



APRIL 15, AUSTIN, TX—I'm sittin' here day dreamin', looking at a picture of a Harley "Nostalgia" Softail. Did you know my mom and dad honeymooned on a '39 Indian at Lake George, NY?

Twenty years ago this summer, I rode a Honda 750 across Canada, all the way to Newfoundland. It's time for a new adventure; Ride a Harley to Costa Rica?

I've been working on new songs for something in the future. I seem to be in some transition period. I bought a double-breasted Brioni suit one day in New York, then a week later purchased a Ruger .357 Magnum revolver. Jessie Jane got her driver's license and drove off and left me standing there. Django joined a Karate class. His feet are as big as mine—next he'll flip me on my ass (Ah, but I've got a gun!)

No golf, no fishing, but I've been reading a lot lately and enjoying my Cuban cigars. Come on, Bill, let's go to Cuba (on a Harley?)

Susan said to talk about something to do with music.

Got my old Fender Strat back and bought a new tweed Fender Vibroverb amp to go with it. Rock and roll my baby, you bet.

We did go up to Aspen for Valentine's Weekend. Had a great time at the Wheeler Opera House. Gayle at Aspen-Santa Fe Trail made the stage special with all kinds of set decorations. Eddie Podolack said the music is just getting better and better—thanks, pal.

Speaking of pals, we had a high old polka in Atlanta with Coach Glanville and his wife, Brenda, at the Buckboard. Looks like we've found a home there.

We've also found a home in Washington, DC. We played four

nights at The Birchmere. Capped it off with a command performance for Pres. Clinton and Hillary, and Vice-Pres. Gore and Tipper. It was nice of the fans to let them enjoy themselves, and it was real special to have the President of the United States sitting in a club with everyday Americans, snugglin' and laughin' with his wife, as we all sang along. Hallalujah!

I flew out to the Cayman Islands to check it out more thoroughly than we'd been able to do on the cruise. It is a very special place. I met some great people there, sang two or three times and stayed a couple of nights with Ronnie Foster at the Indies Suites. We tooted around the island in his '57 T-Bird and he told me about growing up in the Caymans as a Caymanian, and then in Louisiana as a coonass. What a smooth combination! I'll be back.

After returning to Austin, it was time for Birthday Bash '93. Stan Hitchcock, the founder of Country Music Television, came to town and videotaped the whole party for his new cable show on the Americana Network. We did the first special for CMT, and now the first special for Americana. Good luck, Stan.

As always, this year was the best. Kerry Awn was the glue that held it all together this year.

We capped off the spring with a trip to Nevis in the West Indies, as the Gonzo Compadres took another island. We played for a Nissan corporate party in a great down-island bash. It turns out that Earl Hesterberg, one of Nissan's big wheels, is a Tried & True Warrior, too. Thanks, Earl!

I flew home and went straight on an eight-day juice fast—Life in the fast lane!



Jerry Jeff and the Gonzo Compadres take time to chat with some of our hard-working public officials and their lovely wives, backstage at The Birchmere in Alexandria, VA on Feb. 25. "The crowd went nuts," one patron told the Washington Post, when the Clintons and Gores arrived to catch almost two hours of Jerry Jeff and the band. Pictured L-R: T&T Warrior Joe Harris, Birchmere owners Gary and Linda Oelze, Bob Livingston, Pres. Bill Clinton, Jerry Jeff, Vice-President Al Gore, Tipper Gore, Freddie Krc, Hillary Rodham Clinton, John Inmon. Thanks to the White House for the photograph.

BILL'S & AL'S GONZO ADVENTURE

It all started innocently enough. Last spring, Jerry Jeff and Susan got a call from Bill Clinton's campaign office asking if Jerry Jeff might possibly play some shows and make some appearances on the Governor's behalf. Nothing unusual there; Every nationally-ranked musician gets dozens of such calls in a presidential election year.

After the summertime conventions, as the race began to heat up, each side began jockeying to line up celebrity spokesmen. Jerry Jeff became committed to Clinton's campaign over the issue of the draft. There were many young men who chose to protest the war, and that didn't make them any less American, he thought.

Jerry Jeff's participation in the campaign climaxed at a post-midnight appearance with Clinton and Texas Gov. Ann Richards on the tarmac at Meacham Field in Fort Worth on Election Eve during Clinton's all-night, cross-country blitz. Jerry re-wrote "Redneck Mother" for the occasion, and the entire proceedings were featured on ABC's *Prime Time Live*.

