



Long John & his Ballroom Kings are performing the sound and tell the stories of the post-war time period since 1945: **"Jazz in the head, rockabilly at heart and swing in both feet!"**

The [repertoire](#) offers songs of the 1940's to 50's that have been exported from Germany to France, Belgium and England. Between the swing & jive numbers, the stories keep the crowd smiling whether *"you're a die-hard history buff, a reenactor who irons his uniform every day, or just someone who dropped in by accident and stayed for the stories and dance"*.

The band leader was a service member of the U.S. Army in West Berlin, a non-military employee, VAT clerk from 1990-1991. That is why the band is able to indulge its passion with technical mastery and perform with seasoned international flair. Since 2018 the show has a focus on the **sound and stories of the Berlin Air Lift** (aka Operation Vittles of 1948-1949). The band's most recent record release was issued in 2025 in celebration of the 80th birthday of the famous music producer [Richard Weize](#). Long John occasionally is using the opportunity to pimp up the show with guests, e.g. The Voice of Dean Martin, [Dino Crocchetta](#).

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All about the band leader: <https://js-strauss.de>, as well as [AIRLIFT related photos](#).

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