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What's Happening!



Welcome to this month's edition of the Australian Square Dance Review.

Wow! What a month April will be, jam packed full of dancing, especially in NSW. The state convention at the beginning and the national at the end of the month.

Thank you to all those readers who are sending in pictures. Please be aware that there is not always space to include your photo the month you send it in. It may appear at a later date.

All magazines have a deadline-this is to enable the editor to put the magazine together and consider the layout. State Editors need to have their information to me by the 14th of the month prior to publication. This gives me approximately a week to put the magazine together. Readers need to check with their state editors the date their information is required. This enables the printer to publish the magazine so you receive it in a timely fashion.

It's inspiring to hear about all the new dancers that are turning up at clubs new dancer programs. Keep up the good work everyone.

To all those travelling long distances to the National-stay safe.

Till next time
Rosalind

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BEHIND THE MIKE

Gary Petersen – A.C.F. Public Relations

Hello again, Not long now until the ANSDC in Canberra! Are you going? I am and there is so much to look forward to. Catching up with old friends and making new ones during what promises to be a very colourful event. Every ANSDC is different not only because they are in a different state or territory each year but the make up of the organising committee and their ideas are put forward for us to all enjoy. Yes there are guidelines to follow but there is also some scope to be creative as well.

We are meeting in our Nation's capital around ANZAC Day this year. The convention this year starts on Wednesday and finishes on Sunday. Please remember to check your program for dance and meeting times as they are all a day earlier. The ACF Board meetings this year are on THURSDAY and so is the ACF National Callers' meeting. I have already advised that the ACF Caller Interest Session will not be held in Canberra. The ACF Get- Together will be held on Sunday morning this year and the breakfast part will include ARDA members and partners.

What responsibilities do we have as callers, cuers and dancers? Callers should have their calling allocations by now and started preparing their music and choreographic ideas. The cuers too should have their allocations. A friendly reminder to dancers that they should only dance the programs that they are completely competent in. This is an area that a lot of dancers don't realise the effects that are caused when they get in a square and try to BLUFF their way through. Square Dancing is a TEAM activity and each square works together to get through each routine the caller delivers. The only prize is the smile when getting to your corner for the Allemande Left or Swing and Promenade.

Looking forward to seeing you on the floor!



Australian Clogging Association Inc. Report

STORM KING'S cloggathon at Joyner on Brisbane's northside yet again produced a weekend of dancing, dancing, dancing, with the usual fun and happy times with great friends. The strong organising abilities of Edith and Jenny came to the fore once again to make this another full page in our book of clogging memories. Sincere thanks to all who took part-loved your company.

Dancers all over will be pleased to know that one of our nearest and dearest friends, Dorothy Hutcheon, is up and on the go again after a period of hospitalisation earlier this year. Showing the true determination of someone who has taken part in square and round dancing and clogging for many years, Dorothy has assured us she will be back at Lutwyche of a Thursday morning joining in with all her clogging mates. Well done, Dorothy, we love you dearly.

Another young lady who won't be denied her clogging is Mary Thorpe, even though she and her husband, gentleman John (or Jack- take your choice) are now living permanently in northern New South Wales with a mere two hour drive to Brisbane so as to attend CHUGS of a Tuesday night, followed by SUNSTATE on Thursday night. We're flattered that Mary enjoys our company as much as we enjoy seeing her. Mary and John are well known in the world of square and round dancing and clogging.

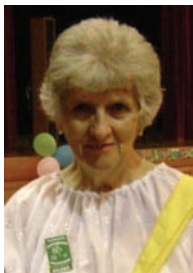
Congratulations to Graeme Brown and Shelby Ashelford for their efforts in establishing a new Clogging Club. Known as BLUE HEELER CLOGGERS, the club is located in Orange in western regional New South Wales. We wish them and their members every success.

Enjoy yourself- Clogging is a step in the right direction.

Frances
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Solo Dancers ☺



This month is a busy month for square dancers, especially for those in NSW with the State Convention at the beginning of April and the National Convention at the end. A little reminder for those Solo Dancers attending the National in Canberra - the Solo Dancer's meeting (get together) is programmed for Thursday 24th April from 1.00pm to 2.30pm in Room 72 at Radford College. Hope to see many Solo Dancers there. It is always interesting to hear from other Solo Dancers how they enjoy their dancing and to learn from them of any tips or advice.

It is also nice to know who the Solo Dancers are so friendships can be formed and support given.

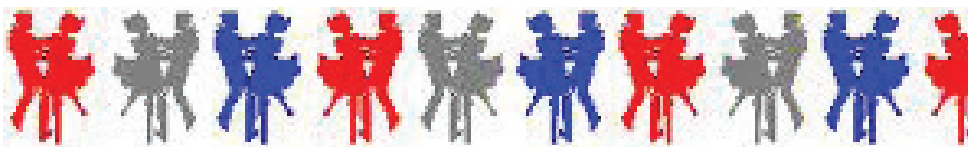
To all those people out there who are finding it tough with drought conditions and financial strains, here's hoping the tides will soon turn and some relief will be found. It has been a very hot summer but let's hope the winter will be a good one.

Cheers for now – hope to get to know more Solo Dancers as I trip around during the month of April.

Keep smiling.

Eileen Boyd (Tamworth Cloverleaf Dancers)

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A Submission to Host 58th Australian National

A submission has been received to host the 58th Australian National Square Dance Convention in Victoria 2017. If anyone wishes a copy of the submission please contact Anthea Matthews at antheam2@optusnet.com.au

Anthea Matthews, Executive Secretary
Australian National Square Dance Convention Board Inc.

Tribute to Allan Frost Square Dance Caller S.A.



Allan Frost called for around thirty years and was one of Australia's finest square dance callers. This year he would have turned 100 years old on the 20th March. Allan started calling in S.A. when square dancing was in its infancy and getting on its feet. One of his clubs was the "Southern Cross" which he started & ran for 20 years. He then took over the "Seacliff Weavers" club in 1973 from Roger Weaver & it was renamed "The Weavers" square dance club, where he called for some 18 years. That same year he was asked to run a dance for the YMCA at Elizabeth, where a club was formed not long after & became known as the "Shooting Stars". Allan called for this square dance club on a fortnightly basis for about 10 years.

I started my first club in S.A. in 1973 which was the Wild Frontier Square Dance Club. With a lot of help & guidance from Allan, I got my new club off the ground and running. Allan gave me encouragement and helped me as a new caller which I have never forgotten. But it was Allan who really put S.A. on the square dance map by introducing a higher standard of calling and a higher level of dancing in this state. Allan was highly regarded throughout the country and a great draw card at our Australian National Conventions with his smooth style of calling & clear melodious singing voice.

A founding member of the South Australian Callers Association, the S.A. Square Dance Society and the Australian Callers Federation. He was a Life Member of all three bodies. He was also the convenor of the 1974-14th Australian National Square Dance Convention here in Adelaide.

I have invited Allan's son Raymond to add his personal tribute to his father & this has been attached to mine. Jeff Seidel

A Personal Tribute

On March 20th 1914 Allan Raymond Frost was born in Broken Hill New South Wales and if alive today he would, this year, be celebrating his 100th birthday. It is with this in mind that I would like to briefly reflect on his life as I knew it.

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Tassie News

TAS. SQUARE DANCE SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting to be held on 12th. April at 6.30 pm at Heather Hall, Cnr. Penquite Rd. & Robin St. Newstead followed by a dance. Please support YOUR Society by attending.

