

SQUARE TIME

Eastern Ontario Square and Round Dance Association



Square Time Edition 66.1 February 2020

All material contained in Square Time is included for the information, convenience and enjoyment of dancers. Material presented, and the views expressed, are not necessarily those of EOSARDA, its Directors / Officers or of the Square Time Editor. The Editor reserves the right to condense, omit or rewrite all or part of the material submitted. The decision to publish or withhold copy received after the deadline rests with the Editor. Other publications may report material published in SQUARE TIME, provided credit for the source is given.

To subscribe to Square Time:

SQUARE TIME is published four issues a year: February, March/April, October and December. EOSARDA members' rate is \$10/year; Non-member rate is \$18/year. For information please contact Gavin Curie at 613.739.9395 or gavin.currie@sympatico.ca.

Square Time is also available, free, online. Visit eodance.ca and select More, then Square Time.

Submissions to Square Time

We welcome letters, articles, advertisements and almost anything dance related! Each member club is encouraged to send us their news and tell us about themselves. Separate text and pictures, please. Text is reformatted to present a uniform appearance, and any pictures will have to be extracted. Please send them to SquareTimeEditor@gmail.com.

Next issue... The next issue will be in April 2020. The deadline for submission is March 30th. Those picking up copies should contact Gavin Curie at 613.739.9395 or gavin.currie@sympatico.ca.

Advertising in Square Time

To advertise in Square Time, please send a PDF file to the editor indicating the size the advertisement is to be (full page, half page etc.). Advertisements will not be reformatted, other than to fit the space.

	Member	Non-Member	Commercial
Full Page	\$25	\$40	\$100
Half Page	\$20	\$30	\$75
Quarter Page	\$15	\$20	\$45
Full Column	\$20	\$35	\$75
Half Column	\$15	\$20	\$45

Message from the President

Disclaimer

Nothing in the following article is intended in any way as a criticism of Mississippi Squares' decision to cancel this year's Halfway Dance. That decision was taken by Mississippi's Executive after considerable soul searching, in the face of a severe weather warning from Environment Canada. That this turned out to be the correct decision was borne out by the weather in Carleton Place that evening. We can all be grateful that we did not have to chance the roads that night.

Headline I would like to see but never will

Its Winter

Its Cold, Its Snowing

Its Eastern Ontario

Keep Calm and Carry On

We often seem to forget that we live in a northern country and that at this time of the year cold and snow are the norm not the exception.

During the course of the winter many of us will get away to a warmer clime for at least a couple of weeks (more in some cases) but the rest of us will just soldier on. For most people reading this article, that means getting out there and supporting our dance clubs and our Open Dances regardless of - or even in spite of - the weather.

Sure we have to drive more carefully; sure we need good snow tires on our cars; sure we have to bundle up more; and sure there are a few days every winter when no one should venture out on the roads.

But for the most part, no matter what the weather person says, our cities and highways will continue to function as usual. Traffic will flow and people will go to the office, go shopping, or even go dancing. We are a Northern People and don't let a couple of feet of snow and ice stop us from doing what we always do.

But, you say, the radio says that the Wind Chill is -17° . That's cold!

Yes it is.

But wind chill only describes with how cold it feels when the wind blows on your bare skin. It has no bearing on how cold your warmly wrapped body feels, let alone how cold you feel when you are driving in your heated car or dancing in a heated dance hall. Cover up, bundle up and wind chill doesn't matter.

OK - but suppose that the outside temperature really is -17°C and the Weather Channel says there is a real chance of hypothermia. Isn't that a good reason for staying home?

Sure it is - if you are planning on spending several hours in the great outdoors. (Although even then if you dress for the occasion you will be just fine.) But if you are only going from your warm house to your warm car to your warm dance hall and back home again, the outdoor temperature really shouldn't matter too much. Put on a warm coat, good gloves, winter boots and a warm hat and you will be just fine.

Oh yes, you say, but Environment Canada has issued a Storm Warning and the local news says that we are going to get several centimetres of snow. Yep, that's a tricky one, calls for good judgement,

good driving, good tires and good windshield washer fluid. But this isn't Toronto. Our local highways and roads departments are well equipped to deal with this kind of weather and for the most part the roads will be passable. Not great perhaps, but passable. If they aren't, then by all means stay home. But don't judge the roads by the state of your driveway. They may be in better shape.

And keep in mind that the media has a vested interest in making things exciting. "*Snow Storm to Blanket Eastern Ontario*" is a much better headline than "*A few flurries expected over night*". In most cases the latter will be closer to reality than the former.

Of course there are occasions when staying home is the right and reasonable thing to do - Ice Storm '98 comes to mind.

But that was an extreme weather event and even then, for most of our urban areas, the disruption was minimal. (For the record, we live in rural Ottawa and experienced serious problems during Ice Storm. But when we went into Ottawa for necessary supplies we found that for the most part things in town were pretty much normal.)

So what? Where does that leave us? What is the purpose of this article?

The nature of our activity is that our dance clubs operate through the winter months when driving conditions are likely to be the most difficult. They do not operate during the summer months when driving conditions are at their best. (Whether this is a good business model goes well beyond the scope of this article.)

It is also true that most of us do not live within walking distance of our favourite dance hall and public transit is often not a viable option. So the choice is: drive or stay home. Most of the time, for most of us, going dancing should be the preferred course of action.

That doesn't mean that we should ignore the weather. We most certainly do need to take it into account. Winter weather in Canada can kill you.

But:

- ◆ a 40% chance of snow is a 60% chance of no snow;
- ◆ centimetres of snow is a light snowfall
- ◆ our Roads Departments are really good at keeping our roads passable;
- ◆ your car's heater should keep you warm in the coldest weather;
- ◆ winter tires work well in snow and ice; and
- ◆ winter clothing is designed to defeat wind chill

Stay warm, stay safe. But don't let winter defeat you. If you can go shopping, you can go dancing.

Dancing regularly can make winter more enjoyable and can help make winter pass more quickly.

And there are no bugs!

If you don't feel safe driving under the conditions in your area, then by all means stay home. But don't let the weather folk spook you. Before you decide whether to go out or stay home, take a look outside and see what is really happening in your neck of the woods.

See you on the dance floor.

Dave Western

Message from the Editor

How swiftly the days fly! It feels surprising to me to be already in the middle of our dance year. May we all be enjoying a great dance season. I know I am.

I felt sad for the Mississippi Squares, having to cancel their halfway dance. **If you have ever been involved in setting up such an event, you know how much work is needed to pull it off.** How frustrated everyone must have felt at having to cancel at the last minute after all their preparations! Perhaps next year the weather will be kinder. Brian Crawford created an excellent tribute to the late Paul Adams, available online.

Tribute to Paul Adams

The cancellation of the Mississippi Squares 31st Halfway Dance was unfortunate as we were unable to gather to celebrate with our new dancers to usher in the second half of the dance season, as we have for many years.

The 31st Halfway was to be dedicated to the memory of Paul Adams. By canceling the dance, we did not have an opportunity to share with everyone the memories of, and to reminisce on what a great friend Paul was to the Mississippi Squares.

We have prepared a video compilation of photos that shared a glimpse into some of the good times with Paul. You can now view that video by clicking on the link.

<https://youtu.be/Yu-SRyxouvo>

Thank You On behalf of the Mississippi Squares.

Brian Crawford

The cover of this issue is dedicated to Paul. He will be missed !

Take a few minutes to connect with the EOdance web site. Get to know us, and above all, enjoy your dancing. Last time we reviewed the dance tab. The **associations tab** contains a wealth of information about OESARDA. You can find director lists, committees, minutes, bylaws and procedures. This tab also contains information about SVSRDA; its executive, bylaws, minutes and history.

On the next page you will find an article about dancing in Australia. It brings home the tragic news we have been hearing about the fires.

Gerry Johnson

News from Down Under

The following article is re-printed from “Behind the Mike” an Australian publication for callers by Barry Wonson.

Here in Australia just about all callers and clubs are in recess and enjoying a well-deserved break. Our summers are always very warm and the heat makes dancing a tad uncomfortable. Many halls have air-conditioning, but we still have to get there – even the walk from the car is uncomfortable. I was at a meeting in Sydney’s western suburbs yesterday (January 4th). The temperature on the veranda was 47 degrees C (that is 116.6f for our US friends). When I left at around 4.30pm, the gauge on the dashboard of my car read 51degrees C (that’s 123.8f). And we are only 4 weeks into summer – 8 weeks to go!! This was a little warm - up where Mel lives in the Snowy Mountains it was 63.3 degrees C in Cabramurra - (that’s 145.94f)

Most people in the world are aware of the devastation our country has been suffering thru bushfires. We have been in drought conditions in many places for a long time. Everything is dry and was just waiting for the tiniest spark to set it off. Coupled with the extreme temperatures and winds, many areas have suffered huge blows.

We live on the south coast of NSW. For 300 miles south, the towns and beach areas are full of tourists. Some towns swell from 40,000 to 150,000 with holiday makers. This area has suffered, and it is still suffering extensively with bushfires. It became so bad that warnings from Police and Fire services were issued for all holidaymakers to leave and return home. This is something that would normally be unimaginable. Many of our major roads, including our national highway (Pacific Highway) have been cut in many places. There is total destruction of huge tracts of forested areas. We open the door each morning and see if the smoke has vanished. It hasn’t. We have to keep our doors and windows closed as the smell of the smoke is everywhere; and we are at least 70 miles from any of the nearby fires.

Many towns and surrounding areas have been evacuated – thousands are living on the beaches and being moved by the navy to safety. Loss of life has occurred in many places. Housing and farms can be rebuilt; but we cannot replace the people and the livestock that are lost. The cost of these fires is incredible, not only in the housing, property, livestock, wildlife, forests that have been destroyed, but in the economic area, with the loss of huge amounts by the businesses in towns where their major source of income, the tourist industry, has been eliminated.

