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EDITOR'S PAGE

Welcome to another season of square and round dancing.

It has been a busy summer for many dancers, with a number of weekend events in Regions 1 and 8. At the time of writing Blast Off! in Campbell River and Catch the Wave in Courtenay have already taken place. Across the Pond in Powell River and Swing 'n' Wheel on Salt Spring Island are yet to come.

The biggest event this summer was the Canadian National Festival in Calgary in July that was attended by a number of dancers from our two regions. In this issue we have two first-hand accounts from local dancers who attended the festival.

This issue is the first in the new format – letter size pages, full colour, and online only. You will note some similarities to the former half letter size booklet format but also a number of changes. The first part of the publication has all the dance dates followed by news and photographs, and then directories. The second part has all the advertisements with the ones for dances and special events in date order followed by the commercial ads.

To make reading easier on the wider page we have adopted a two column format for most pages with text.

Underlined text in red or blue (except in cue sheets and ads) identifies active hyperlinks. Clicking or tapping on these links lets you jump from page to page, or will open a new email or a website (if your device is configured to do so).

This issue includes posters for a number of special dances that were available by our publication deadline. Remember to check club websites and the Coming Events pages on the Region 1 and 8 websites for posters issued subsequently.

Our next issue will be December 2024-January 2025 and will feature season's greetings ads. These ads are free for associations, clubs, callers, cuers, and dancers. If you would like to place such an ad please see page 4 for more details.

Alex Wotherspoon
Editor

LETTERS

Re: Colwood Hall Benefit Dance

The Colwood Women's Institute would like to give a vote of thanks to all the dancers who supported the Colwood Hall Benefit Dance this year. We are very pleased to say that the total for the evening (and even beyond) was \$1,974. The generosity of all the dancers who made donations, big or small, is so greatly appreciated!

This year the money donated will be going towards updating the hall kitchen which will take place over the summer.

Once again, thank you all so much.

Linda Townsend
Colwood Women's Institute

Re: LVIWSRDA Award of Merit

We would like to thank the Lower Vancouver Island Western Square & Round Dance Association for presenting us with the LVIWSRDA Award of Merit at the Joint LVIWSRDA-UVISDA Dance in May.

Thanks also to the ten local Association members who submitted our nomination.

We sincerely appreciate this recognition.

Alex & Joan Wotherspoon

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LETTERS (CONTINUED)

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Re: Sunday Afternoon Dance (May 26, 2024)

Hello Folks.

I would like to take a moment and say thank you for the awesome dance yesterday.

I know there are always lots of helpers and such, but I also know who the "real organizers" and "get things done" people are, too.

Thank you all. You are a great team.

I particularly enjoyed the snacks throughout the afternoon.

See you all again on the dance floor.

Bob and Dorothy Simpson

Re: Joint LVIWSRDA-UVISDA Dance

On behalf of all the dancers from the Upper Island we thank all here in Victoria for a great afternoon of square and round dancing. We look forward to seeing all of you again at anytime. Thank you!

Cathy Moreau
Ocean Waves

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SEASON'S GREETINGS ADVERTISEMENTS

Season's greetings ("Merry Christmas & Happy New Year") advertisements will be published in the next issue – December 2024-January 2025.

These ads are **FREE** for the CSRDS, the BCSRDF, caller/cuer and dancer associations, callers, cuers, and dancers.

When preparing your ad please note the Submission Guidelines on page 41. See the last page in this issue for examples of the available sizes,

The deadline for submitting an ad ready for publication to crosstrailnews@shaw.ca is Sunday, November 3, 2024, or at least one week earlier if you want us to make up your ad.

If you are using an image please ensure that it is not copyrighted or trademarked.

DANCE DATES – LOWER VANCOUVER ISLAND

SEPTEMBER 2024

MONDAY

Star Twirlers Open House – Plus Teach/Dance 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... 30

TUESDAY

Rainbow Rounders Rounds Phase III-IV, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... 10, 24

Rainbow Rounders Rounds Phase II, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... 17

FRIDAY

Mavericks Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall..... 20

SATURDAY

Country Cousins Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall..... 14, 28

Frontier Twirlers..... Plus 7:30-8:00 PM, Mainstream, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... 21

SPECIAL DANCES

Country Cousins Pie Night Dance, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall..... Sat. 14
(See poster page 46)

VDCTA FREE Workshop/Dance, 1:30-2:45 PM, Colwood Community Hall Sun. 15
(See poster page 47)

Mavericks Nashville Nights, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall Fri. 20
(See poster page 48)

Frontier Twirlers..... Tart Start, 7:30-10:00 pm, Colwood Community Hall Sat. 21

Country Cousins Music Theme – Kenny Rogers, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall Sat. 28

DANCE CLASSES (First Sessions – then weekly excluding holidays unless noted)

Saanich Squares..... Mainstream, 7:00-9:00 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall..... Sun. 8 & 15
Two free Sessions. (See poster page 43)

Saanich Squares..... Mainstream, 7:00-9:00 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall..... Sun. 22
First regular session

Rainbow Rounders Rounds, Phase III-IV Workshop, 2:00-3:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall Wed. 11
Classes on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays; January on 3rd & 5th
(See poster page 44)

Rainbow Rounders Phase III Bolero, 7:00-8:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... Wed. 11
Classes on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays; January on 3rd & 5th
(See poster page 44)

Rainbow Rounders Phase I-II Two Step & Waltz, every Wednesday, Colwood Community Hall Wed. 11
7:30-9:00 PM on 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays, 8:00-9:30 on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, except January.
(See poster page 44)

Frontier Twirlers..... Open House, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall Sun. 22

Frontier Twirlers..... Mainstream Lessons – Free Night #1 of 2, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... Sun. 29
(Free Night #2 is October 6.)

Star Twirlers Plus Open House, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall Mon. 30
(See poster page 50)

MEETINGS

LVIWSRDA Association Meeting, 3:00-4:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... Sun. 15

VDCTA Association Meeting, 3:00-4:00 PM, Colwood Women’s Institute Room Sun. 15
(meetings follow FREE Workshop/Dance – see above)

DANCE DATES – LOWER VANCOUVER ISLAND

OCTOBER 2024

MONDAY

Star Twirlers.....Plus Teach 8:00-9:00, Plus Dance 9:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall7,21, 28
Thanksgiving Day – No Dance14

TUESDAY

Rainbow Rounders.....Rounds Phase II, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall1, 15, 29
Rainbow Rounders.....Rounds Phase III-IV, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall8, 22

THURSDAY

Star Twirlers.....Advanced Review/Teach/Dance, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall.3, 10, 17, 24

FRIDAY

Mavericks.....Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall4, 18

SATURDAY

Frontier TwirlersPlus, 7:30-8:00 PM, Mainstream, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall5, 19
Country Cousins.....Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall12, 26

SPECIAL DANCES

Country Cousins.....Harvest Moon Dance, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall Sat. 12
Frontier TwirlersMonster Mash, 7:30-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall Sat. 19
Country Cousins.....Halloween Dance, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall..... Sat. 26
(See poster page 51)

CLASSES (First Sessions – then weekly excluding holidays unless noted)

Star Twirlers..... Advanced Open House, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community HallThurs. 3
(See poster page 50)
Star Twirlers Plus, 8:00-9:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall Mon. 7
Star Twirlers..... Advanced, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall.....Thurs. 10



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Lower Vancouver Island - Region 1

region1.squaredance.bc.ca

Upper Vancouver Island - Region 8

region8.squaredance.bc.ca

DANCE DATES – LOWER VANCOUVER ISLAND

NOVEMBER 2024

MONDAY

Star Twirlers.....Plus Teach 8:00-9:00, Plus Dance 9:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall4, 18, 25
Remembrance Day – No Dance.....11

TUESDAY

Rainbow Rounders.....Rounds Phase II, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall5, 19
Rainbow Rounders.....Rounds Phase III-IV, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall12, 26

THURSDAY

Star Twirlers.....Advanced Review/Teach/Dance, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall.7, 14, 21, 28

FRIDAY

Mavericks.....Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall1, 15

SATURDAY

Frontier TwirlersPlus, 7:30-8:00 PM, Mainstream, 8:00-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall2, 16
Country Cousins.....Mainstream with Rounds, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall9, 23

SPECIAL DANCES

Mavericks.....British Invasion, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall.....Fri. 1
(See poster page 52)
Country Cousins.....Music Theme: Planes, Trains & Automobiles,
7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall Sat. 9
Frontier TwirlersWartime Boogie Woogie, 7:30-10:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall Sat. 16
VDCTA.....FREE Workshop/Dance, 1:30-2:45 PM, Colwood Community Hall..... Sun. 17
(See poster page 47)
Rainbow Rounders.....Magical Kingdom Dance, 7:30-9:30 PM, Colwood Community Hall Tues. 19
(Watch for poster on the Region 1 Coming Events web page after the artist returns from vacation!)
Country Cousins.....PJ Dance, 7:30-9:30 PM, Cordova Bay United Church Hall Sat. 23

MEETINGS

LVIWSRDAAssociation Meeting, 3:00-4:00 PM, Colwood Community Hall Sun. 17
VDCTA.....Association Meeting, 3:00-4:00 PM, Colwood Women’s Institute Room..... Sun. 17
(meetings follow FREE Workshop/Dance – see above)

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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. Association and club contacts are on the directory pages in this issue. The Cross Trail News cannot be held responsible for any errors.

