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# **President's Message**

February 3, 2019

## **Its February and its snowing !**

Snow .... in February .... in Ottawa ! Who'da thunk it?

Let's face it folks, snow in Ottawa in July would be a big deal - snow in February is ... well... normal! It's certainly not unusual. The snow storm on February 2 of this year hardly made a dent in the volume of traffic on city streets, but to judge from some people's reactions, it was an unheard of, catastrophic event that precluded any possibility of attending Frosty Fling.

Well, snow or no snow, Frosty Fling went ahead as scheduled, and a good time was had by all. If you let a little snow keep you from attending, you missed a great dance!

Despite the weather, approximately 115 people from such far-flung places as Alexandria, Carleton Place, Chesterville, Cornwall, Kemptville, Opeongo, Pembroke, Perth, Prescott, St. Albert and New York State strutted their stuff on the dance floor. There were even dancers from Ottawa in attendance!

Callers Geoff Clarke and Bob Summers and Cues Gerry Sawtell were in great form and kept everyone grooving and moving to the music. The dancers who braved the storm to get to the dance, responded enthusiastically and energetically.

The good news is that there were about 35 new dancers in attendance and, judging from the smiles on their faces, they really enjoyed themselves, as did the over 80 Angels who showed up to support our new dancers.

Well done all !

## **Volunteers**

Volunteers are the life blood of the square and round dance movement, whether it is helping to plan, organize and run a dance; organizing a club picnic; serving on a club executive; or working on a regional, provincial or national dance organization such as EOSARDA or the Ontario Square and Round Dance Federation, volunteers make it happen.

To all of you who give so selflessly of your time and talents, a great big thank you. We couldn't do it without you.

But it appears that North American society as a whole, and the square and round dance movement in particular, is running out of volunteers. Among the reasons given for this situation are:

- people are just too busy these days
- been there, done that, don't want to do it any more
- lack of talent /knowledge
- cell phone addiction

pick one or more, or add your own.

My mother used to say;

***"Can't means don't want to and don't want to means can't be bothered."***

I think she had a good point.

We are all busy. Many of us have volunteered before. We all have talent and knowledge gaps. Many of us are inherently shy people. And a lot of people can't put down their cell phones.

But at the end of the day, these are just excuses. They are excuses for not getting involved, for just coming along for the ride, for taking the easy way out.

If you have not volunteered for anything lately, take a look around. If no one in your club ever volunteered, what would things be like? If no one cared enough to make things happen how much fun would dancing be?

At the club level:

- there would be no dance program because there be no one to hire a Caller or Cuer;
- there would be nowhere to dance since there would be no one to locate and rent a dance hall;
- there would be no tea, coffee, or treats;
- there would be no party nights;
- there would be no Open Dances.

The list is endless

At the regional level, there would be no registration coordination, no regional dances, no web site, no quarterly magazine, no dance leader subsidy program, no new dancer subsidy program, no inter-club coordination, no recognition of major anniversaries.

So take a minute to thank all those whose generous donations of their time and efforts make dancing the enjoyable activity that it is. Take another look around and see what you could do to help make things even better. Then step up and offer to help. I'm pretty sure that your offer will not be refused.

And you just might find that volunteering enhances your dancing experience in ways that you never imagined.

### **Open Dances**

As we move into the second half of the dance year, the calendar is filling up with opportunities to dance. Valentines Day, St. Patrick's Day, blossom time, spring, club anniversaries, the winter solstice, Mothers' Day, summer, all provide excuses for getting together to dance.

We in Eastern Ontario are unbelievably lucky in having so many dances to choose from. Of course, none of us can attend all of the upcoming dances, although I know a few people who will give it a good try. But I hope that all of you will take advantage of the opportunity and attend as many of the upcoming dances as possible.

Not only will you find that this will improve your dancing skills enormously, but you will also find that attending open dances will enhance the enjoyment that you get from dancing and let you meet other people who share your enthusiasm for dancing.

Attending open dances is also the very best way to say "Thank you" to the legion of volunteers who work so hard to make these dances a reality. And that is the best way to ensure that we continue to be able to enjoy these dances for many years to come.

See you on the dance floor.

Dave Western

President

EOSARDA

# Message from the new editor

My wife Margaret and I have been square and round dancing for many years. Don Moger's article brought me back to the beginning. We did our original class with Milt Thomas in Montreal. He was a very good teacher and we enjoyed ourselves a lot. Club caller Less Heaps did our graduation. An excellent caller, he had a strong Scottish brogue which gave us lots of trouble. I think that this shows how important it is for new dancers to be exposed to different callers. Let's encourage our new members to attend special events.

I had not even thought about becoming the editor of Square Time. I have read it for years, but when there was talk of it stopping, I knew that I could not let that happen. I have edited other newsletters and I hope to be able to make this a success.

If I meet you on the dance floor, please remember that I am legally blind and can not read your badge. Introduce yourself.

What club do I dance in, you ask? I am very happy to say I am a member of Harbour Lites, a great group of people with an excellent caller.

I believe in feedback. If you see something in Square Time that you would like to change, or if you have comments, please drop a note to the editor at [squaretimeeditor@eodance.ca](mailto:squaretimeeditor@eodance.ca). If you want to contribute, please feel encouraged to submit something. Keep things concise, with pictures separate from the text.

We would especially like to hear from new class dancers. How are you adapting? What could we do differently? Do you have any thought on how we could attract more new dancers to the activity? You can always comment, even if you do not wish to have the comment published.

So I have two strong suggestions for our dancers. If you are a new dancer, take every opportunity to attend events. If you are an experienced dancer, please take every opportunity to encourage and help new members. Let's all have fun! Try to support the upcoming Swing into Spring weekend being held in early May.

Do spend some time on the EODANCE.CA web site. It is your channel into all local information. Bob Summers works hard giving Eastern Ontario dancers listings of clubs and upcoming events. He does an excellent job. Sign up to receive bulletins by subscribing to the list.

The cover photo is of John Charman receiving his 50 years of calling award at Harbour Lites.

Gerry Johnson

Square Time Editor

## MEET YOUR DANCE LEADERS

### Paul Adams

Paul Adams started Traditional Square Dancing in 1954, at the age of twelve, at Grays Barn near Ramsayville, Ontario. Paul's father was a fiddle player and Square Dance Caller and Paul accompanied the family on Saturday evenings to the local dances, learning to Square Dance with his mother while his father played fiddle and called the dances. Paul soon noticed that if he asked a girl his age to dance a Waltz or a Two-step they would likely refuse, however, if he asked them to Square Dance they would quickly accept, so it didn't take him long to figure out that if he wanted to dance with a girl, Square Dancing was the way to go! Paul's father also taught a group of Junior Farmers to Square Dance and they would go on to compete at many Fall Fairs throughout the Ottawa Valley. From the Square Dance books his father had, Paul studied and memorized all the different dances including: Dip & Dive, Bird In The Cage, Lady Round Lady and The Grapevine Twist. On Saturday evenings when there weren't any dances to attend there would always be a house party and that is where Paul got his start as a Traditional Caller. In 1958, a Modern Square Dance Caller from Ottawa came to Ramsayville to teach Modern Western Square Dancing to the local school students. Paul and his sister, Mary, attended these classes, however, there weren't many, if any, Modern Square Dances where children could attend so they continued with Traditional Square Dancing.

In 1961, Paul began a four-year tour of duty with The Black Watch Royal Highland Regiment of Canada as a piper. Upon taking his release from the military in January, 1965, Paul returned to Ottawa and began his 37-year career working for Otis Elevator Company and, more importantly, he met Judy Smythe. Paul and Judy married in May, 1967, bought a home in Orleans and started their family. In 1972, Paul and Judy, along with neighbours Karl and Edna Williscroft began teaching Traditional Square Dancing to their Queenswood Village neighbours at social community gatherings. A year later, when dancers expressed an interest in learning Modern Square Dancing, Mr. Burt Harvie, who had recently been posted to Rockliffe Airbase, was contacted and hired to teach them. In the little community shack the neighbours had built for social community events, The Village Squares was born, with Paul & Judy serving as the President Couple. For forty-five years, The Village Squares has continued to dance every Wednesday night in that very same community centre.

