

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Cardwell Delegates Dance-11/12 August 2012

Sandra and I travelled to Cardwell to attend the Society's Delegates Dance hosted by Cairns City Squares. Although numbers were down, everyone had a great time. Starting with Rounds, then Squares on Saturday Afternoon, followed by the Delegates Meeting, then Rounds and Squares on Saturday night. Julie Jensen (from Townsville) cued the Rounds and Kevin Clive and Darryl Burrows (both from Townsville) did a great job calling. Alan Evans (from Brisbane) assisted with the calling. Alan, on behalf of the Queensland Callers Association, conducted a caller's school on Sunday morning.

One of the highlights of the weekend was the Awards that were presented on Saturday night. Alan Evans, on behalf of the Australian Callers Federation, presented Kevin Clive with a "25 Year Silver Microphone" Award. I then presented Kevin Clive with a "Roll of Honour" Award on behalf of the Society for outstanding service to square dancing in our State. The new Society's Constitution has been passed by the Office of Fair Trading and provision has been made for Life Membership. I had the pleasure of presenting the first Life Membership Awards to Sam and Nan Sapuppo from Innisfail and Norma Cook from Townsville. Recipients of all Awards presented were very surprised and very appreciative.

On behalf of the Society, I would like to thank all those responsible for making this weekend a great success. I would also like to thank Graham and Margaret Haslem for their hospitality and accommodation before and after the weekend.

QCA Gala Dance-25 August 2012

The QCA Gala Dance and Amateur Callers Competition were held on Saturday afternoon. The dance was well attended and two amateur callers entered the competition. The winner was Ken McCulloch from EZ Squares Square Dance Club at Caboolture, who did an excellent job. Congratulations Ken.

Society General Meeting-25 August 2012

The Society General Meeting followed the Gala Dance and it was pleasing to see so many of the dancers stay to observe the meeting and offer their suggestions on the subjects being discussed.

Sunshine State Round Up-25 August 2012

On Saturday evening, the Society's Sunshine State Round Up was held and it was a great night, with a banner and dressed set parade. Congratulations to Noel and Merle McKenzie and the dancers from Town & Country Squares for the huge effort they put in to decorate the hall and prepare the huge supper. I would also like to thank the callers who gave their time to help make this event the success it was. A Life Membership Award was presented to Nev McLachlan, Bev McLachlan, Sandra and myself for the many years of dedicated service to the Society. It is a great honour to receive this Award.

Leighton Bloomfield

President

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VALE – WILLIAM (BILL) McHARDY

The Square Dancing Society of Queensland Inc. mourns the passing of Bill McHardy who passed away on 5th August 2012.

Bill called for the Garden City Promenaders Square Dance Club in Toowoomba for many years and entertained dancers at many square dance functions. Sincere condolences to the McHardy family.

Bill's contribution to square dancing will always be remembered.

Leighton Bloomfield
President
National Square Dance Society of Australia Inc.

STEPPING OUT WITH CLOGGING

AUGUST- what a month!

Apart from our regular Club days and nights, there have been multiple practice sessions by the Get Rhythm Dance Team for what were HUGE events: namely performances at the Logan Entertainment Centre as part of Logan City's Seniors' Week celebrations and to publicise the start of the Senior Superstar Contest in Logan; guest performers at this year's Senior Superstar Contest Grand Final at the Concert Hall, QPAC; and The Strathpine Seniors' Expo.

A visit to Cazna Gardens to entertain the residents was also in the mix.

We welcome back Michael and Sally L. from their overseas journey, and John R. as he recovers from an unfortunate work-related injury to one of his ankles.

Not many more sleeps to go before we are up and away to Adelaide for the 17th ACA National Clogging Convention. Late starters, please check. www.cloggingaustralia.com for info.

Fingers crossed that Queensland's entry in the Showcase presentations is the winner.

Clogging brings out the best in you- LET'S GET STARTED.

Best Wishes,

Frances

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2013 SOCIETY CALENDAR

The Society, next year, will be organising an events calendar for our State. All Clubs wishing to have their date claimers included in this list, please have your representative email them to Sandra Bloomfield on squaredanceqld.execassist@gmail.com This will help Clubs wishing to plan events for the next twelve months. All entries must be submitted to Sandra by the 23 November 2012.