DANCE DATES – UPPER VANCOUVER ISLAND

SEPTEMBER 2024

THURSDAY

Island GemsRounds Phase 3 & 4, 7:00-9:00 PM, Wellington Hall, Nanaimo12, 19, 26
Star Dusters.....West Coast, 7:00-9:00 PM, Timberlane Rancho, Powell River12, 19, 26

FRIDAY

Amalgam-EightersOpen House, 7:00-8:00 PM, West Coast/SSD, 8:00-9:30 PM,
Costin Hall, Lantzville20

SATURDAY

Ocean WavesMainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:00 PM,
Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay7, 21
Ripple RocketsMainstream with Phase II Rounds, 7:00-9:30 PM,
Campbell River United Church Hall..... TBA – 14, 28

SPECIAL DANCES

Ocean WavesWelcome Back Dance, 7:00-9:00 PM, Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay Sat. 7
Amalgam-EightersOpen House, 7:00-8:00 PM, Kick-Off, 8:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville..... Fri. 20
Ocean WavesHarvest Dance, 7:00-9:00 PM, Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay Sat. 21
UVISDACaller & Cuer Appreciation Dance, 1:00-3:00 PM, Nanoose Place..... Sun. 29
(See poster page 49)

MEETING

UVISDAAssociation Meeting, 11:30 AM, Nanoose Place Sun. 29

DANCE CLASSES (First Sessions – then weekly excluding holidays unless noted)

Ocean WavesWest Coast, 7:00-9:00 PM, St. John the Divine Anglican Church, Courtenay
(First two lessons free – 9th & 16th)..... Mon. 9
Island GemsRound Dance – Two-Step, 2:00-3:30 PM,
Intro to Foxtrot, 3:30-4:30 PM, Wellington Hall, Nanaimo Thurs. 12
(See poster page 45)
Amalgam-EightersMainstream (returning dancers), 7:00-7:30 PM,
SSD (new & returning dancers), 7:30-9:00 PM, Wellington Hall, Nanaimo Tues. 24

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DANCE DATES – UPPER VANCOUVER ISLAND

OCTOBER 2024

WEDNESDAY

Rings Squares & Rounds Mainstream Workshops (with Rounds Phase II+), 1:00-3:00 PM,
St. John the Divine Anglican Church, Courtenay.....9, 16, 23, 30

THURSDAY

Island GemsRounds Phase 3 & 4, 7:00-9:00 PM, Wellington Hall, Nanaimo3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Star DustersWest Coast, 7:00-9:00 PM, Timberlane Rancho, Powell River3, 10, 17, 24, 31

FRIDAY

Amalgam-EightersMainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville.....4
Cancelled due to BC Provincial Election – hall not available.....18

SATURDAY

Ocean WavesMainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:00 PM,
Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay.....5, 19
Ripple RocketsMainstream with Phase II Rounds, 7:00-9:30 PM,
Campbell River United Church Hall..... **TBA** – 12, 26

SPECIAL DANCE

Ocean WavesBlack & White Dance, 7:00-9:00 PM, Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay Sat. 19

NOVEMBER 2024

WEDNESDAY

Rings Squares & Rounds
Mainstream Workshops (with Rounds Phase II+), 1:00-3:00 PM,
St. John the Divine Anglican Church, Courtenay.....6, 13, 20, 27

THURSDAY

Island GemsRounds Phase 3 & 4, 7:00-9:00 PM, Wellington Hall, Nanaimo7, 14, 21, 28
Star DustersWest Coast, 6:30-9:00 PM, Timberlane Rancho, Powell River7, 14, 21, 28

FRIDAY

Amalgam-EightersMainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville.....1
Amalgam-EightersWest Coast/SSD, 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville.....15

SATURDAY

Ocean WavesMainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:00 PM, Filberg Centre – Rotary Hall, Courtenay2
Ocean WavesMainstream (with Rounds), 7:00-9:00 PM, Native Sons Hall, Courtenay16
Ripple RocketsMainstream with Phase II Rounds, 7:00-9:30 PM,
Campbell River United Church Hall..... **TBA** – 9, 23

SPECIAL DANCES

Building BridgesMainstream (with Rounds), 2:00-4:30 PM, Nanoose Place (*see ad page 53*) Sun. 3
Amalgam-EightersHawaiian Night, 7:00-9:30 PM, Costin Hall, Lantzville Fri. 15
Ocean WavesInternational Dance, 7:00-9:00 PM, Native Sons Hall, Courtenay,..... Sat. 16

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CONVENTIONS, FESTIVALS, DANCE WEEKENDS, & SPECIAL EVENTS

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	
September 29	UVISDA – Caller and Cuer Appreciation Dance – Nanoose Place, Nanoose Bay, BC <i>(see poster page 49)</i>
November 23	Fraser Valley Square & Round Dance Association – Winter Wonderland Gala – Bonsor Recreation Complex, Burnaby, BC <i>(see poster page 54)</i>
December 29	VDCTA & LVIWSRDA – New Year’s Eve Dance – Colwood Community Hall
2025	
February 16	UVICTA – Round-A-Rama – Nanoose Place, Nanoose Bay, BC
February 23	VDCTA – New Dancer Hoedown – Colwood Community Hall
March 23	VDCTA – Round Dance Party – Colwood Community Hall
March 30	Amalgam-Eighters Square & Round Dance Club – 60 th Anniversary Celebration Dance – Nanoose Place, Nanoose Bay, BC <i>(see poster page 55)</i>
April 14-16	50 th CALLERLAB Convention – Greenville, South Carolina – www.callerlab.org
April 27	UVICTA – Freshman Frolic – Nanoose Place, Nanoose Bay, BC
May 4	VDCTA & LVIWSRDA – Spring Round-Up – Colwood Community Hall
May 28	VDCTA – Colwood Hall Benefit Dance – Colwood Community Hall
June 1	UVICTA – June Special Dance – Nanoose Place, Nanoose Bay, BC
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 Federation – BCFestival2025 & Trail-In Dance – Langley, BC – squaredance.bc.ca/bcfestival2025/ <i>(see poster page 56 & registration form page 57)</i>
Aug. 14-16	Star Dusters – Across the Pond Weekend – Powell River, BC
2026	
June 24-27	75 th US National Square Dance Convention – Waco, Texas – 75nsdctx.com

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A Message from the BCSRDF First Vice-President

Hi there all you dancers, from one of your BC Federation board member volunteers, Vice President Mae Fawcett:

So how is your club's summer going?

We have just not stopped. We had the pleasure of driving around Vancouver Island and attending some dances at the coast, (particularly one of Brent Mawdsley's first Friday No Experience Needed dances), talking to club reps, dancers, and callers, being part of the BC caller school (14 new callers attended!), spending the whole weekend at Chase the Fun, listening and sharing ideas of ways to open communication and ask how BC Federation can help support dancing in your area.

Next stop is the Canadian National in Calgary. Then plans to attend Powell River Star Dusters 60th Anniversary dance on August 15th, and perhaps to check out our newest club just started in Quesnel, and if time allows, visit Deb and Ray Schmidt in Region 4, who are trying to start a new club this fall. And then to carry on in the fall assisting with our club, Star Country Squares of Vernon and getting our group of five excited new callers on their way to beginning new clubs.

There are so many exciting events happening in our dance community. It has been a pleasure listening and speaking with you all in person, but also over the phone and via email.

BC Federation IS trying to be there for you, helping to support your club and our traditional dance forms. But our main goal this year is to rebuild our lost communication both between BC Fed and the clubs it represents and between the clubs and dance members. So many clubs have shrunk since covid, due to lost callers, lost dancers, lost executive members. Not many dancers are back traveling club to club, region to region.

Our communication, the kitchen table kind of chat, like how did your club recruit dancers, did your club have some social events, etc. is sadly missing.

BC Federation has been working towards becoming a communication hub. The BC Fed supports a Zoom account for any club or member wanting to set up a zoom meeting within the dance community.

Updating the leader directory database of callers, cuers and prompters. Setting up and maintaining the Region Chatter page on the Federation web site as well as revamping many of the pages of the website to make them more user-friendly, like the updated Handbook section and links to the Region 5 resources for posters, caller training and new dancer training created by the Turners. There are many ways to post and share your dances, club news, find a caller, cuer, prompter in another region for a special dance or just to share some info (just contact Frank McNeil our webmaster and new president. fmcneil@shaw.ca.)

BC Federation web pages are no longer just a place to find out about the many financial assistance grants, and how to get insurance.

It IS your one stop to look first for assistance and information to help your club and find out what is going on in the BC dance scene. If you haven't been on the site recently, check it out.

DO check out Cross Trail News online magazine (AND their model Region 1 page). <https://region1.squaredance.bc.ca>

SEND some news to Frank so he can post it! LET'S get communication happening!

Sincerely,

Mae Fawcett

Your excited to be Your 1st Vice-President
of Your BC federation

B.C. FESTIVAL 2025 – WE WELCOME YOU

Hello to you, our square and round dance neighbors. My name is Jean Galbraith, and I am Past President of the Fraser Valley BC Square & Round Dance Association, located in and around Vancouver, BC, Canada.

I am undertaking the job of advertising our upcoming Festival hosted by the BC Square & Round Dance Federation, for all square and round dancers to enjoy the festivities and great events planned.