During the 1974-1975 dance season, Paul convinced Burt to teach him to call Modern and, with Judy's encouragement and support, began to hone his skills by calling one tip a night. In September of '75, Paul & Judy began teaching their first new dancer class and four squares of new dancers graduated in the Spring of '76. A couple of weeks later, Paul called at the Ottawa Square and Round Dance Association's Spring Jamboree, his first open dance. In September '76, Burt and his family were posted back to B.C. and Paul & Judy were hired as the Village Squares Caller Couple, a position they've held for 42 years. Eager to improve their abilities as instructors, Paul & Judy twice attended The Earl Johnston/Al Brundage Callers School in Connecticut and Virginia. Paul will tell you that it was attend-

ing this callers' school that he learned so much about calling, including the invaluable technique of sight calling. Paul & Judy were calling and teaching The Village Squares, two nights per week, one for the Village Squares Beginner class of four squares and one for the Village Squares Mainstream Club when they were contacted by the Grenville Gremlins with an offer to become their club's caller couple. Accepting the offer, two more nights of calling were added to Paul & Judy's schedule. Not only was Paul calling four nights a week now, on club nights, for both the Village Squares and the Grenville Gremlins, Judy taught Round Dancing for the half hour before the square dancing started and cued rounds between the square dance tips. Soon after, Paul & Judy were hired to call Open Dances in Kingston, Napanee, Cornwall, Montreal and Peterborough.

With the increasing momentum and growth of Modern Square Dancing, 1978 brought about the 1st Canadian Square and Round Dance Convention, held in Edmonton, AB. Eager to participate with the 6000+ registered dancers and callers from across the nation, Paul and Judy packed up their two children, a babysitter and the family dog in their van, hauling their tent trail across Canada to attend. Taking in many of Canada's great sights along the way and experiencing many memorable adventures, Paul and Judy took part in the Penticton Jamboree (Penticton, BC) and the Kelowna Peach Festival (Kelowna, BC) before arriving in Edmonton for three days of dancing to callers and calling to dancers from across the nation. What an unforgettable experience!

In the late '70s and early '80s, Square Dancing was moving away from memorized routines and learning new calls toward more formation & definition choreography. As so many new calls were being written, note services publishing material on how to use these calls were becoming overwhelmed. CallerLab, an international association of Square Dance Callers, began to concentrate on positional dancing. This was in an effort to control the number of new calls and enhance positional dancing over the long term, utilizing the full definitions of those calls. Though Paul discontinued his membership with CallerLab after almost a decade of calling, he continues to adhere to all of the CallerLab rules, guidelines, programs and code of ethics.

With Plus level dancing becoming the "new Mainstream", Paul & Judy hosted a Plus workshop in the summer of 1980, enabling Mainstream dancers to dance in the Plus hall when they attended the 2nd Canadian Square & Round Dance Convention, which was being held this time in Ottawa. The success of the workshop and numerous dancer requests led to the conception of PJ's Plus Club, which, in its heyday, hosted fifteen squares at W.E. Gowling E.S. in the west end of the city and ran successfully for thirty-six years, until Paul & Judy closed the club in April 2016.

In addition to PJs, Paul & Judy formed another club in the early '80s at the request of the dancers but this time, it was for children of Square Dancers. The Adams Apples learned to Square Dance and were able to attend and participate in the 3rd National Convention in Halifax in 1982 with their parents. Two years later, some of these children, along with their parents, were invited to dance on the NAC stage at a Gala Performance hosted by Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau for the visiting Premier of China. The list of top Canadian talent performing at this event included Les Grand Ballets du Canada, The Canadian Brass, opera singer Maureen Forrester, local fiddle player Peter Dawson and Square Dance Caller Paul Adams. Being invited to participate in this event was quite an honour. Not only was this an opportuni-



ty to showcase Square Dancing to top Canadian Officials and elite national talent attending the Gala, but also globally as the event was televised live via satellite around the world! This was before the days of live streaming via the internet and fortunately, one of Paul & Judy's neighbours owned a VCR and were able to record the event so they could watch the Gala themselves afterward.

In 1993, after 15 years as the Club Caller for the Grenville Gremlins, Paul made the tough decision to leave, as fatigue from work as an Otis supervisor, driving, calling, teaching and his Rheumatoid Arthritis flare-ups were taking their toll on his health. Always dedicated to supporting dancers' interests in improving and challenging themselves, later that year, Paul & Judy formed the A1 Club, Adams Aces, and a few years later, hosted Sunday afternoon Improve your Plus Definition Dancing workshops. In 2007, The Cookie Club was formed for dancers wanting to dance a full Advanced level program. Outside of club commitments, Paul and Judy, along with Caller Couple Keith & Rita Watters, hosted a decade of sold-out New Year's Eve Dances and for five years they hosted The Lake Dore Camp & Dance Weekends.

On occasion, Paul has also been known to put his poetic skills to use. He has written lyrics to singing calls celebrating milestone anniversaries of The Grenville Gremlins and The Village Squares and at the '96 Convention in Edmonton, to promote the upcoming '98 convention being hosted for a second time in Ottawa, Paul wrote lyrics to a singing call encouraging dancers to attend the event. It was during that '98 Convention that Paul had the privilege to call for dozens of squares of dancers on the lawn of Parliament Hill and, for the final tip to close out the event, called "Canadian Saturday Night", lyrics he wrote encapsulating the incredible time everyone had during the Convention.

Paul & Judy are active members of The Ottawa Area Caller Association, have chaired OACA meetings and have served on the EOSARDA Board. Paul is credited with coaching at least three Ottawa Callers as they began their calling career. Never missing an opportunity to promote the Square Dance movement, over the years, they have worked in local Intermediate (Gr. 7 & 8) and Secondary schools teaching students to Square Dance, called many party nights, commonly called "One Night Stands", and provided entertainment for seniors living in local Residences. In 2000, Paul & Judy were honoured to receive the Trillium Award of Merit from the Ontario Federation in recognition of their contribution to the Square and Round Dance movement in Ontario, and in 2017 they received the Ontario 150 Award from the Ontario Government for their efforts as community builders and promoting a healthy and active lifestyle.

Paul & Judy have dedicated many decades to the Square Dance movement, be it in the form of Traditional or Modern Square Dancing, Round Dancing to Level 3 & 4, Contra Dancing, Line Dancing or Clogging. They have continually acted in the best interest of the dancers and have done their best to support and advance the Square Dance movement. Square dancing has afforded Paul & Judy many opportunities to travel and meet some incredible people, forming lasting friendship along the way. Paul & Judy's motto is: never abuse, overuse, or cheat the dancers, treat your partner like your microphone, and try to leave the movement as good as it was when you found it.

# On Learning Plus

*By Wendy VanderMeulen*

I will be teaching Plus this summer (location and times TBD), and I thought I would take the time to outline what people should consider if they are interested in taking the workshop. (Note that although this article is written specifically for Mainstream dancers interested in moving up to Plus, the ideas would be the same for anyone considering moving up to any square dance level, i.e. from Basic to Mainstream, from Plus to Advanced, etc.).

You have all probably heard that we suggest you dance Mainstream for 2 years before considering taking a Plus workshop. Well, it doesn't matter how long you have been dancing Mainstream. What matters is HOW WELL YOU DANCE MAINSTREAM. If you depend on people to help you dance successfully, you are NOT ready for Plus. If you cannot help other people who need help, you are NOT ready for Plus. If you don't know what you did wrong when you made a mistake, you are NOT ready for Plus. And the only way you will perfect your Mainstream is by [almost] perfect attendance at your Mainstream dance nights! If you've been very irregular in your Mainstream dancing, you will NOT be ready for Plus.

If you cannot commit to the 2-hour weekly sessions, you should not take the workshop. However, I understand that things happen, and you may have to miss. BUT, if you have to miss more than 2 sessions, I would suggest that you not take the workshop. When dancers miss a week, the whole class is set back the next week because of a necessary re-teach. If too many dancers miss too many weeks, the class may not be able to complete the teach.

If you cannot stay for the full 2-hour session each week – i.e. if you leave before the class is over each time – I would suggest that you not take the workshop. If you take it, you have to understand that none of the dance time is wasted time. It is ALL geared to make you a GOOD Plus dancer. Becoming an exceptional dancer will follow, if you commit to the Plus Club you choose to join after the workshop (i.e. dance every week and dance all night). In the meantime, aim to be good by aiming for perfect attendance during the workshop.

