



APRIL 1994—After the Super Bowl of Birthday Weekends, I'm sittin' here counting up body shots; aches and pains and minor bruises. Four-day weekends... What a concept!

I'd have to say right off, it was hands down the best. So many memories. With Gonzo All-of-U's in Luckenbach and tying the twenty years together...It was really special.

'94 has been a blast so far. Susan and I started New Year's Eve with a bottle of Dom and a warm fire; a quiet evening at home, watching old movies.

I smoked a big cigar, then it was off to Belize for the fan outing on Ambergris Caye. Fishing and dining and great food, then picking and singing, all in the tropical clime of the Caribbean. We did not want to come back. Some of us didn't!

The band and I came back to tour the Southeast, Georgia and Florida.

Spring break, Susan and I went back to Belize for a vacation of our own with our kids. I did a guest appearance at Ramon's Reef Resort (since Ramon is an old friend of Buffett's). I

celebrated my actual birthday (March 16) at the Barry Bowen house on Ambergris Caye. Barry is the owner of Belikan Beer. Great beer. Great guy. Dixie and he are wonderful hosts, and we laughed and talked the whole day away on their shady deck.

Reality is putting your socks on. My reality is April 15.

Here's hoping Washington spends some of my hard-earned money wisely.

Peace and Love,



Gonzos old and new! Lost Gonzo Band alumni and Gonzo Compadres unite with JJW onstage at Luckenbach. L-r: Lloyd Maines, Sweet Mary Egan, Gary P. Nunn, Bob Livingston, Jerry Jeff, Freddie Krc (seated at drums), John Inmon, Craig Hillis, Kelly Dunn

BECKY CEDARSTACKER WRITES

BIRTHDAY WEEKEND, 1994; Nuthin' much happened in Luckenbach this month... 'Cept the potato chip man came by... Oh yes, then there was the full moon and magic—the kinda magic created by Jerry Jeff, the Lost Garbanzos, and 400 crazed fans crammed elbow to elbow under the tin roof of the antique dancehall in downtown Luckenbach. Tradition, old friends, old music and moonshine all blended together to create one unforgettable night—the premiering of *Viva Luckenbach!* It was dynamite! Or was it nitro glycerine?

Last night the moon showed off and so did everyone else. I had the biggest hat, Kowboy had the biggest time, Sheriff Marge had the biggest posse, and our town had the biggest moon. The moon made the beautiful girls beautifuller (there weren't any ugly ones). The beautifullest was Susan Walker. She stood outside wearing white leather and a hat (made by Hondo's Hats) where our one parking meter usta stand.

Greg Chesher's I'd Rather Not Be Marching Band played dinner music. Lots of Bar-B-Q and beer was consumed. The band was very tight (the music, that is). James Luckenbach even left his wheelchair at home; instead, he had a Jerry Jeff walker. Rex Spielberg Foster was there showing the real reel-to-reel film of *Black Dank Rides* (starring Hondo) that Juan had to re-reel. A fan from Virginia said it was really a reeling experience.

Juan let LaDawn quit workin' cattle long enough to come and Col. Graham (our F-15 commander with all the Rite Stuff) let my sister Chris out of her cage at the Pentagon. My eyes boogied out watching her and LaDawn boogieing and "getting down". My

brother Kerry gave out autographs to people who thought he was Townes Van Zandt. Kowboy, VelAnne and Marge were there with their refreshment tubs...

Sweet Mary Egan coulda stopped a train with her angelic, earthy fiddlin' around. She even got a standing ovation (Craig Hillis had to lean his in the corner). On the "Cotton Eye Joe," everyone could hardly keep sittin' still in their numbered seats. The natives were restless.

Gary Pee None was as animated as ever. He wore red, white and blue and a smile bigger than his face. I don't know how anyone can dance and sing and play all at once. John Inmon played guitar so fast his fingers almost fell off. Michael almost lost his hyde. Steady Freddie wore a "sidekick" (not psychic) hat made by Hondo's Hats. Kelly Dunn's hair is shorter. Bob Livingston, wearing aqua boots and a hat not made by Hondo's Hats, shook the cobwebs off the Texas flag backdrop with his bass playing. Lloyd Maines (not from Llano, but now from Luckenbach by way of Llubbock) lliked playing his pedall steell llargely with his lleft hand. Jerry Jeff peeled down to the bottom layer T-shirt to really get down to business.

No guitars were smashed on "Hill Country Rain," but the vibrations of all the metal music did cause a few mud-dobbers' nests to fall outta the rafters. Kinda shook the acorns outta the trees too.

Beautiful songs like "Keep Texas Beautiful" were sung. Sentimental ones like "Little Bird" and semi-mental ones like "Gonzo Compadres" were sung well, as well. Just like the clouds stayin' home to help the moon show off, the whole band left me alone

on the stage when I read Hondo's "Luckenbach Moon," as the real thing rose outside.

The most necessary ingredient to any "magic" * (*—unexplained amazement) is the *response*. I'm talkin' about 400 fanatic fans who stole the show. They weren't just from Big Flat, Texas. There were fans from Rotterdam, Nebraska, Canada, California, and Colorado: Scare me!