We are holding the Festival in 2025, and I am hoping that you will help spread the word to your dancers and friends about what we hope to be a great vacation opportunity. Please take time to read my invitation below, and check our poster and registration form in this issue, and please share them with anyone you feel it would interest.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Jean Galbraith,
Advertising,
BC Square & Round Dance Festival 2025

It's Festival time, time for celebration, for merriment and joy, for friendship to flourish, and it's happening at our very own Square Dance Festival! British Columbia, Canada, is hosting the event, and YOU'RE INVITED. From Wednesday, July 30, 2025 to Saturday, August 2, 2025 (and that's just a week after the US West Festival in Spokane, WA) we're hoping you'll join the wonderful party in our Fraser Valley, at Langley, BC, Canada. Langley is within an easy drive of Vancouver, BC, and only 120 miles north of Seattle, WA. We are providing a great venue, with plenty of room for all our guests. All our rooms are air-conditioned, and the floors are wooden dance floors. Party nights and themes are in the works, so bring your club banners for the Club Salute dance, and look for more info on our Sock Hop and Under the Sea themes coming soon. So mark this one down on your calendar. Invest a bit of thought and time into joining this great party, a square dance vacation you won't forget. So gather up your friends, and come accept our invitation. Fellow dancers have already accepted the invite, and registrations fill up fast. So take advantage of this early invitation to be sure you're included in the fun. But remember, registration does increase on September 1, 2024, so don't miss out on your best amount. The BC Festival 2025 website is squaredance.bc.ca/bcfestival2025, and includes a form to make registration easy. We look forward to meeting you!!

(See poster page 56 & registration form page 57.)



BC Festival 2025

July 31, Aug. 1 & 2 Register Early!

squaredance.bc.ca

Wendy Krueger Sillery Award Recipient for 2024

For outstanding service above and beyond to the Square & Round Dance community.

Wendy has been involved in many aspects of Square & Round Dancing over the years. She has been Co-Chair of the Abbotsford Grand Squares, Secretary of the Vancouver & District Caller Teachers Association, Secretary of the B.C. Square & Round Dance Federation from 2012 to 2016 and again from 2020 to the present, was Co-Chair of BC Festival 2017 and is currently Co-Chair of BC Festival 2025, and is a recipient of the Scroll of Honour from the F.V.S.& R.D.A.

Wendy is the Founder and Caller/Cuer of the Valley Promenaders in Aldergrove for the past seven years. She also calls at Century House Squares in New Westminster and has been invited to call at festivals and special dances in Canada and the U.S.

Wendy's journey to become a caller and cuer in the Fraser Valley has been very successful for her as she

attracts dancers to the Valley Promenaders and is known as the caller to call when your caller isn't available as well as the cuer to cue up when your cuer isn't available.

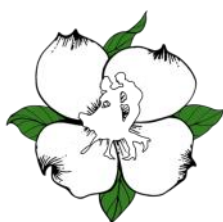
Wendy has committed a great deal of volunteer time to the Federation, Associations and clubs over the years. We appreciate her hard work and dedication to Square & Round Dancing, and all can agree that Wendy is well deserving to have been nominated and selected by the nominating committee to receive the Sillery Award for 2024.

Frank McNeil
President
B.C. Square & Round Dance Federation



Sillery Award recipient Wendy Krueger, with BCSRDF President Frank McNeil (right) and Sillery Award Committee member Blair Wallace. (Photo by Alex Galbraith.)

BRITISH COLUMBIA SQUARE & ROUND DANCE FEDERATION			
THE SILLERY AWARD – RECIPIENTS			
Year	Names	Home City	Region
2003	Gerry & Elsie Rudiger	Penticton	3
2004	Hank & Bea Kivits	Burnaby	2
2005	Brian Elmer & Rosalyn Garnett	West Kelowna	3
2006	Chuck & Marguerite Jordan	Coquitlam	2
2007	Al & Joy Berry	Chilliwack	2
2008	Steve & Lynnette Edlund	Surrey	2
2009	Nick & Mary Anne Turner	Williams Lake	5
2010	Ingrid & Phil Douziech	Kelowna	3
2010	Jack & Marg Weber	Victoria	1
2011	Ken & Sally Crisp	Port Coquitlam	2
2012	Beth & Darcy McGifford	Penticton	3
2013	Jean-Guy & Cathy Moreau	Courtenay	8
2014	Merv & Sandy Meyer	Kamloops	9
2015	Connie & Al Ritchie	Victoria	1
2015	Norm & Mary Cox	Surrey	2
2015	Vic & the late Joyce Marshall	Victoria	1
2016	Garry Dodds	Victoria	1
2016	Pat Zeeman	Victoria	1
2017	<i>No nominations</i>		
2018	<i>No nominations</i>		
2019	Alex & Joan Wotherspoon	Victoria	1
2020	<i>No nominations</i>		
2021	Dr. Blair Wallace	Surrey	2
2022	<i>No nominations</i>		
2023	<i>No nominations</i>		
2024	Wendy Krueger	Abbotsford	2



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AMALGAM-EIGHTERS, Nanaimo

By Margie Cooper

As usual, summer was not long enough!

Amalgam-Eighters' last Club function was the annual picnic at Ken and Marie McCallum's home on June 23rd. Though a little on the coolish side, the afternoon was perfect for conversation, laughter, and friendly lawn game competition, resulting in winners too numerous to mention! And luckily, there were no losers when we took our places at the potluck table! Our fun-filled day was finished off with dancing in the carport – the perfect ending! Thanks, Wendie, for making that happen – we owe you so much!

For the rest of the summer, we danced on the coat-tails of other clubs, and we thank you all for that opportunity! Thank you, Wheel Arounds, for organizing regular summer dance venues for all levels, and for welcoming and accommodating our brand new dancers. Your friendship, hard work and enthusiasm truly kept us in happy dance mode over the summer!

And of course we want to say a huge thank you to the multitude of workers behind the “Blast Off” Week-



Fun and Games at the Amalgam-Eighters' Picnic! (left to right) Jackie McKinlay, Daniela Hewson, May Wagner, Shirley Pratten, Ken McCallum, and Riley McCallum. (Photo by Margie Cooper.)

end, the “Catch The Wave” Weekend, the “Across The Pond” Weekend and the “Swing 'N' Wheel” event. I can personally attest to the sheer joy which I and many other Amalgam-Eighters extracted from

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Picnic dance in the McCallums' carport with Amalgam-Eighters members, guests Denise Jensen and Cathy Moreau from Ocean Waves, and Ken and Marie's family and friends some of whom were square dancing for the first time! (Photo by Margie Cooper.)

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each of those events! Well done everybody! We so appreciate your selflessness.

And with all of those dancing “highs” finished for another summer, we’ve turned our thoughts and hopes to the growth of our club. Wendie will be offering SSD and Mainstream lessons at Wellington Hall each Tuesday from September 24th to December 17th from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Here’s hoping new members are out there!

COUNTRY COUSINS, Victoria

By Wendy & Gary Weeks

Come one, come all to the 2024-2025 Country Cousins dances! Held on every second and fourth Saturday night starting in September. We look forward to a year filled with great dance moves, theme dances, some dances that will end with food and provide time for socializing.

Our year will begin on September 14, with our Pie Dance (refer to the poster), followed by September 28, October 12 & 26, November 9 & 23. Last dance for 2024 will be on December 14th which is always a surprise event. We look forward to dancing in our new hall located at 813 Claremont Ave.

Interested in joining the Country Cousins? GREAT! We intend to focus on fun with you in mind, so please speak your mind and we will do the best that we can to make your imaginations come true! Associate members are also encouraged to have a say especially if you bring forward innovation.

Our travels over the past few months have introduced us to line dancing, hexagonal squares, conga lines, clogging, and by September we hope to see some contra as well. We all know that we need to practice and refine our moves and steps, so this fall, will be the chance for all of us to do just that, regardless of which drummer we are dancing too.

We hope that you are encouraging your friends, associates and families to consider square dancing classes with one of the Saanich Squares, Frontier Twirlers, or Sooke Squares. Don’t forget to consider being an angel to help with new dancer classes. This will be a

pivotal year in seeing where square dancing is going and seeing how next year develops.

So come and join us, bring your best pie if you must, and we will see you on September 14th!

FRONTIER TWIRLERS, Victoria

By Darrell Roberts

On May 4 we wrapped up the 2023-2024 dance season with a lively Western Round-up. The event was well attended, and everyone enjoyed an evening filled with square and round dancing, led by our club caller and cuer, Garry Dodds and Pat Zeeman. The night concluded with a special treat – live music performed by some of our talented club members.

A few days later we held our annual general meeting where all executive members were re-elected to their respective positions.

Looking ahead, our new season kicks off on September 21 with the “Tart Start” dance, followed by an open house on Sunday, September 22. We’ll continue our tradition of hosting regular dances on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Mark your calendars for our first few themed dances: “Monster Mash” on October 19, “Wartime Boogie Woogie” on November 16, and our festive Christmas dance on December 21. We hope to see many of you there – these events are always a lot of fun with great decorations!

With heavy hearts, we mourn the sudden passing of Wayne Townsend, a lifetime member of our club and a cherished friend to many. Wayne, along with Linda, has been a cornerstone of the square dance community for many years. His unwavering dedication and contributions to both our club and the broader community have left an indelible mark.

Wayne’s presence and spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew him. As per his wishes, there will be no public celebration of life. We invite you to remember Wayne in your own way and cherish the memories he has left with us.

Our thoughts and condolences are with Linda and Wayne’s loved ones during this difficult time.

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ISLAND GEMS, Nanaimo

By Wendie Harrington

We hope everyone has had a great summer. There have been quite a number of enjoyable summer dances to attend including the Canadian National Festival in Calgary, which Connie participated in.

Some of our free time has been spent finding new dance music for the fall. The start-up date for fall is September 12. Our weekly Thursday night dances will run until December 12. As well as the evening dances we are offering afternoon classes. We will be offering beginner Two Step classes from 2:00 until

3:30. From 3:30 to 4:30 we will be offering a series introducing other rhythms (Foxtrot, Jive, Slow Two Step, Tango, Bolero). We hope you will come out and give those classes a try.

