

On September 6 of 2025, I played guitar with **Rocky and The Moosemen** at the East Greenbush Elks "End of Summer" event – one of the many "Summer Concert Series" events the band performs at annually.

The event was well organized, and very well attended, as a result.

We provided three hours of music, and, as an encore, decided to have **Greg Collins** come up and join us for some impromptu music, as we learned he is a known talent there.

Greg was exceptionally versatile on both guitar and vocals, and the band found it quite easy to mesh with him, as his presentation was measured and experienced.

The standout portions of the encore included "Melissa" by The Allman Brothers, "The Weight", by The Band, and "Shake Your Moneymaker".

Greg's familiarity with the music allowed him to shift seamlessly from rhythm playing to solo work on his guitar, and his vocals also buoyed the material to such a degree that no one in the audience was aware that the material was performed with absolutely zero rehearsal.

Inviting an unknown performer to the stage presents a high element of risk and a potential for disappointment at all times, but Greg's confidence and ability allayed those concerns almost immediately.

I am happy to know him as a local talent, capable player and friend in the local music community.

- Joey Albertson

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- *Rocky and The Moosemen*
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