

1. 24-03-2013 07:45 PM#1



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The Shuffle Boys at Albury.

I'd heard a lot about this band; that it was a cabaret band, a band that catered for choreographed dancers - not like in 'the old days' - and so on. Being the sort of bloke who prefers to form my own opinion of any topic, when I saw that they were returning I decided to see for myself just how the opinions fitted the reality.

When we arrived the place was packed and there was a bit of confusion about where to sit people. As it turned out, the dance was totally booked out. An interesting situation for a crap band I thought.

Along with this observation I noted that the dance floor was also packed with dancers who had obviously not heard that this was a 'crummy' band, and they all appeared to be having a great time. Unfortunately for me, I happened to have a medical problem which curtailed my dancing, but gave me a lot of time to observe.

Firstly, I was fifteen year old Bodgie when Rock and Roll first hit Australian shores and while my memory is poor short term, it's pretty good in the long term and the music and dancing I saw was indeed very much like that of the fifties. I heard songs that I hadn't heard for a long time, and everyone seemed to be having a bloody ball.

I saw nothing that fitted the description of a Cabaret band or a band designed for choreographed dancers, quite the opposite in fact. I saw a lot of dancers having a bloody good time. Where and why the myth was spread doesn't matter. Who cares? The Shuffle Boys may well be a good Cabaret band and good on them, but they are also a good Rock and Roll band. I hope to see more of them in Victoria if for no other reason than to show that we like good bands and ignore unfounded crap.

Thank you Twin Cities Rock and Roll Club for a great night and, thank you for not listening to the biased critics. And finally, thank you Shuffle Boys.

Let the flaming begin! 😊

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2. 26-03-2013 12:05 PM#2

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👉 **Re: The Shuffle Boys at Albury.**

Hi Cirrus

Thank you for your positive feedback on Twin Cities Rock 'n' Roll Club's dance last Saturday night. The Shuffle Boys were splendid!!

Would you believe there are already grumblings about our next band "No Brakes" (hailing from Sydney) as to what they play - I

can't believe it. As a club we often communicate to our selected band on what our main audience will be, i.e. rock and rollers, but we also like to cater for those who like some rockabilly.

Again, thank you again for your words. Hope we see you on 3 August. 😊

Jill

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3. 26-03-2013 03:12 PM#3



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Re: The Shuffle Boys at Albury.

Thanks for the report, cirrus - I haven't seen the Shuffle Boys before but I do enjoy dancing to new bands as it brings on new experiences and excitement for me. I 'm not sure if the band plays down here in Melbourne but hopefully one day soon. "No Brakes" played in the Melbourne Rockabilly Meltdown weekend about 2 years ago and it certainly won over many new fans here.

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4. 26-03-2013 04:33 PM#4



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Re: The Shuffle Boys at Albury.

I'd believe that Jill. It's hard to explain to people that we all have different tastes in dance music. You will never please everyone until those who complain do all the work trying to please them all. We like Rockabilly as much as the next person, but there's more to Rock and Roll than just Rockabilly. But, it takes all types. 😊😊😊

"No Brakes" sounds good and if Jitts likes them, we will. The "Shuffle Boys" are a good Rock and Roll band Jitts. You'd like them!