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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



Welcome Back!

As we start our new dance season, I hope everyone had a wonderful summer of sunshine and dancing. Summer weather took its good ole time showing up, but it didn't damper any of the dancing fun!

You will notice a change to the Journal. It will now be published only TWO times per year.. Once at the beginning of the dance year **Fall/Winter** (September) and once at the beginning of the **Spring/Summer** season (March). This will reflect a more seasonal Journal and more opportunity for everyone to keep us updated on their clubs activities.

For those dancers who subscribe to the Journal, they will still get it in the mail or delivered to your club and there will still be a printed club copy available.

As more and more clubs and dancers keep updated with both Social Media and our Federation Website, the bi-yearly printing of the Journal coincides with this change. **Please make sure to send all dance posters to: fdcnbwebupdates@hotmail.com**

Please feel free to send any thoughts or comments on this subject to me at: sharfran@nb.sympatico.ca or call me at 506-456-2058.

Sharon McCallum



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- listing in our Federation's Club Directory, located in the Journal, facilitating both contact between member Clubs and access to information on the Federation's activities.

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Monday

Oromocto Pioneers
Hampton Hoedowners

Tuesday

Capital City Sequence/Rounds
Starlight Promenaders
Tantramar Twirlers
Washademoak Swingers
Browns Flat Beaus and Belles
(every 2nd Tuesday)

Wednesday

Fundy Wheelers
Hoban's Heroes
Woodstock Wheelers

Thursday

Country Cousins
East Coast A's
Elm Tree Square & Round Dance

Friday

Sussex Corner Square Dance Club
Town & Country Squares

Saturday

Beaus and Belles (monthly)

Associations

Southwestern Association (2014): President Couple: **Ron and Barb Lowe**,
3 Willowbriar Drive, Quispamsis, NB E2G 1N3; **Tel:** 506-847-5236;
email: hrlowe@rogers.com.

Zone 3 (Central) Association (2013): President Couple: **Mike and Gerry Lefebvre**. 55 Christopher Drive, Burton, NB E2V 3H4 **Tel:** 506-446-9640
email: gnmle5@hotmail.com

NB and PEI Callers' Association (2015): President Couple: **Roger and Anna Sherren**, 122 Longview Drive, Charlottetown, PE. C1E 1V1.
Tel: 902-368-2188
email: rsherren@pei.sympatico.ca

Square and Round Dance Clubs

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Beaus and Belles: **Caller:** Ron Lowe; **Cuer:** Ron Lowe; **Place:** Mission Church Hall, Millidgeville;
Club Contact Ron and Barb Lowe, 3 Willowbriar Drive, Quispamsis, NB E2G 1N3 **Tel:** 506-847-5236
Email: hrloewe@rogers.com or **Tel:** 506-652-1813

Browns Flats Beaus and Belles: **Callers:** Ron Lowe and John Rathburn **Time:** 7:30-9:00 pm. **Place:** River Road Hub Centre Every other Tuesday. **Contact:** Chris Paisley 468-9181 **email:** chriselisabeth2013@gmail.com

Capital City Ballroom, Sequence & Round Dance Club: **Leaders:** Keith & Dianne Radford and David & Audrey Ford; **President:** Bill Scott **Email:** greatscot43@gmail.com **Tel:** 506-458-1362 **Place:** Willie O'Ree Place, Fredericton North, (Cliffe Street) **Time:** Tuesday 7:00-9:30 pm; **Level:** Sequence Dances, some Rounds Phase II-IV; **Contact:** David & Audrey Ford **Tel:** 506-472-0583 **Email:** fordr@nbnet.nb.ca

Country Cousins: **Callers:** Bruce & Donna Russell; **Place:** Burnt Church WI Hall; **Time:** Thursday 7 to 10 pm; **Level:** Basic, Mainstream; **Contact:** President: Marion Green, 450 Burnt Church Rd, Burnt Church, NB E9G 2G3 **Tel:** 506-776-8896 **Email:** mc44doak@rogers.com

East Coast 'A's: **Caller:** Ron & Barb Lowe; **Place:** Mission Church Hall, Millidgeville; **Time:** Thursday 7:30-9:30 pm.; **Level:** A1-A2; **Contact:** Ron and Barb Lowe, 3 Willowbriar Drive, Quispamsis, NB E2G 1N3 **Tel:** 506-847-5236 **Email:** hrloewe@rogers.com

Elm Tree Square and Round Dance Club: **Caller/Cuer:** Terry Hebert; **Place:** Willie O'Ree Place, 605 Cliffe Street, Fredericton North; **Time:** Class Thursday 7:30-8:15 pm; Club 8:15-10:00 pm; **Level:** Basic-Plus; Rounds: PhII-IV. **Contact:** Terry & Melonie Hebert, 35 Berwick Street, Fredericton, NB E3A 4Y2 **Tel:** 506-472-1444 **Email:** sdcaller@nbnet.nb.ca

Fundy Wheelers: **Caller:** John Rathburn **Status:** Currently inactive **Contact** John & Barb Rathburn, 95 Shannon Road, Grand Bay-Westfield NB E5K 1J9 **Tel:** 506-738-3471 **Email:** skit@nb.sympatico.ca

Hampton Hoedowners: **Caller:** Ron & Barb Lowe; **Place:** Hampton Senior Resource Centre, 31 DeMille Court, Hampton; **Time:** Club and Class; Monday 8:00-10:00 pm.; **Level:** Basic-Plus; **Contact:** Bertha Johnston, 7 Maxwell Drive, Sussex, NB E4E 2E1 **Tel:** 506-432-5643 **Email:** bertha.johnston46@gmail.com

Hoban's Heroes: **Caller:** Faye Germon, **Place:** Coverdale Community Centre, 50 Vernon Ave. Riverview; **Time:** Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 pm. **Level:** Plus **Contact:** Don & Clare Jones, 6 Pembroke Crescent, Riverview, NB E1B 3Z8 **Tel:** 506-386-5527

Oromocto Pioneers: **Caller:** Terry Hebert; **Place:** Oromocto Senior High School; 25 McKenzie Ave. Oromocto; **Time:** Monday 7:30-9:30 pm. **Level:** Basic-MS-Plus; **Contact:** John & Sharon Eldridge, 180 Mills Road, French Lake, NB E2V 4G6 **Tel:** 506-457-8581 or 506-457-8306 **Email:** jseldridge@xplornet.ca

Starlight Promenaders: **Caller:** Pat & Jim McLean; **Place:** Fairvale Outing Association, 8 River Road; **Time:** Tuesdays 7:15 - 9:30 pm; **Level:** Class/MS/Plus; A1 **Contact:** Jim & Pat McLean, 1163 Route 845, Clifton Royal, NB E5S 2A1 **Tel:** 506-763-2634 **Email:** jpm@bellaliant.net.

