

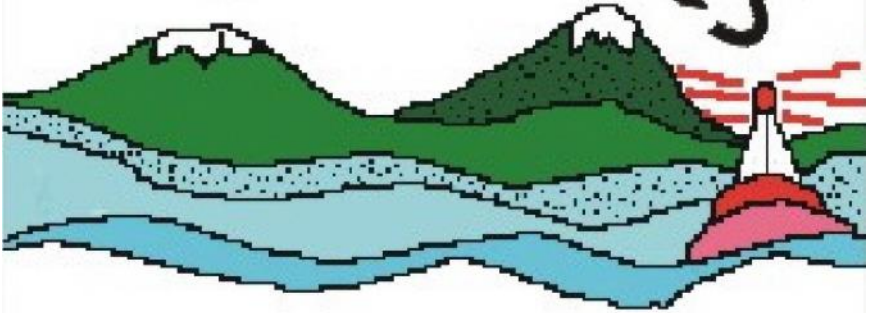
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EDITOR'S PAGE

CROSS TRAIL NEWS – 70 YEARS

April 2024 marks the seventieth anniversary of the Cross Trail News. The first issue – Volume 1 No. 1 and then known as the W.D.A. [Western Dance Association] News – was published in April 1954 with four pages.

YVETTE RUEDIG

Our condolences to Gord Ruedig, caller for the Powell River Star Dusters, and to his family, on the recent loss of his wife, Yvette, who was well known to dancers on Vancouver Island. For more please see pages 50, 24, and 14.

ROYAL OAK HALL

The Royal Oak Women's Institute has sold their hall on West Saanich Road to Kenzen Karate effective March 1, 2024.

Kenzen Karate has advised that current user groups will continue to use the space for now and that their karate classes will begin in their new dojo in September.

BCSRDF AGM 2024

The BC Square & Round Dance Federation's 2024 Annual General Meeting will be held via Zoom on Sunday, April 28, 2024 beginning at 9:30 AM. Watch your email for the notice of meeting, proxy form, agenda, and Zoom invitation.

Attendance at this meeting is open to all dancers, callers and cuers. Voting is restricted to proxy holders appointed by their BCSRDF member club or caller-teachers association.

REGION 1 – WEB SITE CHANGE

The DANCES (Region 1 event posters) and EVENTS (outside Region 1 event posters) pages have been combined into one page – COMING EVENTS. If you have bookmarked the DANCES page that link no longer works.

The link for all event posters is now <https://region1.squaredance.bc.ca/events/> with the posters in date order and in colour if submitted in colour.

Alex Wotherspoon
Editor

BCSRDF NEWS



B.C.S. & R.D. FEDERATION

Newsletter – February 2024



Last weekend your Executive held a meeting the agenda of which was simply to review the immediate past and to try to look into the future. The resultant discussion focussed on a number of issues which I wish to share with you.

Two members of the executive will be retiring as of our annual general meeting in April. Norm Cox will no longer be immediate past president ending more years serving the Federation than most of us remember. His has been a major role in keeping the federation operating and it's impossible to say more than "thank you, Norm, we genuinely appreciate everything you have done". We know we can continue to call on him for advice as and when we need it.

The second departure will be that of Pat Zeeman, also a very longstanding member of the Federation's board, and for many years holding the position of treasurer. Her efforts, with the help of Garry Dodds, have ensured that our finances are in good order. She will continue, together with Garry, as a Federation representative to the Canadian Square and Round Dance Society.

We are making progress, lead by Lyle O'Hara, in updating our handbook and we hope to have this completed before the AGM.

We are reviewing the problem of the Federation having, in effect, three separate areas each of which has its own characteristics resulting from geography and demography. These are, respectively, Vancouver Island, Fraser Valley, and the Interior. We believe our activity would benefit if each area knew more of what the others were doing and are looking for methods to achieve this objective.

We have requested the Fraser Valley organizers of the 2025 festival to provide a room and time for a meeting which will give us a chance to directly interface with each other. This is something which has not happened since COVID and the collapse of the Penticton Summer Dance.

An important new venture will be a Caller School in Salmon Arm from June the 9th to the 14th. Preference will be given to prospective new callers. The Federation provides a bursary to assist with the cost for current and prospective callers who have not attended a Caller School within the last two years. Anyone interested should contact Lyle O'Hara at theoaras@telus.net. If sufficient interest is not shown, the school shall be cancelled.

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LVIWSRDA & CTN NEWS

THE FUTURE OF THE CROSS TRAIL NEWS

Hello everyone.

As some of you may already know, we have been publishing the Cross Trail News (CTN) at an increasing loss for some time now. For the last two seasons there were losses of \$272 and \$776, and this season the loss to date is \$357. A combination of factors has led to this situation which include increased printing costs, a declining number of club member assessments, and fewer non-club member subscriptions.

Currently, after the CTN is published, an electronic version has been posted on the LVIWSRDA website. Readers have been delighted to see colour pictures in the online version.

In order to keep publishing the CTN we are considering eliminating the print version and going completely virtual. I know there is a concern that dancers who do not use a computer will miss out. The editor has thought about this and plans to reformat the publication from the current booklet format (5½" x 8½") into an 8½" x 11" (letter size) page format with two columns of printing on some pages. This pdf file would be easy to print off the website unlike the current booklet format. Clubs that have dancers who prefer to have a paper copy of the CTN can make arrangements for copies to be printed for these dancers.

The costs to host our website are paid for by the BC Federation. A new cost we might incur would be for a licence for the full version of Adobe Acrobat to create the CTN of approximately \$250/year. Initially there will be sufficient funds in the CTN account to cover this cost for several years. Ultimately, we will need to come up with a formula for a CTN annual participation fee charged to each club (or dancers' association) to cover this cost. Clubs would no longer be paying a per copy member assessment each time the CTN is published and there would be no charge to clubs, associations, callers, etc. for dance-related advertisements. Continuation of commercial advertisements in the CTN is up for discussion.

We are considering this change at the start of the next dancing season starting with the September-October-November 2024 issue published in August. This will be an agenda item at the March 24 meeting of the LVIWSRDA and I have asked UVISDA President Bob Chalmers to add it to the agenda of the March 10 meeting of UVISDA. I would appreciate it if you could provide your thoughts to your Association representative so they can be included in the discussions at the various meetings.

Please feel free to contact me or Alex Wotherspoon directly if you have any questions.

Carol Young
LVIWSRDA President

DANCE DATES – LOWER ISLAND

APRIL 2024

MONDAY

Star Twirlers Plus Teach/Workshop, ~8:00-10:00 PM,
Colwood Hall (*1 cancelled*) 8, 15, 22, 29

TUESDAY

Rainbow Rounders..... Rounds Phase 3-4, 7:30-8:15 PM,
Rounds Phase 2-3, 8:15-10:00 PM,
Colwood Hall 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

WEDNESDAY

Star Twirlers Plus Dance (with Rounds), ~8:00-10:00 PM,
Royal Oak Hall 10, 24

THURSDAY

Dance A Rounds Rounds Phase 3-4, 1:00-3:00 PM, Royal Oak Hall 11
Star Twirlers Advanced Class/Dance, ~7:30-9:30 PM,
Old Colwood Firehall (upstairs – enter at rear) 4, 18

FRIDAY

Country Cousins
& Mavericks Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Royal Oak Hall... 12, 26

SATURDAY

Frontier Twirlers Plus, 7:30-8:00 PM, Mainstream, 8:00-10:00 PM,
Colwood Hall 6, 20
Country Cousins
& Mavericks Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Royal Oak Hall..... 27

SPECIAL DANCES

Frontier Twirlers Goofer’s Night, 7:30-9:45 PM, Colwood Hall Sat. 6
Country Cousins
& Mavericks Magical Kingdoms, 7:30-9:30 PM, Royal Oak Hall Fri. 12
VDCTA..... Round Dance Party, 1:30-3:30 PM, Colwood Hall Sun. 21
(*see ad page 15*)
Country Cousins
& Mavericks Sports Night in Canada, 7:30-9:30 PM, Royal Oak Hall..... Sat. 27
VDCTA..... FREE Mainstream Dance, 1:30-2:45 PM, Colwood Hall .. Sun. 28
Rainbow Rounders..... Wind-Up Dance, 7:30-10:00 PM, Colwood Hall Tues. 30