Square dancing is fun – whether you dance Basic or Challenge. We wouldn't do it if it wasn't fun! But there is also the element of challenge – the “puzzle” aspect of square dancing. And, as you “go up through the levels”, the puzzle gets more complicated. If you enjoy the puzzle aspect of square dancing, Plus may be for you. But be PREPARED for more complexity at Plus. Think about it: by the time you learn Plus, you have learned almost 100 different square dance calls; add the variations (for example, Right & Left Grand, Weave the Ring, and Wrong Way Grand are considered the same call!) and you have at least 150 calls; consider that there are FOUR different positions from which you can do any call (Head Man, Head Lady, Side Man, Side Lady) and add doing each call left-handed or half-sashayed.... Do the math – it can be complicated! But you have to expect that at Plus. Fun, eh?

When I teach Plus, I ASSUME that dancers are ready for that sort of challenge. I ASSUME you want to get into more of the complexity of square dancing. And when I teach Plus, I will also expand on the Basic and Mainstream calls.

Of course we'll have fun – but be prepared to be challenged, too. If you think you can handle it, come on out. If you're not sure, ask your Mainstream caller for his/her honest opinion. I will EXPECT that you are a competent Mainstream dancer and ready for more-difficult stuff. If you are planning to take the Plus teach because you are “bored” with Mainstream, try dancing to another Caller for awhile. We all call differently, and you may find that Mainstream is not at all boring after all!



## Introducing the 2019 Team

In case you haven't yet heard about *Swing into Spring* or visited our [website](#) or our [Facebook](#) page, the following information should peak your interest and encourage you and your square and round dance friends to explore this event! You can find the registration form at [www.eodance.ca/flyers/190503SIS\\_Registration.pdf](http://www.eodance.ca/flyers/190503SIS_Registration.pdf) for your convenience.

*Swing into Spring* is an eastern Ontario dance weekend established under the joint auspices of the Eastern Ontario Square and Round Dance Association ([EOSARDA](#)) and the Seaway Valley Square and Round Dance Association ([SVSRDA](#)) and is held annually in Prescott on the weekend of the first Sunday in May. Through a 3-day weekend of square and round dance activities, *Swing into Spring* seeks to provide a year-end dance event to improve the general skill level of dancers. It does this by creating an opportunity to dance to and receive instruction from visiting callers and cuers who have been carefully selected to provide interesting workshops and fun dancing.

**Swing into Spring, May 3-5, 2019** (South Grenville District High School, Prescott)



Ken Ritucci



Bill Harrison



JL & Linda Pelton

Dance events are designed for both new and experienced dancers: Square dancing: basic and mainstream through plus and advanced; Round dancing: easy rounds and phase 3 to 5.

**Bill Harrison** comes to *Swing into Spring* from Cheltenham, Maryland where he calls for a number of clubs. Bill travels most weekends and has called in England, Sweden, Denmark, New Zealand, Germany, Finland and Japan. We're so pleased that Bill will be with us in 2019!

**JL and Linda Pelton** hale from Plano, Texas. They teach and cue in Plano and the Dallas/Fort Worth area. As well as dancing and teaching, JL and Linda have choreographed dances from phase 2 to phase 6. They are also regulars at the annual conventions of both Roundalab and the International Choreographed Ballroom Dance Association. We're very happy that JL and Linda will be joining us.

**Ken Ritucci** lives in West Springfield, Massachusetts where he calls locally for several clubs. Ken has been involved in square dancing, calling and caller training for many years. He still finds time to travel and has stops in Germany, Australia and Russia ... not to mention dances like *Swing into Spring* in Canada. We're looking forward to dancing to Ken!

See the back cover of this issue for a copy of our [flyer](#) and the dancing that is planned (and is subject to change). There's something for most everyone!

Submitted by Gloria Bateman for The *Swing into Spring* Organizing Committee 2019

# **Club news Bay Waves**

**Northwind Centre**  
**262 Len Purcell Drive, Constance Bay**  
**Friday, 7:30 – 10 pm**  
**Level: Basic and Mainstream**  
**Caller: Ron Gardner**

Our Bay Waves Hallowe'en Dance, Christmas Dance and Masquerade Ball were all great successes this year much enjoyed by all and sundry. Please note that our next specially themed night will be our Bay Waves 2019 St. Patrick's Day dance which will be held on Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. We'd really love to have you join us. There'll be potluck snacks and the theme colour for both food and dress will be green, of course, if you can manage it!

This year our Bay Waves new dancer celebration is scheduled for Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and we're looking forward to putting our 3 new dancers through their paces. Pierre, Cheryl and Guy have really impressed us with their fancy footwork and are richly deserving of praise. Well done! It looks like our April 12<sup>th</sup> new dancer celebration will also be our last Bay Waves get together for the 2018-19 season.



**Hallowe'en Dance - Potluck Snacks  
Were Great as Smiling Faces  
and Empty Plates Attest**



**Christmas Dance - Weaving the Ring While Ron Keeps an Eye Out  
Looks a Bit Like Skating If You Ask Me**

Please note: we're a small club with a big heart and folks are welcome to join us anytime to share in the dancing and good cheer. We get together each Friday night from 7:30 to 10:00. After the dancing, we open the bar and we sit down together to enjoy light snacks and a beverage. If you'd like further info about anything Bay Waves related, please contact Charlie at 613-832-1869 or via [Bay.Waves@live.ca](mailto:Bay.Waves@live.ca).

Charles Henderson



## Club News Capital Carousels

Capital Carousels is always ready to have a joyful time:

On Friday and Saturday, October 27-28, 2018, an enthusiastic group of Montreal dancers joined us when Steve and Irene Bradt from Easton, Pennsylvania, taught us new dances and styling techniques at our own Capital Caper Round Dance Weekend. In December 2018, as usual, our Christmas dance was held to raise funds in support of Parkdale United Church's "In From the Cold" program. We hope you enjoy our photos of these festivities. Now, even as I write this, we are preparing our programs featuring Valentine-themed dances for February 11 & 14, 2019. And of course, there will be general jubilation when the current cycle of cold and almost-not-so-cold temperatures eventually ends. Finally, our next chance to kick up our heels will be on the mornings of Monday, March 11 and Wednesday, March 14, 2019, when we will be scheduling Saint Patrick's Day dances.

For information on our club, you can find us online at [capitalcarousels.ca](http://capitalcarousels.ca) and be sure to browse our blog.

Meanwhile, how remiss would any Irish lass be, if she did not wish you "Top of the morning, and have a great and green Saint Patrick's Day".

Linda Shannon



Pat , Marion and Jerry



Toni, Pat and Walter



# Club News Harbour Lites

Happy New Year to all of our Square Dancing friends

We would like to extend our many thanks for your support, once again, for the food and money donations and of course, for coming to dance with us and raise money for our Annual Food Bank Dance in November. We are so grateful to our many Callers and Cues who donated their time, so that all the proceeds could be donated. We



raised more than last year and we were able to present a cheque to the Prescott Food Bank for \$2100. This yearly fund raiser makes such a difference to those in need in our community and surrounding areas.

Some of us were able to join our U.S. friends in Canton to celebrate the



45 th Anniversary of Skirts n' Flirts. Good fun, dancing and of course, good food.

Nov 28th was our Harbour Lites countdown to our 45th Anniversary next year, so everyone was in good spirits. We had a visit from volunteers from the Food Bank who gave us the updated plaque with this year's donation engraved. Many of our members were dressed in our new club outfits designed especially for our 45 th. Many thanks to Carolyn for making so many of them for those of us who are not as talented.

Theresa Whiffen had her 80th birthday this year and we had a great time celebrating with her and family and friends.



It was good to be with so many Square Dancers at the Seaway Valley Square and Round Dance Assn, Christmas Dance again this year. The energy and fun we experience in a large group is something to be cherished.



Our Harbour Lites Christmas celebration, was once again, well attended and we had the usual variety of great food, fun and dancing.





It doesn't seem possible that Christmas has come and gone and January is almost over. The weather has already interfered with one of our dances this year but we were not deterred last night from having a Party for John Charman to show our appreciation and to celebrate his 50 years as a Square and Round Dance Caller. John has been our caller for 6 years and has us almost under control! He may not believe it, but we do actually think that we are dancing to what he is calling. We presented him with a basket containing a gift from each member, a photograph signed by all, plus a certificate of appreciation and a Master Card gift card.



