

Corduroy Road comes to end for band

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The death of a band is a sad affair, no matter what the reasons are for its demise.

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The Corduroy Road will play Still Water Tap Room on Friday.

If you enjoyed the 2-year-old Athens-based band The Corduroy Road, your last chance to see them locally will be Friday at Still Water Tap Room, 974 Broad St.

Music starts at 10 p.m., and admission is \$5.

According to the band's Web site, thecorduroyroad.com, the band's last booking will be at 6:30 p.m. July 2 at the Cashiers Mountain Music Festival in Cashiers, N.C.

The site also contains a statement that reads:

"We're announcing that The Corduroy Road will not be booking anymore shows after the current touring ends in July.

"Over the past months, life has taken some of our members in other directions that, no doubt, are much bigger than what we so humbly do on stage.

"Starting families, pursuing degrees and other careers have unfortunately meant losing band members, but very fortunately haven't meant we've lost any friendships. With that said, we must bid you a warm adieu.

"Thank you all from the very deepest of our hearts for coming to our shows, buying our CDs, giving us your homes to sleep in, food to eat, ears for listening and your steady kindness."

The country/Americana band was formed by banjo player Drew Carman in Athens in 2008 with his childhood friend from Kentucky, guitarist Dylan Solise.

In November of that year, the band recorded its debut CD, *Love Is a War*, produced by John Keane, who also guided great CDs from Widespread Panic and R.E.M.

Two months ago, the band released *Live at the 40 Watt*. Copies will be available at the Still Water show.

Goodbye, Corduroy Road. Hope your members find more musical happiness and personal satisfaction down another road.