MEETINGS

BCSRDF Annual General Meeting, starts at 9:30 AM, via Zoom... Sun. 28
(*Agenda & Zoom invitation to be distributed by email*)
LVIWSRDA
& VDCTA..... Annual General Meetings, 3:00-4:00 PM, Colwood Hall Sun. 28
(*following FREE Mainstream Dance – see above*)

DANCE DATES – LOWER ISLAND MAY 2024

MONDAY

Star Twirlers Plus Teach/Workshop, ~8:00-10:00 PM,
Colwood Hall 6, 13

WEDNESDAY

Star Twirlers Plus Dance (with Rounds), ~8:00-10:00 PM,
Royal Oak Hall 8

THURSDAY

Star Twirlers Advanced Class/Dance, ~7:30-9:30 PM,
Old Colwood Firehall (upstairs – enter at rear) 2

FRIDAY

Country Cousins
& Mavericks Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Royal Oak Hall 10

SATURDAY

Frontier Twirlers Plus, 7:30-8:00 PM, Mainstream, 8:00-10:00 PM,
Colwood Hall 4

SPECIAL DANCES

Frontier Twirlers Western Wind-Up Dance, 7:30-9:45 PM, Colwood Hall Sat. 4

VDCTA &
LVIWSRDA Spring Roundup, Pre-Rounds, 1:30-2:00 PM,
Mainstream, 2:00-4:15 PM, Royal Oak Hall Sun. 5
(see ad page 19)

Country Cousins
& Mavericks Birthday Bash x2, 7:30-9:30 PM, Royal Oak Hall Fri. 10

Star Twirlers Wind-Up Dance, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Hall Mon. 13

LVIWSRDA Joint LVIWSRDA/UVISDA Dance with
John Corrigan calling & Pat Zeeman cueing,,
Pre-Rounds 1:30 PM, Mainstream 2:00-4:00 PM,
Colwood Hall (see ad page 21) Sun. 26

VDCTA Colwood Hall Benefit Dance, Mainstream,
8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Hall Wed. 29

Watch for the full schedule of summer Mainstream dances in the June-Jul-y-August issue.



BC Festival 2025

July 31, Aug. 1 & 2

Register Early!

squaredance.bc.ca

See pages 30 & 31 for a BC Festival 2025 registration form.

DANCE DATES – UPPER ISLAND

APRIL 2024

THURSDAY

Island Gems	Rounds Phase 3 & 4, 7:00-9:00 PM, Wellington Hall, Nanaimo	4, 11, 18, 25
Ripple Rockets	Fun Shop workshop/dance, 6:30-8:30 PM, Campbell River United Church Hall	4, 11, 18, 25
Star Dusters.....	West Coast, 6:30-9:00 PM, Star Dusters Hall, Powell River	4, 11, 18, 25

FRIDAY

Amalgam-Eighters	Mainstream, 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville	5
	West Coast/SSD, 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville.....	19

SATURDAY

Ocean Waves	Mainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:30 PM, Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay (<i>no dance on Apr. 6</i>)	.20
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SPECIAL DANCES

Amalgam-Eighters	50s Dance, 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville.....	Fri. 5
Ocean Waves	70 th Anniversary Dance, 1:30-4:00 PM, Native Sons Hall, Courtenay	Sun. 7
	<i>(see ad page 13)</i>	
Ocean Waves	Talent Night/Salty Dog/Ocean Theme, 7:00-9:30 PM, Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay	Sat. 20
UVICTA	Freshman Frolic, 1:00-3:00 PM, Nanoose Place.....	Sun. 28
	<i>(see ad page 17)</i>	

MEETING

BCSRDF	Annual General Meeting, starts at 9:30 AM, via Zoom...Sun. 28	
	<i>(Agenda & Zoom invitation to be distributed by email)</i>	



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Upper Vancouver Island - Region 8
region8.squaredance.bc.ca

DANCE DATES – UPPER ISLAND

MAY 2024

THURSDAY

Island GemsRounds Phase 3 & 4, 7:00-9:00 PM,
Wellington Hall, Nanaimo 2, 9
Star Dusters.....West Coast, 6:30-9:00 PM, Star Dusters Hall, Powell River ... 2, 9

FRIDAY

Amalgam-Eighters West Coast/SSD, 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville..... 3

SATURDAY

Ocean WavesMainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:30 PM,
Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay 4
Star Dusters.....West Coast, 6:30-9:00 PM, Star Dusters Hall, Powell River 11

SPECIAL DANCES

Amalgam-EightersDogwood Dance, Potluck, 6:00 PM, West Coast/SSD,
7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville Fri. 3
Ocean WavesWind-Up Dance (Flower Theme), 7:00-9:30 PM,
Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay Sat. 4
Star Dusters.....Wind-Up Dance, 6:30-9:00 PM, Star Dusters Hall,
Powell River Sat. 11
Ripple RocketsBlast Off to Fun, Quinsam Hall, Campbell River ..Sat. 18-Sun. 19
(See ad pages 26-27)

MEETINGS

UVISDA & UVICTA ... Royston Community Hall..... Sun. 5
UVISDA Annual General Meeting – 11:00 AM
UVICTA Dance Workshop – 1:00 PM
UVICTA Annual General Meeting – after dance workshop

Please Note – Dance dates information is compiled from a number of sources and is believed to be accurate, however these details are subject to change depending on hall availability, Public Health Orders, and/or other factors. If in doubt please confirm particulars including dates, times, and locations with the event organizers. Club contact information is on pages 41-44. Association contacts are on the inside front and inside back covers. The Cross Trail News cannot be held responsible for any errors.

CLUB NEWS

AMALGAM-EIGHTERS, Nanaimo

By Margie Cooper



We've had fun! Burns Night saw us marching in the haggis (*photo on left*) and listening to Margaret Logan's very Scottish "Address To A Haggis." We didn't understand the "Address" any better this year, but I think we danced the Gay Gordon with more finesse!

Several Ocean Waves members joined us for Chinese New Year on February 2, which afforded the opportunity for Bob Chalmers and the UVISDA executive to present Four Score and More badges to Matt Haapala, Herb Harrington, Ken McCallum, Jackie McKinley, Joy Reitan, and Diane & Murray Thomas, (plus Marge & Stan Nestibo and Sue Ottley in absentia). Gerry Dixon walked spryly up to receive his Four Score Plus Ten Badge!! (*See photo page 49.*)

Wendie and Herb Harrington were chosen as our Sweetheart Couple on February 16. Very fitting...as Wendie had us dancing to a succession of love songs all evening!

Wendie's dance lessons are well attended, with a committed nine newcomers, five refreshers, and enough angels to make three squares. Dare we hope??! We've been getting a solid three squares at our dances, which swells to four

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Sweetheart Couple Herb & Wendie Harrington (*above*); the head of the dragon at the Chinese New Year Dance (*left*). (*Photos by Margie Cooper.*)



Comox Valley Ocean Waves Square Dance Club

SUNDAY, APRIL 7th, 2024

Mainstream Dance with Rounds

1:30pm – 4:00pm

Callers: Fran and Roger Archambault

Gord and Yvette Ruedig

Jake and Diana Ring

Cuers: Diana and Jake Ring

Connie Ritchie



Square Dance Club

Cost \$10

Native Sons Hall

367 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay

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CLUB NEWS (CONTINUED)

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when we're lucky enough to have dancers from visiting clubs. Hopefully, the trend will be upward.

Sadly, the Club lost an old friend when Bill Erickson died in January. Our condolences to Sue Ottley who will feel his loss keenly. They were dance partners and close companions: "a kind man, and a true gentleman", in Sue's words.

We are deeply saddened to lose the warmth and friendship of Yvette Ruedig. Our hearts and sympathies go out to Gord and his family, who have lost a vital part of their being.

COUNTRY COUSINS, Victoria

By Wendy Weeks

Many of you may have heard, but for those who have not, the Royal Oak Women's Institute Hall was sold to Kenzen Karate. The good thing about hearing this is we can expect to continue to see the Royal Oak Community Hall in the neighborhood. As for our dancing, at this point all we know is that we will be dancing in the Royal Oak Hall until the end of May, and then there will be some summer dances in the hall until the end of August. So keep on dancing and we will let you know as soon as we know what the plan is for dancing in the fall.