Sussex Corner Dance Club: **Caller:** Chris & Ruby Ayres; **Place:** St. John's United Church Hall, 3 Needle Street, Sussex Corner; **Time:** Friday 7:30-9:30 pm.; **Level:** Class, Mainstream, Easy level rounds. **Contact:** Chris & Ruby Ayres, 81 Nature Trail Drive, Sussex Corner, NB E4E 0C5 **Tel:** 506-512-3038 **Email:** chrisayres2018@gmail.com

Tantramar Twirlers: **Caller:** Doug Leaman; **Place:** Mount Whatley Hall, Aulac; **Time:** Tuesday 7:30-9:30 pm.; **Level:** Mainstream; **Contact:** John & Judy Carlisle, 181 Pond Shore Road, Sackville, NB E1L 1M1 **Tel:** 506-536-1710 **Email:** jcarl@nb.sympatico.ca

Town and Country Squares: **Caller:** Terry Hebert, **Place:** Trinity Anglican Church Hall, 30 Prince William Street, St. Stephen; **Time:** Friday 7:30-10:00 pm; **Level:** Basic-MS-Plus-Rounds; **Contact:** Rudy & Dianna Schwarz, 61 Pleasant Street, St. Stephen, NB **Tel:** 506-466-5056 **Email:** schwarz_rudolf_ca@yahoo.com

Washademoak Swingers: **Caller:** Terry Hebert; **Place:** Municipal Bldg, 6 Municipal lane, Cambridge Narrows; **Time:** Tuesday 7:30-9:30 pm; **Level:** Basic-Advanced; (Tasteful casual attire) **Contact:** Richard & Edeltraut Goodick, 1687 Lakeview Road, Cambridge Narrows, NB E4C 1M5 **Tel:** 506-292-8385 **Email:** rgoodick@xplornet.com

Woodstock Wheelers (2015): **Caller:** Eugene Dickinson; **Place:** Y's Men's Club Woodstock; **Time:** Class/Club; Wednesday 8-10 pm; **Level:** MS-Plus; **Contact:** Ron & Betty Brown, 4500 Route 105, Northampton, NB E7N 1G1 **Tel:** 506-328-2297 **Email:** rpbrown@nb.sympatico.ca 7

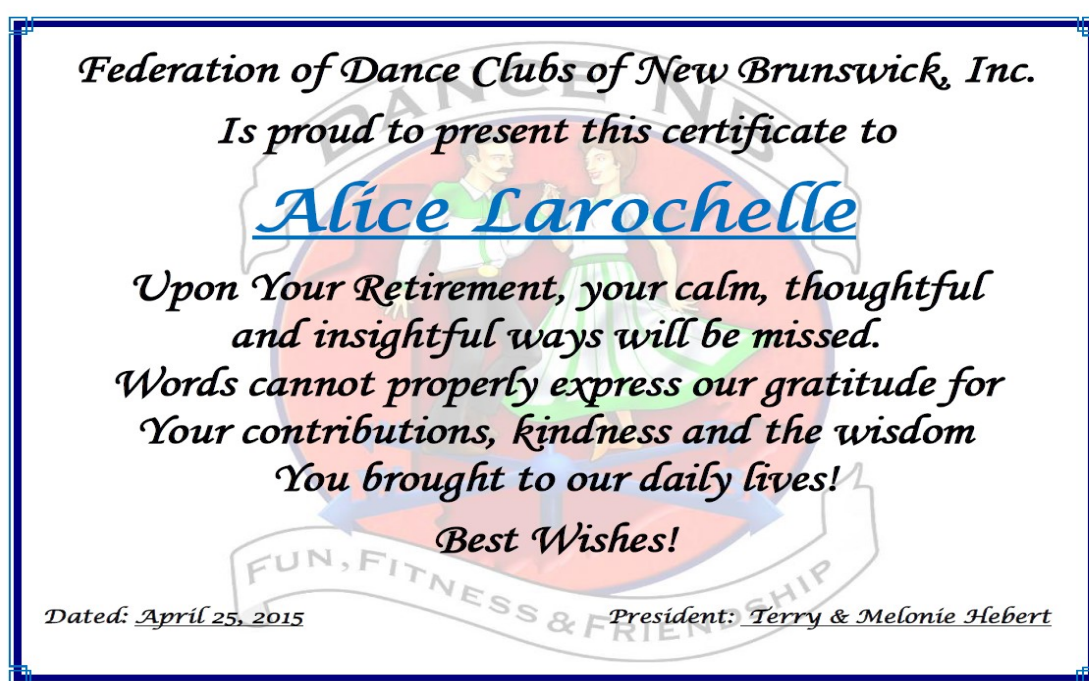
Certificates of Recognition

A call for recognition certificates on behalf of the Federation of Dance Clubs of New Brunswick has been ever growing in the past, so the time has come that we here in New Brunswick will honor those such milestones for our dancers in our province.

Beautiful colour Certificates have been produced by the Society for use for special recognition and presentation:

- to Clubs, Associations and Federations on 20th anniversaries and at 5 year intervals;
- to Callers, leaders and instructors on 20th anniversaries and at 5 year intervals;
- wedding anniversaries every 10 years starting with the 50th;
- Charter members, and to recognize contributions to the Square & Round Dance Society.

A sample of one of the certificates is listed below.



Club executives can request more information on obtaining a Certificate by contacting any of the Board members listed in the front of each Journal.

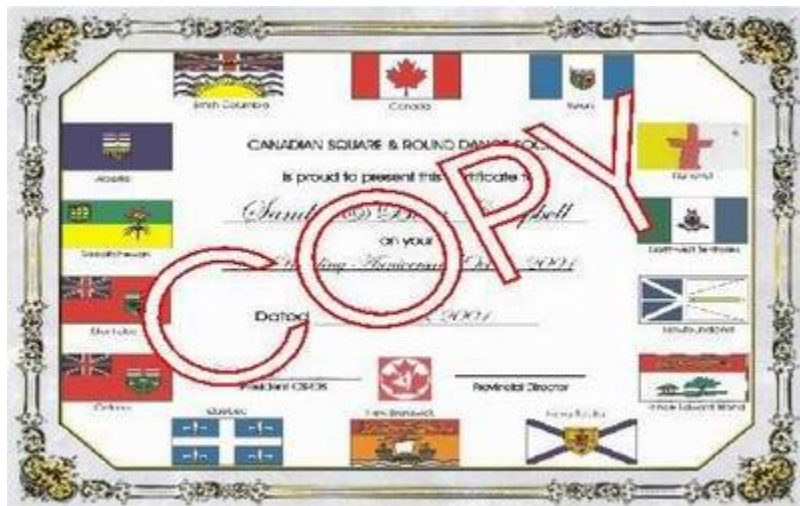
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Club executives can request more information on obtaining a Certificate by contacting your N.B. Provincial representative on the Board of Directors, **Eric and Dianne McCormack**, 6 Harmony Road, Grand Bay Westfield, NB, E5K 1P8, 506 738-2161, E-Mail—ericpmcc@gmail.com

This is a sample of one of the Certificates.



Society Logo Pins Now Available

The Canadian Square and Round Dance Society now has logo lapel pins available for dancers through the Provincial PR Committee. These colourful red and white pins are 3/4" square with a single pin back and safety clasp for easy fastening. These pins provide a visible symbol of our activity. Dancers are encouraged to wear one proudly as one way to provide some individual and personal PR in their local communities. The cost is only **\$3.00** each; and any proceeds will help promote square and round dancing even more at the Provincial Federation level.

Clubs may place orders by contacting NB's PR Committee representatives, Bill and Joan Harding at 506-485-2560. Further contact information is given on page 2 of each Journal.

President's News

“Great dancers are not great because of their technique; they are great because of their passion.” - Martha Graham

It seems that only a short time ago our dance season had started and now it has ended with the **22nd Distinguished Service Awards Dance**, which took place on **Saturday, May 25, 2019**, hosted by the **Hampton Hoedowners Square Dance Club**. This event was very successful thanks to our hosts. Congratulations go out to our recipients, **Carl and Barb Jamieson**, from Elm Tree and Oromocto Pioneers and **Betty Mitham** from Hampton Hoedowners, the host club. **Carl and Barb Jamieson** also received the Long Service Award from the Canadian Square and Round Dance Society (CSRDS). Their write-ups can be found in the pages to follow.

As well, that afternoon, we had our annual meeting where we discussed the normal topics - some lengthy in discussion while others were quite short. At this time, we also approved amendments/changes to our By-Laws, which will be distributed to all clubs, if they have not received the new ones. These amended By-laws can also be found on our website - www.squaredancenb.ca. We hope that those in attendance took the information back to their club members.