One thing led to another, and Jerry Jeff and the band were invited to play at the Tennessee Ball at the inaugural ceremonies on Jan. 20. *The Washington Post* went so far as to designate Jerry Jeff as a member of the "In" list for the new Clinton-era capitol.

It might have all ended there, but on Feb. 25 Vice-President Al Gore (who reads his newsletter!) was feeling restless, and prevailed upon his boss (and their respective wives) to enjoy a night on the town. The quartet ended up at The Birchmere listening to Jerry Jeff and the Gonzo Compadres for almost two hours.

Later, the Clintons and Gores went backstage and visited with the band, where the above picture was snapped. Jerry Jeff Walker and the leader of the Free World... What a country!

So there you have it. Being asked to play for the President—of either party—is a real distinction. But when they start following you around to beer joints, you know you're onto something!



■ **LUCKENBACH REUNION:** We still have a few bench seats left for Jerry Jeff's private concert at Luckenbach, TX on May 29. This is an encore presentation of a special event we threw last year; Small and intimate (only 400 seats sold). The \$50 ticket includes admission to Luckenbach—we're renting the town—the concert and a commemorative T-shirt.

Tickets were initially offered to those who attended last year's event, which is why so few remain for sale now. As you can see below, we're offering advance notification of our other limited-admission Special Events. We'll be back in Luckenbach before long!

■ **WE LEFT OUR TOUR IN SAN FRANCISCO;** Left Coast Warriors take note! Jerry Jeff and the Gonzo Compadres are making their **ONLY** stop on the West Coast this year at a three-night stand at San Francisco's Great American Music Hall (850 O'Farrell St., 415/885-0750) on AUG. 19-21. Some hotels close to GAMH include the Phoenix (800/248-9466), The Hotel Richelieu (800/227-3608) and The Triton (800/433-6611). Come make a weekend of it!

■ **TALKIN' TURKEY:** We are planning (details to follow in the next newsletter) a Thanksgiving Weekend in none other than New Orleans! Jerry Jeff and the band are scheduled to play at Tipitina's on Fri., Nov. 26, the day after Thanksgiving. We have contacted several French Quarter hotels to try to arrange holiday package rates for the Warriors who want to join us in the Big Easy. See our next newsletter for more details, or call T&TM.

■ **BELIZE IT OR NOT:** This year, we sailed the bounding main. In 1994, we still have our sights set on the Caribbean, but we have decided to stay put in one place. In Belize, to be specific. This Central American country is renowned for its natural beauty, its sport fishing, and its unparalleled diving and snorkeling (Reefs second only to Australia's Great Barrier Reef!)

This will be an intimate outing—we have reserved all 32 rooms at the Victoria House on Ambergris Cay, offshore from Belize proper. Jerry Jeff will entertain solo each night for our party only.

The dates of our trip are Jan. 22-29, 1994. Prices per couple range from \$1842 to \$2566 (Includes everything but airfare and booze—try the local Belikan beer!).

Interested parties should contact Agnes at the Houston office of the Victoria House (P.O. Box 20785, Houston, TX 77225, 800/247-5159, Fax 713/661-4025).

Look for more details in the next newsletter.

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Name The Armadillo!

Don't make us keep referring to this fellow as "this fellow!" Send your best entry to Sarah Greenwood here at T&TM and we'll pick one to christen the "Walkertoon" 'dillo with. The winning entry will be awarded a prize to be determined probably at the last minute.



Ray Wylie Hubbard and Jerry Jeff perform together at the Paramount Theatre during the '93 Birthday Bash.

FYI

■ **GONZO OVER THE OCEAN:** It's been a long time coming, but Jerry Jeff and the Gonzos are finally (finally!) journeying across the Pond to play some shows for our

European Warriors. As of this writing, Jerry and the band are scheduled to play at the Oslo Centrum, in OSLO, NORWAY (July 30); The Cambridge Folk Festival in CAMBRIDGE, ENGLAND (July 31-Aug. 1); The Mean Fiddler in LONDON (Aug. 3). Call T&TM for schedule changes and updates.

■ **"MOTHER'S" HUBBARD:** Those of you who were at the Birthday Weekend this year remember what a lift Ray Wylie Hubbard lent to the proceedings. It was he who tossed off perhaps the most memorable line of the evening to the Birthday Boy: "Jerry Jeff, I never thought I'd live long enough to see you live this long!"