Regardless of the uncertainty of the hall outcome hanging over us, we've enjoyed some great dances. Our Christmas Bling dance was well attended and led us into 2024 with a bang! This was our first dance with some of the new dancers, and then, February, there was the New Dancer's Hoedown. It won't be long before the new dancers will be ready to attend all of our dances!

Whether we are having a regular dance or a theme dance one thing is for sure, we have fun! We are always learning because Kirk and Stu, often our guest caller on Saturday nights, and Marilynne keep us on our toes. As we head into spring we encourage our members and other dancers to come out and join the fun! You won't want to miss our regular joint dances on March 22, April 26, and May 10th, or our joint theme dances, the Dynamic Duo (Lorne Clayton and Herb Fox) on March 8th, the PJ dance on March 23rd, the Magical Kingdoms dance on April 12th, or the Sports Night on April 27th, and don't forget we will end our dance season on May 10th at our joint Birthday Bash.

In March the Country Cousins will choose our dancer/dancers of the year so don't forget to make your vote count! Speaking of voting, remember to mark your calendars for the Country Cousins' AGM scheduled for Saturday May 4th at 3 pm to 5 pm. Further information about the AGM will be sent via email.

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Victoria & District Caller Teachers Association

Sponsored

ROUND DANCE PARTY

**Sunday, April 21, 2024
1:30 to 3:30 PM**

**Colwood Community Hall
2219 Sooke Road**

\$6.00 per Dancer

Panel of Cuers

60% Phase II ~ 40% Phase III & IV

Non-Stop Dancing



CLUB NEWS (CONTINUED)

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In closing, we wish to extend our hopes for speedy recoveries to Franklin and Nancy Murphy, as well as to Gordon Rowan. We wish Stu and Sandra Hemmings safe travels and a speedy recovery for Sandra.

FRONTIER TWIRLERS, Victoria

By Penny Kristiansen

Thanks to all our square dancing friends for coming out and supporting the rescheduled “Down Under” theme dance on February 3rd. What a high energy night. The large Australian landscape wall photos were beautiful. Thanks to Darryl Roberts and Janice Brennand for sharing their personal collection. And we learned to “slide” our way around the “Sides Face, Grand Square” call. Neat. This is the way Australian square dancers like to dance this call.

The new dancer class is forging ahead and doing well. The class participated in the New Dancer Hoedown on February 25th in the afternoon at Colwood Hall. Lots of laughter and lots of fun and lots of learning.

Our next theme dance, Goofers, is on April 6th. This is a chance for dancers to try their skill at a singing call or cueing a round dance. You will have help. Garry and Pat have offered to assist and have several pieces of music available. We have six dancers signed on but there is room for more. **YOU CAN DO IT!** Wayne and Linda Townsend are coordinators for the dance.

The club dancing season ends with a wind-up dance on May 5th with a western theme. This is another traditional favorite. See you there.

ISLAND GEMS, Nanaimo

By Wendie Harrington

What a great start to 2024!! Our afternoon students are progressing by leaps and bounds. Our evening dancers have added many new dances to their repertoire. They now have so many “favourites” to request for our monthly party night that we would have to dance for an extra hour to fit them in. With the spring weather coming and more hours of daylight we would like to extend an invitation to round dancers from up and down island to join us for our evening dances.

MAVERICKS, Victoria

By Chrissy Torontow

We had a fun January but the snow and ice did curtail some of our dances. We had our first visitation to the Sooke Squares who dance upstairs in the Sooke

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**U.V.I.C.T.A.
Presents**

2024 Freshman Frolic



Nanoose Place
2925 Northwest Bay Rd
Sunday April 28, 2024
1:00 – 3:00pm

- **West Coast** Square Dancing
Featuring a Panel of our Region's
Caller Teachers

\$10.00/person

Come out & Rollick at the 'Frolic

CLUB NEWS (CONTINUED)

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Legion on Tuesday afternoons from 2:00-4:00. We really enjoyed Richard Sharman's calling and felt very welcomed by his dancers. We plan to visit again!

Our joint dance weekend of January 25th-26th, Tropical Travels, was a nice way to keep our minds off the chilly weather and had good turnouts.

Our Friday, February 9th dance, At The Hop, was fantastic! We certainly appreciated the visitation from the Frontier Twirlers: such a fun group to dance with. A shout out to Marilynne Cunningham and Kirk Rockerbie for their wonderful mix of 50s music, and also to Lorne Clayton for his great tip, and the decorators Barb Clayton and Garry Weeks and their team for the outstanding decorating. The pink Cadillac painted by Barb Clayton is a super back drop. Lots of slicked back hair, turned up blue jeans and poodle skirts. A special thanks to the kitchen crew for coordinating all the food – their root beer floats were a hit!

The last dance weekend of February, the 23rd-24th, was our Mardi Gras theme. And Sunday, February 25th was the New Dancer Hoedown with a combination of all three new dancer classes attending. They get a chance to meet the other students and hear a panel of callers.

We are very excited about our dance on March 8th, The Dynamic Duo, with Lorne Clayton and Herb Fox calling. These two singing together are such a treat, so be sure to come out! Such a great combination of voices. It will be a night that you want to be there!

Our dance weekend of March, the 22nd-23rd, includes our Pyjama Party and will be lots of fun. It's always interesting to see what everyone is wearing!

Our last dance of this season is our combined joint birthday dance: Mavericks 72 years + Country Cousins 68 years = 140 Years! Join us for cake and cookies to celebrate. We hope we're all dancing for many more!!

We look forward to seeing you all on the dance floor.

OCEAN WAVES, Courtenay

By Karin Sorger

We at Ocean Waves are gearing up for our big 70th Anniversary. We hope to get the Native Sons' Hall full of squares. There will be dancers from the Lower Island and that is a treat to see friends who make the long trip now and then. See you all there – Sunday, April 7 at 1:30. *(see ad page 13)*

The weather has been mild and driving was usually quite good. We have had nice attendance at our dances, at least four squares and sometimes five. Thanks

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SPRING ROUND-UP

Royal Oak Hall
4516 West Saanich Road, Victoria

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

Pre-Rounds – 1:30 to 2:00 PM
Banner Parade & Mainstream Dance
2:00 to 4:15 PM

Panel of Callers and Cuers

Admission: \$7.00 per Dancer at the Door
New Dancers Half Price
(Exact amount appreciated)

Subject to BC Public Health Orders in effect on the event date.
FACE MASKS RECOMMENDED.

Sorry...no refreshments provided. Please bring your own beverage.



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Lower Vancouver Island Western Square & Round Dance Association*

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everyone for joining us and making for a lively, happy dance. The decorations at our Winterfest and Red & White dances were wonderful including a few prizes which lifts the spirit. Everyone dressed to fit the theme. We need that in the winter months! Thanks Fran and Roger for calling and thanks for our guest cuers.

We are practicing the Salty Dog Dance for our upcoming Salty Dog/Ocean theme dance on April 20th which includes Talent Night. This should be a full night with lots of activities. And those delicious hot dogs!

We had fun retrieving our banner from the Amalgam-Eighters at their Chinese Dragon New Year Festival dance. Wow! What a spectacular dragon and Chinese sweets for social time. UVISDA gave out Four Score & More badges to all those members who deserved them. Gerry Dixon was happy to receive the Four Score Plus Ten badge – he's still agile and fun at his age!

We are so missing our neighbouring club, Ripple Rockets. Let's get them up and going!

We lost another former member, Dell Roberts. He and his special partner, Gwenn Vallee, helped with the running of the Corn Roast for many years. We extend sympathy to Gwenn and to his family.

RAINBOW ROUNDERS, Victoria

By Van Williams & Angel Star

The Rainbow Rounders continue to enjoy the new format for our Tuesday night social dances, and we continue to get a good turnout. The new format includes phase 3+ dances from 7:30 – 8:15, followed by phase 2 dances until 10:00 PM.

We celebrated the club's 32nd birthday with a dance party on January 23rd. Happily, Bruce and Diane Roger attended as lifetime members. They took Connie's class in her second year, and therefore have been members for 31 of these past 32 years. *(See photo page 22.)*

Please come and enjoy dancing at our Rock 'N' Roll party which has been moved ahead to March 12th.

Kirk's beginner class (8:00 – 9:30 PM) has dedicated dancers who successfully enjoyed round dances at the February 25th VDCTA New Dancer Hoedown. They have finished two-step lessons and started waltz lessons in early March. Connie's two advanced Wednesday classes finished after the March 13th class.

