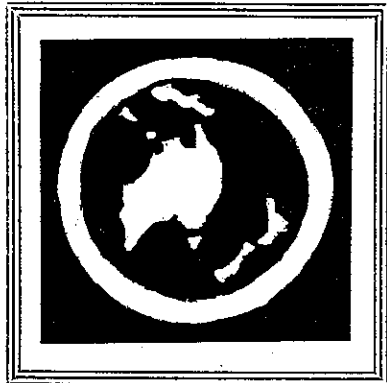


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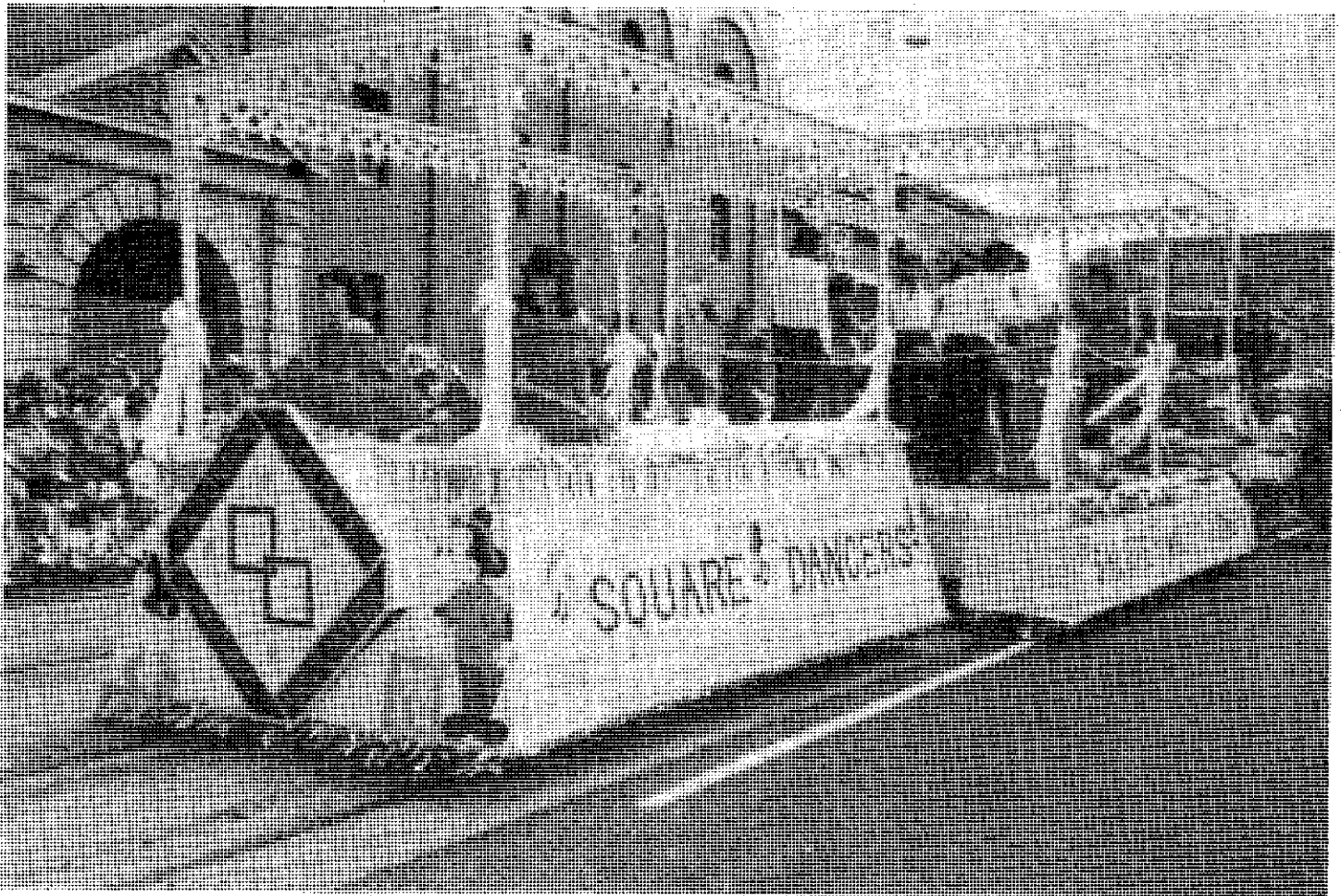
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MAY, 1977

Melbourne Moomba Parade



THIS YEAR the theme was "Salute to Walt Disney", and the photo shows the Square Dancing float entered in the annual Moomba Parade by the M.S.D.A.