TASSIE TWIRLERS, KINDRED (Graeme Whiteley)

Best wishes to John Johnston & Maureen Gardiner as they undergo treatment for health problems. Hope Marlene James enjoys her overseas trip. Our 47th. Birthday celebration will be held on Saturday 10th. May.

LAUNCESTON (Glenn MacLaren & Di Ashton)

What a busy month we have had. Legerwood -thanks to Jill & Brian for arranging the hall, the BBQ, and the wonderful supper. Thanks to Pete & Barb for organising the Spud Bake at Myrtle Park and to all who attended bringing a variety of food to have with those lovely potatoes. We had a very successful Trivia night with Charlie's Angels winning and thanks to Heather, Merilyn, Coreena & Paul for the questions and Robyn for adding up the scores. A set took part in the annual Longford Harvest Festival parade & gave two demos of square dancing. Missing Mim & Karen from our learners due to injuries (not caused by square dancing!) The advanced learners are fitting in well on Wednesday nights mainstream. Congrats. Di on your work with them. We farewelled Pama from Seattle after 4 weeks, with all the callers fitting in appropriate words in their calls. Look forward to our Plus only night. Club will not operate on April 23rd. due to the National.

Shirley C.



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TUESDAY

HOBART – "Casino City" (Mainstream/Plus fortnightly)
Caller John Weatherburn (03) 6244 2144

WEDNESDAY:

KINDRED – "Tassie Twirlers" (Mainstream)
Caller Graeme Whiteley (03) 6428 3134
NEWSTEAD – "Launceston" (Mainstream) Caller Glenn MacLaren.
Contact: John Cooper Phone 0408139121

FRIDAY

HOBART – "Tassie Hoedowners" (Mainstream)
Caller Bill Mills (03) 6244 1127 Email: thd@useoz.com

SATURDAY:

5th Saturday – Tasmanian Square Dance Society (Mainstream/
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A Personal Tribute Continued

I have just turned 70 and it was only the first 21 years of my life that I actually lived with my parents Allan and Lorna Frost at our home in Adelaide. I will always remember as a kid growing up in Australia in the 50's, it was a dream of mine, as it was with many others of my generation, to travel to England on a working holiday.

My father and indeed my mother, always supported me in this dream, even though I always knew that they would have preferred that I stay at home. In all of the years that I lived away from home, neither of them once applied any pressure upon me to return home. This I really appreciated. I have spent the past 50 years living abroad, 9 of those years in England and the remainder in Canada.

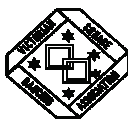
Dad was always a pillar of strength for me and was blessed with the type of personality that people related to. His personality and ease in relating to others enabled him to become a successful square dance caller. Prior to his calling career he did of course participate in this activity as a dancer. Although young at the time I will always remember his introduction to square dancing in 1952.

Dad was never the type of person to attend dances but I remember an aunt of mine collaborated with my mother to have both of their spouses to attend an evening being held at a local church in Lockleys. Dad and my uncle were just told that it was a church event. Dad came home that evening absolutely elated with this new found activity (Square Dancing) and was really looking forward to return the following Saturday. Many of you know what that Saturday evening back in 1952 eventually led to, a second career as a Square Dance Caller. I would be remiss if I did not mention the incredible help and support given to Dad by my mother, which greatly contributed to his overall success in this endeavour.

Over the years my Dad made eight trips to Canada to stay with me and I returned to Australia many more times than that. These trips enabled us to stay close and in touch.

When Dad became stricken with cancer in 2000 I returned immediately to Australia and spent the last two weeks of his life at his bedside in hospital. During his hospitalization Dad was more concerned about others close to him than he was about himself. He was particularly concerned that I had travelled all this way just to spend most of my waking hours at his bedside. I told him many times that he had cared and nurtured me for the first 21 years of my life and it

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SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS IN VICTORIA

DAY	AREA	CLUB	LEVEL	CALLER	PHONE
Mon	Heatherton	Harlequin Rounds	R II-IV	Coral Wegmann	03 9702 9251
	Wangaratta	Kelly Country	MS	Robyn Hodder	03 5722 4449
	Nunawading	Kintyre Rounds	R	Carol Simondson	03 9435 2830
	Springvale Nth	Matamoras	MS A	Peter Humphries	03 9701 3354
	Pinewood	Pat A Rounds	R II-V	Patricia Saunder	03 9706 1194
Tue	Somerville	Australiana Dancers	P R	Jaden Frigo	03 59776682
	Narre Warren	Golden Squares	MS	Graham Jameson	03 9703 0309
	Notting Hill	JB Square Wheelers	MS R	Mike Davey	03 9590 0550
	Greenvale	Pegasus Rounds	R III-VI	Phillip & Sue Whyte	04 1126 3091
	Geelong	The Geelong Club	MS P R	Darren Taylor	04 3509 1277
	Deer Park	Token Squares	MS	Barry Wootten	03 9363 5628
	Nunawading	Whitehorse	MS P	Janice Alexander	03 9872 5399
Wed	McLeod	Burra Squares	MS	Neil Wynn	03 8742 2197
	Werribee	Crossroads	MS P	Howard Cockburn	03 9741 4501
	Shepparton	GV8's	Beginners	Darcey Hoges	04 2819 7824
	Springvale Nth	Matamoras	P	Peter Humphries	03 9701 3354
	Merimbula	Sapphire Squares	MS PR	George Pitt	02 6495 2734
Thu	Frankston	Activ-ates	MS	Paula Wright	03 9789 1370
	Greensborough	Diamond Valley	MS	Sharon Lacey	03 9435 5505
	Paynesville	Eastern 8's	B MS	Max Hodder	03 5156 1459
	Maribyrnong	Essendon	MS P	Hosts: John & Ruth	03 9390 8308
	Bendigo	Modern Squares	L MS	Philip Aslanidis	0419 251 422
	Cowes	Philip Island Squares	MS	Graham Jameson	03 9703 0309
	Albert Park	Southern Cross A	A F/N	Howard Cockburn	03 9741 4501
	Heatherton	Sunnyside Lodge	R III-V	Ella Whyte	03 9551 8496
Fri	Narracoorte	Acey Squares	B MS	Chris & Allan Hall	08 8762 3629
	Mount Gambier	Pine City Twirlers	B MS	Heather Telford	08 8725 7524
	Forest Hill	Rosella Rounds	R B-IV	Fiona Callaghan	03 9802 5087
	Albert Park	Southern Cross Plus	P	Howard Cockburn	03 9741 4501
	Narre Warren	The Fun Club	P R	Graham Jameson	03 9703 0309
	Whealers Hill	Pat A Rounds	R B & W	Patricia Saunder	03 9706 1194
Sat	Mount Gambier	Allabout Squares	B MS	Andrea Braun	04 1750 9144
	Deer Park	Chemistry Sets	MS R	Ralph Weise	03 9367 2440
	Heathmont	Kaleidoscope	MS 1&3rd	Janice Alexander	03 9872 5399
	Forest Hill	Phoenix Squares	MS P A	Colin Dandridge	0438 515 873
	Deer Park	Silver Spinners	W/Chair	Jon Van Delft	03 9803 9325
	Heatherton	Sunnyside	MS R	Ella Whyte	03 9551 8496
Sun	Somerville	Australiana Dancers	MS R P	Jaden Frigo	03 5977 6682
	Rosedale	Stradbroke Squares	MS F/N	Susie & John	03 5141 1120
	Heatherton	Sunnyside	R III-V	Ella Whyte	03 9551 8496

Additional Square Dance information is available from www.vsda.org.au

Additional Round Dance information is available from

www.rounddanceassociationvictoria.org.au/

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Victorian President's Report

Down here in Victoria we have just completed our 45th State Convention and AGM and what a time was had with both local and interstate dancers and callers. We had the most fantastic weekend of fun and dancing. We say a very big thank you to those who made the trip over to be part of our convention and hope you all can come back some time and join us again.

