Jim White

11th July 1930 - 11th November 2016
Check it out ... Register now

58th Australian National Square Dance Convention

Bendigo, Victoria
13–17 April, 2017

Welcome back to the ‘60’s, where Elvis was King and The Beatles were offering us ‘Tickets to Ride’. Put on your grooviest shoes, your shortest miniskirts and come down to party with the gang in Bendigo. We have a host of fantabulous Callers and Cuers lined up to be sure you have a gas of a time in Bendigo 2017.

For further information see our website:
www.bendigonational2017.asn.au
Or email us at:
Bendigonational2017@gmail.com
What’s Happening

Welcome to this month’s edition of the Australian Square Dance Review and the beginning of a new era. Some of you may be reading this off your computer while others will be browsing a printed copy.

Many items such as President’s Reports and diaries have remained and some of the reports from national organisations which have always been featured are still included. Hopefully as the magazine evolves we will get more articles from the national bodies. This month we feature an article about Jim White who was the first Life Patron. Unfortunately Jim passed away last November. He had not been active in square dancing for a while but I have taken the opportunity to use some of the information he sent to me in 2009.

Let your state editors know the items that interest you or better still submit items that you think dancers, callers or cuers would be interested in. The next magazine will be in May.

Thanks to all those subscribers who provide pictures and articles for your entertainment. Sit back, relax and enjoy reading the February issue of the Australian Square Dance Review, your national magazine.

Till next time

Ros

60th Australian National Square Dance Convention

Following on from being granted the hosting rights by the Australian National Convention Board Inc. Tasmania held a public meeting on Saturday 24th September 2016 following the State Society dance. As a result the following were duly elected

- Convenor: Barry Chandler (5 previous conventions committees)
- Secretary: Kaye Chandler (3 previous conventions committees)
- Treasurer: Dietmar Pieper (1 previous convention committee)
- Registrar: Katie Mathews
- Program: Di Ashton (1 previous convention committee)
- Publicity: Marj Tufnell (1 previous convention committee)
- Venue: Nelson Cooper
- Committee: Sue Holme
- Sandra Hazzlewood (2 previous conventions committees)

As can be seen we have some new faces and some others with experience. The committee is working hard to ensure this will be another great convention. Further details are available from the Secretary: Kaye Chandler either by post to P O Box 796, LAUNCESTON, 7250 or email tassquare@bigpond.com
Thanks to all the wonderful messages and updates going through our magazine and also on our society Facebook pages. It’s so encouraging to hear how much wonderful activity is out there in all the states. Times may be tough for some but we are lucky enough to all be part of one big family and when one needs it there are plenty of hands to help for all those in their time of need. There is so much good happening because we are part of very socially active groups of people all with varying networks. We all can learn off each other and very quickly good ideas get shared through these social networks and we benefit even more people.

Moving on...I can see many great opportunities for all dancers, callers and cuers. Making hay while the sun shines seems like a great philosophy to me as I too am looking down the barrel of a big 0 celebration so I can relate to this!

Thanks again to all the people who assist the National Square Dance Society of Australia spread goodwill and encouragement across Australia. We look forward to seeing as many of you at the coming 58th National Square Dance Convention in Bendigo.

Keep sending all the great stories of success and achievement from around Australia via your state editors so we may share it via the Australian Square Dance Review. Please also share our resources with others by using the many links on WWW. SQUAREDANCE.ORG.AU and posting events via the Society Facebook web pages and TAWS group were possible.

Steve Longwood
President NSDSA
58th National Square Dance Convention

Dressed Set Numbers
LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL  Rhythm RR162
Opener: Circle Left, Walk Around Your Corner, See Saw Your Own, Left Allemande, Weave, Swing, Promenade
Middle Break: Sides Face Grand Slide, 4 Ladies Promenade, Swing, Allemande Left, Promenade
Closer: Sides Face Grand Slide, 4 Ladies Promenade, Swing, Allemande Left, Promenade
Figure: (H) Promenade ½ , Pass The Ocean, Extend, Swing Thru, Boys Run, Bend The Line, Right & Left Thru, Flutterwheel, Slide Thru, Swing, Promenade

TICKET TO RIDE    RR 203
Opener - Middle Break - Closer
Circle Left, The Men Star Right, one time around, Left allemande and you weave, Swing and promenade
Figure: Heads / Sides Square Thru 4 Hands, Touch ¼, Scoot Back, Boys Run Right, Right and Left Thru, Dixie Style, Boy Cross Fold, Swing that corner lady, promenade
Tag: Allemande and swing

Travelling Australia With Square Dancers

TAWS welcomes you to a new year of dancing and travelling.
I invite any dancer or club who is promoting a dance function to email the event information to me at jarmangp@gmail.com and I will email it to the 270+ dancers across Australia who are in the TAWS email address book. As well, the details will be added to the TAWS website (www.taws.info) and will be accessible from the TAWS app on your Android phone or tablet.

All I require for you to be a member of TAWS is your email address which will be added to the TAWS email address book. And even better, we only have one short meeting per year which is held at the national convention.

The latest news from TAWS is that a group of members from the NSW mid-north coast will be hosting the 2018 NSW State Square Dance Convention in Tuncurry over the last weekend of July. Watch this space for more information.

Graeme Jarman TAWS National Coordinator
Happy New Year!
I hope the start of 2017 has been a great one for you and your families. By the time you read this many of you will have started back at your club again, catching up with friends and dancing with renewed gusto and passion.

When I first started writing this column it was just after the convention last year and now in a few short months Bendigo will be holding this year’s convention. My how time flies by.

I was just having a look at the website for the 2017 Bendigo convention and reading the biography’s of the callers and cuers. What a great idea to have these online for people to read through. It’s quite amazing to read how long some of our callers/cuers have been at their craft and how some started calling. Kevin Kelly lost a bet to a mate, Howard Cockburn at the insistence of his wife, Graham Elliot because of neighbourhood friends and so many more great stories. How would things be for Australian square dancing if things had gone differently?

There are many other things on the website to look at as well. These include an ‘About Bendigo’ section, where to stay, programme, committee and many more. Well worth a look if you are attending this year. Great site guys!! Hope to see you all there at Easter time.

As I mentioned before in a previous issue, if you have any things that you would like to see in this column or know of anyone that you feel should have our attention drawn to please let me know at frankmathews@outlook.com.au That’s it for this issue guys, have fun on the dance floor and see you soon.

Frank Mathews.
ARDA Education Officers,
Paula & Warwick Armstrong
Keeping the FOCUS on YOU and
ALL Round Dancers

2017 ARDA Seminar

To be held in BENDIGO prior to the 58th ANSDC
MONDAY 10 April - all day
TUESDAY 11 April - all day
WEDNESDAY 12 April am + Mystery activity

These ARDA Seminars have been set in place to assist the
Dancer .... Or would be dancer
Cuer .... Or would be Cuer
Teacher .... Or would be Teacher

Show your support by attending - learning never stops.

Registering is easy ... Simply email
ARDA Secretary - Carol
arda.secretary@gmail.com

ARDA members receive a discounted price to attend the Seminar

Monday evening – 10 April and Tuesday evening – April 11
ARDA will conduct ‘AN EVENING OF ROUNDS’
For ALL DANCERS
ENTRY $10 pp unless you have registered for the Seminar

‘ARDA stands committed to the ongoing education and support to its members, all round
dancers and the future of round dancing.’
Tasmania President’s Report

Happy New Year from Tasmania.
2016 was a big year for Launceston club celebrating sixty five years in various halls with various callers until Glenn MacLaren learned to call. He has now been the club caller for many years.

In 2017 we have Tassie Twirlers celebrating fifty years square dancing in the same hall at Kindred to the same caller Graeme Whiteley. Congratulations Graeme & Shirley, that is quite an achievement. We are invited to celebrate with them on Saturday 20th May.

