

Island Fling



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Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Our Harvest Social October 21st was a tremendous success! A great evening was had by all and I look forward to many more wonderful events throughout the year.

A review of the constitution by members of the Executive is now complete. It was found that no further bylaws from those published at the AGM, in the May 2006 Fling, and in this issue, need be amended at this time. The Executive would like to move forward with the proposed amendments with ratification by the membership. To ratify these amendments it is intended to have a meeting of the membership, which will be considered an Extraordinary General Meeting, thirty (30) minutes prior to the commencement of the St. Andrew's Social November 18, 2006. The extraordinary meeting will start at 7:00 pm sharp. Please note that no other business will be transacted other than the matter at hand-amendments to the Constitution-and if you do not have a copy of the constitution please contact our Secretary, Heather Danks at 477-0346 to obtain one.

A reminder, if you aspire to be on the executive there will openings in the President, Secretary, and Social Convener's positions as of the end of April 2007. I would ask that you please consider this.

All the best to everyone and I hope to see you on the dance floor.

Bill Greig, President

REMINDER 2006-07 VISCDs MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 1, 2006

EXECUTIVE COLUMN

Membership and Class Fees

A reminder that membership dues and class fees are due by NOVEMBER 1ST. Remember to fill out on the form the class in which you are registering and whether you wish to receive a hardcopy of the newsletter or will download it directly from the web. If you need another membership application form, please contact Maralynn Wilkinson 592-2234 or Sara Hatfield 474-1895 (sdhatfield@shaw.ca) and we can send or email you another copy.

*** NOTICE of VISCDS Extraordinary Meeting ***

Regarding the Proposal for VISCDS Constitutional Changes
November 18, 2006, 7:00 p.m.
St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed

The following proposal was brought forward for consideration at the AGM April 20th and copies were provided to all attendees

“ EXTRACT FROM DIRECTORS MINUTES ”

At a duly convened meeting of the Directors of the Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society held Thursday April 6, 2006 proposals were advanced pertaining to potential amendments to the Constitution of the Society. After discussion by the Directors it was M/S/C that several items of proposed change be brought under consideration by the report of the Directors to the Annual General Meeting. The items for consideration are:

- A. That a General Meeting of the Members be called in the Fall of 2006 to consider and vote upon each of the following individual alterations, additions and deletions to the Constitution of the Society:
- [1] Amending Article 25.(2) by changing the words to;
“No person may serve as a director for more than four consecutive years”
from; *“No person may hold office for more than three consecutive years.*
 - [2] Deleting Article 25.(5) in its entirety – *“If no successor is elected the person previously elected or appointed continues to hold office”*
 - [3] Article 31.(5) to be amended by deleting the word *“shall”* and substituting in its place the word *“may”*.
 - [4] Amending Article 30.(2) – *“No Instructors actively teaching Scottish country dancing in Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dancing Society may be elected as Directors “*
- B. That the members discuss the changes brought forward and that any comments, observations and opinions of the members be transcribed and delivered to the Directors for their further consideration.

Secretary
Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society

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Harvest Social

The season's socials began with the Harvest Social on Saturday, 21 October, hosted by the Advanced Technique class. Class members provided colourful displays of fall foliage, vegetables, and flowers, and the assorted foods and tasties filled two tables! Bob Anderson devised a lively program and a total of 65 dancers attended filling the hall with eight sets at one point. Amongst the dancers, Ann Whittaker brought six students from Pearson College to join in the dancing. They represented six different countries - Tibet, Mongolia, Bulgaria, Brazil, Venezuela, and Paraguay - and some were first-year and others second-year students. As Bill Greig mentioned, they were good sports and seemed to catch on quickly. We hope they will come again. Our heartfelt thanks to all who made contributions (food, flowers, set up, serving, and clean-up) and to Bob for guiding us through the dances. It was a happy evening of good dancing.

Merle Peterson, substituting for Riki Sato

Lost & Found

Found was one un-labelled plaid shoe bag (from 30th Ball and Workshop).

... Please contact Merle (477-8331) to retrieve



Thank you from Howard Hospital

I'd like to thank Diane and Rob Robinson, and all the helpers and donors who made the fund raising such a success. Your kindness is very much appreciated by the patients who come to the hospital for care and I know you understand the great need. I also know that I will be taking your good wishes to the patients and staff when I return October 30.