Leighton Bloomfield
President

Make sure you put in your diaries

to come to Bundaberg 30th March – 1st April 2013. Cane Country Squares will be celebrating our 30th Birthday. Our guest callers are:

Mike Davey, Nev & Bev McLachlan, Michael & Mathew Mills.

Enquiries: Shirley 41592308 or e-mail: sskel-ly10@bigpond.com

Averil Brookes

Ladies, if a man says he will fix it, he will. He does not need to be remaindered every six months.

Please be advised that the
Society Christmas Party
will be held on
Saturday, 24th November 2012.
Venue to be advised. A flyer will be printed in
the October Bugle.
Leighton Bloomfield
Functions Co-ordinator

Hervey Bay Square Dance Club News

September already! ('at last!' some will say) Hervey Bay is all abuzz with the upcoming QCA State Convention of course: there's some more information on that separately. If you wondered about the 'K' night we had in August, well, quite a few ingenious solutions were found. The hall was dressed for the evening in a Kaleidoscope of colours, among the dancers we had a Knitting Grandmas, a Kitchen (bar the sink), a Karate Kid, another Kid who was full of mischief, a Kinky lady, a Kleptomaniac who drove others to distraction by pinching their possessions and then 'K' herself.

Unfortunately the Knickers didn't have elastic in them yet, so they couldn't be worn. Thank you to Margaret & Gary from Maryborough for joining the fun. A big 'Thank You!' to Kay and Aaron for making the trek and providing excellent music and calling, we all had a wonderful time. We really appreciate callers driving so many hours up and back so we can enjoy fabulous social nights and add variety to our dance programme. When staying in Hervey Bay overnight it takes up the whole weekend and if driving home after the dance they don't get home till the early hours of the morning. To all Callers who do guest calling further afield – THANK YOU!

This might be an appropriate time to send out more Thank You. To all who were involved with organising the QCA Gala Dance and/or the QSDS Sunshine State Roundup, a HUGE Thank You! None of these events happen without the Callers giving freely of their time and expertise, nor without the tireless effort of the volunteers before and during the events. Your commitment and dedication to Square Dancing is very much appreciated by all who enjoy the dancing. Thank You to each of you who contributed in some way.

If you are travelling to various events, travel safely, enjoy the scenery along the way and have a great time at your destination. May we welcome many of you to our 'Trail In' on Thursday the 27th in preparation for this year's QCA State Convention and get ready to have a Whale-of-a-Time. Please be aware that our normal Club Night of Wednesday 26th has been cancelled. Until we meet: Keep well and Happy Dancing everyone.

For details go to
www.squaredancingherveybay.com.au

Life not only begins at forty, it also begins
to show at forty.

WAVELL WHIRLAWAYS

Over the past few months numbers have been down with illness, and retirees away on extended holidays. Chris Holmes and Carmel Mathieson are currently away for nearly two months. Bill and Joan Hooper also away.

A lot of Club members took part in our own Dancer Olympics. All I can say is go the Aussies over the kiwis and the English.

We were all saddened to hear of the passing of Bill McHardy recently. He was a great Square Dance caller who could keep the floor dancing and he could also spin a good yarn or two. Bill you will be missed but you left us all with some very fond memories.

A lot of Club members looking forward to the State Convention in Hervey Bay. From what we are hearing it is going to be a very busy weekend of dancing.

June Lambert

CANE COUNTRY SQUARES

BUNDABERG

On 20th July, several of our members travelled to Rockhampton, for the Jeff Sidel week-end. Jeff constantly kept us entertained with some unusual dance moves. Rockhampton square dancers provided us with a really great week-end, great suppers, and a bar-b-q lunch before we left for home.

Shirley Kelly and her helpers, Margi, Averil, Mary, Lyn and John have been teaching some Cerebral Palsy people to Square Dance and Line Dance. To thank us they treated us to a really nice lunch, which they cooked, and also invited us to the opening of their new office, by putting on a billy tea and damper morning, where we and the Cerebral Palsy people we had been teaching, entertained their other guests by putting on a display of square dancing and line dancing.

A QCA dance was held here in Bundaberg on 11th August. We were lucky to have quite a few different callers calling for us, including our favourites Matthew and Michael Mills.