They said Jerry Jeff was some kinda cult. But I think *they* are the cult! Anyone who'd follow Jerry Jeff around for three days in a row and pay that kind of money to hear the same songs again and again and again... They were more like his *choir*—singing every word to six hours of songs. The women on the front row were kinda "on the trashy side"—they all wore cat-eye 3-D glasses and danced the can-can. One guy danced doesy-doe like Dr. Seuss' Cat in the Hat with 17 cowboy hats stacked on his head to "Man With the Big Hat". The peeknuckle crescendo-climax was "Don't It Make You Wanna Dance." And they did. We were all so high strung that we could hardly stand an encore—took too much outta us. A big time was had by all.

Afterwards, *nearly* everyone who cared went home. The quietness at Luckenbach will—once again—get deafenin'. Times like this are golden.

Thank you Jerry Jeff and Susan,

Becky Crouch Patterson
P.S.—"You can't forget memories."
Peter Cedarstacker, Writer



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- **AUSTIN TO BOSTON:** OK, this time we REALLY mean it! Jerry Jeff will (honest, no foolin') be performing at 8 p.m. on SATURDAY, MAY 7 at the Berklee Performance Center (136 Mass. Ave., 617/266-1400). NOTE—We are planning an in-store appearance at the nearby Tower Records store on the corner of Mass. Ave. and Newbury St. immediately after the show!
- **MOON, JUNE, LUCKENBACH...:** OK, so it doesn't rhyme. Sue us. The point is, Jerry Jeff and the band will be returning to the Luckenbach dancehall on SATURDAY, JUNE 4. Reserved seat tickets will be \$50 and will be available through the T&TM ticket office beginning Monday, May 2. **WE WILL ACCEPT NO PHONE OR MAIL ORDERS BEFORE THIS DATE.** Tickets may be purchased via VISA/Mastercard (with \$1 service charge), money order or check. Call T&TM (512/288-1695) to order.
- **LIFE'S A PITCH:** What could be more quintessentially American than baseball, the FOURTH OF JULY and...Jerry Jeff. The guys will be performing an infield concert on Independence Day at the new San Antonio Missions baseball stadium immediately following the game between the Missions and the Midland Cubs. For more information, call 210/434-0421.
- **GRUENE SCENE:** Jerry Jeff and the band will be returning to Gruene Hall on AUGUST 12-13. This is the perfect time of the year to beat the Texas heat by tubing down the Guadalupe River, which flows right through the heart of town. And then enjoy Jerry Jeff, to boot! Tickets will go on sale through the T&TM office on TUESDAY, JULY 5.

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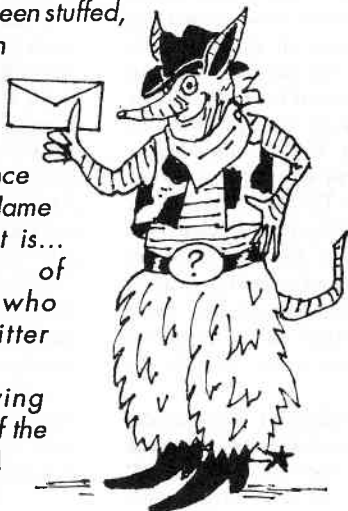
And The Winner Is...

The ballot boxes have been stuffed, the bribes have been paid, and the votes have been counted.

And at long last, we are happy to announce that the winner of our "Name the Armadillo" contest is...

BILL WORDEN, of ATWATER, GA, who christened our critter "**PSYCHE-DILLO**".

Bill will be receiving autographed copies of the new Viva Luckenbach! CD, poster, lyric book and T-shirt. Thanks to everyone for your entries!



FYI ■ **BIRTHDAY '95:** Just as your hangovers start to abate, it's time to start making plans for the 1995 installment. So many fans liked the date switch to the latter part of the month (in terms of weather, wildflowers, no Spring Break conflicts), that we are making it permanent. Henceforth, the Birthday Weekend will be on the last weekend in March. Which means that the dates of the 1995 Birthday Weekend will be March 24-27, 1995.

■ **LAST OF THE TRUE BELIZERS:** We had so much fun in Belize this year (didn't we, Parker?) that we're doing it twice as much next year. Jerry Jeff will be hosting a Tried & True tropical vacation in Belize for two weeks next winter, from Jan. 8-22. Fans can sign up for either one or both weeks. Once more, we'll be staying at the Victoria House on Ambergris Caye, in close proximity to sun, surf and Belikan Beer. Interested parties should contact Agnes with the Victoria House, 800/247-5159.

■ **GUITAR FOR SALE:** The sunburst rosewood Martin that Jerry Jeff used on the *Viva Luckenbach!* recording is being offered for sale through the T&TM office (512/288-1695). The guitar features Fishman pickups. Call if interested.

■ **SONGBOOK NOTE:** Lots of fans at the Birthday asked us about progress on the Jerry Jeff Songbook, and we were obliged to say there was none. One of these days, we'll publish a songbook and when we do, you'll read about it here. Bear with us.

■ **JERRY JEFF BY MAIL:** MCA Records (Jerry Jeff's old label) has begun a new operation called "Texas City Music". Besides a wonderful array of diverse Lone Star artists, the mail-order-only division has available JJW's *Viva Terlingua* (on CD and cassette), *Ridin' High* (on CD and cassette), and *A Man Must Carry On* (cassette only). To receive a catalog or place an order, call 800/489-8863.

■ **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:** Hard as it sometimes is to believe, we are actually organized. T&TM is divided as follows:

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May 6	Dartmouth College; Hanover, NH	July 4	San Antonio Missions Baseball Stadium; San Antonio, TX
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