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NEW BLOOD

(by Tom McGrath)

September is the month for beginners, so let us talk about beginners.

First, who are beginners? Do we need them? How do we treat them? And finally, how do we keep them?

We were all beginners in square dancing once, although some dancers seem to forget that fact. A beginner is a person who has become interested in square dancing in one way or another, quite often because they can see that square dancers have such a wonderful time. They want to learn, but it seems all so confusing watching advanced square dancing. Therefore, they need convincing that square dancing is really easy to learn. So the first and important step in obtaining beginners is to impress upon them that square dancing is an enjoyable pastime well worth the time spent in learning and any average person can learn if he really tries.

Do we need beginners? Well, if you take one hundred beginners who have finished a beginners' class and form a club, you have a nice-sized club—over twelve squares. No need to take any beginners into a club this size, is there?

Now it is a proven fact that out of 100 per cent of new dancers, 10 per cent will quit in one year, 70 per cent will last up to two years, 18 per cent square dance up to five years, and two per cent will go on forever. So if this 12-square club never teaches any new beginners they will be down to twenty dancers in two years. This, then, is the over-all picture of square dancing. You must have new people coming in all the time to replace those who have dropped out. Without beginners, square dancing could die out in only a short time. Beginners are the lifeblood of

square dancing. Think about this, then go out and find some beginners if you wish your pastime to go on and on.

How do we treat them? Tenderly! It is sometimes very hard to convince some beginners that they are not spoiling your fun when you are trying to help them. If you are going to help with beginners, learn to do it the right way. Let there be only one teacher—the fellow on the stage. Never push or pull any square dancer, especially a beginner. If you can't keep them going straight without shouting at them or pushing and pulling, let them make a few mistakes. They will learn. You did. Speak to them make them welcome, let them know that square dancing is fun and easy enough to learn if they just relax. Don't scare them off by laughing at their mistakes, or putting on a sour face. Smile! Try to remember when you were a beginner. think of all the things which may have upset you at the time and do not make the same mistakes that other advanced dancers may have made in trying to help you. The best helper at a beginners' class is an advanced dancer.

Who can make the beginners believe he is one of them and still skilfully help them learn? How do we keep them? Answer this question and every caller will be your friend for life. Most of the answers are already put down in "How do you treat them?" Much has been written about why square dancers drop out — there are thousands of reasons, the simplest being that they have just lost interest. Now with beginners it is different. They are interested or they wouldn't have shown up for the classes. Don't kill that

In Answer to Eric Wendell

In answer to Eric Wendell's article about our famous Docey-Doe —

Dear, dear, Eric:

We were terribly dismayed that the Vics were so depraved As to holler in all the wrong places. But please let it be known, if exuberance was shown. It was pleasure, not pain, on their faces.

So the callers went hence to discuss this offence One that they would deplore. Yet it doesn't make sense, no one spoke in defence Of a poor old Vic. and his squaw.

Did nobody mention the dancers' dissension Of calls that mean the same thing. Like a slide thru — a star thru, but done with no hands, Or a turn thru which is just a hand swing.

Here in the South we're not down in the mouth. At funerals we have undertakers But at square dances it's fun to greet everyone Like friends, like callers, not dictators.

And finally, dear Eric, we don't care a skerrick For whom our holler displeases. As my name is George Bell we will holler and yell In a Do Si Do till hell freezes.



interest by doing anything point at all times—it is in the like pushing, pulling, ignor- best interest of square dancing ing them, or just not being that we get beginners and friendly. Remember, one keep them.

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for them picking the winners.

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Victorian Jottings

Some of the news hereunder may appear a little out of date, but was inadvertently omitted last month. Apologies to Wally Cook and ciubs — your August news got lost.

—Pat and Les Schroder
HAPPY VALLEY

We are most happy to announce the engagement of Margaret Mason and Robert Duncan who first met at Happy Valley, so, of course, once again we take all the credit. All our good wishes, Margaret and Robert.

Queen's Birthday weekend was very pleasantly spent with our Adelaide visitors, Mollie and Jim Wyld, who danced with us on Saturday night, and then on Sunday. They accompanied a number of our dancers on a day trip to Marysville. We had dinner and tea at the Cumberland and afternoon square dancing in the lovely dance room. Our thanks to John Stockton who was chauffeur to our visitors—even took them mushrooming on the way up—but no result. Glad you arrived home safely, Mollie and Jim, we loved having you.

Everyone was pleased to see Lance Lanc looking so well again.

CAMBERWELL

We also had some Adelaide visitors in Andrea Dodson and Ken Gray who danced to Brian Townsend. Mary and Les Watts from Reservoir came bravely back after a ten-year absence from square dancing. This gives us a warm glow and we hope Mary and Les will stay with it. We're helping Noel Sullivan bear up under the strain of the approaching weddings of daughters, Kathy and Margaret.

Marysville Weekend

Both our clubs combined for our yearly weekend trip to The Cumberland, Marysville. Many thanks to our couples who split up into ladies and gents dormitories so that we could fit everyone in. Entrepreneur, John Millard, arranged an exhibition from Praiseworthy College which left nothing to be desired. Headmistress, Miss Juniper Long, was an extraordinary caller, and such singing and dancing of pupils of Susan and Robert Cowan, Ian Bell, Bev. Rattan and John Millard and Bev. Newman and Frank Blackham! It did rain, of course, so Saturday afternoon we square danced and learnt a new version of Kentucky Waltz. Saturday night was the big dance, with packed hall and wonderful atmosphere. Sunday morning we all got out in the sun for fresh air, and in the afternoon,

more dancing, and an interesting workshop—those chalk lines certainly helped keep us square!

Bob Mann and Ross Godden both celebrated birthdays during the weekend.