With callers like Graham Elliot and Diane Ashton, Gary Petersen as well as most of local callers and cuers the program designed for us was great. An amazing convention and the committee need a pat on the back for their hard work.

The 2015 46th Victorian State convention we be held in Warrnambool some three hours from Melbourne on the Ship Wreck Coast more information soon.

Our AGM our first under the new rules went along smoothly and with a new committee formed I will supply a full list of those elected and what positions next time. On behalf of all VSDA members and dancers here in Victoria we say a sad good bye to our long serving secretary Kevin Thomas who has served the VSDA for over 20 years and has held numerous positions as well having convened a large number of State Conventions. We wish him all the best as he turns a new page in his life and trust we will see him around the traps soon -thank you Kevin.

Also not re electing is Barbara Treharne who also has been a long time member of the VSDA and has held numerous positions as well as convened State conventions and will be missed. The VSDA members and Victorian dancers say thank you and wish you all the best for the future past time you may choose and hope to see you on the dance floor some time. Also, we lose four other members; Judy & Herb Doekes and Tim & Lorraine Lowry have left us and will be sadly missed and thank you to them also.

Well no more to report form here as we start packing for Canberra. Hope to see you all there. Come up and say hi!

Cheers

Mark Kelly President VSDA

A Personal Tribute Cont.

was an honour and a privilege for me to take care of and be with him in his final days. Bonne Fete Papa Happy 100th Birthday Je Taime. I love you. Your Son.

RAYMOND JOHN FROST



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SYDNEY METROPOLITAN SQUARES

DAY	AREA	CLUB	LEVEL	CALLER	PHONE (02)
TUESDAY	BEECROFT BEVERLY HILLS ENGADINE GREYSTANES (2nd) WARRIEWOOD	Hillbillies Wandering Stars Top Cats 50/50 Dance Newport Ocean Waves	MS/PLUS MS MS/LEARNERS MS/ROUNDS MS/PLUS	Steve & Vickie Dean Meg David Gibbs Brett Gill Ashley Shore/Anne Glazier CDS	9773 7597 9798 9374 9528 4693 0409 938 345 Doug 9402 0842
WEDNESDAY	FRENCHS FOREST REGENTVILLE:(Penrith) SANS SOUCI	Forest Frolickers Panther Squares Red Barons	Easy MS MS A1/A2	CDS Maree Huffadine Barry Wonson	Helen 9451 8777 9610 2523 / 4735 2041 4229 4059
THURSDAY	BEVERLY HILLS ENGADINE	Red Barons Top Cats	MS/PLUS PLUS, A1/A2	Barry Wonson Brett Gill	4229 4059 9528 4693
FRIDAY	ARTARMON ENGADINE GYMEA	Greenwich Swingers Top Cats Knee Deep Squares	MS/PLUS BASIC SQ M/S	Brian Hotchkies Brett Gill Chris Froggatt	Glyn 9953 0769 9528 4693 Linda 9542 3518 0421 133518
SATURDAY 2nd 3rd	SUTHERLAND BEROWRA	Top Cats Classifield A	MS/PLUS/ROUNDS ADVANCED	Brett Gill Brian Hotchkies	9528 4693 Nola 4396 6593
SUNDAY 1st, 3rd, 5th 1st, 3rd, 5th	ENGADINE ENGADINE Visitors Please call first	Top Cats Top Cats	Teach A1/A2 (1:30pm) Teach Plus (4pm)	Brett Gill Brett Gill	02 9528 4693 02 9528 4693

NSW COUNTRY SQUARES

MONDAY	W'GONG/CONISTON	The Red Barons	MS	Barry Wonson	4229 4059
TUESDAY	COFFS HARBOUR WINGHAM Daytime- WOONONA B/C BULLI RSL CLUB 2nd & 4th WANDANDIAN	Square Dancers Wingham SD Club Guys & Dolls Sussex/Shoalhaven	MS/PLUS MS MS PLUS	Margaret Mallett Tapes Tedda Brooks Jan Johnson	65689831 0428 652965 4283 5685 4443 4436
WEDNESDAY	ARMIDALE CASINO CORRIMAL GLEN INNES MERIMBULA	Amidale Eights Willi Whirlers Guys & Dolls Uniting Church Hall, Cnr Russell & Underwood Streets Glen Squares Sapphire Squares	MS MS/PLUS MS/Plus MS/Plus MS/PLUS	John Waters Wilma Flannery Tedda Brooks Barry & Val Knight George Pitt	6772 3478 6662 6647 4283 5685 6732 1735 6495 2734

NSW SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP AND DISTRIBUTION CHANGES
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N.S.W. President's Report

My goodness time goes by very quickly. I am just back from a lovely weekend at Bateman's Bay. Unfortunately the Southern Ocean Waves are closing their dance down due to lack of numbers. My thanks and congratulations to the Committee and Dancers from the club for their continued hard work to have kept it going for so long.

Barry tells me the Red Baron's 40th birthday has been put on hold until November so we can look forward to that.

Hopefully, you will have a new President writing the report next month after the Society AGM at Salamander Bay. Please everyone give a little thought to helping out with the Committee positions that will be available.

Many thanks to the Committee of the 35th State Convention and all the very best to the Committee of the 36th. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

And now my 'don'ts for dancing' this month:

Don't keep your eyes on the floor, the moment you begin watching your feet you lose your poise.

Don't romp through the figures but keep strict time to the music

See you on the dance floor.

Roslyn



NSW Calendar of Events 2014

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NSW COUNTRY SQUARES

DAY	AREA	CLUB	LEVEL	CALLER	PHONE (02)
WEDNESDAY CONT.					
	NEWCASTLE	Tartan Promenaders	MS/PLUS	Keith Howard	Diane 0405 115163.
	TAMWORTH	Cloverleaf Dancers	Beg/MS	Neil Bryan	Max 6765 8499
	TAREE	Manning Promenaders	MS	Don McElligott	6585 5364
	TOUKLEY	B-Bar-H	MS	Brian Hotchkies	4392 0336
THURSDAY					
	LISMORE	Northern Waves	Beg/MS	Francis Hickson	6624 1885
	TOUKLEY	B-Bar-H	A1	Brian Hotchkies	4396 6593/4392 0336
	TUGGERAH	Carpenter & Co	Beg/MS	Gary Carpenter	4362 1275/4352 1060
	WANDANDIAN	Sussex/Shoalhaven	MS/PLUS	Jan Johnson	4443 4436
	WOY WOI	Pelican Promenaders	MS	Lorraine Long	4344 4939
FRIDAY					
	ARMIDALE	Saintly Devil Dancers	MS/PLUS	Margaret Betts	6775 1118
	ALSTONVILLE	Summerland Larikins	MS/Learn PLUS	Wilma Flannery	6662 6647
	BLAXLAND EAST	Mountain Devils	MS/PLUS	David Todd	4753 6382 /0411888515
	KIAMA	Happy Trailers	MS/PLUS	Jan Johnson	4443 4436
	WOOLGOOLGA	Woopi Twirlers	MS	Wendy Fraser	6649 2544
1st & 3rd	PORT MACQUARIE		MS/PLUS	Tony Bowring	0408 340 990
SATURDAY					
1st	GOSFORD	Dinosaur Dancers	PLUS	Brian Hotchkies	4392 0336
2nd	GOSFORD	Tumbi Country	MS/PLUS	Brian Hotchkies	4392 0336
SUNDAY					
2nd & 4th	GULGONG	Gulgong Grand Squares	MS PLUS	Arthur Johnson	6374 1771

