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What’s Happening!

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

On the front cover are photographs of some of the organising committee of the National in Hobart. Top picture is convenors Barry & Kaye Chandler. Next row Di Austen (program manager), Heather McLoughlin (Treasurer) and Mary Laing (Secretary). When you see them don’t forget to thank them for all the hard work they have done to ensure that you have a wonderful time at the National.

This month we have reports from the Clogging Association, Round Dance Association, Behind the Mike (ACF) and the Solo Dancers. Lots of information about the National, which is less than two months away, including the dressed set figures.

We are all aware of the declining numbers in square dancing. Quite often we accept this fact and don’t think about the positive aspects of square dancing that we can share with our non square dancing friends. If every dancer brought just one new dancer to their club we would double our numbers. Steve Longwood has provided the details of an excellent internet site to promote square dancing on page four.

Many thanks to Terry Lee who supplied many of the pictures of the recent NSW State Convention on the back cover. New South Wales has recently purchased a retractable banner to promote square dancing. Contact a member of the NSW executive if you wish to use this banner in your next promotional activity.

Mothers are special so don’t forget to indulge your Mum on Mother’s Day.

Till next time

Rosalind
BEHIND THE MIKE

Gary Petersen – A.C.F. Public Relations

Have you ever wanted to try it? What would you sound like? Are you ready to give it a go? Do you want to know more? Then make the effort to attend the ACF’s “Caller Interest Seminar” at this year’s National Convention in Hobart on Saturday morning. The time and venue will be in your Convention program and the MC’s on Thursday and Friday will make announcements.

We held this type of session in Perth in 2009 and it was very well received by interested dancers. We eventually decided on the name above, but it could have been called, ‘So You Wanna Be a Caller’ or ‘Everything You Wanted to Know About Calling, but were Afraid to Ask’. Requirements needed to attend; some spare time and a genuine interest in Square Dancing.

To give you an idea, the topics to be covered are ‘Choreography’ a basic introduction on how it works; ‘definitions’ and what they mean to a caller; ‘music’ where it comes from and how we use it; ‘sound equipment’ from past to present; ‘teaching’ and how to do it; ‘Mic Time’ with your own personal trainer; ‘Q & A’ session - ask the tough questions of the panel.

The Session will be informative and light hearted, covering the basics of calling in today’s Square Dance environment. It will be a hands on and interactive experience for dancers to see and hear how and why the magic happens! To top it all off ITS FREE, but wait, there’s more, attendees will receive an ACF Sample Bag! Don’t be Shy, Have a Try

Until Next Time Bye Bye!

Australian Clogging Association Inc.

The weather maybe cooling, but Clogging is hotting up, with clubs generally reporting strong dancer numbers.

Getting our activity out there may sound easier said than done, but we are impressed by the number of invitations received as follow-ons from public displays and demonstrations. It takes effort, but cloggers are made of strong stuff and great organisers!

The Get Rhythm Dance Team played to two packed houses when they joined the other members of Terry Scott’s Concert Group at the Bribie Island RSL Club and the Wynnum-Manly Leagues Club. The Team members who strutted their stuff were thrilled and overwhelmed by the responses of the respective audiences. Enquiries from prospective beginners followed each performance.

We are confident future concerts will draw equally as much spontaneous approval and appreciation from audiences for the Team’s performances.

Tenth year Anniversary celebrations (or as Diana, the Club’s Leader said: 70 in dog years) saw this special event for Gold Coast Cloggers go off with a great wave of enthusiasm from members and visitors at their Labrador Hall.

Congratulations Gold Coast!

“Snakes Alive Weekend” Saturday clogging afternoon with Stephen Hope was well attended again this year with dancers from Caboolture, Bribie Island, Brisbane and Gympie.

There are short cuts to happiness, and clogging is one of them.

Frances
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Solo Dancers

Thank you and congratulations to all those people who organised a very successful and enjoyable Convention in Kiama. There was plenty of dance opportunity for Solo Dancers and it was good to see so many take to the floor. The “Smiley” badge was evident as was “Solo” signs. Whilst wearing a “Smiley” badge or “Solo” sign is not compulsory it does help other dancers to know you do not have a dance partner and would like to be asked for a dance.

Hobart is next on the Agenda. It may be possible to organise a Solo Dancers' Dress-set if there are enough people available. So, if you would like to participate, you will need (for ladies) a yellow skirt and a black top and (for men) black trousers and a yellow shirt. It will be a mix/match set, so accessories will be your choosing. Please phone Eileen on 0409457342 if you are able to take part in this Dress-set for Solo Dancers. If you have never taken part in a Dress-set before, this will be a great opportunity for you to enjoy the experience. The new Smiley Badges should be available for purchase at Hobart. Safe travelling and see you in Hobart.

Eileen Boyd
(Tamworth Cloverleaf Dancers)

Email to the editor
Helpful hints

There is a professional 10 minute video clip introduction to square dance on YouTube that can be easily found on the internet by Google searching – Square Dancing Keeps You Young – YouTube. With internet savvy people this may be a quick way of them finding out for themselves and getting excited if they can't make it to a demonstration or club night? They may find some other links and end up seeing the same thing but the quality of the YouTube one is higher than the Calgary Dances CA version. The original version seems to come from www.squaredance.bc.ca/videolinks.shtml - either way it's another exciting and valuable tool to use when introducing potential square dancers into our wonderful world of square dance.

Regards Steve Longwood WA

National Square Dance Society Publicity Report

As March was Square Dance month our Society decided to try a promotion through the Seniors newspapers. This publication is published for each state on a monthly basis so we decided to place a national advertisement into the March issue for each state. This was coordinated with the publication of a free article in the form of an interview and they requested a photo to go with the article. I do not know where the headline of “Back to the Barnyard” came from but I guess we can not have everything.

Once the papers hit the streets, the 1800 line ran hot. Over a two week period, we received over 30 calls and the majority of these were dancers from the past who were interested in getting back into Square Dancing. Some people had done Square Dancing at school and had never taken it up afterwards but now wanted to give it a go. Of course, on top of this, we do not know how many more people checked out the website. All told we are really excited at the response we have had and hope that it translates into lots more dancers on the floor at our clubs. If you get some of these people into your club, make sure you really welcome them. Also, do not forget to promote Square Dancing amongst your friends as “word of mouth” is still a really good form of promotion.

