Fun & Friendship set to Music
 Caller/Cuer Conference with Steve Turner

36th NSW State Convention Milton
What’s Happening

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

Everyone talks about the decline of square dancing. One might argue that the problem with square dancing is that more people who start to learn to square dance have a bad experience, than those who have a good experience, and so the activity is declining. I know that most social activities are in decline. It is an easy out to say that societal trends are undermining square dancing or is it because we are making it too complicated.

Nasser Shukayr in a light hearted approach suggested in the future we might have a new Square Dancing Brain Implant, to reduce the learning time to mere minutes. One quick painless surgical procedure, during which a special computer chip is implanted in the brain, and suddenly you can do all the calls from all positions, and in four dimensions. We claim square dancing is fun but do we push dancers to constantly move to higher levels.

Others believe that the problem is square dancing is considered lame. It’s an image problem. If you bring up the subject of square dancing with people who have never square danced (other than at school), they will invariably turn up their nose at it. The problem we have to fix is that people — and especially, but not only, young people — think square dancing is not cool. Do we need to change the dress or the music? What do you think?

Sit back, relax and enjoy reading the July issue of the Australian Square Dance Review, our national magazine.

Till next time
Rosalind
Calling all Callers.

Now is the perfect time to join the ACF and take advantage of the reduced cost of attending the Caller’s Conference next year in Mooloolaba. An invitation is extended to all callers to attend the educational conference at Mantra Resort on the Sunshine Coast prior to the 57th Australian National Square Dance Convention. You will be able to exchange ideas and mingle with other delegates at a non-dancing venue. The Mantra Resort has been very supportive by offering accommodation at a group discount rate for delegates and partners.

Accommodation is not included in the package and must be booked separately on a special form that can be downloaded from: http://www.squaredancenational2016.com/index.php/accomodation

The program begins on Sunday the 26th from 9:30am with a Meet & Greet over a cuppa & morning tea and ends with the optional banquet dinner from 7pm on Tuesday the 28th.

Your Presenters will be: Steve Turner (Australia) Paul Bristow (UK) and Ken Ritucci (USA)
BEHIND THE MIKE

Full information about these three caller/coaches is available on the Internet but this month I take this opportunity to introduce Ken Ritucci:

Ken received his accreditation in 1991. Among the topics Ken specializes in are: “Understanding Music and Rhythm,” ‘Salesmanship Skills for Callers,” “How to be Successful in today’s activity and what makes a successful Caller,” “Programming and Using Professional Judgment While Calling on Stage,” “Understanding Sight Calling and how to be a successful Sight Caller” as well as other topics.

Ken calls through the C3B Level and has travelled all over the USA and Canada calling for clubs and festivals. He continues to be recognized as a leader and trainer of callers. Ken has trained literally hundreds of callers to call. Ken calls several times a year for the Times Squares in New York City. Ken is available for calling dates throughout the United States and overseas as well as teaching at clinics and seminars.

Caller’s schools are held by our state associations on a regular basis but the chance to attend an event like this one happens only every four years. Get on-board. Get excited. Register now at http://acfcallercuerconference2016.weebly.com.

Remember, ACF Members may register for this event at a discounted rate. If you’re not already a member, contact your local State Caller Association about joining the ACF.

Di Ashton
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Tassie News

PRESIDENTS REPORT
Busy month in May, with Tassie Twirlers, Kindred, celebrating their 48th birthday, Launceston celebrating 64 years (I was 10 years behind in my Annual Report, sorry Launceston dancers) and the A.G.M. of the Tas. Square Dance Society. Both birthdays were well attended and very enjoyable. Last year’s committee was re-elected. I believe I left a dent in the table when I emphasised this was my last year as President. Thank you to the committee for your efforts over the year. It has been a hard year. Life Membership was awarded to Launceston’s caller, Glenn MacLaren. It is hoped that some changes made including a reduction in membership fees will encourage more dancers to join. Next dance will be in Hobart in September. Hope to see you there.

Frank Steers (President)

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Club News
Tassie Twirlers (Kindred) – Graeme Whiteley
Thanks to all who attended our 48th Birthday, Graeme & visiting callers made it an enjoyable night, and all those who contributed towards the supper. The birthday cake was made & decorated by none other than the caller’s wife, Shirley.

