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"La Ronde" The Round Dancer

"Convention time is here again; a chance for old friends to say hello; it's entertainment in the style we know."

These are the first lines of the opening chorus used in the Rest-a-While Revue, staged by Arthur Gates at the 11th national, Sydney, and come to mind with everyone agog about the 12th at Perth.

What a wonderful thing to take part in and experience the joy of these happy conventions!

Many will want to add to their own collections of records those dances seen and learnt at the round-dance session in the west. "Lovers' Song" on Belco 241 was the enjoyable one taught by Les and Pat Schroder. (Do not confuse this dance with the one put out by Blue Star label.) The demos were: Victoria, "So In Love"; Queensland warmed up with "Summer Holiday"; and N.S.W. came in with "Merry Widow". The latter being on Grenn 4133. Seems there could be something in the order of those titles!

Nice to know of yet another club, Allen Thomas, Tamworth, joining in the round dancing. Welcome, all you folk up north.

As promised, more on men's shirts. From Victoria there is the import from the U.S.A. — but need for care on a good fitting. Also a bright idea, use collar tabs and matching

or contrasting bolo; this will transform the plainest shirt. Queensland too, had their thinking caps on. The modern sewing machine has ingenious embroidering attachments and your own designs can put a plain shirt into the exclusive bracket.

Questo: Paul says the giggle sheet for a round dance looks like a page out of his wife's knitting book! XIB 23 draw banjo roll W. across to box! What does it all mean?

Respondo: It's a long subject and I will phone Paul. But, for the benefit of all, we will run a mini quiz each month, giving the cue abbreviation; then, at the foot of this column, a short explanation. See how you go with these for a start: (1) L.O.D. or C.C.W., (2) R.L.O.D. or C.W.

Happy to hear from Yvonne and Jack Looby, now living on the Gold Coast. They have got a square together and started dancing at their home. An American couple, Bill and Betty Schneider, who used to dance with Vince Spillane and Jack and Gloria Delaware, make up the set. That is pretty good recruiting in anyone's book. Bet is, won't be long before they have another square! Jack and Yvonne extend an invitation to any square dancer visiting the Gold Coast to join them.

Mini-quiz answers: No. 1 refers to the direction in which a dance progresses or travels around the hall; same way as we go in a promenade. The cue is line of dance or counter-clockwise.

No. 2. Yes, that's right — the opposite direction, the cue being reverse line of dance or clockwise.

Remember these and watch each month for our mini quiz, you will soon know both the square and round dance language.

Happy dancing!
THREE-QUARTER TIME.



IS NOISE TURNING PEOPLE AWAY FROM SQUARE DANCING?

(By JIM WHITE)

Although I have been square dancing for 22 years, circumstances have resulted in a temporary reduction in my square dance activities during the last six months. These six months have helped to confirm something I have suspected for many years, namely: that square dancing is far too noisy and that probably this is one of the main factors in people leaving square dancing.

I first came to suspect this some five years ago, after a severe cold, I found that my left ear would vibrate if I square-danced too close to the speakers. This started me thinking, and I suddenly realised that some five years before that I used to sit up close to the stage, and during those five years my friends and I had slowly moved down the hall to the back because the dancing was becoming too noisy. In the old days, with less sophisticated equipment, noise didn't seem to matter so much; but nowadays, with the new equipment, it is possible for a caller to literally blast you right out the door.

There is one location in Sydney where two callers call on different nights of the week. Last year I observed that it was easier listening to one caller than the other. As an experiment I asked the louder caller if he would try one bracket turning the music and his voice down considerably. This he did, and everyone remarked how much more pleasant the dancing became.

I had always listened to the radio and television set

louder than usual because of my father's deafness but since my recent marriage I have grown used to a lower noise level. Recent attendance at square dancing now shows me just how much noise square dancers have been enduring over the years. A recent Four Corners programme has pointed out the seriousness of too much noise and too much exposure to it.

There seems little doubt to me that most of the main callers in Australia have become so accustomed to this higher noise level that they are completely unaware of the increased volume. I would even venture to say that many of the major callers in Australia have lost part of their hearing, and I base this comment on the fact that it does seem very hard to converse with many callers in a quiet manner.

One must seriously ask the question: Is it possible that many of the dancers we lose are lost due to over-exposure to noise? Quite obviously this is a matter deserving serious consideration by the callers and dancers of Australia.



N.S.W.: **LEARN TO ROUND DANCE
AT THE RENDEZVOUS**

(See Diary)

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SQUARE DANCERS OF THE MONTH

Up to now, each of our "Square Dancers of the Month" has been someone that most of us know well. To make this column more interesting, we have had the idea at one time or another to write up a beginner. The only thing wrong with that idea was that by the time we were sure the beginner was going to stay with us, he was no longer a beginner!

This month we have a couple to introduce who have done a lot in square dancing, have been around quite a while, and yet are strangers to almost all of us. We sincerely hope that in the years to come we will all get to know: **JIM and DOTTY FLOYD**, of Alice Springs.

Jim and Dotty started square dancing in 1954 with a club called Harry's Hoppers in Arlington, Virginia, U.S.A., and, because Jim was in the military, they have danced in many different places. They now live in Alice Springs with two of their four children — Juanita, age 14, and Robert, age 12.

Jim now works for the U.S. Government in Alice Springs. Their two oldest — Carol and Barry — are married and live in the U.S.

In 1959, while they were stationed in Yokosuka, Japan, their club, the Honey Bucket-ers, lost their callers due to rotation, and Jim was elected to take up calling.

Since then they have either called for or belonged to clubs in Frankfurt, Germany; Silver Spring, Maryland, U.S.A.; Omaha and Bellevue, Nebraska, U.S.A.; Annandale, Virginia, U.S.A.; with a variety of names like Harry's Hoppers, Patio Whirlers, Beaux and Belles, Merry Mixers, Square-n' Eighters, Missing Links, and now the Centre Squares, spelt with an "re".