We thank Perc Gallop for the lovely pendant which he donated for a special effort, proceeds of which go towards our Melbourne Convention. It was nice to have Perc's family join us on Sunday. Thanks, dancers, for helping us make this the best weekend ever.

—PAT and LES SCHRODER

ALPHINGTON

Our dance of the year was a very great success with ten sets in attendance. A very pleasant feature was the large number of young people joining in. The ability of young and old to come together with happy results is quite pronounced at Alphington. New dancers are catered for by the teaching of Pat Schroder who takes great delight in this. After instruction, newcomers are soon able to take their place in the main hall where the enjoyable calling of Les Schroder is soon appreciated. Thanks to Bev Newman, Frank Blackham and Reg and Gwen Perry for their help in the teaching room.

Next dance, September 15, but please ring and check.

BOX HILL

Our visitors' night last month was a great success. It was nice to see former dancers, Betty and Jack Vertigan, dancing again.

Other new dancers going particularly well are Peg and Ken Miles with daughter, Carol. Visitors to the Club this month were George Johansen and Ken Stafford from the Seymour Club.

Eric Brown squared a silent night last week when he contracted an infected throat. Conversation was nil. Who sent the card, Eric? Deepest sympathies were expressed to popular dancer, Helen Johnson and her family on their recent bereavement.

Seems as though our gav young blade, Les, has found a new interest in the hall. We're missing that happy chappy, Alan Droscher, since he started that extra work. Hurry up and finish, Alan, and rejoin us. Our big night will be September 26. This will be our third birthday and we plan a few surprises for this night.

Winner of last month's raffle was popular member, Aileen Collins.

SEYMOUR

This very successful club of eight sets operates on Friday

nights under caller, Ron Menic. Although the Club started only last June, the dancing has reached the happy medium standard and some members are so keen that they have travelled to Melbourne to visit the Box Hill Club, danced all night, and then returned to Seymour the same night—a mere 70-mile journey and on a Tuesday night, too!

By far the busiest beaver is George Johanson who to this moment has been down to Melbourne in four occasions.

Two sets will be attending Ron Whyte's cabaret on the 18th and will travel home for their Saturday night dance on the 19th. If anyone sees any bleary-eyed dancers walking around that night, they will know the reason why.

WHITEHORSE

Some people don't know the name. It was Blackburn, now we are known as the Whitehorse mob. Jack Murphy is still the caller. Notice that Mel (Sleepy) Boak has a smile on his face at last. Could it be a new girl friend (the third in a month, I believe). A quote of Brian L., would you believe.

Notice a certain fellow has finally bought a battery for his Falcon. Thank goodness, we don't have to push it any more. We are looking forward to Ron and Ella Whyte's cabaret on Friday, August 18.

—THE BARON

To all our friends at the Sunnyside Club, Victoria:

We received a tape from Claire yesterday, and she told us that you were at a square dance convention in Queensland. Isn't it strange that on that same night we saw a convention here in Las Vegas, Nevada.

It was held in a building called Convention Center—a huge building, designed to produce large-scale conventions and shows. The large outer circle of the building is fully carpeted, with magnificent gold staircases which wind down from the balcony to this completely round foyer. The centre floor is like an interior football field with a cement-like floor patterned in wide circles and the centre spotlighted. Fifty-four sets were in the grand parade, and Vic. estimated that eighty sets could dance quite comfortably on the floor.

Twenty-four clubs displayed their banners which were hung round the balcony with names like Country Cousins From Yuma, 8 Teens (a group of twenty-four young people) Awaw We Goes—From Las Vegas, Star Dusters from the Air Base, Square Wheels (the emblem was a wagon

with square wheels) Cow Belles And Cow Pokes, and each banner matched the colour of the frocks.

And their frocking was beautiful. Everyone wore SI frocks with so much tulle underneath that the skirts stood out like ballerinas'. The men men matched their partners' colours and materials in brightly coloured satin shirts with spangled designs to match the partners' blouses. Some wore real cowboy styles with vests and high-heeled boots and cowboy hats. Many wore a ring through their belt on their hip with a small towel hanging through it and with a black hand printed on it. The whole thing was an elaborate show.

Some callers we could not follow as they had a broad Texan accent, and I suppose the calls are different. We were familiar with a few of the old tunes, and of course the round dances were lovely. We watched from the balcony and did not dance, but we sure enjoyed it. Everyone was laughing and happy, as usual and all drinking Coca-Cola.

We watched an hour of exhibition dancing and it was a beautiful sight with just the spotlights on the dancers. We were particularly thrilled with one group which consisted of two sets. Partners wore the same colours in bright satin shirts or blouses with elaborate sequin work on each and each couple was a different colour so it was easy to follow them through the two sets with stars and cross trails etc., to the opposite end and back again to their original place. They did not make one mistake and received terrific applause when they finished.

—from Vic and Vi White (Vic. editor: The Whites are on a five-year tour of America and Europe. They have another three years to go. They have met many square dancers and callers, and send home tapes to all their friends on their travels).

SUNNYSIDE

The weather has been so cold lately that Brian had his first dance in his overcoat. An operation was performed and the coat removed. Visitors this month were George Johanson from Seymour, and a visiting American seaman, Irwin, who was very impressed by the friendliness of our Club. Irwin has promised to contact us again when his ship arrives back from Fremantle.

A good crowd has been rolling up at Balaclava Road and the kitchen staff have been busy coping with tea and soft drinks. Even cups were getting a bit short.