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JOINT DANCE LVIWSRDA-UVISDA

Featuring

JOHN CORRIGAN, Caller

Delta, BC

&

PAT ZEEMAN, Cuer

Victoria, BC

COLWOOD COMMUNITY HALL
2219 Sooke Road, Victoria, BC

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024

Pre-Rounds - 1:30-2:00 PM

Mainstream - 2:00-4:00 PM



Admission: **\$10.00** per Dancer at the Door
(Exact amount appreciated)

Light refreshments. Please bring your own water bottle or mug.
Face masks encouraged. Subject to COVID directives in effect on the event date.

Sponsored by the Lower Vancouver Island Western Square & Round Dance Association

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Van Williams has joined Dwight Fry as a Rainbow Rounders delegate to the LVIWSRDA. Dwight's new job in Kitimat has spurred this two-delegate format.

Round dancing is alive and well at the Colwood Community Hall. Feel free to join us this month.



Cuers Kirk Rockerbie and Connie Ritche cutting the Rainbow Rounders' 32nd birthday cake. *(Photo by Bruce Irving.)*

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The Powell River Star Dusters' Across the Pond Weekend Aug. 15, 16, & 17, 2024

Featured Callers:



Gordon Ruedig
Powell River BC



Brent Mawdsley
Delta BC



Connie Ritchie,
Cuer – Friday



Deb Schmidt
Cuer - Saturday

Panel Dances:

- Thursday 8 -10 pm, Star Dusters Hall
- Saturday 10am -12 pm, Star Dusters Hall

Open House / Pot Luck Lunch
Saturday 1 – 3 pm

Theme Dances with Featured Callers:

- Blackberry Fest - Friday 7:30-10 pm
 - Anniversary-Saturday 8-10 pm
- See Schedule for details

1964 - 2024
CELEBRATING OUR CLUB'S
60TH ANNIVERSARY

Registration Info:

Please Print
Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone# _____

Email: _____

Club: _____

Registration for _____ dancer(s) @ \$30 each = \$ _____

Make cheque payable to: Star Dusters Square Dance Club

Register early – Hall capacity is limited!

Send Registration to: Tricia Andrews : #10-6924 Abbotsford St Powell River BC V8A 2E8

Phone: 1-604-223-3560

Email: burgundysun28@gmail.com

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RIPPLE ROCKETS, Campbell River

By Susan Sinclair

The Ripple Rockets will finish off this season with Thursday night dances at the United Church in Campbell River from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. This includes rounds and square dancing and will be each Thursday night. All are welcome. If you are not a club member the cost is five dollars. The caller and cuers are Bob and Dorothy Simpson and Brenda Aucoin. Last dance of the year is April 25, 2024.

The Ripple Rockets would also like to thank the guest callers and cuers who supported the club last fall. We would also like to thank Bob and Dorothy Simpson for believing in our club and giving us with their generous support making one dance a week possible. Hats off to Bob and Dorothy Simpson of the Wheel Arounds from the Ripple Rockets!

STAR DUSTERS, Powell River

By Patti Coburn

The Star Dusters this new year were thrilled to have larger numbers of new persons coming out to try square dance. The club has used posters and social media to advertise but the best source has been, a personal invite, to attend one or both of the “Free - Come Try Square Dance” classes offered at the start of each new teaching session. On January 9th the first free class of 2024 had us dancing for joy! The hall was humming with introductions as new attendees and club members were organized into five squares. *(See photo page 40.)*

As we all know it is the number of persons that decide to continue after the free classes are over that count! Well, we are pleased to report four new couples and four new singles had so much fun they have continued with the 2024 class session. To add to the fun and provide a little more time for social interaction, the class on Tuesday, February 13 had a Valentine’s theme, complete with “Love Calls”, decorations, lots of goodies, and dancers dressed in red & white. Our hearts were happy!

Sadly, it was just days later that Gord would inform the club that Yvette, his lifetime partner, passed on February 25th after a brief illness. Yvette touched all of our hearts. She may have been small in stature but definitely mighty in her love of family, her friends, and her love of square dance. We will all miss Yvette and send our deepest condolences to Gord and family. A very difficult time for Gord but I know he appreciates the support of his club as well as the many friends he and Yvette made while dancing and calling in the extended BC square dance community.

The club plans to offer a weekend blast class this spring to get round dancers started on their journey so that they may fully participate in our dance activities

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as we move forward. Also this spring we expect to have all our new square dancers up to speed for the Freshman Frolic at the end of April. Later we will hold our season wind up dance on Saturday, May 11th.

Club members are busy preparing for the Star Dusters 60th Anniversary celebration that will be a part of the "Across the Pond" Dance Weekend planned for August 15, 16, & 17. Reminder to submit your Registration Form (*see ad page 23*). Billets can be arranged by contacting pattiscoburn@gmail.com with request.

May all of your days be as lovely as the ones you share dancing with friends!

STAR TWIRLERS, Victoria

By Garry Dodds

This winter's cold season has played havoc with our dances so far this year including having to cancel some due to me being sick. Our Monday night Plus class is all but complete and our Wednesday dances have included some non-standard application use of the moves. Everyone seems to be enjoying the variations.

Due to the sickness, several of our Thursday Advanced classes have had to be cancelled, however, we are now back on track. We have been doing extensive review and have started to add a few more of the A1 program moves.

See you on the dance floor.



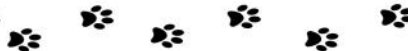
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May 18 & 19, 2024

Join us for a fun weekend of
Square & Round Dancing

featuring:

Ray & Deb Schmidt



Gord & Yvette Ruedig



... as well as a
Panel of Callers & Cuers

Quinsam Hall
2005 Eagle Drive
Campbell River, BC

Contact: jhobbshouse@gmail.com / 250-923-0229

Or visit our website: <https://riplerockets.wixsite.com/campbellriver>

Blast Off to Fun

May 18 & 19, 2024



Saturday, May 18

Registration	12:00 – 1:00 pm	Quinsam Hall
Introduction to Plus Dance	1:30 – 3:30 pm	Quinsam Hall (Casual Dress)
Registration	5:30 – 7:00 pm	Quinsam Hall
Pre-Rounds	6:30 – 7:00 pm	Quinsam Hall
Square Dance	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Quinsam Hall (Panel of Callers & Cuers)

Sunday, May 19

Crib Tournament	10:00 – Noon	Quinsam Hall
Registration	12:00 – 1:00 pm	Quinsam Hall
Round Dance	1:30 – 3:30 pm	Quinsam Hall (Phase II plus)
Registration	5:30 – 7:00 pm	Quinsam Hall
Pre-Rounds	6:30 – 7:00 pm	Quinsam Hall
Square Dance	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Quinsam Hall (Panel of Callers & Cuers)

Registration form (Please Register by April 30th)

Fees

Please Print

Last Name(s): _____ \$20.00 per person for weekend

First Name(s): _____ At Door: \$10.00 / person / day

Address: _____ **Cheques Payable to: Ripple Rockets**

City: _____ **Send Registration to:**

Postal Code: _____ Phone #: _____ June Carlson
2929 York Road
Campbell River, BC V9H 1A3
250-923-0229

Your Club: _____ jhobbshouse@gmail.com

Caller or Cuer? _____

Free RV parking? Y / N Size: _____ (if parking on-site at Hall: Self-Contained Units Only)

**** If camping, please Pre-Register by end of April ****

For Billeting options: please contact Marti @ 250-201-1366 / martialkana@hotmail.com

Fragrance Free Event

Shirts required (Long or Short-Sleeved...your choice 😊)

<https://riplerockets.wixsite.com/campbellriver>

NEWS FROM HERE & THERE

DANCING IN AUSTRALIA – 2019 AND 2023

By Darrell Roberts

In April 2019 Janice and I went to Australia for a holiday, and we were able to connect with my friend Brian Hotchkies, a professional caller who calls all over the world. From Newcastle, New South Wales, Brian began his involvement with square dancing in 1961 when he went along to a local club "just to watch." From such small beginnings a remarkable talent has emerged. One of the many clubs he calls for is the Newport Ocean Waves Square Dance Club located in Warriewood, New South Wales. This is the club we danced with.

