

The Banana Benders Bugle

September 2010

The SQUARE DANCING SOCIETY of Qld. inc.

A General Meeting of the Society will be convened at 9.30 am Saturday 18th. September

At St Bernard's Community Centre, Cnr. Logan and Klumpp Roads, Upper Mt Gravatt.

All interested Society Members are urged to attend

(Entrance to the Centre is off Klumpp Road about 100 m from the Logan/Klumpp Rd cnr.

Car parking is at the rear of the church).

30th. QUEENSLAND STATE CONVENTION

The QCA 30th State Square Dance Convention proved to be a success as dancers arrived from throughout QLD and over the border to join in this annual event. This year's state convention was hosted by the two local clubs Rocky Twirlers and Capricorn Waves. All members involved should be pleased and happy with the atmosphere and the attendance. Attendances for Friday and Saturday night were approx 150 (13 callers) and dancers were treated to a visit from the T-Birds (from the movie Grease) on Saturday night and the Hillbillies on Sunday night. There were many highlights and the only way to describe it is 'You have to be there'.

The theme "Remember When in 2010" brought back memories for many. and the hall was decorated to follow the theme, there was an old red Holden which formed the tray for the equipment, a band on the stage, old musical equipment and a gallery of photos from past conventions. The decorations were lovingly made by our members. With quite a few working bees and sewing workshops the local area can be proud of the effort they put into making this weekend a success. All dancers were presented with a bag depicting Rockhampton and the square dance theme. The weekend was a great success. Some additional highlights from the weekend are:

- Callers dancing together for the salty dog rag
- We had callers teaming up on a number of occasions
- We had homemade cooking for the entire convention (the best part of the convention) organised by Shelley Kelly and her team of helpers
- We were honoured to have the convention opened by Deputy Mayor Rose Swaddling
- There were teddy's dressed in square dance clothes. Each teddy representing a convention and we had 30 in total.

We had a piper to lead the dressed squares in. Shirley Kelly and Margaret Baines were given the honour of calling for the dress square bracket and did a fantastic job.

The theme remember when will live up to its name, as from the above, there were a lot of memories from the weekend and thanks goes to the local area for all their hard work and dedication.

Rachelle and Michael

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Q.CA. GALA DANCE & THE SUNSHINE STATE ROUND-UP

It was with much trepidation that Noel McKenzie's Town & Country Squares decided to attempt their first big venture. It was slightly daunting from our perspective, as we had just sold our house. However, the enthusiasm of our wonderful members spurred us on.

Gathering advise from callers, such as Glen Wilson, David Pearce, Alan Evans and quite a few others, who had already achieved success in the presentation of such events, we flung ourselves into it.

Attracting nine squares, the afternoon was a great success. The butterflies that had bothered me earlier stopped their fluttering. We were privileged to have three amateur callers competing and quite truthfully, there was not much separating them. Barbara O'Connor, Dawn Keenan and Elaine Davis. Elaine was the undisputed winner she gave that little bit extra that the judges were looking for. However any one of them could have been a winner in not so strong a field. I'm sure we will have another great competition next year.

The afternoon ended with tea and sandwiches plus a cup cake, where people who could only stay for the one session, refreshed themselves, chatted awhile with those staying on, before they faced the road.

The Round-up went far better than we had anticipated, twelve squares were treated to some great calling from callers such as Glen Wilson, Alan Evans, Gary Peterson, Margaret Baines and Sid Leighton, who M.C.d the finishing brackets. He sent the dancers home on a high note, with the feeling that they had had a great night out. A loaded supper table was offered, prepared by a little band of T.&C members, headed by Kay Ardrey, which was a fitting ending to a fun night out.

Noel & I, would like to thank all of those who attended, you showed true square dancing camaraderie and you were the people who made the night a success.

Merle McKenzie



Elaine Davis.