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Square Whirl

COLLARROY PLATEAU

Twelve members of Collaroy Club had a happy time at the 6th Annual Square Dancing weekend at the Palais Royal, Katoomba, arranged by the Rose Bay Club on July 15 and 16. A thoroughly good time was had by all. There was square dancing on Saturday afternoon and the big dance at night as well as many sessions of round dancing — to say nothing of the after-party in Jenny and Wal Gresley's room. Alec Winston came in for a good deal of chaffing over his electric blanket and this, as well as Jess Pickworth's many sudden entrances to our party, was the cause of a great deal of hilarity. We are all looking forward to the pre-wedding party we are giving to Ted Thomas and his fiance, Lyn Dean, on Friday, September 1. All their friends will be very welcome. We will be arranging the purchase of one gift from the proceeds of the evening in preference to individual gifts. Tea is provided.

We were happy to receive seven visitors from the Allemanders on Friday, August 5.

GREENWICH PROMENADERS

Three full squares of the Promenaders visited the Newport Club last month. We enjoyed our visit with Roy Welch and friends, and had the pleasure of returning their visit to us. With the Dundas Promenaders we mustered our seventy dancers at the Annual Society Ball at Paddington. Several of our members and frequent visitors were among the teams in the competition and they put up a good showing. There was also the Gow mix-up this month. It seems that on the fourth Saturday the Gows went to two separate dances, only G. went with N. and I. went with G. now G. is married to I. and N. to G., so if she went with he and he went with she, who went with me? No doubt George Speare could come up with a poem to settle this question. Just as soon as he removes his new slippers. We will be having a party night on October 24, so watch for further news.

ROSE BAY-BLUE PACIFIC

We held our Annual away-from-home-mini-convention at the Palais Royal, Katoomba, on the third weekend in July and it was very successful. This is Rose Bay's sixth pilgrimage to the Mountains — something that began in 1962

with just a small party of two squares. This year no less than 13 squares danced to Les and Lucky and their helpers. Dancing raged the whole weekend — no going out in the cold, cold snow. The ballroom is located within the hotel. The only let-up was late Saturday night for the after-parties. Space and threats prevent the writer from exposing any of the "carry-ons". However, instead of the usual monthly billboard, Editor Jack is bringing out a special edition to be known as the Rose Bay Whisper, so if you want to know more about a callers' wife doing the "Can-Can" at 3 o'clock Saturday morning, order your Whisper now.

We closed our car fund for the Psychiatric Centre, Prince Henry Hospital, with \$350. We didn't do it all on our own. Thanks to all other Clubs who rallied round us for social activities to raise funds.

DUNDAS PROMENADERS

Pretty member, Gai Scobel, is now engaged to Howard Revel. We wish you every happiness, you two.

This has been a good month for us. Some of us visited Newport and we had a wonderful time at the Ball. Don't believe everything Tom tells you. Barnacle Bill isn't our only fun dance.

We have a ball doing dances that other dancers take seriously. The Westerners took part in the competition at the Ball and they looked really nice.

This month will see our second birthday party night on September 13. As usual, everything will be given away except the hall. We also hope that some of our skiers will be on their feet for the night. On the following Wednesday, September 20, we will accept beginners, so send your friends along to us. Happy to have visitors, Barry Collier and Pete Mason, from Newcastle this month.

CIRCLE 8 — LAKEMBA

A big Thank You to the many friends for their cards and flowers, also all those who visited me during my recent stay in Bankstown District Hospital — Alice Thompson, Circle 8.

July has been a fairly quiet month probably because a lot of our members have to travel rather long distances and find it hard to leave the fireside these cold evenings. Jean Radford, although not able to dance after her leg injury, has been sitting on the sideline

and we are very pleased to see her back again. Charlie Thompson has been looking a bit tired lately, and he reckons housekeeping is not as easy as he thought. He tells us Alice is now hobbling around the house with 12 lbs. of plaster still on her right leg, but she is feeling much better and starting to give a bit of cheek.

We are happy to announce the arrival of a brand new square dancer this month, another grandchild for Jess and Bev Pickworth. We understand that there was quite a lot of interest in the stork derby which was running on this event but we haven't heard yet who was the winner.

We are keeping our fingers crossed for a fine day for the Club picnic at Audley on August 13.

DUNDAS SATURDAY PROMENADERS

The Promenaders are booking to go to Newcastle for the six-hour weekend. We were happy to see Ken and Olive at the ball and we will be looking forward to seeing them and other Newcastle friends on the weekend.

Last month's dance was, as usual, a rip-roaring success. Georgespeare was missing, having gone to the mountains for the cure. It didn't work — he still writes poetry. Bob and Dawn Milligan brought along a friend and it had Tom worried all night as to why Bob was bobbing in and out of the hall like a yo yo. When we visited Newport, Phil Bottomley dented the floor with a good solid fall, no bones broken. Phil didn't even miss a game of golf.

ALLEMANDERS, DUNDAS

Wal Balfour has resigned as president, an office he held for a number of years. Thank you, Wal, for all the work and effort you have put into the Club. Thanks also to Bess for the assistance she has given Wal during his term as president. It will be nice for you both to just be dancers now for a change.

Saying goodbye to our past-president we welcome George Bell as our new president. George has always been a very active member in our Club and we know he will continue to do so now he is president. Jess will be a big help to George in many ways and she is also our popular hostess at the Allemanders always with a welcome and a ready smile for everyone, visitors and members alike. Good luck to you both. Thanks also for the good work done by our quiet secretary, Edgar Gange. With letters and phone calls, he's a busy boy. Thanks also to Don Strawbridge, who, look-

ing after our money, is always busy on the door. Especially we'd all like to thank our tea man, Arthur Wilson, always with the cup that cheers. A very special thank you to Tom McGrath, who very kindly brought his equipment one night for us to dance to, owing to a slight breakdown we had.

Everyone is welcome to come to the Allemanders at any time and dance to the calling of Vince Spillane.

