

Island Fling



December 2009

Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings to all,

This December Fling has been put together to publish our **34th Annual Ball and Sunday Brunch** registration form and will therefore be very brief. I encourage members to check out our **Early Bird Rates** and send in your registrations soon! If you don't feel quite ready for the Ball, consider attending our low-keyed Sunday Brunch and social dancing at the C & PO's Mess on March 28th – it's a lovely venue and the brunch is delicious.

I am pleased to announce that Walter and Rosemary Balfour have agreed to be 2010 Ball weekend Coordinators. With their many years of experience and involvement with VanIsle, Dora, Rick, Maureen and I are delighted that they are joining our committee to provide able leadership and guidance.

Don't forget to join us for the January 5th 2010 Basic Class Social, 7:30 pm, at St. Martin Church Hall. This event replaces our Open House and will give beginners an opportunity to meet more experienced dancers and encourage them to enjoy more club socials. Members are also invited to bring friends who are interested in watching and/or joining in the dancing.

Remember that the programs for the Christmas and Burns/Ceilidh Socials are included with our November newsletter.

As this is the last newsletter before the New Year, I would like to wish everyone a very happy, healthy holiday season and all the best in 2010.

Joan McIntosh, President

EXECUTIVE COLUMN

Class Information

Class	Day	Class Representative and Alternate	Last Class	2010 Start
Experienced Social	Monday	Jane Matthews, Catherine Mick	Dec. 7	January 11
Daytime Social	Tuesday	Irene Booth, Mary Roberts	Dec. 1	January 12
Basic	Tuesday	Susannah Andersen, Sheila Eaglestone	Dec. 1	January 12
Advanced	Wednesday	Linda Foley, Michelle Campbell	Dec. 2	January 6
Intermediate	Thursday	Jenny Laing, Leona Brown	Nov. 26	January 7

Newsletter

Please send submissions for the next newsletter by January 1, 2010 to gael@shaw.ca.

I intend to add a new feature to the newsletter with a spotlight on a VISCDs member. Please send suggested interviewees.

Remember to respond to the radio station survey (call numbers and letters of your usual airwave).



2009 St Andrew's Social

The St. Andrew's social held November 21 was an enormous success by any standards. The hall was tastefully decorated in the blue and white theme with flags of the cross of St. Andrew (thanks to Michelle Campbell), nosegays of heather and vases of flowers. Many dancers also wore blue and white, lending a very festive air to the occasion.

The dances, selected and masterfully briefed by both Monica Roots and Bob Anderson, were of a diverse combination of levels of difficulty. They were enjoyed and appreciated by 6 sets of dancers consistently through the evening.

Thanks to the Wednesday night group for the delicious tea, and to those who remembered to bring their own mugs and plates. (Yes, we can be taught!!) A special thank-you must be given to Barb Walker for her contribution to the draws for the evening in the form of handmade bags complete with mugs, and to Mark Brown whose winning form was both enjoyed and envied!

My particular thanks go to all those who worked in the kitchen and stayed to assist with the cleanup and dismantling after a most delightful event in Van Isle Scottish social form.

Linda Foley, class rep.



A Prince Charles style man's jacket, size 40 to 42.

Please contact Beth Weston at pbwest@telus.net or 250-537-9886

WORKSHOP CLASS LEVELS

BASIC/INTERMEDIATE

For those who are attending basic or intermediate weekly classes and are familiar with basic formations and dances.

EXPERIENCED

For experienced and advanced dancers who have a good knowledge of all common formations and steps and be able to dance those dances with common formations with just a brief walk-through.

Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society

ONE DAY WORKSHOP Plus BURNS SOCIAL and CEILIDH

January 23, 2010



Teacher: Ruth Jappy

Musician: Mary Ross

Venue: St. Martin in the Fields Church Hall
550 Obed Avenue, Victoria, BC

9am to 11:30am: Experienced level workshop

1:30pm to 3:30pm: Basic / Intermediate level workshop

7:30pm: Burns Social & Ceilidh

Please bring your own cup for beverages and your own name tag to wear.

Questions?

Contact Gael Forster (gael@shaw.ca)

www.viscds.ca

Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society

One Day Workshop
Saturday, January 23, 2010
REGISTRATION FORM

GUEST TEACHER AND MUSICIAN



Ruth Jappy grew up with Irish music and dance – especially accordions, having a father and brother who played. She has taught, and husband Alex has played accordion, for the Delta Borderers SCD Class in Vancouver for 30 years as well as a weekly Old Time Dance class for

20 years. Ruth has taught at major workshops in Japan, Australia, and all over North America, including TAC Summer School; always encouraging dancers to strive for the highest personal standards. She is ever ready to help dancers of any level, and to act as a mentor for less experienced teachers. Ruth was presented with an RSCDS Scroll of Honour in 2006. Ruth says: "Music & Dance/Dance & Music - I love them both. These two ingredients cannot be separated and together they become a universal language that bridges many boundaries."