Don't laugh at your wife's choices.

You are one of them.

Vale Helen Josephine Gregor

Helen passed away suddenly, but peacefully, at her home on the 6th July.

Helen loved her dancing and, along with husband Kevin, had recently been presented with Life Membership for her contribution to square dancing. Her bubbly personality, generosity and mentoring will be sorely missed by our Club members.

Cheryl Lamberton,
Secretary



Ulysses Squares – Edmonton, Cairns

Round Dance Corner - QRDA.

www.rounddanceqld.com

The Valentine Round Dance club will hold their Special Fund Raising dance in October.



It will take place on Saturday, 27th October, at the Whites Hill State College Hall, in Samuel St, Camp Hill.

Val and Ken Bolton have been holding this event for many years and have raised many hundreds of dollars for a variety of worthy causes. This year will be another opportunity to come and support this great night. The program will include all levels of dancing and usually included a few “fun” type segments.

It is a good night of dancing, and it supports a worthy cause.

The Allemander' Round Dance Club celebrated it's 24th Birthday at a special night on Wednesday 15th August at the Callamvale Community Hall.

About 60 dancers attended, many from the Thursday dance held at Callamvale and the Monday night dance held at Jimboomba.

Paula selected a varied program to keep most of the dancers on the floor most of the time. There were visitors from South Australia, up here on vacation, and Jane Rayner attended with some of her club members.

The Thursday night group will be starting a beginners session from Thursday 23rd. August.

For more information, contact Paula or Warrick on 5546 3493

An elderly woman died last month. Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers. In her handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote, 'They wouldn't take me out while I was alive, I don't want them to take me out when I'm dead.'

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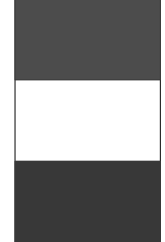
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Gate 2, Beerburum Rd., Caboolture

You could be an Aussie, A Brit or American,

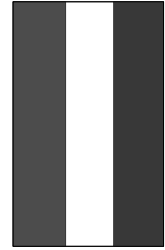
Maybe you're Dutch or a Frenchman too!

Come along wearing your Red, White & Blue.



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Suncoasters

A great month for Suncoasters. At the beginning of the month Buderim hosted the 27th Anniversary with main guest caller Jerry Jestin. We were really spoiled for choice, because not only did we have Jerry to call some very challenging moves, but so did Nev and Gary; and Gene Medford entertained us in grand fashion.

We had lots of visitors and our billeting system worked well thanks to Stevie Sealey. It was a wonderful weekend, and we all realised just why and how much we enjoyed our square dancing.

If you'd like to see some videos taken at the time, check out our facebook page - /suncoasters. Our annual garage sale was well-attended and we raised much needed money towards hall maintenance – in particular roof repairs.

A positive attitude may not solve all your problems but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort. Herman Albright.

I have chosen to be happy because it is good for my health. Voltaire
Be who you want to be, not what others want to see.

Thinking of the State Convention
There's something we will need to mention
We like to keep our township clean
So Styro cups will not be seen

A China Mug will take its place
To drink your cuppa with good grace.
There will be one for you to choose
Then fill, refill, wash and re-use

Away with waste
And improve the taste
Is what we say
At Hervey Bay.

Please help us with our good intention
To minimise impact of our Convention
Thanks heaps. (of empty garbage bags!)

An elderly man went to his doctor and said, 'Doc, I think I'm getting senile. Several times lately, I have forgotten to zip up.' 'That's not senility,' replied the doctor. 'Senility is when you forget to zip down.'

Blowing out the other person's candle will not make yours shine brighter.



Come and Dance in the Lions' Den

Armidale High School

19th, 20th & 21st October 2012

with

Erian Hetchkies & Howard Cockburn

Jane Rayner & Suellen Guest



Armidale Lions Den

Trail In Dance



Program: Friday night: - 7pm Rounds 7.30pm Mainstream Squares

Saturday Afternoon: Main Hall:-1pm Rounds & 2- 4pm Plus

Hall 2:-1- 4pm Mainstream Squares

Saturday night: 7pm Rounds 7.30pm Mainstream Squares

Sunday morning: Woolshed dance - 9-10am Clogging

10-12.30pm Mainstream (invited guest callers this

session only), tea & coffee supplied.