Sincerely, Lorraine Irvine

SPRING 2007 WORKSHOP AND BALL WEEKEND

Much planning is underway for VISCDS' Spring Workshop and Ball (March 30, 31, and April 1 2007). Guest teachers will be Roy Goldring of Ilkley, Yorkshire, Evelyn Nixon of Courtney, and Joan Axford and Bob Anderson of our own Society. This is a significant event as it is Roy's last North American workshop. As the creator of so many flowing SCD dances, we are delighted to have him come from his home in Yorkshire and teach us. We encourage all beginner dancers to attend as there is a full day workshop taught by our own Joan Axford and Bob Anderson, both of whom are experienced workshop teachers, and there is an afternoon session by Evelyn Nixon focusing on "*Having Confidence at Socials*", which will help you to take what you have learned in class to a social dance and feel comfortable. Musicians for the Ceilidh, Ball and Sunday Brunch dancing will be Ken Natrass and Ron Krug of Winnipeg. Their capabilities and lively music are familiar to Victoria dancers from their playing at the Spring Ball in 2004. Details of classes and Saturday afternoon options will appear as the last pages of the November issue of the *Fling*, together with a Registration form. Already interest is growing in this event from dancers on the Island and from the western provinces.

This year a Silent Auction will replace the raffle of previous years. Start thinking now of items you may wish to donate and be ready at the Friday Ceilidh to share in the fun of bidding for items of interest to you. In the past, the raffle/auctions have been significant contributors to the cost of bringing guest teachers from afar to our Workshops and Ball.

Any questions you may have, please contact our Coordinator, Lesley Brennand, (391-6984 or lesleybrennand@shaw.ca) or myself (477-8331 or merlep@shaw.ca).

Merle Peterson, Registrar
2007 VISCDS Workshop and Ball

Shhhhhhhhhhh!!
(It's the Silent Auction!)

Just for a change, there will be no raffle to raise funds for our Spring Ball. We're going to have a silent auction instead. This means we won't be asking you to sell tickets this year, but some things never change -- we'll still be looking to you for donations, so give some thought between now and March to what you might put in the auction.

We also need lots of baskets, so if you have one you can spare, please let us have it. Big baskets, little baskets, all will be welcomed. These will be used to make up "theme baskets" of complementary items (like wine and cheese, or soaps and lotions) so we can combine small items in a larger package for the bidders.

Please contact Maureen or Jamie Orr about your donation or to give us your unwanted baskets. You can catch us at the dance, call us at 250-478-5338 or email us at jas_orr@yahoo.com

Cheerio - Maureen and Jamie



2006 St. Andrew's Social

November 18, 7:30 p.m. at St. Martin In-The-Fields, Obed

Cost: \$8

PROGRAM

St. Andrew's Fair	32J3	B	C (Core Book)
The Old Way of Killicrankie	48R3	B	C
John McAlpin	32S3	B	C
The Dancing Master **	96J4	A	C
Mairi's Wedding	40R3	I	C
Summer on the Clyde *	32S4	B	C
Speir's Bruce-The Pole Star	32J3	I	Scotia Suite
Fife Ness **	32R3	A	C
Up In The Air	32S3	B	Bk 20
Napier's Index	40J3	I	Bk 45
Neidpath Castle	32S3	I	C
Highland Rambler	40R3	B	Leed's 25

Break

Bees of Maggieknockater	32J4	I	C
Ray Milbourne	32R4	I	C
Autumn in Appin **	32S4	A	C
The Piper and the Penguin	80R4	B	C

Extras

Maxwell's Rant	32R3	I	C
Cherry Bank Gardens	32S3	I	C
Follow Me Home	32J3	I	C

*** briefing only ** no briefing**

HOSTED BY THE UPPER INTERMEDIATE CLASS



2006 Joint Christmas Social

December 9th at Cadboro Bay United Church Hall, 2625 Arbutus Road

Music: Muriel Johnstone and Calum MacKinnon

(Times and Cost published next Fling)

PROGRAM

Good Hearted Glasgow	8X32 J	Knapman
Finlay Stewart Skinner	8X32 S	Allanton Coll
Rest and Be Thankful	8X32 R	Grampian Coll
The Laird of Milton's Daughter	8X32 J	Book 22/10
Miss Gibson's Strathspey	8X32 S	Pkt Book, '87
The Sailor	8X32 H	Book 24/4
Pelorus Jack	8X32 J	Book 41/1
The Robertson Rant	1X80 S sq	Book 39/8
Maxwell's Rant	8X32 R	Book 18/10
Roaring Jelly	8X32 J	Glendarroch
Neidpath Castle	3X32 S	Book 22/9
Clutha	4X48 R sq	Book 31/2

Break

The Montgomeries' Rant	8X32 R	Book 10/1
MacLeod's Fancy	4X32 J	Book 33/3
The Belle of Bon Accord	4X32 S	Deeside 2
Mairi's Wedding	8X40 R	Cosh 22+