The fires are also personal to many of us. One of our NSW callers, Jan Johnson, with husband Steve, daughter Helen Hodalj (RD Cuer and husband Darren, children AnnaLee, Jordan and Bailey live in an area called Tomerong, a few miles west of major fires in Sussex Inlet and Huskisson. They have a farm, surrounded by bush. They packed their bags, awaiting the order to evacuate a few weeks ago, living on the edge ever since. When it came, they made the decision to stay and fight. They were well prepared and after a full day yesterday with everyone involved, their property was saved. Please check them out on Facebook and you can see what they were up against. (<https://www.facebook.com/helen.hodalj/videos/10213556519906217/?t=2>) Jan and Steve are both second generation square dancers (Steve’s dad was a caller) and Jan’s mum and dad still live close by. 4 generations are all involved in our activity. They have been in our thoughts and prayers, and we are so pleased that they have come thru OK.

Trillium Awards for 2019

This year there were four recipients of these annual awards. They are given for long and outstanding service to the community.

Dorothy Tweed;

Dorothy began Square Dancing with the Harbour Lites club,(then located in Cardinal, Ontario), in 1992. In 1994, she was one of the core group of dancers who started the Riverside Gypsy Squares in Happy Green Acres, just west of Brockville, Ontario. In 1996 Dorothy took up Round Dancing, and although continuing to Square Dance, Round Dancing became her passion. Within a few years, Dorothy was dancing regularly at two Square Dance and 3 Round Dance clubs. In 1997 Dorothy was asked to Cue a Round Dance “cold turkey”. She accepted the challenge and a star was born. In September of 1998, Dorothy started the St. Lawrence Smoothies, Round Dance club in Cardinal. She has been Cueing ever since. She has cued Rounds for the Harbour Lites, the Seaway Squares, the Skirts and Flirts of Canton New York, Kemptville’s Grenville Gremlins and Brockville’s Swinging Saints to name just a few.



Dave Hutchinson

David has been an active Square Dancer for over 50 years, and a Square Dance Caller since 1978. David began Square Dancing at the tender age of 6 years old in 1965 and called his first tip the very next year! From 1970-1974, he and his family attended the American National Conventions where he learned to dance properly in a room filled with 40-50 squares of teenage dancers. In 1978, after a 4 year hiatus, David got back into square dancing and immediately decided that he wanted to be a caller. In the summer of that year, he took his first Caller’s course under the guidance of three of the most well-known callers of the day, Stu Robertson, Orphie Easson/Marcellus, and Norm Wilcox. In the fall of 1978, he began calling one tip a night at Scarborough Squares under the tutelage of John Park, who not only helped him further his calling career, but also taught him how to teach. In 1979, David started his own club in Pickering with the help of his parents. They were a small group and, during that first year, David had to dance while calling just to make up a square. That club became the Star Promenaders Square Dance Club of Pickering. In 1981, David was to call for the Quinte Twirlers of Belleville as their club caller, Garnet May, had recently passed away. He started calling for them the 1981-82 season and continued to call for them for the next 19 years. In 1983, he picked up another square dance club, the Trenton Pairs and Squares, and called for them for the next 24 years. Also, in 1983, David was asked to teach a clogging group that Ed McQuaid was starting in Belleville. This was interesting as he had taken exactly two Clogging lessons in his life, but he said okay. He found himself learning something one week in Richmond Hill and teaching it the next in Belleville. He taught there for the next eight years. Approximately 10 years ago, he began calling for the Limestone Dancers.



Geoff and Teena Clarke;

In 1993, Geoff & Teena attended an Open House at Mississippi Squares, 'got hooked' and have never regretted it for a minute! They currently Square Dance at the A2 level as well as Phase 2 Rounds. Teena can dance either position from Basic thru A2 and is unstinting in being an "Angel" to those needing her assistance!



In 1995 Geoff attended an information session on calling which started him out on what has become a very successful calling career. In 1998, Geoff & Teena, along with Brian & Amy (Crawford) launched a new Basic & Mainstream Club (Town & Kountry Kickers) in Stittsville which flourished for some 13 years. Through the Kickers they estimate introducing some 400-500 folks to Square dancing, many of which are still dancing today (some at Challenge)!

During those years, Geoff also mentored two new Callers (Bob Summers & Ivan Barron) as well as helping a new Cuer (Gerry Sawtell) get started in Rounds. As a natural outgrowth of their Basic/Mainstream club, Teena & Geoff launched the Trackers Plus Club (2003-2015), followed in 2006 by the Lockits Advanced Club, which continues to dance today. Geoff also called for the Bay Waves for 5 years & currently calls for the Grenville Gremlins, (which, under his leadership is becoming one of the largest & fastest growing clubs in EOSARDA.) He has 'guest' called for many clubs in this region.

Outside of calling, Geoff & Teena have been Presidents of SVSRDA; worked on Festival 2014; and Geoff is active in the Ottawa Area Callers Association (OACA) having also served as its President for a couple of terms. He contributes regular articles in Square Time.

Geoff & Teena are both 'new' Directors on the current EOSARDA Board.

Bob and Marguerite Summers;

Bob and Marguerite began Square Dancing with Town and Kountry Kickers Plus level square dancing with the Trackers Square dance club, and eventually on to A-1 level with Lockits Square Dance Club where they still continue to dance. In 1999, Bob and Marguerite started round dancing with Tom and JoAnne Edwards, dancing to Phase 3-4. In 2000 Bob learned to call and since has attended Caller School, and has called up to the Plus level and occasionally at A-1. In 2000, Bob started calling (non profit) by organizing Square Dance Open Houses during the summer months to strengthen and encourage new dancers. Bob has called for the following clubs: Good Time Squares, Brockville, Limestone Dancers, Kingston, Sunshine Squares, Ottawa, Stonebridge Squares, Russell. Bob currently does Summer Calling for various clubs in Ontario.

Accomplishments - Personal involvements - (Local, Regional, Provincial, National, international). For several years, Bob called on a volunteer basis at the annual Alzheimer's Dance in Brockville to support the local CPHC Health Centre. In 2006 Bob joined the EOSARDA Board of Directors. Marguerite also served as a Director on the EOSARDA Board for several years. In 2012, at the request of the EOSARDA Board of Directors, Bob volunteered to design and develop a new web site for EOSARDA. which he continues to maintain. <http://www.eodance.ca> , a highly successful website, is EOSARDA's portal to the world; and is a readily accessible repository for EOSARDA's records and important documents.



Meet our Dance Leaders, Wendy VanderMeulen

Calling since 2000

I was born and raised in Whitby, Ontario, just east of Toronto. I am the 5th child in a family of 10. My 9 siblings are scattered all over: Indonesia, State of Washington, and Provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, and Nova Scotia.

I was introduced to Modern Square Dancing through John Charman. I worked in a Bakery in Whitby and John was hired to be the Head Baker in 1982. He told me he was a square dance caller. I'd never heard of square dancing, so when the Club he called for in Cobourg, ON, had a demo in a park in the summer of 1982, I went to check it out. I was immediately "hooked" and joined the Club that Fall. I was 25.

A year and a half later, John got a job in Ottawa. He moved there in the Fall; I followed the following February, and we settled in Rockland, where we lived for 9 years. In 1994 we moved to Cumberland, and in 2010 we moved to St-Albert, where we live now.

Before long, John was calling 5 nights a week, and I went with him wherever he called. I learned my Mainstream in a summer session with Tom Spratt in 1985. In the Fall of 1985, I learned Plus with Mike Turner's club, Spin Chainers. The following year, I joined Du Portage Promenaders in the Fall and learned A1 with Bob Cathcart. In the summer of '87, John taught C1; I went along just because that's what I did, and the dancers made me learn C1 with them, so I "picked up" A2 as I learned C1.

Somewhere around 1996, John bought a new singing call: I Love You Honey, an old Patsy Cline tune. Coincidentally, around the same time, he bought a new car: a Jaguar. Well, when he debuted the new singing call at Charmin' Promenaders one night, and I first heard the lines "I love you, honey; I love your money; I love your automobile" I went up to John and said "From now on, for this singing call, I do the singing; you do the calls." Makes sense, right?

Right away, I started getting asked when I was going to start calling, as I had such a nice singing voice. But I was not interested at all. My response always was "Having a nice singing voice is not a good enough reason to become a Caller." Finally, in the summer of 2000, when John and I were doing another workshop for new callers, I decided that I would give it a try – I decided to be a student along with helping John with the course. Well, I loved it! and have been calling ever since.

My first "performance" was at the 2000 Grey Cup Dance where I did the first singing call I ever bought: "Sea Cruise." In January 2001, working with Alexander Community Centre, I ran a 10-week "Introduction to Modern Square Dancing." It was offered as a City of Ottawa program. I had about 2 squares, including a few angels from Meri Squares. Right after that, I did another 10-week Intro. Those two sessions were to get me familiar with teaching and calling just the first few Basics. Nowadays, new callers feel they have to start calling at full Mainstream (or, heaven forbid, Plus!) before they even get familiar with the Basics. I thank John (Charman) for impressing on me the need to start from the bottom up – essentially learning to call like I learned to dance: 1 step at a time, 1 call at a time.

My third Intro class – by then, no longer a City of Ottawa effort because they weren't making money at it – was extended and became a full Basics class and the Club "Wendy's Elegant Eights (a WEE Club)" was born. WEE survived as a daytime Club for many years. When I went to work full time in 2012, the Club went on hiatus, pending the possibility of re-starting sometime in the future.

Meanwhile, the Meri Squares had moved to a location with 2 halls, Westminster Presbyterian Church, on Roosevelt Ave., so I could teach the Basic dancers in one hall while John taught the Mainstream dancers in another hall, giving each group a full night



of dancing. We are very fortunate to have this set up, and I was grateful to the Meri Squares for the opportunity to hone my teaching skills. Still now, in my 20th year of calling, I find new ways to teach with each new class.

