

Island Fling



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Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

What a wonderful way to welcome the first day of spring by celebrating our "consolation" Ceilidh on March 20th. I would like to thank Lesley Brennand, her Ball Committee and volunteers for hosting this night of dancing, live music, entertainment, gourmet food and a Silent Auction which elicited some spirited bidding through the evening – it was a great event and some of us danced until 11:30!

The decision last month to cancel our annual March Ball & Workshop weekend was a difficult and disappointing one. Unfortunately, the registration numbers up to the end of February were far too low for all events and to continue would have resulted in a considerable financial loss to our Society. As Ball coordinator, Lesley and her committee put in countless hours over the past year to fully plan this 3 day event and I would like to thank them for contributing their time, talents and hard work.

The executive is currently preparing a survey to seek the opinions/suggestions regarding the Ball/Workshop weekend. We hope to have this distributed to members within the next 10 days and present the results at our AGM in April.

As the AGM on **Tuesday, April 21st** is now only three weeks away, please submit any items for the Agenda to our Secretary, Keith Wilson, by April 10th, 2009 and once again, I hope to see you there.

Joan McIntosh, President

EXECUTIVE COLUMN

VISCDS Annual General Meeting – Third Notice – Tuesday April 21, 2009

at St. Martin In-The-Fields, 550 Obed Avenue, at 7:30pm. All members are encouraged to attend. No new business will be taken from the floor. Finger food, lemonade and water will be available and dancing will follow.

Our thanks to Keith Wilson for his dedicated service as Secretary for the past two years. Keith has decided not to continue on in this position. The nominating committee has been successful in finding a candidate to fill this position. The nominees for each position are:

Secretary	Heather Shave
1st Vice-President & Publicity	Dora Dempster
2nd Vice-President & Membership	Riki Sato
Treasurer	Gordon Hawkins

Publicity

Any members interested in helping to design new posters to promote VISCDS should contact Dora Dempster.

Newsletter

Photos – anybody have any from events from this season or anybody willing to take some over the summer? I would like to include some in our newsletters next year. Digital format is easiest but I can scan them too.

Deadline for the next newsletter is August 14, 2009. Please send submissions to gael@shaw.ca

CLASS	DAY	FINAL CLASS
Social	Monday	April 20
Daytime Social	Tuesday	April 14
Basic	Tuesday	April 14
Advanced	Wednesday	April 15 (revised)
Intermediate	Thursday	April 9



There comes a time in every class,
No matter what they're graded,
When for a spell confusion reigns
And confidence is faded;
A mass of tangled, formless folk
Where once they moved as one,
And in the midst the cause of it
Is staring at someone.
Just listen and you'll hear it
Around the whole earth's span,
The question echoes through the halls,
"WERE YOU THE **LADY** OR THE **MAN**?"

Keep on dancing

After classes end this term, VISCDs hosts thronie nights on three *Mondays* in May: Monday May 4th, 11th and 25th at 7:30pm at St. Martin in-the-Fields Hall.

Bob and Alice Anderson host *Friday* night Summer dancing from June 5 to July 31 at St. Martin in-the-Fields Hall also at 7:30pm and cost is \$6.

Dancing in the Park runs on *Thursday* nights July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and August 6th by the Cameron Bandshell in Beacon Hill Park at 7pm. Bring your friends and family to see what it is all about. Ask your class rep about the rain rule.

Invitation to the "35 + 35" Anniversary Dance

To celebrate their 35th Wedding Anniversaries, Jamie & Maureen Orr and Walter & Rosemary Balfour invite you all to a dance on Saturday May 16, 2009 at 7:30pm, St. Martin-in-the-Fields Hall, 550 Obed Avenue Mary Ross will be playing the music. Free admission. No cards, no presents. Please bring a small plate of goodies to share.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Programme

Mrs. Stewart's Jig	8x32J	C	(C=Core bk)
Shiftin' Bobbins	8x32R	C	
The Moray Rant	3x48S	C	
Napier's Index	8x40J	C	
Trip to Bavaria	4x32R	C	
The Garry Strathspey	4x32S	C	
White Heather Jig	4x40J	C	
Macdonald of the Isles	3x32S	C	
Bratach Bana	8x32R	C	