LOST, at the ball, one grey cardigan, belonging to Ron Jones.

FOUND, at Gosford — one overcoat and Ann's pink pants.

FOUND, at the Ball — four very nice plastic cups.

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New Corner Girl for Terry and Maureen O'Flaherty — Kathleen Margaret, 5 lb. 7 oz.

FUTURE DEADLINES — October 7, for November-December issue. Please do not forget to list your 1967 closing and opening dates in 1968, plus Christmas party night dates.

Jim Donaldson Country and Western Square Dance Clubs

The winter season is with us, but one easy way to get warm is to square dance.

This group is very active with learner classes and demonstration evenings and has brought square dancing to the notice of many enthusiastic groups.

A forthcoming visit from Christchurch square dancers is being keenly anticipated.

An added attraction recently was a showing of slides of square dancing events and activities over the past months, including our Easter camp. Unfortunately, no cameras were at hand to record the star event of the weekend, when Jack made a superb four-point landing while trying to cross the river. Luckily, a change of clothes saved the day.

Jim Donaldson, our caller, has provided the more experienced dancers with very attractive and enjoyable Saturday night programmes.

Our wanderer, Richard Corry, has returned from his visit to Australia with much praise for the hospitality of Australian square dancers. Bundanoon was a highlight of his trip and he has a soft spot for Perth and its square dance folk.

Newcastle News

NEWCASTLE

Some forty Newcastle dancers journeyed the 100 miles to Paddington and joined hundreds of square dance friends in a wonderful evening. Some drove back the same evening and some made it an all-night session. Once again, thanks, Sydney, for a most enjoyable evening.

The Newcastle Club's next big event is the annual Sydney/Newcastle get-together. Dates to remember are September 30 and October 1, and the venue for this weekend is the Police & Citizen's Boys' Club, Broadmeadow. Proceeds of this weekend are for Society funds so your attendance at this function will make another memorable occasion.

MACQUARIE ROUND-UP CLUB

Because of business commitments, our secretary, Darby Williams, has had to resign and our new secretary is now Len Bannister. It is good to see some of our new square dancers accepting office and we know that Len will do a mighty job. A special vote of thanks was passed to Darb for his previous efforts and we have every confidence that he will continue with his loyal support.

Our efforts to teach round dancing every Wednesday night have been highly successful and it has been clearly evident from the enthusiasm displayed, that at least a proportion of Newcastle dancers will be able to participate with their Sydney square dance cousins during our October weekend get-together and also during the three-hour round dance session allocated for our 1968 Convention on Saturday afternoon, June 8. These lessons are free — all you have to do is to make the effort to come along and learn.

We received a letter from Ron Matthews recently, and he sends his love and best wishes to all his old friends. He says there is no square dancing in Malaysia, but he is saving up for a tape recorder so he can get some tapes from here and teach some of his mates. He also says that when he comes back he is going to teach us the Malayan Cha Cha.

John Dixon has been busy training his 16 "Kahibah Kuties" for another exhibition. It is quite possible they could be our star turn at the Matara Festival in September.

B. BAR H. CLUB NEWS

As indicated by the pamphlet recently distributed by our caller, Brian Hotch-

kies, our Club has left the Y.M.C.A. and obtained a very nice hall at Garden Suburbs, and our Club now dance on a Tuesday night.

At a meeting of members it was decided to call our Club the B. BAR H.

However, our annual camp to be held on the weekend in November at Crangan Bay is definitely still on.

On Tuesday night, July 11, the official opening of our new Club was held. About 7 squares rolled up for the occasion and a good night was enjoyed by all.

The beginners' class, started by the Hunter Valley Square Dance Society in the John Young Hall at Cardiff on a Thursday night and run by Brian Hotchkies, is being very well attended. Including advanced dancers, about eight squares turn up each night.

There was also a good roll up of club members at the State Society Ball, held on July 29, 1967.

SIR — To all the dancers and callers whom I met in my travels through Australia who made me welcome and went out of their way to ensure that I enjoyed myself, I wish to offer a sincere 'thank you.'

—RICHARD CORRY

Wandering Kiwi P.S.: If I wrote the name of every square dancer who personally helped me in one way or another, I would require a full page of this Review. Such is the power of friendship in square dancing.

SIR — In answer to Graham Rigby's article, I submit the following:

Dear Graham—In your article on basic standardisation, I thought you would have realised that what was decided in Adelaide was to teach all new basics from Sets In Order, and to use S.I.O. as the official source of new basic material. It would have been too large a step to have made immediate changes in the whole square dance field.

All callers surely have known that they were not complying with basic movement Californian style. As you mentioned, we do not use the forearm grip. I feel it's a pity, but there you are. However, this style is danced in Brisbane at the University Club under (Dr) Ivor Burge. We gained our pigeon wing method from Joe Lewis. In my own clubs I like the dancers to dance with arms in front

when promenading. In the case you mentioned, i.e., promenading with the right arm round the lady's waist, there is bound to be confusion, for example, should the caller call right and left grand from this promenade. With the arm round the waist the man is instinctively going to pull his partner by the left and start the right and left grand with his right hand lady, whereas when promenading correctly with arms in front he already has his partner's right hand in his right and merely begins the right and left grand as called.

Sashay round your corner and see-saw round your taw American style is a beautiful movement, full of grace. Our version, merely a figure eight, again gained from Joe Lewis, is a poor substitute.

SUNNYSIDE (from page 3)

Nine sets were on the floor at Ron's new room at Wickham Road this month. Everyone voted it a wonderful night with a good floor show, good music, and Ron was in top form. The ladies out-did themselves with the supper. There was not much left over. The grand opening will be held in a month's time when the room is finally completed.