An important development this summer is our new online presence. You can find us at <https://islandgems.squaredance.bc.ca/>. This is a great spot to learn more about our club and to find detailed information about the upcoming classes.

MAVERICKS, Victoria By Chrissy Torontow

We are really looking forward to the fall/winter dancing season in our new bright location with lots of parking at Cordova Bay United Church, 813 Claremont Avenue, Victoria, BC. See the Mavericks website (<https://TheMavericks.org>) for details and a map.

We are very pleased to have two great callers as Lorne Clayton is joining Marilynne Cunningham to share the evenings' calling and cueing. Together they will coordinate the music for the nights and our theme dances. Our upcoming theme dances start on September 20th with Nashville Nights, November 1st is the British Invasion with lots of Beatles music, and December 20th is our Happy Holidays Dance!

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Country Cousins (68) and Mavericks (72) Birthday Bash X2 & Windup Dance. (Photos © Anne McCarthy.)



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Also starting on September 8th is Saanich Squares' new dancer class. See details on our website and theirs: <https://saanichsquares.weebly.com>. All are welcome: singles, refreshers, and those dancers who want to learn the alternate side.

It will be a fun season of dancing! We hope to see you on the dance floor!

OCEAN WAVES, Courtenay **By Karin Sorger**

Ocean Waves just had their Catch the Wave dance on July 19 and 20 – lots of fun and laughter. Unfortunately, the Calgary Festival was the same weekend so some dancers were away at this big popular dance.

Next year, Langley! We had five squares for both nights and two squares for the demo on 5th Street for Market Days. Gord and Jake were sharing the calling and Diana was our cuer at our evening dances. Everyone enjoyed themselves dancing, lots of visiting, good sweets, and that barbeque was swell with hot dogs and hamburgers and salads – so nice in the shade of the trees. Thanks to all the dancers who attended and especially to the whole square from Victoria. A big thank you to our fantastic callers and cuer. Bob Chalmers handed roses in appreciation to Diana, Jake, and Gord.

A few from our club went to the joint dance in Victoria. You sure missed an exciting dance. John Corrigan from Vancouver is a fantastic caller and Pat Zeeman was the cuer. So nice to dance with our lower island square dance friends.

Ripple Rockets did a wonderful job of arranging the Blast-Off dance even though they have had a difficult year. Thank you to our neighbouring club! We enjoy

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Catch the Wave Dance at Fanny Bay Hall. All girls square with caller Gord Ruedig on stage. *(Photo by Rick Granberg.)*

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dancing at your club. Please keep it going; we want to go to the Blast-Off next year!

We will be putting on a demo for Nautical Days in Comox, along with a decorated float. We are anticipating some new dancers at classes in September.

RAINBOW ROUNDERS, Victoria

By Van Williams

The Rainbow Rounders were active this summer. We enjoyed monthly round dances throughout the summer, and 15 of our 24 members attended the National Square Dance Festival in Calgary. The Festival included some bolero classes, and eight Rainbow Rounders took the introductory class as well as the Phase III class. We will add bolero to our repertoire this coming season.

We have a new format this coming season. We will hold Phase II dances on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Tuesdays of each month and Phase III-IV dances on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. The first dance will be on September 10 (Phase III-IV) and our Start Up Dance (Phase II) will be on September 17. There will be a Magical Kingdom Dance on November 19, and our Christmas Dance will be on December 17. All dances and classes will be at the Colwood Community Hall.

The beginner two-step and waltz classes will be held weekly from 8:00-9:30 PM starting September 10. Darrell Roberts will join Kirk Rockerbie as an instructor. However, we will use the twice-a-month format for Connie's two Phase III-IV classes which will be held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month starting September 10. The classes include Phase III-IV workshops from 2:00-3:30 PM, and Phase III bolero classes from 7:00-8:00 PM. For details, see the advertisement in this CTN issue [page 44], or visit <https://region1.squaredance.bc.ca/classes/>.

RING'S SQUARES & ROUNDS, Campbell River/ Courtenay

By Diana Ring

Rings Squares & Rounds will be starting their workshop sessions at St. John the Divine Anglican Church in Courtenay on Wednesday, October 9th at 1:00 pm finishing at 3:00 pm. We will be running for 10 weeks until December 11th with an option to have a dance on December 18th.

Contact either Jake or Diana by email if interested (jakediana.ring@gmail.com) before the end of September .

STAR DUSTERS, Powell River

By Gord Ruedig

We wound up our club dance season on May 11 this year and oddly had our final class review the following Tuesday, May 14. Over the summer we scheduled a couple of refresher sessions on July 2 and August 1 ahead of our big anniversary dance and Across the Pond weekend, August 15-17.

As of this writing, we are expecting close to 100 dancers for that one. Our hall should just make it. I do hope I don't end up eating my words!

Dancing will resume on Thursdays starting September 12 from 7:00-9:00 pm. A startup date for our next class is yet to be determined.

We wish you all the best in the upcoming season.

STAR TWIRLERS, Victoria

By Garry Dodds

As I write this, we are about halfway through our summer travels. Currently we are at a campground by Glacier National Park in Montana and then heading to a square dance campground in Lolo, Montana and some dancing with Jerry Junck.

Several Star Twirlers enjoyed the Canadian National Convention in Calgary. There was some dancing for everyone. Lots of Round dancing as well as Mainstream, Plus, and Advanced. The poor air condition-

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ing got a real work out as the temperatures were very hot outside.

With the start of the new dance season, and with not having Royal Oak Hall anymore, we will only be dancing on Mondays for PLUS and Thursdays for ADVANCED.

My plan at this point is (if we have some dancers who want to learn Plus) to have a teach from 7:30 to about 8:45 and then Plus dancing from 8:45 to 10:00. This will be in the main Colwood Hall.

For Advanced – review/teaching/dancing from 7:30 – 9:30. It is possible that we will be in the main Colwood Hall as there is someone possibly wanting the

upper firehall for the summer and the next season. Anyone wanting to learn Advanced (as long as you are comfortable dancing Plus), we will be reviewing and reteaching all of the moves we covered last year.

Please email me if you are interested in either learning Plus or Advanced at garryd@dz-dancing.com.



Ripple Rockets Blast-Off Weekend Crib Champions, Mireille Earle (Ripple Rockets) (second from left) and Sue Ottley (Amalgam-Eighters) (fourth from left)!! Honours bestowed by Rodger Martin (left) and Ken Nowoselski (centre). Background cheers from Linda Inscho, Wendy Krueger, Gord Ruedig, Cathy Moreau, Margaret Branchi, Marie McCallum, and Reno Branchi. Marie (Amalgam-Eighters) and Reno (Ripple Rockets) took second place! (Photo by Margie Cooper)

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SPRING ROUND-UP 2024

by Alex Wotherspoon

The 2024 LVIWSRDA and VDCTA Spring Round-Up was held on Sunday, May 5th at Royal Oak Hall.

Fifty-two people, including five new dancers, were present for the afternoon Mainstream dance. The event began with half an hour of pre-rounds. This was followed by the banner parade. Dancers then formed into squares for an afternoon of square and round dancing to a panel of callers and cuers, with Garry Dodds as the MC.

Other callers and cuers on the program were Lorne Clayton, Marilynne Cunningham, Stuart Hemmings, Darrell Roberts, Kirk Rockerbie, Richard Sharman, and Pat Zeeman.

During the breaks a number of introductions were made and presentations took place.

The incoming executives for the two Lower Island associations were introduced. LVIWSRDA: President – Carol Young, Vice-President – Gary Weeks, Secretary – Gillian Bloom, and Treasurer (also Cross Trail News Editor) – Alex Wotherspoon. VDCTA: President – Kirk Rockerbie, Vice-President – Garry Dodds, Secretary – Pat Zeeman, Treasurer – Connie Ritchie (not in attendance), and Round Dance Chair – Marilynne Cunningham. *(See photos below.)*

A number of LVIWSRDA members were recognized for their many years of dancing with the Association

and received their year badges and dangles from LVIWSRDA Vice President Gary Weeks: Marc Dumonceaux – 25 years, Stephen & Donna Jack – 25 years, Brian Atkinson – 30 years (not in attendance), Anne Dumonceaux – 30 years, Don Layman – 30 years (not in attendance), Bruce & Bonnie Irving – 35 years, Alan Cunningham – 50 years, Vic Marshall – 55 years, and Marilynne Cunningham – 60 years. *(See photos next page.)*

The LVIWSRDA dancers of the year nominees for 2024-2025 were introduced by LVIWSRDA President Carol Young: Country Cousins – Gary & Wendy Weeks, Frontier Twirlers – Herb & Linda Fox, Mavericks – Delores Weightman, Rainbow Rounders – Bruce & Bonnie Irving, and Star Twirlers – Richard Sharman & Ben Renault. *(See photos next page.)*

The 2023-2024 Dancers of the Year – Angel Star & Van Williams were presented with plaques as the outgoing Dancers of the Year. They were then asked to draw the name(s) for the Dancer(s) of the Year for the 2024-25 season. The lucky winner was Delores Weightman of the Mavericks. She was presented with the perpetual Dancers of the Year trophy and will be receiving her Dancer of the Year badge and pay parade token once they are engraved. *(See photos next page.)*



LVIWSRDA Executive (L to R): Alex Wotherspoon, Carol Young, Gary Weeks, Gillian Bloom.

