival, David Cantini, Mark Murphy**

May 1-2, 2026   Caller: **Dereck Kalish**   (Fri: 7-10PM, Sat: Noon-3PM + 6-9PM)
with *Lift Ticket*: Rex Blazer, Jeff Spero, TJ Crow   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)

May 16, 2026   Caller: **Joey Norton**   (Sat: 6-9PM)
with *Mystic Gorillas*: Roger Eudy, Buz Sibley, Lloyd Baldwin

June 5-7, 2026   Caller: **Seth Tepfer**   (Fri: 7-10PM, Sat: Noon-3PM + 6-9PM)
with *Sycamore*: Cedar Stanistreet, Samuel Foucher, ????   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)

June 20, 2026   Caller: **Bronwyn Chelette**   (Sat: 6-9PM)
with *The Kumquats*: Sarah Mitchell, Rich Crew, Bill Dudley

July 3-5, 2026   *Fourth of July Weekend*   (Fri 6-10PM, Sat Noon-4PM + 6-10PM, Sun 11AM-3PM)
Callers: **Janet Shepard and Dwayne Johnson**   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)
with *Kingfisher*: **Cecilia Vacanti, Jeff Kaufman**
and *Crossover*: **Debby Knight, Carol Bittenson, Len Bittenson**

July 18, 2026   Caller: **John Rogers**   (Sat: 6-9PM)
with *Contrafusion*: Darren Burgess, Diane Schulbach, Roger Reep, Andrew Driscoll

Sept 4-6, 2026   *Labor Day Weekend*   (Fri 6-10PM, Sat Noon-4PM + 6-10PM, Sun 11AM-3PM)
Callers: **Kenny Greer and ????**   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)
with *Howe and Company*
and *Potent Brew*: **George Paul, Brad Battey, Al White, Steve Kemble**

Sept 19, 2026   Caller: **Andy Kane**   (Sat: 6-9PM)
with *Bunny Bread*: Carrie Hamby, Aidan Collins, Ben Green, Erice Shepard, Neil Jones, Howard Pardue, Kirill Litvak, Liz Sparks

Oct 2-3, 2026   Caller: **Luke Donforth**   (Fri: 7-10PM, Sat: Noon-3PM + 6-9PM)
with *TBD*: tbd   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)

Oct 17, 2026   Caller: **tbd**   (Sat: 6-9PM)
with *TBD*: tbd

Oct 30-31, 2026   Halloween *Weekend*   (Fri: 7-10PM, Sat: Noon-3PM + 6-9PM)

🎃 **Saturday Oct 31st - Halloween Costume Ball** 🎃

Caller: **Terry Doyle**   (PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)
with *Toss the Possum*: **Laura Zisette, Rob Zisette**

Suggested Donation (No need to register or pay in advance)

Adults: **1st weekends: $15-30 per dance session, $30-60 for weekend pass**
                    3rd Saturdays: $10-20

Under 26: **1st weekends: $7.50-15 per dance session, $15-30 for weekend pass**
                    3rd Saturdays: $5-10

Under 16: **Admitted free when accompanied by an adult**

All donations go to pay for musicians, callers and sound tech. (No hall rental fee.)
NOTE: **The dance barn is on <u>Private Residential Property</u>**
Please respect the wishes of the homeowner and neighbors
(No over-night RVs/Tents, without emailed permission)
For more info on dances, propane grills, picnicking, pot-luck dinners, camping, kayaking, dining, housing, etc.
email: *JoeRushMD@iCloud.com*
https://dancingfish.dance

Scan this QR code
to make your
online donation

Nov 6-7, 2026   Caller: **Steve Zakon-Anderson**   **(Fri: 7-10PM, Sat: Noon-3PM + 6-9PM)**
with ***Dam Beavers*****: Ben Schreiber, Scotty Leach, Ness Smith-Savedoff**   **(PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)**

Nov 21, 2026   Caller: **tbd**   **(Sat: 6-9PM)**
with ***TBD*****: tbd**

Dec 4-5, 2026   Caller: **Bob Isaacs**   **(Fri 6-10PM, Sat Noon-4PM + 6-10PM, Sun 11AM-3PM)**
with ***Eden, Sam and Pokey*****: Eden MacAdam-Somer, Sam Bartlett, Pokey**   **(PotLuck Dinner, Sat: 4:30 PM)**

Dec 19, 2026   Caller: **tbd**   **(Sat: 6-9PM)**
with ***TBD*****: tbd**

T-shirts and Tanktops…$20 each

Choose type: Historic Melrose; Dancing Fish; Wild Aspargus

Choose size: S, M, L, XL, 2XL

Dancing Fish and Wild Aspargus purchases…

Choose style: T-shirt or Racerback Tanktop

Choose color: from attached spec sheets

Historic Melrose purchases light blue only and T-shirt style only

Gildan Adult Ultra Cotton® T-Shirt

Features

- Tear away label
- Double-needle sleeve and bottom hem
- Seamless double-needle 7/8" collar
- Taped neck and shoulders
- Safety Green is compliant with ANSI / ISEA 107 high-visibility standards
- Gildan's manufacturing process utilizes 45% renewable energy
- Gildan's Community Investment Program supports education, the environment, humanitarian aid and active living in the communities we do business in

Fabric

- 6 oz., 100% USA cotton
- Heathers and Safety colors are 50/50
- Ash Grey is 99/1; Sport Grey & Antiques are 90/10
- Made with sustainably and fairly grown USA cotton

Sizes

- S - 5XL

Product Specifications

	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL
BODY LENGTH	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
BODY WIDTH	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32
FULL BODY LENGTH	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
SLEEVE LENGTH	15.62	17	18.5	20	21.5	22.87	24.25	23.37

61 Available Colors

Next Level Tanktop

Features

Tear away label
Sustainalbe Style
Side seams

Fabric

4 oz/yd, 60/40 combed ring-spun
Fabric laundered

Sizes

XS-2XL

Colors

Finished Measurements

	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Body Length	27	27 1/2	28	28 1/2	29	29 1/2
Body Length Tolerance	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2
Chest Tolerance	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2
Chest Width (Laid Flat)	14	15	16	17	18	19