With dates still to be confirmed, tentative dates have been set for Society dances for this year –
18th March in Hobart. Dancing will start at 4 pm, with the A.G.M at approx. 5.30 while we enjoy a light tea, followed by more dancing, until about 9 pm. We will still be on Eastern Australian Daylight Saving time so those travelling should still be in daylight for part of their journey home.
23rd September at Kindred.
2nd December, Christmas Dance, Launceston, Heather Hall, Newstead 7pm – 10pm.
We remember fondly Jeanie Beames who passed away in November. Vale Jeanie.

Heather McLaughlin
President
James Ernest White

Jim passed away peacefully at home on the 11th November 2016. He was instrumental in many facets of square dancing that we take for granted today. Jim will be remembered for his work in New South Wales, the organisation of National Conventions and the Australian Square Dance Review.

Jim started square dancing in 1946-7 with Percy Jupp who introduced square dancing to his ballroom studio. A group of dancers enjoyed square dancing so much they bought some records and danced at a private home in Neutral Bay. Once the square dancing craze hit Australia and dances were being held in halls. The group danced with Gary Cohen at Balgowlah. Soon after Jim started studying architecture and this restricted his involvement in square dancing for a short time. Leonard Hurst was another American caller who came out to Sydney. Jim became quite friendly with Leonard and visited him whenever he was in Denver.

During the late 50’s Jim danced with the Paradance Ballroom group at North Sydney but they had strict admission rules and you had to know how to dance. During this time dancers danced to live bands usually consisting of three players, a fiddle, banjo and concertina. Allan Blackwell was one of the callers who called for this group. Allan branched out on his own and started the Docey Doe club at Cammeray. He operated two nights a week and later started a Saturday night dance at Belmore. Allan was also training callers on the weekend. Jim followed Allan and became involved in the committee that ran the Docey Doe club.

In February 1956 Jim and his friend Harry Jackson discussed setting up an organisation to promote and organise square dancing in NSW. Jim became the first president of the NSW Society but resigned to go overseas in late 1957. The society organised square dance balls at major locations and ran demonstrations at the Waratah Festival. Jim wrote the first square dance magazine in NSW “Let’s Go Square Dancing”, the forerunner to the Australian Square Dance Review. Its purpose was to publicise dances and let dancers know what was going on. He ceased being the editor in 1958.

The first National Square Dance Convention was held in Canberra in 1959/60 and was as a result of a Sydney dancer who had moved to Canberra, Frank Gilfelt, discussed with the National Eistedfod Committee the possibility of including a Square Dance segment in their yearly competitions. Upon their agreement he sent a letter to the Square Dance Society of NSW asking if they could supply teams. Jim White was given the task of replying. Four callers agreed to have their demonstration teams participate. Graham Rigby in Brisbane was also contacted and agreed to participate. Continued page 9
A.C.T. Delegate’s Report

The A.C.T. Square Dance Society wishes you all a happy New Year and hope that dancers were able to relax and catch up with family and friends over the Christmas and the New Year period.

2016 did not end well with Allen Kerr having an unfortunate accident on his mountain bike where he sustained major fractures to his neck. We were all so relieved that it wasn’t worse, but it has set Allen back as he has to wear a neck brace for quite a few months. Our prayers go out to him that he will not have it on for too much longer and that he will be able to resume a normal life. I must say that Allen is truly dedicated to his calling, as he started to try and call again only a month after having the brace on. That shows true blue dedication and we thank him for it.

Our year in the ACT ended with two great Christmas dances that were put on by the Society and Kerr-Ly-Qs. Square dancing will resume for 2017 on the 1st February and we are hoping that we will be able increase the number of dancers. The society’s AGM will be held on the 18th March. The society will be doing a demonstration on the 25th March at an event called “Connect & Participate” which highlights community groups in the ACT.

For all dancers going to Bendigo for the National in April, we wish you all a safe and fun time.

Raymond Bates.
James Ernest White

By 1980 it became apparent that the sums of money the Convention was handling was in the thousands and growing each year. There was no constitution or any other form of structure for accountability and therefore this was considered dangerous, in particular for the committee. It was brought up by Jim White as to the need to operate under some form of guidelines or constitution but this move was defeated when Graham Rigby opposed it. Later it was suggested that if a rumour would be started that the convention was cooking the books for the next convention which was to be held in Brisbane. It was mentioned to Graham Rigby who asked ‘Why would they do that’, to which the response was ‘How would the committee defend itself if the statement was made.’ The next year Jim White moved a motion for the adoption of a constitution again. This was seconded by Graham Rigby.

At a meeting in Tasmania a motion was carried to create an award for recognition of service to square dancing called Patron. It had become obvious there was a need for a governing body to meet to sort out the various problems that needed solving rather than have lengthy Annual General Meetings. The group would consist of all past convention convenors plus those that had been awarded life patron for service to the movement. That group is now known as the Convention Board. Jim was made a Life Patron in 1989.

Before National Conventions were held:
We danced one of the following ways in Australia depending on where you danced or with whom.

* Three different promenades
* Sashayed and see sawed the opposite way to what you do now
* The man turned under in the movement ‘Box the Gnat’
* Our dress code differed including one state where they danced in sandshoes.

Jim believed that if you want to continue square dancing make sure conventions keep being run successfully and dancing is run for the benefit of the majority which is the reason he always maintained the level of mainstream/plus as most who go beyond this level tire and leave after a short time.

Editors Note: The report on Jim White was compiled using notes written by Jim in 2009 for publishing in the Australian Square Dance Review.

Our sympathy and prayers go to his wife Nell, daughters Susan and Alison, family and friends. Jim loved plants and asked that those wishing to, could donate to the Botanic Gardens Plant Pathology Laboratory in Sydney.
**SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS IN VICTORIA**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>AREA</th>
<th>CLUB</th>
<th>LEVEL</th>
<th>CALLER / CUER</th>
<th>PHONE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Mon</td>
<td>Heatherton</td>
<td>Harlequin Rounds</td>
<td>R II - III</td>
<td>Coral Wegmann</td>
<td>03 9702 9251</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Kintyre Dance Club</td>
<td>Ph I-III, Ph III-VI</td>
<td>Carol Simondson</td>
<td>0400 354 445</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Matamoras</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>Peter Humphries</td>
<td>03 9701 3354</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Pat-A-Rounds</td>
<td>R II - V</td>
<td>Patricia Saundra</td>
<td>03 9706 1194</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue</td>
<td>Narre Warren</td>
<td>Golden Squares</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Graham Jameson</td>
<td>03 9703 0309</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Jaybee Square Wheelers</td>
<td>MS, R</td>
<td>Charmaine Jameson</td>
<td>0427 353 802</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>The Geelong Club Dancers</td>
<td>Basic MS, P, R</td>
<td>Darren Taylor</td>
<td>0435 091 277</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Token Squares</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Barry Wootten</td>
<td>03 9363 5368</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Whitehorse</td>
<td>MS, P</td>
<td>Janice Alexander</td>
<td>03 9872 5399</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed</td>
<td>Somerville</td>
<td>Australiana Dancers</td>
<td>P &amp; R</td>
<td>Jaden Frigo</td>
<td>0432 151 041</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>- alter weeks (Ring to check which)</td>
<td>Neil Wynn</td>
<td>Hosts: Ruth &amp; John</td>
<td>03 9390 8308</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Burra Squares</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Howard Cockburn</td>
<td>03 9741 4501</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Crossroads</td>
<td>MS, P</td>
<td>Darcy Hoge</td>
<td>0428 197 824</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>GV8's</td>
<td>Learners,MS</td>
<td>Peter Humphries</td>
<td>03 9701 3354</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Matamoras</td>
<td>P</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thur</td>
<td>Frankston</td>
<td>Activ-ates</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Paula Wright</td>
<td>03 9789 1370</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Paynesville</td>
<td>Eastern 8's</td>
<td>Basic, MS</td>
<td>Max Hodder</td>
<td>03 5156 1459</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Maribyrnong</td>
<td>Essendon SDC</td>
<td>MS, P</td>
<td>Hosts: Ruth &amp; John</td>
<td>03 9390 8308</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Bass</td>
<td>Phillip Island Squares</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Caller: Peter Humphries</td>
<td>03 9701 3354</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Albert Park</td>
<td>Southern Cross A</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>Howard Cockburn</td>
<td>03 9741 4501</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Heatherton</td>
<td>Sunnyside Lodge Rounds</td>
<td>R Ph III - V</td>
<td>Ella Whyte</td>
<td>03 9551 8496</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri</td>
<td>Albert Park</td>
<td>Southern Cross Plus</td>
<td>Plus F/nightly</td>
<td>Howard Cockburn</td>
<td>03 9741 4501</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Mornington</td>
<td>Early Birds</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Jaden Frigo</td>
<td>0401 186 831</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat</td>
<td>Deer Park</td>
<td>Chemistry Sets</td>
<td>MS, R</td>
<td>Ralph Weise</td>
<td>03 9367 2440</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Heathmont</td>
<td>Kaleidoscope</td>
<td>MS,P 1st, 3rd P 5th</td>
<td>Janice Alexander</td>
<td>03 9872 5399</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Forest Hill</td>
<td>Phoenix Squares</td>
<td>MS, P, R Wkly, (Ring to check which)</td>
<td>Colin Dandridge</td>
<td>0438 515 873</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Heatherton</td>
<td>Sunnyside Lodge</td>
<td>MS, R 1st,3rd,5th</td>
<td>Ella Whyte</td>
<td>03 9551 8496</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>R - 2nd &amp; 4th</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sun</td>
<td>Somerville</td>
<td>Australiana Dancers</td>
<td>MS, P, R</td>
<td>Jaden Frigo</td>
<td>0432 151 041</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Rosedale</td>
<td>Stradbroke Squares &amp;</td>
<td>MS, R F/nightly</td>
<td>Hosts: Susie &amp; John</td>
<td>03 5141 1120</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Rosedale Rounds</td>
<td>(Ring to confirm)</td>
<td>Caller/Cuer: Janet Cook</td>
<td>0419 363 614</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Heatherton</td>
<td>Sunnyside Lodge</td>
<td>R Ph III-IV 1st, 3rd</td>
<td>Ella Whyte</td>
<td>03 9551 8496</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