Winner of the amateur Callers Contest 2010

Two little boys, ages 8 and 10, were excessively mischievous. They were always getting into trouble and their parents knew all about it. If any mischief occurred in their town, the two boys were probably involved. The boys' mother heard that a preacher in town had been successful in disciplining children, so she asked if he would speak with her boys. The preacher agreed, but he asked to see them individually. So the mother sent the 8 year old first, in the morning, with the older boy to see the preacher in the afternoon. The preacher, a huge man with a booming voice, sat the younger boy down and asked him sternly, "Do you know where God is, son?" The boy's mouth dropped open, but he made no response, sitting there wide-eyed with his mouth hanging open. So the preacher repeated the question in an even sterner tone, "Where is God?" Again, the boy made no attempt to answer. The preacher raised his voice even more and shook his finger in the boy's face and bellowed, "Where is God?" The boy screamed and bolted from the room, ran directly home and dove into his closet, slamming the door behind him. When his older brother found him in the closet, he asked, 'What happened?' The younger brother, gasping for breath, replied, "We are in BIG trouble this time" (I love this line) "GOD is missing, and they think we did it!"

Thanks Alice Mc.

STEPPING OUT WITH CLOGGING

Quick as a flash, after finishing our demo. at the Dickson Seniors' Expo, we were asked to make sure we would be available to come back next year, such is the enthusiastic response of the audience to the efforts of the Get Rhythm Dance Team. Thank you Team for a wonderful display.

Great to see some of our Clogging friends in the audience.

There were a number of requests for the Clogging brochure which we readily handed out.

Best wishes to Dell and John Sutcliffe who have taken up residence on a rural property outside Murgon.

Dell's talent as a dancer and Cuer will be missed, BUT, the invitation will always be there for them to come visit anytime. Gympie (an hour-plus away from Murgon) will, we are sure, enjoy from time to time Dell's expertise.

Don't be surprised if Clogging gets a foothold in the Murgon/Wondai area.

The Club which Dell established at Bribie Island will be in the safe hands/feet of Kath Rawlinson (3408 1963). Same night (Monday) & time.

The Queensland Showcase dance for this year's ACA National Clogging Convention is looking terrific. Let's hope it gets the high marks it deserves.

Wedding bells ringing for Dian Gingell and Kel Young. Our love and best wishes to these two loyal, hard working Cloggers.

Dian recently returned from another stint in Malaysia with Michael & Sally Lim to boost Clogging . Reports are the trip was very successful.

A super-duper afternoon of Clogging to raise funds for next year's National Clogging Convention in Cairns will be held at the Red Cross Hall, Newdegate St., Greenslopes (opposite the Greenslopes Private Hospital). Date: Saturday 16th October. Time: 2 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Chug-A-Lug Cloggers is the hosting Club. A plate of food to share for our 5 o'clock break would be greatly appreciated. All profits will go towards fund-raising for the 2011 Convention. Come, share the fun!!

Have a happy dance-time,

Frances

FRANCES LOOK O.A.M.

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AGM / Dance.

On 26th. March 2011 the Queensland Square Dancing Society Inc. will conduct the Annual General Meeting. It is the intention to combine the meeting with a square dance as do some other states in Australia.

The format will be one hour of dancing, one hour set aside for the Annual General Meeting and then another hour of dancing. In the past the AGM has been followed by a General Meeting of the Society but this will not happen in 2011 unless it can be fitted into the one hour provided.

I realise some will ask how are we going to fit all the proceedings into the allotted time. The main portion of 2010 meeting was consumed by considering alterations to the Constitution. This should not be necessary for some time to come and hopefully such business will be conducted in a meeting called specifically for that subject.

It is intended that the minutes, lists of inward & outward correspondence, financial reports, reports from various other operatives, e.g. Promotions, Registrar etc will be combined into a booklet which will be able to be downloaded from the internet before the meeting and some copies will be available at the meeting. Counting of votes for the various positions could be completed while the first hour of dancing is in progress prior to the AGM.

The big benefit is members of the Society will have time to become familiar with what has happened in the past year and prepare their questions and suggestions instead of having to do it 'on the run' as the meeting progressed.

All this preparation is going to take considerable effort from the Executive but the meeting procedure should be able to be accomplished in a much more reasonable time.