Although he is best known for penning "Up Against the Wall, Redneck Mother," Hubbard has long been one of the most creative songwriters and energetic performers to emerge from the Lone Star State.

His latest album is called *Lost Train of Thought*, and it is full of the robust country/rock fusion that Hubbard has made a career out of. Tried & True Music is happy to offer our fans the chance to sample (on either cassette or CD) the music of one of Jerry Jeff's favorite performers. See the order form for more details.

■ **MAKING CONNECTIONS:** Jerry Jeff and the band will be featured on a new episode of *The Texas Connection* on The Nashville Network. They will play a full half hour on May 21 (check your local listings for exact times); On Aug. 9, they will share an episode with another great Austin musician, Marcia Ball: As you know, *The Texas Connection* tapings have been moved from Austin to the Fiesta Texas theme park near San Antonio.

■ **MORE TNN:** Nanci Griffith, whose new album features "Morning Song To Sally," one of Jerry Jeff's songs, hosted an edition of *The American Music Shop* program on TNN featuring Jerry Jeff, Townes Van Zandt, and others. The episode will air on June 15.

■ **...AND MORE Nanci:** Speaking of Nanci Griffith, Jerry Jeff was a guest at Nanci's shows at the Paramount Theatre in Austin on April 27-28. The shows, which were filmed for possible later broadcast, also featured appearances by artists who guest-starred on Nanci's *Other Voices, Other Rooms* album, including Emmylou Harris, Odetta, Alison Krauss, Townes Van Zandt, and more.

■ **BIRTHDAY BROADCAST:** A retrospective of Jerry Jeff's life and times, filmed during the course of the '93 Birthday Weekend, will be a featured special on the new Americana cable television network.

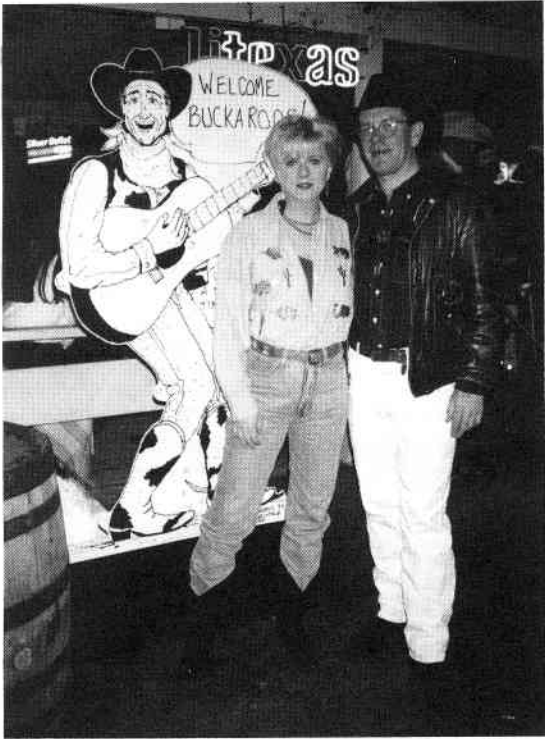
The JJW special kicks off Americana's *On The Road* series, and can be seen at 1:00 p.m. Central time on June 5 (repeating at 7:00 p.m. Central on June 6) on the Americana Network.

One note—During its start-up period, the Americana Network is sharing airtime with the existing Nostalgia Network. So look for the Nostalgia channel in your local listings in order to catch the show!

■ **BORN AT THE RIGHT TIME:** John Frisco, a Warrior out in Clear Lake, WI, writes us that his new niece, Claire Marie Frisco, made a memorable debut at the birthing room of the Fairview Southdale Hospital in Minneapolis. It seems that Claire Marie's parents, Donald Frisco and Delona Emerson, wanted some music to help ease things along. So Uncle John provided a tape of *Live At Gruene Hall*. Claire Marie (8 lb., 6 oz.) made her entrance during "The Pickup Truck Song." Congratulations to all involved!

■ **WORKING FOR SCALE:** No foolin', we are actually beginning the laborious process of assembling the long-awaited and much-requested Jerry Jeff Songbook! We have a lot of work to do, but we hope to have some good news for you, songbook-wise, in the Fall newsletter.

■ **ONLY 334 MORE SHOPPING DAYS...** We're moving the dates of the 1994 BIRTHDAY WEEKEND up a little bit, to help ensure warmer weather, more flowers and other good stuff. Please be advised that the dates of the '94 Birthday Weekend are MARCH 25-27. We will have more details in newsletters to come. In the meantime, American Airlines will once again be our Official Birthday Airline. For the best available fares, call American (800/433-1790) and ask for Star # S0134P8.