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THEY ARE SQUARE DANCING IN THE WHITE HOUSE

In conjunction with our recent promotions and coming Convention, an excellent article appeared in the Sunday Telegraph, 10/4/77.

It concerned the tremendous boom in Square Dancing in the United States.

President Carter is an enthusiast and already there has been square dancing in the White House with further functions planned.

Some of the world's leading V.I.P.s are to be invited to the White House for square dances.

For those who are interested in the birthplace of square dancing, the article quotes the Appalachian Mountains of America's South as to where it all began.

Bob Van Antwerp, well-known to Australian dancers, was interviewed, and stated he'd noticed a tremendous surge in popularity in square dancing. "It's quite unbelievable," he said.

Another leading caller, Bob Ruff, said, and here it is worth printing in its entirety: "There's nothing in the American life where so many different types of people of different ages can get together and have a good time". That applies to all countries, including us.

NANCY NETTERFIELD.

DEAR GRAND FUDDY DUDDY (Feb. Issue)

It is all right for you to put down teenagers like you have done, but have you ever thought about the fact that it is the young folk who are going to keep the square dancing going for long after you older people are gone?

I know some teenagers do go overboard a bit, but give them a chance. Once they see that their style is only causing confusion, they will soon stop.

I am a teenager myself and I know how upsetting it is to be regarded as a "kangaroo". However, if some "fuddy duddies" think that because two or three teenagers gallop around, we all do — which is not true.

I think we teenagers are not given a fair go.

Also, I notice in your letter that you are referring mainly to girls. It is not hard to see that you are "anti-female".

Have you ever stopped and watched some of your own generation while dancing? In some cases it leaves much to be desired.

UPSET TEENAGER.
SHARON PEDDERSEN.
Victoria.

Now that you've all picked yourself up from the floor after the shock of an article from interstate (relax all you N.S.W. writers), how do you old Fuddy Duddies feel about being referred to as a "lotta Mugs not able to dance properly?" I think the argument

is getting a bit silly. Anyone would think the Fuddies and the Youngies were at war; wrong interpretations can be taken. Don't forget this magazine is distributed in N.Z. who might carry tales back to those literary giants in America. Take a whack at one another by all means, but unless writers can impart a bit of humour (i.e., "How the heck do you catch them?" — I loved that bit) and keep it light, I'm afraid any further correspondence on the subject will be fed to the goat. Thank you for your letter, Sharon.

BOSS EDITOR.

WAYS TO KILL A CLUB

1. Don't attend. They will have enough without you.
2. Don't pay your dues. The Club Treasury is loaded. They don't need your money.
3. Ignore all guests. You didn't invite them so why be so nice to them.
4. Dance only with your clique. After all, you are the only ones who know how to dance.
5. Complain. "Gee whiz!!! Can't he do anything right?"

ANATOMY OF AN ASSOCIATION

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VICTORIA DIARY

MONDAY:

MOORABBIN: "Sunnyside Mondays", Ron Whyte, 265 Wickham Rd., Moorabbin, 95-1496.

TUESDAY:

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

BOX HILL NORTH: Ron Mennie. Methodist Hall, Woodhouse Grove. 83-4834.

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.

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

WEDNESDAY:

HAMPTON: Michael Scheen. Congregational Church Hall. Cnr. Hood & Willis St. 509-6962.

HAMPTON: "St. George", (B). Michael & Elaine Scheen. Congregational Church Hall, Corner Cnr. Hood & Willis Sts. 509-6962.

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

GARDINER: Youth Hostels. New Location, Cnr. Bourke & Malvern Roads. Last Wednesday. Caller: Wally Cook. 24-5518.

THURSDAY:

EOSENDON: David Hooper, St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kinnord Street, 2nd and 4th. 318-2547.

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

CARNEGIE: Round Dance. Edna Batchelor. Mimosa Street, Scout Hall.

FRIDAY:

FRANKSTON: "Balcombe Street Square Dance Club." Eric Clarke, Guide Hall, Overport Road. 783-2792.

BEAUMARIS: "Hoffooters." Rod McCubbin, 2/166 Charman Road, Mentone. Fortnightly. 550-4359.

SWAN HILL: "Speewa Country Square Dance Club." Des Deveroux (B). The Barr, Speewa. Fortnightly. 050 37-6307.