Positions which will be up for consideration in 2011 will be Vice President, Secretary, Registrar, Country Regions' Coordinator, Executive Assistant, Promotions and Publicity Officer. There will also be a number of dancers required to complete the Management Committee.

THE QUESTION IS which club or clubs would be interested in being the host body for this inaugural AGM – Dance? The financial arrangements for the host club/clubs would be the same as the arrangements are for the RoundUp and Christmas Party.

If your club is interested please register this your interest with the Function Coordinator, Leighton Bloomfield email smbloomfield1@optushome.com.au This subject will be on the table for discussion at the Society's General Meeting 18th. September 2010.



Happy Trails Square Dance Club

MAINSTREAM & PLUS

Thursday 9.30am – 11.30am

**Banksia Park Hall
27 Crescent Ave., Hope Island**

**Caller:
Peter Storey**

**Contact:
Fred 55773902
Peter 0415423595**

WAVELL WHIRLAWAYS

Dancers from Wavell attended the State Convention in Rockhampton on the weekend of 20th to 23rd August. It was good to catch up with good friends not seen for a little while. The dancing was great for the whole weekend with all Callers giving of their all. One Caller gave a little more by getting his dancers tea or coffee all weekend (thanks Sid). Thank you Rockhampton for putting on a fantastic Convention.

Busy times ahead with the Sunshine State roundup (which will have gone by), and then the NSW State Convention for those of us up to all the travelling.

Logan City Square Dance Centre.

The 24/25 July was the time for the Alan Evans and Kay Walker Plus and A Level weekend.

How fortunate are we in S.E. Qld to have two such excellent Callers together for a weekend of Square Dancing.

If you weren't there you missed an exciting dancing experience. Make sure you don't miss out next year as this could become an annual event.

Di

Maryborough Heritage City

Square Dance Club

Hello! from our Club. Things have been quiet after our 21st. Birthday in March.

We danced to Glenn Wilson and Margaret Baines with a madcap "BLING NIGHT".

All the "WINTER WOOLIES" came out for Kay Walker's dance, and of course "XMAS IN JULY" with David Smythe .

We farewelled Patrick O'Hara (Maureen's Dad), and Joan Miller.

The AGM brought forth the same Committee. Margaret Schubert, President; Maureen O'Hara, Treasurer; Helen Meyer Secretary.

August sees us dancing to Andrew Reid, and in September Matthew Mills will be our Guest.

Meanwhile our Resident Caller, David Habler keeps us busy with his excellent choreography, and when he is unavailable Danny McCarthy has his programme of Callers for our dancing pleasure.

Danny's grandson, Jay, representing Australia, recently competed in the Under19 UCI Junior Road Championship in Italy. He won a Silver Medal, but wore the Yellow Jersey during the race. Jay is representing Australia in Singapore at the Youth Olympics. He has a very proud grandfather. Jay is with the Qld. Academy of Sport in Brisbane.

AN INTERESTING FACT ABOUT AUGUST 2010.

This August had...

5 Sundays,

5 Mondays,

5 Tuesdays, all in one month. It happens once in 823 years.

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The subject is **PROMOTION.**

We all await the promised DVD and if the grant application is successful it will happen. I'm not going any further on that subject at present.

In times past I was the President of Gumdale Grandsiders Square Dancing Club Inc. (*Gumdale for future reference*) and I was searching for a way to get new dancers.

A local newspaper organised an Expo during Seniors Week. To get involved we had to take an ad in the local paper and this entitled us to have a stall in an Expo which was being held local community centre over two days.

We were lucky. Our stall location overlooking the cafeteria area. A TV and video player were hired and we printed a number of 'Come and try Square Dancing' tickets. The Society supplied a few hundred flyers.

I picked helpers who had had experience in being responsible for others and had familiarity in dealing with the public. A former Matron of a Hospital; a past member of Qld police; a business proprietor etc. Yes, I did disappoint a few willing volunteers but I knew what I needed. It is not everyone's piece of cake to 'sell' an idea.