They have held many executive positions with various clubs. Jim was the first elected chairman of the Far East Square Dance Callers' Association and chairman of the European-American Square

Dance Callers and Leaders' Association.

They have run or helped to run several workshop week-ends and jamborees.

Jim shared the programme with Tommy Cavanaugh in London's Spring Jamboree in 1964.

Dotty has conducted round-dance classes in Germany. They have danced in Virginia, Maryland, Oklahoma, Texas, Iowa, and Nebraska, California, U.S.A., Japan, Germany, France, England, and now Australia.

Jim's hobby? Square-dance teaching. And Dotty's hobby is sewing and quilt-making. Jim also likes fishing and gardening, while Dotty likes cooking for those who enjoy eating, gardening, meeting people, travelling, and church work.

Their thoughts on square dancing:

1. It's the greatest therapeutic aid there is for frustrations and tensions.

2. For the outlay, there's not a better couple activity for meeting new friends.

3. There's much to be said for the square and round-dancing activity that is done throughout the world. The words that best describe it are the overseas dancers' motto: "Friendship is square dancing's greatest reward".

TOM McGRATH.

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70-7118 Caller: Ron Jones

TASMANIAN TOPICS

BURNIE TEXAS STARS

Our best wishes go to club members Rene and Ern, Barbara and Ern and Fae for the journey to Perth for the convention, together with dancers from Tassie Twirlers' Club.

The dressed set are kept busy with rehearsals for a musical play in September, "Call Me Madam," in which we are featured in the square-dance scene.

KINDRED TASSIE TWIRLERS

Another group beginning at Sheffield when caller Graeme W. returns from the convention and W.A.

LAUNCESTON

Colin was co-M.C. at a social night recently at Rowells and did a good job in charge of the square-dance segment.

Maureen and Les are off to mainland for a working day. Good luck to you! Too many "sickies" sitting



on the sidelines these days; we'll have to do something about it.

TASSIE TWIRLERS

First of all, thank you to Les and Connie and all West Australian dancers for their very friendly hospitality, even turned on typical Tasmanian September weather for us. Sad to say, a few of the callers went down with the "Sydney wog". Once again on behalf of the Tasmanians, thank you, W.A.

GRAEME WHITELEY.

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TUESDAY NIGHTS: WEST AUSTRALIAN DIARY

SUNDOWNERS' SQUARE DANCE CLUB, Scouts' Hall, cnr. Fitzgerald and Mable Streets, North Perth. Weekly. Caller: Kevin Kelly.

WEDNESDAY:

RIVERSIDE Square Dance Club, Maylands Yacht Club Hall, 4th Avenue, Maylands, off Guildford Road. Weekly. Caller: Barry Markwick.

GRAND SQUARES: Square Dance Club, Margaret River. Caller: Les Johnson.

THURSDAY NIGHTS:

SHANANDOAH'S SQUARE DANCE CLUB, Forster Park, Corner Abernethy Street and Keene Street, Belmont. Caller: Stephen Turner.

FRIDAY NIGHTS:

SOUTHERN STARS SQUARE DANCE CLUB, Busselton Swimming Club Hall, Busselton. Caller: Les Johnson.

SATURDAY NIGHTS:

WHITE GUM VALLEY SQUARE DANCE CLUB, Girl Guides' Hall, cnr. Nannine Avenue and Stephen Street, White Gum Valley. Caller: Les Johnson.

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Meg. Donaldson, 37-4975 Evening. Ray Hastie, 35-6524 Evening.
Fred Nottley, 37-1061 Day; 35-3668 Evening. Kevin Kelly, 35-6073 Evening.
Colin Crompton, 39-4414 Day or Evening.

TASMANIA DIARY

LAUNCESTON: Wednesdays, 31-1563. Heather Hall, Newstead, Penquite Road.
KINDRED TASSIE TWIRLERS: Alternate Wednesdays. Graeme Whiteley (Forth 28-2117).

BURNIE: Texas Stars, Fridays, A.P.P.M. Service Building, Marine Tce. Max Youl, 31-1696.

KINDRED: 1st Saturday. Phone 28-2117. Workshop. Graeme Whiteley.

NEW ZEALAND DIARY

WEDNESDAY:
DUNEDIN: WAGGON WHEEL CLUB, MacAndrew. Int. School Hall. Ken Willcocks. Phone Co. 890.

DUNEDIN: COUNTRY AND WESTERN SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Jim Donaldson. Phone 38039.

DUNEDIN: HANDS ACROSS THE SEA. Beginners. Phone 34-649.

SATURDAY:

DUNEDIN (A): Jim Donaldson's Country and Western Square Dance Club. 3-8039.

DUNEDIN: HANDS ACROSS THE SEA, Arthur Street School Gymnasium, Arthur Street. 65-420, 66-022.

WAY OUT WEST

SUNDOWNERS' SQUARE DANCE CLUB

First of all, we have to announce the arrival of a very special dancer and caller. It is our caller's (Kevin Kelly's) little daughter. Congratulations, Kevin and Kaylene.

Well, with Sundowners just starting to get back into routine, we are dancing 5-6 sets, and hope that after this convention it will build up more. During the convention we dance 13 or more sets with the calling of all our interstate callers and Kevin. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



I did turn-thru correctly!



WHITE GUM VALLEY

Well, I can only say that what with the convention now over, all clubs can now settle back into routine.

By all the telephone calls I have had personally since the convention, our square dancing is sure going to build up in numbers.

Very pleased to see Brian Beilken at our dance before departing for Vietnam. Hope it's not long before you're back, Brian.

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Joan Crompton, Grace Symes and Peter Melcalf, who, by coincidence, all reported turning 22 years of age, some goings on here, me thinks.