SATURDAY:

BLACKBURN: "S. B. Couples Club", Eric Clarke. Scout Hall, Middleborough Road (next football ground), Box Hill. Fortnightly. 783-2792.

MORDIALLOC: "Methodists". Lee McFadyean, Methodist Church Hall, cnr. Barkley & McDonald Sts. 1st Lat. 90-6483.

CAULFIELD: Sunnyside. Ron Whyte. St. Catherine's Church Hall, Kooyong Rd., near Glenhuntly Rd. 95-1496.

WILLISON: (Happy Valley). Ian Bell, Scout Hall, Fordham Avenue. 232-4846.

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

HARTWELL: "Eastern Squares". Alan Ashby. 2nd and 4th Saturdays. Methodist Church, Summerhill Road. 29-6309.

BOX HILL: Ron Mennie (B). St. Peter's C. of E. Hall, Whitehorse Road, 1st, 3rd, 5th. 89-8970.

CHADSTONE: "Tally-Ho Hoedowners" Bob Pyart (B). Methodist Hall, Alma Street, 1st & 3rd. Enq. D. O'Reilly. 232-3390.

CROYDON: "C" City Squares. Tony Bowring (B). Presbyterian Church Hall, Talent Street, 2nd & 4th. 723-4479.

PARKDALE: "Surfside 8's." Lee McFadyean, Methodist Hall, Parkers Road, 2nd and 4th. 90-6483.

ROSEBUD: Vic Earl (B). All Saints C. of E., Nepean Hwy. 2nd and 4th. 059 88-6244.

SHEPPARTON: "Snow" Beasy (B). Youth Club Hall, Vaughan Street, every 4 weeks. Phone Shep. 21-2945.

SWAN HILL: "Sun Centre." Snow Beasy. Lawn Tennis Club, Monash Drive. Fortnightly 050 32-1230

SUNDAY:

ROUND DANCE, 1st and 3rd Sunday in month. Ron and Ella Whyte, 265 Wickham Road, Moorabbin. 95-1496.

CARNEGIE: Victorian Workshop (Open), Wally Cook & Kevin Leydon, Scout Hall, Mimosa Street, 2nd Sunday every month. 24-5518.

VICTORIAN WORKSHOP

New movements, "Recall" and "Crossfire," were both well received and look like becoming regular basics at our clubs.—On the singing call side the most popular ones lately have been "Too Young", "My Way", "Five Foot Two", and "Young At Heart". Because of long weekends and interstate commitments, May and June Workshops will be on the third Sundays.

ST. GEORGE

Oh Brudda! They're swinging thru dat door at our Armidale Monday Nite Beginners. Yessum, Elaine and Michael thrilled with our record crowds. Our newbies advancing rapidly with all movements. We are having a fun-tastical time joining 'em. Plans for Sydney well in hand, set frocks already on the machines. Matching shirts been discussed. Yep, our St. George spirit certainly riding high.

BOX HILL

Country friends, Len and Marie Byl of Morwell, visited us once again, and we are looking forward to the Half-Way Dance later in '77. For a week's overseas holiday the Browns had to learn French "Frenchy Brown"? Busy times ahead, Easter Party Night and Convention at Shepparton. Happy to see the hall splitting its sides on our round dance nights.

WHITE HORSE

Played in real Centenary Test atmosphere, the cricket match against Wally Cook's Gentlemen ended in a draw, after rain put an end to proceedings. Stan won "Man of the Match" award — a marrow donated by Frank. Everyone enjoyed the day, nevertheless. We have 50 going to the Sydney Convention and 20 to Shepparton. Club nights are getting good attendances.

HAPPY VALLEY

Good to have Sonny back dancing with us again after his leg operation. Keep clear of those bees, Jean, we need you! All pleased that Pat is recovering after her operation and hope she and Les had a relaxing time at Eildon over Easter. No dance April 23rd as most of the crowd will be having fun at Shepparton.

CAMBERWELL

Very happy pool party with Reg and Gwen in February. Good to see Sunny and Max both mobile again. Olyve and Jack back from W.A. Bid and Syd. about to arrive back from Tasmania. Val was our March Birthday Girl. Pat would like to thank everyone for their kindness while she was in hospital, and we all appreciated Ian's help at that time.

VICTORIA NEWS

MOORABBIN

Very special night of entertainment was held, with money raised by the Sunnyside Social Club. The lovely supper was well catered for by Ella and staff. Lyell Cooke recovering from his operation, also Dot Hallas is recovering after her illness. We are glad to have David and Gloria Picken back dancing.