Food will be available for purchase from the Guyra Hospital Auxiliary.

Enquiries: Marg & Bill Betts, 02 6775 1118, 0402 227 966

"Mount Valley" 1534 Boorolong Road Armidale NSW 2350

Email - wbetts4@bigpond.com

Weekend Ticket: \$40 until 31/8/12. \$45 after



Registration

Name/s.....

Address.....

Phone Contact No.....Email:.....

Number of Cloggers.....

Total Amount of Registration being paid-Cash/Chq \$.....

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with

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at the

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Rusden Street Armidale

Thursday 18th October 2012

Rounds - 7.00 - 7.30 pm

Mainstream Squares 7.30 - 10.30pm

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Mainstream & PLUS

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TAIGUM TWIRLERS

During the past months we have been very busy. At the end of June we had a Pot Luck Dinner which ended in a call for a recipe book of all the meals that were consumed on the night. Haven't put my recipe in yet.

The club supported the Olympic Games by having their own Olympics. Javelin with a straw, Discus with a paper plate, and Shot Put with a cotton ball. Have not had so much fun in a long time.

On the last day of the EKKa we had our own lucky number board and sideshow alley with a difference. Lots of chocolate frogs and show bags won. Nobody minded the distraction from dancing.

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or e-mail: sskelly10@bigpond.com

For those of you who will be attending the QCA 32nd Qld State Square Dance Convention at Hervey Bay we have some great news! There will be stalls to spend all that money that is burning holes in your pockets. You'll be able to buy belts, bolos, buckles, shirts, shoes, skirts, petticoats, all sorts of accessories etc. etc. Jouko has promised to bring a trailer load at absolute bargain prices. There's more: the 2013 Qld State Convention will be holding a 3 day registration special of just \$40.- and Lorraine is travelling up from Sydney to promote the 2013 National Convention to be held at Niagara Park. Come prepared, ready to dance up a storm, ready to buy, buy, buy and ready to have a whale of a time! We look forward to welcoming you to Hervey Bay.

A man was just waking up from anesthesia after surgery, and his wife was sitting by his side. His eyes fluttered open and he said, 'You're beautiful.' Then he fell asleep again.

His wife had never heard him say that before, so she stayed by his side. A few minutes later his eyes fluttered open and he said, 'You're cute.' The wife was disappointed because instead of 'beautiful,' it was now 'cute.'

She asked, 'What happened to beautiful?'

The man replied, 'The drugs are wearing off.'

THE MAN IN THE MIRROR

When you get what you want in your struggle for self,
And the world makes you king for a day,
Then go to the mirror and look at yourself,
And see what that man has to say.

For it isn't a man's father, mother or wife,
Whose judgment upon him must pass;
The fellow whose verdict counts most in his life,
Is the man staring back from the glass.

He's the fellow to please; never mind all the rest,
For he's with you clear up to the end;
And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult
test,
If the man in the glass is your friend.

You can fool the whole world down the pathway of
years,
And get pats on the back as you pass;
But your final reward will be heartache and tears,
If you've cheated the Man in the Glass.

Anonymous

The QCA 32nd Qld State Square Dance Convention

It is on our doorstep! Here at Hervey Bay we are on a count-down. How many sleeps? Registrations closed on the 31st of August, but remember, there are session tickets available. For some this may be a more convenient option anyway. Friday the 28th is opening night; try to make it for that at least. (if you really have to miss the Trail-In on Thursday) Thank you to all those who have registered for the Dressed Set Parade, planned for the Saturday night. You can still add your Club to that list. Registration Bags can be collected from the main venue, The Great Hall, Beach Road, on Thursday 27th between 2-4pm, Friday 28th from 1-4pm during the Introduction to Rounds and each night from 6pm. For details go to www.squaredancingherveybay.com.au. Keep well, stay safe & keep smiling.

Time may be a great healer, But it's a lousy beautician.
Conscience is what hurts when everything else feels
good.
Talk is cheap because supply exceeds demand.

Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over
if you just sit there.