Early on, it was impressed on me the benefit of attending Callers' Schools to learn more about the mechanics of calling. Over the years, I've attended 9 schools as a student, 2 as a dancer (caller-students need people to call to!), and 2 as a Teaching Assistant. It was great to learn from such internationally-renown callers as Jerry Story, Randy Dougherty, Barry Clasper, Ed Foote, Todd Fellegly, and so many more.

As time went on, I started calling Mainstream – mostly as part of my Summer Dancing program. I enjoyed the challenge of expanding my knowledge and enjoyed discovering all the fun things there are to do with the Mainstream program. But then I decided that I would like to be invited to call outside of the Ottawa area, and to do that, I would have to call Plus. So, I started calling Plus in the summer of 2010.

Calling at US National Conventions, Canadian Conventions, and New England Conventions finally paid off and I was invited to call in Maine in March of 2013. Since then, I've called in Maine again, New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Michigan, Montreal, Toronto, and Alberta. It is such an honour to be invited to call somewhere, but it is a great thrill to be invited BACK to call for the same group a second time. The thought that goes through my mind each time is "Really? You like me well enough to ask me back? WOW! I can't believe it!" All the work, sweat, and nervousness pays off. □

In 1994, John and I were asked to be on the Organizing Committee for the 1998 Canadian National Square Dance Convention. That got us started going to the Canadian Nationals every year and we haven't missed one since. For the 1998 Convention, I was Secretary and John was Program Chairman. (We were on the Organizing Committee for the 2014 Canadian National, as well, where I served a Chair and John as Registrar.)

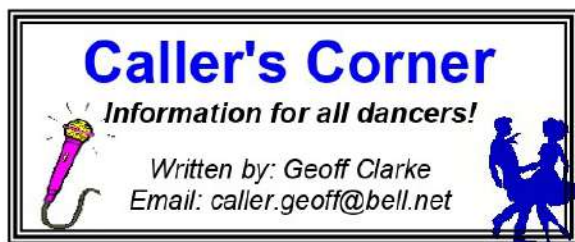
Also around 1994, we were invited to join LEGACY (now know as A.R.T.S. – the Association of Rounds, Traditional, and Square Dancing), an organization working for the betterment of the activity within the activity itself and also in the public eye. We ended out on the Board and were co-chairs with a couple from Indiana one year.

It was due to those involvements and the fact that John had run several Callers' Clinics that we were awarded the Trillium Award in 2004 – coincidentally, it was awarded at the Meri Squares 35th Anniversary Dance, the first dance at which John and I called together.

Currently, I teach Basics for the Meri Squares and I am the caller for the Plus Club, Charmin' Promenaders. For about 10 years, I had a once-a-month dance for non-dancers; basically, a "give it a try". Over the years, quite a number of people who now dance with various clubs in EOSARDA got their first start at that club, Saturday Squares. In the Spring of 2019, Saturday Squares morphed into a (still once-a-month) Mainstream workshop, followed by a DBD Plus workshop. I believe that dancers who want to dance Plus should expect more DBD dancing, as Plus introduces more difficult and complex moves.

I am on the Organizing Committee for Swing into Spring. I am also a member of CALLERLAB, the International Association of Square Dance Callers, and currently serve as Chair of the Public Relations Committee, as well as being on the Women-In-Calling Committee, Applications Review Committee, Basic & Mainstream Committee, and the Plus Committee. Finally, as a member of the Ottawa Area Callers' Association, I am their representative on the EOSARDA Board.

When I retire from full-time work (in mid 2020), I plan to be even busier in square dancing. □



At this point in the season our Basic dancers are just starting to learn about Ocean Waves & calls like Swing Thru, so I thought it was a perfect time for this edition of Caller's Corner to talk about **HAND CONTACT!!**



HAND CONTACT!!

Let's look at the 'total picture'.

It's NOT hand **holds** but hand **CONTACT** – there is a huge difference! The 'key' word is **CONTACT**, and it's NOT 'gripping' & 'holding (on)' as you complete Right & Left Grand; Courtesy Turns; Right & Left Thru; Arm Turns etc. Especially so once you learn about Ocean Waves & the ensuing call **Swing Thru!**

SO, WHAT'S GOING ON ??.

What is the correct way to hold your hands when dancing Swing thru?

For those that already know, how many times have you been in an Ocean Wave & you find your hand is being 'held' firmly (roughly) by another (thumbs locked & ready to arm wrestle)? The Caller says..... "Swing Thru" and someone starts going in the wrong direction...and because you're being firmly held... fingers, a wrist, a shoulder... something gets wrenched... **someone gets hurt!!**

The CALLERLAB Caller/Teacher manual on Ocean Waves states: "*Dancers should use hands-up position. ... distance between dancers should be determined by the arm position of the dancer which is extended forward and bent slightly at the elbow..... This set-up will be most comfortable if dancers have their hands up, **palm to palm**, with the dancers on each side.....The palm to palm contact is comfortable if the palms are turned or angled clockwise slightly, but, in doing this, the contact should not become a grip or a hold – **just a light pressure contact!***"

In summary then, for Ocean Waves, it's '**palm to palm**' contact with **NO GRIPS!** Just maintain slight pressure towards each other but **do not** close your hand over the other!

Swing Thru from Ocean Waves is only one movement from which, with **incorrect hand contact**, injuries can result! (shoulders, wrists etc), there are a number of others which can also result in a potential injury to a dancer.

It is important to **ALWAYS** make hand contact with the person you're dancing beside. Making that contact is NOT optional but how you do it is! As soon as you're standing beside another dancer, male or female, hand contact is mandatory in order for you to 'confirm' that, '*right now*', "*I'm your partner*". Take hands! - a gentle hand hold with a small amount of pressure that says "I'm here!"

BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHERS!

Think about it....do you close your hand over others? Do you grab thumbs? On arm turns, do you grip the other arm or maintain gentle pressure? **Are you aware** of what kind of hand contact that you're using? Are you gentle or rough? **Think about it the next time you're dancing....**

AND THERE WILL BE MANY A DANCER OUT THERE THAT WILL BE MOST GRATEFUL THAT YOU DID!



Another edition of
“Stuff we think everyone knows, so we never tell you about it”.

Banner Napping

When is the last time your Club went Banner Napping?

Huh? What? “What’s that?” you ask. I’m so glad you asked. Let me explain.

Has a club ever come to visit your club to advertise an upcoming dance? Were they made to dance a tip to “entertain” you? And after that, were they given your club banner to take back to their club with promises to return it to you when you attended their dance? That is a very common form of “Banner Napping.”

The term “Banner Napping” comes from the idea of **kidnapping** a club’s banner. Yes, really! One Club visits another Club, kidnaps their banner and holds it for ransom, the ransom being a return visit! Not such a bad kind of kidnapping. □

The idea of banner napping was originally meant to encourage visits between Clubs: You visit my Club, ‘nap our banner, and we’ll visit your Club to retrieve it. Later, my Club will visit yours to nap your banner, and you’ll return the visit and retrieve your banner. Neat idea, eh?

The basic “rules” of banner napping were established as follows*:

1. First, a Club that wants to participate in banner napping has to have a “nap-able” banner. It is usually a small banner made specifically for the purpose and referred to as a “travel banner”.
2. Club A arranges with Club B a night to visit and dance with them
3. Club A organizes a minimum of 8 dancers to participate in the visit and be the kidnapping square.
4. The 2 Clubs should dance the same square (or round) dance program – i.e. Basic or Mainstream, etc. If the Club being visited is a Plus Club, Basic or Mainstream dancers should not be part of the kidnapping square.
5. At Club B, the Club A kidnapping square will be expected to dance a short tip on their own to entertain Club B. Club B’s caller is generally given “free rein” to do whatever he/she wants with the square. You should always expect the unexpected! However, as it is all done in fun, no one should worry about whether or not they can successfully dance the “stuff” the Caller throws at them. Getting Club B’s banner is not dependent on how successful you are!
6. After that entertainment, Club A is presented with Club B’s travel banner and they take it back to their Club and wait for Club B to return the visit.

Over the years, as square and round dancers aged and there were fewer clubs to participate in Banner Napping, the inter-club visits were reduced and clubs started using the program to encourage other clubs to support their special dances (as mentioned above). Of course, there is nothing wrong with that, but wouldn’t it be great to get back into club visits just because we want to visit you on your dance night?

BONUS - **AND** the visits count toward your Dance Dangle!!! (see October 2019 Square Time)

*More-detailed information can be found on the EODANCE.CA website at

http://www.eodance.ca/articles/art_SD_banner_napping.php

Wendy VanderMeulen



The Programme and the Plan

As you may be aware, the Organizing Committee has made a few changes to the programme for our annual Swing into Spring dance event in Prescott. Our intent is to create a schedule that matches the attendance of dancers of different levels over the past few years.

A review of the past attendance numbers shows that Basic and Mainstream dancers generally do not register for the whole weekend, whereas Plus and Advanced dancers do in great numbers. To keep the event going, if we are unable to make a profit, we are trying to at least break even.

The following is a list of very important information that the Committee has provided to EOSARDA, SVSRDA, and the Council of Dancers about changes we've made to the Programme (and things that have stayed the same) and our plans to help increase attendance at *Swing into Spring*.

- we've increased Plus and Advanced dance time and made Friday evening a Plus and Advanced dance session, with Rounds
- we've scheduled Basic and Mainstream so that all the sessions at those levels are on TWO days (Saturday and Sunday), making it easier for those dancers to attend AND
- we offer dancing and workshops at all levels, from Basic through Advanced
- we offer round dancing from easy rounds through Phase 5, workshops at phases 3 and 4, and an introduction to rounds for those interested in trying round dancing

BUT

- we NEED experienced dancers to encourage other dancers at their clubs to attend all or part of *Swing into Spring*, and to help newer dancers understand that they will be welcome and able to dance at their level(s)
- we NEED experienced dancers to be willing to serve as angels to help newer dancers along and make them feel comfortable and welcome
- we NEED all dancers to tell their dancing friends from outside of eastern Ontario about *Swing into Spring*

Visit www.SwingIntoSpring.ca and/or www.facebook.com/SiSPrescott for the Registration Form, our flyer, a list of some local accommodations, and information about the visiting Callers and Cuers. If you have questions, contact anyone on the Organizing Committee. **Then, be an Angel and come to *Swing into Spring*.**

Gloria Bateman, 2020 Organizing Committee



Your Publicity Committee, working with you to promote square, round and line dancing!