Launceston – Glenn MacLaren & Di Ashton.
Several car loads made the trip to Kindred and the weather was fine. Congratulations Graeme & Shirley on your 48 years. Great night as always and that lovely country supper is always something we look forward to. We proudly celebrated our 64th. birthday at the end of May. Thanks Daniela for getting your brother to make our birthday cake and to you for decorating it. Cake was cut by Julie Baillie & Nelson Cooper. Thanks to our visitors from North West Coast & Hobart and this year we also had the pleasure of the company of Bernadette from Golden Squares Narre Warren and Stuart from Allabout Squares Mt. Gambier. Bernadette joined Di in calling a bracket. Great supper after the dance. Plans are afoot for a big celebration for our 65th birthday over the weekend of 28-29th May, 2016 subject to hall availability. Congratulations to Norma & Graeme on the arrival of another great grandson. “B” Theme night produced ballerinas to bikies, belles & beaus of the ball, a beggar, plenty of bling, as well as bees & ladybirds and outfits in good old blue or black. Progressive dinner was a great night of too much food and wonderful friendship. Missing Norma & Graeme as they make their way North on the big island for a few weeks, then Di is off to USA in August to visit her son. Happy holidays.

Shirley C
ACT President’s Report

ACT is in winter recess.
Our revised Rules [Constitution] has now been lodged with the ACT Office of Regulatory Services. We now have a few weeks break and several dancers are making exciting trips. We wish them well and a happy journeying. For the future there is the dance at Bairnsdale with Brian Hotchkies, and a trip to Lord Howe Island in April.

Mike Rickard
[President].
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Additional Square Dance information is available from www.vsda.org.au
Additional Round Dance information is available from www.rounddanceassociationvictoria.org.au
Victoria President’s Report

Its now half way through the year of 2015 and where has the time gone. Down south here in Victoria we are busy planning our up coming major events. So keep an eye out on the VSDA web page for all the latest news and information. Why not become friends with us via face book --send us a request.

Since the last report from us a number of clubs have celebrated birthdays, and a great time was had at Australiana, Phoenix and Jayvee Squares. Well done to these clubs and to those celebrating this month enjoy your day.

We are still trying to get the three associations together but this will take some time. We believe this would be better for Square Dancing all round. You will have to watch this space as they say!!

To all those travelling on the next Country Cruise safe travel to Sydney. Karen and I will catch you all on board.

Not a lot more from down south just to say keep warm and enjoy your dancing where ever that may be.

Cheers for Now,
Mark Kelly
President
VSDA

Editor’s note: Cruisin Country from the June Review is concluded on page 25
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N.S.W. President’s Report

The 36th NSW State Convention was a fantastic success—full of magical moments, great dancing and catching up with and making new friends. Congratulations to convenors Jan & Helen and their committee on a job well done. You can certainly be proud of your achievements.

Prior to the convention the Association sponsored a caller/cuer conference with guest presenter, Steve Turner. All those who attended commented on how informative it was. Thank you Steve for an amazing presentation.

On the Sunday of the convention the association held its Annual General Meeting and election of executive officers. The new executive are listed on the diary page. As always please contact them with your ideas and if you require assistance.

On a sad note Lucky Newton, Life member of the NSW Association, passed away. Lucky & Les Hitchen were instrumental in setting up the Spring Swing. Lucky was also a great caller, cuer and teacher to many square and round dancers. Robert Fitzgibbon lost his battle with cancer recently. He started dancing in 1952 where he met and married his wife Maureen. They have supported a great many clubs, conventions and dances over the years. Our condolences to Lucky’s family and to Maureen and family over their passing.

It is important that we communicate openly. We are striving to promote fun, fellowship and memorable dancing experiences for all square and round dancers. Your input is valuable and important to us. Gossip only helps rumours spread through organisations like a virus that infects the body. If you have a concern please contact me or a member of the executive.

Please support your club, weekend dances and spread the word about the wonderful activity we are involved in.