This spring we saw a grand total of 15 new dancers graduating from 5 (five) of our clubs. We welcome them to our world of dancing sparked with fun and continuous friendships. Some of the clubs continued to dance throughout the summer with a shortened schedule keeping everyone on track.

A few events that took place during the summer were the Annual Canada Day Camporee, at Elm River Campground, Debert, NS from June 28 to July 1, Fundy Trail Demo dance, July 6, followed by the ever popular Annual Strawberry Dance, July 13, hosted by the Washademoak Swingers. All events saw participants from all provinces taking part as well as from the States. The Woodstock Wheelers Annual Yogi Bear Campground Square and Line Dance took place on July 20 at Jellystone Park Camp Resort. This was their 26th anniversary year. In addition to these events, a few New Brunswick dancers from various clubs took part in Dance the Island, on July 20 hosted by the Charlottetown Twirlers and dancing to callers, **Christine R-Belanger and Roger Sherren**. We danced at seven different locations ending with a beautiful supper at the PEI Preserve Company Restaurant, New Glasgow. A good time was had by all who participated in all these events.

A couple of dates to remember as we head into the fall dance season is the annual Terry Fox Dance which will be held in Pennfield the afternoon of September 14 with the callers from the NBPEI Caller's Association and the 50th Maritime Callers and Cuers Association Convention which will be held on October 25 & 26, 2019 at the Best Western Plus, Glengarry, Truro, NS. Be sure to register or look for more information in the pages following. Always good to keep in mind is the next Canadian National Square Dance Convention in Surrey, BC July 30, 31 and August 1, 2020. Be sure to register early to help them with their planning.

Mike and I, would like to hope that everyone has been enjoying their summer and we are looking forward to dancing and making new friendships as the fall dance season approaches. We hope to see you in a square or doing a round.

Mike and Gerry Lefebvre, President Couple

Federation of Dance Cubs of New Brunswick, Inc. **Distinguished Service Awards Past Recipients List**

1998 to Present

Ed & Ruth Garnett
Joan (Pittaway) Rogers
Bill & Marion Kirk
George & Joan Peabody
Al & Helen Kingston
Alan & Doreen Clays
Brenda & Reid Currie
Beth & John Dickinson
Chris Ayres & Edie Hoar
John & Barb Rathburn
Jim & Pat McLean
Laurie & Ruth Bishop
Gerry & Bev O'Hara
Don & Claire Jones
Barb & Mel Weeks
Ruth & Laurel Lawrence
Dirk & Margaret Adamson
Gary & Maybelle Pomeroy
Bruce & Donna Russell
John Eldridge, Sharon Kingston Eldridge,
Allesandra Eldridge
Les & Rose Carolyn Smith
Betty Mitham - recipients pictured below

Bob & Fran Dunham
Bill & Phyllis Clarke
Charlie & Rolla Ross
Charlie Holt
Nan Leger
Reg & Marjorie Henderson
Ron & Barb Lowe
Garfield & Eleanor Dee
Sonny & Erma Black
Alice Larochelle
Cyril & Glendine Webster
Darrell & Eldora Thomas
The Late Margaret Hebert
Bryan & Belinda Spires
Doug & Esther Wilkes
Bob & Peggy O'Dell
Doug & Bonnie Leaman
Richard & Traude Goodick
Erma Price
Charles & Marion Green

John & Shirley Delucry
Carl & Barb Jamieson



Betty Mitham - Distinguished Service Award Recipient 2019

Betty Mitham was, and still is, a true stalwart contributor to the square dance community, actively dancing for close to 30 years. **Betty** and her husband graduated from the Ties & Frills Square Dance Club in Grand Bay, NB in 1991. After graduating, this new graduate couple wasted no time hitting the roads and attended the National Square and Round Dance Convention in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1992. They lived in Montreal for a time, and there, they danced at MASDA conventions for many years. They have danced at the Canadian National Conventions from coast to coast. They both have supported and attended MCCA Conventions and club specials in all three Maritime Provinces and the New England States. Shortly after the Montreal National Convention in 2006, **Betty** lost her loving husband, but continues to dance and support the various clubs and associations.

Betty, along with her husband **Walter**, was a big part of the successful Convention 2002 in Saint John. They were the Finance Chair. Though many might say that **Walter** was the brains behind this very daunting task of the Convention, if there ever was a question to be asked about an expenditure or where this money was spent, it was **Betty** who always seemed to have the answer readily available. They were a great team and even though she is a team of one today, she is a powerful force to be reckoned with no matter what task she takes on.

Betty has been active in holding various positions with Ties and Frills and Hampton Hoedowners. **Betty** held the executive position of Treasurer for several terms and did a remarkable job. In addition to being Treasurer, **Betty** has headed the Kitchen committee for several years, keeping us tidy, organized and well fed.

In 2011, **Betty**, along with three other couples, was instrumental in reviving the New Year's Eve dance in the local area. Now in its 8th year, it has become very popular with square dancers throughout the area. Two years ago, for the New Year's Eve Ball, **Betty** sold tickets at the door with her son at her side. Once again, at the end of the evening, **Betty** was tidying up around the kitchen and her son was elbows deep in the water, washing the dishes. "It is easy to see that the apple didn't fall far from the tree". Yes, what a great mom, too!!!!!!

Betty is always eager to help, whether it is greeting new and experienced dancers at the door, helping to prepare food when making Sloppy Joes, or while heading out the door and seeing someone needing help to fold a tablecloth, etc., stopping and turning back and giving a helping hand.

Flying solo these days and through personal adversity and health ailments, **Betty** perseveres and has prevailed in dancing, thus, promoting the activity of dancing by supporting local clubs, a couple of times a week in Fairvale and Sussex.

One thing that many can say about **Betty**, is that family and her community are her life. She is busy with her family even though they may be near or far from her and she is always helping in her community when the need arises. She is active in her church and is always the first one to lend that helping hand. She is a pinnacle of what dedication really looks like in today's society.

Betty has been called a sporty, outgoing naturalist and is now the eldest member of the Hampton Hoedowners Square Dance club. One thing is for sure, she does not let her age slow her down much. One would never be able to guess that she is the wonderful age of _____. Did you think that we were going to reveal her age? I am sure she would share that with you as I would think she is just as proud of that life achievement as she is of all that she has accomplished. Hampton Hoedowners and any club for that matter is blessed to have such an active member.

We congratulate, **Betty Mitham**, for being this year's Federation of Dance Clubs of NB's Distinguished Service Award recipient.

Carl & Barb Jamieson - Distinguished Service Award Recipient 2019

All dancers have their own unique story on how they came to be the dancers they are today. This couple is no exception and they are still active in the dance community.

Barbara Jamieson began her dancing in the early 50's when most rural areas were hosting get-together and kitchen parties with a fiddle being played and a rousing piano to go along. **Carl**, her dance partner, joined her in the ideals of learning to square dance. They started their lessons with **Pauline Cunningham** and **Al Kingston** at the YMCA in Fredericton where the idea of Elm Tree as a club was born. **Carl and Barb** have been dancing partners for 61 years as of the year 2019.

Carl and Barb were like most couples - busy raising a family, working jobs to support their families and enjoying the dancing activity as much as they could. **Barbara** was a school teacher starting out in Oromocto at the Elementary level and then moving on to Fredericton to McAdam Avenue School where she was instrumental in having a competitive square dance team from the school in the District Physical Education Square Dance Competition held annually. She would work with students every day at lunch time getting them ready to compete in late May to the calling of then caller, **Al Kingston**. Even if her class was not successful in winning, she had one first prize in her mind. One of the many memories **Barb** had was when a shy young boy came through her class to be part of the team that year. Little did she know that the little boy she was working with at age seven would later be calling dances on the floor where she and **Carl** ever so gently glided so many times.