We wanted our fans to have a look at the great guy who does our Walkertoons. This is Dave Daniels, with his regular two-stepping partner Linda Baker, in front of Dave's largest 'Toon yet at the Broken Spoke during Birthday Weekend '93.

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- ★ NEW! "LUCKENBACH" LOGO T-shirt: JJW logo in Western-tone brown and gold, and the famous slogan, "Everybody's somebody in Luckenbach"; XXL sizes, too! White, short-sleeve, 100% cotton; L, XL & XXL adult sizes.
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- ★ COLLECTOR'S ITEM! Just a few 1993 Birthday T-shirts left: Portrait of JJW, by celebrated Texas artist Guy Juke on the front; 1993 Birthday dates on the back. Short-sleeve, white, 100% cotton; L & XL adult sizes.
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- ★ *Navajo Rug* Souvenir Book: Includes lyrics, a JJW bio, pictures and a discography.
- ★ *Navajo Rug* Poster: From the album cover; Full color, 1.5 x 3 feet.
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NEW! Ray Wylie Hubbard— <i>Lost Train of Thought</i> ; <i>Lost Train of Thought</i> CD	\$15.00	_____
<i>Lost Train of Thought</i> cassette	\$10.00	_____
COLLECTOR'S ITEM! JJW Birthday '93 T-shirt, (White, JJW portrait on front, Schedule on back, 100% cotton, Adult L, XL)	\$15.00	_____
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| May 1 | Berry Creek CC; Georgetown (SOLO)(private) | Aug. 6 or 7 | Boston, MA (TENT) |
| May 6 | Golf Tournament; Dallas, TX (private) | Aug. 14 | Aquafest; Austin, TX |
| May 15 | Round-Up '93; Midland, TX | Aug. 19-21 | Great American Music Hall; San Francisco, CA |
| May 21-22 | Rockefeller's; Houston, TX | Aug. 22 | Red Butte Garden; Salt Lake City, UT |
| May 23 | Galvez Plaza; Baton Rouge, LA | Aug. 23-24 | Jerry Ford Golf Tourney; Vail, CO |
| May 29 | Luckenbach, TX | Aug. 25-27 | Possible Colorado dates |
| May 30 | Rockefeller's; Houston, TX (private) | Aug. 28 | National BBQ Cookoff; Meridian, TX |
| June 4 | Stockyard Stampede; Oklahoma City, OK | Sept. 3 | Lubbock Coliseum; Lubbock, TX |
| June 16 | Enoch's; Monroe, LA | Sept. 10 | Gruene Hall; Gruene, TX |
| June 17 | Atlanta Buckboard; Smyrna, GA | Sept. 11 | Festival Square; Tyler, TX |
| June 18 | City Stages; Birmingham, AL | Sept. 18 | Cattle Baron's Ball; Goliad, TX |
| June 19 | Poet's; Lafayette, LA | Sept. 25 | Cattle Baron's Ball; Ft Worth, TX |
| June 27-29 | Taos River Trip; Taos, NM (SOLO) | Sept. 27-30 | The Birchmere; Alexandria, VA |
| July 13 | Mississippi Live; Minneapolis, MN | Oct. 1-2 | Rose Hill Farm; Rocky Mount, NC |
| July 15 | Avon Country Club; Cleveland, OH (private) | Oct. 6 | Heart of Texas Fair; Waco, TX |
| July 16 | Park West; Chicago, IL | Oct. 9 | Billy Bob's; Ft. Worth, TX |
| July 17 | TBA; Madison, WI | Oct. 23 | Silver Wings Ballroom; Brenham, TX |
| July 24 | Billy Bob's; Ft. Worth, TX | Oct. 30 | Dartmouth University; NH |
| July 25 | Outdoor Sugarloaf USA; Kingfield, ME | Nov. 26 | Tipitina's; New Orleans (TENT) |
| July 28 | Possible gig in Dublin | Dec. 3-4 | Rockefeller's; Houston, TX |
| July 30 | Oslo Centrum; Oslo, Norway | Dec. 18 | Billy Bob's Cowboy Christmas; Ft. Worth, TX |
| July 31-Aug 1 | Cambridge Music Festival; England | Jan. 1994 | Possible fan club event in Belize |
| Aug. 3 | The Mean Fiddler; London, England | | |

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