Rambling Eights, Salisbury

Caller: David Pearce

A great big thank you to all who participated on Sunday 19th at the Algester community fun day. The weather was much kinder than last year, and this time we were thankful for cold drinks and shade from the sun. Rambling Eights and Logan dancers took part and the calling was shared by David Pearce and Alan Evans. David organised static displays as well as videos, and dancing was on the main stage late morning and mid- afternoon. Some dancers wore full square dance dress and others were more casual, to show the variety of attire one would see at any Club. During the dancing, others walked around to talk to spectators and hand out brochures. The square dancing was well received by the audience, with some non-dancers showing interest in coming to learn and taking details of where the dances are held. We have already been given an invitation to be present at next year's event.

The months of July and August have seen a number of new faces coming to our Club on Friday nights, bringing fresh enthusiasm to the dance floor. This has meant a slight change to the program for the evening. New dancers will start from 7pm, then after 7.30 will alternate with mainstream until supertime. After that will be mainstream and maybe some plus – but don't forget the best laid plans may often go astray. Thankfully dancers (callers too) are flexible, especially when having fun.

A last minute reminder for those coming on 31st August – if you read this in time. This is our soup night so bring an empty soup bowl not a plate of supper. There will also be fruit and bread to go with the soup, and casual/comfy dress for the night.

To those who have been unwell or travelling – get well and hope to see you back on the dance floor soon.

Cheers,
Christine

I am Not over weight I am a nutritional overachiever.
I plan on living forever. So far, so good. .

It's frustrating when you know all the answers,
but nobody bothers to ask you the questions.

Post Convention Blues Recovery Day Schedule of a super lucky raffle ticket buyer (we all know one of those);
Mon. Oct 1st, Hervey Bay, Qld.

Dear Diary,

7.30am, at last -time for a relaxed breakfast.

8.30am Whale Watch Pick-up (What a win!).

1.30pm Lunch Cafe Balaena at the Marina (on the house!) followed by a walk along Shelley Beach to renew our appetite.

3.30pm Afternoon Tea at Aqua Vue (Voucher for 2)

Back to Hotel for a quick Siesta.

5.30pm Dinner at Hoolihans (Last voucher already?)

7pm Great Hall Trail-Out Beach Party – A MUST DO!

Don't dilly dally, gotta get into your cool garbs, don't want to miss the Beach Party! No Raffle, but smashing door prizes to be won, just for staying on and joining in. Put on those new Durrant shoes, great choice of prize. Let's see if you can score some more at the Trail-Out.

Hervey Bay Square Dancers have closed their Monday Club night and moved it to the Great Hall for a mix of Mainstream and PLUS by Glenn Wilson and a blend of other top callers to finish off the weekend. Join us for fun, friendship and frivolity to last us till next year. www.squaredancingherveybay.com.au for updates

This article is about billeting. Thanks Lyn for telling of the methods used successfully in your area. NM.

"We (Suncoasters) just had a very successful weekend with Jerry Jestin. Part of the dancers who enjoyed this event were billeted. The arrangements for this type of accommodation went well, and appeared to have been appreciated. There were a few hiccups in the early stages as we set the system in place, but finally it all went well, and we think that the following system is workable. We had one contact person (call them X for the moment) for billeting – they take details of people offering billets, whether they have single/doubles available, and dogs, cats, etc. which may be problems for dancers with allergies.

When a dancer rings to ask for a billet, X provides the caller with the contact details of a person who has offered something, and it is then up to that dancer to contact the person and make arrangements.

This allows people to sort out their own arrangements and takes the burden of last minute changes and so on off the shoulders of X. (Important!!) Although we were inviting strangers into our homes, one of the important aspects is that the people involved (dancers) are generally a pretty homogenous and well-known type of person.

My thought is that if we could get this billeting going, it would enable more visitors to attend other Clubs' functions, lifting attendances which in itself seems to lift enjoyment. In order to get it going, we would ideally contact each other Club and ask them if they were interested, and if so, to nominate a billeting person (X2) for their Club. I thought that the best way to do this would be to publicise it in the Bugle, so that Clubs could decide for themselves whether they would like to be involved without any pressure by personal calls. I'd be happy to answer queries or provide information.

Lyn Lovell (lynlovell@gmail.com)"

An old guy (not in the best of shape) was working out in the gym when he spotted a sweet young thing... He asked the trainer that was near by "What machine in here should I use to impress that sweet thing over there?"

The trainer looked him up and down and said "I would try the ATM in the lobby".....