Through this Seniors paper promotion, I also had a couple of local newspapers and a radio station pick up our information and they wanted to do articles on local clubs. All in all, it was a really good way to promote our activity.

Special thanks to Steve Longwood from WA for his provision of the photograph and the logo we used.

I would like to wish everyone travelling to Tasmania for the National a safe and pleasant trip and a great convention.

Pauline Hansford,
Public Relations Officer

Review May 2012
Enjoying Rounds: -From Waltz to Foxtrot

The Foxtrot is a "smooth" rhythm that uses figures that blend smoothly and glide across the floor. Foxtrot uses music that has 4 beats to the bar, ie 4/4 timing, just like the Twostep rhythm. Waltz music has 3 beats to the bar, ie 3/4 timing. Most Waltz movements from Phase II and III are danced also in Phase III Foxtrot. The difference comes in transferring the movements of Waltz to the 4/4 music of Foxtrot. It is simply necessary to allow the first step of these movements to take 2 beats (danced "Slow, Slow"), the second and third steps are danced on remaining 2 beats (danced "Quick, Quick")- giving a total of 4 beats.

The primary rhythm in Round Dance Foxtrot is "Slow, Slow, Quick, Quick;". Initially, when learning, it may take a little concentration to maintain the first step over two beats as a "Slow" and sometimes a little time to get used to hearing this "Slow" in the music. An example is often experienced when dancing Vine 3; and a Thru, Face, Close; in Foxtrot. The first step of the Vine must be taken as a "Slow (2 beats) and so must the Thru step in the next measure. Good routines to learn Foxtrot with have been written to music that has a definite emphasis on this "Slow" in the music.

Foxtrot also uses other rhythm patterns that occur in Twostep. These include:
• 2 slows "Slow, Slow," as in Twirl 2 or Walk 2 or Walk and Pick-up
• 4 quicks (8 quicks). "Quick, Quick, Quick, Quick;" as in Quick Vine 4 and Vine 8

Here are some good starting points from the National Convention List in Category A+ These dances use only movements found in Phase II and III Waltz

Memories Are Made Of This (Phill Foxtrot) - hover, progressive twinkles
First Foxtrot (Ph III Foxtrot) - left turning box, spin turn, hover, whisk
Fly Me to the Moon (Ph III Foxtrot) - whisk, hover, cross hovers, thru chasse
Lovers Concerto (Ph III Foxtrot) - hover, progressive twinkles
Smile (Provisional Showcase Ph III Foxtrot) - hover, man roll across/lady roll across
This Can't Be Love (Ph III Foxtrot) - whisk, cross hovers, thru chasse
Wouldn't You Know (Ph III Foxtrot) - impetus to scp, hover fallaway, cross hovers, thru chasse

Foxtrot has a gentle rise and fall but not as much as Waltz. I love this quote to describe the difference: "Waltz is "mountains and valleys," Foxtrot is "rolling Continued next page"
Don't Tell Me What To Do
(GMP 1002) Lone Blume

OPENER - MIDDLE BREAK - CLOSER
Circle left
We tried and we tried but it's over
Guess I didn't fit the image in your mind
Do an allemande left with your corner, turn your partner by the right, Allemende left with your corner girl & you weave that ring
Don't tell me what to do
Swing your Girl and Promenade
Well I'm a page that you have turned
I'm no longer your concern
So don't tell me what to do
FIGURE

_heads/sides square thru 4 hands around
Meet your corner do a dosado. Swing thru and then,
Boys run to the right, bend your line and do the right and left thru Flutterwheel across, slide thru Swing your corner, promenade
Well I'm a page that you have turned
I'm no longer your concern
So don't tell me what to do
TAG

Well I'm a page you have turned, I'm no longer your concern
So don't tell me what to do

Mickey Mouse Club -
SR - 601

OPENER, MIDDLE & CLOSER
Circle Left
Left Allemande
Do Sa Do
Left Allemande
Weave
Swing
Promenade

FIGURE
H/S Promenade half way
Square thru 4
Do Sa Do to a wave
Girls Trade
Recycle
Pass Thru
Trade By
Pass Thru
Trade By
Swing & Promenade
**N.S.W. President’s Report**

Sorry last month’s Review came out before the Convention but my statement was not wrong. The weather was beat with lovely sunshine every day and just a storm on Sunday. The views were magnificent and the dancing was really great. I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did. Thanks Committee for making our PARTY IN KIAMA the greatest and the staff at the Leisure Centre for their help over the weekend. The publicity for the convention was excellent and we had TV, radio and newspaper coverage for Square Dancing. Thanks especially to our Convention Secretary, Neville Jarvis, for his untiring commitment over the past year.

My thanks and appreciation to Jim Koen for taking his BBQ to Kiama for the Society Sausage Sizzle on Monday morning and my sincere thanks to the willing cooks and helpers who organized it all for us whilst we finished off the tiding of the Leisure Centre.

For your enjoyment on the fifth Saturday in June, we have a dinner dance at Normanhurst Boys High School see the advertisement in this Review. Hope you will enjoy this ‘different dance’. The concept has been used before but not recently, so we are giving it a go! Don’t forget to book and pay for your table.

We had our AGM at Kiama and the Committee is still the same, thanks everyone. If anyone out there would like to have a go at any of the positions, we would all be happy to have you along to see just what is involved, sort of like an apprenticeship. Just let one of us know. Thanks to all those who attended, it is good to see many faces at the AGMs and not just a few. I feel it is a good idea to have the AGM at the Conventions to encourage more participation.

Jim Koen has been The Society Database Officer for several years now and has decided he needs a break. Many thanks Jim for your dedication and hard work during this time. It was always excellent to know that everything would be there when needed and all on time. Ron Masterson from Pelican Promenaders has taken up the reins and I feel sure he will do his best to carry on the good work. Thank you Ron.

A change of The Convention Constitution was discussed and it will now be called Convention Guidelines, very similar in content. Anyone wanting a copy please let me know and I will send one to you. The Committee will look further into it in the coming year.