VDCTA Executive (L to R): Marilynne Cunningham, Garry Dodds, Pat Zeeman, Kirk Rockerbie (Missing: Connie Ritchie).

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SPRING ROUND-UP 2024 PICTURE GALLERY



1 – Garry Weeks with Anne & Marc Dumonceaux. 2 – Gary Weeks with Alan & Marilynne Cunningham (left) and Vic Marshall (right). 3 – Dancers of the Year Nominees: Bonnie & Bruce Irving, Wendy & Gary Weeks, Linda & Herb Fox, Delores Weightman, Ben Renault & Richard Sharman. 4 – Carol Young congratulating Delores Weightman. 5 – Angel Star & Van Williams with their plaques. (Photos both pages © Anne McCarthy.)

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DANCER OF THE YEAR

By Delores Weightman

After moving from Vancouver in March 2019, I returned to my house in Victoria that had been rented for many years only to find a disaster (broken shower, toilets, doors for example). As I knew no one here, I thought I had better get a job to familiarize myself with co-workers, friends and contractors. So I started at London Drugs then COVID made an appearance.

I continued to work as well as try to find some honest contractors to help repair my house. In 2022, I decided that I had enough of working and repairing so it was about time I started to enjoy myself.

I happen to be driving on West Saanich Road and stopped at a traffic light. There was a sign on the sidewalk inviting people to join square dancing lessons. I took the number down and called. I spoke to Anne Dumonceaux who was very enjoyable and had lots of suggestions. I went to the lessons and really enjoyed myself.

I have to be honest, becoming the Dancer of the Year was a complete surprise and an honour but I think this is the only time in my life I have ever been speechless. If I was ever asked what was the most important decision in my life I would say joining square dancing. I have met so many wonderful people with lots of patience in addition to learning how to dance. The atmosphere is great and we all have so much fun. I have enjoyed this so much and thank everyone for being so great.



LVIWSRDA Dancer of the Year for 2024-2025, Delores Weightman, receiving the Dancer of the Year trophy from LVIWSRDA President Carol Young. (Photo © Anne McCarthy.)



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JOINT LVIWSRDA-UVISDA DANCE – 2024

by Alex Wotherspoon

The 2024 Joint LVIWSRDA-UVISDA Dance was held on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at the Colwood Community Hall.

On the program were John & Mary Corrigan from Delta, BC as the caller couple, and Pat Zeeman, with partner Garry Dodds, who cues for the Star Twirlers and Frontier Twirlers in Victoria, as the cuer. The calling was great, the cueing was great, and the turn-out of dancers was fantastic.

In addition to the caller and cuer couples, there were 82 people in attendance. There were 55 Lower Island dancers from the Country Cousins, Dance A Rounds, Frontier Twirlers, Mavericks, Rainbow Rounders, Saanich Squares, Sooke Squares, Star Twirlers, and Trailblazers. Representing Upper Island clubs there were a total of 27 dancers from the Amalgam-Eighters, Island Gems, and Wheel Arouds of Nanaimo, the Ocean Waves of Courtenay, and Rings Squares & Rounds of Campbell River.

The program began with a half hour of prerounds. This was followed by two hours of Mainstream square dancing – with up to nine squares on the floor – and with rounds between the tips.

Light refreshments were available on a self-serve basis during the afternoon.

During one of the breaks between tips there was a surprise presentation by LVIWSRDA President Carol Young. The LVIWSRDA Award of Merit was presented to Alex & Joan Wotherspoon in recognition of their many years of service to square dancing on the Lower Island and through the Cross Trail News as editor since 2015. (See photo below right.)

(Photos by Garry Dodds.)



John Corrigan of Delta (foreground) calling at the 2024 Joint LVIWSRDA-UVISDA Dance.

LVIWSRDA President Carol Young (left) presenting Joan & Alex Wotherspoon with the Award of Merit.

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UVICTA JUNE SPECIAL DANCE

by Wendie Harrington

What a day it was on June 2!!! It was a rainy stormy day with heavy highway traffic but enough dancers to fill six squares travelled from up and down island to dance at the UVICTA June special dance. Jake Ring was the MC for the afternoon and did a terrific job of keeping everything flowing smoothly. Cuers Diana Ring, Lynette McLeod, and Connie Ritchie started the afternoon with pre-rounds. Five full squares danced every tip throughout the afternoon to a wide variety of music and choreography provided by the

callers and cuers from UVICTA. Sharing the program were Al Jonsson (Campbell River), Elizabeth Hohner (Port Alberni), Paul Inscho (Nanaimo), Wendie Harrington (Amalgam-Eighters, Nanaimo), Gord Ruedig (Star Dusters, Powell River), and Jake Ring (Rings Squares and Rounds, Campbell River). For many new graduates it was their first experience with a special dance with a panel of callers and they were not disappointed! It may have been a dismal day outside, but the hall was filled with fun and laughter.



June Special Dance Callers and Cuers (L to R): Al Jonsson, Lynette McLeod & Ron Ervin, Wendie & Herb Harrington, Gord Ruedig, Paul & Linda Inscho, Connie Ritchie, Elizabeth Hohner, and Jake & Diana Ring. (Photo by Esther Wong.)



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MY FIRST CANADIAN FESTIVAL

By Carol Young

I have never been to a Canadian Square Dance Festival, so I was looking forward to Stamping to Calgary! Despite watermain problems in the City of Calgary, a WestJet Mechanics strike, wildfire smoke, and a computer meltdown at a few airlines the week of the festival, my travel arrangements and stay in Calgary worked out beautifully.

The hardest part for me was choosing what to do once I got there. There were Mainstream, Plus, Rounds, Advanced, and Challenge dances all going on at once. The largest room was for Plus. I found myself switching mainly between Plus and Rounds. Each morning, the Round dance instructors demonstrated the dances they were teaching that day. It gave me the opportunity to watch higher phase dances. I participated in an introduction to Bolero workshop. It is a beautiful slow dance with the first step always to the side. Connie will be teaching this dance in Victoria this fall! We are lucky to have the opportunity in Victoria to learn this dance style.

The callers were excellent, and it was fun to dance to new callers. I always enjoy how different callers put together calls in ways that I am not used to. One evening, I participated in a hexagon square dance called by Lorne Smith. Each hexagon had four side couples and two head couples. It was a bit confusing at first to understand which couple to interact with. Once our hexagon got the hang of it, it worked well. The caller told us it was possible to do a Spin Chain

Through in a hexagon where at one point a “Y” is formed in the middle. This would be interesting to try.

I did a Mainstream hot hash with Dave Hutchinson, where he kept the calls coming quickly. I was in a square that was able to keep up and it was lots of fun!

There were several demonstration dance teams from the US including The Colorado Dancers, High Country Dancers, and California Heritage Dancers. It was interesting to see the roots of square dancing in the dances they performed. The dancing included quadrilles and aerial square dancing. At the closing ceremonies a caller called the same calls for two different groups at the same time. Each group performed the call slightly differently.

The square and round dancing was at the Glenmore Inn and I stayed at Hotel Blackfoot. Our accommodation included a buffet breakfast each morning, so the breakfast room was full of square dancers to catch up with. The conference organizers arranged a shuttle bus between the two venues. It was a great service and every time I went to the front door to pick up the shuttle it seemed to be there waiting for me!

A lot of work went into putting on this event by the committee and it showed. I had a wonderful time and am looking forward to the BC Festival in 2025 and the next Canadian Festival in 2026!



Photo © Michael Torontow.

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STAMPEDE TO CALGARY – 23RD CANADIAN NATIONAL FESTIVAL

By Gary Weeks

The Stampede to Calgary was filled with excitement and variety. What an experience, to be with such a varied community of dancers who could lead and show you so much. Canada is certainly the place to be, and the Alberta Square and Round Dance Federation was an amazing host. Well organized events and demonstrations were the normal and daily activity throughout the festival.

The options for sessions ranged from very basic to highly innovative, so that everyone had numerous choices to make throughout each day. None of the sessions seemed to be at maximum capacity, which enabled everyone to learn their own distinctive style and path with no restrictions. Truly, attending the Canadian Square and Round Dance Festival was a privilege and experience worth the effort to attend.

The festival was rich with advanced demonstrations and highly skilled callers, curers, and instructors from across Canada and the USA. This was not only an event for couples to attend. Since my wife twisted her ankle just prior to the opening ceremony, I was left to

fend for myself on the dance floor. It turned out that there was no problem in finding dance partners on the floor. People just showed up to make sure that all the squares were full, no problem.

This in fact became a place to re-acquaint past acquaintances and make new friends with people from across Canada. We all were able to learn and consolidate all our past teachings, refine our best moves, learn new moves and be introduced to new techniques from renowned instructors. Then we could practice on the floor with a wide variety of callers from across our continent. What a pleasure to be able to attend.

If this is just an inkling of what the BC Square and Round Dance Festival is going to be like in 2025, you had better sign up now for the 2025 BC Festival in Langley next summer. Then of course there will be the 2026 Canadian Square and Round Dance Festival in 2026 proposed to be somewhere in BC during the summer of 2026. Let your imagination take it from there!

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Brent Mawdsley, Steve Edlund, and Gary Winter calling at Festival 2024 in Calgary. (Photo by Dawn Gilchrist on Facebook.)

SYMPATHY & CONDOLENCES

The rose still blooms more fair beyond the garden wall.



Our deepest sympathy to:

Deb & Ray Schmidt, now of Castlegar and former caller couple for the Amalgam-Eighters, Sand Dollars, and Circle and Squares and a cuer for the Island Gems, on the loss of Deb's mother, **Irene Masson**, who passed away in Castlegar on August 3, 2024 at the age of 95.