Observations on Growing Older

~Your kids are becoming you...and you don't like them

...but your grandchildren are perfect!

~Going out is good.

Coming home is better!

Sunshine Squares *Tarann Twirlers* *Wavel Whirlways*

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TOWN AND COUNTRY SQUARES

ON SATURDAY THE 28TH AUGUST, OUR CLUB HAD AGREED TO HOST THE Q.C.A. GALA DANCE AND THE SUNSHINE STATE ROUND-UP.

OUR MEMBERS STARTED EARLY, MEETING AT 8.30 IN THE HALL. THE TEAM IN THE KITCHEN WERE BUTTERING EVERYTHING IN SIGHT AND AS CUP-CAKES WERE REQUESTED BY KAY, OUR FEARLESS LEADER, THEY WERE ARRIVING IN CARTONS. TOMATO SAUCE, PREVIOUSLY FORGOTTEN AT OTHER EVENTS ALSO SWAMPED US THIS TIME. MEANWHILE, THE MEN, UNDER INSTRUCTION, WERE MOVING TABLES, INFLATING BALLOONS "WILLY NILLY" AND SO IT PROGRESSED, INTERSPERSED OF COURSE, BY SOME RATHER RIBALD HUMOUR FROM THE BALLOON BLOWERS.

GLEN WILSON AND GARY PETERSON ARRIVED TO "PERFECT" THE SOUND AND AT LAST WE WERE READY.

THE CALLERS EXCELLED. GARY PETERSON, GLEN WILSON, DAVID PEARCE, ALAN EVANS, MARGARET BAINES, GRAHAM BRANDON, LYN MCPHERSON AND NOEL. I MUST NOW STATE THAT THE ROUNDS WERE CUED BY PAULA ARMSTRONG, AND SHE DID A WONDERFUL JOB, ENHANCED IN MY OPINION, BY THE FACT THAT IT LEFT WARWICK FREE. HE GRACIOUSLY INVITED ME TO DANCE AND I WAS "TRANSPORTED". I ALWAYS DID LOVE ROUND DANCING ALTHOUGH I HAD LIMITED KNOWLEDGE. THANK YOU PAULA AND WARWICK, IT WAS APPRECIATED.

THE AMATEUR CALLERS ACQUITTED THEMSELVES EXTREMELY WELL WITH KEN MCULLOUGH CHOSEN AS THE WINNER OF THE TWO CONTESTANTS. CONGRAULATIONS KEN! DAWN KEENAN, THE OTHER CONTESTANT PROVED A FORMIDABLE OPPONENT AND I'M GLAD I DIDN'T HAVE TO JUDGE.

IT WAS PLEASING TO SEE SO MANY CLUBS ATTENDING. A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL. YOU HELPED MAKE THE EVENING A SUCCESS. THE ATMOSPHERE WAS SO FULL OF GENUINE FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP.

P.S. WE HAVE HAD A VERY NICE MORNING TEA AND AFTERNOON TEA, WITH LEFT OVER CUP-CAKES, MONDAY AND FRIDAY.

MERLE MCKENZIE

SALAD BOWL SQUARES THEME NIGHT.

Caller; Kay Walker.

TOGAS TO GO.

Friday, 21st. September 2012

7:30—9:30pm.

Anglican Parish Hall

17—19 Station Street,

Wellington Point 4160

MS and Plus ————— Admission \$6.00

Enquiries to Bev 07 3286 2260

Good evening All,

just a couple of things about contributions to the Bugle. Some photos of large groups were sent in this time. They do not reproduce very well and they take an unreasonable amount of 'bits' to send out. I am very conscious of the size of the Bugle. We have lost a few readers because a large edition went out.

Ads as PDF are welcome AS LONG AS THEY ARE A5 or A4 full page sized ads. can proportionally reduce this type of document to fit the available space. Preferably non PDF ads. These are a lot easier to handle.

A PDF style of ad only taking up a part of the page is extremely hard to handle and a number of ads sent in this style just don't go in the BBB anywhere near their original 'beauty'.

I have reminded contributors a number of times that Black and White, no fancy images gets the message out just as good if not better than an ad with all its decoration and does not take up a lot of space (bits) to go out to the reader.

I have received a number of letters from a readers agreeing with this point.