NSW Club News

RED BARONS

Caller: Barry Wonson

Congrats to John White on becoming a Life Member of club on Thursday 6th March. Also congrats to Lyn who celebrated a special birthday. It is good to see Owen and Barbara Doust coming regularly on Thursdays. Here's hoping Sue Wonson recovers quickly from her long awaited knee replacement.

CARPENTER & CO

Caller: Gary Carpenter

Riverwood Downs was a huge success again. Catering specialist Carole surpassed herself once again. Big thankys to all the helpers, the dancing great and Darryl will never again take his guitar without his songbook. Just had our first night of new dancers with more than a square turn up. We had five squares dancing! What a start to the year!

KNEE DEEP SQUARES

Chris & Linda Froggatt

April busy with conventions. Looking forward to our beginner intake in May, start promoting everyone. Over 120 family and friends celebrated Chris's 60th birthday – what a fabulous night, thank you to everyone for keeping the surprise alive and helping make it a wonderful evening. Happy birthdays: Tristan, Jill, Bronwyn. Knee Deep Squares 24 years. Happy Easter everyone.

NEWPORT OCEAN WAVES

Well, we had a few thousand new members visit our club last Tuesday night. They were very enthusiastic and really made their presence felt. Those who were not dancing at the time were busy sweeping up thousands of black beetles. Shades of Alfred Hitchcock we thought. Nevertheless we still managed to have a really good time anyway.



The Square Dance Society of NSW Inc.



Saturday 31st May 2014

at

Roselea Community Ctre

647 - 671 Pennant Hills Rd, Beecroft

Dinner: 6:00-7.30pm Dance: 7:30-10.30pm

Callers: David Todd & Gary Carpenter

Dress up as your favourite profession/occupation

Society Members: \$30 per person

Non Members: \$35 per person

RSVP with payment to Roslyn Burrett

NO LATER than Saturday 17th May for catering purposes.

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NSW Club News

HENRY KENDALL SQUARES Wyoming

Caller: Les Heaton

2014 has begun really well with plenty of keen dancers: both beginners and experienced. Beginners don't feel they're holding up the better dancers because a wonderful characteristic of our group is that the good dancers unhesitatingly come forward to partner them. For variation, we had a pink night for Valentine's day and look forward to a green night for St Patrick's.

SAPPHIRE SQUARES

Pam & George Pitt

Sad that Southern Ocean Waves is to close its doors after 21 years of faithful service and good times; at the time of writing this report we are about to attend their Farewell Dance with Barry Wonson. We had a wonderful visit from over thirty ACT dancers who spent the weekend in Merimbula. Looking forward to the National this month.

SUMMERLAND LARRIKINS

Caller: Wilma Flannery

The Larrikins move to another hall, just down the road, is an improvement. Wilma Karen & Frances travelled to Glen Innes for the callers get-together. Those that travelled to Woopi Twirlers birthday enjoyed the weekend with Sid Leighton calling. Happy Birthday to Mary.

HILLBILLIES SQUARES Beecroft

Callers: Vickie and Steve.

Everyone seems to have the travel bug. Ron and Barbara have been to New Zealand, Alan and Pauline have been on a cruise to Tasmania and Arrie and Bruce to the Antarctic via Argentina. Unfortunately

HILLBILLIES SQUARES Cont.

for them the ship was battered by an Antarctic storm and Arrie had a fall and has a fractured hip and a fractured vertebrae. They're back on dry land and they're currently waiting for a medical evaluation so they can come home

HILLBILLIES CLOGGERS. Pymble and Hurstville.

Leader: Vickie

Dances currently being taught include The Wind, Put You in a Song, Calabrook and Istanbul Not Constantinople. Dylis is currently on a bike riding trip. Sandra is cruising to New Zealand for three weeks and a lot of us are lining up to help with the 2015 convention on the Central Coast. Happy Birthday Kathy.

GREENWICH SWINGERS

Caller: Brian Hotchkies

Preparations for attendance at the upcoming conventions are in process. Michel from Switzerland danced with us during February. We also welcomed visitor, Doona, from Melbourne and new dance members, Fiona, Robert and Jillian and we enjoyed the company, on one night, of David and Shirley Gibbs. Good to have Barratt back.

WILLI-WHIRLERS

Caller: Wilma Flannery

Woopi Twirlers 23rd birthday was great with Sid Leighton calling. Summerland Larrikins 22nd birthday will soon be upon us. April will be busy with the 35th State Convention, Glen Squares 33rd birthday and the 55th National Convention what a busy month and a good time that will be.

NSW METROPOLITAN ROUNDS

MONDAY	GREYSTANES	Greystanes Rounds	Phase II-V	Anne Glazier	0409 938 345
WEDNESDAY	WEST RYDE	Dance Around	Easy/Intermediate/High	Terry Lee	9544 7613
FRIDAY	ENGADINE	Top Cats	Beginners	Brett Gill	9528 4693
SUNDAY 5pm	SYLVANIA HEIGHTS	Sunset Rounds	Easy/Intermediate	Dorothy	9522 7307

NSW METROPOLITAN CLOGGING

THURSDAY	WEST PYMBLE	Hillbillies Cloggers	Vickie Dean 9979 5736	Meg 9773 7597
FRIDAY	HURSTVILLE	Hillbillies Southsiders	Vickie Dean 9979 5736	Meg 9773 7597
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.

Saintly Devils 21st Birthday



The Saintly Devil Dancers celebrated their 21st birthday on Saturday the 8th of February 2014 in the Woolshed at Mount Valley with an afternoon & night of dancing and a BBQ tea. The shed was decked out in streamers, balloons, and artificial flowers & leaves. We danced to a lot of the old tunes we all knew and some funny new movements like "Big Dipper" which incorporated the old movement of "Substitute". We were lucky enough to have a number of callers – Wilma Flannery, Barry Knight, Les Lane, Neil Bryan as well as our club caller Margaret Betts.

Roslyn Burrett presented The Saintly Devils with a certificate from the NSW Square Dance Society & Wilma Flannery presented one from the Northern NSW Square Dance Association. A big thank you goes to Ron & Roslyn & Wilma for travelling so far to perform the presentations & all the hard work they do for their respective associations.

Our thanks also go to all the dancers who travelled from Casino, Glen Innes and Tamworth to make our birthday a memorable one.

35th NSW State Convention

Bev Ranclaud and Violet Kerswell, as co convenors of the 35th NSW State Square Dance convention, applied through their local member for Charlestown, Andrew Cornwell, for a NSW flag which they plan to display at their convention. This was no simple matter of just getting a flag just given to them. The request and the issue of the flag to them was processed through the NSW Government Premier & Cabinet, Senior Protocol Officer which is one reason it is being put through Hansard. Hansard is effectively Parliament's official minutes to their proceedings.