Come on Out ... It'll be Fun!

The Publicity Committee has been gathering information and ideas about how we (with your help) can increase awareness, interest and participation in modern square, round and line dancing. We'd like to discuss our ideas, and yours, at a meeting in Prescott on March 28 from 1:00 until 3:00 at St Andrews Presbyterian Church, 425 Centre Street, Prescott K0E 1T0. We invite the Publicity people from all the EOSARDA clubs and the Executives as well as others in the clubs who are interested.



If you have agenda items you would like included for discussion, please **contact Lamar** at publicity@eoDance.ca. The plan is to discuss ideas, concerns, venues for a large promotional event (like the Byward Market last August), promotional signs and their effectiveness, how to reach new audiences (through schools, businesses, other).

We've compiled the suggestions that you have provided to date and will share them with everyone. We would also like to share some social media options with you.

One of the things that we've done is to be published in the Ontario Summer Fun Guide. Check it out yourself and click on *share* to help spread the word! Here's the link for those reading on-line: [click here to view our SF Guide listing](#)

The three of us strongly believe that the secret to successfully growing square, round and line dancing in Eastern Ontario lies in working together, so we'd really appreciate your coming out on March 28 and sharing your knowledge and experience with us!

Please let Lamar know if you will attend our get together (publicity@eoDance.ca) to talk more about what is needed to grow modern square, round and line dancing. We're anxious to meet you and discuss our common goals!

Gloria Bateman, along with Lamar and Carole!

Club News Bay Waves

Well, it is hard to believe that the dance season is already half over.

On November 29th , Luke Periard came out to guest call for us in the bay.

On December 20th, we had our Christmas party – dancing and potluck. It was well attended with 2 squares on the floor thanks to a couple of guests coming out. One of our regular dancers brought her 2 daughters and their significant others. Francois Desmarais introduced us to the Virginia Reel and a fun time was had by all.

We then took a week break before starting up in the New Year on January 3rd. We welcomed a new dancer to our club who had just moved into the bay from Orleans. On January 17th, we had Pat and Jack Gauthier from the Grenville Gremlins/EOSARDA come out to promote Frosty Fling. As this added another couple to our small group, Ron Gardner, our regular caller, took this opportunity to call to us in a circle formation, in 2 couple squares, in a 6 couple square, and finally, a Virginia Reel.

We have a couple more special nights planned for the remaining dance season – Valentine's Day dance on February 14th, St Patrick's Day dance on March 13th, and Celebration of New Dancers on March 20th.

As always, we dance every Friday night and love to have visitors.

Charlene Gardner



Club News Capital Carousels

Out with the old year and in with the new. Hoping everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. A few snowbirds will be missing for the cold winter months, and some others are taking shorter trips to warmer realms as well.

As I write this, members from Capital Carousels round dance club are eagerly awaiting our annual Valentine's Day party in February, when we will have theme-appropriate music and refreshments. Shortly afterward, on March 12 and 16, I am hoping for a dance to some spritely Irish music, since we don't actually dance on Saint Patrick's Day itself. (With a name like Shannon, what else could you expect?) The hall will once again be decorated with shamrocks, leprechauns, and all things green, including a lot of green costumes. Perhaps anticipating a little green grass to show up outside as well.



Capital Carousels members round dance twice a week from 10 am to noon at Parkdale United Church, 429 Parkdale Avenue, Ottawa K1Y 1H3 : higher level Phase 3 to 5 on Monday morning, and slightly lower level Thursday morning.



Enjoy some photos of attendees at our Capital Caper weekend October 25-26 and our "In From the Cold" benefit dance December 13. The group photo is from our Anniversary dance which was held on October 4.

Visit <http://learningcreations.ca/WordPress/> for more information about our club.

Linda Shannon



Club News Charmin' Promenaders

Wednesdays, Mainstream 7:00 – 8:00

Plus 8:00 – 9:30

Seaway Senior's Centre

506 Pitt St. (at Fifth Ave.), Cornwall, ON K6J 3R5

By Wendy VanderMeulen

Another change is on the way for the Charmin' Promenaders. Boy, there have been a lot in the 24 years we've been around! Starting in Lancaster as a weekly Mainstream club with John Charman as the caller in 1996 ... morphing into a Plus club ... moving to Cornwall ... changing dance location at least 5 times ... then the club caller changing to me (Wendy VanderMeulen) 6 or 7 years ago ... dancing 2 out of every 3 weeks ... adding Mainstream back into the mix 2 years ago ... for the rest of THIS season, dancing every other week ... and then in the Fall of 2020, changing to a day time club (details TBD). Almost enough to make your head spin!!!

Our dance nights for the rest of this season are: Feb.12 & 26, March 11 & 25, and April 15 & 29. We'll do our best to pack a lot of dancing into the few weeks we have.

But – the bottom line is that we are still dancing! A small group, but a small group of dancers WHO WANT TO DANCE, so that's what we'll do! Good times ahead.....

Club News Crazy A's

Advanced 1 and 2

Fridays, 7:00 – 9:30 PM

St. Mark's Anglican Church

1606 Fisher Ave., Ottawa, ON K2C 1X6

By Wendy VanderMeulen

I ♥ that I'm Crazy! What about you? Although you don't have to be crazy to join us, you know. But you do have to have completed either A1 or A2, as we are not TEACHING either program. We dance full A1 from 7:00 – 8:30 and full A2 from 8:30 – 9:30.

Wendy regrets that she will not be there for several nights this session, but John is all fired up and ready to give you all good, challenging evenings. You'll need your thinking caps on! It'll be "work" but it's FUN work – it IS square dancing, afterall! See you some Friday night!

Club News Grenville Gremlins

Once again, this year the Gremlin's were able to make a donation to the Kemptville District Hospital. Our 2019 fall season concluded with a delicious "potluck" supper with many people in attendance to enjoy the last evening of square dancing and fellowship along with a great abundance of food. After enjoying the supper, our members got to relax as Anna-May, Marie & Reta entertained us with clogging. Thank you to the ladies for bringing extra energy for the evening. Geoff proceeded with the wonderful sounds of Christmas music as 8 squares were on the dance floor.

However, our year was not done yet, as Wayne & Anna-May Kerr, plus many other members, helped organize and set-up our annual "New Year's Eve" dance at our usual venue St. John's United Church, on December 31st, to ring in the new year. This year the committee decided to prepare a hot-meal buffet which was well received and enjoyed by everyone who attended. Once again, our caller Geoff did an amazing job with his "New Year's" calling and variety of social dancing which was enjoyed by many dancers. Dave Western also gave us all a chance to line dance. Many door prizes were donated and won by fellow dancers, along with the "share the wealth" prizes. Luckily the weather co-operated and travelling New Year's Eve was not a problem.



With the Christmas season & the New Year's activities behind us, our usual program for the New Year 2020 resumed. A fun Caribbean dance theme was held a few weeks ago and most dressed to the occasion of summer sun attire and much fun was had by all, along with an array of delicious baking, fruit & snacks.

The club is also pleased to be able to provide entertainment dances in retirement homes, one being in the new Kemptville Retirement Living and Bayfield Manor, where many residents clapped to their hearts content. Another entertainment dance will be held at Orchard Walk Retirement coming up in February 2020. Thanks to all the volunteers and caller Bob Summers and Marguerite who make



these afternoons special for the residents in our area. I am sure they enjoy the music and dancing very much, wishing they were younger again.

Once again this spring Geoff Clarke and the Gremlins will be hosting an improve your Mainstream workshop. The dates are May 4, 11, 18,25 and June 1st from 7:00pm to 9:00pm and the venue is Kemptville Retirement Living at 2950 county rd. 43 Kemptville On. The workshop is open to all who have completed the full mainstream program and the cost is \$40 in advance

This concludes our blog for this winter season, and happy dancing to all.

Elizabeth V.



Club News Harbour Lites

To finish off the 2019 dancing season, our Club had a very successful Christmas Potluck shared with Skirts'n'Flirts from Canton, N.Y. Following the Christmas Season, Harbour Lites started 2020 with our regular dance night on January 8. Everyone was welcomed back with a smile and a hug at the door, as they are every week! We will continue with our regular Wednesday night dances starting at 7 p.m. at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Prescott (enter by side door off Dibble Street). Our caller is John Charman. All members are encouraged to remain for the Annual Meeting following regular dancing on Feb. 19th. The Club looks forward this year to nabbing banners from other Clubs and having them visit us in return.

Harbour Lites celebrates Theme Nights (2nd Wednesday of the month) and donations to the Food Bank are gratefully received at each evening. The January Theme Night (Dreaming of Summer/Dance Challenge) met with a great response. We were challenged by our caller John who was ably assisted by Wendy VanderMuelen. Why don't you bring your sweetheart and join us on Feb. 12 for our Valentine's Day/Chocolate Delight Theme Night? In March, we travel to Hunter's Sugar Bush for pancakes and celebrate St. Patrick's!

Winter has arrived and with it cold/flu season that has kept some of our members from joining us each week, but we hope everyone is healthy enough to dance with us once again. Harbour Lites also extends our sympathy to members who have lost loved ones recently.

See you on the dance floor!



Club News Kanata Squares

We hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas Season. We, at Kanata Squares, were excited to return to our Thursday dancing. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, Dave and Marie were unable to join us. However, we were grateful that Bob and Marguerite Summers were able to help out and all of us at Kanata Squares send them a "Big Heartfelt Thank You."