We played video tapes taken in NQ in previous years at May Day weekends put on by the Inner Circle Square Dance Club in Ayr. Nothing special in the taping but the dancing venue was colourfully decorated. Dressing was appropriate for the era BUT the music and calling was of modern well known tunes, pleasant voices to hear (including Bill McHardy's) and we played this only loud enough so the diners in the adjacent eating area could hear comfortably. A large percentage came up after eating to watch the TV. That was when we pounced. Every viewer was given a Free Entry ticket and a leaflet about square dancing. The customer benefits we 'pushed' were the FRIENDSHIP, FUN, PHYSICAL AND MENTAL EXERCISE features.

Gumdale did this for two consecutive years. Results: - first year twenty six people arrived at Gumdale to try Square Dancing. Second year we only got about twenty four people. Of course we did not retain all these people but I believe the retention rate was about 50%.

Not all of these people remained dancing at Gumdale but that did not matter. They were dancing somewhere and that is the only way to look at recruitment and sustaining this activity. Get them dancing 'somewhere'.

This type of promotion could be repeated but would you be interested? There is a bit of work involved:- Venues such as *weekend markets where there is a concentration of people; plus suitable recordings* and similar paraphernalia as mentioned above. Lets help one another. Send in your ideas, they can go in the BBB and you never know what may happen.

NOEL MILLER

Note* You usually need to have 'something' to sell to be allowed into markets. The 'selling' of the activity is an ancillary activity.

If enough are interested we can make inquiries about obtaining suitable vision with a festive atmosphere for such a selling program.

Please; I am not interested in exhibition dress sets vision etc. What is needed is similar to the vision written of above. Relaxed, enjoyable music and varying dress is 'the go' for this situation. The Fun & Friendship features are important. NM

A woman went to the doctor's office where she was seen by one of the younger doctors. After about four minutes in the examination room, she burst out screaming as she ran down the hall. An older doctor stopped her and asked what the problem was, and she told him her story.

After listening, he had her sit down and relax in another room. The older doctor marched down the hallway back to where the young doctor was writing on his clipboard.

"What's the matter with you?" the older doctor demanded. "Mrs. Terry is 61 years old, has four grown children and seven grandchildren, and you told her she was pregnant?"

The younger doctor continued writing and without looking up said,

"Does she still have the hiccups?"

There are only two times in your life;

Now and its too late.

Comedian Anh Do's Mum

QUEENSLAND WEB ASSISTANT

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Just to keep you informed that your state web assistant can be located at <http://squaredance.org.au/Associations/State-Societies>

If you have any club or caller changes, please notify our web assistants as soon as possible.

We have also updated a number of interesting web sites into our links page on <http://squaredance.org.au/Links>

You will even find petticoats for sale and a flyer to the Tokyo Square Dance Club's 50Th Anniversary Dance in 2012

Please let me know of any other interesting web sites that could be listed here.

You can also subscribe to receive updates of events all round Australia as they are distributed via the TAWS GROUP.

Please also feel free to send any major event details to Mal & Chris Parrington malnchris@bigpond.com from the TAWS group <http://squaredance.org.au/Associations/TAWS> Steve Longwood

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Cardwell Dance 2010

August 6 - 8, 2010 **"What a Fantastic Weekend".**

Club night saw nearly 3 squares in attendance and 4 callers ready to entertain them.

Kevin Clive & myself, Darryl Burrows, as the Club's Callers, started the night off fine assisted by Glenn Wilson and trainee Bradley Milton.

Next day, Saturday, saw us take a trip of approximately 1-1/2 hours travelling to our half-way Dance in Cardwell.

Julie Jensen, the local Round Dance Cuer, had the accommodation well organised.

And then off to the Dance that afternoon for a short amount of dancing accompanied by Cairns Dancers and caller Graham Durose.

Evening programme consisted of Rounds and Squares (up to plus level).

There were 4 Squares of dancers in attendance and about 8 couples for Rounds.

It was really enjoyable for the Callers of the North for the chance to work with Glenn Wilson (President of QCA). It was quite amusing about how many Laptops where on the stage

in comparison to how many callers using records
Out of the 5 Callers and 1 Cuer, there was only 1 Caller using those old style 45 rpm records and 1 using iPod.