David

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to be made to Cecil Leonard at leonard.c@optusnet.com.au or Phone 02 4341 3681

NSW METROPOLITAN CLOGGING

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

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

SUMMERLAND LARRIKINS
Caller: Wilma Flannery
Wilma away at the Milton State Convention. Karen & Frances ran her clubs. Casino Beef week saw us travel to Casino for demos and open house. The open house produced a cross section of uni students and residents from a nursing home. We had a WOW of a time teaching the students & nursing home staff. Happy birthday Karen, Arden and Peter.

CARPENTER & CO
Caller: Gary Carpenter
Great time at the Milton State Convention. So many highlights for the club. 30 people at Saturday dinner, Wayne Wendy & Julie getting so much from the Caller/Cuer seminars, Julie being asked to provide backup vocals to Steve Turner and David Todd. We also handed out 170 info packs and took 69 registrations for next year’s State Convention at Woongarrah.

HENRY KENDALL SQUARES
Caller: Les Heaton
What a lovely time we had in Milton, cold weather just right for dancing and catching up with friends not seen for a year or more. Birthday wishes to Barry Beatson and Shirley. A few beginners along now learning the Basics and thank you to the experienced dancers helping them in the squares.

HILLBILLIES SQUARES Beecroft
Callers Vickie and Steve.
Kathy is off touring half way around the world, it’s good to have Rhonda and Steve back dancing with us again, they’re off to Lord Howe Island with the grandkids shortly. A lot of Hillbillies attended the State Convention at Milton and declared it a great weekend of dancing and fun. Deepest sympathy to Daniele on the loss of her mother.

TOP CATS Tuesday (Basic/MS)
Caller: Brett Gill
A very warm welcome to our new learners. Thanks to everyone who assisted with our promotion. Lovely to see Lyn dancing with us again. Dancers are gaining confidence each week with a different movement workshopped during the dance. Don’t forget, change of venue during school holidays (Sutherland).

TOP CATS Thursday (Plus/A)
Caller: Brett Gill
Venue change during school holidays (Sutherland) Sickness and ill health hitting quite a few dancers at present - We hope you get better soon. Dancers gearing up for our weekend featuring Hunter Keller.

TOP CATS Friday (Basics)
Caller: Brett Gill
Chilled nights warmed with laughter! This night is designed to be a walk-in learner class, meaning new starters can join in right away without waiting for an annual intake. Everyone welcome! Venue change over school holidays (Sutherland).

TOP CATS Saturday (MS/P)
Caller: Brett Gill
Looking forward to our Xmas in July dance with decorated tables, Hunter Keller weekend and Family & Friends night. A busy couple of months!!

PANTHER SQUARES
Caller: Maree Huffadine
Sincere sympathies to Maureen on the passing of Robert. Welcome back to our travellers: Sandra from the Kimberleys, John, Nola from Europe, Murray & Marion from their cruise, Jenni & Terry from Central Australia. Best wishes to our “not so good”, but improving people Irene & Olive. Missing Edith as well. Our “beginners” are great. Birthday celebrations to Pam, Maree, Laurie, Rob John & Rob.

GREENWICH SWINGERS
Caller: Brian Hotchkies
The club was well represented at the State Convention by our dancers and Dressed Square. Despite the cold weather a good time was had by all. Good to have Gisella and Bill back after Bill’s mishap. Kathie and Jill are on the grand tour and send regular email updates that are great to read as you feel that you are there with them.
2015 The Hunter Valley Square Dance Society Inc.

Feature Caller

BRIAN HOTCHKIES

Rounds with

Ed Coleman

Friday 2nd – Sunday 4th October 2015

Venue: Cardiff High School, Boronia Street Cardiff NSW 2285

REGISTRATION $40.00 P.P.