People were suffering from spots before the eyes when a certain gent advised it was only his new shirt that was causing the commotion.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to our daughter, Kaylene, and son-in-law Kelly on arrival of a bonny bouncing baby daughter, "Nicole". The youngest square at the convention.



N.S.W.:

BLUE PACIFIC EVERY TUESDAY

(See Diary)

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Square Dance President,
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COMING EVENTS:
SOCIETY XMAS PARTY:
Thursday, November 25th.

FESTIVAL OF DANCE,
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

SQUARE AND ROUNDS, BELMORE

Good crowd and a happy evening.

Jes progressing; takes time for one to be able to use one's feet after an operation.

Maybe we could teach her to dance on her hands; sure she would!

Went through the round dances for Perth.

Jack and Avis off soon for Fraser Island.

OCEAN WAVES, NEWPORT

Have waved a good-bye to Daphne and Bill Rigby, who have become part of our club. Bill is still using his sticks, but is back to his high-spirited self again.

Closed the club for a benefit night at Mona Vale Community Centre. It was a good evening and the crowd certainly participated in the square-dance sections. Who knows, maybe we will get some new dancers next year.

BLUE PACIFIC CLUB, ROSE BAY

A gay night for Rose Bay with a club visit from Ocean Waves, Newport. We thoroughly enjoyed their company and dancing.

Practically the whole club are off to Perth, so excitement is really running high; there will be tales to tell and stories to be told on our return.

ORBIT 8's, ASHFIELD

A thoroughly enjoyable walk and barbecue at Minnamurra Falls, followed by a dance at Wollongong hosted by Barry. A terrific night was had by all.

Get-well messages to the Pikes and Borgs, who haven't got back on their feet since wedded — at least, it appears that way to fellow dancers by their absence.

STAR TWIRLERS, WOLLONGONG

They certainly put on a beaut. night for their first party, changing their club from the Wednesday to the Saturday so that Sydney could attend — and Sydney certainly did.

Our congratulations to Barry Wonson for his very good calling, and also to Paul Johnson. Nobody wanted to stop; in fact, there wasn't time even for a wee cigarette in between numbers.

NEW SOUTH WALES 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

TUESDAY:

PUNCHBOWL: Waggon Wheel Club. Ron Jones. Girl Guides' Hall, Rossmore Avenue. 70-7118.
ASHFIELD: Orbit 8's, St. John's Parish Hall, Bland Street. Callers: Russ Eastment, Terry Dodd. 798-5361.

NEWCASTLE: B-Bar-H, Garden Suburbs Community Hall, Prospect Road. Brian Hotchkies. 49-7608.

GREENWICH (Promenaders): Tom McGrath, Community Centre, Greenwich Road. 85-3821.

ROSE BAY: Blue Pacific. Lucky Newton and Les Hitchen, Church Hall, corner Dover Road and Old South Head Road. 32-5031.

LAKEEMBA, CIRCLE 8, Scouts Hall, Earnest Street, Bev. Pickworth. 78-4166.

WEDNESDAY:

RYDE: Allemanders, Vince Spillane, 1st and 3rd Wednesday, Government Bus Depot, Cressy and Buffalo Roads, Ryde. 630-4475.

RHODES (A): Roy Welch, 2nd Wednesday only, Sea Scouts' Hall, Ryde Bridge. 533-1161.

DUNDAS: Sparkilate Club, Town Hall, Marsden Road, Dundas. Caller: Fred Meads, 47-1997.

THURSDAY:

CLEMTON PARK: Wanderers Club, Roy Etherington. Scouts, Hall, Shackell Avenue, Clemton Park. 57-5415.

RIVERWOOD RIVERSIDERS, Scouts Hall, Bonds Road (rear Total Garage). Bev. Pickworth 78-4166.

MIRANDA-GYMEA: 2nd GyMEA Scout Hall, GyMEA Bay Road. Arthur Gates. 727-9951.

RHODES: Pound Dancing. Avis and Jack Nimmo. 3rd Thursday. Sea Scouts Hall, Ryde Bridge 632-6685

FRIDAY:

LUGARNO SQUARE DANCE CLUB: Every Friday, 8 to 10.30. 32 Grandview Crescent, Lugarno. Roy Welch. Beginners.

EASTWOOD TOWN HALL, "Boomerang" Club, Agincourt Road, Marsfield. Callers, Jim Allan, Paul Johnston. 69-1142.

ASQUITH: Sparkilate Club, cnr. Winston Street and Sherbrook Road, Asquith. Fred Meads. 47-1997.

GREENWICH SWINGERS: Presbyterian Church Hall, 86 Greenwich Road. Len Woodhead. 43-1205.

ROCKDALE (ILLAWARRAS): Round dancing 2nd Fridays, 4th Fridays, Palais Grande — at Station. Mabs and Pat Bourke. 524-3665, 31-3173.

NEWCASTLE: Brian Hotchkies, Mara Lynne ballroom; 11 Belford Street, Broadmeadow. 49-7608, 43-4933.

WOLLONGONG: Corrimal Presbyterian Church Hall, Princes Highway, Corrimal. Terry Dodd.

NEWPORT: Ocean Waves Club, Surf Club Hall, Newport. Wal Crichton. 982-5068.

REINDEERVOORS: Round dancing, 1st Friday, Kindergarten Hall, cnr. Dennison and Ebey Street, Bnd Junction. Les, Marge and Lucky. 32-5031.

RYDE-BUFFALO SQUARES, 2nd and 4th, Govt. Bus Depot, Cressy and Buffalo Roads, Ryde. Callers: Vince Spillane. 83-7985.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS:

MERRY MIXER SQUARE DANCERS: TED SAMS. Dora Creek/Morisset area. Friday & Saturday nights. Phone 73-1519. Write C/o Post Office, Cooranbong, 2265. (Former Sunnywood Square Dancers).

SATURDAY:

1st SATURDAY: Air Force Memorial Bowling Club, Chandler Street, Rockdale. Supper provided. Bev. Pickworth. 78-4166.