There were no major issues changing between Callers and Cuers and back again. A fine night was finished off back at our huts with a modified after-party with drinks and joke telling by some.

Sunday morning, saw Glenn present an interesting lesson for the Callers of the North.

Glenn said he would love to come back again soon which would be most welcome as the North does not see much Caller training.

After lunch, it was back in the cars heading South or North for home again. Another Fun NQ Cardwell Dance over for another year. It would be most appreciable to see some southern Dancers visit some day for our function in the North as we visit the South on occasion but seldom see visitors on a trip to our North and less visiting dignitaries (Qld Society/QCA).

Darryl Burrows

Gumdale Grandsiders Square Dance Club Inc



Wednesday

29th Sept. 2010

Time: 7.30pm

Admission: \$6

Prizes for the best
Squaw, Indian & cowboy

CANE COUNTRY SQUARES

Our 'Warm and Woolly' night, turned out to be a hot July night. It was not a good night to get dressed up in our warmest clothes. Joy Illguth won the prize for the most appropriate costume. Joy is our Club's photographer. Joy loves taking photos and then sells them to us for 50c each- oney going to the Club.

Alan Wright celebrated his 80th birthday with us that night.

17 Members from Cane Country Squares travelled to Rockhampton to attend the QCA 30th QLD State Square Dance Convention. We all had a good time dancing and meeting up with some old friends, and all came home tired. There were some lovely costumes there, and gingham seemed to be a popular choice for the dressed set.

Our next event is our vice versa night on the 10th September, should be an interesting night, so bring your cameras.

We are also having a Bar-B-Q Luncheon at Baldwin Swamp on 19th September, commencing at 11.30 am.

Our Christmas Dance will be held on the 23rd-24th October with feature Caller & Cuer Nev & Bev McLachlan of Buderim. So put this date in your diary to come to Bundaberg.

Averil Brookes

Publicity Officer

I got to thinking today,
Socrates was poisoned
Julius Caesar was stabbed to death.
Napoleon died in exile.

Abraham Lincoln was shot.
Gandhi was shot.
Kevin Rudd was Gillardteened???????

Let's Go to Japan to Dance !

The Tokyo Square Dance club will have **the 50th Anniversary Party in Tokyo 2012**, inviting five American Callers.

Recently we are having a lot of inquiries about it from Qld dancers and all the other states. So we would like to tell you about the outline here.

Date : 12th(Fri), 13th(Sat),14th(Sun), Oct. 2012.

Invited Callers from USA :	Mike Seastrom	Randy Dougherty
Dee Dee Dougherty Lottie	Wade Driver	Tim Marriner

Venue : Hotel (5 star) in Tokyo

The participants are expected to be from 1,000 to 1,500 people.

Australian dancers are about 50 people (depend on the rooms we can get)

After the Party we are planning to go sightseeing to North or South Japan for a week.

Plan [1] (South) Mt.Fuji-Kyoto (Golden Temple, old Imperial Palace & etc)-Hiroshima
(Miyajima [world heritage], Atomic Bomb Memorial Park & etc)

Plan [2] (North) Towada Lake(the most beautiful lake in Japan,
national park)-Nikko(national park)

Total Cost : Last time about A\$4,000(including airfare)

At that time A\$1.00 was above \100.00

Lately (07/2010) A\$1.00 is about \78.00

The details will be decided later. In addition to this, we are thinking about a day tour. Please let us know your interest and which tour you want to go at the moment. Send your name, e-mail address and phone number. Thank you.

Inquiry: Kei & Mie Wada E-mail : au-wada@hotmail.com

Ph: (07) 3396 2686

Because I'm a man,

when one of our appliances stops working, I will insist on taking it apart, despite evidence that this will just cost me twice as much once the repair person gets here and has to put it back together.

Because I'm a man,

I must hold the television remote control in my hand while I watch TV.

If the thing has been misplaced, I may miss a whole program looking for it...

Because I'm a man,

you don't have to ask me if I liked the film. Chances are, if you're crying at the end of it, I didn't...and if you are feeling amorous afterwards...then I will certainly at least remember the name and recommend it to others.