We do have some big news to share. Starting this season till further notice, we will be changing our time from Thursday evenings to Thursday afternoons, 1:30-3:30, Same place, same fun with Dave & Marie.

On a sad note, we were saddened by the recent and sudden loss of Paul Adams, a very cherished member of the Square Dancing Community. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Judy and family.

Barb and Carol



Glengarry Tartans – Alexandria

November 2019- January 2020



*Thank You to all of our enthusiastic dancers,
our club committee & our caller François Desmarais
for continuous support and looking forward to the
new Year!*



Autumn Leaves & the Canadian Tartan *the Maple Leaf*

Sunday, November 3rd, 2019



Great appreciation is extended to our club committee & dancers for the assistance,
decorations & hall set up highlighting our event's theme...

Marcelle & Archie Roussin – President couple

Heather McCaskill – Event Coordinator

Robert Bedard – Vice-President

We hosted 75 guests including the VanKleek Hill Fiddlers and a few guests from the general public. Thank you and we hope you had a great time!



Super Fun! The local
Crazy Leg's Line
Dancers showcased
some dancing as well as
a teach segment for the
dancers!



Maxville Manor, November 10th

The Glengarry Tartans were invited to showcase modern square dancing and entertain the residents of Maxville Manor on Nov. 10th.



it was our pleasure to entertain and bring the Joy of square dancing & music through a community focused event! With Francois Desmarais' lead we organized a wheelchair square dance segment as well!!



A Tartan Christmas

Sunday, December 15th

Surprise visit from Mr. & Mrs. Claus and a beautiful Christmas Angel.



Our second anniversary on January 19, 2020 was celebrated by hosting a collection of nearly new clothing for Maison Interlude Alexandria as well as the Community Assistance Program in VanKleek Hill.



Carole Lauzon
Secretary, Advertising & Promotion
Glengarry Tartans Alexandria



LOCKITS Advanced Dance Club

Geoff & Teena Clarke



Here at **LOCKITS** it certainly is "winter time" as we're now back dancing after the Christmas break. All of our Lockits have returned from the Fall except those lucky ones that headed south (I think we call them Snowbirds?) for the winter! Oh well, we'll see them again once we get to spring weather!! As I write this, the outside temperature is -28C and we've got another dump of snow coming this weekend, so yes indeed it IS Winter Time here in Lockit Land!!

Generally each week we're dancing 3 squares of A2 & 4 squares of A1 and it looks like we'll have 2-3 more couples dancing with us in this half of the year. That's great as we **ALWAYS WELCOME** any Advanced dancers to come out and join us on **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS!!** (yes, daytime hours!). We dance a full A2 program from 9:30am until 10:30am, and follow that with A1 until noon. For this half of the season we're introducing our A1 dancers to some A2 moves not only for a bit more 'variety' but some exposure to the next level for the experience of something new & different!

For the 'fellowship' end of things, generally a group of us will gather for lunch at a local restaurant after dancing to just chat & socialize - always a great time! And, on the last Wednesday of every month that we're dancing, we have a "fun, fellowship & finger foods" break halfway through the morning!

So there you have it - on Wednesday mornings we start at **9:30am** with **A2** dancing through to 10:30am, followed by **A1** dancing until 12 noon. So don't be shy, come on out and enjoy the "fun" that we have each week at Lockits. ***You won't be disappointed!***

Our website has been completely revamped & it will give you everything you want to know about our club including our dance schedule as well as other interesting things to look at. Check it out at: <http://www.lockits.ca>

YOU are always welcome to join us to dance at Lockits
& even though we're dancing 'Advanced', we still ALWAYS have FUN.

Square Dancing IS all about Fun & Friendship – so come join us won't you?



Club News Meri Squares

Our yearly December Christmas and Holiday party was a great success. Over 80 guests enjoyed a delicious turkey and ham buffet dinner, followed by an absolutely mouth watering array of desserts baked by club members. Dancing was provided by our wonderful callers John Charman and Wendy VanderMeulen, and as always, the club donated generously to the Snowsuit Fund.

Wendy is now recovering from hip surgery and is doing very well, getting to the gym and using her cane. We hope to see her back in action by the Spring.



Our January session has started, with Mainstream dancers back on January 7, and our Plus members starting January 9. The dance calendar is available on the Meri Squares website (<http://merisquares.ca/schedule.html>) . Please come out and join us!

January saw the club dancers grabbing their flowered shirts and skirts, putting on our leis and dancing at our Hawaiian party. We also look forward to a sweet Valentines in a few weeks, and our annual visit by the Sunshine Squares in March. Happy Snow Days everyone!



Club News Mississippi Squares

Caller: Brian Crawford
Brunton Community Hall
1702 9th Line
Black's Corners (Carleton Place)

Here we are, the end of January 2020! How the time does fly by!!

Mississippi Squares Dance Club periodically recognizes club members that have been active and made significant contribution to the club with Certificates of Social Membership.

At our Christmas Dinner and Dance on December 10th our Club had the pleasure of recognizing Bob Nicholls and welcoming him as a Social Member of the Mississippi Squares Dance Club.



Bob has been a strong supporter and contributor in many and various roles since joining the Club. Although Bob is no longer able to attend on a regular basis he continues to support and guide in any way he can. The Nicholls's Pool Party every year was always a highlight of the summer. Nothing like a sashay around the pool!! Our heartfelt thanks to Bob and Alice for many years of fun and friendship. Did we forget to say he was also an awesome

dancer? We look forward to your many visits!

It was with great disappointment that our 31st Halfway Dance was cancelled January 11, 2020 but Mother Nature ruled the day.

As in life, our Club experiences joys and losses of those we have come to know and love. Please take the time to view the video compilation of photos that Brian Crawford created to be shared at the Halfway Dance in Paul Adams Memory. The website is listed at the end of Brian's message which we have attached. I am sure it will bring a smile to your face and a tear to your eye.

Our Club will be hosting a Basic Square Dancing Workshop: "Learn to Square Dance" in May 2020. We have attached a flyer. We hope that you will encourage friends and neighbours to come and give it a whirl! This will be a great introductory experience.

Looking forward to our Valentine's Dance February 14th in Brunton Hall!

FUN FACT: Dancing with your friends makes you feel part of something bigger than yourself, gives you a merged sense of you and them, strengthens your relationships, builds trust and raises your pain tolerance. □

Submitted by:
Gail Cameron
Mississippi Squares
January 29th, 2020

Club News Riverside Gypsy Square Dance Club

It is a quiet time of year for us unlike the other clubs in within EOSARDA. We are looking forward to our Mid-Winter Dance on February 23rd from 1:30 pm until 4:00 pm at the Johnstown Community Centre, 24 Sutton Street. This will not give us an opportunity to dance together but we also be able to catch up with each other and find out what is new since we last met up in September. The dance is followed by a potluck supper. Salads, casseroles and of course desserts. Please come out and join us we would love to dance with you.

If coming out in the Winter isn't your cup of tea then we will begin dancing again the fourth weekend in May. Below you will find a couple of pictures of last year's fun. One a little more casual than the other but we always enjoy ourselves.

Mary Anne Reinhard for the Gypsies



Riverside Gypsy Squares 2020 Monthly Committees

May 22, 23, 24	June 26, 27, 28	July 24, 25, 26	August 28, 29, 30	Sept. 25, 26, 27
Theme Square Dance Memories	Theme Berry Berry Weekend	Theme Christmas in July	Theme Celtic Party	Theme Country Fair
Caller Kim Hamilton	Caller Wendy Vander- meulin	Caller Ron Gardner	Caller Bob Summers	Caller Geoff Clarke
Cuer Kim Hamilton	Cuer John Charmin	Cuer Margaret Thom- as	Cuer Dorothy Teed	Cuer Gerry Sawtell
George and Heather Fisher	Freda and Ted Moore	Don Hogan and Joan Gaudreau	Mary Anne and Pierre Reinhard	Bill and Diane Molson
Allen and Shirley Rathwell	Iris and Stanley Swerdfeger	Ferdi and Myrtle van den Oetelaar	Barb and Bob Mazerolle	Pierre and Sue Pontbri- and
Lillian and Kim Hamilton	Preston and Muriel Gilmer	Mary Anne and Pierre Reinhard	Linda and John Carr	John and Barbara LeGrow
Chris and Chris- tine Slater			Bob and Cameron and Helen McCallum	Gwyn and George Wil- liams



Riverside

Gypsy

Squares

Midwinter Dance

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Share The Wealth Draw or 50/50
Chit Chat & Dancing

1:30 - 4:00

Potluck to Follow
Please bring table service, utensils and
a HOT dish & salad or dessert

Callers & Cuers Showcase

Mainstream/Plus and Rounds PH II

\$5.00/ person

Hwy#401, Eastbound : Exit 721B South; Westbound: Exit 721;
East on Hwy #2; North on Sofia____East on Sutton to #24, ____
Johnstown Community Centre, Johnstown, ON

For Info Contact: Chris Slater: 613-925-1712



Club News Saturday Squares

Mainstream Workshop, 10:00 AM to Noon

DBD Plus Workshop, 12:30 – 3:00 PM

Mel Baker Hall, J.A. Dulude Arena

941 Clyde Ave. (at Woodward), Ottawa, ON K2C 4B2

By Wendy VanderMeulen

It's good to know people are asking about these sessions. There are 3 sessions coming up this season: February 22, March 28, and April 25.

The morning Mainstream session is "Mainstream Review" for dancers who want to improve their skills at that program. We will take a general look at all calls and focus on those the dancers want more work on. Dancers can feel free to contact me (Wendy) ahead of time with a specific call they would like to have included in the morning workshop.

The afternoon Plus session will be as those in the past – we will take several Plus calls and see how many different ways they can be danced: half sashayed, same sexes together, left-handed, and maybe even just do a fraction of the call! There is SO MUCH that can be explored in the Plus program – and we'll cover as much as we can in the 2 ½ hours. In February's session, we'll look at Spin Chain the Gears, Track 2, Roll, and (if time permits) Follow your Neighbour, and Fan the Top.