B = Basic, MS = Mainstream, P = Plus, A = Advanced 1 & 2, C1 = Challenge 1, R = Rounds

For more information - www.vsda.org.au or www.rounddanceassociationvictoria.org.au
Victoria President’s Report

Hello from down south here in Victoria with the weather hot then cold, then heavy rain but that hasn’t stopped our clubs opening the doors so we can continue dancing and having lots of fun and enjoyment. With most clubs only just back to dancing there is not a lot to report at this stage.

The Victorian Square Dance Association is currently in the first stage of our advertising campaign which will end in March, as this is Square Dance month. All clubs now have the flyer produced and are in the process of distribution.

We are now ready for our State Convention also in March and this will include the AGM were the next committee will be elected for the next year. We hope to see as many of you at the National convention in Bendigo and if driving take care and enjoy the journey. Once again keep your eyes on the web site for all important news. Cheers

Mark Kelly
President

38th NSW STATE SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION
LISMORE - 15-18 September 2017

Just a Reminder to Everyone that the Early Bird Price of $50 for SARDA Members & $55 for Non SARDA Members will close on the 31st March.

CALLERS & CUERS: Your Special Price of $45 will also close on the 31st March. Don’t Miss Out

Registration Forms & full details can be found on our Website - www.nnswsda.com
Also on Facebook - www.facebook.com/nnswsda & in February Review
Registrations can be paid on line or by cheque and should be sent to:
Wilma Flannery, 7 Winston Street, Casino NSW 2470 OR

Lismore - The Hub of the Far North Coast of NSW ……
Lots of Wonderful Places to see and Things to Do

Come for the convention—stay for a holiday
**SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION of N.S.W.**

President: DAVID TODD P.O. Box 229 Blaxland NSW 2774 0411 888515

Vice President: ED COLEMAN PO Box 378 Pennant Hills 1715 02 9875 1975

Vice President: TED THOMAS tedandlyn@bigpond.com

Secretary: ROSALIND TODD P.O.Box 229 Blaxland 2774 02 4753 6382

Treasurer: OWIN DOUST 12 St Pauls Cres. Liverpool, 2170 02 9602 6377

Publicity Manager: FRANCIS McALISTER Phone: (02) 6624 1885

Callers/Cuers Registrar: ANDREW LOWN (02) 9888 3434

10/5 Peachtree Road, Macquarie Park NSW 2113

**NSW Web Coordinator:** ROSALIND TODD jarodd@bigpond.net.au

---

**DAY** | **AREA**
---|---
**MONDAY** | W’GONG/CONISTON
**TUESDAY** | BEECROFT
| BEVERLY HILLS
Daytime 3.30pm COFFS HARBOUR
| 2nd & 4th WANDANDIAN
**WARRIEWOOD**
**WINGHAM**
Daytime- | WOONONA B/C
**WOY WOY**
Last | CASINO
| CORRIMAL

**DATE & LEVEL** | **CLUB** | **CALLER** | **PHONE (02)**
---|---|---|---
MONDAY | W’GONG/CONISTON | The Red Barons | Barry Wonson | 4229 4059
| | Hillbillies | Steve & Vickie Dean | 0411751186.
| | Wandering Stars | David Gibbs | 9798 9374
| | Square Dancers | Gwen Barnes | 66584633
| | Sussex/Shoalhaven | Jan Johnson | 4443 4436
| | Newport Ocean Waves | CDS | Doug 9402 0842
| | Wingham SD Club | Tapes | 0428 652965
| | Guys & Dolls | Tedda Brooks | 4283 5685
| | Pelican Promenaders | Anne Glazier | 0409 938345
| | Pelican Promenaders | Anne Glazier | 43251740
| | Willis Whirlers | Wilma Flannery | 6662 6647
| | Guys & Dolls | Tedda Brooks | 4283 5685

Uniting Church Hall, Cnr Russell & Underwood Streets

**FRIDAY** | ALSTONVILLE
| ARMIDALE
| ARTARMIN
| BLAXLAND EAST
| JANNALI

Daytime 1.30pm MERIMBULA
1st & 3rd | PORT MACQUARIE
Daytime | WESLEY SENIORS
**SATURDAY** | 3rd BEROWRA
1st | GOSFORD
2nd | GOSFORD

**SUNDAY** | SYLVANIA HEIGHTS
5pm | Sunset Rounds | Easy/Intermediate Dorothy | 9522 7307

---

**NSW INFORMATION LINE**
1800 643277

---

**VOICE MAIL**
1300 643 277

---

**FAQ**
- How do I join a square dance club?
  - Contact the local dance association for information on nearby clubs.
- What are the benefits of square dancing?
  - Physical exercise, social interaction, mental stimulation, and emotional well-being.
- What is the dress code for square dancing?
  - Traditional square dance attire may include a dress or skirt for women, and a suit or tuxedo for men. Casual attire is also acceptable.
- What is the average age range for square dancers?
  - Square dancing is typically enjoyed by individuals of all ages, ranging from teenagers to seniors.
- Are there any health benefits associated with square dancing?
  - Square dancing can improve cardiovascular health, flexibility, balance, and coordination.
- How often do square dances typically occur?
  - Square dances can occur weekly, biweekly, or monthly, depending on the club's schedule.
- What is called or cued at a square dance?
  - A caller leads the dance, calling out the steps and formations, while a cuer helps interpret and demonstrate the calls.
- How long do square dances typically last?
  - Square dances can last from 1 to 2 hours, with breaks for refreshments and socializing.
- Are there different types of square dances?
  - Yes, there are various styles such as English, Western, and Canadian square dances, each with unique characteristics and steps.
- What is the typical attire for callers and cuers?
  - Callers and cuers often wear uniforms or special attire to showcase their role.
- How does one become a caller or cuer?
  - One can learn by taking classes, attending workshops, or practicing with a mentor.
- What is the cost of joining a square dance club or dance class?
  - Costs can vary, but typically include a membership or class fee, sometimes with options for additional benefits like special events.
- How can one find square dance classes or events near me?
  - Check local community centers, dance halls, or online directories for information on upcoming classes and events.
- Is there a minimum age requirement for square dancing?
  - No, there is no age requirement; anyone interested in learning square dancing is welcome to participate.
- What is the average size of a square dance group?
  - Group sizes can range from small groups of 6-8 people to larger groups of 20 or more.
- Are there any special dance events or competitions?
  - Yes, there are various events and competitions throughout the year, such as regional and national championships.
- How can one find a square dance event near me?
  - Check with local dance associations, community centers, or online for information on upcoming events.
- What are the rules of square dancing?
  - Basic rules include following the caller's cues, moving in a consistent tempo, and maintaining a respectful atmosphere.
- How do square dances typically end?
  - Square dances typically conclude with a closing movement, such as a grand finale or jamboree, and may include a social gathering afterward.
Happy New Year! We have lots of exciting events and dances planned for 2017. By the time you receive your magazine our first caller seminar would have taken place at Corrimal with twenty callers attending the seminar led by Mel Wilkerson and a Saturday night dance featuring Mel with guest callers. Our next event is a cuer seminar with guest educators Paula & Warwick Armstrong in April after the National Convention. July is our annual dinner dance with guest caller Steve Turner. You will need to book early as numbers will be limited for this event.