Bev & Violet were presented with the flag by Andrew Cornwell, MP, along with a rule book of how and when the flag may be used. Well done, Bev & Violet for this achievement.

Pauline Hansford,
Publicity Officer, 35th NSW State SD Convention

NSW Club News

CLOVERLEAF DANCERS

Caller: Neil Bryan

We are using March to letterbox the local area around our dance venue in the hope of attracting some new dancers. We have decided to celebrate birthdays only at the end of the month at our monthly dress up and special supper night. Have also introduced a DBD teach session each week.

PANTHER SQUARES

Caller: Maree Huffadine

Great to again see Keith & Carol (UK) dancing with us on their annual visit. Welcome to Victor, Kate & Phillip. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Murray after his long awaited hip replacement. Birthday wishes this month to Eliza, Irene, Jenni, Maureen, Kirsty, Terry, Ron W & Betty. Great State Convention & looking forward to the National.

SUSSEX SHOALHAVEN SQUARES

Caller: Jan Johnson

Don't look now but I think we've slammed into another tremendous year of dancing. Our club would like to take the time to say thanks to Dot who has been associated with all aspects of square-dancing since 1975. We wish you all the best up north.

MOUNTAIN DEVILS

Caller: David Todd

A big thank you to Julie Rose and Kate for their efforts in bringing lots of new dancers to our new dancers program. We hope you all enjoy dancing with us. Thanks to Molly & Ron for organising tickets and lunch in the city during Seniors Week. Congratulations to Daniele on the birth of a new grandson.

NSW Lucky Membership

LUCKY DRAW FOR APRIL 2014

METRO - 2766 of Forest Frolickers
COUNTRY - 4390 of Carpenter & Co

PREVIOUS WINNERS

Metro Feb -Terence Ryan of Wandering
Stars

Country Feb- Glenn Getty of Coffs
Harbour Dancers

Metro Mar- Teresa Findlay of Dance
Around

Country Mar - Ronald Dean of B-Bar-H

Winners please contact Barbara Doust on
(02) 9602 6377 or or write to:

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Liverpool NSW 2170



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John White



On Thursday 6th March John White was made a Life Member of the Red Baron Square Dance Club. John was elated by the honour and thanked Barry for really making this night special.

John is 82 and doesn't dance as much as he'd like, but enjoys the company. He used to ballroom dance, disco, round and would you believe square dance three to four times a week. Tedda Brooks used to call him twinkle toes but that was before two knee replacements and back problems. However, he still does A1/A2 Wednesdays and

Advanced plus Thursdays with Barry.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone for your kindness and sympathy on the passing of my husband Wal. The cards, flowers and messages were greatly appreciated. I'm sure we can all share beautiful memories of this wonderful man. He will be sorely missed.

Jenni Gresley

Vale – Bid Stimson

Sadly we (The Society) have lost another treasured Life Member. Bid passed away on Sunday 9th March 2014, and will now finally join her wonderful husband, Stimmy, who passed away in 2006. They had been living in Queensland for the last few years.

These two were Life Members since 1994 and did wonders for square dancing, including running a club on the verandah of their home, Tumby Country, for many years. The club celebrated its Silver Jubilee (25 years) in 2000 and is still going today. One of the big highlights of their club was Stimmy with a wheelbarrow and watermelon for supper. Many friendships made there are still going strong.

The family say they will be bringing Bid's ashes back to the Central Coast to scatter with Stimmy's at Tumby Umbi, at their old property .

Bid and Stim were missed when they moved to Queensland but will be missed more now they are both gone. Our condolences go to their family at this sad time.

Roslyn (NSW President 2014)

Southern Ocean Waves Farewell Dance

After dancing for twenty-one years, The Southern Ocean Waves Farewell dance was a huge success. There were a lot of mixed emotions, lots of laughter, catching up with past members and going over old times. It was lovely to see so many people who travelled for years to dance with us. We also had a lot of new faces that came for the first time.

We had some sad moments when we looked around and thought about the great weekends we have had over the twenty-one years. We wonder if there is another tape club that has been operating for more than twenty-one years? On the positive side, Barry Wonson is taking over the reins and continuing this weekend.



Once again Barry's calling was on fire, with Dorothy Ranger and Laurie Farleigh cueing some wonderful round dance brackets. Our barbecue for Sunday lunch as the conclusion for the weekend was just what the doctor ordered. A lovely time to sit quietly and have a chat with everyone before they set off for home. Anita's cake was an amazing creation. She had everyone in the club depicted in a cartoon on the cake. NSW

President Roslyn Burrett and husband Ron travelled from the Central Coast and assisted with the cutting of the cake with our President, Marika Montefiore. Bev Suter from Merimbula made another one of her beautiful quilts to raffle, which was won by June Eisenhuth. Thank you Bev for all the quilts you have made for us over the years. The gold coin entry and raffle raised \$900.00 for the Blue Bird Association for the education of Cambodian children.

We would like to thank Barry Wonson, Ron Reiman, Allen Kerr, Helen Hodalj, Jan Johnson, Dorothy Ranger, Laurie Farleigh, George Pitt, Peter Humphries, Mike Davey, Howard Cockburn, Brett Gill, Richard Muir, Nev McLachlan, Graham Elliott, Steve Turner, Paul Jay, James Reid and Beryl and Mike



N.S.W. Publicity Report

Have you seen the new NSW Society facebook page? You can check it out at <https://www.facebook.com/NSWSquareDancing>. Over the last couple of months the NSW Square Dance Society have been advertising in the Bowls Plus New South Wales Magazine in an effort to gain new dancers. In the February March edition we were also able to include an editorial entitled "The Best Kept Secret in the World". Thanks to Gary Peterson for the great title suggestion.

Congratulations to Jim Brooks on the successful start to his new club Just Bliss Dance Club. I believe Jim has two squares of new dancers. Jim has put in a lot of hard work and tried a variety of promotional ideas to kick start his club.

The 35th NSW State Convention may be already happening as you read this. Don't forget to thank those on the organising committee who have given up their time to ensure dancers have a great convention. During the convention the Round Dancers, Callers and the Society will have their AGM's. The Society will propose a motion for the Amalgamation of the three societies, initially with an InPrinciple Draft to present to the meeting. For further information or a copy of the draft contact either Owen Doust, Roslyn Burrett, Ed Coleman or David Todd. There will also be a number of positions up for re election. So let's all be positive and think, "What can I do for square dancing? How can I make it better than it is?"

See you on the dance floor sometime.

Rosalind Todd



Harcourt for all your help and great calling and cueing over the twenty-one years.

On a personal note I would like to thank Rosalind Todd at the Review, and Ellen Smith of the ACTSDS newsletter and Mal-n-Chris, for their help and guidance to a non computer buff through the mysteries of article submissions. Last but not least, thank you to Marika Montefiore, Anita Ellison, Joy Lord, Shirley Stringer and everyone at the Southern Ocean Waves for everything you have done over the years to keep the club going.