Cheque & enquires to Hunter Valley Square Dance Society Inc.
43 Cain Street Redhead NSW 2290.
Violet on (02) 4950 1128
Email: violetsarah@bigpond.com.au

Programme

Friday: 7.30 – 8pm Rounds
8pm – 10.30 Squares

Saturday: 2pm – 2.30pm Rounds
2.30 – 4.30 Mainstream, Plus & Contra
7pm – 7.30 A1
7.30 – 8pm Rounds
8pm – 10.30 Squares & Rounds

Sunday: 10.00 am – 12pm Squares & Rounds
Followed by BBQ Lunch (included in weekend ticket)

Name(s): ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
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No. of Tickets: ____________ W/End @ $40.00 P.P. Total cost $ ________________
N.S.W. Publicity Report

The Square and Round Dance Association is holding a Round Dance Matinee at Sylvania Heighs Public School, 33 Lisbon St, on Sunday July 12 starting at 2pm.

The Southern Sydney Square Dance Festival is holding a weekend on Sat-Sun August 8-9, 2015 at Engadine West Primary School featuring Hunter Keller (USA) and supported by Brett Gill. This event is sponsored by the Square & Round Dance Association and Top Cats Square Dance Club. Come to this weekend for an exciting time.

There are lots of photos on facebook from the Milton State Convention and congratulations to George Pitt for receiving his silver microphone award.

Next year’s convention, is being held at the School Hall, Mackillop Catholic College, Woongarrah a “Sound Check Dance” for this event is on Saturday, 29th August featuring Brian Hotchkies and Wilma Flannery. While travelling to the Southern Sydney Festival, stay awhile and travel to the Sound Check dance.

Frances McAlister

2015 NSW Calendar of Events

**JULY**
- Mon 6: Henry Kendall Squares Christmas in July Dance
- Sat 11: Sutherland Top Cats Christmas in July Dance
- Sun 12: Round Dance Matinee Sylvania Heights
- Fri-Sun 24-26: Taree Manning Promenaders 28th Birthday Weekend

**AUGUST**
- Sat-Sun 8-9: Weekend Dance Hunter Keller (USA) & Brett Gill
- Fri 14: Port Macquarie Riverside 8’s 2nd Birthday dance
- Sat 15: Pt Macquarie Bayabarra Firemans Ball with Gary Carpenter
- Fri 21/28: Engadine Top Cats Beginners/New Learner intake
- Sat 22: Round Dance Evening Gymea Terry Lee
- Fri-Sun 21-23: Woolgoolga 23rd Gala Weekend
- Sat 29: Square & Round Dance Assoc of NSW 37th State Convention Sound Check Dance
  
  Callers: Brian Hotchkies/Wilma Flannery
JUST BLISS DANCE CLUB

IT’S PARTY TIME AGAIN

AND EVERYONE IS INVITED PLEASE JOIN US AND HELP US CELEBRATE THE EXCELLENT PROGRESS OF OUR 2015 GROUP OF NEW DANCERS.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY 19TH August, 2015

WHERE: Randwick Public School Hall.
ENTER THE GROUNDS THROUGH THE GATES IN “THE AVENUE”
( ALONG FROM THE FIRE STATION )

PARTY THEME: “SPRING” IS AROUND THE CORNER
DRESS IN BRIGHT SPRING COLOURS

DANCING: FROM 7.45PM.
A SUPPER PLATE WOULD BE APPRECIATED

NSW Lucky Membership
LUCKY DRAW FOR JUNE 2015

Metro 3673 Top Cats
Country 4240 Cloverleaf Dancers

Previous Winners
Heather Phillips B Bar H

Winners please contact Barbara Doust on (02) 9602 6377
or write to:
12 St Pauls Crescent, Liverpool NSW 2170

SQUARE DANCE ACCESSORIES

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

RIVERSIDE 8’S
Caller: Tony Bowring
Good reports from the State Convention from our members that attended. Great to see visitors dropping in during the month, thank you to Bernie from Lismore, Ray & Margaret all the way from Phillip Island and Dougal from Logan City. Also good to hear Dougal call a bracket for us. 2nd birthday dance coming up soon.

KNEE DEEP SQUARES
Chris & Linda Froggatt
Great response to our beginner promotion, lots of new dancers swelling our numbers to 8-9 squares. Knee Deepers had a great time at Milton State Convention, congratulations to all involved. Lovely to see Jean back after her knee surgery. Birthday greetings Jean, Ted, Barbara, Jan, & Christine. Slice drive this month.