Club News Skirts and Flirts

The Skirts and Flirts have had busy dance season so far. Bob Brown is still calling for the club. Louie Seguin and Bob called at the Massena Campground in September. We had dancers from The Swinging B's and Harbour Lites join us.

In October, we had our Halloween Dance. In November, we had our Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner with guests from the Harbour Lites who napped our banner. We got our banner back from the Swinging B's in November. We went to Tartans and Kilts Dance in Cornwall in November. December found us traveling again to Prescott for the EOSRDA Christmas Dance with John and Wendy. We enjoyed a nice Chinese meal with Harbour Lites after the dance. We went to Prescott for the Christmas Potluck Dinner and we got our banner back from them.

Now we are dancing again in Canton. Visitors are always welcome. Check out and like our Facebook page.

Submitted by Joe Tebo



Club News Stepping Out Rounds

Phase 2 Rounds

Fridays, 2:00 – 4:30 PM

St. Mark's Anglican Church

1606 Fisher Ave., Ottawa, ON K2C 1X6

By Wendy VanderMeulen

Stepping Out Rounds starts its new dance session on Friday, February 7th. We've had several couples indicate that they would like to join us. Please note that if you cannot make the first dance on Feb.7, you are VERY welcome to join us on the 14th. You won't miss so much on the 7th that you can't start on the 14th, so come dancing and then go out for a nice Valentine's dinner! ☐

We will continue to split the afternoon into 2 sessions – the first session being for our newest Newbies (2:00 – 3:30) and the second session for “Not-so-Newbies” (3:30 – 4:30). ☐ In the second session, John will review whatever is needed or requested for by those in attendance. As well, he will teach new dances – some that he'll pull out of his “record box” from years ago!

Club News Wendy's Elegant Eights

Dancing For Fun: Mondays, 7:15-8:45 PM

Mel Baker Hall, J.A. Dulude Arena

941 Clyde Ave. (at Woodward), Ottawa, ON K2C 4B2

By Wendy VanderMeulen

I'm sorry to say that WEE has been cancelled for the rest of this dance season. Options for the fall of 2020 are being considered.

Club News Stone Bridge Squares

Well the Christmas Holidays are over, winter weather has returned and the Stone Bridges Squares have resumed their square dancing for the winter session. Our new dancers were excited to get back to dancing and are looking forward to learning even more Basic moves towards completing the Basic Program. Our winter session began with a review to remove the rust that had developed over the Christmas Holidays.

We now have full Mainstream as well as a Mainstream teach program. Our new Mainstream dancers are advancing very well, as Bob introduces the new moves to them. Our mixed dancing of Basic and Mainstream seem to be working well as the new dancers enjoy watching the more experienced dancers do their thing.

We held our annual Christmas party on Dec. 13, where we danced to some Christmas music and we all enjoyed the delicious treats that were provided by our members. A number of our dancers wore their crazy Christmas sweaters and other holiday apparel. It was even more satisfying to see our new dancers participate in the party atmosphere and enjoy the socializing and companionship that evolves from square dancing. The hot apple cider that the school custodians prepared for us was delicious as well.

There is always a high level of energy on the floor as our dancers learn the new moves with enthusiasm and fun. We are dancing until the middle of April and if you'd like to drop by, please feel free to join us. You are always welcome and we really enjoy visiting dancers. We dance every Friday night at Mother Teresa School in Russell. Happy dancing from all of us at the Stone Bridge Squares.

Dean & Shirley Benson



Club News Sunshine Squares



Happy 2020 everyone! The Sunshine Squares finished 2019 with a great Christmas dinner and look forward to an interesting start to the 2020 dance year.

We had our annual session-ending Christmas pot luck night with a special award and a visit from Santa. The meal, as always, was worth coming for all by itself. It is a treat to experience well made food dishes that we might rarely enjoy at home. Santa made his annual visit because he knows that Sunshine Square members have always been nice enough during the year to earn a special stop on his busy route.

Sunshine Squares executive member Shirley and Jim McSavaney presented a formal Honorary Membership to long time members Shirley and Ransom Nixon. Shirley and Ransom were seven time president couple; served on the EOSARDA Board; organized winter activities for the Sunshine Squares and generally helped provide the leadership that helped this club prosper. We thanked them for their efforts and hope to continue seeing them whenever they wish to join us.

The 2020 winter dance season will feature some gentle all position plus-level dancing. All of us can benefit from improving our square dancing and we will work to understand the definition of square dance calls so we can comfortably do them from non-standard positions.

Our caller Bob Summers will be taking a 2 week break to warmer places in February and we will be pleased to welcome Francois Demarais to call for us while Bob is away thawing out from a too-long winter. Francois calls for the Swinging Swallows and the Glengarry Tartans. We have danced with Francois in his other role as dancing member of the Meri Squares but few of us have had the opportunity to dance to Francois as a caller so this will be a good opportunity for us to meet.

On Wednesday February 19 we will be having a Mardi Gras theme night and will invite other dancers to join us for an evening of New Orleans themed music and snacks.

On Thursday March 19 The Sunshine Squares will make our annual visit to MeriSquares. This year we will enjoy their St Patrick's night dance and look forward to another night of good dancing,

Bob Pitruniak



Club News Swinging B's



Happy New Year everyone! The busy Christmas season has passed and clubs are gearing up for the final stretch of the dance year. The Bee's were not exempt from this busy time starting in November with the annual Tartans and Kilts dance. Even with the venue date changed from Sunday to Saturday Corry Lowden brought his usual fast paced styled calls to about 75 dancers. The

B's were pleased to see 13 clubs in attendance at this dance. The spirit of Scotland was alive starting with a piper to serenade guests as they arrived. A procession led by the piper was the official opening of the Tartans and Kilts dance. The hall was fully decorated. Lads and Lassies alike were dressed in plaids. A Scottish lunch including Haggis was served. Many hands worked to make this dance a complete success and we thank all those who contributed. To our precious guests we extend our appreciation.



Nov.29th 2019 Skirts n Flirts from Canton N.Y. came to our club to retrieve their banner. They were such good sports. They not only danced for us they also sang for us. Our caller does like to make you work for the prize. We all enjoyed their company and the singing well.... No really it was great.



Friday, Dec.13th, 2019 was the Swinging B's Christmas party. There was no bad luck about this one. We had it all Christmas music, Christmas decorations, good food and especially good company.



The B's are willing to share their good fortune. Not only did they collect 50 boxes of cereal for the Salvation Army they also volunteered to man kettles at two different busy locations in Cornwall. Nine of the B's were bell ringers for this very worthy cause. This not only helps others but they found it very gratifying and a great way to advertize square dancing.

Now right into 2020 we go. Please join us on Feb.9th, for Valentine's and on Mar.8th for St. Patrick's. We are looking forward to seeing you all.

Submitted by Millie Chisholm for the Swinging B's

Frosty Fling enjoyed by all

Frosty Fling 2020 was attended by 125 regular dancers and 24 New Basic dancers who joined us from 15 clubs including those as far away as Quinte, Kingston, Napanee and Pembroke. John Charman and Dave Hutchinson joined to provide a lively afternoon of Basic and Mainstream tips with some Easy Rounds in between.

A highlight of the dance was 8 of our Leaders joining to form squares which allowed dancers to earn their Purple Hearts including many of our newest Basic Dancers. Their hijinks during the tips made for a lot of good fun being had by all who participated. In all 45 Purple Hearts were earned.

Bob and Marguerite Summers received their well deserved Trillium Merit Award at the dance and the sad passing of Paul Adams was commemorated with a beautiful presentation of the events in his life that many had shared with him.



Club News Swinging Swallows

What Are You Doing with Your Extra 2020 Day?

The Swinging Swallows began the new year with a Basic/Mainstream practice dance, to recorded calls, at Carefor's Carrara Hall in Pembroke. This is the third year that our club has partnered with Carefor: they allow us to use the large hall for free if we invite their residents to come out to enjoy the music and watch the dancing, maybe have a chat with some of the dancers. We dance at the hall the first and third Mondays of each month, first Monday is B/MS and the third is Plus. We have the choreography for each singing call in print form so we're able to 'workshop' moves that dancers have trouble with. We dance for two hours and laugh a lot! Everyone seems to enjoy these evenings; we ask for a small donation from the dancers and we gift it to Carefor in December and again in April, just to show our appreciation.

We're planning our third annual Winter Wonderland Pot-luck Dinner/Dance and optional horse-drawn sleigh ride for February 29 – it's Leap Year! What a good way to make use of an extra day! We're starting at 1:00 with dancing and/or sleigh rides, a tip in the snow while the sun is warm. The first time dancers struggle to dance in the snow they earn their 'snow' dangle. Supper will follow at 5:00. After clean-up we'll dance until we can't dance anymore! Ron Gardner has agreed to call during the afternoon for us and if Francois is able to attend, he may call a tip or two. The Lion's Hall in Beachburg is small so we can't invite everyone to join us but if a few of you want to come out we can take turns on the dance floor! Last year Robert & Rosie presented us with the truck full of snow, so we know we'll have at least *this* much!



Some of the Swallows are planning to attend the Frosty Fling and we're keeping dancers aware of other events in the eastern Ontario area...so much to do, so little time. Maybe that's why we have Leap Year!



We love to dance, and we love visitors so join us on Thursday evenings whenever you can (visitors dance for free). Have a look at www.GetUpandDance.ca and at www.facebook.com/SwingingSwallows and come visit the Swallows' nest!