2007 Burns Social

PROGRAM

St. Andrews Fair	32J3	B	5SCD for 82 (Core)
The Piper and the Penguin	88R4	I	Scotia Suite (C)
The Silver Tassie	32S3	I	RSCDS Leaflets (C)
Speirs Bruce - The Pole Star	32J3	I	Scotia Suite
Reel of the Royal Scots	32R3	B	RSCDS Leaflets (C)
The Dream Catcher	96S4	I	Book 45
Tribute to the Borders	32J3	I	RSCDS Leaflets (C)
The White Cockade	32R3	B	Book 5 (C)
Butterscotch and Honey	32S4	B	J.Attwood (C)

Break

Mrs. Stewart's Jig	32J3	I	Book 35 (C)
Fisherman's Reel	32R5	I	S.Petyt (C)
Bonnie Stronshiray	32S3	I	Glasgow Assembly (C)
The White Heather Jig	40J4	A	22 SCD
Button Boy	32R3	I	Allanton Col. (C)
The Haggis Hunter	128M4	A	Reel Friends (C)
The Bees of Maggie Knockater	32J4	A	Canadian Book (C)
The Gentleman	32S3	I	Book 35 (C)
Maxwell's Rant	32R3	I	Book 18

COMING EVENTS - LOCAL

- Nov 10 '06 **VICTORIA BRANCH DANCE** 7:30-9:30 pm, St. Martin's, 550 Obed
Nov 17 '06 **UVIC CEILIDH** 7:00 pm, at Vertigo, Student Union Building, Cost \$3 (free with a plate of goodies) Contact: Lise Gaston at lgaston@uvic.ca
Nov 18 '06 **VISCDS ST. ANDREW'S SOCIAL** St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed
Dec 09 '06 **JOINT CHRISTMAS SOCIAL** Cadboro Bay United Church Hall, 2625 Arbutus
Dec 31 '06 **BRANCH HOGMANAY DANCE** St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed
Pot luck dinner 6:30pm, dance & games 8pm. Contact Kathryn Knowles 250-598-3490 kathrynknowles@shaw.ca.
Jan 08 '07 **VISCDS CLASSES RESTART**
Jan 12 '07 **VICTORIA BRANCH DANCE** 7:30-9:30 pm, St. Martin's, 550 Obed
Jan 20 '07 **BURNS SOCIAL** St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed
Jan 26 '07 **VICTORIA BRANCH DANCE** 7:30-9:30 pm, St. Martin's, 550 Obed
Feb 09 '07 **VICTORIA BRANCH DANCE** 7:30-9:30 pm, St. Martin's, 550 Obed
Feb 17 '07 **VISCDS VALENTINES SOCIAL** St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed
Mar 09 '07 **VICTORIA BRANCH DANCE** 7:30-9:30 pm, St. Martin's, 550 Obed
Mar 30-
Apr 1 '07 **VISCDS WORKSHOP AND BALL WEEKEND**
Apr 07 '06 **VICTORIA JOINT SCOTTISH COUNCIL TARTAN BALL** at the Edelweiss Club
Apr 14 '07 **VICTORIA BRANCH ANNUAL BEGINNERS' DANCE**
Apr 19 '07 **VISCDS AGM** (tentative) St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed
Apr 27, '07 **OLD TIME BALL**, sponsored by Old Time Dance, Victoria, McMorran's
Apr 28 '07 **VISCDS SPRING FLING** St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed
Jul 29-
Aug 5 '07 **TAC SUMMER SCHOOL 2007** Shawnigan Lake.
Teachers are Eric Finley (Ayrshire, Scotland), Ron Wallace (Santa Rosa, California, USA) & Jean Noble (Toronto, Ontario, Canada). Music by Muriel Johnstone & Keith Smith. Application form and prices to be available November 2006. Contact Anita Mathur dmanita@telus.net or watch TAC website www.tac-rscds.org

OUT OF TOWN EVENTS

- Nov 3-4 '06 **BELLINGHAM WORKSHOP & BALL** Ceilidh on Friday, followed by a Sat workshop and evening Ball. Live music. More info at www.bellinghamscd.org under 'What's New'.
Nov 3-5 '06 **RSCDS CONFERENCE WEEKEND AND AGM** See www.rscds.org
Nov 10-12'06 **SAN DIEGO BRANCH JULIAN WEEKEND** at Camp Stevens in the Cuyamaca Mountains one hour northeast of San Diego. \$105 USD per person. Contact Janet McDaniel at 760-929-0103 or at mcdaniel@csusm.edu.
Nov 19 '06 **NARAMATA ST. ANDREW'S DANCE** Penticton Music: MacNamarata's Band. Contact Davina Crowe 250-487-1272