What is the purpose of SARDA NSW?
As an amalgamated Association our members are callers, cuers and dancers. We provide callers and cuers with financial support for promotion and education. We assist clubs in negotiating a better rate for council run halls. For dancers, callers and cuers we provide personal accident insurance, state conventions and the opportunity to dance with various callers from NSW, interstate and overseas. The Association is able to do this by utilising membership fees, profits from state conventions and the running of dances to benefit members.

Another responsibility of the association is to promote square and round dancing to the general public. Now more than ever we need new dancers and younger callers. We have to work as a team—that is, all clubs need to work together to put square dancing in the public eye. These days with social media we certainly have the opportunity. We also need people constantly speaking about our activity in a positive way. Let’s make 2017 the year to grow our activity.

In the near future I will be asking all clubs to join in a state promotion funded by the association. I am hoping that we can band together to make it happen so please give it your full support.

As always, feel free to contact me with your concerns and thoughts.

Regards

David Todd
NSW President

NSW METROPOLITAN CLOGGING
THURSDAY    WEST PYMBLE    Hillbillies Cloggers    Vickie Dean    9979 5736
FRIDAY      HURSTVILLE    Hillbillies Southsiders    Vickie Dean    979 5736
SATURDAY Morning    GUILDFORD    Strictly Cloggers    Jason Nicholson    Colleen 9727 3483

Footnote: Clubs dance in the evenings except where an earlier time is shown. Visitors are advised to telephone clubs to confirm details.
All Things Considered..... By Ed Foote

Following on from last month. Another reason that clubs graduate everyone is that they think the class teacher will be offended if anyone in the class is not graduated, no matter how poor a dancer that person may be. The club believes the class teacher will take it as a personal affront to their teaching ability if anyone is denied graduation. Obviously this hurts the club. The solution is for the club and class teacher to discuss beforehand the fact that not everyone may have the ability to graduate, that if someone graduates who can not dance it will hurt the club, and that if someone is not graduated it is not a reflection on the abilities of the teacher.

Part 3) We have looked at the mind set of the club regarding new dancers. Now we will look at how new dancers think.

CLASS MINDSET. Dancers in class know they must learn the calls. At least they know this deep inside. But on the surface they get no reinforcement for this, because club members convey the attitude of: “Don’t worry about mistakes - we’ll pull you through.” So this tells the class members that they don’t have to think much about call definitions. If they remember how to do a call, fine, but if they don’t, so what? Usually class members are never told to review what they have learned during the week. because the club thinks this will feel like “work”, which would then cause people to drop out of class.

There is also a major component lacking in the minds of class members: PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY. I would be devastated if I knew that my lack of knowledge was the cause of seven other dancers breaking down. But this doesn’t seem to bother today’s class members. They just don’t seem to care that their lack of knowledge is reducing the fun of other dancers. Perhaps they have never thought about this.

WHAT SHOULD BE DONE. There are several things that clubs can do to improve the situation.

DO NOT AUTOMATICALLY GRADUATE EVERYONE. Clubs must be willing to not graduate those who can not meet minimum standards of proficiency. Clubs need to recognize that graduating everyone, no matter how poor a dancer they are, hurts the club by causing long-time members to drift away out of frustration. It can also reduce the number of guests.

CLUB OFFICERS AND THE CLASS TEACHER MUST AGREE. The decision to not graduate everyone must be discussed with the class teacher BEFORE class ever begins, so that everyone is on the same page at graduation time. The minimum standards of proficiency must be agreed upon.

CLASS MEMBERS MUST BE TOLD AT THE BEGINNING THAT SOME MAY NOT GRADUATE. Explain that there are minimum standards and that some people take longer than others to understand the calls.

Continued page 26
38th NSW State Square Dance Convention
September 15-18, 2017

Come One! Come All! It's The Circus Call - Lismore 2017 - You'll Have A Ball

REGISTRATION FORM (Please Print)

Surname  First Name  Club
1. ____________________________________________
2. ____________________________________________
3. ____________________________________________
4. ____________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Town/Suburb: __________________ State:________________ Postcode:________________

Phone:__________________________ Email:___________________________

Special Convention Price to 30/11/16
Adults (SARDA Member) _____ @ $45      $ …………
Adults (Non Member) _____ @ $50      $ …………

Early Bird Price to 31/3/2017
Adults (SARDA Member) _____ @ $50      $ …………
Adults (Non Member) _____ @ $55      $ …………

Registration from 1/4/2017
Adults (SARDA Member) _____ @ $55      $ …………
Adults (Non Member) _____ @ $60      $ …………
Students _____ @ $25      $ …………
Convention Badge _____ @ $5      $ …………

Non-Dancers - FREE          TOTAL       $

Society Membership Numbers: 1.________  2.________  3.________  4.________

Names for New Badges: 1.________________________  2.________________________
3.________________________  4.________________________

Payment: Cash  Cheque  Please make payable to 38th NSW SSD Convention

Direct Debit:  BSB - 728 728  Account No: 22308007 (Summerland Credit Union)
Receipt No:________________________ Transfer Date:____________________

Please post or email copy of receipt with Registration Form. Email to: wilmaflan@bigpond.com

Post Registrations to Wilma Flannery, 7 Winston Street, Casino NSW 2470

Dressed Set Registration:  (Must be registered by the Friday Night 15/9/17)
Club Name:________________________  No. of Dressed Sets:______________
Club Contact:________________________  Email/Phone:________________________

Monday Lunch Sausage Sizzle:  Please indicate Number Attending:______________
SQUARE DANCING SOCIETY OF QUEENSLAND INC COMMITTEE FOR 2015

President: GARY PETERSEN. PO. BOX 96. Burpengary. Phone (07) 5499 0301
Secretary/Minute Secretary: Susan Mackley, 1 Dumosa Court,Beenleigh. Qld. 4207.