BELMORE: 3rd Saturday, Scout Hall, Lark Street. 759-5330. Caller, Ron Jones.

BELMORE, SQUARE & ROUND CLUB (A), Scouts Hall, Lark Street. Bev. Pickworth, Avis and Jack Nimmo, 78-4166, 632-6685. Second Saturday month.

BELMORE (A) RAMBLERS: Ron Jones. Fourth Saturday, Scout Hall, Lark Street. 70-7118

BELMORE: Illawarras, Round and Square dancing, 1st Saturday, Scout Hall, Lark Street. Mabs and Pat Bourke. 524-3665.

BUNDANOON: 2nd and 4th Saturdays. At Wingello Mechanics' Institute. 8 to 12.

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

GREENWICH: Startimers, (A), 1st Saturday. Ron Jones. Community Centre, Greenwich Road. 46-3600.

MATTARA S.D. Club: John Dixon, Charlestown R.S.L. Hall. 4-2381, 4-1945.

NEWCASTLE: Westerners. Brian Hotchkies. Alternate Saturdays. C. of E. Hall, Naughton Avenue, Birmingham Gardens. 49-7608.

MIRANDA/GYMEA

This year has moved very quickly for us, as we have enjoyed our geust callers, Bill Sweetman and Don Craine, with Sheila and Robyn supporting their husbands respectively; not forgetting our popular Ken Joyce calling a few brackets.

Many thanks from our madcaps for making the nights swing; and last, but not least, our little Brenda ("Fred") Joyce, so very versatile and a quick-change artist at the drop of a skirt!

GREENWICH SWINGERS

On August 5, 20 members and friends had a grand night out at the 680 Coffee Theatre at Killara. We had to hold Frank's coat-tails when the girls shimmied!

The club was well represented by 14 members at the most enjoyable Carss Park 21st birthday party.

Congratulations to Bob Bygrave and Sandra Cannon on their engagement.

Glad to see Win Wallis returned to the fold from Gladstone.

BOOMERANG CLUB

Convention time in the West. We wish the lucky travellers a happy time.

Did you know a couple of our dancers have the wander bug? Take Reg. Bunton, for instance. Darwin, back home, then off to Adelaide. We missed him.

Pat Phillis had a spell in hospital. We wish her a speedy

recovery.

Luana, the sly one, kept her birthday quiet, but Leon didn't forget.

Hooroo to Paul — he is off to Perth, too.

BUFFALO SQUARES

A very interesting and enjoyable month, with quite an influx of new members. A very pleasing feature is the increasing number of young people who are joining in our fun and infusing the whole club with their youthful enthusiasm.

A visit from Les and Ena was most welcome.

Five of our members are off to Perth for three weeks.

SPARKILATE CLUB, ASQUITH

The cabaret was enjoyed by a number of our members, some of whom had their first big night out, and it was a night they will remember.

This was followed by the Carss Park 21st birthday party. We congratulate them on a marvellous evening. (Elizabeth took away two lucky prizes).

Murphy returns to Adelaide. We'll miss you, Murphy!

SPARKILATE CLUB, DUNDAS

Along with the Asquith Club, we too have been getting about. The half-way dance was another fantastic day. (Fred took a lucky prize here).

We all missed Teddy's guest

call on the Wednesday after — following the strain of Wyong's event on his tattered tonsils.

On the brighter side, we welcome another budding caller — we hope we hear more from you, Wendy.

GREENWICH PROMENADERS

Nice to see Phyl looking well.

Wal Crichton took over while Tom was at the convention. Thank you, Wal, for two wonderful Tuesdays.

Cup night will be a rory night this year.

Need a shift juggler? See Heather!

Sorry Ivy and Geoff missed the convention. Get well soon, Ivy. We all love you.

Birthdays: Bob, Geoff, Alf, Ron and Vi.

Had a good time at Shirley and Dave's wedding.

DUNDAS PROMENADERS, SATURDAY

Ena nearly scalped. Fred has a new Datsun. Noleen looking much better.

Dick in a loud shirt. Jill gave us a look at her lovely daughter.

Reviewing peel-off for the convention.

Alf, Ron and Carol away with flu.

Seven plates of sandwiches! It all happened on our third Saturday.

Birthday, Russ Eastment. He gets younger! Must have some secret; wish we knew.

N.S.W.:

Boomerang Square Dance Club

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BRISBANE, ON

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1971

THE PROGRAMME WILL BE THREEFOLD IN FORMAT, AS FOLLOWS:

1. CALLERS' CONFERENCE (11.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m.).
All Queensland callers are invited to attend for discussions with callers from New South Wales.
2. JUNIOR ROUND-UP (2.00 p.m.-5.00 p.m.).
All Junior Dancers under 14 years of age are invited to participate. Admission 40c. A Junior Callers' Contest will be featured (one boy and girl from each club). Ron Jones (N.S.W.) to judge. Free admission to all adults attending.
3. FEATURE ROUND-UP (6.00 p.m.-10.00 p.m.).
All teen and adult dancers are invited to participate. Admission \$1.00 adult, 50c student. (Children with parents, free). Non-stop programme to include general club-level dancing, interspersed with novice, open, handicap and round dance competitions, each of seven minutes' duration. Australia's top dancers from Sydney, Brisbane and Newcastle will compete. Queensland callers will be joined by a top New South Wales contingent, including Ron Jones (Sydney) and Allan Thomas (Tamworth). Square dance competitions will be judged by Toowoomba and Tamworth callers and dancers. There'll be a full three hours' general dancing on this programme. All profits from the evening will be presented to the Queensland Square Dance Clubs.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NEWS**SOUTHERN CROSS**

We welcomed several visitors to the club last month. These people were en route to Perth and it was nice to have some interstaters with us.

We were delighted to have Graham and Val Rigby with us and Graham's calling was well received. Our beginners' night has been given a real shot in the arm with the addition of two new sets. These

people are gradually settling down and are beginning to dance quite well.