Because I'm a man,

when I catch a cold, I need someone to bring me soup and take care of me while I lie in bed and sook.

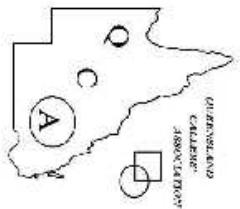
You're a woman. You never get as sick as I do, so for you, this is no problem.

Because I'm a man,

I can be relied upon to purchase basic groceries at the store, like milk or bread.

I cannot be expected to find exotic items like "zucchini" or "tofu."

For all I know, these are the same thing.



Home On The Range Toowoomba 2011

Upbeat CH.A.O.S. and Toowoomba Dancers on behalf of

The Queensland Callers' Association

Present

**31st QUEENSLAND STATE SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION
27 – 28 – 29th MAY 2011**

**AT HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL
341-367 SOUTH STREET TOOWOOMBA QUEENSLAND 4350**

Programme

Friday Night	7pm to 7.45pm Rounds 7.45pm to 10.45pm Mainstream – Including Official Opening
Saturday Morning	9am to 11am Clogging
Saturday Morning	11am to 12.30pm A1 and A2
Saturday Afternoon	1pm to 3pm Mainstream Workshop
Saturday Afternoon	3pm to 5pm Plus
Saturday Night	7.45pm to 10.45pm Mainstream - Including Dressed Sets and Banner Parade
Sunday Morning	9.00am Convention Meeting
Sunday Morning	10.00am to 12 noon Plus
Sunday Afternoon	2pm to 5pm Mainstream – Contra and Rounds

ACCOMMODATION – See attached list and Map for Hotels, Motels and Caravan Parks

FOOD Free tea and coffee will be available. Restaurants and Fast Food outlets close to the venue.
If you would like to pay at the 30th State Convention Rockhampton we will receive registrations up to 5pm on Sunday 22nd August 2010

Prices	Closing Date	Adult	Student Under 16	
Super	30 September 2010	\$45.00	\$25.00	
Early Bird	31 December 2010	\$55.00	\$30.00	Tickets <u>will not</u> be sold at the door
Early Bird	13 May 2011	\$65.00	\$35.00	N.B. Cancellation fee of \$10.00 per registration applies <u>registration applies</u>
Price				

No refund for Cancellations received after 13th May 2011

All enquiries	Malcolm Hay 07 3385 9947 / 0423 512 102	malmanhay@gmail.com
Committee Convenor:	Gary Petersen	Ph Mob 0403 240 129,
Treasurer	Jan Hay	Work 3888 1735, Home 3203 8181
Registration Officer:	Malcolm Hay	Ph 07 3385 9947
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General Committee:-	Margaret Barnes, Kate Brown	

DANCER REGISTRATION (Please Print)

Surname _____ First Name _____ Full \$ _____
Surname _____ First Name _____ Full \$ _____
Surname _____ First Name _____ Full \$ _____
Surname _____ First Name _____ Full \$ _____

Contact Address _____ Post Code _____

Phone _____ Mob. _____ e-mail _____

If you require a receipt please enclose a Stamped Self-Addressed envelope
Or Valid e-mail address for confirmation of registration

All registrations received by 30th Sept. 2010 will enter a lucky draw
First name drawn will receive 20% discount

FULL PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$_____)

Please make all cheques/money orders payable to
Queensland Callers Association 31st Queensland State Square Dance Convention

Bank Details – Bank of Queensland BSB 124-095 Account No. 2147751
If paying by Direct Deposit please use your name as a reference.