Review May 2012
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**N.S.W. President's Report Continued**

As you all are aware, the National Convention next year will be in NSW, registrations will commence in Hobart in June with a special SUPERWORM price. Keep alert when it comes out for the great savings, they will be well worthwhile. For those with special birthdays or anniversaries coming up, all the best to you all.

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**The Square Dance Society of NSW Inc Invites you to**

**Dinner Dance**

**SATURDAY 30TH JUNE 2012**

Normanhurst Boys High School
Pennant Hills Road (off Fraser St) Normanhurst NSW 2076

**CALLERS:**

**VICKIE DEAN and CHRIS FROGGATT**

- **DINNER:** 6:00 – 7:30
- **SQUARE DANCE:** 7:30 – 10:30

Decorate your table as your favourite 'Square Dance Song'!

Society Members: $30 per person
Non Members: $35 per person

RSVP with payment to Jason & Leanne NO LATER than Saturday 16th June for catering purposes.
Make cheques payable to the Square Dance Society of NSW Inc

Jason & Leanne Nicholson: 2 Cedarwood Rd, HAMLYN TERRACE NSW 2259
P:4392 2411 E: jandlnicholson@kooee.com.au
NSW METROPOLITAN ROUNDS

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

NSW METROPOLITAN CLOGGING

THURSDAY  WEST PENRITH  Hillbillies Cloggers  Vickie Dean 9773 5736  Meg 9773 7597
FRIDAY  HURSTVILLE  Hillbillies Southsiders  Vickie Dean 9773 5736  Jason Nicholson  Calleen 9727 3433
SATURDAY Morning  GUILDFORD  Strictly Cloggers

NSW COUNTRY ROUNDS

THURSDAY  KINCUMBER  Gosford Rounds  Convention Rounds  Kathy Webber 4360 1958  Pam Orlovich 0402 034 987

NSW COUNTRY CLOGGING

Footnote: Clubs dance in the evenings except where an earlier time is shown. Visitors are advised to telephone clubs to confirm details.

NSW Club News

SAPPHIRE SQUARES  Pam & George Pitt
Some of us are in Kiama at the time of writing attending the NSW State Convention. There will be no dance Wednesday 16th of this month as George and Pam will be holidaying in Bali. Six members recently enjoyed dancing to Barry Wonson at SOW’s special dance - one of our newer dancers, Ann, went well and had a ball.

SOUTHERN OCEAN WAVES  Monday: Tapes Club.
Bob and Margaret are all set to travel to Swan Hill and Melbourne. Welcome back to Sheila and Bob who have returned after a cruise. Mel and Judy are trying out their new caravan. Arrangements are under way for our Birthday Weekend in November.

SOUTHERN OCEAN WAVES  Friday: Tapes Club.
Our "Saturday Special Dance" with Barry Wonson, was a wonderful social event in spite of the wet weather conditions. Many thanks to all our visitors, including Alan Lown, George and Pam Pitt, and all the people from Sapphire Squares, and to Ruth Benson, who travelled by bus from Canberra.

FOUND!
A pair of Gold "Salrios" Ladies Shoes & Men's Mac Shoes in a blue "Asics" Football Gear carry bag left at the Guys & Dolls Xmas Party.

Phone Marion & Tedda
02 4283 5685

SQUARE DANCE SOCIETY OF NSW INC.
CALENDAR OF APPROVED OR SPONSORED EVENTS

2012
June 7-11  53rd Australian Convention  Hobart
June 30  5th Saturday Dinner Dance  Normanhurst Boys High

Victory Rounds
Benefit dance on
Saturday 19th May 2012
At
Gymea Community Hall
39 Gymea Bay Road Next to Gymea Hotel
Terry Lee and guest cuers

Levels II to V
7.00pm to 10.30pm
Admission $10.00 - All proceeds to
Children’s Cancer Institute Australia
Enquiries-Teresa Findlay 9544 7613

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NSW Club News

PANTHER SQUARES
Caller: Marlene Hufladine
Many thanks to all those dancers who celebrated our 21st Birthday and helped raise $840 for Cancer NSW a great effort. Kiama State Convention was a wonderful time. Safe travelling to Marion, Murray, Eileen and Gloria to Norfolk Island. Good to see Rita and John back on the dance floor. Thoughts now turning to the National Convention in Hobart in June.

CARPENTER & CO.
Caller: Gary Carpenter
Great turn-up by Carpenter & Co to Kiama. Had 2 squares plus, but with only 1 dressed set organised. I won the raffle, a Joako voucher which I gave to Mum for Mother’s Day. She turned it into 4 skirts for a 2nd Dressed Set. “Sounds like Carole” everybody says, now I’ll still have to get her a box of Chocolates.

SUMMERLAND LARRIKINS
Caller: Wilma Flannery
The Larrikins celebrated their 20th Birthday this year in a new hall with a very well sprung dancing floor. And again we would like to thank Glen Wilson for being our guest caller at our birthday. Some of the Larrikins travelled to the Woopi Twirlers 21st Birthday. Wilma’s club were asked to demonstrate at Caroona Nursing home.

SAINTLY DEVIL DANCERS
Caller: Margaret Betts
Starting to get cold, have had a few frosts already. It was nice to have Sue & David back for a few weeks visit. We have also had a visit from our Japanese friends. Griff is on the sick list & we hope he is back dancing with us again soon. We are looking forward to Glen Squares Birthday party.

NEWPORT OCEAN WAVES
The Newport Waves had a real walk down memory lane last month, when we enjoyed the reminiscence of one of our valued Life Members, Betty Phillips. Betty offered memories of her early days, dancing with husband David. Many humorous memories were shared together. This was surprising as David was quite definite he wouldn’t be doing THIS SQUARE DANCING THING!

GUYS & DOLLS Cont. result. It certainly has given a lift to those attending their first big dance. Tedda recovered from his illness and with the help of regular Guest Callers managed the Birthday Party Dance to create a fun and friendly atmosphere.