SAPPHIRE SQUARES
George & Pam Pitt
What a fantastic, friendly weekend it was at Milton for the NSW State Convention, and well-deserved congratulations go to all the committee. Congratulations also to George on receiving his Silver Microphone Award for achieving 25 years of continuous club calling. Alan is coming along slowly but surely after his recent huge operation. Birthday wishes this month go to Margaret McAllister.

JUST BLISS
Caller: Jim Brooks
This year we had a very good response to our “Beginner Intake” promotion and our new dancers seem really enthusiastic and are progressing well, with excellent support from our original 2014 group. As a result, we are really pleased to be still regularly dancing 4 – 5 squares each week. Jacquiline, Sam, Dewi and Sandra all had Birthdays in June.

RED BARON
Caller: Barry Wonson
We wish John White a speedy recovery from his hospital stay. We miss his friendly face at the door. Andrew is filling in, not the same. He even forgets the door prize, till supper time! We also want to wish Betty a happy 91st Birthday she celebrated this week. Many thanks to Marina who supplied the birthday cake.

MOUNTAIN DEVILS
Caller: David Todd
Congratulations to Jan & Helen for a magical time in Milton. David was re-elected as President of the association. Thanks to all those dancers who attend on these chilly evenings. It is appreciated. Our thoughts are with Maureen Fitzgibbon on the passing of Robert. Looking forward to Hunter Keller dance and Sound Test Dance for the next state convention.

VALE ROBERT FITZGIBBON
Robert will be remembered by dancers at clubs as diverse as Hillbillies Squares, Greystanes Rounds, Rennicks Rounds, Red Barons, Penrith Panthers and a number of other clubs Robert and Maureen visited. They also enjoyed a number of weekend dances such as Taree & Newcastle and others.

Bob and Maureen were regular attendees at Round Dance Matinees, the last one they attended being Normanhurst in August, 2014. Bob will be sorely missed at future dances.

Our condolences go to Maureen and family at this difficult time.
Ed Coleman
**NORTHERN NSW SQUARE DANCE ASSOCIATION**

**GALA WEEKEND FESTIVAL**

21st-23rd August 2015

**CALLER:** Brian Hotchkies (NSW)

**ROUNDS:** Paula Armstrong (Qld)

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

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Please make cheques payable to: Northern NSW Square Dance Assoc (NNSWSDA)
Post to: Frances McAlister, 53 Invercauld Road, Goonellabah 2480
Direct Deposit: BSB—728 728  A/c Name: Northern NSW Square Dance Assoc.
A/c No: 22303396—Please include Surname in Deposit and post rego form to Frances
Enquiries: Wilma Flannery—02 666 6647 or Email—wilmaflan@bigpond.com
We would like to thank all those people who helped make many magical moments at the state convention held at Milton.

To start with thank you to the wonderful people that helped with putting the halls together, from carrying heavy stage equipment, decorations and general setting up to putting the jug on for a welcome cuppa.

We would also like to say a big thank you to all the callers and cuers that came to the convention and put so much energy into every call they had. They really kept us all moving and the atmosphere was electric. The sixteen callers, ten cuers and five clogging cuers came from NSW, ACT, Qld, Vic and WA.

Prior to the convention callers and cuers had a chance to learn some stage presentation techniques, body language and the right mix of bass and treble in our voices. It was very entertaining, thank you Steve Turner for coming over to teach us. We were also very lucky to have had Paula and Warick Armstrong come down from Queensland to do a workshop on Jive for the round dancers.

The SAS junior school for their dancing and a big thank you to Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs and to Jan for teaching them. Thank you to the hospitality class for their dinner and after party food, as well as the SAS Parents and Friends for the canteen food and drinks.

The sound was excellent thanks to Allen and Robin Kerr and Glen Cassar, great job done.
Thank you to all those that helped out, when they saw a job that needed to be done Special thanks to Ros, Nev, Monica and Mark. Thank you the first aiders that came running from all over the hall when they were needed.

Lastly thank you to the Milton Show Ground Committee for their help and support before and during the week end.