N.B. Cancellation fee of \$10.00 per registration applies
No refund for Cancellations received after 13th May 2011

Please tick if you require information and registration details to be forwarded to you

LEVEL OF DANCING:

Mainstream Plus A1 A2 Rounds Clogging (Please Tick)

BOOTH SPACE: Please tick if you require information and registration details to be forwarded to you

REGISTRATION of a Dressed Set

Club Banner Parade Club Name _____

Club Banner Parade Club Name _____

CALLER/CUER APPLICATION: Required by 31st December 2010
N.B. – an application to call does not imply acceptance for programming

Please indicate name _____

SESSIONS: Whole programme or Fri Night Sat mon Sat afternoon Sat night
Sun morning Sun afternoon

CALLING LEVELS M/S Plus A1 A2 Rounds Contra Clogging

YOUR PREFERRED EQUIPMENT: Laptop Mini disc Records CD's MP3

A blind boy sat on the steps of a building with a hat by his feet. He held up a sign which said: "I am blind, please help." There were only a few coins in the hat. A man was walking by. He took a few coins from his pocket and dropped them into the hat. He then took the sign, turned it around, and wrote some words. He put the sign back so that everyone who walked by would see the new words.

Soon the hat began to fill up. A lot more people were giving money to the blind boy. That afternoon the man who had changed the sign came to see how things were. The boy recognized his footsteps and asked, "Were you the one who changed my sign this morning? What did you write?"

The man said, "I only wrote the truth. I said what you said but in a different way."

I wrote: "Today is a beautiful day but I cannot see it."

Both signs told people that the boy was blind but the first sign simply said the boy was blind. The second sign told people that they were so lucky that they were not blind. Should we be surprised that the second sign was more effective?

Moral of the Story: Be thankful for what you have. Be creative. Be innovative. Think differently and positively. When life gives you a 100 reasons to cry, show life that you have 1000 reasons to smile. Face your past without regret.

Handle your present with confidence. Prepare for the future without fear. Keep the faith and drop the fear.

The most beautiful thing is to see a person smiling.

And even more beautiful, is knowing that you are the reason behind it!!!

TEACHER : Willie, name one important thing we have today that we didn't have ten years ago.

WILLIE : Me!

Las Vegas Churches accept gambling chips

This may come as a surprise to those of you not living in Las Vegas, but there are more catholic churches than casinos. Not surprisingly, some worshipers at Sunday services will give casino chips rather than cash when the basket is passed.

Since they get chips from many different casinos, the churches have devised a method to collect the offerings. The churches send all their collected chips to a nearby Franciscan monastery for sorting and then the chips are taken to the casinos of origin and cashed in. This is done by the chip monks.

"Shindig on the Mountain"

'Mother Mountain Hall' {Gympie}

Callers; Gary Petersen and Friends

22nd to 24th October 2010

Friday Night; 7-30pm to 10-30pm "Fun Friday" {Casual}

Sat. Morning; 10 am to 12noon "Callers Swap Meet"

Sat. Arvo; 'Plus' 2pm > 5pm; (5-30pm B.Y.O. Basket Dinner)

Sat. Night; 7-30pm to 10-30pm "Mainstream Ch.a.o.s."

**** 10-30 ish > ? * B.Y.O. "Shindig After Party"****

Sunday; 9-30am to 12-30pm "Singalong Sunday" (casual)

Bottomless Tea, Coffee, Cold Water; Bikkies Supplied.

Dress Code; 50% Casual; 50% Square Dance

Weekend Tickets only \$20 (Prepaid); OR \$25 at Door

Saturday Only Ticket \$12 (Prepaid); or \$15-00 at Door

**** P.S. Bring your spare change for our Saturday Raffle !!**

Closest Motel > Twin Lakes Motel ph 07 5482 5433

Registrations; G.W. Petersen P.O. Box 96 Burpengary 4505

or email; gary@garoyda.com.au (include Deposit Receipt No.)

Please make Cheques payable to G.W. Petersen.

Direct Deposit:- BSB 064473; Acc 10216369 (use name as reference-

Name/s:

Ticket/s Req.> W/E @ \$20 X ____; Saturday @ \$12 X ____;

N.B. Tickets to be collected at Door Friday or Saturday.