Page 16 Review February 2017

**METROPOLITAN SQUARES**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>AREA</th>
<th>CLUB</th>
<th>LEVEL</th>
<th>CALLER</th>
<th>PHONE (07)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MONDAY</td>
<td>Deception Bay</td>
<td>Upbeat Ch.a.o.s</td>
<td>Plus</td>
<td>Gary Petersen</td>
<td>0434 772 066</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TUESDAY</td>
<td>Caboolture</td>
<td>E.Z. Squares</td>
<td>Mainstream/Leaders</td>
<td>Glenn Wilson</td>
<td>3261 4177</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Alexandra Hills</td>
<td>Gumdale Grandsliders</td>
<td>Mainstream/Plus Workshop</td>
<td>Alan Evans</td>
<td>3800 1270</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Kallangur</td>
<td>Pine Rivers Senior Cts</td>
<td>Basic/Mainstream</td>
<td>Jan Hay</td>
<td>3385 9947, 0408 734 710</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Bribie Island</td>
<td>Bribie Island Squares</td>
<td>Beginners/Mainstream</td>
<td>Gary Petersen</td>
<td>0434 772 066</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Crestmead</td>
<td>Logan City Dancers Inc</td>
<td>Basic/MS</td>
<td>Alan Evans</td>
<td>0405 316 469</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WEDNESDAY</td>
<td>Alexander Hills</td>
<td>Gumdale Grand Sliders</td>
<td>DBD Mainstream/Plus</td>
<td>Alan Evans</td>
<td>3800 1270</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Oxley</td>
<td>Uniting Squares</td>
<td>MS/Plus (1st &amp; 3rd)</td>
<td>Kay Walker</td>
<td>3374 0226 3378 0825</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Enogerra</td>
<td>Wavell Whirlaways</td>
<td>MS/Learning Plus</td>
<td>Sid Leighton</td>
<td>0409 482 192, 3266 7931</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>THURSDAY</td>
<td>Zillmere</td>
<td>Northside Promenaders</td>
<td>M/S, Plus</td>
<td>Glenn Wilson</td>
<td>3261 4177</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Crestmead</td>
<td>Logan City Dancers Inc</td>
<td>A level</td>
<td>Alan Petersen</td>
<td>0405 316 469</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Bribie Island</td>
<td>Bribie Island Squares</td>
<td>Mainstream/Plus</td>
<td>Gary Petersen</td>
<td>0434 772 066</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FRIDAY</td>
<td>Crestmead</td>
<td>Alan’s Allemaders</td>
<td>MS/Plus</td>
<td>Alan Evans</td>
<td>3800 1270</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Holland Park</td>
<td>Rambling Eights</td>
<td>Beginners-MS</td>
<td>David Pearce</td>
<td>3263 1408</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Clontarf</td>
<td>Sunshine Square &amp; Rounds</td>
<td>Basic/ M/S Rounds</td>
<td>Lynette Macpherson</td>
<td>3204 2335</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SATURDAY</td>
<td>Crestmead</td>
<td>Logan City Dancers Inc</td>
<td>Mainstream Monthly</td>
<td>Guest Caller</td>
<td>0405 316 469</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Clontarf</td>
<td>Taigum Twirlers</td>
<td>Basic to MS</td>
<td>Lynette /Sid</td>
<td>3204 2335, 0418 724 636</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUNDAY</td>
<td>Graceville</td>
<td>Kay’s Plus</td>
<td>Plus learners/Plus 1st &amp; 3rd</td>
<td>Kay Walker</td>
<td>3374 0226 3378 0825</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**METROPOLITAN ROUNDS**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>AREA</th>
<th>CLUB</th>
<th>LEVEL</th>
<th>CALLER</th>
<th>PHONE (07)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MONDAY</td>
<td>Jimboomba</td>
<td>Allemander Rounds</td>
<td>Beg 7pm Ph II-IV 8pm</td>
<td>Paula &amp; Warwick Armstrong</td>
<td>5546 3493</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Crestmead</td>
<td>Logan City Dancers Inc.</td>
<td>Beg 6:30pm Phil-V 7.30pm</td>
<td>Jane Rayner</td>
<td>0405 316 469</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WEDNESDAY</td>
<td>Calamvale</td>
<td>Allemenders R/D Club</td>
<td>Ph II-V</td>
<td>Paula &amp; Warwick Armstrong</td>
<td>5546 3493</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>THURSDAY</td>
<td>Calamvale</td>
<td>Allemenders R/D Club</td>
<td>Beg 7pm Learn Ph III 8pm</td>
<td>Paula &amp; Warwick Armstrong</td>
<td>5546 3493</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**COUNTRY SQUARES**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>AREA</th>
<th>CLUB</th>
<th>LEVEL</th>
<th>CALLER</th>
<th>PHONE (07)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MONDAY</td>
<td>Buderim/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Suncoasters</td>
<td>Plus</td>
<td>Nev McLachlan</td>
<td>5445 1238, 0417 729 263</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Calamvale/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Lighthouse Squares</td>
<td>MS/Un MS</td>
<td>David Smythe</td>
<td>5492 1254</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Rockhampton/Nth Qld</td>
<td>Rockys Twirlers</td>
<td>6pm Rnds, 7pm MS/PL</td>
<td>Michael Mills</td>
<td>M 0408 703910 R 0408 726 244</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TUESDAY</td>
<td>Buderim/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Suncoasters</td>
<td>Basic/Learning MS</td>
<td>Nev McL., Gary P</td>
<td>0417 729 263 0403 240129</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cairns</td>
<td>Ulysses Squares CD’s</td>
<td>Basic/MS/Plus/Rnds</td>
<td>Eddie Ebrington</td>
<td>4045 2620</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WEDNESDAY</td>
<td>Buderim/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Suncoasters</td>
<td>Daytime Basic, MS, Plus</td>
<td>Nev McL., Gary P</td>
<td>ph 0417 729 263 0403 240129</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Hervey Bay/Fraser Coast</td>
<td>Hervey Bay S.D. Club</td>
<td>Main Club Night</td>
<td>Laptop Playlists</td>
<td>0439 031 958 4125 1737</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>THURSDAY</td>
<td>Calamvale/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Lighthouse Squares</td>
<td>Plus</td>
<td>David Smythe</td>
<td>5492 1254</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cairns -</td>
<td>U3A Squares Cairns -</td>
<td>1pm learn MS, Basic -</td>
<td>Graham Durose -</td>
<td>4054 4885</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cairns</td>
<td>Cairns City Squares</td>
<td>MS/Plus</td>
<td>Matthew Mills</td>
<td>4152 5051 4159 2308</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Maryborough/Central Q</td>
<td>Heritage City Hoedowners</td>
<td>Mainstream</td>
<td>Records/Tapes</td>
<td>4045 1737</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Rockhampton</td>
<td>Rocky Twirlers</td>
<td>6.30pm Basics/M/S</td>
<td>David Habler</td>
<td>4121 7405</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Townsville/Nth Qld</td>
<td>Sun City S &amp; R/D Club</td>
<td>Bas/MS/Plus/Rnds</td>
<td>Michael Mills</td>
<td>M 0408703910, R 0428761244</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SATURDAY</td>
<td>Buderim/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Suncoasters</td>
<td>MS/Rnds 1st, 3rd, 5th</td>
<td>Nev McLachlan</td>
<td>5545 1238, 0417 729 263</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>West Burleigh</td>
<td>Burleigh Squares</td>
<td>MS/Plus</td>
<td>A Evans/ A Reid</td>
<td>55 233 047/3800 1270</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUNDAY</td>
<td>Buderim/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Suncoasters</td>
<td>A1 &amp; A2</td>
<td>Nev McLachlan</td>
<td>5445 1238, 0417 729 263</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**COUNTRY ROUNDS & CLOGGING**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DAY</th>
<th>AREA</th>
<th>CLUB</th>
<th>LEVEL</th>
<th>CALLER</th>
<th>PHONE (07)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MONDAY</td>
<td>Buderim/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Suncoasters Rounds</td>
<td>Lng II IV</td>
<td>Bev McLachlan</td>
<td>5445 1238/0427 135 442</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WEDNESDAY</td>
<td>Buderim/Sh.ine Cst</td>
<td>Centre Cloggers</td>
<td>Basic/Int</td>
<td>Bev or Carol</td>
<td>0427 135 442 0459 900 329</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Queensland President’s Report

Our 2016 year had many high moments but there were several low periods.

The highlight of the year was the 57th Australian National Square Dancing Convention held on the Sunshine Coast Queensland. This involved two venues the main hall was the Sports Centre at Chancellor Park University and the second location was the Sunshine Coast Square Dance Centre Inc. main hall, at Sippy Downs and Buderim. We enjoyed immensely the five day program, it was a celebration of great music, calling, dancing and spectacular colour. Congratulations to the organizing committee.