Dancers from the Swinging B's joined in the celebration with us, as they were visiting to nab our banner that we



had acquired during our Fall visit advertising for our Annual Food Bank Dance.

Our many thanks to Gerry Johnson for taking over as the Square Times Editor.



Keep warm, be happy, keep dancing.

Eileen Torr      Harbour Lites

## Club News Kanata Squares

Kanata Squares had a wonderful Fall session with our new dancers enjoying Thursday evenings and doing very well, along with our more experienced dancers, who are always available to help out.

During October, we had the pleasure of welcoming Paul and Judy Adams along with Richard Sharman for an evening. Paul and Richard were both kind enough to call a tip or two and we look forward to a return visit in 2019. It was a great evening with three great callers! Thanks for coming.

Photos of Paul, Richard and Dave



We also enjoyed a fabulous Halloween Party with Roy Rogers (Trigger & Bullet were unavailable), Dale Evans (Buttermilk was also unavailable), ghosts, goblins, devils, and other great creations, even a banana!! We want to thank Rosie Buckley and Robert Milburn from Village Squares for decorating the hall and creating the perfect Room of Doom! After some wonderful dancing in our costumes, we all enjoyed some “together time” with delicious pizzas and lots of conversation.



Diva Dave, Banana Jim, Cat Adele, Worker Al

Ghouls & Goblins of Kanata Squares







Decorating Devils Rosie Buckley & Robert Milburn

Rodeo Dale, Don & Bill



November and December passed quickly as we enjoyed visits from Mississippi Squares, Meri Squares and Bay Waves' members.

Thank you all for joining us and we look forward to seeing everyone again in 2019. We finished off the year with a fun contra dance along with square dances and once again enjoyed delicious pizzas and fabulous desserts to end a fun filled Fall Session.

Kanata Squares was well represented at the Half Way Dance hosted by Mississippi Squares. Everyone had a wonderful evening dancing to great music, renewing old friendships and meeting new dancers. A big thank you to the organizing committee.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy 2019. Everyone is welcome to drop by any Thursday evening at 7:30 and join us for a fun evening of dancing at the Dick Brule Community Centre. Hope to see you — and bring a friend.

Barbara Bongiorno and Carol Leaver

# **Club News Grenville Gremlins**

On October 15<sup>th</sup> 2018 the Grenville Gremlins Square Dance Club were honored to be able to present the Trillium Long Service Award to Preston and Muriel Gilmer. They are the first member's of the club ever to be awarded an award. This award is both Provincial and National.

Preston and Muriel started dancing in 1975 as basic dancer's and advanced to plus level shortly after. They became President couple in 1984 and from that time till 2010 have held numerous executive positions with the club. Preston and Muriel are both very musically talented so they formed their own square dance band called the Hillbilly band. It had 6 other Gremlin members in it and they would travel to other square dance clubs and entertain the dancer's. Whenever there was a chance to dress up at their club for Halloween, Christmas they were always there with their costume having a great time.

They also started the Apple Fest which they organized in the 90's as a fund raiser for the club. Dancer's from all over would attend this event which lasted for many years.

During their dancing years Preston and Muriel attended many Canadian National Square Dance Convention's in Ontario and Maritimes representing our club. They are also member's of the Riverside Gypsy's which is a traveling travel trailer club where they provide the musical entertainment.



Preston and Muriel are still very active dancer's in the Grenville Gremlin's family and are the first to offer to assist any new dancer looking for a dance partner. In 2016 Preston and Muriel were presented with a lifetime membership to the Grenville Gremlin's for their dedication and helpfulness to the club. Every week they bring their positive attitude along with their wonderful personality to the club.

This is an award well deserved.

Our cold snowy winter days are upon us, but that doesn't stop us from enjoying our square dancing each Monday evening with our caller Geoff Clarke & Teena. The new dancers are progressing very well...commented Geoff!! Back in October, our Halloween Dance was well attended along with many of the members in costume, some of whom were disguised, but dancing went on as usual with judging throughout the evening. Betty-Ann took home a prize with her "scarecrow" outfit, along with Marie as "Cleopatra"! Great fun was had by all, and we finished the evening enjoying the delicious snacks brought by the members.

A week later, Preston & Muriel were presented with their "Trillium Long Service" award; they have square danced over 42 years and have enjoyed dancing with many couples over the years.



again. Thank you to our club for this generous donation.

We enjoyed our annual "barn dance" on November 26th, and Harold Moore was invited to call the old time square dancing of "Dip & Dive". We were all dressed in our "country attire", and toe tapped to our hearts content. It certainly was a fun evening.

We finished our year with our annual Potluck Supper on Dec. 17th, and while our supper was settling, we enjoyed a clogging demo by Marie, Anna May & Patricia.

Our traditional New Year's Eve dance was enjoyed by many members, and our caller Geoff Clarke and curer Jean Clingin called Mainstream and Plus with Rounds. They also added line dances, the twist and both called together with squares in the middle and rounds on outside. Fun was had by all. We welcomed in the New Year with a delicious mid-night buffet and many door prizes were handed out.



Our club organized their famous bake table in November with many delicious pies, cookies and sweets; by 9pm the silent auction was closed and everyone took home their favourite baked goods, along with items from the white elephant table. Money raised will go out to our yearly charity, and this year we donated \$1000 to the Kemptville District Hospital once







Once again dancing continued in the New Year, starting Monday Jan. 7th, 2019. After a review of the many basic moves, over 28 members enjoyed the "half-way" dance in Carleton Place. Peter Matthew had once again organized a school bus from Kemptville to Carleton Place, with pick-up stops along the way. Other clubs were welcomed to travel by this bus as well. This wraps up our agenda until the springtime, so take care everyone, and happy dancing.

Elizabeth Vingerhoeds.



# Club News Lockits



## **LOCKITS Advanced Dance Club** **Geoff & Teena Clarke**



As I sit & write this club news, it's mid-January, and very cold outside (-20C), with snow on the ground and of course more to come over the next couple of months. But, unless the weather's really bad & the roads slippery, then we can all push away the winter "blahs" and **GET OUT & DANCE and have FUN!** That's what we do every Wednesday morning at **LOCKITS!**

Now that we've started into the second half of the dance year and if the weather cooperates, then we'll be dancing 4-6 squares each week during the month of January & February. Note that we will be taking our "winter break" however for the whole month of March, returning to dancing on April 10<sup>th</sup>

So why not come join us on Wednesday mornings (yes, daytime!!)? We start dancing **A2** at **9:15am** through to **10:30am**, followed by **A1** dancing until 12 noon. For anyone who's taken an A1 or A2 'teach' in recent times, this is a great place to come & try out your newly found dancing skills. All our dancers are very welcoming, so don't be shy, come on out and enjoy the "fun" that we have each week at Lockits. ***You won't be disappointed!***

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

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

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



Grenville Gremlins present a ....

# 4 Week Workshop to Improve your Mainstream

**CALLER : GEOFF CLARKE**

Live Lively -



Square Dance

**Mondays – May 6, 13, 27 &  
Tuesday – May 21, 2019  
7:30 - 9:30pm**



North Grenville Municipal Centre  
285 County Road #44,  
Kemptville, ON

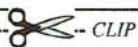
**Workshop Fee : \$32 per dancer\***

**\*Note:**

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

**Advance Registration is Required (no walk-ins)**

- Space may be limited, so register by April 22<sup>nd</sup>, the sooner the better to ensure your space in a square! To Register - Clip & snail-mail the form below
- Full payment with registration & no refunds once the workshop has started.
- Solos are welcome, but **you must arrange your own partner** for the workshop.
- Questions?: Contact Peter Matthew 613-258-3690 / email: petermatt54@gmail.com  
or Geoff Clarke 613-724-8438 / email: caller.geoff@bell.net



CLIP

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**Contact : Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Home Club :** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Payment included: \$:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mail to: Harold Tompkins, 2925 Tompkins Rd., Kemptville, ON. K0G1J0.



