

Luckenbach MOON



"People can't believe we have such a big moon for such a small town" —Hondo Crouch

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Dedicated to Peter Cedarstacker

September 2017

BRUCE ROBISON *and the* SAT SEPT 2ND



Dance Hall Show!

BACK PORCH BAND
plus
KATHY BAUER
& MICHAEL BROUSSARD

Outdoor Show!



FRI SEPT 8TH
CODY CANADA & THE DEPARTED

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH LUCKENROD CAR SHOW

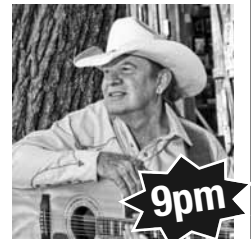
Music Lineup!

- ★ WELDON HENSON
- ★ TEN SECOND PISTOL *Starts @ Noon*
- ★ BLACK DOG FRIDAY
- ★ TESSY LOU & THE SHOTGUN STARS
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Dance Hall Show!



Dance Hall Show!

SAT SEPT 23RD
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FRIDAY SEPT 29TH



Dance Hall Show!

RANDALL KING

SAT SEPT 30TH



Dance Hall Show!

WALT WILKINS & THE MYSTIQUEROS

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Luckenbach is not only a state of mind, it is a place where people meet - get married - pick and grin - play washers and horseshoes - and generally have a goodtime. The magic of Luckenbach is its motto-Everybody is Somebody.

Remembering "Hondo"

Newsprint clippings from
Luckenbach Monthly Moon dated January 1978



Guy & Suzanna Clark

Guy Clark Remembers Hondo

I first met Hondo in 1958. We were down at Rockport at his sister's house. George Hill, Lowell Bonner and Hondo were singing Mexican songs. It was the first time I was ever at a passing around the guitar. Now it's almost a ceremony at Luckenbach. If you're lucky enough to have a guitar and it isn't out for repairs or in the hock shop until your agent comes through with the money from your last gig, you play your bit and pass the guitar to the next girl or guy who may or man not have one. And then the next guy does his or her thing and it goes all around. It's real friendly like and now it's a custom under the trees at Luckenbach, but it was brand new to me then. It was just the first of many great times I had with Hondo. I lived them all again when Jerry Jeff and I were taping the special picking in the saloon with the iron stove warming the place. Wherever pickers get together and pass the guitar, Hondo lives on.

Guy Clark

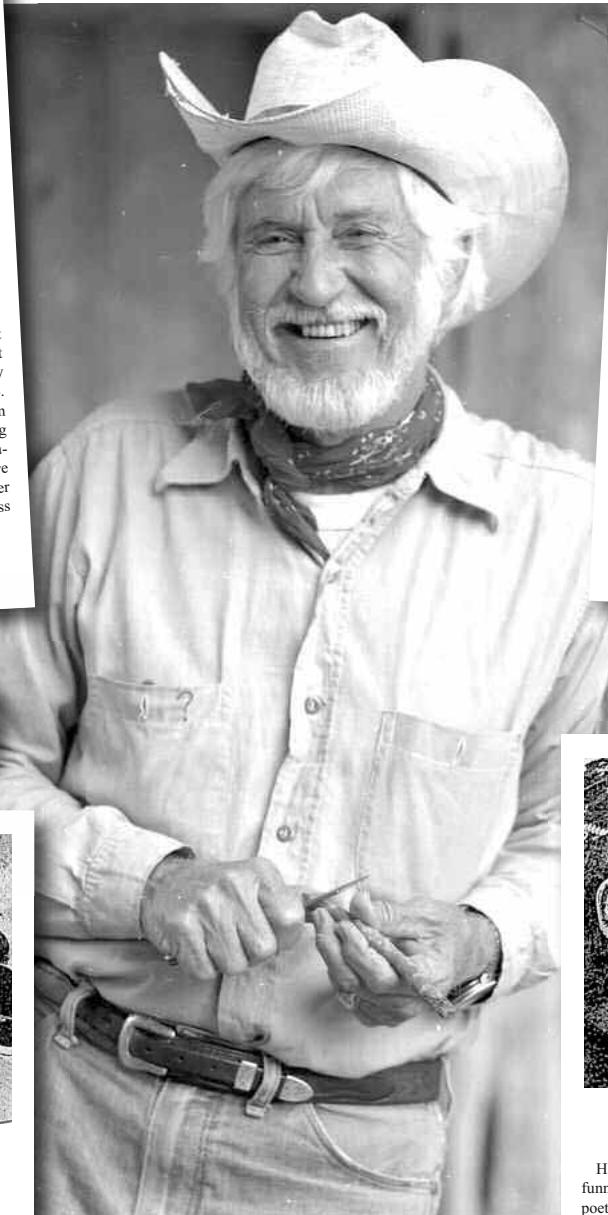


Kent Finlay & Bob Armstrong

Kent Finlay Remembers Hondo

I count myself lucky, I was among those who loved (and worshipped) Hondo Crouch. There aren't many...just about ten or twelve thousand...and I am one. And I was allowed to get fairly close to him. There are fewer of us who were granted this privilege...but I was. And getting close to the man didn't destroy one of the mystique surrounding him. I continued to be amazed at his wit, wisdom, and seemingly eternal youth.