On the 17th September 2016 we jointly held the QCA Gala and Sunshine State Round-Up with our host Club Suncoasters Square Dance Club Inc. a very successful event for all involved.

The final event for the year, the annual Society Christmas Party was hosted by Logan City Square Dance Club Inc. at White’s Hill State College Hall on the 26th November 2016. It was very well supported and a great night enjoyed by all.

Sadly the resignations in November 2016 of the President, Vice President and three other members of the Management Committee has impacted the Queensland Society. We wish all good fortune in their future endeavours.

We have commenced work on upgrading the Queensland Website which should be operational January/February 2017.

Julie Jensen - Acting President
VP/ North Region
# SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIARY

The South Australian Square Dance Society Inc.  President Heather Wheeler  
(Callers Name appears prior to phone number. All nos. Prefix with 08)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Calls</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Phone no.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>FINDON</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Graham Elliott</td>
<td>8353 1749</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>MAGILL</td>
<td>ADV</td>
<td>Jeff Seidel</td>
<td>8263 5023</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>KILBURN</td>
<td>PLUS</td>
<td>Graham Elliott</td>
<td>8353 1749</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>PARA VISTA</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Noes Noesbar</td>
<td>8258 3046</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>COLLINSWOOD</td>
<td>RNDS</td>
<td>Tom &amp; Thelma</td>
<td>8261 8128</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>MOUNT GAMBIER</td>
<td>L/MS</td>
<td>Andrea Braun</td>
<td>0417 509 144</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>COLLINSWOOD</td>
<td>RNDS</td>
<td>Tom &amp; Thelma</td>
<td>8261 8128</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOTE: All 8.00 pm start, except * - 7.30 start, exceptions noted**

### Internet Sites

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Country/Society</th>
<th>Website/Link</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>QLD SQUARE DANCE SOCIETY</td>
<td><a href="http://www.squaredancingocietyofqueensland.org">www.squaredancingocietyofqueensland.org</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SARDA NSW</td>
<td><a href="https://www.facebook.com/NSWSquareDancing">https://www.facebook.com/NSWSquareDancing</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NEW ZEALAND S &amp; R</td>
<td><a href="http://www.nzsquardance.webs.com">http://www.nzsquardance.webs.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CANADIAN S &amp; R</td>
<td><a href="http://www.squaredance.ca">http://www.squaredance.ca</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BRITISH SQUARE &amp; ROUND DANCING</td>
<td><a href="http://www.unksquaredancing.com">www.unksquaredancing.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EUROPEAN WEB SITES</td>
<td><a href="http://easasd.de">http://easasd.de</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TRAVELLING IN EUROPE</td>
<td><a href="http://www.benzcenter.de/RouteSDC/locations.html">http://www.benzcenter.de/RouteSDC/locations.html</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JAPAN SQUARE DANCE ASSOCIATION</td>
<td><a href="http://www.squaredance.or.jp/">http://www.squaredance.or.jp/</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CALLERLAB WEBSITE</td>
<td><a href="http://www.callerlab.org">http://www.callerlab.org</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SQUARE DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY PROGRAM</td>
<td><a href="http://www.callarama.com">http://www.callarama.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A GREAT WEBSITE FOR DANCERS TO USE BEETWEEN CLASSES</td>
<td><a href="http://www.tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html">http://www.tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
South Australia President’s Report

Hi fellow dancers, my name is Anne Tulloch the newly elected President of the SA Square Dance Society. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and enjoying the new year.

2016 saw several significant events and of particular note was Jeff Seidel who attained fifty years of calling. Jeff and his club celebrated with a special dance. We were all proud when Jeff received the prestigious Golden Microphone Award at the 57th National in Buderim. Club birthdays of note included Sunset Twirlers (Adelaide) 21st, Yorke Promenaders (Kadina) 1st & Acey Squares (Naracoorte) 10th.

Danae Wheeler convened the 41st State Convention in August which was very successful. We were well entertained by our feature caller Paul Long (WA). Thank you to Danae and her committee for a job well done.

In November we had our AGM and I would like to introduce our committee consisting of executive Murray Dempsey - Vice President, Pauline Ottaway - Secretary, Don Stephens - Treasurer, Karen Dempsey - Membership Secretary, Caroline Stavast - Round Up Editor. Les Tulloch, Dawn Elliott, Mervin Hier, Sue Bottroff & Alistair Kennedy Representatives of the Square Dance Clubs, Round Dancing & Callers Associations. Jeff Seidel & Peter (Scotty) Scott also volunteered to Co-Convene the State Convention. Heather Wheeler and Jan Stephens did not seek re-election and we thank them for their many years of dedicated service.

The committee had their first meeting in November and are working hard to plan out our activities for 2017. Based on the report of the Co-Convenors the State Convention will be at a country location last weekend in August. So check out our website www.squaredancingsa.com for details.

Hope to see you on the dance floor either at the National in Bendigo or if you visit South Australia

Anne Tulloch
President SA Square Dance Society Inc.
### METROPOLITAN SQUARES & ROUNDS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Club</th>
<th>Level</th>
<th>Caller</th>
<th>Phone (08)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MON</td>
<td>Shenton Park</td>
<td>Cloverwest</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Andy Colvin</td>
<td>9247 3818</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Como</td>
<td>Kiwilers</td>
<td>Plus</td>
<td>Richard Muir</td>
<td>9474 5485</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cannington</td>
<td>Riverside</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Trish Holloway</td>
<td>9451 4074</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TUES</td>
<td>Hamersley</td>
<td>Greenfinches</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Steve Turner</td>
<td>0417 092 928</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Gosnells</td>
<td>Ups ‘N’ Downers</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Taffy Jones</td>
<td>9414 5115</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WED</td>
<td>Joondanna</td>
<td>Dianella Rangers</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Jeff Van Sambeeck</td>
<td>0407 082 709</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>WhiteGumValley</td>
<td>Melody</td>
<td>MS &amp; Rds</td>
<td>Bruce Gillett</td>
<td>9418 2882</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>THURS</td>
<td>Como</td>
<td>Kiwilers</td>
<td>Adv</td>
<td>Richard Muir</td>
<td>9474 5485</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Eden Hill</td>
<td>Happy Wanderers</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Kevin Kelly</td>
<td>9379 2590</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Como</td>
<td>Kiwilers</td>
<td>MS &amp; Rds</td>
<td>Richard Muir</td>
<td>9474 5485</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAT</td>
<td>Floreat</td>
<td>Northern Stars</td>
<td>MS &amp; Plus Paul Long/Steve Turner</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>White Gum Valley</td>
<td>White Gum Valley</td>
<td>MS Rds</td>
<td>D.Gauci/ T Hollaway</td>
<td>9337 5385</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Bassendean</td>
<td>P &amp; R Rounds</td>
<td>Beg/Phil Pat Mori</td>
<td></td>
<td>0448 794940</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUN</td>
<td>Kallaroo</td>
<td>Allemanders Sqs</td>
<td>MS &amp; Plus Jim Buckingham</td>
<td></td>
<td>9305 8685</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### COUNTRY SQUARES

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Club</th>
<th>Level</th>
<th>Caller</th>
<th>Phone (08)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MON</td>
<td>Bunbury</td>
<td>Bunbury Sq Dancers</td>
<td>MS, learning Plus</td>
<td></td>
<td>9795 8557</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Mandurah</td>
<td>Dolphin Dancers</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Paul Long</td>
<td>95353205</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Wongan Hills</td>
<td>Wongan Hills</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Robert Dew</td>
<td>9620 1234</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>THURS</td>
<td>Bunbury</td>
<td>Jay Gees</td>
<td>MS, Plus Jeff Garbutt</td>
<td></td>
<td>9725 8432</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>York</td>
<td>Avon Squares</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>Brian Sims</td>
<td>9646 1243</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Margaret River</td>
<td>Augusta</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>CD’s</td>
<td>9757 4527</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Albany</td>
<td>Swinging Squares</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td></td>
<td>9841 6253</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Geraldton</td>
<td>Friendly Squares</td>
<td>MS</td>
<td>David Gibson</td>
<td>9938 218</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAT</td>
<td>Gidgegannup</td>
<td>Gidgegannup</td>
<td>MS 2nd,4th wk Alan Eades</td>
<td></td>
<td>9621 1481</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### COUNTRY LINE DANCE CLUBS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Club</th>
<th>Caller</th>
<th>Phone (08)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>TUES</td>
<td>Northam</td>
<td>North Linedancers</td>
<td>Easy/Int Ute Dymnicki.</td>
<td>0407 993 036</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

“it’s amazing the great people i have in my life that i wouldn’t have ever met if it wasn’t for square dancing.”