SUSSEX-SHOALHAVEN SQUARES Thursday
Caller: Jan Johnson
What a great Convention weekend. Good to catch up with friends and to watch the dancing of the dress sets as well the sewers did themselves proud; we had our youngest Jordan 7 to our oldest Rohan 91 dancing. Everyone recovering after so much dancing and talking.

SUSSEX-SHOALHAVEN SQUARES Tuesday
Caller: Jan Johnson
Dress set looked fantastic. Thank you to Sue and Peter for coming in and making the second set. Some had a longer week end than others at Kiama. Jan out of hospital recovering thank you for your prays.

KIAMA HAPPY TRAILERS
Caller: Jan Johnson
Congratulations to all for the work they put in it was well worth it, good to see two of our newer dancers in the dress set, the dress set was outstanding. Trail in dance went off without a hitch every one enjoyed themselves thanks to the help of Kiama and Sussex dancers. Welcome to more new dancers.

CLOVERLEAF DANCERS
Caller: Neil Bryan
Dancers that went to the State Convention in Kiama have returned beam ing due to the good time that they had. Alicia from Port Macquarie visited us on Wednesday night and brought Easter Eggs with her. Thanks Alicia. Eileen has gone on an extended holiday travelling south from Kiama. She will end up at the Hobart National Convention in June

PELICAN PROMENADES
Caller: Lorraine Long
Kiama Convention was great! Big “Thank You” to the Committee Members, Workers, Callers who contributed time and effort to put it all together. Well Done. They even arranged spectacular weather. Wonderful to meet a few Convention first timers. They will have good memories. Club dancing going well, new dancers progressing steadily, everyone still laughing a lot!

GUYS & DOLLS Woonona & Corrimal
Mum & Tedda Brooks
Everyone excitedly talking about the great time they had at the convention. Marion and Tedda had to listen in disappointed envy but so pleased at the great

AN AFTERNOON DELIGHT!!
WOONONA BULLI RSL
455 Princes Highway Woonona 2517
(Corner. Nicholson Road)
DANCE IN THE AUDITORIUM
Mainstream, Plus & Rounds
TEDDA BROOKS & FRIENDS
Saturday 26th May 2012
2.30pm to 6.00pm
Then stay on to enjoy the facilities of the club
In Memory of Yvonne Williams for
Neuroscience Research
Covering Stroke Rehabilitation, Motor Neuron
Dementia, Depression, Alzheimer’s Parkinson’s, etc.
Entry $10.00
Further Donations Gratefully Received
Marion & Tedda (02) 42835685

HAVE FUN TO MUSIC
Sparkilate Square Dance Club

Fred learned to square dance in the 1960s with his wife Elizabeth and family at Tom McGrath’s Promenaders in Dundas, from this time onwards one might say he was a square dance man.

In the late 1960s Fred attended Ron Jones’ callers’ class at Bankstown with his son David, then soon after graduation the Sparkilate Square Dance Club was born in the garage of their family home.

Sparkilates ran continuously for 41 years, it started as a family club run by Fred and his wife Elizabeth and they made welcome all ages from the 6 to 60 however as the years past more the 20s to 80 years young.

Fred believed that anyone who came through his door at any time was entitled to learn to dance, there and then. So in effect he has been happy to teach beginners every week for over 40 years.

Fred originated the Ribbon System for levels of dancing proficiency. This included colour coded cards with matching ribbons. As dancers became proficient at each level they were awarded their equivalent ribbon, then they worked towards the next level. As dancers who participated in this teaching system, knew it to be a very special way of learning as they were all excited to achieve each level and be presented their proficiency ribbon award. This type of award system was also used later in clogging classes.

Fred and Elizabeth appreciated the support and have been very pleased to know of the many friendships, marriages and new generation of families that have developed from Sparkilate dances over the years.

Due to Fred and Elizabeth’s encouragement many of their dancers went on to become active members of the Society’s Executive Committee. These included a number of Vice Presidents, Presidents, Senior Vice Presidents, Publicity Officers, Treasurer, State Editors and Coordinating Editors and five Life Members, including Elizabeth and Fred.

During the 1980s Fred organised and supervised classes for callers to learn sight calling, which is still used today by most successful callers.

Being a very patient couple one of the Sparkilate specialities, was to run a monthly amateur caller’s night allowing any of their club members who were brave enough, no matter what age or gender to have a go. Fred would even loan his records for practice. From these amateur caller nights one, David Todd started his own club and is still calling and running the successful Mountain Devils, today.

Fred was instrumental in the drafting of the new constitution required for the incorporation of the Square Dance Society of New South Wales, in 1991. He was then the Public Officer of the Square Dance Society for over 10 years. Many times Fred and his wife Elizabeth would open up their home for meetings, which would save the Society the costs of hiring halls.

Fred was the foundation President of the NSW Society of Competition Square Dancing, for which he wrote the original constitution. He trained, danced in and entered many competition teams, for both children and adults over many years. These teams would go along with Fred to demonstrate Square Dancing at shopping centres and other venues, including one that was held annually for 10 years at the Hornsby Hospital Fete.

He started and operated a Square Dance Competition in Hornsby Westfield Shopping Centre using the shop owners as sponsors with the members of the winning team each receiving a new account from St George Building Society with an opening balance of $500. These competitions ran for around 12 months.
NSW Club News

GREENWICH SWINGERS
Caller: Brian Hutchins
Great to have our "Patron Saint", Pat McMahon now 97, at our St Patrick's Day Party and to have Graham and Cec at a recent dance. Good to have Barbara back dancing. The skirt for Kathy's birthday drew plenty of laughter. Club members who attended the State Convention were blessed with glorious weather in picturesque Kiama and a full dance program.

MOUNTAIN DEVILS
Caller: David Todd
Some dancers enjoyed the party at the NSW State Convention while others had more official duties to attend to. David off to the National in Hobart. Best wishes to all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. Enjoyed a visit from Neil and Torrennee.

HENRY KENDALL SQUARES
Caller: Les Heaton
Convention over and so is Easter, hope everyone had plenty of chocolate from the Easter Bunny or Bilby. What an unexpected surprise, the Club having a 20 year party and presenting Les with a Certificate for the 20 years of calling. Next on the list is the National in Hobart, the weekend looks good so pack your woolies. Congratulations to Jeff and Lorraine, Les and Joyce.