Wayne Habel has left us to join the R.A.A.F. and he goes with our best wishes. He has been a regular since he started dancing about two years ago. Thanks to the members who went to the railway station to welcome the Victorian party on their way to the convention.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA DIARY

MONDAY: WALKERVILLE: Weekly. Semi-advanced. Druids Hall, corner Main North East Road and Cassie Street, Walkerville. Bus stop 12. Brian Townsend. Home 64-4864.
KURRALTA PK.: Girl Guide Hall (Beginners), Corner Cross Ice and Daly St. Allan Frost. 65-1351. Weekly.
THURSDAY: PLYMPTON: RSL Hall, Long Street. Weekly. (Advanced). Allan Frost. 65-1351.
SUNDAY: WEEKLY: Happy Medium, Druids Hall, corner Main North East Road and Cassie Street, Walkerville. Brian Townsend, home 64-4864.

NORTHERN TERRITORY NEWS**NORTHERN TERRITORY**

Our club is looking forward to a visit from Ron and Ella Whyte (Sunnyside Club, Melbourne) and this should be quite an occasion for our members.

The club is moving along beautifully and we are now

dancing five squares. In addition to this, our caller is training a children's square for an exhibition at the Father-Son banquet at the Youth Centre.

We are still trying to interest people in round dancing; perhaps members can spread the word and induce their friends to come.

NORTHERN TERRITORY DIARY

TUESDAY: Centre Squares, Alice Springs Youth Centre.
Caller: Jim Floyd.

VICTORIAN SQUARE DANCE ANNUAL MEETING

The 2nd annual general meeting of the Victorian Square Dancing Association was held on August 8 with a most successful dance before and after the meeting; 30 sets danced. Office-bearers elected for 1971/72 are:

President: Don Head.
Vice-president: Warwick Butcher.
Secretary: Marion Brown.
Treasurer: Ray Lilly.
P.R. Officer: Bill Marsh.
Committee: John Arnold, Barry Barnes, Wally Gradsack, Kevin King, Brian Luckhurst, Dorothy McCubbins, and Antonio Martino.

HALF-WAY DANCE, WYONG

What a weekend! Most of our Sydney crowd were either hailed in or washed out with the worst storm for 25 years, but still we made it. Methinks square dancers must be great people, because the weather changed, half-way there; out came the patch of blue, and by the time we arrived in Wyong, yes, sunshine.

Our congratulations to all the organisers. We had quite a good crowd, lovely dancing, a most happy and enjoyable afternoon, good calling, and beaut. hoedowns. Brian up on the stage, keeping the whole show going well.

Our thanks to Newcastle for their donation of \$27 to the society.

ALSO—

GALA INTERSTATE SQUARE DANCE

AT KEDRON STATE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM ON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1971

(8.00 p.m. - 11.30 p.m.)

General club level dancing and special welcome to New South Wales dancers and callers. Attractive demonstrations, variety and fun for everyone. Open amateur callers' contest will be included (one lady and gent from each club). Ron Jones (N.S.W.) invited to judge this event. Admission 80c adults, 40c students. Basket supper. Non-dancing adults, 40c.

DON'T MISS THIS REALLY GREAT WEEKEND OF DANCING! FOR FURTHER DETAILS, please contact Mrs. VAL RIGBY (Secretary), telephone 56-1251 Square Dancing Society of Queensland.

THE SQUARE DANCING SOCIETY OF N.S.W.

Calls for applications from Square Dancers interested in the next CALLERS' CLASSES to be run on SUNDAY MORNINGS by RON JONES.

Send applications to the Secretary of the Society at BOX 1430, G.P.O., SYDNEY.

N.S.W. (Cont.): PUNCHBOWL WAGGON WHEEL

Steve Fryer has been transferred from Brisbane to Ingleburn, so we are looking forward to seeing him again.

Congratulations to Ray and May on their new arrival, a baby girl (Julee Val-May).

Reports from Caroline, Gail and Paul have made us all envious of their trip to Perth. Oh, well, never mind, we should all enjoy ourselves in

Brisbane for the Festival of Dance.

ILLAWARRA/BELMORE SOCIAL CLUB

Our first birthday party at Belmore was the usual non-stop fun-filled dance night we all seem to enjoy. With plenty of prizes to be won, Nell, the luckiest prizewinner, blew out the candle (hope it was a lucky wish, Nell). Our grateful thanks to the callers and dancers who really make this a happy night. Mabs and Pat.

VICTORIAN JOTTINGS

SHEPPARTON

Not very much to report this time. We had a very enjoyable day at Malvern V.S.D.A. dance. A good crowd at our dance last fortnight, shortage of men, though. Thornbury visitors, Amy, Tom and Colin were at our dance this week, school holidays on, so not so many at it.

SUNNYSIDE

Nice to see Iris Clark back home for a short visit, after her accident in Brisbane. Unfortunately, Norm is still in hospital.

Congratulations to Fred and Elvie Andrews, who have another grandchild. Our deepest sympathy to Jack Jay on the loss of his father. Jack has had to fly to Germany for the funeral.

Our thanks to Bernie Hodson and Kevin Leydon for helping out with our clubs while Ron and Ella attended the convention.

MOORABBIN

Our latest casualties are Les Davis, who has had an operation, and Dulcie Pepperall, who has been very ill, but both hope to be on the train to Perth. Several dancers are down with 'flu, let's hope it's a bit warmer in Perth.

All those who went to see "Nickel Queen," enjoyed this film very much, thanks to Pat Saunders' organisation.

HAPPY VALLEY

By the time this is printed, the convention will be all over, but we know that 52 of us will have had a wonderful time, and that our bus trip down south and dancing at Busselton will be a highlight.

Thanks to Val for the lovely sponge for our special effort. Our new dancers are most welcome in our club. Keep with it!