Anon
Western Australia Delegate’s Report

Welcome aboard to our new president of the Callers Association of WA – Greg Fawell as we wish him well in his new role with the callers. Ken Pike has taken on the treasurer’s role and Jeff Garbutt has taken on the secretary’s role. Well done to the new committee and many thanks to the outgoing members.

Thanks go to Jim Buckingham, his assisting callers and the dedicated dancers who helped make the Have A Go day at Burswood Park such a success. These demonstrations ensure the SDSWA is able to display square dancing and encourage more people to give square dance a try.

Congratulations to our latest group of society beginners who graduated at North Perth in December 2016 they were- Joan Becker, Anne Napolitano, Carol Smith, Margaret Munro, Alex Claydon LHD, Anne Crawford, Gill Ball, Peter Allan, Myra Pearson & Rosa Napolitano-Lincoln LHD.

Christmas dances certainly were enjoyed by all across WA to close off another great year. We started with over one hundred and forty dancers at Avon Squares and each club enjoying their special Christmas celebrations with White Gum Valley closing off festivities with their special New Years Eve Dance...what more could a square dancer want!!!!

Once again we were blessed with interstate dancers travelling to our great state, this time Sue and Aaron from Tasmania joined us at Northern Stars. We always look forward to and will welcome anyone who ventures across the Nullarbor.

The SDSWA are now enjoying the facilities at the Old Midland Courthouse 49 Helena Street Midland WA 6056. The SDSWA and CAWA are also looking forward to utilising the Midland Town Hall with our “free to members” dance in February and hope this is appreciated by all of our members. We see this as another opportunity to reward our society members and to share fun and friendship set to music. We will continue to explore other ways to socialise and enjoying each other company and include even more new members.

Steve Longwood
Promotions Officer SDSWA
Solo Dancers

Christmas 2016 is over, as is the start of 2017 and already February is here and Square Dancing clubs are clearing away the cobwebs and starting another year of dancing. Will there be an abundance of new dancers? We all hope so. But, what if there isn’t “a lot” and only one or two new dancers turn up. Are they made welcome? Do existing dancers enjoy spending their dance time helping the new-comers to master the dance routines? We have to remember that everybody was a beginner at one time or another. New dancers who arrive on their own often need more help than “partnered” people. Two people learning together can talk about what they’ve learnt and maybe practice the moves and hand-holds in the privacy of their home. A Solo dancer can use the learning manual and maybe watch a DVD but they can’t practice unless, of course, an “Angel” from the club they attend offers help and support outside of club hours. The number of square dancers throughout Australia is decreasing so perhaps 2017 is the year to make a mammoth effort to increase numbers and ensure all new dancers, especially Solo dancers, are given a great welcome and a big helping hand to get them through the Beginner stage and onto the more enjoyable Mainstream Stage. Perhaps all existing Solo dancers could become Angels and adopt a new dancer during 2017.

The 58th National Convention in Bendigo, Vic (13-17 April 2017) will soon be here. If there are any Solo Dancers from any State who would like to participate in the Solo Dancers Dress Set please phone or email me (see detail below). Men need all black attire and the women need a black or yellow top and either a plain yellow or plain black skirt. Please advise ASAP if you would like to be part of the Solo Dancers Dress set. For several years now we have entered a Dress-set in the National Convention and it would be nice to have at least one entered in Bendigo. Please help if you are able. The two dances that we dance are very easy and achievable. It’s fun.

I’m coming to Victoria during March and April so please say hello if you see me on the floor. Here’s hoping 2017 will be a great year for Square Dancing and that everyone will have a lot of fun and enjoyment and meet new friends. Email ejboyd@bigpond.com or phone 0409457342

Keep smiling.

Eileen Boyd (Tamworth Cloverleaf Dancers)
LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER
TOP CATS 21ST
BIRTHDAY WEEKEND

4th WEEKEND - MARCH 2017

Featuring two of Australia's greats:
Graham Elliott (SA) & James Reid (QLD)

WHERE: ENGADINE (Southern Sydney, NSW)
DRESS: Square Dance attire, neat casual Sunday
ENQUIRIES: Phone 0423 577 274 or email bg77790@gmail.com for general enquiries, accommodation listing, eating options or directions

SUNDAY DAY - SAUSAGE SIZZLE INCLUDED IN TICKET PRICE
SATURDAY EVENING - SUPPER INCLUDED IN TICKET PRICE

---

PAYMENT: Cash OR Cheque/Money Order "Wendy Martin" 73 Rival Street Kareela NSW 2232
NOTICE: If you wish to pay directly into a bank account, please call or email for details

Name: ________________________ Fri Nite / Sat Day / Sat Night / Sun Day (Circle)
Name: ________________________ Fri Nite / Sat Day / Sat Night / Sun Day (Circle)
Total: $ ___ Email &/or postal address: ________________________________

---

**TOP CATS 21ST BIRTHDAY WEEKEND**

*** Dance Program ***
Friday 24th March (Evening):
7pm A-Level
8pm Mainstream & Rounds
Saturday 25th March (Day):
1pm A-Level
2pm Plus
Saturday 25th March (Evening):
7pm Rounds
7.30pm Mainstream, Plus, Supper
Sunday 26th March (Day):
Noon A-Level
11.30am - 1pm Sausage Sizzle
1pm - Mainstream & Plus

Ticks (per person):
1 Session: $20
2 Sessions: $30
3 Sessions: $35
4 Sessions: $45
Under 18's: $5 p-s / $20 w-end

SATURDAY NIGHT
COME DRESSED IN BLACK & WHITE

---

Saturday Evening - Supper included in ticket price
Sunday Day - Sausage Sizzle included in ticket price
This is just a brief report on Cruisin’ Country 6 which set sail from Brisbane during a fantastic storm on board the Legend of the Seas last November with square dancers from every state and territory and some of Australia’s top country artists. We headed out to sea for the best country music festival on the high seas. The head lining acts were Adam Brand, Beccy Cole, Melinda Schneider Amber Lawrence and a lot more each performed two shows each night. They were outstanding!

All during the cruise there were other activities to keep every one occupied and two of these were square dancing and clogging. Both activities were well attended by both mainstreamers as well as those who just wanted to have a go. Even at the midnight socials every one was there keen to try new moves. These were so much fun with Nev and Bev looking after us and keeping everyone on their toes and teaching new moves each session. We even educated some of the artists as to what Square Dancing is all about. One even mentioned our activity at his show which was good for square dancing. It made every one in the theatre aware of its presence on board. Wouldn't be great if we could get an artist to sing along side Nev doing a singing call, maybe one day.

The islands were once again beautiful and the locals so welcoming although we were unable to get to the Isle of Pines due to the weather so we headed back to Noumea were we had to pick up Adam Brand.

The ship’s crew were once again out standing given the fact this ship has been sold and will leave the Royal Caribbean fleet this March.

We are all now waiting for Cruisin’ Country 7 departing October. So come on and get on board. If you require any information check out there web site Choose your Cruise we would love it see you all.