This past fall (2023) we were fortunate enough to be able to go back to Australia and this time danced with the Kiwilers Square Dance Club in Perth, Western Australia. This club was founded by Richard and Heather Muir in

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Darrell Roberts & Janice Brennand (on right) with Australian caller couple Richard & Heather Muir in Perth, Western Australia.
(Photo courtesy Darrell Roberts.)

SALT SPRING ISLAND **SWING 'N' WHEEL 2024**

Saturday, August 24 - 2:00-? PM

Cunningham Residence
734 Upper Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island

No Pre-registration Required – No Cost

Afternoon contests using farm equipment (tractor and wagon) (nail driving).
Pot luck supper starting around 5:00 PM followed by a barn dance.

For those who want to come for the weekend, or longer, there will be free RV parking (self-contained units only) at the home of Alan & Marilynne Cunningham. Email to almarcun@telus.net or phone 250-537-5356 for more information.

Please check www.bcferrries.com/routes-fares/schedules for the ferry schedules for Salt Spring Island. Saturday morning ferry sailings can be busy.

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2000. Originally from Invercargill, in New Zealand, Richard and Heather have been dancing for over 38 years. Richard began his calling career in 1985.

Both of our dancing experiences in Australia have been memorable. Square dancing in Australia is very much the same experience as we have here in North America with a few differences. For a start, it was over 30 degrees Celsius out on the day we danced in Perth and the air conditioning in the hall was struggling to keep up. All the men wore long sleeve shirts and the ladies wore square dance dresses. The heat didn't seem to bother them, but Janice and I found it a bit on the warm side.

The other thing was that that they promenade differently than we do here. They all do the promenade with the ladies holding their skirts with the right hand and the man's hand is on the waist. The allemande left (and right), are done with palms up and not the forearm hold that we use. Same as the scoot back, palms up. Brian Hotchkies and Richard Muir are both great callers and a lot of fun to dance to. I was asked to call a couple of tips and had a lot of fun with the dancers and my Canadian accent. At the end of the dance we had "Supper", which is tea (I don't remember if they had coffee), juice, sandwiches, fruit, veggies, homemade goodies, and ice cream!

If ever you get the opportunity to square dance in either Australia or New Zealand, I recommend you do. The dancers were friendly and welcoming and if you like having a good time, you will not be disappointed.



BC Festival 2025

A Mini Square & Round Dance Festival. July 31 to August 2, 2025
Langley Secondary School - 21405 56 Ave., Langley, B.C.
squaredance.bc.ca for more info



	3-day package	3-day package	3-day package	Single day
Per Person	Until Sept. 1 2024	Sept. 2, 2024 to March 1, 2025	March 2, 2025 to July 31, 2025	In Advance or At the Door
Adult	\$70	\$75	\$80	\$40
Youth (Under 21 at Festival time)	\$35	\$38	\$40	\$20

Please List the club(s) you belong to

Last Name	First Name	Youth?	Fee enclosed	Dance Level Preference - Pick 3 in order of Preference (1, 2, 3)
		<input type="checkbox"/>		Squares <input type="checkbox"/> SSD <input type="checkbox"/> II <input type="checkbox"/> III <input type="checkbox"/> IV <input type="checkbox"/> Plus <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> A1 <input type="checkbox"/> A2 <input type="checkbox"/> Rounds <input type="checkbox"/> Th <input type="checkbox"/> Fri <input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/>
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Additional Items	Price per	Quantity	Mailing Address
BC Festival Badge	\$ 10		
Festival 2025 Bar	\$ 5		Street
Program Booklet	\$ 5		City
			Prov/State
Camping (Subject to demand)			PC/Zip
Details TBD	Price TBD	Total of Additional Items \$	email
		Total of Registrations \$	phone
		TOTAL \$	cell

Personal Cheque
(Payable to **BC Festival 2025**)
E-transfer to **bcfestival2025@shaw.ca**

Payment Options

See page 2 - for Callers and Cuers to fill out and some general info for everyone



Callers and Cuers

If you would like to be included on the program, please indicate here. The programming committee will contact you. **Important: To ensure a place on the program, please register by February 28, 2025.**

Name	Squares Indicate levels	Rounds Indicate phases	Workshop you offer to teach Indicate level/phase

Official Trail-in Dance

Wednesday, July 30 at Langley Secondary School
 21405 – 56 Ave, Langley
 Pre-rounds 7:00 pm
 Square and Round Dancing 7:30 – 9:30 pm
 Admission \$10 adults/\$5 youth under 21 See
 Website for map and directions.

Trail-out Dance

Sunday, August 3rd
 Venue: To Be Determined
 Square and Round Dancing 1:30 to 4:00 pm
 Cost to be determined by host club.
 See Website for map and directions

Square dance attire is admired, but not required.
 Please wear your own club badges.
Please bring your CLUB BANNER for the Grand March on Thursday Evening!

Accommodations (Check if Yes)

- I would like information on hotels/motels/B&B in the Langley area.
 I require information on RV parking.

Mail Registration form and payment to:

BC Festival 2025
 M. Wilson, Registrar
 26886-25 Ave, Aldergrove B.C. V4W 2Y5
BCFestival2025req@gmail.com

Refund Policy:

1. Full refund until May 15, 2025, less a \$10 per person administration fee
 2. No refund after May 15, 2025
- Spectators welcome!

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NEWS FROM HERE & THERE

FAREWELL TO 2023 DANCE – DECEMBER 31, 2023 By Gary Weeks

Well, well, it has been a heck of a winter so far and it seems like a vague memory that we had such great dances over the Christmas and New Year season in 2023...but here we are in February of 2024. The 2023 New Year's Eve dance was such a wonderful way to kick out last year. It was one of the biggest dances of the year and attracted a strong contingent of up-Islanders to travel to this side of the Malahat. Dancers came from as far away as Powell River! Amazingly, the weather cooperated.

The panel of callers kept the program varied and spot on with Kirk Rockerbie, Darrell Roberts, Stu Hemmings, Herb Fox, Connie Ritchie, Richard Sharman and Lorne Clayton calling/cueing. Decorations were kept up over Christmas to add to the spirit of the event, snacks were available throughout the afternoon, and we were all done by 5:00 PM so that everyone could go home safely.



Callers and cuers at the Farewell to 2023 Dance at the Royal Oak Women's Institute Hall on December 31, 2023 (left to right): Lynette McLeod (Parksville), Paul Inscho (Nanaimo), *Stu Hemmings, *Connie Ritchie (Nanaimo & Victoria), *Herb Fox, *Richard Sharman, Dwight Fry, *Lorne Clayton, Stacey Ruegg (Powell River); on stage: *Kirk Rockerbie, *Darrell Roberts. Asterisks denote those callers and cuers who were on the program. *(Photo by Gary Weeks.)*

The recipe for this event made it one of the most highly attended and attractive events of the year! What a tremendous job done and what a relief to be able to have and see eight to ten squares in Royal Oak Hall again. This was a hugely valuable event in that it showed all the newer dancers what a real square dance was all about. It also confirms that we have the means and the vision to put our resources together and come up with some pretty fine events. Thank you, Carol Young, the President of the Lower Vancouver Island Western Square and Round Dance Association for making this event come to life. Very much appreciated by all who attended.

NEWS FROM HERE & THERE

UVICTA ROUND-A-RAMA 2024

By Diana Ring

UVICTA hosted their Round-a-Rama on Sunday, February 18th at the Nanoose Bay Hall. The dance was started by Connie Ritchie, MC, by introducing the cuers and their partners – Wendie & Herb Harrington, Diana & Jake Ring, and Lynette McLeod & Ron Ervin.

There were dancers from Victoria, Campbell River, and all points in between, totalling up to 44, enjoying the rounds being cued by the four UVICTA cuers.

The dance level started at Phase II with Two Step and Waltz, and increased in phases and rhythms – including Rumba, Cha, Slow Two Step, Jive, Tango, and Foxtrot. It was quite the show! And the dancers did not disappoint. Very elegant afternoon.

Thanks to Lynette and Ron for handling the social. Thanks to all the dancers that helped put chairs and tables away at the end of the afternoon.

VDCTA NEW DANCER HOEDOWN 2024

By Kirk Rockerbie

The New Dancer Hoedown on Sunday, February 25th at Colwood Hall was a GREAT success with over 60 dancers attending, many of whom were square dance and round dance students eager to improve their dance skills and have fun.