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**MERI SQUARES MODERN SQUARE DANCING CLUB**

**50th ANNIVERSARY DANCE**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019**

**RON KOLBUS LAKESIDE CENTRE**

**102 Greenview Ave, Ottawa, ON K2B 5Z6**

**2:00 PM – 4:30 PM**

**Basic, Mainstream and Plus**

Callers: **John Charman and Wendy VanderMeulen**

Ribbons: \$10 in advance

\$12 at the door

Refreshments served throughout the afternoon

**Used Clothing Sale – Proceeds to Westboro Food Bank**

For information contact: Lamar

or

François and Barb

[lamarmason4@gmail.com](mailto:lamarmason4@gmail.com)

[francois2@gmail.rogers.com](mailto:francois2@gmail.rogers.com)

613-221-9188

613-798-9163

We look forward to celebrating our **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
with everyone!!!!



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57th Annual

57th

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4 Dance Halls 4 Fabulous Callers

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Dave Eno

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Dave Hutchinson



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

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

Pre-registration: – All Day \$16.00 PP, Half Day \$8.00 PP

At Door –All Day \$18.00 PP, Half Day \$9.00 PP

Phone contact Howard & Jean Lander Tel: 905-342-5450 Email: [springspreedance@gmail.com](mailto:springspreedance@gmail.com)

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



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

Please make cheques payable to : Lift Lock Square Dance Club

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

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

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

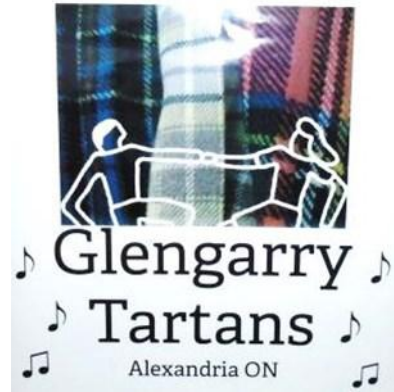
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# Club News Glengarry Tartans

49 St Paul St  
La Fraternité Hall  
Alexandria ON



Open House – September 2018 at our new location.  
The Glengarry Tartans were happy to be offered the rental of this superb space at La Fraternite Hall for our regular dances.

This new club started in January 2018 and most dancers returned in September with a few new dancers also joining in.

Teaming Up the Vankleek Hill Fiddlers and Modern Square Dancing with Caller Francois Demarais proved to be an excellent combination at our Special Events – November 4/18 Falling Leaves and the Canadian Tartan as well as December 16/18 A Tartan Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Claus (Brian & Betty Rerrie) made a surprise appearance Dec. 16 to the total enjoyment of our guests. The Glengarry Tartans look forward to another year of dancing.



Stay tuned for our Mother's Day Dance May 12, 2019 flyer. We are working on adding a variety of entertainment along with Modern Square Dancing!

Club Executive:

Archie & Marcelle Roussin (President couple)

Rita Chartrand – Vice-President

Bill Shield – Treasurer

Heather McCaskill – Event Co-Ordinator

Carole & Bernie Lauzon – Secretary, Advertising & Promotion



## z Club News Mississippi Squares

### Special Recognition of Marie and Daryl Bean

From time to time, the Mississippi Squares award a Certificate of Social Membership to people who have made outstanding contributions to both the club and the larger square dance community over the years.

Marie and Daryl Bean were given this honour at our 2018 Christmas dinner and dance in recognition of their enthusiastic involvement in the club on so many levels. After starting their square dance journey with Village Squares, they became members of Mississippi Squares in 2001. Marie and Daryl took on the executive position of Vice-President for the 2003–2004 season, and then took on the position of President for both the 2004–2005 and 2005–2006 seasons, followed by the position of Past President for 2006–2007. In particular, their guidance on the development of our constitution was invaluable.

Congratulations, Marie and Daryl, and many thanks for your help and friendship, both on and off the dance floor.

### **No halfway Measures at the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Halfway Dance of the Mississippi Squares!**

Despite cold temperatures outside, 275 dancers from 26 clubs, including dancers from North Bay and the United States, warmed the Basic, Mainstream

and Plus halls, as Brian Crawford, Paul Adams and Geoff Clarke rotated through the three beautifully decorated venues, never missing a call. And Jean Clingin rounded out the dance party with her round-dance cues for anyone who wanted to “sashay” from squares over to rounds.

January 12 turned out to be lucky for four dancers who “shared the wealth” to the tune of \$80 apiece. Adding more good luck to the evening, an astounding 85 door prizes gave 85 more dancers reason to head home with smiles on their faces. We also multiplied the number of people receiving good luck by donating \$475 to Interval House in Carleton Place. This donation was made possible by everyone who purchased dancing apparel at the “New to You” Boutique and everyone who purchased raffle tickets for two pieces of original artwork by Mississippi Squares members Gayle Marshall and Ann Williams, who donated their talents and many hours of creativity.





As if all of this wasn't enough to leave a good taste in one's mouth, guests were regaled with copious amounts of delicious food at evening's end, helping to renew their energies for the drive home.

Kudos to the collective efforts of club members and the executive for providing an animated and smooth-running evening of fun.

Submitted by Adele Mayers

Cathie McOrmond from Interval House is shown accepting a donation from Vince and Debbie



Guthro, Vice President couple, and Nick and Karen Burn, President Couple. The Lanark County Interval House is a shelter for women and children fleeing from domestic violence. They also operate a 24-hour crisis line.

# Club News MERI SQUARES

Welcome everyone to 2019!

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

On Saturday, April 6, 2019, Meri Squares will host a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dance (see flyer elsewhere in Square Time). How amazing to have reached such a milestone! We can't wait to celebrate with everyone in the dance community and acknowledge those who have gone before us and helped make the Meri Squares such a dynamic organization of happy dancers.

## Club activities

The Fall dance season was crammed full of activities for club members.

Plus members joined the Sunshine Squares for a night of dancing on October 24 and we are looking forward to hosting the return visit from the Sunshine Squares on March 25.

Members enthusiastically participated in the Halloween Parties in October with lots of spooky characters on the dance floor. It is always amazing just how creative some people can be when given the opportunity!

Halloween was followed just a week later by our annual club Used Clothing sale. Both new and returning dancers had quite a selection to choose from. Even the men found "new" shirts to spruce up their wardrobes. Meri Squares dancers will definitely be looking good on the dance floor this season!

The success of the clothing sale has prompted the **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** organizing committee to include a **Used Clothing Sale** on the agenda for April 6, 2019. This event was very successful during the April Caper dance in 2017 so we will bring it back for 2019. All proceeds of used clothing will be donated to the Westboro Food Bank.

November also saw the Club's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual craft and bake sale. This was a chance for our crafty members and those with talents in the kitchen to show off their skills. Members definitely went home with some very tasty items and a few additions to their homes and gift baskets.

The fall season wrapped up with a wonderful Christmas Dinner and Dance on December 11. More than 80 members came out in their Christmas finery to enjoy a great catered meal and dancing to Wendy and John. Club members showed their community spirit through generous donations of funds and clothing items to the Snowsuit Fund – an annual event for the club. The evening of friendship and fun culminated with Jean Curtis winning the \$100 draw! Definitely worth celebrating.





## Winter session



The Winter session started with a bang with some 35 members boarding the charter bus to attend the Halfway Dance in Carleton Place. A wonderful time was had by everyone as usual. What a great start to the New Year. Thank you Mississippi Squares!

The first week of Club dancing was a celebration of warmer weather –Hawaiian Night. Members pulled out their fancy shirts and put on their leis and tried to think warm thoughts on a couple of very cold nights! Club activities will continue with Valentine's and St. Patrick's parties before our focus turns to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dance in April.

Looking forward to a great 2019 with lots of opportunities for FUN, FRIENDSHIP and CELEBRATION!

Submitted by Lamar Mason



## **Club news Stone Bridge Squares**

2018 was a rather successful year for the Club. We put on a couple of demonstration dances for the Russell Fair and Seniors Over 55 Club. As a result we attracted 11 new members in September. We have reason to believe that they all will return for the upcoming season starting Friday, Jan. 11; so our caller Bob Summers will again be teaching Basic Square Dancing moves and Mainstream. All the new dancers seemed to really enjoy the dancing and the social atmosphere.