Date to remember — combined picnic at Heatherton Reserve, Sunday, October 15. The monster raffle will be drawn on this day. The proceeds from the raffle will be going towards the Melbourne Convention. The picnic proceeds will be for the Square Dance Review, so don't miss this day. All welcome.

WHITEHORSE

The Whitehorse Square Dance Club has been reformed and for the time being will operate on a fortnightly basis, at two different venues — at Kerrimuir Presbyterian Church Hall, Harrison St., Box Hill Nth., on the first Saturday of every month and at St. Andrew's Church Hall, Whitehorse Rd., Box Hill, on the third Saturday of every month.

This club was previously known as the Blackburn Club but now that we are operating in the Box Hill area, has reverted to our original name. The caller is Jack Murphy, who recently returned from a world tour. Jack was very fortunate to have had the experience of being guest caller at 18 different clubs whilst travelling through U.S.A.

It is nice to have all our old stalwarts back with us — Marian and Bob Lockyer and family, Jim Toivonen, Ken Vosper, Tom Cridge,

In my own clubs we mostly swing buzz step. May I refer you to Clark Kugler's booklet on basic square dancing, available from S.I.O. for \$1.00, which I feel would lead you up to the motion adopted in Adelaide, to support S.I.O. descriptions as a guide. The early movements, I feel, will only change when some of the callers who persist in teaching these movements leave the field.

Happy squaring to the basic end.

LES SCHRODER

Dear Editor — My wife, Pat Schroder, has been advocating for some time that basics be printed in the Square Dance Review. Should be better than some of the jokes.

Victorian News

Valetta

Arrangements are in full swing for our weekend at Marysville, on September 30. A big crowd going and lots of fun ensured.

Nice to see Jeanne Cook, Peg Green and Nancy Cook back after recent illness. Veronica Pendlebury has passed her first-aid exams, so if any of the boys pass out during a dance we will be able to bring them around quick and lively. Birthdays have been celebrated by Sinie Dowd, Betty Fitch, Mavis Patten, and Jim Mallon, and anniversaries by Jack and Maisie Charlesworth, Norm and Iris Clark and Merv and Thelma Groves.

Big surprise the other night when Wally had a ring from Bill McGrath, seems Bill is back in Melbourne after calling in California, U.S.A., and is expected to pay us a visit in the near future. Getting close to our birthday party night and the date should be known by the next issue.

Wally Cook.

Peter Hansen, Brian Smith, Mel Boak, June Ferris, Janine Wilson and many others. It is also very pleasing to welcome so many new dancers to our club, which all adds up to a happy atmosphere. We wish to thank the Lockyer family for their hospitality in allowing us their home for a colour-slide evening where we saw all the highlights of the Brisbane Convention.

South Australia

MODBURY CIVIC CENTRE
The second square dance cabaret was held recently and again proved successful. About 100 were in attendance. The Clgvercrest Progress Association are a really keen group of workers and must be congratulated for their efforts. Arrangements are underway for another cabaret this year. These should be the fore-runner of many more nights of this type for next year.

WALKERVILLE
With the lowering of the standard of dancing at this club we are getting along with more new faces on the scene every week. Many of these folk are ones who attended

SOUTHERN CROSS
With the advent of the colder weather dancers seem to be approaching our club dance with added zest and it's good to see.

We welcomed back Jack Bayly after a long illness and despite the fact that he looks for a spell now and then he still enjoys his dancing. Congratulations to Barbara Booth and Roger Weaver on their recent engagement. They have been regular dancers since the club's inception and everybody wishes them every

happiness for the future. the Modbury cabaret where our dance was advertised many times through the night.

Plans are underway for our 4th birthday party dance to be held on October 23. Everyone is invited and dancing will be of easy standard. Plenty of fun and prizes are in store for all. Another trip on the Port River Showboat is being held on Sunday, October 15, leaving from the Sugar Company Wharf at 6 p.m. Cost for the trip is \$1 adults, 50c children. Anyone interested in the trip is asked to contact Brian Townsend as soon as possible as numbers are limited. All profits will go to the club funds.

Jim and Molly Wyld were in Melbourne recently and went along to dance to Les Schroder and said they had a great time. We know that callers and their dancers are thrilled to have visitors from interstate but the visiting dancers are the ones who get the real pleasure from the hospitality they receive. The fortnightly dance at Elizabeth is coming along nicely and our last dance saw nine sets on the floor.

Allan Frost.

LAUNCESTON

We are beginning to think that we will have to have an extra day in the week, just for staying home and catching up on some rest.

Among our activities during the past few weeks have been a very enjoyable evening at Fingal to dance to Geof. Haywood, and visits to Ashley Boys Home. Geoff, although somewhat hampered by an infected hand, took to the floor readily when we produced the records of Jiffy Mixer, etc., taken along at his request.

For the first time in years we can proudly announce we have a surplus of boys.

Strange, though, two girls seem to be able to dance together quite easily and readily, but to get two boys on the floor together takes quite a bit of persuasion! Two new girls did make their appearance for a short time a couple of weeks ago. Welcome, Desmond Webber and Billie Faulkner. We do hope we will see more of you.

To celebrate this year's association with Ray Bramich and his clubs on the north west coast we are making a visit to Wesley Vale on Saturday, August 26. Ray's club at Sheffield was the first we attended on the coast after the rebirth of square dancing in that area last year. Wesley

Vale are having a party night on August 12, and naturally we will be there on that night too. Just try to keep us away.

Congratulations to newly-weds, Mr and Mrs Reg Neville. Reg is the son of club president, May Neville (and, of course, Mr) and although we didn't see much of him on the dance floor, he has been a willing worker in bringing along his mother each Wednesday.

— SHIRLEY CASBOULT FORTH

The young demonstration set being trained here is coming along nicely. Although many of them started with two left feet and two right hands, they are now starting to make good progress.