Mark Kelly
Manning Promenaders 30th Birthday

Brian Hotchkies and
Gary Carpenter

Rounds with Dorothy Ranger
assisted by Laurie Farleigh

Taree High School, Taree
21st – 23rd July 2017

Fri Night    Rounds, Mainstream
Sat Midday   Rounds (Ph 2 - 4)
Sat Afternoon Chinese Buffet Dinner (Optional)
Sat Night    Mainstream, Rounds
Sun Morning  Mainstream, Plus, Rounds

Manning Promenaders 30th Birthday Weekend
REGISTRATION

Name(s)...............................................................................................................
......................................................................................................................
Address...........................................................................................................
......................................................................................................................
..................................................P’code....................Phone......................
email address ............................................................................................... 
Weekend (before 1/5/17) ............ @ $30  .........................
Weekend (After 1/5/17) ............. @ $35  .........................
Chinese Buffet (by 12/7/17) ........ @ $20 .................
A cancellation fee of $2 applies. Total .................................

Make cheques payable to Manning Promenaders Social Club Inc.
Post to:- 859 Ocean Drive
Bonny Hills 2445
(Or register online at: www.manningpromenaders.com/birthday-info)
All Things Considered….. By Ed Foote Cont.

Explain how graduating people who don’t know the calls would hurt the club, and that they will be invited to take the class again. This eliminates the surprise factor. If someone is told to take the class over, they can be reminded of the discussion about this which was held at the start of class. This presentation at the start of class should be made by someone who has good people skills and good command of words, so that at the end of the discussion all the new class members are in agreement that this is a good idea.

**CLASS MEMBERS MUST BE TOLD TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY.** They should be encouraged to review what they have previously learned prior to the latest lesson. Class members need to be reminded that if they break down they are causing other people to break down also, thereby reducing the fun for everyone. If this is presented correctly with the right words, all the class members will see the wisdom in this.

**SUMMARY.** The practice of graduating everyone, no matter how poorly they dance, because “we need their money”, or because “it is socially unacceptable not to graduate them”, just hurts everyone. It causes frustration in long-time dancers who will simply drift away from the activity. It also causes frustration among class members who work hard to learn the calls only to see the caller and club members cater to those who have not put forth any effort. The square dance activity needs to stop graduating every person who comes in the door regardless of whether they learn anything. This is simply hurting our activity more than it helps.

---

**SQUARE DANCE ACCESSORIES**

**Jouko**

Phone (02) 9625 9900
Email: squaredance@hotmail.com

Barry Knight receiving Service to Sport Award
Co-ordinating Editor: ROSALIND TODD
P.O. Box 229 BLAXLAND NSW 2774
Phone: 4753 6382   E-mail: jarodd@bigpond.net.au

DISTRIBUTION:  Daniele Kimpton Email: danielekimpton@aapt.net.au  0404 292 578

STATE EDITORS -  Information regarding the Australian Square Dance Review and advertising rates should be obtained from your State Editor:

N.S.W.  :  Rosalind Todd, P.O. Box 229 Blaxland NSW 2774  (02) 4753 6382
Email:  jarodd@bigpond.net.au

QUEENSLAND:  Christine Lucas 48 Bayley Road, Pine Mountain Qld 4306  (07) 3201 6331
E-mail:  squaredanceqld.review@gmail.com  0422 202 253

SOUTH AUST:  Ann Dugdale  Email:  review@vsda.org.au

QUEENSLAND:  Shirley Casboult 11/6 Flowers Court, Newstead 7250 Tas.  (03) 63432680
Email:  scasboult@bigpond.com

WEST AUST:   Ian Bailey, 2 Port Close, Leeming  6149  9332 1513
Email:  sue@peter.com.au  0414 237 944

A.C.T.:  Raymond Bates 9 Cumbrae Place, Kambah, ACT 2902.  (02) 6231 5868

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS FOR NATIONAL SOCIETIES

AUSTRALIAN CALLERS FEDERATION
President:  Gary Petersen  QLD  (07) 5499 0301
Vice President:  Steve Turner  WA  (08) 9444 8847
Secretary:  Jeff Garbutt  WA  (08) 9796 1130
Treasurer:  Gary Carpenter  NSW
Public Relations:  Frank Matthews  TAS
Registrar:  Barry Wonson  NSW
Callerlink Editor:  Jim Buckingham  WA  08 9305 8685

NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA: INC. A0058827L
President:  Steve Longwood  WA  (08) 9243 1200 0419 900 441
Vice President:  David Todd  NSW  0411 888 515
Secretary:  Celia Karas,  WA  (08) 9456 1266
Treasurer:  Kevin Thomas  VIC  (03) 5334 4095
Publicity:  Pauline Hansford  NSW  (02) 9624 4396
Address For Correspondence:  3 Longstaff Loop, Southern River WA 6110

AUSTRALIAN ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION:
President:  Bev McLachlan  QLD  (07) 5445 1238  0427135442
Vice President:  Christopher Heyworth  QLD  0400530673
Secretary:  Carol Simondson  VIC  Email: email arda.secretary@gmail.com
Education Officer:  Paula & Warwick Armstrong  QLD  (07) 5546 3493  -0488387126
Treasurer:  Julie Jensen
Records Officer:  Carol Simondson  VIC  0400 354 445
Historian:  Christopher Heyworth  QLD  0400530673
Address for Correspondence:  P.O. Box 259 Drysdale 3222

AUSTRALIAN CLOGGING ASSOCIATION
President:  Jason Nicholson  NSW  0408 429 270  Email - president@cloggingaustralia.com
Vice President:  Chris Anderson  TAS  0447 868 491  Email - vicepresident@cloggingaustralia.com
Secretary:  Jan Collins  TAS.  0415 922 433  Email: secretary@cloggingaustralia.com
Address for correspondence 63F Old Bass Highway, Wynyard, Tas 7325
Treasurer:  Cheryl Holland  VIC  0434 249 213  Email - treasurer@cloggingaustralia.com
REVIEW RULES

Rules for material to be published in the Australian Square Dance Review:

1. All material, including advertisements, must be sent to your State Editor at the address towards the back of the magazine. Direct mail will be referred back.

2. To meet printing deadlines all material must reach your State Editor on or before the 14th of the month previous to the month of publication.

3. All material must be either typed or printed clearly and submitted either electronically, by fax or by mail.

4. Preferred input is a file emailed or a disc mailed. Preferred format is either Word or Acrobat. An acceptable alternative is a high quality original paper copy.

5. To prevent misunderstandings, any alterations must also be in writing.

6. If there may be a problem with meeting a deadline on an occasional basis, contact the Coordinating Editor. Blank space left for an advertisement will be charged for.

The Coordinating Editor
JUST BLISS SQUARE

DANCE CLUB.

IT’S OUR 3RD BIRTHDAY.

WHEN:
Sunday Afternoon
12th MARCH, 2017.
2.00PM TO 5.00PM.
THEN CONCLUDING WITH -
“OUR SPECIAL BBQ DINNER”

WHERE:
RANDWICK PUBLIC SCHOOL
(Park in Frances Street or enter using the Double Gates on “The Avenue”)

ENTRY PER PERSON:
$20 (Dance and BBQ inclusive)

CALLING:
BY JAMES BROOKS AND GUEST CALLERS

CATERING:
TO REGISTER, PLEASE RETURN THE FORM BELOW TO PO BOX 7 RANDWICK, TO JAMES DIRECT, OR ELSE PHONE HIM ON 9398 2965 IF POSSIBLE BY THURSDAY 9TH MARCH.

Amount enclosed for ________ Dancers @ $20
A Total of - $______.
Names - ___________________ ___________________ 
________________________ ___________________
________________________ ___________________
________________________ ___________________
GRAEME WHITELEY together with wife SHIRLEY
and the
TASSIE TWIRLERS
SQUARE DANCE CLUB
invite YOU to our 50th BIRTHDAY PARTY

with Guest Caller – Jeff Seidel

SATURDAY
20th May 2017
7 p.m. – 10 pm
Same Club in the same
Hall,
dancing to the same
Caller for 50 years!!!

KINDRED HALL - KINDRED
- North-west Tasmania
- Directions contact Graeme Whiteley
at (03) 6428 3134 - Email - graeme.whiteley@bigpond.com

FREE ADMISSION - GREAT RAFFLE - COUNTRY SUPPER