Mary Ross's Scottish Heritage led her to highland dancing and accordion lessons as a child and her love for both dance and music has never diminished. Mary is a member of RSCDS – Victoria Branch and of VISCDS. She has been dancing and playing at events in the Pacific Northwest since the early 1990s. Mary also plays for Irish Dancing Competitions throughout North America, for German Schuplattler Dancers and for Octoberfests. She is accompanist for Scottish entertainer George McDowall and for the Victoria Police Chorus.

BURNS SOCIAL DANCE PROGRAM

Joe MacDiarmid's Jig	4 x 32 J	B
A Reel for Alice	5 x 32 R	B
The Lea Rig	6 x 32 S	I
The Three Creek Shore	8 x 32 J	B
Jessie's Hornpipe	8 x 32 R	B
12 Coates Crescent	4 x 32 S	I
Mrs Stewart's Jig	8 x 32 J	I
The Piper and the Penguin	1 x 88 R	I
The Silver Tassie	8 x 32 S	I
The Laird of Milton's Daughter	8 x 32 J	I
Bonnie Stronshiray	8 x 32 S	I
Let's Have a Ceilidh	4 x 32 R	I
The White Heather Jig	4 x 40 J	I
The Sands of Morar	8 x 32 S	A
Polharrow Burn	5 x 32 R	A

Name (*please print*) _____

telephone () _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

All prices Canadian dollars

• Experienced level workshop __ @ \$15 \$ _____

• Basic / Intermediate workshop __ @ \$15 \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Social and Ceilidh \$8 per person at the door

PLEASE SIGN THE FOLLOWING WAIVER

I/we understand that the Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society is under no liability whatsoever in respect to any personal loss or injury which I/we sustain and agree to abide by any regulations which may be made.

Signature(s) _____

Date _____

Please send this form with cheque or money order (Canadian funds)
payable to **VISCDS** to:

Heather Shave, Secretary,
P.O. Box 30123, Saanich Centre Postal Outlet
Victoria, B.C. V8X 5E1 Canada

**Vancouver Island
Scottish Country
Dance Society**

**34th ANNUAL
BALL and SUNDAY BRUNCH**

**March 27-28, 2010
Victoria, BC**



Musicians

**Muriel Johnstone
Calum MacKinnon**

Venues

Ball: Victoria Edelweiss Club
108 Niagara Street, Victoria BC
Grand March assembly at 7:30pm

Sunday Social: C&POs' Mess,
CFB Esquimalt, 1575 Lyall Street, Victoria, BC
Dancing 9:30am - 11:30am; Brunch 11:00am - 12:45pm

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**BALL PROGRAM
MARCH 27, 2010**

Grand March		
St. Andrew's Fair*	8x32J	Roy Goldring
The Button Boy	8x32R	Bill Zobel
The Gentleman	8x32S	Roz Scott Huxley
The Cadger's Roadie	8x32J	Margaret Zadworny
The Celtic Cross	8x32R	Derek Haynes
Bonnie Ina Campbell	8x32S	George Will
The Pines of Pitlochry	8x48J	Sam Firth
Culla Bay	4x32S	Ann Dix
Mairi's Wedding	8x40R	James Cosh

INTERMISSION

The Bees of Maggieknockater*	4x32J	John Drewry
Flowers of Edinburgh	8x32R	RSCDS Bk 1
Linnea's Strathspey	8x32S	Tim Wilson
Napier's Index	8x40J	Brian Charlton
Polharrow Burn	5x32R	Hugh Foss
Sugar Candie	8x32S	RSCDS Bk 26
Ian Powrie's Farewell		
to Auchterarder	1x128J	William Hamilton
Gang the Same Gate	8x32S	Milton Levy
Maxwell's Rant	8x32R	Rutherford (1752)
Waltz		

* No briefing

For crib sheets for each dance, check out the Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society website at www.viscnds.ca.

Ball Booklets will be available at the Ball Reception desk at the Victoria Edelweiss Club on March 27th. They will be mailed to registrants only upon request.

Vancouver Island Scottish Country Dance Society

34th Annual Ball Weekend,

March 27 & 28, 2010

REGISTRATION FORM

Name (*please print*) _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ tel. () _____

All prices in Canadian dollars
Early bird prices (February 10)/After February 10

- Ball _____ @ \$40/\$45 \$ _____
- *Student Rate* _____ @ \$30 \$ _____
- *Non-dancers* _____ @ \$18 \$ _____
- Sunday Social and Brunch _____ @ \$25/\$30 \$ _____
- *Student Rate* _____ @ \$20 \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

- Would you like to be billeted, if possible? [] yes [] no

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Date _____

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**Maureen Orr, Registrar, 3332 Painter Road, Victoria, BC,
Canada V9C 2H9**

Questions? Contact **Maureen Orr, Registrar** viscnds@yahoo.ca
(250) 478-5338

Registration Cancellation Policy: Full refund paid up to March 14;
\$10 fee after March 14.

Registration deadline: March 17th