Au revoir from the Southern Ocean Waves



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METROPOLITAN SQUARES

DAY	AREA	CLUB	LEVEL	CALLER	PHONE (07)
MONDAY	Crestmead	Logan City Ctre	Learners/Basic/MS	Dougal Findlay	3472 5556, 0423 917230
	Ipswich	Town & Country	Mainstream	Noel McKenzie	3714 9917, 0417 616572
	Deception Bay	Upbeat Ch.a.o.s	Plus	Gary Petersen	0434 772 066
TUESDAY	Caboolture	E.Z. Squares	Mainstream/Learners	Glenn Wilson	3261 4177
	Alexandra Hills	Gumdale Grandsliders	Mainstream/Plus Workshop	Alan Evans	3800 1270
	Kallangur	Pine Rivers Senior Cits	Basic/Mainstream	Margaret Baines	3285 2130, 0438 762 573
WEDNESDAY	Bribie Island	Bribie Island Squares	Beginners/Mainstream	Gary Petersen	0434 772 066
	Crestmead	Logan City Ctre	Learners/Basic/MS	Alan Evans	3800 1270
	Alexandra Hills	Gumdale Grand Sliders	DBD Mainstream/Plus	Alan Evans	3800 1270
THURSDAY	Oxley	Uniting Squares	MS/Plus (1st, 3rd & 5th)	Kay Walker	3374 0226 3378 0825
	Wavell Heights	Wavell Whirlaways	MS/Learning Plus	Sid Leighton	0409 482 192, 3266 7931
	Zillmere	Northside Promenaders	Learning M/S, M/S, Plus	Glenn Wilson	3261 4177
FRIDAY	Crestmead	Logan City Ctre	A level	Alan Evans	3800 1270
	Bribie Island	Bribie Island Squares	Mainstream/Plus	Gary Petersen	0403 240 129
	Crestmead	Alan's Allemanders	MS/Plus	Alan Evans	3800 1270
SATURDAY	Salisbury	Rambling Eights	Learn MS/MS/Plus	David Pearce	3263 1408
	Wellington Pt	Salad Bowl Squares	MS/Plus	Kay Walker	07 3286 2260 Bev
	Clontarf	Sunshine Square & Rounds	Basic/ M/S Rounds	Lynette Macpherson	3204 2335
SUNDAY	Crestmead	Logan City Ctre	Mainstream Monthly	Guest Caller	0405 316 469
	Taigum	Taigum Twirlers	Basic/Lrn MS	Lynette /Sid	3204 2335, 0418 724 636
	Graceville	Kay's Plus	Plus learners/Plus 1st & 3rd	Kay Walker	3374 0226 3378 0825

METROPOLITAN ROUNDS

MONDAY	Jimboomba	Allemander Rounds	Beg 7pm Ph II-IV 8pm	Paula & Warwick Armstrong	5546 3493
WEDNESDAY	Calamvale	Allemanders R/D Club	Ph II-V	Paula & Warwick Armstrong	5546 3493
THURSDAY	Crestmead	Logan City Dancers	Beg 6pm PhII-V 7pm	Jane Rayner	0405 316 469
	Calamvale	Allemanders R/D Club	Beg 7pm Learn Ph III 8pm	Paula & Warwick Armstrong	5546 3493
METROPOLITAN CLOGGING					
TUESDAY	Coorparoo	Chug-A-Lug Cloggers	Basic /Advanced (evening)	Frances & Stephen/Shirley	3391 6526, 3398 9658
THURSDAY	Lutwyche	Double Jingle Cloggers	Basicto Advanced (morning)	Frances & Dian	3391 6526/3808 7919
SUNDAY	Caboolture	E.Z. Cloggers	Beg/Inter/Advanced	Stephen Hope	0437 829 522

COUNTRY SQUARES

MONDAY	Buderim/S'shine Cst	Suncoasters	Plus	Nev McLachlan	5445 1238, 0417 729 263
	Caloundra/S'shine Cst	Lighthouse Squares	MS/Lrn MS	David Smythe	5492 1254
	Maryborough Central Q	Heritage City Hoedowners	Plus/A1 Learners	David Habler	4121 7405
TUESDAY	Rockhampton/Nth Qld	Rocky Twirlers	Rounds/MS/Plus	Michael Mills	0408 703 910/0428 761 244
	Buderim/S'shine Cst	Suncoasters	Basic/Learning MS	NevMcL, Gary P	5445 1238, 0417 729 263
	Cairns/Nth Qld	Ulysses Squares CD's	Ms/Plus/Ln Basic	Eddie Ebrington	4045 2620
WEDNESDAY	Buderim/S'shine Cst	Suncoasters	Daytime Basic, MS,	NevMcL, Gary P	5445 1238, 0417 729 263
	Hervey Bay/Fraser Coast	Hervey Bay S.D. Club	Main Club Night	Laptop Playlists	4194 6647 4125 4173
	Rockhampton/Qld	Capricorn Waves	Beginners/MS	Bevan Timmarsh	0428 870 338
THURSDAY	Caloundra/S'shine Cst	Lighthouse Squares	Plus	David Smythe	5492 1254
	B'berg/Central Qld	Cane Country	Rnds/MS/Plus	Matthew Mills	4152 5051 4159 2308
	Cairns/Nth Qld	Cairns City Squares	MS/Rnds/ Plus Rec/Tapes	Ran Moon/Bev Spurrier	4045 1737/ 40547534
FRIDAY	Maryborough/Central Q	Heritage City Hoedowners	Mainstream	David Habler	4121 7405
	Rockhampton	Rocky Twirlers	Basics/MS/Plus	Michael Mills	0408703910/ 0428761244
	Townsville/Nth Qld	Sun City S & R/D Club	Bas/MS/Plus/Rnds	Kevin, Julie, Darryl	4788 7393/4788 8762
SATURDAY	Buderim/S'shine Cst	Suncoasters	MS/Rnds 1st, 3rd, 5th	Nev McLachlan	5445 1238, 0417 729 263
	West Burleigh	Burleigh Squares	MS/Plus	A Evans/A Reid	55 233 047/3800 1270
	Buderim/S'shine Cst	Suncoasters	A1 & A2	Nev McLachlan	5445 1238, 0417 729 263

COUNTRY ROUNDS

MONDAY	Buderim/S'shineCst	Suncoasters Rounds	Lrng II IV	Bev McLachlan	5445 1238/ 0427 135 442
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Queensland President's Report

Northside Promenaders 10th Birthday

Eighty-eight dancers (incl. 8 callers) packed the Bald Hills Memorial Hall to capacity to help celebrate the club's 10th birthday and Glenn Wilson's 20th year as a caller. People came from Casino to the south, Rockhampton to the north, Ipswich to the west and as far east as Bribie Island. Plenty of memorabilia from the last 20 years. Decorations matched the Rock 'n' Roll Theme, as did Glenn with dress and hairstyle like "Fonzie" from "Happy Days". Great supper to finish the night.

Cane Country Squares

Very wide spread and diverse publicity for our new learner's classes resulted in thirteen new dancers on the first night. It was held on a separate night to our club night and was pleasing to see everyone with smiles on their faces while dancing, and willing to come back for more fun and dancing next week.

This is my last report as President as I am not standing for the position this year. I would like to thank all those involved in square dancing who have supported me throughout my term of office.

Leighton Bloomfield

President

Square Dancing Society of Queensland Inc.



Callers and their Partners at the QCA Gala Dance and Sunshine State Round Up.