On the stage we had Garry Dodds, Herb Fox, Lorne Clayton, Richard Sharman, and Kirk Rockerbie presenting calls and cues that kept the students engaged and allowed them to see just how much they have learned. The students had a great time!

The Victoria and District Caller Teachers Association would like to thank the angels who attended, and the students, for a memorable dance experience. Thanks also goes to the members of the Association that are teaching this year. Good work!

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LOVE IS LIKE A BUTTERFLY

CHOREO: Ron & Georgine Woolcock, **PHONE:** 360-701-5528
ADDRESS: 5326 Berger Dr SE, Olympia, WA 98513 **E-MAIL:** rbghwoolcock@gmail.com
MUSIC: CD "Ultimate Dolly Parton" **RHYTHM:** Two Step
Available at Amazon & I-Tunes **DIFFICULTY:** Easy
RAL PHASE: II **DOWNLOAD TIME:** 2.20
FOOTWORK: Opposite, directions for man except where noted **SUGGESTED SPEED:** 40 RPM
SEQUENCE: INTRO, A, B, A, B, A, END **REL DATE:** October 2023

Preview: [\(725\) Dolly Parton - Love Is Like a Butterfly \(Official Audio\) - YouTube](#)

INTRO

1-5 [OP LOD] WAIT ; ; HITCH 6 ; ; WALK & FACE BFLY WALL ;

1-2 {Wait} In OP LOD wait 2 meas ; ;

3-4 {Hitch 6} fwd L, cl R, bk L, - ; bk R, Cl L, fwd R, - ; {Wlk & Fc} fwd L, -, fwd trn 1/4 RF to BFLY WALL, - ;

PART A

1-4 FACE TO FACE ; ON AROUND TO FACE REVERSE ; BACK HITCH ; SCISSOR THRU TO OP LOD ;

1 {Fc to Fc} In BFLY WALL sd L, cl R, sd L trng LF 1/2, - ;

2 {On around to Fc Rev} sd R, cl L, bk R trn LF 1/4 to LOP RLOD, - ;

3 {Bk Hitch} In LOP RLOD bk L, cl R, fwd L trng 1/4 LF, - ;

4 {Scis Thru} sd R, cl L, xRif (W xLif) to OP LOD, - ;

5-9 TWO FORWARD TWO STEPS ; ; HITCH 6 ; ; WALK 2 ;

5-6 {Two Fwd 2-Steps} In OP LOD fwd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; fwd R, cl L, fwd R, - ;

7-8 {Hitch 6} In OP LOD fwd L, cl R, bk L, - ; bk R, Cl L, fwd R, - ;

9 {WALK 2} In OP LOD fwd L, -, fwd R, - ;

10-13 CIRCLE AWAY 2 TWO STEPS ; ; TOGETHER STRUT 4 CP WALL ; ;

10-11 {Circ Awy 2 Two Steps} In OP LOD circ LF twd COH (W twd WALL) fwd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; cont twd COH (W cont twd WALL) fwd R, cl L, cont trng LF fwd R to fc RLOD, - ;

12-13 {Tog Strut 4} Fcg RLOD trn to fc ptr fwd L, -, fwd R, - ; fwd L, -, fwd R to CP WALL, - ;

14-18 SIDE TWO STEP LEFT & RIGHT ; ; HALF BOX ; SCISSOR THRU ; WALK 2 OP LOD ;

14-15 {Sd Two Step L & R} In CP WALL sd L, cl R, sd L, - ; sd R, cl L, sd R to CP WALL, - ;

16-18 {Half Box} In CP WALL sd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; {Scis Thru} sd R, cl L, xRif (W xLif) to OP LOD, - ; {Walk 2} fwd L, -, fwd R to OP LOD, - ;

VDCTA ROUND OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2024

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LOVE IS LIKE A BUTTERFLY
Ron & Georgine Woolcock

PART B

1-4 TWO FORWARD TWO STEPS ; ; TWO TURNING TWO STEPS CP WALL ; ;

- 1-2 {Two Fwd 2-Steps} In OP LOD fwd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; fwd R, cl L, fwd R, - ;
3-4 {Two Trng 2-Steps} In OP LOD trng 1/4 RF sd L, cl R commence RF trn, sd & bk L across line of progression comp 1/2 RF trn, - ; sd R, cl L commence RF trn, fwd R comp 1/2 RF trn to CP WALL, - ;

5-9 HALF BOX ; SCISSOR THRU OP LOD ; FORWARD LOCK FORWARD TWICE ; ; WALK & FC CP WALL ; ;

- 5-6 {Half Box} In CP WALL sd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; {Scis Thru} sd R, cl L, xRif (W xLif) to OP LOD, - ;
7-8 {Fwd Lk Fwd Twice} In OP LOD fwd L, XRib ; fwd L, - ; fwd R, XLib, fwd R, - ;
9 {Wik & Fc} fwd L, -, fwd trn 1/4 RF to CP WALL, - ;

10-13 TRAVELING BOX ; ; ; ;

- 10-13 {Traveling Box} In CP WALL sd L, cl R, fwd L blendg to RSCP RLOD, - ; fwd R, -, fwd L blendg to CP WALL, - ; sd R, cl L, bk R blendg to SCP LOD, - ; fwd L, -, fwd R to SCP LOD, - ;

14-18 SCOOT ; WALK & FC CP WALL ; TWO TURNING TWO STEPS BFLY WALL ; ; TWO SIDE CLOSES ;

- 14-15 {Scoot} In SCP LOD fwd L, cl R, fwd L, cl R ; {Wik & Fc} fwd L, -, fwd trn 1/4 RF to CP WALL, - ;
16-18 {Two Trng 2-Steps} In CP WALL sd L, cl R commence RF trn, sd & bk L across line of progression comp 1/2 RF trn, - ; sd R, cl L commence RF trn, fwd R comp 1/2 RF trn to BFLY WALL, - ; {Two Sd Cls} sd L, cl R, sd L, Cl R ;

ENDING

1-4 CIRCLE AWAY TWO TWO STEPS ; ; TOGETHER STRUT 4 CP WALL ; ;

- 1-2 {Circ Awy 2 Two Steps} In OP LOD circ LF twd COH (W twd WALL) fwd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; cont twd WALL (W cont twd COH) fwd R, cl L, cont trng LF fwd R to fc RLOD, - ;
3-4 {Tog Strut 4} Fcg RLOD trn to fc ptr fwd L, -, fwd R, - ; fwd L, -, fwd R to CP WALL - ;

5-9 SIDE TWO STEP LEFT & RIGHT ; ; HALF BOX ; SCISSOR THRU ; APART POINT ; ;

- 5-6 {Sd Two Step L & R} In CP WALL sd L, cl R, sd L, - ; sd R, cl L, sd R to CP WALL, - ;
7-9 {Half Box} In CP WALL sd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; {Scis Thru} sd R, cl L, xRif (W xLif) to OP LOD, - ; {Apt PT} apt L, -, pt R, - ;

UVICTA ROUND OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2024

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MUSIC: CD "Kevin Denney" Track 4
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RHYTHM: Two Step
DIFFICULTY: Average
TIME/SPEED: 2:58@45 RPM
SUGGESTED SPEED: 45 RPM/100%
REL DATE: Oct 2021

RAL PHASE: II+1 Fishtail
FOOTWORK: Opposite, directions for man except where noted
SEQUENCE: INTRO, A, B, C, A, B, B (9-16), END

Download: [Amazon.com : cadillac tears](https://www.amazon.com/cadillac-tears)

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INTRO

1-4 [OP FCG] WAIT ; ; APART POINT ; PICKUP [CP LOD] :

- 1-2 [1-2] In OP FCG wait 2 meas ; ;
3-4 [3] bk L, -, pt R, - ; [4] fwd R ldg W in frnt to CP LOD, - (W trns LF in frnt of M) ;

PART A

1-4 TWO FORWARD TWO STEPS ; ; PROGRESSIVE BOX ; ;

- 1-2 [1] In CP LOD fwd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; [2] fwd R, cl L, fwd R, - ;
3-4 [3] In CP LOD sd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; [4] sd R, cl L, fwd R to CP LOD, - ;

5-8 TWO PROGRESSIVE SCISSORS FOR A FISHTAIL ; ; WALK & FACE BFLY WALL ;