Carl and Barb have been full time members of the Elm Tree Square & Round Dance Club and the Oromocto Pioneers. They later joined the Oromocto club as it was a little closer to home but still trekked into Fredericton as much as they could to support their beloved club. Avid dancers as they are, they were also long time members of the Thomists Club in Fredericton. The Thomists Dance Club was an elite club of dancers who would gather monthly and ballroom dance to the big band sound of the Thomists, a group that was part of the music program at St. Thomas University. While part of this group, it also led them to take up round dancing as well, with the Capital City Rounders of Fredericton.

When you mention dancing **Carl and Barb Jamieson** are what many refer to as absolutely devoted to dancing. **Carl and Barb** have attended all of the 57 Elm Tree Festivals despite their being some very flooded conditions over the years at their house but they still made the trip in to attend. They have danced in several parts of the province with many clubs that no longer exist. They travelled in the earlier years to support dancing in Maine, the Maritime Provinces and their beloved New Brunswick.

Large supporters of different forms of dance, they still held true to their roots. Old Time Square Dancing still holds a special place in their hearts. Once the fiddle plays that first note, **Carl and Barb** will be the first to square up for their set of the old Polkas. Light on their feet and with love in their hearts, they would spend hours on the floor. Teach someone the Caledonia? No problem. Dancing Friday in Upper Queenstown to Allison Inch ...when do we leave? Three quarter time waltz with Thomists? Sure. Schottische, grand march, two step, jive, polka, waltz, squares, rounds and even the chicken dance... they were there to offer their help wherever possible. They love to dance!

Carl and Barb were never ones to let the grass grow under their feet. **Carl**, a bank manager of one of the few credit unions in the province, was a long standing manager. A marker marks his accomplishment at the Progressive Credit Union Building in Fredericton and his photograph hangs ever so proudly within the bank. **Barbara** is a retired school teacher and author of books about her beloved Sheffield, NB where she grew up and still resides today. They are active within their community and active within the dance community. Both are very avid hunters - maybe **Barb** more so than **Carl** some days. They are down to earth and dedicated people to whatever they belong to.

We present, **Carl and Barbara Jamieson**, the Distinguished Service Award for their willingness to help whenever they can and they have been the biggest supporters of the dance activity as a whole. They are what Ambassadors to Square Dancing look like.

50th Anniversary of Calling Dance for Ron Lowe August 10, 2019

Here is a short description of the history behind **Ron Lowe** and his love of square dance calling.

Ron learned to square dance in 1968 at the House of Roth in Clementsport, Nova Scotia with instructors, **Johnny and Gloria Roth**. In July 1969, he attended Callers' School there and continued calling there through 1970/71.

In 1970, he was recruited to teach a class and call for the Beaus and Belles Square Dance Club in Saint John. He commuted back and forth on the weekend via the Saint John to Digby ferry. They danced in the Barnhill School Gym.

It was not long before a young lady from Fredericton asked him to dance to fill up a square. She had come down to dance with her parents who danced for many years, so **Barb** had learned to square dance, also. This was in the fall of 1971. That was the beginning of a lasting relationship. Her car was a great attraction as well... a white camaro with red interior! They were married in the church where we are dancing this afternoon (Portland United Church Hall) on December 16, 1972. They have remained partners in love, marriage and dancing. They have two great sons- **Nick** and **Chris** and have gained a daughter-in-law, **Andrea**.

Ron continued to call for the Beaus and Belles for many years at the school and later at the Mission Church Hall. They also maintained a round dance program later involving the **Galbraiths**. Although the Beaus and Belles no longer dance regularly, the club is still registered and has some special event dances. **Ron** is now the club caller for the Hampton Hoedowners and calls for the East Coast A's. He guest calls at various clubs in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. His calling career has taken them to Newfoundland, Quebec, Maine, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Western Canada.

They are founding members of Maritime Callers/Cuers Association, New Brunswick & PEI Callers Association and the original Round Dance Leaders Association. At present, he serves as coordinator for square dance workshops planning challenging items for the callers who attend. They have been on staff at the House of Roth and at the Callers' school in Sturbridge, Massachusetts. They have escorted square dance bus tours to Pigeon Forge, English Mountain, Nashville and Branson. The last one co-hosting with **Jim and Pat McLean**.

I am sure there are pages more of events, demos (which he frequently does) entertainment evenings and much more that **Ron** does.

Let us all remember **Barb**, as well today, as she has been there all the way doing what is expected of a caller's wife, often going above and beyond to support **Ron** and the activity so dear to both their hearts.

Ron has helped and is still helping new callers. There could be no better a promoter for the square dance activity. Everyone loves dancing to **Ron** and everyone respects his talents as an entertainer and his knowledge and style of calling. **Ron** certainly deserves every honour on this, the 50th Anniversary of his calling career.

Pat and Jim McLean



Top left: MC - Terry Hebert with Pat McLean who read the History of Ron Lowe becoming a caller.
 Top right: Barb & Ron Lowe receiving one of many certificates he received during the afternoon.
 Bottom: Barb & Ron Lowe with the 50th Anniversary of Calling cake.



Celebrating All Things Ron & Barb Lowe

On a warm Saturday afternoon in August, dancers young and young at heart converged on the Portland United Church Hall in Saint John to honor the calling career of **Ron Lowe** and his largest supporter, his loving wife, **Barb**. An afternoon of memories, seeing faces we had not seen in years and an all round great time was had by all.

When it came to planning such an event as a celebration of a calling career, they were faced with a larger than life task. **Ron and Barb** have been the greatest ambassadors to the dancing activity not only in Saint John but in all of New Brunswick and beyond its borders. So many people who were instrumental in making sure **Ron** was successful in becoming the great caller he is today were among the many smiling faces on that Saturday afternoon. A career that started, as **Ron** likes to joke, “when I had hair and there are pictures to prove it.” Dancers and friends attended from New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and the New England States.

The afternoon was filled with many stories of **Ron and Barb**, several presentations and awards. The awards were from Hampton Hoedowners (Certificate), The South West Association (Certificate), The NB & PEI Caller's Association (Plaque), NB Federation (Certificate) and a bouquet for **Barb**. Two framed certificates from the Society - The Canadian Society Certification standard Certificate of Recognition for 50 years of calling. . The second presentation and most important, was the CSRDS Long Service Award. There have only been two of these awards in NB. **Ron and Barb** are earlier recipients of the Canadian Square and Round Dance Society (CSRDS) Award of Excellence. Now, with the presentation of the CSRDS Long Service Award, they are the only existing holders of the two CSRDS highest awards.

A large thank you goes out to the New Brunswick & Prince Edward Island Callers Association and their committee for hosting the event and to all who had a hand in making this event a success.

Congratulations, **Ron and Barb**, and thank you for all the wonderful years of entertainment!!!



Terry Fox Update

Twenty years and nearly \$100,000 dollars later, the Terry Fox Dance will come to an end after the final dance - September 14, 2019.

So many thanks need to go out to everyone, especially to **John and Barb Rathburn** (who started it all); to the Southwest New Brunswick Association, the volunteers, the many callers, the businesses that donated, and most importantly... YOU, the dancers! It has certainly been a collective effort that has made this charity dance a huge success!

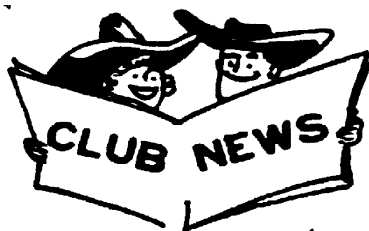
SO WHAT'S NEXT?... You might ask.