Break

The Luckenbooth Brooch	8x32J	Glendarroch
Catch the Wind	8x32H	RSCDS Bk 45
Bonnie Stronshiray	8x32S	C
Bees of Maggie Knockater	4x32J	C
Mairi's Wedding	8x40R	C
"Deer" Friends	8x32S	C
** Farewell to Auchterarder	1x128J	C
Waltz		

(** = no talk or walk through)



For sale: one pair ladies Capezio jazz shoes, size 8 1/2 M, black, worn twice (\$25). Please phone Merle at 250-477-8331.

COMING EVENTS - LOCAL

- Apr 18** **VISCDs Spring Fling** St. Martin in-the-Fields Hall, 550 Obed 7:30pm (program in February Island Fling)
- Apr 19** **Kirkin' o' the Tartan Service** at Knox Presbyterian Church, 2964 Richmond Road 10:30am
- April 21** **VISCDs Annual General Meeting** St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed 7:30pm
- May 2** **Victoria Branch Beginners and Beyond Dance**, St. Martin-in-the-Fields Hall at 7:30pm, music by Mary Ross, \$12 [\$6 for students]
- May 4, 11, 25** **Throonie night** St. Martin In-The-Fields Hall, 550 Obed 7:30pm
- May 16** **35 + 35 Anniversary Dance**, St. Martin-in-the-Fields Hall at 7:30pm, music by Mary Ross.
- June 5 to July 31** **Friday night Summer dancing**, St. Martin in-the-Fields Hall, 550 Obed 7:30pm \$6
- July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & Aug 6** **Dancing in the Park** Cameron Bandshell, Beacon Hill Park at 7:00 pm

OUT OF TOWN EVENTS

- April 18** **Nanaimo Workshop and Tea Dance** Teachers: Ruth Jappy and Rebecca Blackhall-Peters; Musicians: Alex Jappy, Julie Smith and Deborah Jones. Contact: Marguerite 250-756-9836 mhjbelle@telus.net or Hazel 250-758-6224 kirco@telus.net
- May 2** **Winnipeg Branch Annual Workshop & Ball** Teachers: Rebecca Blackhall-Peters and Margaret Zadworny; Class Musicians: Ken Nattrass and Ron Krug; Evening Social Music by Scotch Measure. Churchill Park United Church, 525 Beresford Avenue, Winnipeg 204-254-3208 www.rscdswinnipeg.ca
- May 3** **White Rock 55th Anniversary Celebration** The White Rock Club will celebrate 55 years of dancing and 30 years of teaching by Maureen Lyon with a special Tea Dance Anniversary Celebration. Music by John Carmichael. Star of the Sea Hall, 15262 Pacific Avenue, White Rock, BC. Wine and appetizers 4:30pm. Dancing 5 - 8pm. Buffet tea to follow. \$20 Janicelowe@shaw.ca 604-536-7660
- May 9** **Cowichan Valley Scottish Country Dance Club May Social**, Roberts Street, Crofton at 7:30pm, \$10
- May 23** **Fort Langley Voyageurs 10th Anniversary Gala Celebration Dance** featuring the music of Bobby Brown and the Scottish Accent. Mountain Secondary Gymnasium, 7755 - 202A Street, Langley, BC. Doors open at 6 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm, then Grand March, Dancing, and Dessert. \$55. Tickets: Larry or Maureen 604-576-6371, or lonotera@shaw.ca
- June 20** **Puget Sound Crossroads** music by Calum's Ceilidh Band 12:45 to 4:30 in Grange Hall, Friday Harbour
- Jul 26–Aug 2** **TAC Summer School** at Shawnigan Lake School see <http://www.tac-rscds.org>
- Dec 28 2009 - Jan 5 2010** **New Zealand Branch Summer School**, AUT, Akoranga Campus, North Shore City, Auckland. <http://ssakl.rscdsnz.org.nz> organiser.ssakl@rscdsnz.org.nz

NOTE: Dance Programs for many of the listed events are available from the VISCDs newsletter editor or the listed contact/websites.