Linda Townsend, a long time member of the Frontier Twirlers, on the loss of her husband, **Wayne**, who passed away in Colwood on August 8, 2024 at

the age of 80. Wayne & Linda were the LVIWSRDA Couple of the Year for 2013-2014.

Our condolences to the family of:

Ken & Erika Pleasance of North Saanich and former members of the Triple C's and the Country Cousins. Ken passed away on June 21, 2024 at the age of 84 and Erika on July 24, 2024 at the age of 83. They are survived by three children and their families.

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TEN GUIDELINES FOR ENJOYING YOUR SQUARE AND ROUND DANCING

1. Have fun and enjoy the friendship of your fellow dancers.
2. Be exuberant but not so much so that other might take offence at your antics. Remember to be inclusive and welcoming to all those around you.
3. Welcome visitors and make them feel part of the club – they came to enjoy the dance as much as you do.
4. Dance with as many callers and cuers as possible to form your own opinion of their merits. Remember opinions of others are as subjective as your own so do not take them as gospel.
5. Remember that strong fragrances of any kind can adversely affect the health of others.
6. For the enjoyment of the dance environment, and to create a positive atmosphere, dances are drug and alcohol free. Everyone must be able to participate fully so that they enjoy their time together.
7. You and your fellow members are the backbone of your club. Your loyalty and participation are of prime importance for the enjoyment of everyone in the square and round dance community.
8. Bickering, fault finding, and gossip are atmosphere killers. Avoid them.
9. Once in a square do not walk away from it. Doing so is a slight to those already there.
10. Remember that you were once a beginner – you can still learn, and everybody goofs at some point no matter how experienced they are.

Editor's Note:

These guidelines were drafted by members of the Joint Executive Committee of the Lower Vancouver Island Western Square & Round Dance Association and the Victoria & District Caller Teachers Association in 2019 as an update of the traditional "Ten Commandments of Square Dancing".

A web search for "ten commandments of square dancing" will result in many hits for several different versions. The wording of the traditional version, as previously published in the Cross Trail News (most recently in 2000), can be found at "www.squaredancene.org/ideas/tencom.html".

BCSRDF ROUND OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER 2024 – CHOSEN BY REGION 8 (PAGE 1 OF 2)

Af en Af

Choreographers: Mike & Michelle Seurer 360 8th Street, Fond du lac, WI 54935

Music: “Af en Af” Kurt Darren, Amazon Download: Album: [Uit Die Diepte Van My Hart](#)

Footwork: Opposite, except as noted

Released: March 2017

Phase/Rhythm: II Two-step

Time: 3:05

Sequence: INTRO AA INTER B AA INTER BC INTER B ENDING

INTRODUCTION

1----4 WAIT;; APT,-,PT,-, TOG,-, TCH,-;
1-2 In BFLY/WALL wait 2 meas;;
3-4 Apt L,-, Pt R,-;Tog,-, Tch to CP/WALL,-;

PART A

1----4 TRAVELING BOX;;;;
1-2 Sd L, cl R, fwd L blending to RSCP/RLOD,-; Fwd R, fwd L,-;
3-4 Sd R, cl L, bk R blending to SCP/LOD,-; Fwd L, fwd R,-;
5----8 FWD LOCK FWD; FWD LOCK FWD; STRUT 4;;
5-6 Fwd L, Lk Rib of L, fwd L,-; Fwd R, lk Lib of R, fwd R,-;
7-8 Fwd L,-,R,-; Fwd L,-,R,-;

INTERLUDE

1----4 CIRCLE AWAY TWO TWO-STEPS;; STRUT TOG 4;;
1-2 Circ twd COH Fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Fwd R, cl R, fwd L trng LF twd
ptr & WALL,-;
3-4 Twd ptr & WALL Fwd L,-,R,-; Fwd L,-,R to BFLY/WALL,-;

PART B

1----4 VINE 3; WRAP; UNWRAP; CHANGE SIDES;
1-2 Sd L, XRib, sd L, tch R,-; sd R,XLib, sd R, tch L,-; (W trn LF L,R,L,tch
R) keep both hands jnd ld hnds over W’s hd & M’s R & W’s L at
waist level,-;
3-4 Release ld hnds M sip L,R,L, tch R (W unwrap RF to arms length R,L,R,
tch L),-; Fwd R,L,R trn RF to BFLY/COH(W fwd L,R,L undr raised
M’s R & W’s L arms trng LF to BFLY/WALL),-;
5----8 VINE 3; WRAP; UNWRAP; CHANGE SIDES;
5-6 Sd L, XRib, sd L, tch R,-; sd R,XLib, sd R, tch L,-; (W trn LF L,R,L,tch R)
keep both hands jnd ld hnds over W’s hd & M’s R & W’s L at waist level,-;
7-8 Release ld hnds M sip L,R,L, tch R (W unwrap RF to arms length R,L,R,
tch L),-; Fwd R,L,R trn RF to BFLY/WALL(W fwd L,R,L undr raised M’s
R & W’s L arms trng LF to BFLY/COH),-;
9----12 FACE TO FACE; BACK TO BACK;FACE TO FACE; BACK TO BACK;
9-10 Sd L,cl R, sd L trng 1/2 LF (W RF),-; Cont trn sd R, cl L, sd R trng RF
to BFLY/WALL,-;
11-12 Sd L, cl R, sd L trng 1/2 LF (W RF),-; Cont trn sd R, cl L, sd R trng
RF to BFLY/WALL

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13----16 BASKETBALL TURN;; SIDE DRAW CLOSE; SIDE DRAW CLOSE;
3-4 Lunge sd L twd LOD,-, rec R trng RF (W LF) to LOP/RL0D,-; Lunge
sd L, twd RLOD,-, rec R trng RF to BFLY/WALL,-;
15-16 Sd L, draw R to L, cl R,-; Sd L, draw R to L, cl R,-;

PART C

1----4 LACE ACROSS;; HITCH 6;;
1-2 Fwd L, cl R, fwd L (As W prog undr jnd ld hands R,L,R),-; fwd R, cl L,
fwd R,-;

3-4 Fwd L, cl R, bk L,; Bk R, cl L, fwd R,-;

5----8 LACE BACK; HITCH 4; WALK AND FACE;
5-6 Chng hands Fwd L,cl R,fwd L(As W prog undr M's R & W's L R,L,R)
Fwd R,cl L,fwd R,-;

7-8 Fwd L, cl R, bk L, cl R; Fwd L,-, R to CP/WALL,-;

9----12 LEFT TURNING BOX;;;

9-10 Sd L, cl R, fwd L trng ¼ LF,-;Sd R, cl L, bk R trng ¼ LF ,-;

11-12 Sd L, cl R, fwd L trng ¼ LF,-; Sd R, cl L, bk R trng ¼ LF ,-;

13----16 BACK HITCH 3; SCIS THRU; LIMP 4; WALK TWO;
13-14 Bk L, cl R, fwd L,-; Sd R, cl L, XRif of L to BFLY/WALL,-;
15-16 Sd L, XRib of L, sd L, XRib of L,-; Fwd R,-, L to fc no hands,-;

ENDING

1----4 TWO SIDE CLOSES; SIDE & THRU; TWIRL VINE 2; APT PT;

1-2 Sd L, cl R, sd L,cl R,-; Sd L,-, XRif of L to BFLY,-;

3-4 Sd L, XRib (W twirls RF under jnd ld hnds R,L),-; Apt L,-, pt R,-;

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SOMEONE IS LOOKING FOR SOMEONE LIKE YOU

Choreographer: Norman Dobbs 2027 Gladstone Drive, Kamloops, BC, Canada V2E 2B9

Phone: 250,- 372,-2786 email: normandobbs@shaw.ca

Record: Someone is Looking for Someone Like You' Gail Davies . From Cd Gail Davies Greatest Hits.

Available iTunes time 3:19 @45 Ph 2 Step RAL Phase 2 +1 (Fig 8) Footwork: Opposite for Woman (unless noted)

Sequence: Intro, A, B, C, B, C 1-16, A, B, END "CORRECTED" Feb 2024 [YouTube](#)

INTRODUCTION

1-4 IN OP FC WALL WAIT 2 MEAS ; ; APT PT ; TOG TCH SCP ;

1-2 { Wait ; ; } In OP FC/ WALL wait 2 measure;;

3-4 { Apt Pnt Tog Tch } Stp apt L,-, pnt R ,,-; Stp tog R,-, tch L,- SCP;

PART A

1-4 2 FWD 2 STP ; ; SCOOT ; WLK & FC ;

1-2 { 2 Fwd 2 Stp } Fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Fd R, cl L, fwd R,-;

3 { Scoot } Fwd L, cl R, fwd L, cl R;

4 { Wlk & Fc } Fwd L,-, Fwd R trn to fc,-;

5-8 2 TRN 2 STP SCP ; ; 2 FWD 2 STP CP/WALL ; ;

5-6 { 2 Trn 2 Stp } Sd L, cl R, sd and bk L acr line Trn 1/2 RF,- ; Sd R, cl L, fwd R trn 1/2 RF,- to SCP ;

7-8 { 2 Fwd 2 Stp } Fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,-;

9-12 BRKN BOX ; ; ; ;

9-12 { Brkn Box } Sd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Rk fwd R,-, rec L,-; Sd R, cl L, bk R,-; Rk bk L,-, rec R,-;

13-16 FC TO FC & BK TO BK ; ; BBALL TRN ; ;

13-14 { Fc To Fc & Bk to Bk } Sd L, cl R, sd L trn 1/2 LF to a bk to bk pos,-; Sd R, cl L, sd R trn 1/2 RF to fc,-;