SUNNYSIDE

The Sunnyside Club was invited by the Education Department to put on a display of square dancing, for their youth rally, in honour of the Queen's visit to Victoria on March 17th. Six dressed sets danced in a very colourful display at Royal Park.

The show was televised in most States, the square dancing was given a good coverage, with Channel Seven.

SUNNYSIDE MONDAYS

Special night on 23rd March was so successful we really should do it again sometime.

Sunnyside Drama. 8.25 p.m. Monday, 4th April. Theme, "Where Oh Where Can He Be"? Act I, nine sets stand by, whispering anxiously. Act II, Princess Ella discovers and awakens sleeping beauty. Act III, Relief, revelry and dancing prevails.

Bev and Jess Pickworth off to Adelaide. Melbourne visit brief, but as stimulating as always.

BERRY'S CREEK

We had a good night when so many visitors joined us the night before the Warragul dance. Thanks to the dancers, and to Eric Clarke and Doug Van Hoorn for their calling. Next day at Warragul was another successful day, which we all enjoyed very much.

S.B. COUPLES (Blackburn)

The annual Glen Cromie weekend was again very popular, with 16 vans attending. Saturday night we joined the Berrys Creek dancers — thanks to them for their hospitality. The Warragul dance next day was another success, and finished off a very enjoyable weekend. Bob Milne, our "Manager," has started training the team for the Square Lympics.

RAINBOW SPINNERS (Blackburn)

Our first birthday theme of bad taste formal brought some interesting sights! Thanks to all visiting callers and dancers who helped make the night such a success. Nice to welcome newcomers, who are coming along well with their dancing.

YOUTH HOSTELS

The next tour for our travelling dancers is a planned trip to Alice Springs. Doug Bell is looking after the arrangements and most likely Wally will be going along as well. Robyn Leslie and Gill Savory carried off the door prizes at our March night. Noddy paid us a visit along with a few old faces we haven't seen for a while.

TALLYHO HOEDOWNERS (Chadstone)

Congratulations to Cindy and Roger who tied the knot this month, and to Jenny and Keith who will be next for the trip up the aisle. Shelley was our representative on the Moomba Float — for all concerned it was an exhausting day, but well worth it — a good presentation of square dancing, and well received by the public.

BALCOMBE ST. (Frankston)

The Warragul dance was a very happy day, and a great opportunity of enjoying the company of other dancers, in a venue that would take a lot of beating. Max is now out of hospital, also Colin, Mike should have his new Navy uniform, and Pru. is back from her cruise. We are all now looking forward to Shepparton.

IVANHOE HOEDOWNERS (Ivanhoe)

Our beginners are making great progress, and are keen to learn, and we hope to have them to a good standard by our birthday night on 16th May. Congratulations to John and Kerry on their engagement.

NORTHCOTE

We would like to thank the clubs and callers who have supported us in the opening of our new club, and a big welcome to all our new members who are very keen. We attended Rainbow Spinners' Birthday, and Chadstone's Sailing Day and had a great time.

VICTORIA

SHEPPARTON

After our busy trip to Port Lincoln, our January dance was quiet with a number still away, but since then we have been busy with promotions in different areas, and have been pleased to welcome visitors, Tony Bowring and family.

MERLYNSTON 8's (Merlynston)

Some of us are off to Shepparton, and also to Swan Hill at Easter, and are looking forward to these. Mark represented us on the Moomba float — which looked great.

VALETTA

We are looking forward to our visit to Tocunwal for a fun weekend. Arthur, Eve and Wayne Tandy are back from their six months' overseas tour and brought Wally back a tape of calling from one of England's leading callers and a tape from one of our Valetta nights is being sent to England in return.

THORNBURY

Moomba is now over — a very busy time. Some of us went to the Glen Cromie weekend, and the Warragul dance. We had the pleasure of attending a surprise party for Amy's "28th" birthday, and also our club's 7th Birthday. Lovely to welcome visitors from Happy Valley, Valetta, Mopoke, Whitehorse, Essendon and, of course, our own folk, and also visiting callers.

BE IT KNOWN N.S.W.

At time of writing, different groups from the executive of the Society will be making surprise visits amongst metropolitan clubs.