SE Qld & Northern NSW Square Dancing Events

SEPTEMBER

***** Super Early Bird ends 30th Sept for Qld State Square Dance Convention 27-29 May 2011*****

11 Sep Hervey Bay Square Dance Club QLD

2pm Plus 7pm Mainstream
Theme: Whale Watch – Colours of the Sea
Guest Caller: Nev McLachlan
Enq: square dance4u2hb@gmail.com

9 Sep Trail-In Dance for 32nd NSW State Convention Thu 7.30pm

Guest Caller: Les Heaton Squares & Rounds
7.30 – 8.00 Rounds 8.00 – 10.00pm Mainstream
Banora Point High School, Eucalyptus Drive,
Banora Point NSW

10-12 Sep 32nd NSW State Convention

Banora Point – Tweed Heads W/E NSW
www.nnswsda.info

29 Sep Cowboys & Indians – Gumdale Grandsiders

7.30pm Wed
Alexandra Hills Community Hall, Cnr Finucane &
Windermere Rds, Alexandra Hills, Brisbane.
Caller: Alan Evans Enq: Harold & Bev 3207 3577

9 Oct Logan City Square Dancers Inc

Saturday Dance 7.30pm
161a Magnesium Drive, Crestmead
Feature Caller: Sid Leighton
Enq: Jane 3299 7717
A supper plate would be appreciated.
cysquare@optusnet.com.au

14 Oct Saintly Devils Trail-In Dance Armidale

7pm Rounds 7.30pm Squares
Ex-Services Club, Dumaresq St, Armidale, NSW
Guest Caller: Barry Wonson
Enquiries: Marg Betts wbetts4@bigpond.com

15-17 Oct Armidale Eights Spring Festival

34th & Final) W/END Armidale, NSW
www.armidaleeights.net
NSW will be on Daylight Saving Time
Registration forms on website
Contact: David Williams: (02) 6775 1707
Enq: Kathy Waters (02) 6772 3478
dwilliam@nsw.chariot.net.au (no "s")

22-24 Oct "Shindig on the Mountain"

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23-24 Oct Bundaberg - Cane Country Squares -

Early Christmas Dance Weekend
Saturday Venue: Norville Hall
2.15-4.30pm Plus 7pm Rounds
7.30pm Mainstream
Sunday Venue: Rum City Hall, Targo St
9.30am Rounds 1pm A1 & A2
Guest Caller: Nev McLachlan
Rounds Bev McLachlan
Enquiries: Shirley Kelly 07 4159 2308 OR
0488 403 368 sskelly10@bigpond.com

27 Oct Halloween - Gumdale Grandsiders

7:30pm Wed
Alexandra Hills Community Hall,
Cnr Finucane & Windermere Rds,
Alexandra Hills
Caller: Alan Evans
Enq: Harold & Bev 3207 3577

30 Oct Pine Rivers 5th Saturday Dance

7 – 10:30pm Sat
Pine Rivers Senior Citizens' Club,
1480 Anzac Ave, Kallangur (Brisbane Region
Basic, MS, Plus
Caller: Margaret Baines 3285 2130
Theme: Pre Melbourne Cup
Enquiries: Margaret or Jan 3385 9947
jan4910@gmail.com

30 Oct Suncoasters Square Dance Club

5th Saturday Specials 7pm Rounds
7.30pm Squares – M/S
Theme: Melbourne Cup Theme
Sunshine Coast Square Dance Centre,
260 Dixon Rd, Buderim, **QLD**
Caller: Nev McLachlan
A supper plate would be appreciated.
Enq: Nev & Bev McLachlan (07) 5445 1238
www.suncoasters.com.au

30-31 Oct Rockhampton Combined Birthday Dance

WEEK END
Rocky Twirlers Square Dance Club &
Rockhampton and District Square Dance Inc.
Club
Callers: Michael Mills, Matthew Mills and
Shirley Kelly
Enquiries: Rachelle Mills
[\(07\) 4928 6626](mailto:shellmick07@optusnet.com.au)

NOVEMBER

***** Early Bird ends 30 Nov for 51st Australian
National SD Convention June 2011 in Darwin**

**2 Nov Gumdale Grandsiders' Melbourne Cup Day
10:00 AM**

Alexandra Hills Community Hall,
Cnr Finucane & Windermere Rds,
Alexandra Hills
Caller: Alan Evans
Enq: Harold & Bev 3207 3577