Gloria Bateman

Stepping Out Rounds

Round Dancing

(a.k.a. Choreographed Ballroom)



*at St. Mark's Anglican Church
1606 Fisher Ave., Ottawa, ON K2C 1X6
(South of Baseline, at Normandy)*

with John Charman and Wendy VanderMeulen

Fridays

February 7 through April 24

(Except Apr. 10)

2:00 – 3:30 – for NEW Round Dancers

3:30 – 4:30 – review and teaching easy rounds

\$8.00 per person per afternoon

For more information, contact

John Charman or Wendy VanderMeulen at 613-987-2711

Or john.charman@sympatico.ca or wendyv@sympatico.ca



Swinging B's

St. Patrick's Dance

Caller: Brian Crawford

Line Dance Leader: Fernande



Sunday, March 8, 2020

2:00 PM – 4:30 PM

**Centre Charles-Emile-Claude
146 Chevrier Avenue, Cornwall, ON**

**Basic/Mainstream/Plus
Easy Line Dancing**

**Share the Wealth & Door Prizes
Taggerwear Boutique**

**Donations: \$12.00 in advance -- or \$15.00 at the door
Irish Stew & Homemade Desserts**

**Contact: Bob or Helen (613) 933-4052
Email: helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca**



With *Dave Hutchinson & Dave Eno* (callers)
Susan Connors (cuer)

St Patrick's Day **Dance**

continuing in Kingston!

Sat. March 14th

See You There!

10:30am-12:30pm 1:30pm-4:00pm

Basic, Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, C1 tips, Rounds

Lunch provided for those dancing in both morning and afternoon

\$20 per dancer, \$10 for morning/afternoon only

St Andrew's by the Lake United Church, 1 Redden St, Kingston

Program details:

	Main hall	Second hall
10:30-11:00	Square dance: All dancers	Round dance
11:00-12:30	Basic, Mainstream, Rounds	Plus, Advanced, end with a C1 tip
12:30-1:30	Lunch & Clothing sale	
1:30-3:30	Basic, Mainstream, Rounds	Plus, Advanced, start with a C1 tip
3:30-4:00	Square dance: All dancers	Round dance



Space is limited. Pre-register by e-mailing: limestonedanceclub@gmail.com

Hosted by the Limestone Square and Round Dance Club and EOSARDA



Grenville Gremlins present a

5 Week Workshop to "Improve your Mainstream"

CALLER : GEOFF CLARKE

**Mondays – starting May 4, 2020
7:00 - 9:00pm**

Live Lively -



Square Dance

In the basement Lounge of :-
**Kemptville Retirement Living,
2950 County Rd #43,
Kemptville, ON**



Workshop Fee : \$40 per dancer*

****Note:***

This is not a 'teach', but a workshop for all dancers that have completed the Mainstream program & seek to improve their dancing skills.

Advance Registration is Required (no walk-ins)

- **Space may be limited, so register by April 21st**, the sooner the better to ensure your space in a square! To Register - Clip & snail-mail the form below
- Full payment with registration & no refunds once the workshop has started.
- Solos are welcome, but **you must arrange your own partner** for the workshop.
- Questions?: Contact Peter Matthew 613-258-3690 / email: petermatt54@gmail.com
or Geoff Clarke 613-724-8438 / email: caller.geoff@bell.net



CLIP

Improve Your Mainstream - REGISTRATION (please print)

SURNAME: _____ **BOY:** _____ **GIRL:** _____

Contact : Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Home Club : _____

Payment included: \$: _____

If Solo, my partner will be: _____

Mail to: Harold Tompkins, 2925 Tompkins Rd., Kemptville, ON. K0G1J0.



CALLERS' INFO SESSION

- Are you curious to know what is involved in being a Caller?
- Do you want to know what it takes?
- Has the thought ever crossed your mind that *maybe you might be* interested in calling?

Saturday, February 29, 1:00 PM

Join John Charman and Wendy VanderMeulen
for a FREE information session at

2nd Floor Boardroom
2255 St. Laurent Blvd., Ottawa, ON K1G 4K3

We'll give you an overview of what Calling is like, and what you need to know
before you take the first step and decide to try it.

Attending this session is NOT a commitment to start calling!

Please RSVP to John or Wendy at:

john.charman@sympatico.ca

or wendyv@sympatico.ca

or 613-987-2711

Live Lively-



Square Dance!



Live Lively-



Square Dance!

58th

Join Us In Peterborough
Lift Lock Squares Presents The
58th Annual

58th

SPRING SPREE

18 April 2020



Basic, Mainstream, Plus & A1/A2
4 Dance Halls 4 Fabulous Callers
Barry Clasper **Brian Crawford**
Don Moger **Jeff Priest**



Crestwood Secondary School
1885 Sherbrooke Street West
Peterborough ON K9J 0E5

Please wear clean shoes in dance halls In consideration of others, NO perfumes or scents

Pre-registration: Prior to 4th April 2020- All Day \$16.00 PP, Half Day \$8.00 PP

Registration After 4th April and At The Door -All Day \$18.00 PP, Half Day \$9.00 PP

Phone contact Howard & Jean Lander Tel: 905-342-5450 Email: springspreedance@gmail.com

Refunds prior to dance less \$4.00 handling fee or roll over for next years dance

1st Last Name.....First Name
2nd Last Name.....First Name
Address.....
City.....Province.....Postal Code.....
Phone..... Email.....
All Day..... Afternoon Only..... Evening Only.....
Square Dance Club.....Amount Enclosed

Please make cheques payable to : **Lift Lock Square Dance Club**

Mail registration to : Dorothy Wilkins, 80 Andrea Rd. Ajax, ON L1S 3V9

Specify Number of Dancers at highest level you plan to dance. Dance in lower level rooms as you wish.

Dance Level: Basic..... Mainstream Plus..... A1..... A2..... C1.....

For Lift Lock Records

Date Received.....Ribbons Sent.....Given Out.....CQ..... CA.....

Basic Square Dancing Workshop: Learn to Square Dance

- **Introduction to Square Dancing - No experience needed!** Give square dancing a try, or brush up on the basic steps you have already learned.
- Caller Brian Crawford has more than 25 years calling experience
- Have fun. Meet new people. Exercise your brain and body.

When?

May 5, 12, 19, 26

Come out Tuesday @ 7:30 to 9:30 pm

Where?

Brunton Community Hall
1702 9th Line, Carleton Place.

How much?

\$40.00 per person

Everyone is welcome. Won't you join us?

If you need a dance partner, call Vince or Debbie @ 613-257-2480 or Betty @ 613-256-0551



Mississippi Squares Dance Club

www.mississippisquares.ca

CANADIAN CONNECTION CALLER SCHOOL 2020

CALLERS – LEADERS

LEARN TO CALL AND/OR TEACH

Peterborough, Ontario

June 5, 6 & 7

June 12, 13, & 14

\$300 (no charge for partner)

FOR CALLERS:

You will develop the skills needed to call and teach new dancers. The biggest emphasis is on how to call, what to call, and sight calling development.

FOR LEADERS:

You don't have to be a caller to help new dancers learn how to square dance. You will learn how to get dancers in the right position to do calls and how to get them to the corner.

Emphasis on:
Learning the mechanics of choreography
Lots of mic time
Sight calling
Teaching

Provincial Federation or Canadian Society Bursary info:
info@squaredance.on.ca

Caller Coach: Joe has over nearly 50 experience teaching/mentoring callers throughout North America. Conducting over 60 caller schools and being a staff-member on numerous other ones, he has helped developed many of todays callers.

Contact info: (email is preferred)
Joe Uebelacker at cchsoap@yahoo.ca
956-884-0189

Square Dance Clubs

Bay Waves

Basic/MS Friday 7:30pm - 10:00pm
Northwind Community Centre
262 Len Purcell Dr,
Constance Bay
Caller: Ron Gardner
Contact: Ron Gardner
613-878-7712
bay.waves@live.ca

Charmin' Promenaders

Plus Wednesday 7:15pm - 9:30pm
Seaway Senior Citizens' Club
506 Pitt St (at Fifth), Cornwall
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen
613-987-2711
wendyv@sympatico.ca

Crazy A's

A1 Friday 7:30pm - 10:00pm
St. Mark's Anglican Church
1606 Fisher Ave, Ottawa
Caller: John Charman
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen
613-987-2711
WendyV@sympatico.ca

Glengarry Tartans

Beginners + Basic
at every dance Most Sundays
Check schedule 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Usually La Fraternité Hall
49 St Paul St, Alexandria
Check Schedule
Caller: Francois Demarais
Contact: Carole & Bernie Lauzon
613-931-1783
clauzon55@sympatico.ca

Grenville Gremlins

Basic/MS/
with Plus Tips before and after Monday 7:30pm - 9:30pm
North Grenville Municipal Centre
285 County Road #44,
Kemptonville, ON
Caller: Geoff Clarke
Contact: Peter & Geraldine Matthews
613-258-3690
kemptonvillesquaredance@gmail.com

Harbour Lites

Basic/MS
Plus Teach Wednesday 7pm - 9:30pm
Presbyterian Church
Center & Dibble Streets, Prescott
Caller: John Charman
Contact: Gerald & Marlene Casselman
613-652-4232
gm.casselman@gmail.com

Kanata Squares

Basic/MS Thursday 1:30pm - 3:30pm
Dick Brulé Community Centre
170 Castlefrank Rd, Kanata
Caller: David Currie
Contact: David & Marie Currie
613-521-5292
david.currie@sympatico.ca

Limestone Dancers

Plus/Advance Monday 7:00pm - 9:30pm
Polson Park Public School
165 Robert Wallace Dr, Kingston
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: Bill Bryan
billbryan4@hotmail.com

Limestone Dancers

Basic/MS Thursday 7:00pm - 9:30pm
Polson Park Public School
165 Robert Wallace Dr, Kingston
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: Bill Bryan
billbryan4@hotmail.com

Lockits

A2
A1 Wednesday 9:30am - 12:00am
Brunton Community Hall
1702 9th Line, Beckwith (Carleton Place)
Caller: Geoff Clarke
Contact: Geoff & Teena Clarke
613-724-8438
caller.geoff@bell.net

Meri Squares

Basic/MS Tuesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm
Westminster Presbyterian Church
470 Roosevelt Ave, Ottawa
Caller: John Charman
Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Francois Desmarais and Barb McLellan