During the SWNB Association meeting and dance that was held on March 2nd at St. Luke's Church Hall in Saint John, an alternative option was discussed regarding that very question.

It has been suggested that in lieu of an ongoing fundraising dance to one particular charity, instead have a dance dedicated to a charity of the hosting clubs' choice, such as Alzheimer's, Heart and Stroke Foundation, or the Diabetes Association. The club and charity would change year to year. Also, this gives different clubs the opportunity to host a charity dance when they wish to and to donate to the charity of their choosing.

We all know the amount of time and effort and rules that go into hosting the Terry Fox Dance - the collection of donations for the auction, the BBQ, etc. Perhaps another club might have a different idea of raising funds differently than the past years' format. All monies raised, large or small, make a difference to a charity.

So, during the final TERRY FOX dance in September, we will be asking for a club to volunteer to host the **first alternative charity dance**. Put your thinking caps on and let the dancing continue!



Editor's Note: This page(s) has been allocated to encourage clubs to write news items of their special events, to share with others their individuality. We also welcome any club to submit a brief account on what makes your club special to its members.

Contributions to this page are not limited to member clubs — anyone may submit suitable items for this space.

Country Cousins Square Dance Club

COUNTRY COUSINS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

BURNT CHURCH, NB

326 Church River Rd, Burnt Church, NB, E9G 2H2

COUNTRY COUSINS SQUARE DANCE CLUB is organizing an open house dance on September 5th, 2019. We dance at the Women's Institute Hall (address noted above) from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Thursday nights. We do Modern Western Square Dancing. The music is contemporary, the steps are easy and we laugh a lot, and exercise without even knowing it. Square dancing is social, inter-generational and a great people mixer, and lots of fun. We have a basic admission fee of \$6 per night, and provide coffee and refreshments. Next year will be our 21st anniversary as a non-profit club. If you want to find out more about us, we have a Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/sc4sd>

Country Cousins Square Dance Club 2019 - 2020 Dance Schedule

2019

September	5	Open House	Finger Food – No admission fee
	12	1 st Night of Regular Dancing	\$5.00/Person plus \$15.00 Yearly Dues
	19	Regular	
	26	Western Dance	
October	3	Regular	
	10	Regular	
	17	Regular	
	24	Halloween	Finger Food
		NO dance on the 31 st as it is Halloween Night	
November	7	Regular	
	14	Regular	
	21	Regular	
	28	Regular	
December	7 (Sat)	Christmas Dinner/Dance	Turkey & Trimmings 5:00 P.M.

2020

January	9	Start-up	
	16	Regular	
	23	Regular	
	30	Annual General Meeting	
February	6	Regular	
	13	Valentine	Finger Food
	20	Regular	
	27	Regular	
March	5	Regular	
	12	St. Patrick's	Finger Food
	19	Regular	
	26	Regular	
April	2	Regular	
		NO dance on the 9 th because of our Spring Fling on the 11 th	
	11 (Sat)	Spring Fling 1:00 to 4:00 pm - Pot Luck Meal to follow- all members	

Annual Membership Dues - \$15.00/Person due 1st Regular Dance; \$20.00/Person after Dec. 15th.
Weekly Dance Fees \$6.00/Person. No charge for those under age of 19 years.

For more information, please email me at : mc44doak@rogers.com

Again this year, we have started a fund raising basket to raise funds for the Terry Fox Dance. We hope to have a club contingent again representing us at that dance.

Warmest regards,

Marion Green President, COUNTRY COUSINS SQUARE DANCE CLUB.

Sussex Corner Square Dance Club

Sussex Corner Dance Club had a good season with five graduating members and one honourable mention. The honourable mention was an international student who did not start until the middle of the dance season but since he was going home to Spain before the next dance season, we wished to mention him! Four of the graduating dancers were international students from Spain, Germany, and Turkey. They contributed a lot to the atmosphere of the Club, for which we are grateful.

Our first dance this fall will be on September 27 at 7:30 pm and the closing Christmas Dance will be on December 6. Start up for the 2020 season begins on January 9.

There will be a special dance on April 2 when we hope to graduate any new dancers that we have. Then our last dance will be on May 7, 2020.

We will have a "Special Conception Dance" once a month and the committee arranging these dances will post the conception on the website each month.

Chris and Ruby Ayres, Caller Couple

Woodstock Wheelers Square and Round Dance Club

The Woodstock Wheelers Square and Round Dance Club enjoyed another fun filled season of dancing and fellowship with Callers **Eugene and Sharon Dickinson** and Cuers **Ron and Betty Brown**.

We continue to have three active squares of club members.

In April, we were pleased to graduate and welcome a new couple to our club. **Tom and Pauline Cartwright** moved to our community from England. We are very pleased that they chose square dancing as an activity to enjoy in their new home country.

In July, we had another successful dance at the Yogi Bear Campground with caller **Eugene and Sharon Dickinson**. **Ron and Betty Brown** provided the line dancing. Taking part were campers and children, Square Dancers and, also joining in on the fun were Yogi Bear and Camp Rangers.

We look forward to another fun year starting October 2.

Come and join us on Wednesday night for lessons and our special dances on Saturdays.

BRING A SMILE or WE WILL FIND ONE FOR YOU.

RON and BETTY BROWN - CLUB PRESIDENTS.



Tantramar Twirlers

Greetings to all from the Tantramar Twirlers and best wishes for the remainder of the summer and a new season of dancing in the fall.

Our spring season of dancing included fun outings to other clubs – Hoban's Heroes Western Night, Cumberland Twirlers St. Patrick's Day party and later their 45th Maple Fling and the Charlotte Twirlers (PEI) Spring Fling where our caller **Doug Leaman** provided an enjoyable evening of dancing.

We continue to entertain each class of Japanese English immersion students from Mt. Allison with an evening of square dance instruction which ends with pie and ice cream – pie being an unfamiliar item in their diet as we understand. Several dancers from the Cumberland Twirlers join us for these evenings so we are able to provide more partners for the students. We also dance for the residents of the local nursing home where our music and dancing is greatly appreciated. In turn, we are invited each spring to their Appreciation Luncheon.

We ended our club year with a delicious catered roast beef dinner in our hall. We presented our caller **Doug Leaman** with a somewhat belated certificate acknowledging his 35 years of calling for the Tantramar Twirlers.

Several of our dancers attended the Mt. Whatley Callers' dance at the end of May – a most enjoyable evening. In mid July, a carload of our dancers travelled to PEI for the Charlotte Twirlers "Dance the Island" event where we danced at several iconic island locations including historic places, a potato field and the sea floor at low tide. The day ended with dinner at the PEI Preserve Company Restaurant in New Glasgow. Congratulations to the Charlotte Twirlers for planning this most interesting and entertaining day.

Judy and John Carlisle
Tantramar Twirlers

Pictured left to right:

John & Judy Carlisle are presenting Bonnie and Doug Leaman with a certificate acknowledging his 35 years of calling for the Tantramar Twirlers





Group photo of the Tantramar Twirlers at end of year supper.



Tantramar Twirlers and Cumberland Twirlers dance with Japanese students attending Mount Allison Immersion program

Washademoak Swinger Square Dance Club

With our Club's new dance year beginning on Tuesday, September 17, this must mean that the warm Summer evenings have given way to cool Autumn nights. We hope everyone enjoyed our beautiful New Brunswick during the warm months.