COUNTRY CLOGGING

WEDNESDAY Buderim/S'shine Cst Centre Cloggers Basic/Int Bev McLachlan 5445 1238/ 0427 135 442

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Queensland Publicity Report

Clubs who dance on Fridays or weekends will not be meeting on Good Friday or on ANZAC Day. Many Qld. dancers will be heading for the National in Canberra. However several clubs are planning special events on other nights this month.

April 9 is when Gumdale Grandsliders are holding their 27th Birthday dance at the Alexandra Hills Hall. For further information contact: Heather Pennington hpennington9@gmail.com or 07 3219 1725

April 11&12 sees EZ Squares "Caboolture" present their "Snakes Alive" weekend with David Cox as their featured caller. Contact: Geoff 0428 682 194 or 3882 1600 for registrations and details.

April 13 the dancers from Hervey Bay Square Dance Club are holding a Sunday Social Games Night. If you would like to join in, you can contact: Coraleen on 41942159 or check out their web site www.squaredancingherveybay.com.au

April 29 EZ Squares have a "Back to School" Theme Party night dance. Contact Geoff 38821600 / 0428682194

May 17 is the date for Suncoasters 44th Birthday Cabaret Dance. Nev & Bev are happy to provide more details about this club event. Phone (07) 5445 1238; Email: NevBevMcLachlan@bigpond.com

May 24 is the date for the combined Sunshine State Roundup & Gala Dance, hosted by Gumdale Grandsliders for the Qld Square Dance Society and the Qld. Callers Association. Being held at Thorneside it will include an Amateur Callers challenge in the afternoon session. Please contact Heather Pennington for callers registrations and dancers tickets. hpennington9@gmail.com or 07 3219 1725

Queensland Club News

CANE COUNTRY SQUARES BUNDABERG

Cane Country Squares is dancing with two squares again - some enjoyable and fun nights with members changing places between sets, testing Matthew to sort out the new partners and places in the square. St Patrick's night theme with everyone requested to wear something green. All new learners are invited to participate in our social activities as well.

SUNCOASTERS BUDERIM

Members from as far away as Melbourne and Rockhampton who came for the committee meeting of the 2016 National Convention stayed on after their meeting and helped to swell Suncoasters' Saturday night dance numbers and gave us some great calls. Plus sessions have resumed, and Helen, Barry and Paul have brought the standard of our round dancers along well.

29th ANNIVERSARY DANCE

August 1st, 2nd & 3rd 2014

Featuring **Jerry Jestin** direct from the USA

Sunshine Coast Square Dance Centre, Buderim

260 Dixon Road, Buderim

PROPOSED PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

FRIDAY		7.30—10.30	Meet & Greet Dance Anything Goes
SATURDAY	Session 1	12.30 – 2.00 pm	Advanced Dance
	Session 2	2.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Plus with Rounds
	Night	6.45 pm. - 7.30 pm	Rounds
		7.30 pm - 10.30 pm	Mainstream
		10.30 pm	Social and Bonfire
SUNDAY	Session 3	12 noon - 2.30 pm	Plus with "A" bracket
	Session 4	2.30 pm. - 4.30 pm.	Mainstream with Rounds
		5.00 pm	Farewell Social (BYO)

COSTING

WEEK-END TICKETS—	\$ 45.00 for full week-end ticket all sessions
Mainstream & Plus –	\$ 35.00
Mainstream Only—	\$ 25.00
Afternoon sessions	\$ 8.00 per person per session
Night	\$ 10.00 per person

BOOK & PAY EARLY - limited powered sites available for your caravan, camper or tent.
Camping Costs are additional to dance tickets. (\$ 7.00 pp per nite)

For registration and reservation for sites contact:-

Nev & Bev McLachlan

Phone (07) 5445 1238,

Nev 0417 729 263 or Bev 0427 135 442

or **write** PO Box 248 Buderim 4556,

Email NevBevMcLachlan@bigpond.com or Bev-McL54@bigpond.com

Website www.suncoasters.com.au

Left Hand Ladies

An article in the February Issue raised some questions about Left Hand Lady Dancers. Sometimes it feels like we're splitting hairs.

As a two sided dancer (I swing both ways) I feel that when I square up in a particular spot, that's how it is. Trying to 'fix' squares causes more issues than it is worth. I myself have gotten into hot water trying to accommodate male or female dancers by changing sides.

What is important though is to respect people and remember floor etiquette and common courtesy.

When a two ladies couple joins a square they should be made welcome. I say this because at times there are 'looks' and it has occurred that Boy/Girl couples left a square to make up a new square with other Boy/Girl couples. Not nice.

I myself was taught that it only takes one person to start a square and never to walk past an unfinished square. If eight people want to dance with each other they need to get up as a square, it saves embarrassment for those who are filling squares, only to be told that the spot is already taken. Basic Square Dance etiquette, which is readily available on the web.

When it comes to Lady Lefties, without them, many clubs would no longer exist. A Lady Lefty should not have to apologise, explain or defend her position. Perhaps we could use Beaus/Bows and Bells/Belles across the board?

(By the way, how often would it happen that two men are 'left-overs'??)



Queensland Club News

CAIRNS CITY SQUARE DANCE CLUB

Our 2014 year has started off well with most members dancing plus 3 new learners, and U3A Squares members continuing to visit. Betty has had an enjoyable bus trip through central Queensland and NSW. Yvonne has been away visiting family in Brisbane. With the good start to the year we hope our numbers will continue to increase.

HERVEY BAY SQUARE DANCERS INC

Instead of engaging a caller we held a 'Surprise' night, where we danced to new tracks via our Laptop.

Members had plenty of time to socialise between dances and partake of a scrumptious supper. Our AGM was held with all positions renewed without change, followed by a mixed dance where everyone was able to join in and enjoy the night.

RAMBLING EIGHTS

On Valentine's Day our 28th birthday celebrations saw 6 sets on the floor, love hearts on dancers as well as the walls and stage and a scrumptious supper to finish. David was prepared with love songs to call, and it was great to have callers Noel, Glenn and Peter joining in with the fun and frivolity.



METROPOLITAN SQUARES & ROUNDS

Day	Area	Club	Level	Caller	Phone (08)
MON	Shenton Park	Cloverleaf	MS	Andy Colvin	9247 3818
	Como	Kiwilers	Plus	Richard Muir	9474 5485
	Cannington	Riverside	MS	Trish Holloway	9451 4074
TUES	Hamersley	Greenfinches	MS	Steve Turner	92431200
	Como	Kiwilers	Rds, Plus	Richard Muir	9474 5485
	Gosnells	Ups 'N' Downers	MS	Taffy Jones	9414 5115
WED	Joondanna	Dianella Rangers	MS	Jeff Van Sambeeck	0407 082 709
	WhiteGumValley	Melody	MS & Rds	Bruce Gillett	9418 2882
	Subiaco	Western Squares	MS	Kevin Fitzgerald	ah 9305 4096
THURS	Como	Kiwilers	Adv	Richard Muir	9474 5485
	Joondanna	Boomerangs	Plus	Jeff Van Sambeeck	93077728
FRI	Eden Hill	Happy Wanderers	MS	Kevin Kelly	9379 2590
	Como	Kiwilers	MS & Rds	Richard Muir	9474 5485
SAT	Floreat	Northern Stars	MS & Plus	Paul Long/Steve Turner	
				Jim Buckingham	94052078
	White Gum Valley	White Gum Valley	MS Rds	D.Gauci/ T Hollaway	9337 5385
SUN	P & R Rounds	Bassendean	Beg/Phll	Pat Mori	0448 794940
	Allemander Sqs	Mindarie	MS& Plus	Jim Buckingham	9305 8685