-Kent Finlay



Ace Reid Remembers Hondo

It's not easy to find Ace Reid, but it's well worth the trouble. I asked Kathy Morgan hot to get a hold of him and she gave me his office number. I called twice and wrote once and couldn't catch him. I left my message when I called and I promised each to return my call. No Luck. A week later I was in Kerrville meeting with the super Inn of the Hills people. It had been a long day and I was tired so I headed for the lounge. Before I got there I heard him, that voice and the back of his belt ("Ace") gave him away. The bartender said, "Can I help you?" "I'm looking for Ace Reid" I said loudly. He turned around and tried to say that Ace had just walked out the back door, but I held out and my hand and said "I'm Susie Harmon, from the Luckenbach Monthly Moon." "Why is it that every beautiful blonde that's looking for me always brings pretty kid like yours with her,"

the famed cartoonist said motioning to Mikie. "Who's dat man?" Mike said loudly. Being a gentleman— Ace got down off his bar stool and led us to a table. "How can I tell you just a little story about Hondo— we spent our whole lives together." But he sat down and thought for a minute and said—"I was in Hollywood the day Chris Hondo had died. I called my son Stan, who was in the Navy in Brunswick, Maine and is now in Law School at U.T. "Hondo's dead" I told him. The phone was quiet for a long time then he said "He's not dead, Dad" Stan said. "He will travel those hills forever. It'll be a foggy night and you'll see an old man with a white beard and a chew of tobacco standing along the side of the road with tobacco dripping down his chin. It'll be him, Dad, it'll be Hondo."

-Susie Harmon



Willie Nelson chats with Hondo

Willie Remembers Hondo

Hondo Crouch wasn't just a funny, friendly guy. He was a poet and a good one. His poetry came hard like all good poems do - like the crops in the Hill Country that somehow grow in spite of the cold, the hot sun and the rocks. Hondo carried a little notebook with him and he'd finally find that stubby pencil back in a pocket somewhere. Then he'd write down his poems and whittle at the words with the same skill and insistence on perfection that marked his wood carvings. Like everybody else, I loved Hondo and remember him under the trees reciting "Luckenbach Moon." I wish everyone could have heard him do that before he died. We still have doing it on the great record, but the record can't give us back the twinkle and grin-the whole being that shined like a Hill Country stream on a sunny Spring Day. You should have seen Hondo when he did "Luckenbach Moon." I was lucky I did.

Willie Nelson

John Russell "Hondo" Crouch

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TICKET This schedule may change... Call or check online for info on **TICKETED** events 888-311-8990

Fri	1st	Wagon Aces- Dance	8pm	
Sat	2nd	Hayden Whittington, Dan Wes Cowart & Wesley Holsford Heidi Eubanks- Picker Circle BRUCE ROBISON & THE BACK PORCH BAND + Kathy Bauer & Michael Broussard	1pm 5pm 8pm	TICKET
Sun	3rd	Walt Wilkins, Darden Smith & Bill Small	1pm	
Mon	4th	Dan West Cowart- Picker Circle	5pm	
Tues	5th	Kem Watts- Picker Circle	5pm	
Wed	6th	Claude Butch Morgan- Picker Circle	5pm	
Thurs	7th	Jake McLain- Picker Circle	5pm	
Fri	8th	CODY CANADA & THE DEPARTED	8pm	TICKET
Sat	9th	LUCKENROD CLASSIC CAR & ROD SHOW	Noon	TICKET
Sun	10th	Shelley King, Tom Gillam & Robert Cline Jr.	1pm	
Mon	11th	Dan West Cowart- Picker Circle	5pm	
Tues	12th	Kem Watts- Picker Circle	5pm	
Wed	13th	Claude Butch Morgan- Picker Circle	5pm	
Thurs	14th	Jake McLain- Picker Circle	5pm	
Fri	15th	Dance- The Merles	8pm	
Sat	16th	Clayton Gardner Heidi Eubanks- Picker Circle GARY P. NUNN	1pm 5pm 9pm	TICKET
Sun	17th	Chris Saucedo Band	1pm	
Mon	18th	Dan West Cowart- Picker Circle	5pm	
Tues	19th	Kem Watts- Picker Circle	5pm	
Wed	20th	Claude Butch Morgan- Picker Circle	5pm	
Thurs	21st	Jake McLain- Picker Circle	5pm	
Fri	22nd	Dance- Almost Patsy Cline Band	8pm	
Sat	23rd	Drew Moreland & The Neon Hustle Heidi Eubanks- Picker Circle THOMAS MICHAEL RILEY	1pm 5pm 8pm	TICKET
Sun	24th	Kyle Wilson, Donna Slater & Kim Carson	1pm	
Mon	25th	Dan West Cowart- Picker Circle	5pm	
Tues	26th	Kem Watts- Picker Circle	5pm	
Wed	27th	Jake Pledge- Picker Circle	5pm	
Thurs	28th	Jake McLain- Picker Circle	5pm	
Fri	29th	RANDALL KING	8pm	TICKET
Sat	30th	The Strayhearts Heidi Eubanks- Picker Circle WALT WILKINS & THE MYSTIQUEROS	1pm 5pm 8pm	TICKET
		Monday-Thursday - David Harris- Picker Circle	1pm	
		Fridays - Hayden Whittington- Picker Circle	1pm	
		Dan West- Picker Circle	4pm	
		Most Sundays - Cowboys Service	9am	
		Bill Lewis- Picker Circle	5pm	

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