We made many dance travels during the spring and summer, and I am concerned that I may forget a Club that we visited. We danced in Fairvale with the Starlight Promenaders, where we retrieved our travelling Bunny and took possession of their Banner. They will make a return visit sometime this Fall. We visited the Elm Tree Square and Round Dance Club in Fredericton for a couple of their events. During one dance, we had an impromptu Banner Raid. Elm Tree came for their Banner and our travelling Bear on May 21. We also caught Spring Fling in Burnt Church, Oromocto Pioneers' 50th Anniversary Dance, Sussex Corner Graduation Dance and Hampton Hoedowners during the Distinguished Service Awards Dance and also their Graduation dance, and lastly Camporee in Debert, N.S., during the July 1 weekend. Whew! I think that's all.

On April 2, 2019, we welcomed our new graduates to the greater Square community Dance. Again, congratulations to **April Wilson, Cres Pascucci and Sandra Bourque**. We also welcomed **Mike and Gerry Lefebvre** as Club members on March 26.

To congratulate **Joey and Brenda Hebert** on their marriage on May 25, 2019, our Club presented them with a gift of two serving trays and then the club shared in a delicious cake after our dance on June 18.

"Together We Care" was a demo dance that was held in Saint John on Thursday, April 11, at the Marco Polo Cruise Terminal. **Ron and Barb Lowe** were the Calling couple, and several dancers from around the province attended. Two couples from our Club were present. Also, **Ron and Barb Lowe** hosted another demo dance at the Fundy Trail on July 6, where several clubs, including ours, took in a great afternoon dance.

Our Strawberry Fest dance was truly exceptional. It was held on July 13, at the Cambridge Narrows Community School. Fourteen (14) clubs from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia attended and there were nine squares enjoying the calling and cueing of guest Caller **Ron Lowe** and our own **Terry Hebert**. Thank you to all who attended as you certainly made our evening special.

Our Club still meets on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. at the Cambridge Narrows Municipal Building. Hope you will visit us for an evening of dance, if you are in our area.

Submitted by **Joan Harding**



Impromptu banner raid at Elm Tree with Melonie Hebert and Richard Goodick



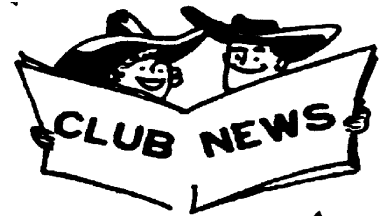
Celebration of the marriage of Brenda and Joey Hebert



Our new graduates:
Sandra Bourque, Cres Pascucci and April Wilson



Retrieving our Travelling Bunny from Starlight Promenaders in Fairvale L to R: Ron Lowe, Lynn Browne, Joey and Bill Hollister



Oromocto Pioneers

Thanks to **Kathy Millard** for fourteen years of contributions as Public Relations Co-ordinator which entailed writing the articles about our club activities for the Journal. So, you may notice a new style to these reports as a new co-ordinator takes to the keys to record these activities in her place. The plan to bowl during Spring break was cancelled due to weather. On March 11 the dancers were out in their green finery for Saint Patrick's Day celebrations.

March 18 was our Western Night and new-to-you clothing sale. The Western Spirit was all out in cowboy and cowgirl regalia as pictured below.

March 23 was our spring fling event. At the Special Sugar Shack Dance, we had 52 dancers in attendance. Elm Tree "stole" our banner which went unnoticed until our caller brought it up on April 1. This was our April Fools Ha Ha.

The April 3 Demo at York Care Centre had to be cancelled because of bad weather. On April 6, we retrieved our banner from Elm Tree and got away with theirs. On April 11, one square attended the Horizon Health "Together We Care" event at the Marco Polo Cruise terminal in Saint John. On April 15, we had guest caller, **Gerry O'Hara**, who stayed to enjoy ice cream sundaes. On April 29, we experienced a real banner raid by Elm Tree. Fortunately, we had enough dancers to retrieve our banner on April 29 at the 2019 Spring Festival.

We averaged 20 dancers per night but unfortunately had no new dancers to graduate this past dance season.

We celebrated **Garfield Dee's** big birthday and congratulated **Carl and Barb Jamieson** on receiving the 2019 Distinguished Service award.



John Eldridge, President and Terry Herbet, Caller

The big news for our club is a new location for the upcoming **2019-2020** dance season. Hopefully we will have a full season of dancing (fewer weather-related cancellations) at the new location.

**Community Centre for the Town of Oromocto
66 Miramichi Road, Oromocto, NB E2V 1S2.**



The new location has:

A ramp leading into the Centre, washrooms on the main level, about 4-5 steps leading to the community room, ample space for our dances with no pillars, regular tables and chairs suitable for all our dances (not the picnic table type at the Oromocto High School,) a large storage room that we are able to put our coffee cart in and they have their own Cleaning staff. We just have to put things back where they were (same as at OHS). The Town of Oromocto will include our events in their newsletter, including our Special Dances on the occasional Saturday.

Respectfully submitted for the Oromocto Pioneers.
Mary Mersereau



Carl & Barb Jamieson, Distinguished Service Award Recipients and
Garfield & Marilyn Dee, 80th Birthday

ELM TREE NEWS

Another busy year has come to a close at Elm Tree and soon before we know it we will be back to the weekly grind of back dancing and laughing and having a great time each week with our square dance family.

This spring Elm Tree was fortunate enough to graduate 2 new dancers into the family. Anne MacNeill and Lena Hiscock. Needless to say there was never a dull moment during class this past year as these two always kept you in stitches!



As well we were fortunate enough to have 5 dancers from other clubs that chose to attend on a regular basis and thought that maybe they would like to be part of the Elm Tree Family. We welcomed Angela Ryan, Vernon Cliff, Ellen Reid & Mike & Gerry Lefebvre to the family. We are ever so thankful for their support each and every week they were with us.



We then set our sights on the Special Graduation dance on the Saturday evening where we were blessed to have live music with Allison Inch and friends entertain for us that evening. There is nothing like a fiddle, guitar and piano to get the blood pumping and the feet tapping along to the great tunes. We thank the band for all their entertainment that evening.

Later on in May we were watched again as the flood waters were starting to possibly hinder us having our Spring Fling in May but Mother Nature was kind enough to allow us the good fortune to have another great weekend of dancing. Due to unforeseen circumstances Kerry Fletcher was unable to attend our festival weekend but by the good graces Ron Lowe was able to fill in for us on the Saturday portion of our Festival. As per usual Ron was on his A game and brought the Festival an arousing great time of dancing. Thanks to Ron for coming to our aid!

Later in May some of our dancers attended the Distinguished Service Awards Dance in Hampton where we were fortunate enough to witness the awards being presented to Betty Mitham and our very own Carl & Barb Jamieson. As well that evening Carl & Barb were presented with the Canadian Square & Round Dance Society's Long Service Award. Both awards are well deserved of Carl & Barb who have been in the activity for so long and have dedicated their passion for dance to be such great Ambassadors for the activity. It was also helpful that we have inside connections to obtain such great information of the two of them and that we could have family help to achieve them being there without knowing a thing!



Later in May our dancers went to retrieve their banner in Cambridge Narrows and then returned to their Annual Strawberry Dance later in July. Both events were always a good time and love the fellowship we have when together.

This fall we start again on September the 12th with our Potluck & work out the cobwebs evening. Our Fall Dance with Ron Lowe on October 12 and our Anniversary Dance on November 16 and our Annual New Year's Eve Party on the 31st. Please try and attend as many of our events as possible. We are a come as you desire attire club. We love seeing everyone. We look forward to welcoming you to one of our upcoming events.