- Nov 25 '06 DELTA BORDERERS FALL DANCE** Kinsmen Centre, 5410 10th Avenue Tsawwassen, 8.00 pm, Admission: \$15, Music: Alex Jappy
- Nov 28 '06 FORT LANGLEY ST. ANDREW'S DANCE** Fort Langley Community Hall 9167 Glover Road, 7.30 pm, Admission \$10.00, Music: Alex Jappy
- Nov 29 '06 WHITE ROCK ST. ANDREW'S PARTY** Sullivan Hall, 6306-152nd Street Surrey, 7.00 pm
- Dec 02 '06 CHEMAINUS SCD CHRISTMAS SOCIAL** - at the Seniors Centre, Willow Street, Chemainus, 7:00pm-11:00pm. All are welcome. Contact Pat Blair: gownb@telus.net or 250-537-0087 evenings.
- Dec 02 '06 PORT ALBERNI SCD CHRISTMAS DINNER /DANCE** at Trinity Church Hall (cnr 5th Ave and Angus St) Doors Open at 5:30pm. Cost \$22.50 (BYOB) Contact Rosemary Drayton at rad04@telus.net RSVP/Prepay by Nov 24th. Program/registration form available from Newsletter Editor.
- Dec 02 '06 SALT SPRING WINTER WORKSHOP** 10 am - 4pm, Fernwood School, Salt Spring Is. Basic & intermediate workshops. \$20 one session / \$35 for two sessions (lunch included). Ruth Jappy /Music by Alex Jappy. Contact 250-537-9997
- Dec 10 '06 GLENEAGLES BALL** Pacific Ballroom, Fairmont Hotel Vancouver, 1:30 pm \$75, Music: Vancouver Fiddle Orchestra. Traditional ball with Christmas buffet followed by dancing and dessert. Tickets and table reservations are now available through Moyra Heyerdahl 604-924-1694. Room rate special \$116 call 604-684-3131 to book.
- Jan 06 '07 NANAIMO SCD NEW YEAR'S BALL** Nanaimo Yacht Club, Cost \$38 Music by Alex Jappy, Ticket on sale Nov 24th, contact Edith Morgan 250-245-2009 Program available www.nanaimoscd.00it.com/comingevents.html
- Feb 16-18'07 ALOHA WINTER WORKSHOP** at Ala Wai Golf Club Ballroom, Honolulu Friday social, Saturday Classes and ball. Teachers are Bruce Herbold and David Newitt. Music by Humuhumunukunukuapua'a and Strathspey Society Band. US\$125. Contact Bruce McEwan 808-538-7707 www.rscdshawaii.org
- Feb 22-27'07 RSCSDS WINTER SCHOOL** at Pitlochry, Scotland
- Mar 10 '07 PORT ALBERNI SCD ST. PATRICK'S DINNER /DANCE** (more details to follow) For more information contact Rosemary Drayton at rad04@telus.net
- Mar 31 '07 NANOOSE SPRING GALA** Qualicum Beach Community Hall, Live Music Details to follow in the new year.
- Apr 13-15'07 LETHBRIDGE 25TH ANNIVERSARY SCD & MUSIC WORKSHOP & BALL** Teachers are Rebecca Blackhall-Peters, Mairi Hand, Robert McOwen. Music by Scotch Measure. Registration forms and ball programme dances will be made available on our website. Contact Fiona Miller 403-329-3582 / Peggy Rodzinyak 403-329-8375 www.lethbridgescottishcountrydance.org/news.html
- May 11-13'07 BELLINGHAM YOUTH WEEKEND WEST** at Western Washington University. Fri: bbq 5-7; Sat: classes 9:30-11am, 11:30am-1pm, 2-3:30pm, Thistle Ball 7-11pm; Sun: classes & ceilidh. Teachers are Rebecca Blackhall-Peters, Fred DeMarse & Bill Zobel. US\$85. A workshop for dancers 13-30ish. Contact Tom Read 360-734-1295 ttread2@yahoo.com.

- May 12 '07** **THISTLE BALL** held in conjunction with Youth Weekend West, Bellingham
Tickets go on sale in December. www.bellinghamscd.org.
- Jul 25-29'07** **HALIFAX INTERNATIONAL SCD SCHOOL** at University of King's College,
Coburg Rd. Music by Tullochgorum and The Macadians. Teachers are Mary
Murray (BC), Robert McOwen (MA), Joe Wallin (NS), Duncan & Maggie
Keppie (NS) and Merrill Heubach (NS). There will be a class for Young People
(aged 8-14). Places will be reserved on a First-come, First-served basis.
Contact Lydia Hedge 902-827-2033 lydiahedge@accesswave.ca or
Glen Leduc 902-827-4868 leduc@ns.sympatico.ca.
- Sep 21-23'07** **FORT WORDEN** Scottish Dance Weekend

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER, November 22, 2006

Send your submissions to the new editor please

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