HILLBILLIES SQUARES Cont.
Tuberose bulbs donated by Meg. Best wishes to Barrett as he faces another heart operation. Welcome back Marita/Robert, Mistie & June.

HILLBILLIES CLOGGERS West Pymble
Leader: Vickie
Congratulations and best wishes to Fearnie's daughter Megan on her recent marriage. Megan was about 12 when she started clogging with us, how time flies. Dancers enjoyed Deadwood Stage and several of the dances on the list. Beginners doing well, very keen.

HILLBILLIES CLOGGERS South Hurstville
Welcome back to Sandra who has returned from her cruise. This group also enjoying new dances on the list. Trust everyone enjoyed their trip to Bundanoon. Birthday wishes to Maureen.

Summerland Larrinkins 20th Birthday

This month's NSW Lucky Membership
LUCKY DRAW FOR
APRIL 2012
METRO 4399 of Red Barons
COUNTRY 4396 of Sapphire Squares
PREVIOUS WINNER FOR MARCH/APRIL
Ernie Anthony of Red Barons
Mary Culshall of Newport Ocean Waves
Winners please contact Barbara Doust on (02) 9602 6377 or or write to:
12 St Pauls Crescent, Liverpool NSW 2170

NSW Publicity Report

I always enjoy reading American Square Dance Magazine. In the April edition it had an advertisement for a brand new marketing website promoting Square, Round and Contra dancing, in America. Even though it links to American clubs it provides non dancers with an excellent introduction to what these dance forms are about and the benefits they provide for a healthy mind and body. Check it out for yourself at www.you2candanoe.com!

Also, in the same magazine was an article by Nasser Shukayr who explains how he advertises for new beginners. He runs an internet ad campaign to enhance other advertising and promotions that clubs traditionally follow. He also talks about how he times the ad so the dance is later in the month that he is advertising in, Callers, you will have the opportunity to hear Nasser as he will be one of the speakers at the 3 day Caller Conference in Hobart just prior to the National Convention. An opportunity not to be missed!!

Upcoming events for NSW

June
7-11th National Convention Hobart
23-24th 29th Birthday Willi Whirlers
30th 5th Saturday NSW Society Executive

The Society Dinner dance will be held on the 30th June at Normanhurst Boys High School (see ad page 13). Bookings are essential for this night. Contact Leanne or Jason to ensure your table by the 16th June. Avoid disappointment -get your table organised now!!

Don't forget to utilise the 1800 number if you are unsure where friends, who do not live close by, can square dance or check the diary section in the Review.

Rosalind
Hello From The Hunter

When Chris Long joined the Hunter Valley Square Dance Society four years ago, little did he think he would be the centre of attention at his special "0" birthday party. Celebrating birthdays with Chris were Rob Logan, Merle Grossmann and Erica Meyer. 28 dancing friends filled the Atlantic room at the Silver Dolphin where we enjoyed a sumptuous buffet. The air was filled with laughter. There was reminiscing about previous birthdays, plus planning for upcoming square dance events.

Having an extra hour in bed was a bonus at Kiama's State Convention. Normally we lose an hour's sleep at our Hunter Valley weekend when summer time commences. This year, due to our change of date to the first weekend in October, it will already be in place. It's one less item to announce.

Violet S Kerswell
President

Letter to the Editor

I was sorry to hear about Edna Mann. I danced with her back in 1955. At the time I was doing ballroom dancing with her when she mentioned square dance classes. A girl friend and I went along and I have never looked back. Ivor my husband would have been in one of her teams that danced in the early TV show "In Sydney Tonight". Our thoughts are with her family.

Valerie Hemphrey
South Coast Ocean Waves

NSW Life Members

1974 Jim White,
1974 Ron Jones,
1975 Bill & Dorrie Ralph
1978 Rod & Miriam Johnston
1981 Betty & Norm Johnston,
1981 Merv & Freda Sharpe,
1983 Tom & Chic McGrath
1983 Laurie & Kit Spalding
1983 Roy & Beryl Petty
1983 Ted Sams
1987 Les Hitchen
1987 Lucky Newton,
1989 Merle Meyer,
1992 Elizabeth Meads
1994 Bid & Ron Stimson,
1999 Pauline & Alan Hansford,
2004 Ron & Roslyn Burrett
2004 Pat Dobson
2006 Ralph & Helen Jenner
2006 Bruce Clark
2006 Fred Meads
2007 Joan Mason
2007 Jan & Gordon Hearne
2009 Gwen Norris
2010 Wilma Flannery
2010 Rosalind Todd
Kiama Convention Trail-In Dance 29th March 2012

On a balmy Thursday evening, nearly 100 gathered at the recently refurbished Pavilion Hall, with its spectacular views over the Kiama surf beach and cliffs beyond, to dance the night away as a prelude to the Convention weekend. The Convention Committee encouraged the Kiama Happy Trailers Club to put on the dance, working with its caller, Jan Johnson, to make the necessary arrangements. Not only was the Kiama Club well represented, dancers from Jan’s other club, the Sussex-Shoalhaven Squares, were also there to welcome those in town for the Convention who wanted another session on the floor.

At various times, Jan invited callers registered for the Convention who came along to join her on stage as well as giving two of her newer callers the opportunity to lead us through numbers, providing them with great experience. So, in all, we danced to some 12 callers - can anyone come up with a collective noun for such a group of callers? Send your suggestions to the Review Editor! Helen Hodali, the regular cueing for I H I W I, provided us with a popular selection and more of Rounds.

The dance floor remained quite full throughout the evening ensuring everyone had a really splendid time. The continuous supper, which was regularly replenished with cakes of various descriptions, was likewise appreciated. Thanks to everyone involved in putting on a very successful event from all viewpoints.

Neville Jarvis

Decorating for Kiama

Cardboard boxes galore
And some paint from the store
Fabric scraps, sequins and stars by the score.
Wrapping paper and glue
A feather or two
It’s such a big space – I must find more!

Hats, masks and poppers
Horns and whistles too
Metres of streamers in various hue.
Balloons in bright bunches
And in nets you see through
How many to purchase – will 700 do?!