Our founding members, Dean and Shirley Benson, will be away on our first night. Having been away to Arizona since Dec. 28 square and round dancing to Don Moser, they won't return until Feb. 15. Marilyn and I were away for a couple of dances in December on a western Caribbean cruise on the Royal Caribbean Harmony of the Seas from Dec. 2 through Dec. 9, missing our Christmas dance on Dec. 8.

Over the season we also welcomed guests from other clubs, such as the "Swinging B's" from Cornwall, the "Harbour Lites" from Prescott and the "Grenville Gremlins" from Kemptville. Several of our members paid visits to their clubs during the season.

Ken Beaman



10 January 2019

## Club News **SUNSHINE SQUARES**

A highlight of our fall season is the night we go out for dinner. This year we went to the Keg Manor, in a historic stone house on Richmond Road. Some of us took a tour of the walled garden before dinner.



Many of us ate steak. It was good to see Keith and Rita Watters, who used to be our caller couple, and retired members like Pete and Nora Lyons and Pam and Ian Cuthill.

This year marks Sunshine Squares' 60th year of dancing. On November 21, we celebrated this special milestone. We had five dancing squares as well as other alumni dancers whose dancing days are over. Several Clubs were represented as well as visiting Callers Geoff Clarke and Francois Desmarais. Of course Keith and Rita Watters were there as well.



Formal presentations were made by Dave Western for EOSARDA and by Tom and Gerry Sawtell on behalf of the Ontario Square and Round Dance Federation and the Canadian Square and Round Dance Society. Many thanks to dancers of other clubs and former dancers of Sunshine Squares who came to celebrate this special occasion with us.



The end of the fall term was marked by our annual Christmas party which was held on Wednesday December 5th. Many dancers came out that evening which included a delicious pot-luck Christmas dinner, visit by Santa and his helper with Christmas gifts as well as dancing. We all had a great time of catching up, sharing our current interests and activities and discussing future plans in the coming new year.







This Winter term, Sunshine Squares is holding a Plus Workshop for those interested in learning Plus or improving their Plus dancing. The workshop runs for 13 weeks which started on January 9. The teach session is from 7:00 to 8:00 with regular dancing from 8:00 to 9:00.

Happy dancing in 2019

Canterbury Community Centre, Ottawa

Wednesdays – Plus – (7:00 – 9:00) pm

By Sophie and Peter Kwok

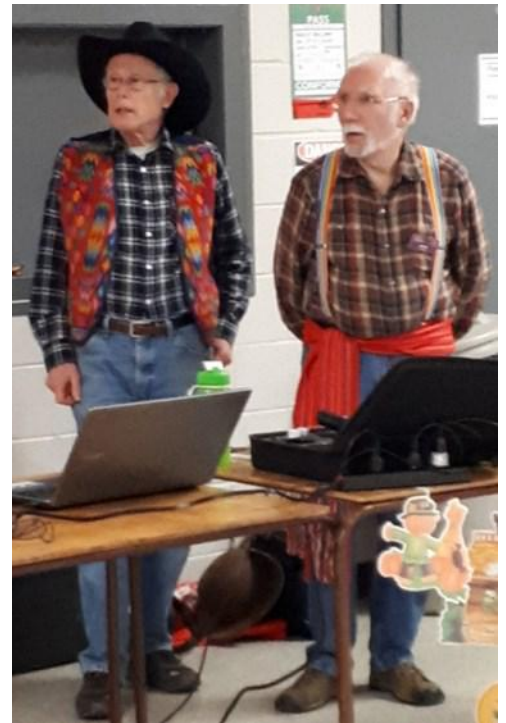
## Club News Swinging B's

The snow is falling and everything is draped in a fluffy white blanket. It is a winter wonderland that may or may not stay. The Christmas season is just around the corner and all the square dancers I know are talking about the parties they will be attending. The Swinging B's have had a wonderful start to the 2018-2019 dance year, with 8 new members joining. This new class is becoming well versed in the basic calls and they are anxious to join in with the rest of us.

The B's were proud to host the EOSARDA sponsored Harvest Hop dance this fall. The two halls were both jumping with many new and advanced dancers. Don Moger, Dave Hutchinson and Jean Clingin kept all of the dancers busy on the floor. We were so happy and grateful to see so many clubs out for this EOSARDA dance. The B's certainly put their heart into the preparations and it showed from the time you walked into the hall with the colorful fall display at the door to the delicious variety of food prepared for all the hungry dancers. We would encourage other clubs to host this fall dance should the opportunity arise.



Halloween is always fun for the Swinging B's. This year we were delighted to have many witches, pirates, a monk and one very special guest; a surprise visit from Richard. He even called one of the dance tips for us. It was so good to see you Richard.



November saw the B's getting Kilts out for their Tartans and Kilts party. We are thankful for all those who made their way to Cornwall when there is so much happening at this time of year. Brian Crawford called and Jean Clingin cued this Scottish event. We advertised a light lunch with Scottish desserts but our Bees have become excellent cooks and provided more than most would have anticipated.



Don't be surprised if you see some of these cooks on the next Greatest Canadian Chef competition show.



As you can see the hall was an explosion of color with all the different plaids worn by most everyone there.





The Swinging B's were deeply saddened with the passing of Jim Peddie. Jim and his wife Elaine were founding members of the Bee's and they supported all the clubs with their attendance and friendship. They hold a special place in the hearts of everyone who knew them. Jim and Elaine kept a lot of souvenirs from their dancing lives together. The family has graciously shared these with the club. We were able to display the Ribbons from their 40 years of dancing at our Tartans & Kilts dance. We also dedicated one tip to Jim and Elaine Peddie. It was a



fast dance because they enjoyed a tip that got the blood flowing. Our club was truly blessed to have had such a wonderful couple in our presents.

Well I think this is getting long enough for our readers. Let's get out there and dance. I'll see you all on the dance floor. Enjoy the Christmas celebrations.

Submitted by Millie Chisholm for the Swinging B's

# Club News Swinging Swallows

## We are Family

The Swinging Swallows Square Dance Club welcomes new dancers each Fall and we happily prepare so we're ready for visitors (and hopefully what turn out to be new Swallows)! This year we're happy that a whole (the part that lives at home yet) family has come to our nest!



Let me introduce the Hoelke family! This is what Mom, Lana, wrote:

"Hello! We're the Hoelke family and we decided to try Square Dancing this year. Truth be told, I decided Steve and I needed something more to do than work, pay bills and clean the yard! I saw a sign at Riverside Park advertising the Swinging Swallows Square Dance Club and looked it up online. Since Steve was away working in Nunavut at the time and I didn't want to go to the open house alone, I dragged two of my children along. They were pleasantly surprised to discover they really enjoyed it and wanted to keep attending. Steve wasn't sure he would like it or how his sore ankle would handle the movements, but he is glad he "didn't have a choice" and has caught up with no problems!

Interesting fact: We had square dancers at our wedding twenty-five years ago and discovered that it was this very club that participated. There is at least one "original" dancer still attending the club today that danced at the wedding.

We are a family of six. Steve was born and raised in Pembroke. He graduated from Algonquin College, Ottawa and after marrying, began his nursing career there. I was born in Deep River and I also graduated from Algonquin College, Ottawa. Together we have been in the nursing field for twenty-six years working in Deep River, Ottawa, North Bay, Pembroke/surrounding area and Nunavut.

Our oldest children Adam and Abigaile were both born in Ottawa. Adam attends the University of Ottawa in the music program and Abi attends Trent University in the Forensic Psychology program. They say they are jealous we didn't try this when they were around!

Our third child Kadrienne was born in North Bay and is now a Grade eleven student at Valour High School in Petawawa. She enjoys crocheting, drawing, reading, playing guitar and writing stories. She hopes to attend Canadore College, North Bay in the Cinematography program to pursue a career in film making/directing. Her favourite subject is English.



Our youngest, Keegan, was born in North Bay and is in Grade six at Valour Elementary School. He likes basketball and soccer. He collects Pokémon cards and loves playing League of Legends that his brother introduced to him. His goal is to get better and compete with Adam. He enjoys drawing too. Keegan loves to be on the move so square dancing is perfect for his “on the go” personality! His favourite subjects are gym and recess.



As a family we love to camp at our trailer at Camp Mishewah. We spend as much time there as we can during the summer. We play a lot of board and card games, kayak, swim, read and have movie nights with candy and chips!