15-16 { Bball Trn } Rk sd L,-, rec R with 1/2 RF trn,-; Rk sd L,-, rec R with 1/2 RF trn to FC,-;

17 SD DRAW CL BFLY ;

17 { Sd Draw Cl } Sd L, draw R to L, cl R,- to BFLY [2 nd time SCP];

PART B

1-4 OP VIN 4 ; ; 2 TRN 2 STP BFLY ; ;

1,-2 { OP Vin 4 } Sd L,-, Xrib (w Xlib), to LOP; sd L,-, Xrif (W Xrif), to OP;

3,-4 { 2 Trn 2 Stp } Sd L, cl R, sd L trn 1/2 RF,-; Sd R, cl L, sd R trn 1/2 RF,-BFLY;

5-8 SLO TWISTY VIN 4 ; ; FWD LK FWD TWICE ; ;

5-6 { Slo Twisty Vin 4 } Sd L,-, XRib,-; sd L,-, Xrif,-BJO;

7-8 { Fwd Lk Fwd Twice } Fwd L, XRib, fwd L,-; fwd R, XLib, fwd R,-;

9-12 HTCH 3 ; HTCH / SCIS SCP ; LC ACR ; 1 FWD 2 STP ;

9 { Htch 3 } Fwd L, cl R, bk L,-;

10 { Htch/Scis } Bk R, cl L, fwd R,- (W Fwd & sd L, cl R, XLif of R,-) to SCP;

11 { Lc Acr } Passing bhd W (W in frnt of M) under joined lead hnds diag acr line fwd L, cl R, fwd L,-;

12 { Fwd 2 Stp } Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,-;

13-16 HTCH 6 ; ; LC BK ; 1 FWD 2 STP ;

13-14 { Htch 6 } Fwd L, cl R, bk L,-; Bk R, cl L, fwd R,-;

15 { Lc Bk } Pass bhd W (W in frnt of M under trail hands) move diag acr line fwd L, cl R, fwd L,- to OP;

16 { 1 fwd 2 Stp } Fwd R, cl L, fwd R,-;

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PART B CONT.

- 17 **WLK 2 IN OP ; [1st and 3rd time]**
17 { Wlk 2 in OP } In OP fwd L,-, fwd R,-; [1st & 3rd time]
- 17-18 **TWIRL 2 ; WLK 2 TO OP ; [2nd time]**
17 { Twirl Vin 2 } Sd L, -, XRIB of L,- (W Twirl RF in two steps L,-, R,-) blend to SCP/LOD ;
18 { Wlk 2 in OP } In OP fwd L,-, fwd R,-; [2nd time]

PART C

- 1-8 **FIG 8 CP/COH ; ; ; ; ; ; ; ;**
1-8 { Fig 8 } In OP/LOD circ awy 2 two stp LF to COH;; Cont. LF circ tog 2 two stp to partner and wall;;
Pass R shldr to R shldr circ awy 2 two stps RF to wall;; Cont. RF circ tog 2 two stp to CP/COH;;
- 9-12 **BOX ; ; BK AWY 3 ; TOG 3 LIFT TRN ;**
9-10 { Box } Sd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Sd R, cl L, bk R,-;
11 { Bk Awy 3 } Bk L, bk R, bk L,-;
12 { Tog 3 Lift Trn } Fwd R, fwd L, fwd R rising on toe and trn 1/2 RF passing R shldr (W 1/2 RF,-);
- 13-16 **BK AWY 3 ; TOG 3 CP ; BOX ; ; (1st time CP, 2nd time SCP)**
13 { Bk Awy 3 } Bk L, bk R, bk L,-; .
14 { Tog 3 } Fwd R, fwd L fwd R,-;
15-16 { Box } Sd L, cl R, fwd L,-; Sd R, cl L, bk R,-; [1st time CP 2nd time SCP]
- 17 **SD DRAW CL BFLY ;**
17 { Sd Draw Cl } Sd L, draw R to L, cl R,- BFLY/WALL;

END




- 1-4 **CIRC CHASE LADY TRN BFLY ; ; ; ;**
1-4 { Circ Chase } M lead start a LF trn fwd, cl, fwd to tandem COH,-; Cont.LF trn fwd, cl, fwd to sd by sd,-
RLOD; W lead cont. LF Trn fwd, cl, fwd to tandem wall,-; Cont. LF trn fwd, cl, fwd W trn to fc BFLY,- ;
- 5-8 **TWRL VIN 2 ; WLK 2 & FC ; SD DRAW CL ; APT PT ;**
5 { Twr l Vin 2 } Sd L, -, XRIB of L,- (W Twirl RF in two steps L,-, R,-) blend to SCP/LOD ;
6 { Wlk & Fc } Fwd L,-, fwd R trn to fc,-;
7 { Sd Draw Cl } Sd L, draw R to L, cl R,-;
8 { Apt Pnt } Stp apt L,-, pnt R,-;

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	<p>Country Cousins – Victoria Club Email..... president@ccsdc.ca Club Website..... ccsdc.ca</p> <hr/> <p>Mainstream with Rounds – 7:30-9:30 PM 2nd & 4th Saturdays – Sep. 14 to Dec. 14, 2024; Jan. 11 to May 10, 2025 Cordova Bay United Church Hall – 813 Claremont Ave., Victoria, BC</p> <hr/> <p>Caller/Cuer..... Kirk Rockerbie President..... Wendy Weeks Secretary Cathy Novak Treasurer Vanda Stocks</p>
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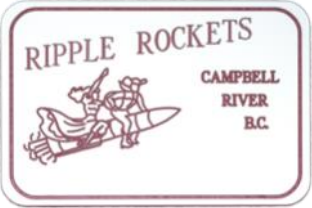
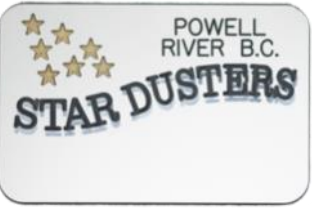
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5399 Timberlane Avenue (across from track)

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BC Square and Round Dance Federation

To preserve, promote, and perpetuate Square Dancing,
Round Dancing, Contra Dancing, and other related forms
of dance in the Province of British Columbia.

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CROSS TRAIL NEWS – SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Digital submission of letters, club news, event reports, articles and advertisements is preferred. Suggested lengths are up to 200-250 words for letters and club news; 200-500 words for reports and articles of interest to square and round dancers.

Our page size is 8.5” x 11” (letter size) with a 0.5” margin on all four sides. When preparing an advertisement please note the ad sizes on page 2. If your copy is not the same as our ad size we can adjust the size to fit our page but it will become distorted if the aspect ratio (ratio of width to height) is significantly different. We will make up your ad (and email a proof to you) if you email the details to us.

We can handle most document formats including doc, docx (preferred), odt, ppt, pptx, pub, rtf, txt, and wpd. Paper submissions will either be scanned or retyped. You can also type your submission in an email.

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Please include your personal, club, or business name at the beginning of your file names so we can identify files without having to open them. Please attach your files to your email and send to: crosstrailnews@shaw.ca.

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CROSS TRAIL NEWS – SUBMISSION DEADLINES 2024-2025

Issue	Deadline	Dance Dates	Other Information
September-October-November 2024	Sunday, August 4, 2024	September 2024 to August 2025	Directory information form including list of dances and event dates.
		September, October, & November 2024	Fall start-up dates, new dancer class dates & ads, special dances ads, club news, sympathy.
December 2024-January 2025	Sunday, November 3, 2024	December 2024 & January 2025	Special dances ads, Christmas dance, season's greetings ads, first dance in New Year, club news, sympathy.
February-March 2025	Sunday, January 5, 2025	February & March 2025	Special dances ads, summer weekend event ads, club news, sympathy.
April-May 2025	Sunday, March 2, 2025	April & May 2025	Special dances ads, windup dates, summer weekend event ads, club news, sympathy.
June-July-August 2025	Sunday, May 4, 2025	June, July, & August 2025	Special dances ads, summer dances ads, summer weekend event ads, new dancer class ads, club news, sympathy.

Publication Dates: within about one week after each deadline.

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THE FOUR SCORE AND MORE CLUB



Active square and/or round dancers who are 80 years of age or older and who are members of the BC Square & Round Dance Federation may receive **The Four Score and More Club** badge courtesy of the Federation. There are also badges for active dancers who reach 90 and 100 years of age.

Optional name bars are available for \$2.50 each plus postage. The LVIWSRDA purchases the name bars for its members. UVISDA members are billed for their name bars (or their club if the club places the order).

To request a free badge, and to purchase a name bar if desired, please submit the name (as you would like it to appear on the name bar), complete date of birth, club name, and contact information to your association's **The Four Score and More Club** badges contact person:

Lower Vancouver Island Western Square & Round Dance Association

[Gary Weeks](#)

Upper Vancouver Island Square Dance Association

[Karin Sorger](#)

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Looking for something fun to do with others?

Square Dance!

Two FREE intro nights - Give it a try!

Sunday, September 8th and 15th, 2024

Cordova Bay United Church

813 Claremeont Avenue, Victoria BC V8Y 1J9

All Welcome!