CAMBERWELL

Don't forget Melbourne High in October!

Art and Helen off to New Guinea. Our special thanks to Dudley for ribbons and beautiful banner. Nance and Bob cruising to Suva. Charlie, who can't make the convention looking quite crestfallen when he saw those badges. Perth (Perce) isn't going to Sydney, but Sydney is going to Perth, so is Perce.

WHITEHORSE

The 4th of August saw the start of another beginners' class. What a night it was, ten sets dancing and at least another set sitting around the hall just because there was not enough room on the floor. Deepest sympathy goes to Jack Tucker, whose mother died on July 27. On July 30 Jack became the proud grandfather of a baby granddaughter. Congratula-

tions also go to Helen and Stuart, who became proud grandparents of Glen and Marilyn's first child, Jodie Ann Saunders, 6 lb. 4 oz.

VALETTA

We are all thrilled with the news of the release of Wally's second record, "Margie in Australia". Arrangements are in hand to obtain new club badges and this shouldn't be very long away. Norma Roberts and Shirley Burleigh have been on the sick list and it's great to see Jeanne back with us again.

SINGLES

The supper these nights seems to be getting bigger and better with Beatrice looking after the arrangements. The Swinging Saints Set gave a magnificent exhibition and joined in the general dancing much to everyone's delight. The progressive dinner was great, but all that food over! Pity Stocky, Harry and Gobi weren't there.

YOUTH HOSTELS

With Doug and Ron and Carol handling the organising, we have been introducing some new novelties. Learning the "Everywhere Mixer" was fun and brought everybody on to the floor. The barbecue was a great success and another one is planned for the near future.

ROSANNA EAST

A successful dance is now operating at St. Stephen's Hall, Lascelles Avenue, East Rosanna, with Brian Ewert calling. Our numbers are steadily increasing and more new faces would be welcome. We had a successful Jinx Night with visitors from Box Hill.

BOX HILL NEWS

Cut lunches, compasses,

chunda bags and barley sugar, witches' hats and brooms were handed to travellers to the west in a madcap farewell night. To date, nobody has had any ill-effects from Russell Carmen's prize-winning cheese cake. Our monthly workshops are tremendous fun. Nice of Allan and Marlene to take over the helm while Ron and Jean were in Perth.

EASTERN EIGHTS

A pleasant but uneventful month has just gone by.

Most members attended and enjoyed the V.S.D.A. annual meeting and dance at Malvern on Sunday, August 8.

As none of our members can attend the convention, we're all going on a picnic on the Sunday before school resumes.

THORNBURY

Our demonstration set performed very well at three recent one-night stands (average attendance 120) and set the pattern for some good dancing and created tremendous interest. Congratulations to Max Amor who organised a combined churches tennis clubs dance in Essendon. Interest and enthusiasm was so high that standard of dancing exceeded that ever previously achieved by our caller at a one-night stand.

ST. PETER'S, BOX HILL

Good month with club dancing and the V.S.D.A. meeting and dance. A lucky few are off to Perth, while the rest of us hold the fort. The Waters' and Mylans' are now established identities amongst us. For 2nd October only we are using Methodist Hall, Woodhouse Grove.

VICTORIA DIARY

MONDAY:

MOORABBIN: Ron Whyte (B), 265 Wickham Road, Moorabbin. 95-1496.

TUESDAY:

BOX HILL NORTH: Ron Mennie. Methodist Hall, Woodhouse Grove. 88-4834.

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

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

MOORABBIN: Ron Whyte. 265 Wickham Road, Moorabbin. 95-1496.

THORNBURY: (Trinity) (1st, 3rd and 5th), David Hooper, Trinity Hall, Y'loft St.—Enq. Edna and Jim Daniel (48-3693).

WEDNESDAY:

MOORABBIN: Ron Whyte, 265 Wickham Road. 95-1496.

MALVERN: Youth Hostels. Scout Hall, Oak Grove, last Wednesday. Wally Cook. 24-5518.

THURSDAY:

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

BOX HILL: Ron Mennie. Private. Beginners. 88-4834.

ALTONA: David Hooper, Altona Youth Centre, Civic Parade. 397-6926.

FRIDAY:

FRANKSTON: Eric Clarke. Fortnightly. Balcombe Street. 783-2792.

BEAUMARIS HOTFOOTERS: Rod McCubbin. Fortnightly. 163 Dalgetty Road. 99-2267.

MOORABBIN: Latter Day Saints, Rowans Road. Wally Cook. 24-5518.

SATURDAY:

CAULFIELD: Sunnyside. Ron Whyte. Bowling Club, Queen's Avenue. 95-1496.

MARIBYRNONG: Wally Cook, Maribyrnong Park Bowling Club, Homes Road. Last Saturday. 24-5518.

CAMBERWELL: Singles in Society, cnr. Bourke and Mont Albert Roads, 1st Saturday. Wally Cook. 24-5518.

CAULFIELD: Youth Club, Maple Street, 2nd and 4th Saturdays. Wally Cook. 24-5518.

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

BOX HILL: Jack Murphy, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hall, Whitehorse Road, weekly. Whitehorse Club. 89-6971.

BOX HILL (St. Peter's Star): Ron Mennie. St. Peter's Church Hall, Whitehorse Road, Box Hill (next to Town Hall). 1st and 3rd Saturdays. 878-4042.

KEYSBOROUGH: Recreation Hall, Cheltenham Road. Alternate Saturdays. Kevin Leydon. 792-9503.

FOOTSCRAY: Alternate Saturday. David Hooper, Scout Hall, Hyde Street (next Police Station). 397-6926.

RINGWOOD: Eastern Eights. Allan Droscher. 1st Ringwood Scout Hall, Bedford Road, 2nd and 4th Saturdays. 231-1370.

SHEPPARTON: Bob Dickie, alternate Saturdays, Railway Hall, next Railway Station. 05-792-1041. Phone 05-792-1041.