The day comes at last
The helpers arrive
Dismayed by the prospect of balloons far and wide.
With good cheer and effort
The hall is set right
All ready for the party to begin that night.

The banner looks splendid
At the end of the hall
Behind the stage which is placed so that no one would fall.

The venue’s now ready
We’ll have a ball
At the party in Kiama. Thank you to all!

Alexis Jarvis
METROPOLITAN SQUARES

MONDAY
Creemore
Upbeat C.H.A.O.S.
Palmerston North
Riviera Senior Club
Dundee Square
Holyrood
Bayview
Graceville

town & Country
Mainstream
Levels Plus
Mainstream/Learners
Mainstream/Plus Workshop
Basic/Mainstream
DBD Mainstream/Plus
MS/Plus (1st, 3rd & 5th)
MS/Plus Learning Plus
Mainstream/Plus
Learning MS/MS/Plus
Mainstream/MS/Plus

TUESDAY
Caboolture
E.Z. Squares
Coomera Granddaddies
Goldie Grand Sliders
Uniting Squares
Wavell Heights
Brisbane Island
Mount Gravatt
Brisbane Island
Crestmead
Sunshine Square

town & Country
Mainstream
Levels Plus
Mainstream/Learners
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Basic/Mainstream
DBD Mainstream/Plus
MS/Plus (1st, 3rd & 5th)
MS/Plus Learning Plus
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WEDNESDAY
North Brisbane
Logan City Chee
Fortitude Valley
Wavell Whirlaways
Brisbane Island
Mount Gravatt
Harbour City
Brisbane Island
Crestmead
Greenslopes

Crestmead
E.Z. Squares
Fortitude Valley
Wavell Whirlaways
Brisbane Island
Mount Gravatt
Harbour City
Brisbane Island
Crestmead
Greenslopes

THURSDAY
Brisbane Island
Logan City Chee
Fortitude Valley
Wavell Whirlaways
Brisbane Island
Mount Gravatt
Harbour City
Brisbane Island
Crestmead
Greenslopes

Crestmead
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FRIDAY
Brisbane Island
Logan City Chee
Fortitude Valley
Wavell Whirlaways
Brisbane Island
Mount Gravatt
Harbour City
Brisbane Island
Crestmead
Greenslopes

Crestmead
E.Z. Squares
Fortitude Valley
Wavell Whirlaways
Brisbane Island
Mount Gravatt
Harbour City
Brisbane Island
Crestmead
Greenslopes

SATURDAY
Clontarf
Sunshine Square & Rounds

town & Country
Mainstream
Levels Plus
Mainstream/Learners
Mainstream/Plus Workshop
Basic/Mainstream
DBD Mainstream/Plus
MS/Plus (1st, 3rd & 5th)
MS/Plus Learning Plus
Mainstream/Plus
Learning MS/MS/Plus
Mainstream/MS/Plus

SUNDAY
Greenmount
Sunshine Square & Rounds

town & Country
Mainstream
Levels Plus
Mainstream/Learners
Mainstream/Plus Workshop
Basic/Mainstream
DBD Mainstream/Plus
MS/Plus (1st, 3rd & 5th)
MS/Plus Learning Plus
Mainstream/Plus
Learning MS/MS/Plus
Mainstream/MS/Plus

Queensland President’s Report

On the 24 March 2012, the Square Dancing Society of Queensland Inc. held its Annual General Meeting and dance at Edinburgh Castle Road, Wavell Heights would like to thank the hosts, Sid and Betty Leighton and the club members of Wavell Whirlaways, and Lynette Macpherson, and the club members of Sunshine Square and Round Dance Club, for once again hosting the AGM Dance on behalf of the Society. I would also like to thank the dancers who supported the AGM dance, because without them, it would not have been the success it was. Congratulations on a job well done – again.

At the conclusion of the dance, the AGM was held and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing President, Noel Miller, and the Treasurer, Alan Rayner, for the effort they have put into their positions over the last two years.

The new Committee is as follows –

President: Leighton Bloomfield
Senior Vice President: Carole Mackinney
Secretary: Bev McLachlan
Treasurer: Noel Miller
Executive Assistant: Sandra Bloomfield
North Qld Vice President: Julie Jensen
Central Qld Vice President: Shirley Kelly
Registrar: Harold Liley
Publicity/Promotions Officer: Leighton Bloomfield
State Review Editor: Bev Liley
State Newsletter Editor: Noel Miller
Functions & Events Co-ord.: Leighton Bloomfield
Dancer Representatives: Margaret Baines, Kate Brown, Fred Mackinney, Ann Usherwood, David Pearce.

The Society is looking forward to a great year. Noel and Merle McKenzie and the dancers of Town & Country Squares will host our Sunshine State Round Up in August, and the Society will be hosting the 2012 Christmas Party, if no other offers to host this function are forthcoming.

Over the past several years, Noel Miller has been working on a DVD to be used as a promotional tool to obtain new dancers. This DVD has now been finalised and will be distributed to our clubs throughout our State within the next few months.

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**COUNTRY SQUARES**

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**Queensland President’s Report Continued**

In closing, I would like to congratulate the newly elected members to this committee and look forward to working with the whole committee.

Enjoy your dancing,

Leighton Bloomfield
President
Square Dancing Society of Queensland Inc.
**Queensland Publicity Report**

On 25th March 2012, the Square Dancing Society of Queensland Inc. Management Committee decided to reintroduce a Publicity & Promotions section in the Australian Square Dance Review for a trial period of 12 months. To assist clubs with advertising, the Society invites all Queensland square dance clubs to submit a brief description of their upcoming event in no more than 40 words—no photographs, please. This will be a free service. To try to accommodate everyone, if your advertisement exceeds 40 words, it may not be included.

To take part in this trial, please email your upcoming event to me at, ljbloomingfield1@optushome.com.au, keeping in mind that these articles need to be received by me by 25th of each month. This innovation is subject to the same rules as advertising in the Review, for example, if you want to advertise an event in June, the advertisement needs to be sent to me by 25 April. I look forward to your participation in this promotion.