Happy Dancing from your friends at Elm Tree J

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Meetings are Held Twice a Year
All Are Invited to Attend
Location to be Confirmed



**Federation of Dance Clubs of New Brunswick, Inc.
Directors and Year Started**

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Board of Directors

General Bylaw – 6 – Number and Power

6.1 – Affairs of the Federation shall be managed by a board of eight directors who may exercise all powers and do all acts and things which may be exercised or done by the Federation and which are not by the Letters of Patent or bylaws of the Federation or by law expressly directed or required to be done by the Federation at any annual or special general meeting of the members.

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September 14, 2019

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH



Music by ALLISON INCH

Dancing 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Caller/Cuer: Terry Hebert

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**Caller: Terry Hebert
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***Why Go to a Square Dance Convention?* By Madeline Allen**

The following article is reprinted from the June 1969 issue of "Sets in Order" magazine and submitted by Convention Chaircouple Dean & Ethel Fisher, Collingwood, Ontario in the May to September 2003 issue of the Journal. I think it is worth reprinting again... 16 years later!

"First, have you been to a big square dance gathering? Have you ever spent a weekend with hundreds of other enthusiasts, dancing, talking about dancing, watching the dancing and being watched while dancing?" If you have, you can stop right here. You don't need any encouragement from me to go again.

"Making friends" – that is the secret. We don't go to Convention any more to learn new dances – anything good gets spread around anyhow. We certainly don't go to get "high level" dancing – the level of any big group is never as good as in our own clubs. We don't even go to hear the top callers anymore, because we can hear them better and more comfortably when they call in our own areas.

But there are two things about a convention you can't get any other way – the thrill of meeting new people from all over the country and making permanent friends of them, so that at later conventions they will be Old Pals, and the special sort of lift that comes with any enthusiastic activity – the feeling of being part of something tremendous and exciting.

To me, there are two high moments at a square dance convention, each based on one of these thrills. There is the moment when you first walk in the door of the convention hall where you register and are greeted with open arms by a bunch of Old Pals from across the country that you haven't seen since the last big event you all attended. We're off. From then on, the excitement builds up until the other big moment at the end of the Grand Finale, when the entire mass of dancers is on the floor and you can really see what a big thing you are a part of, only an incurable sourpuss could fail to feel that lift!

Of course it is perfectly possible to attend conventions and never meet anyone. You can go with your own square, dance only with people you already know, stay out of the Grand Finale because your square might be split up, and go home and complain about the crowded floor and low level. If that's the way you want it, all right for you – BUT – if you'd rather try it my way, here are a few suggestions.

Go in a bunch if you want to and stay in a motel together, but the moment you enter the hall, **separate**. Agree never to join a square with more than one couple you know in it.

Introduce yourselves and find out where everyone else comes from. If one couple messes up, maybe you can be a real help to them, or vice-versa. Maybe the fellow who pushed you through a new figure isn't just a loudmouth, if you only knew it, maybe he wrote the thing himself. Did you read his name-tag? You can meet just about anyone in a square at a convention, that's part of the excitement.

Another piece of advice – don't skip the daytime sessions. Even at a convention, Saturday night is Saturday night, only more so. But all day long there are things going on that you won't find anywhere else. There are Workshops where you can get a closer look at the Big Star introducing a New Figure, a new Combination of Calls or (DBD) dance by definition, for some real excitement.

There is dancing going all all the time – with callers who may turn out to be the big stars of tomorrow, and you heard them "when". There are all sorts of booths to buy practically anything connected with square dancing and round dancing, or just to look at and ask advice about. After parties? That depends on your stamina. You can go on all night if you want to – but then maybe you'd miss the next day!

Whatever you decide to do, a convention will be bigger and better than anything else will, and you'll never forget it!

50th MARITIME SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CONVENTION



FRIDAY, October 25, 2019
8:00 pm.

SATURDAY, October 26, 2019
10:00 am.

BEST WESTERN PLUS Glengarry
Truro Trade & Convention Center
150 Willow Street, Truro, NS B2N 4Z6
Phone: (902) 893-4311
Fax: (902) 893-1759
Email: reservations@bwglengarry.com
(must identify as being with MCCA)

**DANCE TO MARITIME CALLERS AND CUERS
FROM
NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK
AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

**Basic - Mainstream - Plus - Advanced
Phase II to IV Rounds - Contras
Help Us Plan Ahead - Register Early!**

Traditional Square Dance attire encouraged for Friday & Saturday evening dances.

Early Bird, Saturday morning & afternoon dances - tasteful casual attire.

All rooms will have smooth dance surface.

Dancers under 18 years old must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

No scents would be appreciated.

Dancers, please make your own hotel reservations and identify yourselves as a square dancer attending the MCCA convention.

Convention Chairman
Kerry and Tammy Fletcher
522 Arklow Drive
Dartmouth, NS BW 4S4
902-499-5826
kdf@ns.sympatico.ca



Registration
Laurie and Wilma Illsley
472 Mt. Hanley Rd.
Lawrencetown, NS B0S 1M0
902-584-3500
lwillsley@eastlink.ca

Square Dance Programmers
Terry and Melonie Hebert
35 Berwick Street
Fredericton, NB E3A 4Y2
506-472-1444
sdcaller@nbnet.nb.ca

Round Dance Programmers
Beth & John Dickinson
800 Southhampton Road
Amherst, NS B4H 3Y4
902-667-3080

Registration

\$45 per couple up to September 30, 2019
\$50 per couple after September 30, 2019 and at the door.

Registration desk opens at 1:00 pm on Friday, October 25, 2019

EARLY BIRD DANCE - CASUAL DANCE

Friday, October 25th, 2019 - from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Square Dancing: Basic to Advanced
Round Workshops: Phase II to IV

Workshops and Contras
Basic Hall

ROOM REGISTRATION FORM

\$125.99 per night, for two people - up to 4 in a room
\$10.00 for the 3rd person and \$10.00 for the 4th person
This price includes a Full Hot Breakfast!

Please make your cheque or money order for your convention registration payable to:

Maritime Callers & Cuers Association

And mail to: Laurie and Wilma Illsley. 472 Mt. Hanley Rd., Lawrencetown NS B0S 1M0

Please Print First Name(s) His & _____ Her _____ Last Name(s)

Phone Number: (optional) _____ Email Address: (optional) _____

Registration Fee Enclosed: \$ _____ Cheque ☐ Money Order ☐



Happy Halloween!

STARLIGHT PROMENADERS HALLOWEEN DANCE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

**FAIRVALE OUTING ASSOCIATION BLDG
8 RIVER ROAD**

7:30 TO 9:30 PM

CALLERS: JIM & PAT MCLEAN

PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUME!!



**TOWN & COUNTRY
SQUARE DANCE CLUB
and
WOODSTOCK WHEELERS
SQUARE DANCE CLUB**

ARE TEAMING UP TO HOLD OUR
FIRST EVER, TWO CLUB DANCE
EVERYONE COME JOIN US AND
ENJOY THE FUN ON:

Saturday, NOVEMBER 2

TIME 2:00 TO 4:00 PM

CALLER: RON & BARB LOWE

CUER: BARBARA & RONALD

**HARVEY COMMUNITY
HALL IN HARVEY, NB**

MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

**RON & BETTY BROWN at: 328-2297
(rpbrown@nb.sympatico.ca) OR**

SAVE THE DATE!!

**Central Association
Kings Landing
Christmas Dinner**

at the King's Head Inn,
King's Landing.

DECEMBER 7, 2019

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON



ELM TREE SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUB

50TH ANNIVERSARY DANCE

NOVEMBER 16 2019

WILLIE O'REE PLACE

605 CLIFFE STREET, FREDERICTON, NB E3A 9P5

7:30PM EARLY ROUNDS

8:00-10:00PM SQUARE & ROUND DANCES

CALLER & CUER: TERRY HEBERT

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Square Dance!