CLOGGING CLUBS

MON	Morley	Jo-King Cloggers		J. Buswell K.Dawes	93775708
	Morley	Kaye's Cloggers		Kaye Speyer	92954802
	Mandurah	Southern Cross	Beg/Int.	Lorraine Taylor	93984472
	Westminster	West Coast Cloggers		Stephen Baker	93623672
TUES	Morley	Kaye's Cloggers		Kaye Speyer	92954802
	Kenwick	Southern Cross	Easy Int+	Lorraine Taylor	0424338764
	Ardross	West Coast Cloggers		Stephen Baker	93623672
THURS	Ardross	West Coast Cloggers		Stephen Baker	93623672
	FRI	Mt Hawthorn	West Coast Cloggers	Stephen Baker	93623672



*"We do not grow too old to dance. We
grow old because we do not dance."
--Herb Greggerson, Square Dance
Caller, 1953*

SQUARE DANCE SOCIETY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.

COUNTRY SQUARES

Day	Area	Club	Level	Caller	Phone (08)
MON	Bunbury	Bunbury Sq Dancers	MS, learning	Plus	9795 8557
	Mandurah	Dolphin Dancers	MS	Tony Gray	95353205
THURS	Bunbury	Jay Gees	MS, Plus	Jeff Garbutt	9796 1130
FRI	York	Avon Squares	MS	Brian Sims	9646 1243
	Margaret River	Augusta	MS	Brendan Jordan	9758 0034
	Albany	Swinging Squares	MS	Cherie Grogan	9854 3070
	Geraldton	Friendly Squares	MS	David Gibson	9938 2180
	Wongan Hills	Wongan Hills	MS	Robert Dew	9620 1234
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WA Society Bginners' Class

Congratulations to all the new mainstream square dance graduates from the WA Society beginners classes at Como on the 25th February. Please make these new graduates very welcome as they start their journey of fun and friendship set to music should they visit your club. The graduates are LHD Wendy Barrett-Lennard, Charmy King, John & Monica Reid, Beryl Brysse, Kellene Paull, Robert Van Baren.

A very big thank you to our very dedicated caller - Paul Long who has contributed so much to our society beginners classes. Paul is having a well deserved rest and Jeff Van Sambeeck is our new caller for the next series of beginners classes at Como. Should you know of any potential dancers out there close enough to the Como venue, they have until the 25th March to join the next group of beginners at this venue.

We also acknowledge our door lady Maureen Chaucer along with the many angels who consistently turn up rain, hail or shine and help out with all the tasked required to manage such a fun group of people.

Western Australia President's Report

Wow what a start to March with Cloverwest celebrating their first birthday on Sunday 16th March in the theme of St Patricks day. We enjoyed a great line up of calling, cueing and being surrounded by green decorations in all directions with a great mural back drop behind the callers.

On Friday 21st March we celebrated Swan Valley Squares first birthday with an enthusiastic contingent of onlooker's dancers and callers. Greg and Christine Fawell have done a great job of getting things started and with the efforts of their newly formed committee are going ahead in leaps and bounds.

Ken Pike is doing a great job with a large and enthusiastic group of beginners and angels all contributing to have a party night each Wednesday night at the Society beginner's classes North Perth.

Como Society beginners have also fired up with Jeff Van Sambeeck and his great team of angels working hard to ensure we can also build up numbers at this location like we have at North Perth.

We hope that we get more of a spin off from various demonstrations via councils, school groups, church groups and the general public that seem to be increasing in their frequency as word gets around. People are actively seeking alternative forms of entertainment and happy and healthy ways to occupy themselves without spending heaps of money. Square dance covers so many good points these enthusiastic people are seeking.

We wish all those attending the 55th ANSDC Canberra and ANZAC celebrations to have a wonderful time and look forward to rejoining them back at their home clubs fit and well after their journeys.

Steve Longwood – President WA

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How You Can Help To Retain Dancers

This article was originally published in this magazine in the 1990's by Chris Froggatt and still has relevance to dancing today.

Some dancers leave our activity for reasons that are beyond anyone's control - factors such as health, moving, work, finances, age or a change in family situations. However, it could also be seen that there are some reasons that dancers "drop out" that we can do something about. This applies equally to newcomers as to established square dancers.

Let's look at some of these things in more detail, and see what we can do to prevent people leaving square dancing unnecessarily.

Joining The Club

As new comers discover our magical world of square dancing, they have a choice whether to stay or go. If they don't feel welcome or don't feel that they fit in, they may decide square dancing is not for them. On the other hand, they might get bitten by the square dance bug! There are three opportunities when we can either lose or retain dancers:

- * at the Beginner stage,
- * while they are learning to dance the club level, and
- * when they are established square dancers.

Square dancing is a skill, and these days it takes quite a commitment to master it. If a new dancer learns slowly or misses a lesson here and there, they will probably feel a little insecure, and may wonder if they will ever make it. The established club dancers must help them feel as confident as possible, by gently guiding them in the right direction, and assuring them that they will indeed "make it". All club members should mix and talk with the new dancers and try to establish a friendship with them. It is imperative that they feel welcome and "part of the group". I think that this is one of the great benefits of the "Round Up".

The Club's "Personality"

Thinking back to my early days as a dancer (BC - before calling) I can remember that some clubs had a reputation of being friendly, some had "top dancing", and some others seemed kind of elitist. The reputation was largely due to the club's members. After visiting the club, you made up your own mind whether the reputation was justified or not - and you soon knew if you would go back again.

In my opinion, the ideal club would be pleasant, friendly and welcoming to others. The members would support all club functions, set an example for others to follow, and "do unto others as you would want them to do unto you".

The club leaders (official or otherwise) can also add fun, fellowship and enjoyment to their club by smiling, being open and friendly and by being considerate of the feelings of others. On the other hand, they can congregate in closed circles and appear to be snobbish.

What can the caller do to help?

Obviously the caller has to take a large part of the responsibility for making sure dancers (new and established) are happy to stay. The caller's job does finish by making the dancing fun and stimulating. He/she should also come down off the stage and mix with the dancers when time allows, making sure not just to mix with a select few.

Actively seeking out the visitors to say hello, talking to the learners, giving them reassurance, listening to their requests and comments, and making sure that they are not left behind are some of the things a caller must also do. Callers should help to minimise cliques (without treading on personalities), and maintain enthusiasm within the club.

Some dancers need extra help. It is very important for the caller to encourage them, and not put them down. Find out which calls need a little extra work. Callers may also find that some dancers don't find the dance program "challenging" enough. It's hard to please everybody, but a part of the night can be put aside especially for more challenging calls (but not the whole night, the dancers need relaxation as well as stimulation).

Let's now look at some of the things that may contribute to people leaving the square dance activity (and maybe find ways to avoid doing these things).

Peer Pressure

This may happen when a group of experienced dancers (perhaps unintentionally) put pressure on friends to join them in dancing a level that they are not ready for. They feel that they can "pull them through" so everything will be all right. Believe me, this does not feel all right to the inexperienced dancer! They might make it through the bracket, but they will have no idea what they just danced. In addition, they might think that it is OK to join a higher level because they expect to be pulled through.

To be continued



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