**Some upcoming events are**

**30 May 2012**
Gumdale Grandsliders Square Dance Club Inc. is holding their 25th Anniversary Dance. Caller: Alan Evans. Enquiries: Phone Bev or Harold 07 3207 3577 or email bev.liley@gmail.com

**30 June 2012**
Pine Rivers Senior Citizens Square Dance Club Inc. is holding a “P.L.’s” Dance – Come in your favourite night attire – birthday suits are not acceptable!! Entry fee - $6.00 – Commencening 7.00pm – supper provided. Venue – Kallangur Community Hall, Anzac Avenue, Kallangur. Contact: Margaret Baines (07) 3285 2130.

**June 30 – 1 July 2012**
Cane Country Squares, Bundaberg, “Leap Year Dance” 7 pm, at the Norville Hall, Maynard Street, Bundaberg - Caller: Matthew Mills. Michael Mills from Rockhampton will be our guest caller. Matthew and Michael really call great together. Phone: (07) 41592308

**29 December 2012**
Pine Rivers Senior Citizens Square Dance Club Inc. is holding a “Pre-New Year’s Eve” Dance. Entry fee - $7.00 – commencing at 7.00pm – supper provided. Venue – Kallangur Community Hall, Anzac Avenue, Kallangur. Contact: Margaret Baines (07) 3285 2130.

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**Burleigh Square Dance Club**
(Gold Coast – Qld)

Invite you to join them in their Birthday Celebrations at
Maher Hall
42 Matilda Street
BURLEIGH HEADS

**21st JULY 2012**
Basic, Mainstream & Plus levels of Dancing
From 7pm – 10pm

Admission - $6.00

Enquiries:- Joy (07) 5523 3047 or Sue (07) 3472 5556
Or www.isqdarance.net

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**Hervey Bay Square Dance Club**

Hervey Bay Square Dance Club has just celebrated their 23rd Birthday. We were very lucky to have Brian Hotchkies calling at our Birthday Party in March. It was a 50/50 night, being bracket about of Mainstream and PLUS and Brian made it a very interesting evening, full of variety, including some less common moves. The

Maryborough Heritage City Hoedowners closed their normal PLUS night to be able to join in with the celebrations. A BIG Thank You to Brian and all the dancers. A great time was had by all!
Queensland Club News

BURLEIGH SQUARES Gold Coast
Caller: Alan Evans
Newer dancers continue to learn the basic movements of Square Dancing. Alan includes brackets or two of Plus learning, along with our regular mainstream dancing for those who have been dancing for a while. Committees are looking forward to planning our next big event, our “Masked Ball” Birthday Celebration in July.

CAIRNS CITY SQUARE DANCE CLUB
Big hello to southern Square Dance visitors to our Club and beautiful warm Cairns. Glad John Eustance home after suffering a stroke. Many dancers travelling at this time - Dianne & Henry, Jill and Bev just back. Ian & Jenny, Anne & Andrew, Debbie & Rob, Alison & Graham leaving soon. Congratulations to Ben and Dot to be married in May.

CAINE COUNTRY SQUARES, Bundaberg
Caller: Matthew Mills.
Our thanks go to Mike Davey, from Victoria who came and called for us at our Shindig on 2, 3 and 4th March. Our new learner’s classes have started and our 29th Birthday is being celebrated on 30th March, with a meal at Across the Waves followed by a night of dancing.

GUMDALE GRANDSLIDERS
Caller: Alan Evans
Preparations are underway for our 25th Anniversary dance in May. Our Club has enjoyed a healthy membership throughout this time and looks forward to many more successful and happy years. Alan is back in full swing once again. A big thank you goes to our workshop dancers who give assistance to our beginners and make them feel welcome.

RAMBLING EIGHTS
Caller: David Pearce
Irish weekend at Lake Perseverance had more lighthearted than any visit to Ireland would meet. Dancers and organisers got into the swing of green with Irish theme carried into supper, decorations, costumes and dances. Thanks to David, Noel and Jane and all involved for great effort. Birthday celebrations for Mary Watkins, Lorraine and Shirley.

Salad Bowl Squares
St Patrick’s Day – 364 days to practice, one day to get it right. Even Charles’ famous scones were emerald green. Betty, how many pints of Guinness did Bob consume to win that hat? Commiserations to those who missed a great night. Having ogs was no excuse! We look forward to having you on deck for our Nautical & Nice night.

We do not grow too old to dance. We grow old because we do not dance.”
- Herb Greggerson, Square Dance caller, 1953

Longevity of Life

I would like to introduce you to an amazing little old lady Vivian Vieritz who just celebrated her 90th birthday at EZ Squares Caboolture. Vivian attends square dancing every week and dances almost every dance, including dancing with the learners. Vivian says that she learned square dancing at Buderim about 20 years ago, and still loves it as much as she did in the beginning.

But let me tell you that this is not all that she does. Vivian attends old time dances on the weekend wherever it takes her. Now for the most important piece she is a qualified yoga teacher and teaches a two (2) hour advanced yoga class every Monday night. At one of our social events recently she demonstrated her yoga skills including standing on her head, not bad for someone of her age. With all those programmes in place it appears to me that she is not a frail little old lady as some of are likely to be at her age. Congratulations Vivian – keep up with your busy life, it obviously helps to have “Attitude”.

Suncoasters, Buderim

On 11th March we held our first social luncheon for the year. Members and their friends/relatives were invited to a free - BBQ lunch in our garden grounds. We were very heartened by the way in which our new Basics joined in, helping out the “older” members without being asked. It showed a great “team” spirit which was much appreciated by those members to whom the tasks often fall. Our usual - BBQ expert Kevin had other commitments, but our stalwarts Nev, Frank, Allan and Bruce leapt into the breach and the 70 to 80 people who attended had a marvellous time. Members were asked to supply either nibbles or sweets to share, and of course, in usual Ozzie fashion, it was over-catered. We’re all looking forward to our next lunch. Our Vice-President Cath won the final of the local Senior Talent Quest with her great act, and is scheduled to appear in the grand final to be held in Brisbane in November.