Jan & Helen
Square & Round Dance Association of NSW
in conjunction with
Top Cats Square Dance Club
present
Hunter Keller (USA )
Supported by: Brett Gill
8th & 9th August 2015
Engadine West Primary School Hall (Enter via Buckle Ave)

REGISTRATION FORM

Session 1: Saturday Morning 11am-1pm A1 & A2
Session 2: Afternoon 2pm-4.30pm Plus & Round Dancing
Session 3: Night 7.30pm-10.30pm Mainstream & Plus
Theme: Red, White & Blue A plate of supper appreciated
Session 4: Sunday Afternoon 12.30pm-1.30pm A1 & A2
1.30pm-3.30pm Mainstream & Plus
Sausage Sizzle Optional Extra 12.15pm-1.15pm @ $4.00 per head

One Dance Session $15 per person Two Dance Sessions $22 per person
Three Dance Sessions $30 per person Four Dance Sessions $35 per person

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Registration by 25th July 2015 appreciated.
Payments for dance sessions only accepted at the door

Direct Deposit to the Square & Round Dance Association of NSW
If making a direct deposit include surname in reference or
cheques payable to: Wendy Martin - 73 Rival Street Kareela NSW 2232
Accommodation list available on request

Enquiries: David Todd 0411 888 515 / Wendy 02 9528 4693
Vale Lucky Newton

We will always remember Lucky, who along with his partner in life - Les Hitchen, wore brightly coloured shirts. Les and Lucky were callers and cuers at many clubs during their time, ranging from the Sydney eastern suburbs at Rose Bay, to Kincumber on the Central Coast. They were also guest callers and cuers at a number of weekend functions including one in the Blue Mountains - which became the Spring Swing currently held at Sussex Inlet on the South Coast. They also supported annual dances at Taree, Newcastle, and weekly dances in Sydney and the Central Coast. They continued the Round Dance Club at Kincumber up until Les's death in early 2006. Les & Lucky were both early Life Members of both the Round Dance Council (Association) and the NSW Square Dance Association, and even though Lucky has not been active for a number of years, he will be sorely missed.

Our condolences are with Lucky's family at this difficult time.

Ed Coleman

Vale: Robert Fitzgibbon

Our sympathy to Maureen and family at the passing of Bob on the 10th June 2015. He was a member of Panther Squares for many years and will be sadly missed by all.

Maree & Ron and all his friends at Panther Squares
Fundraising Event

When Keith Howard, Tartan Promenaders’ caller asked if we could hold a fundraising night for the homeless children in Nepal. I thought it was a wonderful idea.

Nepal just had its second earthquake and the devastation was dreadful. Each news segment showed tearful children with faces that showed sheer desperation. Keith’s daughter and her husband have a direct link and were regular contributors to an orphanage in Kathmandu. This meant the money raised went to a dedicated beneficiary and not into a large fund. I explained this to the dancers and it was agreed to have the dance as soon as possible. Keith donated his calling fee, plus a one hour flight in a Cessna over the Central Coast with him as pilot. The Tartan Promenaders donated the hall fee.

On the night of the dance, Chris and I decorated the hall, had photos of the devastation, a wishing well for donations and great raffle prizes donated by the dancers. My aim was $400. Imagine my absolute delight when I handed Keith $700. A card and group photo were later included. What an amazing group of people (pictured inside back page) – small group, big hearts. A big thank you to all who generously gave freely to make life a little easier for these children.

Violet S Kerswell
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Queensland President’s Report

Saturday 23rd May was a very busy day for the Square Dancing Society of Qld Inc. For the first time, we headed off to Burleigh Heads to hold our general meeting during the afternoon. This meeting was very well attended by interested dancers and callers and lots topics were covered including Recognition Certificates for long-term Queensland dancers.

An opportunity was given to dancers to attend a “Learn to Call” session following the meeting and it was pleasing to see four dancers interested in learning to call. All up, fourteen people listened intently as Sid Leighton presented an extremely informative session.

A “Basket Tea” social followed the afternoon’s activities and the evening kicked off with some bonus Old-Time and Line Dancing between dinner and the main programme.

The 58th Sunshine State Roundup commenced with rounds and then a great line-up of callers kept everyone entertained. With over one hundred and fifty excited dancers at the Roundup it was a great night of catching up with old friends and making new ones. The evening was full of atmosphere, fun and friendship. Thank-you to all of the callers and cuers and dancers who helped make this such a fantastic night. Special thanks to the wonderful dancers of Burleigh Squares for hosting this event.