SUNDAY:

DANDENONG: St. Mary's Catholic Hall, corner Foster and Langhorne Streets. Alternate Sundays. Kevin Leydon. 792-9503.

ROUND DANCE, 1st Sunday in month. Ron and Ella Whyte, 265 Wickham Road, Moorabbin. 95-1496.

FOOTSCRAY

Congratulations to John and Wally, who were elected to the V.S.D.A. committee for 1971/72 at recent annual meeting. Youthful enthusiasm is what is needed to lift our activity to even greater heights. We wish you well. Everyone is handling the Wheel 4 Deal (both versions) much better now and the standard of dancing is now much improved.

BALCOMBE STREET

What a terrific night it was at the farewell to the Clarkes. They are off touring around Australia for the next year. If they decide to go native they can cook the lizards, witchetty grubs, etc., on the portable barbecue presented to them by club members. Guest callers that night were Les Schroder, Vic Earle, Ian Bell and Eric Martin.

Vic Earle will be calling for the club and Eric's special nights whilst the Clarkes are "on tour".

DANDENONG

(SWINGIN' SAINTS)

Thanks to Ken Vosper and Peter Larke for helping out with the calls when Kevin had voice trouble recently. Nice to have Ron Coates, Ethel and Tom Bishop, and Marg. and Bob Emerson along to dance with us. Also Jim Thompson came along to say goodbye. Best of luck in your future travels, Jim, and keep squaring.

KEYSBOROUGH

At the time of writing our third birthday is four weeks off, but by the time you read this it will be two weeks past, so you will have to wait till next month to find out what a success it is going to be when it was held. I think?

N.S.W.: MELBOURNE CUP NIGHT

PROMENADERS' PARTY
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 8 P.M.
 EVERYBODY WELCOME

GREENWICH COMMUNITY CENTRE, Greenwich Road,
 Greenwich. Tea provided. Bring your cups.



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 REPORT ON THE PERTH
 CONVENTION

**N.S.W. ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, COME TO
 GREENWICH SWINGERS**
10th BIRTHDAY PARTY
 (1 year at Greenwich) In Presbyterian Church Hall,
 86 Greenwich Road.
 Tea provided. LEN WOODHEAD and guest callers.

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 THE ILLAWARRA DANCERS INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM
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 SCOUT HALL, LARK STREET, BELMORE
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**N.S.W.: NEW YEAR'S EVE
 SQUARE DANCE PARTY**
 AT
 WEST EPPING PARK HALL, Dent Street, West Epping
 Enquiries: TED THOMAS 871-5225
 BASKET SUPPER — TEA PROVIDED



VIC.: THORBURY (TRINITY)
SQUARE DANCE CLUB
MELBOURNE CUP NIGHT DANCE & PARTY NIGHT
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd. Caller: DAVID HOOPER.
 TRINITY HALL (Stott Street)
 Enquiries: 48-3693 VISITORS WELCOME.

SQUARE DANCERS

Is there something you want to say or have you an idea that may help square dancing? Well then, just put a pen to paper, write an article and send it to your State Editor so everybody may read it in the "Review".
 We are very pleased to see the Northern Territory starting a permanent diary this month. Hope you keep up the good work and are able to add a few more listenings to the future.

**N.S.W. SOCIETY FESTIVAL OF
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LANE COVE TOWN HALL, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

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 Competition Round Dance, Neapolitan Waltz.

DANCING 8 TILL 1. BASKET SUPPER.

ADMISSION: 80 cents. Non-Members \$1
 Callers: RON JONES and guests.



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HEATHERTON RESERVE (Hall provided)
 Family day. Bring your friends. Fun for everyone.
 Special team competition between clubs. Races and
 novelties for adults and children.
SQUARE DANCING IN HALL — WET OR FINE
 All callers and clubs are cordially invited.
Enquiries — Ron Whyte, 95-1496
 Proceeds for Square Dance Review.

SQUARE YOUR SETS

(A Round-up of Queensland News.)

CIRCLE W, WYNNUM

July 22 marked the finish to our first year of dancing. Everyone had fun and even the visitors from other clubs caught the party spirit. Games were played and many prizes were won. The evening was highlighted by the cutting of the birthday cake amidst the dancers.

EXHIBITION ROUND-UP

The Bar-K Ramblers, of Milton, staged their second Exhibition Round-up at Stringlands Barn, Slack's Creek, on Sunday, August 8, and it was another swinging success, with 160 dancers attending.

There's nothing like the barn for that real country atmosphere, and the club's next special will be open-air dancing in the city square for the Warana Festival.

SQUARE DANCE COURSE

A ten-weeks basic course of square dancing will be conducted by the S-Bar-B Club at St. Barnabas' Hall, Ashgrove in October and December.

Square-dance diplomas will be presented on graduation night in December, which will also be the club's Christmas party.

A rally decorated hall and the Rosebowl Hoedown were features of their recent 18th anniversary

PICNIC

Star Promenaders are looking forward to their club picnic at Somerset Dam on October 17, and a great day is planned.

Organiser Merv Mole has included water skiing, tobogganing, swimming and dancing in his programme, so there'll be plenty of variety and action for everyone.

All are invited. Telephone Merv at 59-1715 for further details!

SOCIETY CAR RALLY

How'd you like to join in a fun-style Sunday afternoon car rally, followed by a barbecue and dance?

The opportunity is yours when Wavell Whirlaways present all of these rolled into one — the annual society car rally.

A few months ago they ran a club rally of their own, so they have the know-how. Good prizes, too — Don't miss it!

SUMMER HOLIDAY, 1972

And, speaking of really special occasions, it's not too early to think of Summer Holiday, 1972. The perfect way to open your new square-dance year!

QUEENSLAND DIARY

MONDAY:
GRANGE: "Summer Sounds," Progress Hall, corner Wilston Road and Daisy Street. Weekly. Warren Fleming. 56-3586.