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Hello once again from South Australia

Thank you to all those people who came along to our first Society dance for the year in March. They had a fantastic time laughing and dancing, but the highlight of the night was supper with lots of yummy food ranging from unhealthy chocolate and cakes to healthy sandwiches. While there was a good turnout, there were a lot of people who didn’t turn up, which was a shame. We know that dance location is one factor that accounts for some absences, but we are concerned that the format doesn’t suit others. The enthusiastic attendees of the March dance completed a questionnaire and we have used the results of that to trial a new format for our next dance.

As this goes to print, we will have fond memories of our first non-dancing get-together for the year – a dolphin boat cruise and dinner on the Port River. There are other exciting events in the pipeline for the year ahead.

Hello once again from South Australia Continued

The State Convention registration forms have been designed and are now available on our web site, www.squaredancingsa.com – simply follow the links.

On a sad note Barney Devaney, a caller known to many, has just passed away. He will be sadly missed by all the dancers from South Australia who knew him.

April Nicholls

VALE – GEOFF REDDING

REDDING, Geoffrey, 18th March 2012 Late of North Bondi. Aged 96 years. Beloved husband of Linda (dec). Missed by his son Garry and daughter Gail and daughter-in-law Laraine and families. GEOFFREY’S family would like to thank the staff of Milford House, Randwick for all their kindness.

As published in Daily Telegraph on March 20, 2012.

VALE – GEOFF REDDING

We were very saddened to hear of the recent passing of Geoff Redding. Geoff (with his beloved wife) Linda were awarded Life Membership to the Round Dance Council of NSW after many years teaching round dancing at their club in Bexley, cueing at many of Chris Froggat’s Saturday night clubs, heading the rounds at Square Dance Society of NSW events and being active inaugural members of the Round Dance Council of NSW.

On a personal note, we will remember Geoff & Linda as being very willing mentors for Ed & I when we first accepted positions on the Executive of the Round Dance Council of NSW (before it incorporated as the Round Dance Association of NSW Inc).

Even now, many dancers recall learning rounds with Geoff & Linda – often referring to the many smiles and tears in learning “Smile” and then “Tears”.

Now its our turn to shed a Tear and Smile with joy as we remember all the happy times we shared with Geoff. Our sympathies and thoughts are now with his Geoff’s families.

Ed Coleman & Lynn Yager
Southside Rounds

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**WA Delegate’s Report**

Hi from Dullsville the capital of boredom in Australia. Well at least some think so when they visit but they sadly haven’t had any contact with the Square Dance World of the West. To do so would certainly change their minds. But we prefer to keep it a secret. Our great beaches, blue skies, perfect weather, wild flowers coming up, fabulous sunsets across the beaches, and a laid back and casual lifestyle with plenty of outdoor cappuccino strips for the coffee addicts. So if you want to experience some of this great secret you should plan to Go West in September and October to enjoy all the benefits and then you could cap off a great state visit to the WA State Convention over the weekend of 12th, 13th and 14th October. Details are on the Society web pages.

Interesting times in WA during the month of March. As indicated in the last report we have held two events to survey our members on their thoughts and input into the future of Square Dancing in WA and also what should occur at State Conventions.

At the Society Dance and Think Tank morning some interesting ideas came forward. How do we attract younger people, families, and keep them in our clubs? Some of the ideas were –

**Promotions** – forget the single demos at shopping centres, go to where the people are in groups and more likely to pluck up the courage to come as several couples. Do the demos at Pubs and Taverns, Cricket and Football Club Functions, Over 55’s villages, get a presence into the schools.

**Dress** – The dress it was thought is a factor in discouraging people. Too “Country”!! Relax the dress to just smart tidy casual wear, but retaining the need for the men to wear long sleeved shirts. Keep the dress up gear to special events, press parades etc. When doing demos do them in casual gear.

**Music** – Update the music to make it more in the era of the new dancers we are trying to attract. This is noted as a difficult one to achieve given the lack of new records coming out and the production costs nowadays.

A survey of members was also conducted to understand and gain their insight into what should and shouldn’t happen at State Conventions. From the survey it appears some 66% of our membership could potentially attend the 2012 Convention. That’s nearly 400 plus people. Now wouldn’t that be great!! Some of the ideas that came forward that the committee are looking at seriously are: Safe Driving Activities – Round Dancing should be included more fully in the programme not just as a separate session to begin an evening or afternoon session.
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**WA Delegate’s Report Continued**

Plus and A dancers also felt the same. To this end the programmers will be looking at a change to programming to accommodate all members and give everyone a fair share of the floor throughout the whole evening.

Banner Parades and Dress Sets still seem popular but it was clear that the majority wanted them as a combined effort. This will also be addressed by the convention committee. Other ideas that came in and were supported by several dancers were informal breakfast morning involving newly graduated dancers, innovative dancing (not confined to squares), bring in some callers other than WA callers (don’t they like WA Callers??), Novelty dances, themed sessions, floor shows, and many more that dancers wanted to be thought about. To this end the current committee are looking at achieving a convention that addresses the ideas and wishes of the populous. It was an interesting exercise and many of the ideas will be taken on board and addressed over the years by other conventions.

Well now we aren’t that boring. So come join with us.

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**Swinging Squares Albany**

On 30th March Trish & Bill Knijf, Julie and I did a mini club visit for Greenfinches to Swinging Squares Albany.

We were so pleased the club was able to open especially for us and to match up with our visit to Albany to attend Julie’s sister’s 50th birthday party the following day.

It was also great that Peter & Lorraine from Adelaide Outlaws happened to also be in town and rang ahead to see if the club was dancing that night...how good is that for timing to make up the second set as well

This also confirms the value of having up to date contact details for your club on the Australian National web pages, National Review and local magazines.

Trish, Bill Julie and I certainly enjoyed the club hospitality and the variety of square dance calls and rounds danced during the night from 8 to 11pm.

Sue & Paul’s children – Mellisa, Teegan & Sophie must also be thanked for dancing so well and so many times during the long fun evening.

We extend our thanks to all the Swinging Squares club members and caller Cherie Grogan for making us feel so welcome and helping us have such a great social evening which we all thoroughly enjoyed and now look forward to repeating this as soon as we can

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Until next time
Greg Fawell
WA Delegate.
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