Thanks go to Elaine Little who has been putting in her lunch hour at the school giving them extra coaching.

One of our regular dancers, Alex Cruickshank, almost climbed the "Golden Stairs" for the last time when he came in contact with a high tension line carrying 22,000 volts. Fortunately, it did not carry him, but tossed him away and although he suffered severe shock and burns, he is now well on the road to recovery.

Tom McGrath, you will be pleased to note we have a name for our Club—"The Tasmanian Devils". No comment, please.

— TREVOR CULLEN

MELBOURNE HIGH SCHOOL

Proudly Presents its

Ninth Annual Square Dance

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1967

with

CALLER LES SCHRODER

and Guest Callers

in

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Dancing — 8-11.30 p.m.

DRESSED SETS, ROUND DANCING AND BALLET SEQUENCE

TEA PROVIDED

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Square Your Sets

(A Round-up of Queensland News)

FOURTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

The "S-Bar-B" Club, of Ashgrove, will celebrate its Fourteenth Anniversary on Friday, September 1, and all are invited to their "Back To Childhood" party. With novelties, games and special prizes for the best dressed lady and gent, this night should be a winner. And, two weeks later, on September 15, the annual "Rosebowl Hoedown" will provide the usual colour and excitement in friendly, competitive dancing. Don't miss either of these big nights.

HEMMANT SUCCESS

Caller Rodney McLachlan has just completed the initial three dances at his new Hemmant Club and members are looking forward to a special party night on Saturday, August 26. This lodge-sponsored group has invited a number of other lodges to join with them socially and a large crowd is expected. The club dances on Tuesdays, fortnightly, and visitors are always welcome.

"CARNIVAL OF FLOWERS"

Toowoomba's "Carnival of Flowers" is once again with us and the weekend of September 23-24 will see square dance fun aplenty in the "Garden City". And dancing at the carnival this year will be the "Skylarks", of Ashgrove, "Western Stars", of West End and members of Toowoomba's "Dance Club '66". Visiting Brisbane callers will include Graham Rigby, Johnny Wilkinson and Rodney McLachlan.

"EKKA SPECIAL"

Well, it's come and gone, but will long be remembered by those who attended. Hosts of the evening, the "Cross-Trail Twirlers", of Coorparoo, decided on a change of venue to their club hall, and, with caller Johnny Wilkinson presented a non-stop program of fun, everyone just had to enjoy themselves. Novelties included mock "Wood-chops", "Sneep Dog Trials", "Motor Exhibits" and even a "Fireworks Display". Well done, Coorparoo.

"KEDRON WHIRLAWAYS"

That's the name of Queensland's newest junior square dance club and with a membership of nine sets, is currently the largest as well. And, this

month, dressed teams in their new colours of blue and gold will appear at a "Spring Fair" at Wilston, on September 2, on the "TV Square Dance Club" on September 16 and at a girl guide fete at Mount Gravatt on September 30. All in all, it's a big month coming up.

"STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL"

Each year the rich Redland Bay area, near Brisbane, presents its "Strawberry Festival" with a procession, the "World Championship Strawberry Eating Contest" and a queen competition as highlights. Square dancing will be an added attraction on Saturday, September 2, at the Cleveland Showground, when the "Western Stars", with caller Rodney McLachlan, will be featured. Sounds like a great day out.

MARIST BROTHERS COLLEGE

Saturday, July 22, was the date of the big square dance at Marist Brothers College, Ashgrove, sponsored by students of the eighth grade, with Graham Rigby calling. The setting was delightful with twenty-five teenager sets and several adult sets dancing for the first time.



JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

A special demonstration by "Western Stars" is planned for their "Spring Fair" on September 16, with further dances at the school to follow. Following the State Finals of Junior Calling on television in August and September, the Junior Country Square Dance Championships between North Coast and West Moreton Districts will be staged in October. The winners will meet Brisbane champions, Moorooka, in the Junior State Finals in November and a great contest is expected. Our Christmas programme, the "Parade of Champions", will feature both the top junior dancers and callers of this State.

Watch For Them

The square dances to be used at the Second Annual Festival of Square Dancing to be held in the Lane Cove Town Hall on Friday, November 24, 1967, are:—

GOLD: "Everybody Loves Somebody". Grenn 12090.

"Coney Island Washboard Gal". Grenn. 12089.

SILVER: "Red Wings." Top. 25145.

"Richest Man In the World". Windsor. 4864.

BRONZE: "Oh, Lonsome Me." Windsor. 4863.

"Where is the Circus". Windsor. 4870.

SENIORS: "Wooden Heart." Top. 25028.

"Your Cheating Heart." Swinging Square. 2326.

JUNIORS: "This Old Riverboat". Grenn. 12072.



NINTH CONVENTION NEWS

The Convention Committee have finalised the preliminary details and we assume that all square dancers have had the opportunity to read the August issue of the Review. The August Review gave you all the details, so hurry with those application forms.

To elaborate on some points, we wish to mention again the essay competition, namely, "How I would run a Convention". All you have to do is write a letter explaining your views and ideas on "How I would run a Convention". Closing date for these entries was inadvertently mentioned as November, 1967, but should have been January 29, 1967. The winner's name will be announced in the April issue of the "Review". The most constructive and informative entry will win two Convention tickets.

We have also ten (10) Convention tickets selected which are numbered between 1 and 200 and the holders of these lucky tickets will have their remittance refunded. Have those application forms returned to our secretary in the near future and give yourself a chance to have a free weekend.

Address all your correspondence to our secretary, Angus Cook, 153 Grinsell St., Kotara. 2288.



Western Australia

SATURDAY: White Gum Valley Guide Hall, Nannine Ave. Les Johnstone, 36-816 (day). 74-6297 (evening).