We have also welcomed a new secretary to our team - Lorraine Keenan. We hope you enjoy working with us and helping to build a brighter future for Square Dancing in Queensland.

Lynette Macpherson
President
Queensland Publicity Report

Planning and arrangements are going well for the 35th Queensland State Convention. The invitation to “Make the Scene in Twenty-15” has been issued to dancers and callers alike. The convention will feature a full weekend of dancing and entertainment. Starting on Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday which will culminate with an after party. Conducted by the Queensland Callers Association and E.Z. Square Caboolture, this convention will feature dancing levels from Basic to A2. More details are available on their web site at http://35thqldstatesdconvention2015.weebly.com

Queensland is fortunate to have two fine interstate caller as featured callers at the Suncoasters 30th Anniversary Dance at Buderim. The weekend starts on July 31st and continues to Sunday August 2nd. A great weekend of dancing and fellowship is promised for those who can attend.

With Christmas closing in, many clubs are planning their Christmas Dances and outings. The Queensland Society has set aside Saturday 29th November for their event. It will be held at Enoggera Bowls Club and will include dancing and barefoot bowls.

David Pearce
Publicity Officer.
Towards the end of 2014 it was time to start planning the Boyd 2015 Caravan Trip. First stop would be Adelaide at Easter-time for the National Square Dance Convention, then onto Western Australia for more outback touring. Thankfully “the plan” was never set in concrete. News came of Jaden Frigo’s Australiana Dancers’ (Somerville, Vic) 3rd Birthday in April and there was also Andrea Braun’s Allabout Squares’ (Mount Gambier, SA) 7th Birthday at the end of March.

Leaving Tamworth on the 21st March and travelling via Dubbo, West Wyalong, Hay, and Horsham and using rest stops overnight, four days later arrived in Mount Gambier. Andrea provided a lovely weekend of square dancing with guest caller – Kevin Kelly from WA. Even the roast dinner and entertainment was a treat. Then it was onto Adelaide for the National Convention and five wonderful days of dancing.

With Western Australia now on hold till 2018, Victoria was the place to be and in just over a week the Mornington Peninsula was reached via Ballarat. Staying with Doona Young was a delight especially as she had a house full of square dancers from Qld, Vic, SA & NSW. Besides the great weekend of dancing with Jaden’s Australiana Dancers and guest caller Paul Bristow from UK, Doona also arranged visits to Paula Wright’s Activ-ates Club, JB Square Wheelers with Laurina Collyer (Mike Davey was overseas) and Jaden’s Early Birds Club at Mornington. The warm welcomes and lovely hospitality made these visits memorable.

After saying goodbye to Doona and Mornington it was a quick trip, on Anzac Day, to Geelong. Staying there a few days enabled more dancing at Darren Taylor’s friendly Geelong Club. Realizing Werribee was not far from Geelong, a visit to Howard Cockburn’s Crossroads was possible. Laurina (she really is a lovely young caller) was filling-in as Howard was also overseas. Cont. page 29
Web Coordinators Update

The national web pages have been fixed after a recent cyber attack. Thanks again to Kevin Thomas for backing up information and links during this emergency. More updates and photos have been done along with basic improvements to assist the web surfers.

We also have a Facebook web presence as Square Dance Society of Australia - www.facebook.com/groups/1397239143929309 Please remember to send any updates of club/caller contacts/events to your web assistants for updating on the national web pages found at www.squaredance.org.au so we can all get important club information/ activities/details and be more involved at all levels. Check out the wealth of information available and let us know of any more important links and updates.

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Cruisin’ Country

Continued from the June issue....
Day five at Noumea. Graeme Connors put on a great show. We had square dancing at midnight with nine sets. As well as everything else going on. It was fantastic to see.

Day six sees us at sea heading home and with a lot to do on board. Two square dance sessions today everyone was on a high. There was entertainment everywhere, with our headline act being John Williamson. After the show we headed down to the “Shall we dance lounge” for our midnight dance and for some more square dancing with nine sets of fun people. After the dance had completed we headed to the park café for coffee and cake at 1am.