Now we can add square dancing to the list of fun things we like to do together! We look forward to seeing the other club members and we feel very much included and valued. To be honest I’m not sure who has caught on the quickest.... the weekly instruction and assistance have been so awesome I think we’re all doing great! It was great fun to participate in the special club night like Halloween. We dressed up and feasted on finger foods!

It has been very satisfying to join this club and learn a new skill. Cheers! Steve, Lana, Kadrienne and Keegan.”

The whole family seems to be dancers! They don’t miss a move! They blend right in with the rest of the members and they look like they’re having fun!

The Swinging Swallows are very happy that the Hoelkes have decided that modern square dancing is something they can do as a family, and we hope other families will sign up, too. The Swallows even boast of a ‘family package’ in our rates!





Mississippi Squares presents

Spring Workshop 2019

# Introduction to

# Plus

Tuesday Evenings 7:30 to 9:30

with

**Brian and Amy Crawford**

Dates: May 7 - June 11, 2019

Number of classes: 6

Prerequisite skill level: Dancers should have danced two years at the Mainstream level, and be comfortable and confident with the full Mainstream program.

Location: Brunton Community Hall,  
1702 9th Line, Blacks Corners, ON  
(3 km south of Carleton Place on Highway 15)



This workshop progresses through all of the calls at the Plus level, with the emphasis on standard positions. It will be fun and interesting for both Mainstream dancers wanting to move up to Plus, and for Plus dancers who want to improve their dancing skills and increase their dancing enjoyment.

Workshop fee: **\$40** per dancer  
Payable by cash or cheque, in advance  
Please make cheques payable to *Mississippi Squares*.

For more details,  
call: **Nick or Karen Burn** 613-461-0150  
president1@mississippisquares.ca  
or **Betty Goodwin** 613-256-0551  
Website: [www.mississippisquares.ca](http://www.mississippisquares.ca)

## Plus Workshop Registration

Plus Workshop May 7 - June 11, 2019 Brunton Community Hall **\$40** per dancer

Please register for the workshop as a dancing couple. Call if you need a dancing partner.

	Name	Phone Number	Email
Dancing as Left-Hand Dancer (Boy's Position)	_____	_____	_____
Dancing as Right-Hand Dancer (Girl's Position)	_____	_____	_____

Mail registration form with cheque to:

Muriel Hanneson, Treasurer  
PO Box 156, Almonte, ON K0A 1A0

\*\*\* Register early to ensure a space in the class. \*\*\*

# Summer Magic Plus Trail In Dance

**Thursday August 22, 2019**

**Darryl Lipscomb**

&

**Don Moger**

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**\*Weekend Includes\*  
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- ♦ 7 Super dance sessions
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**August 23,24,25,2019**

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# Square Dance Clubs

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Queen Elizabeth Public School,  
689 St. Laurent Blvd. Ottawa  
Caller: Paul Adams  
Contact: Paul and Judy Adams  
613.824.4262  
[pau1452@sympatico.ca](mailto:pau1452@sympatico.ca)

## BAY WAVES

Basic/MS Friday, 7:30pm-10:00pm  
Northwind Community Centre  
262 Len Purcell Dr, Constance Bay  
Caller: Ron Gardner  
Contact: Charles Henderson  
613-832-1869  
[bay.waves@live.ca](mailto:bay.waves@live.ca)

## CHARMIN' PROMENADERS

Plus, Wednesdays, 7:15-9:30 pm  
Seaway Senior Citizens' Club  
506 Pitt St., Cornwall, ON  
Contact/Caller:  
Wendy VanderMeulen  
613.987. 2711  
[wendyv@sympatico.ca](mailto:wendyv@sympatico.ca)

## COOKIE CLUB

Full Advanced, 2nd, 3rd & 4th  
Sundays 2:00pm-4:00pm  
Roy G. Hobbs Seniors Centre  
5 Larch Cres, Orleans  
Caller: Paul Adams  
Contact: Paul and Judy Adams  
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[pau1452@sympatico.ca](mailto:pau1452@sympatico.ca)

## Glengarry Tartans

Beginners + Basic  
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Contact: Carole & Bernie Lauzon  
613.-931-1783  
[clauzon55@sympatico.ca](mailto:clauzon55@sympatico.ca)

## GRENVILLE GREMLINS

Basic/MS/ Plus Tips  
Monday 7:30pm-9:30pm  
North Grenville Municipal Centre  
285 County Road #44  
Kemptville  
Caller: Geoff Clarke  
Contact: Peter Matthews  
613.258.3690  
[kemptvillesquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:kemptvillesquaredance@gmail.com)

## Crazy A's

A1  
Friday 7:30-10:00 PM  
St. Mark's Anglican Church  
1606 Fisher Ave, Ottawa  
Caller: John Charman  
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen  
613.987. 2711  
[wendyv@sympatico.ca](mailto:wendyv@sympatico.ca)

## HARBOUR LITES

Basic/MS Plus Teach  
Wednesday, 7pm-9:30pm  
Presbyterian Church Center &  
Dibble Streets, Prescott  
Caller: John Charman  
Contact: Gerald & Marlene  
Casselman  
613.652.4232  
[gm.casselman@gmail.com](mailto:gm.casselman@gmail.com)

## KANATA SQUARES

Basic/MS Thursday  
7:30pm-9:30pm Dick  
Brule Community Centre  
170 Castlefrank Rd, Kanata  
Caller: David Currie  
Contact: David & Marie Currie  
613.521.5292  
[david.currie@sympatico.ca](mailto:david.currie@sympatico.ca)

## LAKE SHORE WAVES

Basic/MS/Plus  
Thursdays, 7:00pm-9:00pm  
Baltimore Recreation Centre 23  
Community Centre Rd,  
Baltimore  
Contact: Teresa Wood and  
Duncan Slater  
905.372.0194  
[teresa.wood@hotmail.com](mailto:teresa.wood@hotmail.com)

## LIFT LOCK SQUARES

Plus/Advance, Wednesday  
6:15-7:00pm A2  
7:00-7:30pm A1  
7:30-9:30pm Plus  
Activity Haven 180 Barnardo  
Ave Peterborough, Ontario  
Caller: Joe Uebelacker  
Contact: Fred & Linda Levitt  
705-304-3707  
[linda.m.levitt@gmail.com](mailto:linda.m.levitt@gmail.com)

## LIMESTONE DANCERS

Plus/Advance  
Monday 6:30pm-9:30pm  
Basic/MS  
Thursday 6:30pm-9:30pm

## Poison Park Public School

165 Robert Wallace Dr, Kingston q  
Caller: Dave Hutchinson  
Contact: Nancy Werthman,  
[werthman62@gmail.com](mailto:werthman62@gmail.com)

## Lockits

AI A2 Wednesday  
9:15am-12:00pm  
Brunton Community Hall  
1702 9th Line, Beckwith  
(Carleton Place)  
Caller: Geoff Clarke  
Contact: Geoff & Teena Clarke  
613.724.8438  
[caller.geoff@bell.net](mailto:caller.geoff@bell.net)

## MERI SQUARES

Basic./MS  
Tuesday 7:30pm-10:00pm  
Plus  
Thursday 7:30pm-9:30pm  
Westminster Presbyterian Church 470  
Roosevelt Ave, Ottawa  
Callers: John Charman, Wendy  
VanderMeulen  
Contact: Francois Desmarais and  
Barb McLellan  
613-798-9163  
[francoisd2@rogers.com](mailto:francoisd2@rogers.com)

## MISSISSIPPI SQUARES

Basic./MS  
Tuesday 7:30pm-10:00pm  
Plus  
Friday 7:30pm-10:00pm  
Brunton Hall 1702 9th Line, Blacks  
Corners (Carleton Place)  
Caller: Brian Crawford  
Contact Nick & Karen Burn  
613-461-0150  
[njburn@rogers.com](mailto:njburn@rogers.com)

## MONTREAL ACEY DEUCEYS

A2/C1 CI Teach Mon/Thurs call for  
location & times  
Pointe Claire, Quebec  
Montreal, Quebec  
Caller: Don Moger  
Contact: Avena Smolkin  
514.744.6097  
[avena@videotron.ca](mailto:avena@videotron.ca)