- 5-6 [5] In CP LOD sd L, cl R, fwd xLif (W xRib) to SCAR, - ; [6] sd R, cl L, fwd xRif (W xLib) to BJO DLC CKG, - ;
7-8 [7] In BJO DLC xLib (W xRif), sd R, fwd L, lk Rib (W Lif) ; [8] fwd L, -, fwd R trng to BFLY WALL, - ;

9-12 LACE ACROSS ; FORWARD TWO STEP ; LACE BACK ; FORWARD TWO STEP CP WALL ;

- 9-10 [9] In BFLY WALL fwd L diag (W under jnd ld hnds) chg sds, cl R, fwd L, - ; [10] fwd R, cl L, fwd R to LOP LOD, - ;
11-12 [11] In LOP LOD fwd L diag (W under jnd trl hnds) chg sds, cl R, fwd L, - ; [12] fwd R, cl L, fwd R to CP WALL, - ;

13-16 HALF BOX ; SCISSORS THRU TO OP ; SCOOT ; WALK & FACE BFLY WALL ;

- 13-14 [13] In CP WALL sd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; [14] sd R, cl L, xRif (W xLif) to OP LOD ;
15-16 [15] In OP LOD fwd L, cl R, Fwd L, cl R ; [16] fwd L, -, fwd R trng to BFLY WALL, - ;

PART B

1-4 VINE 3 & TOUCH ; LADY WRAP ; UNWRAP ; CHANGE SIDES BFLY COH ;

- 1-2 [1] In BFLY WALL sd L, xRib, sd L, - ; [2] ld W LF into WRP R, L, R, tch L to R (W trng LF wrap into M stp L, R, L, tch R to L) to WRP Position ;
3-4 [3] In WRP Position ld W RF out of WRP in plc L, R, L, tch R to L (W trng RF out of WRP stp R, L, R, tch L to R) ; [4] fwd R passing R shldr trl hnds jnd, cl L W under jnd hnds, fwd R trng RF, tch L to R BFLY COH ;

5-8 VINE 3 & TOUCH ; LADY WRAP ; UNWRAP ; CHANGE SIDES BFLY WALL ;

- 5-6 [5] In BFLY COH sd L, xRib, sd L, - ; [6] ld W LF into WRP R, L, R, tch L to R (W trng LF wrap into M stp L, R, L, tch R to L) to WRP Position ;
7-8 [7] In WRP Position ld W RF out of WRP in plc L, R, L, tch R to L (W trng RF out of WRP stp R, L, R, tch L to R) ; [8] fwd R passing R shldr trl hnds jnd, cl L W under jnd hnds, fwd R trng RF, tch L to R BFLY WALL ;

9-12 FACE TO FACE ; BACK TO BACK ; BASKETBALL TURN TO OP LOD ; ;

- 9-10 [9] In BFLY WALL sd L, cl R, sd L trng LF 1/2, - ; [10] sd R, cl L, sd R trng RF 1/2 to BFLY WALL, - ;
11-12 [11] In BFLY WALL sd L ck, -, rec R trng 1/4 RF, - ; [12] fwd L ck trng 1/4 RF, -, rec R cont trng 1/4 RF to OP LOD, - ;

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Cadillac Tears
Ron & Georgine Woolcock

CONTINUE Part B

13-16 HITCH 6 ; ; OPEN VINE 4 ; ;

- 13-14 [13] In OP LOD fwd L, cl R, bk L, - ; [14] bk R, cl L, fwd R to BFLY WALL, - ;
15-16 [15] In BFLY WALL sd L, -, XRib (W XLib) to LOP LOD, - ; [16] trng to fc sd L, -, XRib (W XLif) to OP LOD, - ;

PART C

1-4 CIRCLE AWAY TWO TWO STEPS ; ; TOGETHER STRUT 4 CP WALL ; ;

- 1-2 [1] In OP LOD circ LF twd COH (W twd WALL) fwd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; [2] cont twd COH (W cont twd WALL) fwd R, cl L, cont trng LF fwd R to fc RLOD, - ;
3-4 [3] Fcg RLOD trn to fc ptr fwd L, -, fwd R, - ; [4] fwd L, -, fwd R to CP WALL – CP WALL ;

5-8 BOX ; ; TWO SIDE CLOSES ; WALK & PICKUP CP LOD ;

- 5-6 [5] In CP WALL sd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; [6] sd R, cl L, bk R to CP WALL, - ;
7-8 [7] In CP WALL sd L, cl R, Sd L, cl R ; [8] In OP LOD fwd L, -, fwd R ldg W in frnt to CP LOD, - (W trns LF in frnt of M) ;

ENDING

1-4 CIRCLE AWAY TWO TWO STEPS ; ; TOGETHER STRUT 4 CP WALL ; ;

- 1-2 [1] In OP LOD circ LF twd COH (W twd WALL) fwd L, cl R, fwd L, - ; [2] cont twd COH (W cont twd WALL) fwd R, cl L, cont trng LF fwd R to fc RLOD, - ;
3-4 [3] Fcg RLOD trn to fc ptr fwd L, -, fwd R, - ; [4] fwd L, -, fwd R to CP WALL – CP WALL ;

5-6 TWO SIDE CLOSES ; APART POINT ;

- 5-6 [5] In CP WALL sd L, cl R, Sd L, cl R ; [6] apt L, -, pt R, - ;

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This information is compiled from a number of sources and is believed to be accurate, however event details are subject to change. We recommend that you confirm all particulars including dates, times, and locations with event organizers prior to registering and/or booking transportation and accommodation.

2024	
March 25-27	49 th CALLERLAB Convention – Grapevine (Dallas-Fort Worth), Texas – www.callerlab.org
April 7	Comox Valley Ocean Waves – 70 th Anniversary Dance – Native Sons Hall, Courtenay, BC (<i>see ad page 13</i>)
May 5	VDCTA & LVIWSRDA – Spring Round-Up – Royal Oak Hall (<i>see ad page 19</i>)
May 17-19	Ripple Rockets – Blast Off 2024 – Quinsam Hall, Campbell River, BC – ripplerockets.wixsite.com/campbellriver (<i>see ad pages 26-27</i>)
June 22-26	48 th Annual ROUNDALAB Convention – Milwaukee, Wisconsin – www.roundalab.org
June 26-29	73 rd US National Square Dance Convention – Milwaukee, Wisconsin – 73nsdc.com
July 17-20	23 rd Canadian National Square & Round Dance Festival – Calgary, AB – squaredance.ab.ca/festival-2024-canadian-square-and-round-dance-society/ [AT CAPACITY – WAIT LIST]
July 19-20	Ocean Waves – Catch the Wave – Fanny Bay & Courtenay, BC
August 15-17	Star Dusters – Across the Pond/Blackberry Festival Weekend – Powell River, BC (<i>see ad page 23</i>)
2025	
April 14-16	50 th CALLERLAB Convention – Greenville, South Carolina – www.callerlab.org
June 21-25	49 th Annual ROUNDALAB Convention – Little Rock, Arkansas – www.roundalab.org
June 25-28	74 th US National Square Dance Convention – Shreveport, Louisiana – 74thnsdc.com
July 30 & 31, Aug. 1 & 2	BC Square & Round Dance Fed. – BCFestival2025 & Trail-In Dance – Langley, BC – squaredance.bc.ca/bcfestival2025/
2026	
June 24-27	75 th US National Square Dance Convention – Waco, Texas – 75nsdctx.com

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Club caller Gord Ruedig calling to five squares at the Star Dusters' new dancer class on January 16, 2024. (Photo by Patti Coburn.) (See page 24.)