Day seven sees us still at sea with very calm waters. The most disappointing part of this day is that we have to pack our bags, because tomorrow we leave the ship. But before that, there is plenty still to do with a fantastic grand finale concert with all the acts on stage doing two songs each. It was something worth seeing.

The food on board was just unbelievable and the crew were fantastic. We are looking forward to next year’s cruise on the new ship “Radiance of the Seas”. As we sail into Sydney around 6am we headed down for our last brekkie and a chance to say goodbye to all our new friends. It was sad to leave but we all had a wonderful time and will have good memories.

Mark Kelly

Port Vila Vanuatu
METROPOLITAN SQUARES & ROUNDS

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“*We do not grow too old to dance. We grow old because we do not dance.*”

--Herb Greggerson, Square Dance Caller, 1953
WA President’s Report

Well done to all at White Gum Valley on their celebration of fifty-two years on the 23rd May. The night was well attended with many visiting callers to enjoy a great evening of fun and friendship set to music.

It was great to get out and mix with the country dancers at the Margaret River Augusta square dancers in Busselton on the 31st of May. Thanks also to Jim on bringing a bus load of dancers and callers to help celebrate together as we look forward to repeating this as an annual event next year.

In addition to the Squaring Around we also need to look for new committee members to assist running important areas of our Society at the forthcoming AGM in August.

Please keep checking the Calendar of Events and supplying these important details to the magazine editor and myself for inclusion on our magazine and the national web pages.

Thanks to the committee who successfully put together WA’s bid to host the 2018 59th ANSDC Thank also to all our members who turned out in force to elect the convention committee to run this event. Congratulations to the newly elected committee.


Regards,
Steve Longwood
President SDSWA
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- NEW ZEALAND S & R: [http://www.nzsquaredance.webs.com](http://www.nzsquaredance.webs.com)
- CANADIAN S & R: [http://www.squaredance.ca](http://www.squaredance.ca)
- BRITISH SQUARE & ROUND DANCING: [www.uksquaredancing.com](http://www.uksquaredancing.com)
- EUROPEAN WEB SITES: [http://eaasdc.de](http://eaasdc.de)
- TRAVELLING IN EUROPE: [http://www.benzcenter.de/RouteSDC/locations.html](http://www.benzcenter.de/RouteSDC/locations.html)
- JAPAN SQUARE DANCE ASSOCIATION: [http://www.squaredance.or.jp/](http://www.squaredance.or.jp/)
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- SQUARE DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY PROGRAM: [http://www.callarama.com](http://www.callarama.com)
- A GREAT WEBSITE FOR DANCERS TO USE BETWEEN CLASSES: [http://www.tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html](http://www.tamtwirlers.org/tamination/info/index.html)
Travelling Around Australia

Because the 2017 National would be in Bendigo, travel plans were re-arranged and Bendigo included. After travelling down the Great Ocean Road the journey ventured north. Arriving in Bendigo (the 2017 venue, The Stadium, is spectacular) arrangements were made to visit the Square Dance clubs in Bendigo and Shepparton. Philip Aslanidis was calling at Darcy Hoges’ GV8’s Club in Shepparton and Laurie was the caller at the Bendigo Modern Squares. I have thoroughly enjoyed my visits to all these clubs and I wish to thank all the club dancers and the callers for their friendship and for allowing me to join in with their dancing.

The NSW State Convention at Milton was the next port of call and another five days of enjoyable dancing. After a few days rest, it was on the road again heading North to Casino for the Willi Whirlers birthday weekend at the end of June. Hopefully, more clubs will be visited, on the way, at Glen Innes, Lismore, Alstonville and Casino. Western Australia would probably have been warmer, but my “Square Dance Trip” around South Australia, Victoria and New South Wales has been very worthwhile and I thank all those dancers and callers I have met, on this trip, for helping to make it extra special. Home by early July, then where??

Eileen J Boyd
(Tamworth Cloverleaf Dancers)

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Regards to all
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3. Raise joined hands as high as possible in the form of an arched circle.
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