Tasmania

LAUNCESTON— Every Wednesday, Heathcote Hall, Penquite Rd., Newstead.

BURNIE— Monday: Texas Stars. Upper Burnie Hall; Graeme Whiteley. Phone Forth 28-2117.

New Zealand

MONDAY
RICCARTON (B). Methodist Church Hall, Clarence St. 8 to 10.30 p.m.

RANGIORA. Celtic Hall, Rangiora. Phone Rang. 59. 8 to 10.30 p.m.

TUESDAY
CHRISTCHURCH (B). Whirlaways. Scout Hall (rear of 277 Stanmore Road). 85-8183. 8.30 to 10.30 p.m.
Linwood Ave. Primary School. Beginners, Art Shepherd. 7.30-10 p.m. Phone 885-675.

WEDNESDAY
CHRISTCHURCH. Whirlaways. Scout Hall (rear 277 Stanmore Road). 85-8183. 8.30 to 10.30 p.m.

CHRISTCHURCH: Banks Ave. Twirlers, Club Level, Art Shepherd, 8-10.30 p.m. Phone 885-675.

DUNEDIN: Wagon Wheel. School Clair's School Gym Int. 32716
Jim Donaldson Country art Western Square Dance Club. 38039

THURSDAY
CHRISTCHURCH
Banks Ave. Twirlers, Beginners, Art Shepherd, 8-10.30 p.m. Phone 885-675.

FRIDAY
PAPANUI AREA: (B). Art Shepherd. Various Halls. Contact Don Finlayson. 5167. 8.30 to 10.30 p.m.

SATURDAY
CHRISTCHURCH: Cathedral Squares, Club Level. Art Shepherd, YMCA, 8-10.30 p.m. Restricted. Telephone 885-675.

CHRISTCHURCH: 2nd Saturday Whirlaways. Intermediate and (A). Scout Hall, rear 277 Stanmore Road. 85-8183. 8.30 to 12 midnight.

Special Dances for Tuesday and Thursday once per month contact Art Shepherd, 885-

Your Dance Diary

* Denotes a restriction on numbers applies. Ring the number shown before attending; (B) denotes beginner standard. (A) Denotes Advanced. All Dances Weekly unless stated otherwise.

New South Wales

MONDAY:

PUNCHBOWL: Ron Jones, Old R.S.L. Hall, Rossmore Ave. 70-7118.
DUNDAS (Allemanders): Vince Spillane, 1st and 3rd, Town Hall, Marsden Road. 86-5219.
RHODES (A): Roy Welch and Arthur Gates, 2nd and 3rd, Sea Scouts' Hall, Ryde Bridge. LY 9208.

TUESDAY:

NEWCASTLE: Garden Suburbs Community Hall, Prospect Road. Brian Hotchkiss.
GREENWICH (Promenaders): Tom McGrath, Community Centre, Greenwich Road. 85-3821.
ROSE BAY: Lucky Newton and Les Hitchen, Church Hall, corner Dover Road and Old South Head Road. 30-5075.

LAKEMBA: Circle 8. Bev. Pickworth Scout Hall, Ernest Street. 784166

WEDNESDAY:

MACQUARIE (Roundup Club): Henk Johannessen, Community Hall, Whitebridge. Wednesdays. 42381
DUNDAS (Promenaders): Tom McGrath, Town Hall, Dundas, Marsden Road. 85-3821.

THURSDAY:

MIRANDA: Arthur Gates, Kindergarten Hall, opposite station. 57-7404.
RIVERWOOD (Bev Pickworth): Scout Hall, Bond's Road (rear of Total Service Station). 602-5427, 78-4166.
RHODES: Round Dance only, 3rd Thursdays, Sea Scouts' Hall, Ryde Bridge. 50-9208.

BEXLEY NORTH: Frank O'Mara. Catholic Hall, Bexley Road. 57-5415.

CARDIFF (B): John Young Community Centre, Thomas Street, Brian Hotchkiss.

FRIDAY:

MIRANDA (A): Arthur Gates, Kindergarten Hall, opposite station, 1st Friday of month. 57-7404.

COLLARROY PLATEAU: Len Woodhead, Progress Hall, Hall Avenue. JF 1205.

NEWPORT BEACH (B): Newport Surf Club. Roy Welch, 50-9208.

NEWCASTLE: Henk Johannessen, Transport Hall, Hamilton. 41 933

SATURDAY:

DUNDAS (A) (Promenaders): Tom McGrath, Third Saturday, Town Hall, Marsden Road. 85-3821.

DUNDAS (Docey Doe): Bev. Pickworth, 4th Sat'day, Town Hall. 78-4166.

BELMORE (Square and Round): Bev. Pickworth and Avis and Jack Nimmo, second Saturday, Scout Hall, Lark Street. 632-6685, 78 4166.

RIVERWOOD: Bev. Pickworth, first Saturday, Scout Hall, Bonds Road, (rear Total Service Station). 602-5427.

NEWCASTLE (Merewether Surfside 8 Club): Esmae Edman. 63-2170.

NEWCASTLE: Henk Johannessen. Al-

ternate Saturdays, C. of E. Hall, Grin-sell Street, Kotara. 57-4371 or 57-3910.
NEWCASTLE: Brian Hotchkies. Altern-ate Saturdays, C. of E. Hall, Naughton Avenue, Birmingham Gardens. 55-8515.

PARRAMATTA: George Bishop. Altern-ate Saturdays, Y.W.C.A., Campbell Street. 635-9723.

BELROSE (A): Vince Spillane, 2nd 4th Saturday. Ralston Ave. 94-4186

CHATSWOOD (Whirlaways): Wal. Crichton and Terry O'Flaherty. Second Saturdays, Congregational Hall, Anderson Street. 982-3158, 94-2694.