613-798-9163
francoisd2@rogers.com

Meri Squares

Plus Thursday 7:30pm - 9:30pm
Westminister Presbyterian Church
470 Roosevelt Ave, Ottawa
Caller: John Charman
Contact: Francois Desmarais and Barb McLellan
613-798-9163
francoisd2@rogers.com

Mississippi Squares

Basic/MS Tuesday 7:00-7:30pm Full MS
7:30pm - 9:30pm B/MS
Brunton Hall
1702 9th Line, Blacks Corners (Carleton Place)
Caller: Brian Crawford
Contact: Vince and Debbie Guthro
613-257-2480

Mississippi Squares

Plus, Plus Teach, Rounds 2x/month Friday
7:30pm - 10:00pm
Brunton Hall
1702 9th Line, Blacks Corners (Carleton Place)
Caller: Brian Crawford
Contact: Vince and Debbie Guthro
613-257-2480

Montreal Acey Deuceys

A2/C1
C1 Teach Mon/Thurs
call for locn & times
Pointe Claire, Quebec
Montreal, Quebec
Caller: Don Moger
Contact: Avena Smolkin
514-744-6097
avena@videotron.ca

Napanee Pioneers

Basic/MS/Plus Friday 7:00 pm
Southview Public School
18 Golf Course Lane at Cty Rd 8, Napanee
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: Muriel Brough
613-354-4595
brough@kingston.net

Ottawa Date Squares

Basic/MS/Plus
LGBT friendly Wednesdays 6:30 pm - 8:45pm
Room 202, Jack Purcell Community Centre

320 Jack Purcell Lane, Ottawa
Caller: Mark
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud
613-424-2992
OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com

Quinte Twirlers

Basic, MS, Plus, Lines Wednesday 6:30 Line
Dance
7:00pm - 9:30pm
Harmony Public School
Belleville
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: david dunham
613-403-2882
quintetwirlers@gmail.com

Riverside Gypsy Squares

MS/Plus/Rounds May/June/July/Aug/Sep
Every 4th Weekend
(Fri/Sat/Sun) Check Schedule
Various times
Happy Acres Campground
2 Green Acres Rd
Brockville
Caller: Various Callers and Cuers
Contact: Mary Anne Reinhard
613-838-5781
mareinhard@sympatico.ca

Saturday Squares

No experience necessary Saturdays
Check Schedule
Tom Brown Arena
141 Bayview Rd, Ottawa
(at Scott Street)
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen
613-987-2711,
wendyv@sympatico.ca

Skirts n Flirts

Basic/MS/Plus Friday 6:30pm - 9:00pm
Canton Central School, Banford Elementary
School Cafeteria
99 State St, Canton N.Y
Caller: Bob Brown
Contact: Alan & Sandy Brown
315-543-2175
sadushbrown@gmail.com

Stone Bridge Squares

Basic/MS Friday 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Mother Theresa School
1035 Concession St, Russell
Caller: Bob Summers
Contact: Dean & Shirley Benson
613-445-2073
dsbenson99@rogers.com

Sunshine Squares

Plus Wednesday 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Canterbury Community Centre
2185 Arch St, Ottawa
Caller: Bob Summers
Contact: Doug Bennett & Laura Johnson
613-730-0002
douglas.bennett2@sympatico.ca

Swinging Bs

Basic/MS/Plus/Rounds Friday Class 7:00pm -
8:00pm
8:00pm - 10:00pm
Knox - St. Paul United Church
800 Twelfth St E, Cornwall
Caller: Don Moger
Guest Callers
Contact: Helen MacCallum
hm: (613) 933-4025
cell: (613) 330-4873
helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

Swinging Swallows

Basic/MS/Plus Thursday 6:30pm - 7:00pm Plus
7:00pm - 9:30pm B/MS/P
Wesley United Church Hall
275 Pembroke St E, Pembroke
Caller: Francois Desmarais
Contact: Andre Blais
819-689-5487
andre.cathy@hotmail.com

Village Squares

Basic/MS Wednesday 7:30pm - 10:00pm
Roy C. Hobbs Community Centre
109 Larch Ave, Orleans
Caller: Paul Adams
Contact: Bob and Gabrielle Forsyth
613-833-2601
gandbforsyth@bell.net

Round Dance Clubs

CAPITAL CAROUSELS

Parkdale United Church
429 Parkdale Ave
Phases 3 to 5
Monday 10:00am 12:00pm
Phases 3 to 4
Thursday 10:00am 12:00pm
Contact: Gavin Currie 613.739.9593
president@capitalcarousels.ca
www.capitalcarousels.ca

LIMESTONE DANCERS

Ph 2, 3 + Beginner Wednesday
Beginners: 7:00pm
Intermediate: 8:00pm
Poison Park Public School
165 Robert Wallace Dr, Kingston
Cuer/Contact: Susan Connors
613.634.3384 susanhenden@hotmail.com

Stepping Out Rounds

Ph 2-3 Teach + Beginner
Friday
2:00 - 3:30 pm Teaching New Dancers
3:30 - 4:30 pm Teaching and Dancing Experienced Dancersy
St. Mark's Anglican Church
1606 Fisher Ave., Ottawa
(South of Baseline, at Normandy)
Cuer: John Charman
Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: John Charman
Wendy VanderMeulen
613-987-2711

Line Dance Clubs

Capital City Lines

Beginners

Mon 1:00pm-2:00pm

Alexander Community Center 960 Silver Street, Ottawa

Caller: (AJ) Diane Poulton

Contact: Diane Poulton 613.729.4974

clogger13@sympatico.ca

Capital City Lines

Beginner plus

Mon 1:15pm-2:15pm

Alexander Community Center 960 Silver Street, Ottawa

Caller: (AJ) Diane Poulton

Contact: Diane Poulton 613.729.4974

clogger13@sympatico.ca

Got Lines - Line Dancing - Richmond

Tuesday 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Easy Lines 2:30 - 3:00 pm

Beginner/Improver 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Upper Hall, Richmond Arena

6095 Perth Street

Richmond

Instructor/Contact: Dave Western 613 838-5428

dlwestern@yahoo.com

Got Lines - Line Dancing - Stittsville

Thursday 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Easy Lines 7:00 - 7:30 pm

Beginner/Improver 7:30 - 8:30 pm*

*Includes optional, complimentary Intermediate Line Dance program 8:30 -9:00 pm

Upper Hall, Johnny Leroux Arena

10 Warner-Colpitts

Stittsville

Instructor/Contact: Dave Western 613 838-5428

dlwestern@yahoo.com



Registration Form

Dancer #1 _____

Dancer #2 _____

Mailing Address _____

Postal/Zip Code: _____

Phone # (____) _____ Email _____

Please circle your dance choices (select the highest dance program at which you will dance):

Squares: Basic Mainstream Plus A1 A2

Rounds: PH II PH III PH IV PH V

Please confirm if you will be having the included lunches:

Saturday Lunch: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Sunday Lunch: ☐ Yes ☐ No

(Deadline for meal reservations is April 19, 2020. Registrations received after April 19 will not include meals.)

Registration Fees (per person):

Registration Type	Cost Before Apr.1	Cost After Apr.1
Full weekend (Friday night thru Sunday)	\$70	\$80
Saturday and Sunday only	\$60	\$70
Saturday only	\$55	\$65
Youth and dancers who started dancing in Sept. 2019	\$50	\$50

Payment, in Canadian funds, can be made by cash, cheque, money order, or e-transfer.

If paying in US Funds, please deduct \$10 from the applicable registration fee.

Registration Type	# people	\$ per person	Total Enclosed
	x		=

Tickets to Friday night, Saturday night, and Sunday morning can be purchased separately, at the door, \$12 / person / dance.

\$15.00 admin fee on all refunds for cancellations after April 19, 2020.

Cancellations must be received in writing. Email is acceptable.

Make cheques/money orders payable to "Swing into Spring"
and mail to: **Swing into Spring 2020**
c/o Wendy VanderMeulen
Box 189, St-Albert, Ontario, Canada K0A 3C0

Send e-transfer to: Treasurer@SwingIntoSpring.ca

Follow up with an email to same advising of the answer to your security question. Remember to attach your registration form: *Open the PDF file and use the "Fill & Sign" option to fill it in. Save with the file name "YourSurname2020SIS" and attach to your email.*

Info: www.SwingIntoSpring.ca www.facebook.com/PrescottSIS
Wendy VanderMeulen – 613-987-2711 – wendyv@sympatico.ca

South Grenville District High School
1000 Edward Street North, Prescott, Ontario

Swing *into* Spring

May 1-3, 2020

Jointly sponsored by SVSRDA and EOSARDA

Todd Fellegly
Meriden, CT



Tom Miller
Chest Springs, PA



Phil Gatchell & Marilyn Rivenburg
Melrose, MA & Ocean Park, ME



BASIC – MAINSTREAM – PLUS – ADVANCED – ROUNDS

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE 7:00 – 9:45
2 ROOMS, PLUS, ADVANCED, ROUNDS

SATURDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS 9:30 – 12:00
3 ROOMS, ALL PROGRAMS

SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS 1:30 – 4:30
3 ROOMS, ALL PROGRAMS

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE 7:00 – 9:45
3 ROOMS, ALL PROGRAMS

SUNDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS 9:30 – 12:00
3 ROOMS, INTRO TO ROUNDS, DBD PLUS, A1&A2

SUNDAY AFTERNOON - SVSRDA MOTHER'S DAY DANCE
..... 1:30 – 4:30
1 ROOM, ROUNDS, BASIC, MAINSTREAM



MEALS

SATURDAY LUNCH / SUNDAY LUNCH INCLUDED
(TICKETS REQUIRED)

(As always: subject to change...)

Info: www.SwingIntoSpring.ca ----- www.facebook.com/PrescottSIS
Wendy VanderMeulen – 613-987-2711 – wendyv@sympatico.ca