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Country Cousins – Victoria

Website: ccsdc.ca

Mainstream with Rounds – 7:30-9:30 PM *(Joint with the Mavericks)*

2nd & 4th Fridays – Sep. 8 to Dec. 8, 2023; Jan. 12 to May 10, 2024

4th Saturdays – Sep. 23 to Nov. 25, 2023; Jan. 27 to Apr. 27, 2024

Royal Oak Women's Institute Hall – 4516 West Saanich Rd., Victoria, BC

Caller: **Kirk** Rockerbie

Pres: **Wendy** Weeks

Secy: **Cathy** Novak

Treas: **Marion** van't Riet

Dance A Rounds (Rounds) – Victoria

Rounds Phase 3 & 4 – 1:00-3:00 PM

2nd & 4th Thursdays – Oct. 12 to Dec. 14, 2023; Jan. 11 to Apr. 11, 2024

Royal Oak Women's Institute Hall – 4516 West Saanich Rd., Victoria, BC

Cuer/Pres/Treas: **Stu** Hemmings

Frontier Twirlers – Victoria

Website: frontiertwirlers.weebly.com

Plus – 7:30 PM, **Mainstream** – 8:00-10:00 PM

1st & 3rd Saturdays – Sep. 16 to Dec. 16, 2023; Jan. 6 to May 4, 2024

Colwood Community Hall – 2219 Sooke Rd., Victoria, BC

Caller: **Garry** Dodds

Cuer: **Pat** Zeeman

Pres: **Darrell** Roberts

Secy: **Carolyn** Johnson

Treas: **Linda** Ross

Mavericks – Victoria

Website: TheMavericks.org

Mainstream with Rounds – 7:30-9:30 PM *(Joint with the Country Cousins)*

2nd & 4th Fridays – Sep. 8 to Dec. 8, 2023; Jan. 12 to May 10, 2024

4th Saturdays – Sep. 23 to Nov. 25, 2023; Jan. 27 to Apr. 27, 2024

Royal Oak Women's Institute Hall – 4516 West Saanich Rd., Victoria, BC

Caller: **Marilynne** Cunningham

Pres: **Marc** Dumonceaux

Secy: **Gillian** Bloom

Treas: **Anne** Dumonceaux

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Rainbow Rounders (Rounds) – Victoria

Rounds: Phase 3-4 – 7:30-8:15 PM, Phase 2-3 – 8:15-10:00 PM

Tuesdays – Sep. 12 to Dec. 19, 2023; Jan. 9 to Apr. 30, 2024

Colwood Community Hall – 2219 Sooke Rd., Victoria, BC

Cuer/Pres/Treas: **Connie Ritchie**

Cuer: **Kirk Rockerbie**

Salty Wheels – Salt Spring Island – INACTIVE

Mainstream – 7:30-9:30 PM

Thursdays – (To be determined – club currently inactive.)

Cunningham Residence – 734 Upper Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, BC

Caller: **Marilynne Cunningham**.....

Pres: **Alan Cunningham**

Secy/Treas. **Angela Thomas**

Star Twirlers (Plus & Advanced) – Victoria

Website:startwirlers.squaredance.bc.ca

Plus Teach/Workshop – ~8:00-10:00 PM

Mondays – Sep. 25 to Dec. 18, 2023; Jan. 15 to May 13, 2024

(Cancelled: Oct. 9, Feb. 19, Apr. 1)

Colwood Community Hall – 2219 Sooke Rd., Victoria, BC

Plus Dance (with Rounds) – ~8:00-10:00 PM

2nd & 4th Wednesdays – Oct. 25 to Dec. 13, 2023; Jan. 10 to May 8, 2024

Royal Oak Women’s Institute Hall – 4516 West Saanich Rd., Victoria, BC

Advanced Class/Dance – ~7:30-9:30 PM

1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursdays – Oct. 5 to Dec. 21, 2023; Jan. 4 to May 2, 2024

Old Colwood Firehall (2nd floor – enter at rear) – 2225 Sooke Rd., Victoria, BC

Caller/Pres: **Garry Dodds**.....

Cuer/Treas: **Pat Zeeman**

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Amalgam-Eighters – Nanaimo

Email:..... amalgam-eighters@squaredance.bc.ca

Website:..... amalgam-eighters.squaredance.bc.ca

Mainstream (with some West Coast/SSD) – 7:00-9:30 PM (Social 9:30-10:00)

1st & 3rd Fridays – Sep. 15 to Dec. 15, 2023; Jan. 5 to May 3, 2024

Lantzville Community (Costin) Hall – 7232 Lantzville Rd., Lantzville, BC

Caller: **Wendie** Harrington

Pres: **Bonnie** Haapala

Secy: **Margie** Cooper

Treas: **May** Wagner

Island Gems (Rounds) – Nanaimo

Rounds – Phase 3+ – 7:00-9:00 PM

Thursdays – Sep. 14 to Dec. 14, 2023; Jan. 11 to May 9, 2024

Wellington Hall – 3922 Corunna Ave. (off Norwell Dr., off Island Hwy.), Nanaimo, BC

Cuer/Pres: **Wendie** Harrington

Cuer/Treas: **Connie** Ritchie

Ocean Waves – Courtenay

Email:..... oceanwavesquaredance@gmail.com

Website:..... www.comoxvalleyoceanwaves.ca

Mainstream (with Rounds) – 7:00-9:30 PM

1st & 3rd Saturdays – Sep. 16 to Dec. 16, 2023; Jan. 6 to May 4, 2024

Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall – 411 Anderton Ave., Courtenay, BC

(Also at Native Sons Hall, 360 Cliffe Ave. – check on Dance Dates pages.)

Caller: **Fran** Archambault

Pres: **Keith** Kent

Secy: **Christine** Kent

Treas: **Rick** Granberg

Ripple Rockets – Campbell River

Email:..... campbellriverriplerockets@gmail.com

Website:..... ripplerockets.wixsite.com/campbellriver

“Fun Shop” Workshop/Dance – 6:30-8:30 PM

Thursdays – Jan. 4 to Apr, 25, 2024

United Church Hall – 415 Pinecrest Rd. (at Birch St.), Campbell River, BC

Caller: *Guest callers and cuers*

Pres: **Rodger** Martin

Secy: **Susan** Sinclair

Treas: **Genevieve** Hambalek

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Star Dusters – Powell River

Website: westcoastsquaredance.com

West Coast with Rounds – 6:30-9:00 PM

Thursdays – Extended Ap. – Sep. 7 to Dec. 14, 2023; Jan. 4 to May 9, 2024

Timberlane Rancho – 5399 Timberlane Ave., Powell River, BC

Caller: **Gordon Ruedig**

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Quinsam Hall – 102-2005 Eagle Dr.

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Four Score and More Club badge recipients at the Amalgam-Eighters' Chinese New Year dance in Lantzville on February 2, 2024 (left to right): Murray & Diane Thomas, Herb Harrington, Joy Reitan, Jackie McKinlay, Gerry Dixon (Four Score Plus Ten), Ken McCallum, Matt Haapala. Missing from photo: Stan & Marge Nestibo, Sue Otley. *(Photo by Margie Cooper.)*

SYMPATHY & CONDOLENCES



The rose still blooms more fair beyond the garden wall.

Our deepest sympathy to:

Darryl & Ann-Marie Brizan, Frontier Twirlers, on the loss of Darryl's mother, **Mary Brizan**, who passed away in Victoria on February 4, 2024 at the age of 97.

Elvira Dessureault, Ocean Waves, on the loss of her mother who passed away recently in Germany.

Gord Ruedig, caller for the Star Dusters, on the loss of his wife, **Yvette**, who passed away in Powell River on February 25, 2024 at the age of 64. (*See also pages 5, 14, and 24.*)

Our condolences to the families of:

David Chambers, a former member of the Country Cousins, Star Twirlers, and Dance A Rounds, who passed away in Victoria on January 28, 2024 at the age of 80. David is survived by his wife, **Margaret**, five children, and their families.

Carol Cullimore, a former member of the Promenaders, who passed away at Saanich Peninsula Hospital on February 14, 2024 at the age of 84. Carol is survived by three daughters and their families.

Bill Erickson, a former member of the Amalgam-Eighters, who passed away in Nanaimo on January 11, 2024 at the age of 95. Bill is survived by three sons and their families, and by his long-time companion, **Sue Ottley**, a member of the Amalgam-Eighters.

Joyce Hagedorn, formerly of Parksville and a former member of the Circle and Squares, who passed away in Victoria on February 13, 2024 at the age of 83. Joyce is survived by her husband, **Bill**, and their family.

Evan Haubrich, a former member of the Circle and Squares, who passed away in Parksville on February 14, 2024 at the age of 84. Evan is survived by his wife, **Dorothy**, and their family.

Richard McMullen, a former member of the Frontier Twirlers and the Mavericks, who passed away in Victoria on January 27, 2024. Richard is survived by his wife, **Audrey**.

Dell Roberts, a former member of the Ocean Waves, who passed away in Courtenay on December 11, 2023. Dell was predeceased by his wife, **Elizabeth**, and is survived by four children, their families, and by his partner, **Gwenn Vallee**.

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Taminations (<i>animations for square dance calls</i>) ...	www.tamtwirlers.org/taminations
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