Last point. In the not too distant future I will be sending all the Bugle addresses to a second computer. Some of you gave me your email address for use of the Bugle only. If you do not want your email address 'shared' please let me know ASAP. If you are a reader and you want to receive your Bugle direct to your computer just send a request to the editor. The address is on the bottom right and side of the front page.

Comments and constructive criticism are most welcome and needed. It is through this information that the Bugle can be improved.

Thanks for your interest. Noel.

What do you call the first Afghan off the boat?

Amhere!

What do you call the second Afghan off the boat?

Amhere Azwell!

What do you call the third Afghan off the boat?

Amhere Azwell Azhim

Sorry about all the little jokes but it is just one of those times when a number of things went wrong and you are faced with the prospect of starting again of letting things go as they are. I chose the latter. NM

Warning; This page is just yarns and a few funnies. Nothing to do with square dancing.

Reproducing this is optional.

A WOMAN was flying from Seattle to San Francisco . Unexpectedly, the plane was diverted to Sacramento along the way. The flight attendant explained that there would be a delay, and if the passengers wanted to get off the aircraft the plane would re-board in 50 minutes.

Everybody got off the plane except one lady who was blind. The man had noticed her as he walked by and could tell the lady was blind because her Seeing Eye dog lay quietly underneath the seats in front of her throughout the entire flight.

He could also tell she had flown this very flight before because the pilot approached her, and calling her by name, said, 'Kathy, we are in Sacramento for almost an hour. Would you like to get off and stretch your legs?' The blind lady replied, 'No thanks, but maybe Buddy would like to stretch his legs.'

Picture this:

All the people in the gate area came to a complete standstill when they looked up and saw the pilot walk off the plane with a Seeing Eye dog! The pilot was even wearing sunglasses. People scattered. They not only tried to change planes, but they were trying to change airlines!

True story... Have a great day and remember...

THINGS AREN'T ALWAYS AS THEY APPEAR. A DAY WITHOUT LAUGHTER IS A DAY WASTED !!!

The following is a customer complaint to the Irish Railway Company.

Gentlemen,

I have been riding your trains daily for the last two years, and the service on your line seems to be getting worse every day. I am tired of standing in the aisle all the time on a 14 mile trip. I think the transportation system is worse than that enjoyed by people 2,011 years ago.

Yours truly, Patrick Finnegan

Dear Mr. Finnegan,

We received your letter with reference to the shortcomings of our service and believe you are somewhat confused in your history. The only mode of transportation 2,011 years ago was by foot.

Sincerely, Irish Railway Company

Gentlemen,

I am in receipt of your letter, and I think you are the ones who are confused in your history. If you will refer to the Bible and the Book of David, 9th Chapter, you will find that Balaam rode to town on his ass. That, gentlemen, is something I have not been able to do on your train in the last two years!

Yours truly, Patrick Finnegan.

They walked in tandem, each of the ninety-two students filing into the already crowded auditorium. With their rich maroon gowns flowing and the traditional caps, they looked almost as grown up as they felt.

Dads swallowed hard behind broad smiles, and Moms freely brushed away tears. This class would NOT pray during the commencements, not by choice, but because of a recent court ruling prohibiting it. The principal and several students were careful to stay within the guidelines allowed by the ruling. They gave inspirational and challenging speeches, but no one mentioned divine guidance and no one asked for blessings on the graduates or their families.

The speeches were nice, but they were routine until the final speech received a standing ovation. A solitary student walked proudly to the microphone. He stood still and silent for just a moment, and then, it happened.

All 92 students, every single one of them, suddenly SNEEZED !!!!

The student on stage simply looked at the audience and said, 'GOD BLESS YOU' And he walked off the stage..

The audience exploded into applause. This graduating class had found a unique way to invoke God's blessing on their future with or without the court's approval.

Isn't this a wonderful story?

GOD BLESS YOU!!!!

This is a true story; it happened at Eastern Shore District High School in Musquodoboit Harbour , Nova Scotia.

PARAPROSDOKIAN - Here is the definition:

"Figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected; frequently used in a humorous situation." Example

"Where there's a will, I want to be in it."

Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.

If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

War does not determine who is right - only who is left.

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

Evening news is where they begin with 'Good Evening,' and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.

To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.

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