BELMORE (A) (Rambler): Ron Jones, fourth Saturday, Scout Hall, Lark Street. UY 7118.

BELMORE (*): Ron Jones, third Sat-urday, Scout Hall, Lark Street. UL 5330.

GREENWICH (*) (A): Ron Jones, first Saturday, Community Hall Centre, Greenwich Road. XM 2292.

LEPPINGTON Doug Edwards. Sec-ond Sat. each month. Progress Hall, Ingleburn Road. 607-7868.

SUNDAY:

WESTMEAD: Bev. Pickworth. Second Sunday Westmead Boys' Home Hall (at railway station). Phone 78-4166.

Canberra, A.C.T.

THURSDAY (Lakeside Club): Hughes Community Centre. Alternate Thurs-days, Laurie Edgar, Roy Hegarty. 81-2875.

Queensland

TUESDAY:

HEMMANT (B): Rodney McLachlan, fortnightly, Memorial Hall. Phone 96-3302.

MILTON: ("Wheeling Eights") Round Dance Classes, Elva Hoppe and Arthur Page, fortnightly. Phone 71-2932.

WEDNESDAY:

KIRRA: Kirra Beach Hotel, Gold Coast, Eric Wendell. Phone 95-5606.

THURSDAY:

FORTITUDE VALLEY: Senior Citizens' Centre, Berwick St., Graham Rigby, monthly. Phone 56-1251.

HOLLAND PARK: ("Marshall Stars"), Marshall Road, State School (Jnr.), Graham Figby, monthly. Phone 56-1251.

KEDRON: ("Kedron Whirlaways"), State School (Jnr.), Graham Rigby, fortnightly. Phone 56-1251.

MILTON (B): ("Wheeling Eights"), Eric Wendell. Phone 95-5606.

FRIDAY:

ASHGROVE: ("S-Bar-B") St. Barnabas' Hall (Tram Stop 12), Graham Rigby. Phone 56-1251.

SATURDAY:

COORPAROO: ("Cross Trail Twirlers"), Scout Hall, Cavandish Road, Johnny Wilkinson. fortnightly. C/- 91-1148

IPSWICH: North Ipswich Scout Hall, Graham Rigby, monthly. Telephone 56-1251.

MILTON (A): ("Wheeling Eights"), Eric Wendell. Phone 95-5606.

TOOWOOMBA: ("Dance Club '66"), Y.W.C.A. Hall, Laurel Bank, Bill McHardy. monthly. T'woomba 52155.

ST. LUCIA: *("University"), Club Dancing and Basic Nights on alter-nate weeks, Ivor Burge.

WEST END: ("Western Stars"), State School (Jnr.), Graham Rigby, fort-nightly. Phone 56-1251.

Victoria

MONDAY:

GARDENVALE: Ron Whyte, teenagers, Scout Hall, Spinks Street, 95 1496.

TUESDAY:

CARNEGIE ("Valetta"): Wally Cook, Scout Hall, Mimosa Street. 24-5518.

CAMBERWELL: Les Schroder, Foot-ball Pavilion, Camberwell Road. 69-4921.

BOX HILL: Ron Mennie, Scout Hall, Elgar Road. 88 4834.

MOORABBIN: Ron Whyte (B): Wick-ham Road. 95-1496.

WEDNESDAY:

CAULFIELD: Ron Whyte, fortnightly. Tennis Club Hall, Balaclava Road. 95-1496.

MOORABBIN: Ron Whyte. Fortnightly. Wickham Road. 95-1496.

BENTLEIGH CLUB' *Wally Cook. Monthly. 24-5518.

THURSDAY:

CAULFIELD (Round Dance): Edna Batchelor, Tennis Club Hall, Balac-lava Road, 53 5763.

FRIDAY:

ALPHINGTON: Beginners' welcome. Monthly. Youth Centre, Heidelberg Road. 69-4921. Les Schroder.

BRIGHTON: Wally Cook (Teenagers). Congregational Hall. M'thly. 24-5518. 24-5518.

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RINGWOOD: Wally Cook. Monthly. Youth Centre. 24-5518.

FRANKSTON: Eric Clarke. Fortnight-ly. Balcombe Street. 783-2792.

SATURDAY:

CAULFIELD ("Sunnyside"): Ron Whyte, Bowling Club, Queen's Ave-nue. 95-1496.

WILLISON ("Happy Valley"): Les Schroder, Scout Hall, Fordham Avenue. 69-4921

CARNEGIE: Wally Cook. R.S.L. Hall. Rosanna St. Monthly. 24-5518.

BOX HILL NORTH (Jack Murphy): Presbyterian Church, Harrison St., 1st Saturday. 89-6971.

BOX HILL (Jack Murphy): 3rd Satur-day, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, White Horse Road. 89-6971.

South Australia

MONDAY:

WALKERVILLE: Druids' Hall. (Happy Medium). Stop 12 Main North East Road. Brian Townsend 51 3559, weekly.

PLYMPTON: Monday Weekly Be-ginners, Dudley Avenue, Allan Frost. Phone 65-1351.

THURSDAY:

PLUMPTON: Hayhurst Hall, (Ad-vanced). Allan Frost. Weekly. 65-1351.

SATURDAY

ADELAIDE HILLS: Mylor Hall. (Be-ginners). Brian Townsend, 51 3559, fortnightly.

MYLOR, Mylor Hall (B), (fortnightly). Brian Townsend. 51-3559.

SUNDAY:

ELIZABETH SOUTH: (Fortnightly), Beginners, School Hall, Cnr. Harvey Road and Fairfield Road, Allan Frost. Phone 65-1351.