TUESDAY:
CORINDA: *Suzy Q," High School Auditorium, weekly. (Learners' Class); Ivor Burge. 78-2591.
GEEBUNG: "Star Promenaders," R.S.L. Hall, Newman Road. Weekly. Graham Rigby. 56-1251.

WEDNESDAY:
WAVELL HEIGHTS: "Wavell Whirlaways," Memorial Hall, Edinburgh Castle Road. Sid Leighton. 69-1401.

WYNNUM: "Circle W," Methodist Church Hall, Ashton Street. Junior (7.00 p.m.), weekly. Neville McLachlan. 96-3302.

TOOWOOMBA: Boy Scouts' Headquarters Hall, Scouts' Way (behind St. Luke's C. of E.). Weekly. Bill McHardy and Don Proellocks. (Toowoomba, 52-155).

THURSDAY:
CORINDA: *Suzy Q," High School Auditorium.

weekly. (Intermediate). Ivor Burge. 78-2591.

MILTON: "Wheeling Eights," Christchurch Hall. Eric Wendell. 95-5606.

WYNNUM: "Bayside Promenaders," Old Town Hall, Tingal Road. Fortnightly. Peter and Ev. Johnson. 96-3613.

FRIDAY:
ASHGROVE: "S-Bar-B," St. Barnabas' Hall, Waterworks Road (bus stop 12). Graham Rigby (56-1251).

SATURDAY:
CORINDA: *Suzy Q," High School Auditorium, weekly. (Advanced Club). Ivor Burge. 78-2591.

HOLLAND PARK: (Now St. David's Presbyterian Hall, Logan Road (instead of Greenslopes Scout Hall)).
MILTON: "Bar-K Ramblers," weekly, Christchurch Hall, Hale Street, (open). Bernie Kennedy. 79-2196.

MILTON: "Wheeling Eights," Christchurch Hall. Eric Wendell. 95-5606.

ZILLMERE: "Star Promenaders," Church of Christ Hall, Zillmere Road. "Family Night," fortnightly. Graham Rigby. 56-1251.

Nominations are now open and first registrants are "in".

Many callers and dancers return to the Gold Coast year after year — so plan, now, to be in the fun!

DARLING DOWNS

Don Proellocks and Bill McHardy have never been just "city slickers" when it comes to square dancing. These happy-go-lucky callers travel all over the Darling Downs and report fun and real progress at their monthly Brookstead dances.

A recent one-night show at Irongate, outside Pittsworth, was a great success, with lanterns and bales of hay creating just the right country atmosphere.

GARDEN CITY DEMONSTRATION

Brisbane's Garden City drive-in shopping centre, Upper Mt. Gravatt, was the venue for a series of square-dance demonstrations by Hollandia Swingers on Saturday, August 21.

Their new club location is St. David's Church Hall, Logan Road, Holland Park — always packed to capacity — and a recent one-nighter at Sunnybank was very successful.

WARANA FESTIVAL

Brisbane's Warana Festival is becoming more popular each year and we're very proud that the 1971 festival will open and close with square dancing.

The Bar-K Ramblers' open-air dancing in the city square will be followed by two floats in the procession entered by society clubs; and, a week later, the festival will conclude with the Sunshine State Round-up at Riverside.

CORRECTION

We wish to advise that funds raised by the Suzy Q Club at its gala dance in May at Corinda, have been donated to the Queensland square dance clubs and NOT the Square Dancing Society of Queensland, as previously stated.

QUEENSLAND STATE REPORT, 1970-71

Queensland square dancing has come of age over these last twelve months for a number of reasons. Firstly, we've been dancing continuously for 18 years; secondly, there are now more active callers and clubs operating successfully than for a long time; and thirdly, and most important of all, the Queensland square dance clubs have combined to present four big dances a year, featuring all callers, and with profits meeting the cost of the "South Pacific Review" and local advertising of square dancing in the Greater Brisbane area.

Meanwhile, the Square Dancing Society of Queensland has become more financial and active, providing member clubs with display signs, posters, "welcome" brochures, etc. Callers and demonstration teams have appeared at many festivals, fetes, one-night shows and series of dances. Of particular note is our State-wide promotion through the National Fitness Council of Queensland, and, in May, Brisbane caller Neville McLachlan made a successful tour, calling at Kingaroy, Bundaberg, Maryborough, Gympie and Nambour.

Competitive dancing has held the interest of a number of teams, and the Queensland society decided to stage "home and away" festivals with New South Wales each year. Accordingly, Sydney and Newcastle teams visited the Warana Festival last October, and our dancers returned the visit in April. Much goodwill has resulted, and, with the improved styling, glamour and excitement created, further competitions have been planned.

Queensland has received considerable square-dance publicity this year and clubs and groups of varying standard dance most nights of each week. The largest of these is the Suzy-Q Club of Corinda, which caters for new dancers on Tuesday evenings, an intermediate level on Thursdays and experienced club dancing on

Saturdays. Most of the 20 clubs of Brisbane and Toowoomba are operated by dancer committees, and no fewer than 14 callers are catering for their needs. Junior dancing at many schools and clubs is stronger than ever and 600



children danced recently at a festival at Nudgee.

Special activities have been many and varied. Gala nights at Springlands Barn, Riverside Ballroom, Milton and Corinda have attracted large attendances. Annual features such as Brisbane's Warana Festival, the Gold Coast Summer Holiday, the Square Dance-a-thon and Toowoomba's Carnival of Flowers have kept dancers busy and enthusiastic. Our half-way dance at Coffs Harbour, N.S.W., was a swinging success, and another is planned for Marburg on New Year's Eve.

For the Sunshine State it's been a story of continuous fun and progress, and, with 1972 as our convention year, the next 12 months appear bigger and brighter than ever for square dancing in Queensland.

GRAHAM RIGBY,
Queensland.