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STARLIGHT PROMENADERS CHRISTMAS DANCE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10
7:30 TO 9:30 PM

FAIRVALE ASSOCIATION BLDG

CALLERS: JIM & PAT MCLEAN

MERRY CHRISTMAS



MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

TOWN & COUNTRY
SQUARES

DECEMBER 13, 2019

7:30 - 9:30 PM

CALLER: TERRY HEBERT

We will be collecting food
items for our local food bank!

Refreshments, door prizes,
50/50



HAMPTON
HOEDOWNERS'
CHRISTMAS
DANCE
DECEMBER 16

DANCING 8:00 TO 10:00 PM

CALLER: RON LOWE

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

COME JOIN US TO RING IN

2020

**AT ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL
75 MAIN ST, FREDERICTON, NB, E3A 1C2**



TUESDAY DECEMBER 31, 2019

9:00PM-12:15AM SQUARE & ROUND DANCES

**COME AND ENJOY THE CALLING AND
CUEING OF TERRY HEBERT**

\$25 PER COUPLE OR \$12.50 PER PERSON

**WE WILL HAVE AN EVENING FILLED WITH GREAT MUSIC, FOOD
AND FRIENDS. DRESS IN OUR FAVOURITE NEW YEAR'S ATTIRE.
GET OUT ON THE DANCE FLOOR FOR THE LAST TIME IN 2019!!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT TERRY OR MELONIE AT 506-472-1444



GRADUATION DANCE

STARLIGHT PROMENADERS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020

7:30 TO 9:30 PM

CALLERS: JIM & PAT MCLEAN

CONGRATULATIONS

HAMPTON HOEDOWNERS SLOPPY JOE DANCE



WILL BE HELD

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15 2020

2:00 PM – 4:00PM

FOLLOWED BY SLOPPY JOES

CALLER
TERRY HERBERT





HOBAN'S HEROES SQUARE DANCE CLUB

WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOUR DANCE CLUB TO OUR WESTERN DANCE NIGHT ON
APRIL/08/2020 THIS WILL BE MAINSTREAM AND PLUS DANCING, WE WOULD LIKE
TO HAVE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE ATTENDING BY APRIL/01/2020 IF POSSIBLE

*WE DANCE AT THE BRIDGEDALE COMMUNITY CENTER 50 VERNON AVE
RIVERVIEW NB*

*WHEN CROSSING THE BRIDGE TURN LEFT GO 3.1 KL TO MANNING ST ON RIGHT
GO TO TOP OF STREET COMMUNITY CENTER IS STRAIGHT AHEAD ON VERNON AV*

DANCING FROM 7:30 TO 9:30PM \$12.00 PER COUPLE

50/50 DRAW AND LUNCH TO FOLLOW

CONTACT CLARE & DON JONES 506-386-5527



Starlight Promenaders'

SPRING FLING!

Saturday April 25, 2020

Time: 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Caller: To be Announced

Fairvale Outing Association Bld. River Road
Square Dance Clothes are Admired but not required

refreshments to follow dancing

Door Prizes

Put on your dancing shoes and join us!

21st Canadian National Square & Round Dance Festival



You can book a Square Dance Cruise that departs just after Festival 2020

(not part of the registration for Festival 2020)

Swing Through Alaska

Aug 2, 2020

see the web site for further details:

www.swingthrualaska2020.com

JULY 29 - AUGUST 1, 2020

Held at the Sheraton Guildford, Surrey, B.C.

Visit us on Facebook

Festival2020Registrations@hotmail.com or call toll free 1-800-335-9433

<https://www.squaredance.bc.ca/2020.html>

Trail in Dance: Wednesday, July 29, 2020

Opening Ceremonies - Thursday morning, July 30, 2020

Hosted by

Fraser Valley Square & Round Dance Association
Vancouver and District Caller Teacher Association

Sponsored in part by

B.C. Square & Round Dance Federation
Canadian Square & Round Dance Society

Official Colours: Blue, White & Green:

The blue represents the Pacific Ocean and the many rivers and lakes in BC.
The white eyelet represents BC's snow-capped mountains, ocean and lake whitecaps and clouds.
The green represents BC forests (and possibly golf courses).



21st Canadian National Square & Round Dance Festival July 29 - August 1, 2020

Sheraton Vancouver Guildford Hotel

15269 104 Ave, Surrey, British Columbia V3R 1N5

***** **SPACE IS LIMITED TO 800, PLEASE REGISTER EARLY*******

Website: www.squaredance.bc.ca/2020

Mailing Address (Please Print Clearly)

Dancer 1 Badge Name

Dancer 2 Badge Name

Street Address

City / Town

Province / State

Country

Postal / Zip Code

Area Code and Phone Number

Email Address

Dancing Level

(Please use one check mark for each registrant to indicate the desired dancing level. It is assumed that you will dance some higher and some lower.)

Squares: BASIC ☐ MS ☐ PLUS ☐
A1 ☐ A2 ☐ C1 ☐ C2 ☐

Rounds: Phase II ☐ III ☐ IV ☐ V ☐

Clogging: BASIC ☐ INT ☐ ADV ☐ **Wheelchair:** ☐

Programming (Please check)

Callers, Cuers and Leaders willing to take part will be contacted later with details. Please indicate level or levels you are willing to participate in.

Caller/Cuer/Leader Name

Partner's Name

BASIC ☐ MS ☐ PLUS ☐ A1 ☐ A2 ☐ C1 ☐ C2 ☐

Phase II ☐ III ☐ IV ☐ V ☐

Please mark appropriate programs			Available		
Dance Form	Call/Cue	Teach	Th	Fr	Sa
Squares					
Rounds					
Clogging					
Wheelchair					

PROGRAMMING DEADLINE: February 1, 2020

REGISTRATION FEES & BADGES

Quantity	Item	Fee	Total
	Registration (see table below)		
	Youth (Under 21) (see table below)		
	Maple Leaf Badge	\$7.50	
	2020 Bar	\$4.00	
	Souvenir Book	\$7.00	
		TOTAL	

* Fees per person	Prior to June 30, 2019	After July 1, 2019
Adult	\$110	\$130
Youth	\$70	\$75
Family (2 adults & children)	\$290	\$335

Please send registration form with cheque or money order payable to:

Square & Round Dance Festival 2020

PO Box 1114, Penticton BC V2A 6J9

OR scan and send by email and e-transfer fees to:
Festival2020Registrations@hotmail.com

Enter your e-transfer password _____

OR scan and send by email with credit card info:

Name on card: _____

Credit card # _____ Expiry: _____

3 digit security code on back of card: _____

Refund/Cancellation Policy

All requests for cancellations must be in writing. Refunds are subject to a per person administration fee of **20%**. After March 31, 2020 cancellations for extenuating circumstances will be considered on an individual basis.

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2020 Festival Committee accepts no liability or responsibility for loss or injury whatsoever arising to persons or their property while participating or attending as a spectator, any activity associated with the 2020 Festival including all forms of travel and accommodations.

For more information phone or email:

604-584-5506 or 604-534-0969

marymcox@telus.net or edlunds@live.com

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Federation of Dance Clubs of NB

Toll Free Information Line - 1-866-206-6696

Our Web Page - www.squaredancenb.ca

*For advertising your dances and news,
Send all the information to:*

***Sharon McCallum**
223 Mountain Road
Beaver Harbour NB
E5H1L7
506-456-2058*

Email: sharfran@nb.sympatico.ca

**For web updates, send posters to:
fdcnbwebupdates@hotmail.com**

**FROM:
FEDERATION OF DANCE CLUBS OF NEW BRUNSWICK**

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