# Square Dance Clubs

## **NAPANEE PIONEERS**

Basic/MS/Plus  
Friday 6:30 pm  
(1st half hour is line dancing)  
Southview Public School  
18 Golf Course Lane at Cty Rd 8,  
Napanee  
Caller: Dave Hutchinson  
Contact: Elwood & Marg Hughes  
613.354.6828  
[margaret.hughe@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.hughe@gmail.com)

## **OPEONGO SQUARES**

Basic some MS teach  
Tuesdays 2:00pm-4:00pm  
call to confirm time & date  
Opeongo Seniors Centre  
19 Stafford St, Barrys Bay  
Caller/Contact:  
Roger Moreau 613.628.6626  
[jrmoreau@distributel.net](mailto:jrmoreau@distributel.net)

## **OTTAWA DATE SQUARES**

Basic/MS/Plus  
LGBT friendly  
Wednesdays 6:30 pm- 8:45pm  
Room 201, Jack Purcell  
Community Centre  
320 Jack Purcell Lane, Ottawa  
Caller: Mark Benoit  
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud  
613-424-2992  
[OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com](mailto:OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com)

## **QUINTE TWIRLERS**

Basic, MS, Plus, Lines  
Wednesday 6:30  
Line Dance 7:00pm-9:30pm  
Harmony Public School Belleville  
Caller: Dave Hutchinson  
Contact: Bob Jones 613.478.6630  
[jones\\_family@sympatico.ca](mailto:jones_family@sympatico.ca)

## **RIVERSIDE GYPSY SQUARES**

MS/Plus/Rounds  
May/June/July/Aug/Sep  
Every 4th Weekend  
(Fri/Sat/Sun)  
Check Schedule  
Various times  
Happy Acres Campground  
2 Green Acres Rd, Brockville  
Various Callers and Cuers  
Contact: Mary Anne Reinhard  
613.838.5781  
[mareinhard@sympatico.ca](mailto:mareinhard@sympatico.ca)

## **SATURDAY SQUARES**

No experience necessary  
Tom Brown Arena  
141 Bayview Rd. (at Scott)  
Saturdays — once a month  
No Level — anyone welcome  
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen  
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen  
613-987-2711,  
[wendyv@sympatico.ca](mailto:wendyv@sympatico.ca)

## **SKIRTS N FLIRTS**

Basic/MS/Plus  
Friday 6:30pm-10:00pm  
Canton Central School, Banford  
Elementary School Cafeteria  
99 State St, Canton N.Y  
Caller: Bob Brown  
Contact: Alan & Sandy Brown  
315.543.2175  
[sadushbrown@gmail.com](mailto:sadushbrown@gmail.com)

## **STONE BRIDGE SQUARES**

Basic  
Friday 7:00pm-9:00pm  
Mother Theresa School  
1035 Concession St, Russell  
Caller: Bob Summers  
Contact: Dean and Shirley Benson  
613.445.2073  
[dsbenson99@rogers.com](mailto:dsbenson99@rogers.com)

## **SUNSHINE SQUARES**

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

## **SWINGING BS**

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

## **SWINGING SWALLOWS**

Basic/MS/Plus  
Thursday 6:30pm-7:00pm  
Plus 7:00pm-9:00pm B/MS  
Wesley United Church Hall  
275 Pembroke St E, Pembroke  
Caller: Francois Desmarais  
Contact: Renton Patterson  
[publiced@bell.net](mailto:publiced@bell.net)

## **VILLAGE SQUARES**

Basic/MS  
Wednesday 7:30pm-10:00pm  
Roy C. Hobbs Community Centre  
109 Larch Ave, Orleans  
Caller: Paul Adams  
Contact:  
Bob and Gabrielle Forsyth  
613.833.2601  
[gandbforsyth@bell.net](mailto:gandbforsyth@bell.net)



# Round Dance Clubs

## **CAPITAL CAROUSELS**

Parkdale United Church  
429 Parkdale Ave  
Phases 3 to 5  
Monday 10:00am 12:00pm  
Phases 3 to 4  
Thursday 10:00am 12:00pm  
Contact: Gavin Currie  
613.739.9593

[president@capitalcarousels.ca](mailto:president@capitalcarousels.ca)

[www.capitalcarousels.ca](http://www.capitalcarousels.ca)

## **LIMESTONE DANCERS**

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

## **MISSISSIPPI SQUARES**

Ph 2 Teach + Beginner  
Mondays 7:30pm-9:30pm St. Mary  
Catholic School  
4 Hawthorne St., Hawthorne at  
Lake Ave  
Carleton Place  
Cuer: Jean Clingin  
Contact: Bill Ableson and Sharon  
Bartlett  
613-253-5364  
[shae@barberryridge.ca](mailto:shae@barberryridge.ca)

# Line Dance Clubs

## **CAPITAL CITY LINES**

Beginner Mon 1:00pm-2:00pm

Wed 1:00pm-2:00pm  
Alexander Community Center 960  
Silver Street, Ottawa Caller: (AJ)  
Diane Poulton Contact: Diane  
Poulton 613.729.4974  
[clogger13@sympatico.ca](mailto:clogger13@sympatico.ca)

## **GOT LINES**

Intro/Beginner/Improver  
Tues 2:00pm-2:30pm  
Intro to Line Dance 2:30-3:00pm  
Beginner/Improver  
Richmond Arena  
(Richmond Memorial Centre)  
6095 Perth St.  
Richmond  
Caller/Contact: Dave Western  
613.838.5428  
[dlwestern@yahoo.com](mailto:dlwestern@yahoo.com)

## **GOT LINES**

Intro/Beginner/Improver Thurs  
7:00 7:30 pm Intro to Line Dance  
7:30pm 8:30pm  
Beginner/Improver Upper Hall,  
Johnny Leroux Arena  
10 Warner Colpitts Stittsville  
Caller/Contact: Dave  
Western 613.838.5428  
[dlwestern@yahoo.com](mailto:dlwestern@yahoo.com)





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**Contacts: Wendy VanderMeulen**

**[wendyv@sympatico.ca](mailto:wendyv@sympatico.ca) 613 987-2711**

**Dave Western**

**[dlwestern@yahoo.com](mailto:dlwestern@yahoo.com) 613 838-5428**

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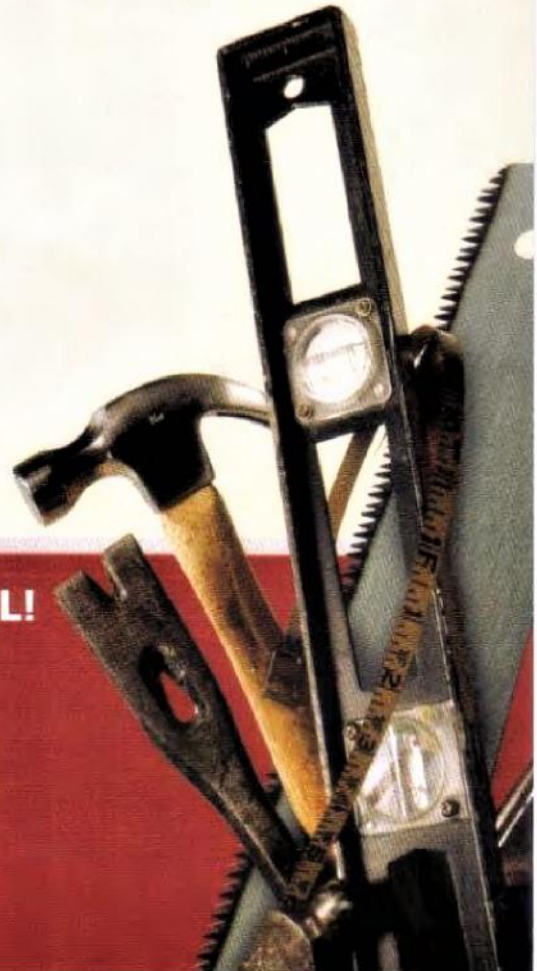
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SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS ..... 1:30 – 4:30  
3 ROOMS, ALL PROGRAMS

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE ..... 7:00 – 9:30  
3 ROOMS, ALL PROGRAMS

SUNDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS ..... 9:30 – 11:30  
3 ROOMS, INTRO TO ROUNDS, DBD PLUS, A1, A2

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



## MEALS

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