- Singles, Couples, Refreshers,
- Learning the other part
- 7pm to 9pm
- Casual attire
- Comfortable footwear

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Call: 250-658-2747

Email: clayton@ieccorporate.com

<https://SaanichSquares.weebly.com>



Round Dance Classes

Wednesday Sept 11, 2024

Colwood Community Hall

2219 Sooke Road

Phase III – IV Workshop

2:00–3:30 pm

Instructor: Connie Ritchie



Phase III Bolero

7:00–8:00 pm

Instructor: Connie Ritchie

*The Phase III/IV sessions will only be 2nd
& 4th Wednesdays*



Phase I & II – Two Step and Waltz

8:00– 9:30 pm

Instructors: Kirk Rockerbie & Darrell Roberts

Sponsored by Rainbow Rounders

Please arrange your own partner

Please call Connie at 250-208-9945 or email con_al_r@telus.net or
Kirk at 236-464-0509 or email kirkbradrock@gmail.com to register



Learn to Round Dance



Two Step Lessons

Thursday Afternoons 2:00-3:30

Sept. 12 to Dec 12 (no class Oct 17)

13 lessons—\$10. per lesson

Prepay for a discount.

LOCATION:

Wellington Hall, 3922 Corunna Ave.,
Nanaimo, V9T 3J7

Other Rhythms

Pricing \$10. per lesson

Thursday Afternoons 3:30-4:30

Intro to Foxtrot

(7 lessons— no class Oct 17)

Sept 12 to Oct 31

Intro to Jive (6 lessons)

Nov 7 to Dec 12

Instructors are Connie Ritchie
and Wendie Harrington, both
members of Roundalab.

To learn more please visit our website: islandgems.squaredance.bc.ca



The Country Cousins

Invite you to come
join the



At our Annual **Pie Night Dance**
Saturday September 14th at 7:30 pm

New Season - New location:

Cordova Bay United Church Hall
813 Claremont Ave.
Victoria, BC



Many more FUN surprises to come in our
new dance season at our new location.

Hope to see you there!

Pie Images from Freepix

VDCTA **FREE** SUNDAY WORKSHOPS

SEPT. 15 & Nov. 17, 2024

Dancers needed for caller/cuer practice/teach!



**COLWOOD COMMUNITY HALL
2219 Sooke Road, Victoria, BC**

FREE - No Admission Charge

1:30 to 2:45 PM



Learn something from a different position, or half-sashayed, or familiarize yourself with upcoming calls or cues before you mess up!

Take this opportunity to learn what the latest thinking is!

This exercise will be interesting for everyone.

All graduate Square Dancers and/or Round Dancers are welcome to attend. Workshop programs – which may include square dancing and/or round dancing – vary from session to session. These workshops allow callers to experiment with square dance calls and for cuers to try out and teach new Rounds of the Month.

Each workshop or dance is followed by separate LVIWSRDA and VDCTA meetings that commence at 3:00 pm. For the LVIWSRDA meetings all club members and guests are welcome to attend and participate but only members of the Association Council (club delegates, the elected executive, and certain appointed positions) may vote. The LVIWSRDA meetings typically adjourn by 4:00 PM.

Sponsored by the Victoria & District Caller Teachers Association (VDCTA)

Mavericks Square Dance Club

72 Years

Nashville Nights



Friday, September 20, 2024 7:30 – 9:30 pm

Mainstream and Rounds with Marilynne and Lorne
Snacks and Coffee to Follow

New Cordova Bay United Church Hall **New**
813 Claremont Ave, Victoria BC V8Y 1J9

Upcoming Regular Dances 7:30 – 9:30 pm

Friday, October 4, 2024

Friday, October 18, 2024

Please bring your own water bottle and coffee mug
Masks are optional and encouraged



<https://TheMavericks.org>

U.V.I.S.D.A.



CALLER and CUER APPRECIATION DANCE



Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

At Nanoose Place

2925 Northwest Bay Rd.

with caller/cuer:
Wendie Harrington

Cost: \$10.00 at the door

Come support our callers and cuers!
Please join us in a fun dance!





STAR TWIRLERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

Interested in learning the **PLUS** program?

Join us for an

Introduction to **PLUS** Dancing.

Open House – Monday, Sept. 30, 2024 – \$7.00 per person

Colwood Community Hall – 8:00 PM *[note new time]*

For information email: garryd@dz-dancing.com

Class Requirement: MUST have danced at least a Full Year at Mainstream



STAR TWIRLERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

Interested in learning the **ADVANCED** program?

Join us for an

Introduction to **ADVANCED** Dancing.

Open House – Thursday, Oct. 3, 2024 – \$7.00 per person

Colwood Community Hall – 8:00 PM *[note new time]*

For information email: garryd@dz-dancing.com

Class Requirement: MUST be comfortable dancing the Plus Program

Come **HOWL** with us at our
Halloween Dance

Saturday October 26th
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Country Cousins Square Dance Club
Cordova Bay United Church Hall
813 Claremont Ave.
Victoria, BC

Image by Freepik

Mavericks Square Dance Club

72 Years

British Invasion



Friday, November 1, 2024 7:30 – 9:30 pm

Mainstream and Rounds with Marilynne and Lorne
Snacks and Coffee to Follow

New Cordova Bay United Church Hall **New**
813 Claremont Ave, Victoria BC V8Y 1J9

Upcoming Regular Dances 7:30 – 9:30 pm

Friday, November 15, 2024

Friday, December 6, 2024

Please bring your own water bottle and coffee mug
Masks are optional and encouraged



<https://TheMavericks.org>

BUILDING BRIDGES

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 3, 2024**



**MAINSTREAM DANCE
NANAIMO, BC
2:00 - 4:30 PM**



**WITH
STEVE EDLUND & GORD RUEDIG**



**ROUNDS
BY CONNIE RITCHIE**

\$10.00/PERSON

NANOOSE PLACE, 2925 NORTHWEST BAY ROAD, NANOOSE BAY, BC



PLEASE POST

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WINTER WONDERLAND GALA

Saturday, November 23, 2024

Bonsor Recreation Complex – 6550 Bonsor Avenue, Burnaby

CHERYL SALTER



RAY BRENDZY



TONY OXENDINE



PRE - ROUNDS AT 7:00 PM

MAINSTREAM DANCING with PLUS TIPS

7:30 PM TO 10:00 PM

\$20.00 each and Teens \$10.00 each

DOOR PRIZES REFRESHMENTS PARKING



“SINGLES BOARD”

NO GALA TICKETS AT THE DOOR

AFTERNOON PLUS DANCE

2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

\$10.00 each or \$5.00 with proof of evening ticket (cash only)



Tickets from the people with the “ASK ME” badge

OR

Contact: Alex Galbraith at 604 594 6415 or Dave Hammer at 604 501 0563

**The
Amalgam-Eighters
Square & Round Dance Club
invites you to our
60th Anniversary Celebration Dance**

March 30, 2025 - 1:30 – 4:00

Nanoose Place

2925 Northwest Bay Road, Nanoose Bay, BC



Caller/Cuers: Deb and Ray Schmidt from Castlegar, B.C.

\$10.00 per person



The Best Time to register is Now...

Best For Fun...Best For Space...Best For cost
 Registration form at squaredance.bc.ca

July 31, August 1 & 2, 2025
Langley, B.C.

Langley Senior Secondary School (21405 56 Ave, Langley, BC)



BCS&RDF

Your Sponsor:
 The B.C. Square & Round Dance Federation

Your Hosts:
 The Fraser Valley Square & Round Dance Association
 Vancouver & District Caller/Teachers Association



This Year's Program:

Wednesday, July 30th: Trail-in dance

Thursday, July 31st: Dancing 1:30 to 10:00 p.m. Dinner break 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, Aug. 1 & 2: Dancing 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. with breaks from 12-1:30 & 5-7 p.m.

Trail-out dance TBA - check the website for updates

Information for Hotels, RV Parking and Camping will be added later in 2024. Check our website for updates!



TOURISM RESOURCES

tourism-langley.ca

discoverlangleycity.com

destinationvancouver.com

ehcanadatravel.com/british-columbia/mainland.html





BCFestival2025

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	Please List the club(s) you belong to
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	

Last Name	First Name	Youth?			Fee enclosed	Dance Level Preference - Pick 3 in order of Preference (1, 2, 3)
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Caller <input type="checkbox"/>	3 days <input type="checkbox"/> OR		Squares SSD <input type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> Plus <input type="checkbox"/> A1 <input type="checkbox"/> A2 <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
			PC/Zip
Camping (Subject to demand)			email
Details TBD	Price TBD	Total of Additional Items	\$ phone
		Total of Registrations	\$ cell
		TOTAL	\$
Payment Options			
		Personal Cheque	E-transfer to
		(Payable to BC Festival 2025)	bcfestival2025@shaw.ca

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
BCFestival2025reg@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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Join Travel Specialist Ron Booiman

Former Square Dance Caller (30 Years)

35+ Years in Designing Inclusive Tours & Safaris

Kenya & Tanzania Safari

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Tanzania & Amboseli Safari

May 17, 2025

Limited Space Available

Amboseli - see large Elephant Herds + Mt. Kilimanjaro

In Tanzania we visit the following:

Tarangire - Known for the "Big 5" & ancient Baobab Trees

Lake Manyara - home of lesser Flamingos, tree-climbing lions

Famous Ngorongoro Crater - Largest Incitant Caldara

Serengeti - See the gathering of the "Great Migration"

Yes - All Meals & Guide & Driver Gratuities Are Included

Rwanda Gorilla Trek

May 31, 2025

Limited Subject To Available

Join Ron following his May Safari & see the Rwanda Mountain Gorillas
See the **Diane Fossey Gorilla's** - A Fascinating & Exhilarating Experience

Additional Tours for 2025 & beginning of 2026 include:

Kenya – Famous Masai Mara, Lake Nakuru Aberdare & more

New Zealand – both North & South Islands

Sri Lanka – Historically known as Ceylon

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