They are on a tour of goodwill and to bring you up to date with the business of the society, of society functions, promotions, etc. They may also give audience to any complaints you may have, feel free to discuss with them if your caller is making it too tough, if you are being exposed to too much round dancing. You may complain also if the caller's wife is giving you a mouthful of lip or if you think it's unfair that "Shivers" Turner is calling for Willoughby and not your club. I have a roster in front of me, but to print same would spoil the surprise element. I make the plea you show up at your club every dance night in anticipation of these delegates' arrivals. This is a new approach by the Society—something never ever attempted by the Callers' Association.

G. GOW.

TASMANIA

TASSIE TWIRLERS

Everyone is looking forward to this year's birthday celebrations. This year's celebrations will include a Saturday night Gala Dance, featuring a very special guest, Wally Cook.

From all reports, it should be a great birthday. Bid and Sid have returned to Victoria after their recent holidays here. It was a pleasure having you visit with us again.

BURNIE

Things are well on the way with fund-raising ventures to aid Western Australian Convention goers. We are still wondering where all the male square dancers are hiding. The new venue is proving quite suitable. Regular club visitors include the Smiths, a Shaw, and a Scott from up Deloraine and Launceston way. All of you are most welcome anytime.

SOUTHERN EIGHTS

A big welcome to new beginners, George and his wife and Russell. Farewell to Paul and Vicki who are going for a long holiday to Europe. Oh, how we envy them. The club is looking forward to the Tassie Twirlers' Birthday Party on May 21st. Look out, Kindred, here we come.

LAUNCESTON

The fortnightly club workshop nights are proving very popular with everyone who attends. They provide the members with something different in the way of unusual movement set-ups and movement execution. A word of encouragement to our trainee callers: Keep at the time-consuming labour of practise and study and more practise — it's worth it in the long run.

V.S.D.A. REPORT

Moomba is behind us, with the promotional dance at Richmond providing a good start for beginners to get a taste of square dancing. The float in the Moomba Parade was very popular, and looked very colourful with the young dancers all dressed in bright red. The dancing in the Gardens afterwards, and on the float was well received by the public.

The next function on the drawing board is the Square Lympics. This fun day picnic and dance was very popular last year, and we hope to improve again this time. Again "medals" will be awarded to club teams, and a great day of fun and inter-club spirit is assured, with both team events and individual events — all novelties — planned for the programme, finishing with a dance in the early evening.

TASMANIA DIARY

BURNIE: Burnie Square Dance Club — Acton State School, Thorne Street, Max Yaud, 31-1696. Alternate Fridays.
 FOREST: Circular Squares — Forest Hall. Marlene Finney, Forest 58-3257. Alternate Saturdays.
 HOBART: Southern Eights. Lower Hall, All Saints Church, Macquarie Street. Fred Byrne, 30-9011 (Bus. Hrs.). Tuesdays.
 KINDRED: Tassie Twirlers — Kindred Hall. Alternate Wednesdays. Graeme Whiteley, Forth 28-2117.
 KINDRED: Tassie Twirlers — Private — Workshop. Ph. Forth 28-2117. Graeme Whiteley — 1st Saturday.
 WEEGENA: Island Squares — Weegena Hall. Alternate Fridays. Dale Smith, Moltana 68-1271.
 LAUNCESTON: St. Marks-on-the-Hill Hall, Hobart Road, Kings Meadows. Don, Des & Dale (Enq. to Sec. Hazel Dawe, 26-1585). Wednesdays.
 HOBART: Advanced, Second and fourth Fridays. Contact Iris Weatherburn, 44-2144.

ATTENTION, TASMANIAN DANCERS!

Your Club and Society Committees are looking for ways to make your Square Dance Nights more enjoyable. BUT they need help. Don't just sit back and watch it all go by, get in there and help — become involved, after all, isn't that what clubs are all about?

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MONDAY:

TOLGA: "The Tablelanders", A.D.E.C. Hall, 8 p.m. Weekly. Bob Sellon. 95-4258.

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

TINGALPA: "Wheeling Eights" Round Dancing. (Weekly). Church of England Hall, Wynnor Rd. Eric Wendell, 399-7606.

TUESDAY:

SALISBURY: High School Auditorium, weekly. (Basic Group). Ivor Burge, 378-2591.

MILTON: "Wheeling Eights" (Advanced Workshop), Christchurch Hall (Bottom Hall), fortnightly. Eric Wendell, 399-7606.

MILTON: "Carousel" Round Dance Club, Christchurch Hall, Hale Street. Fortnightly. Elva Hoppe, 371-2932

WEDNESDAY:

TUGUN: "Tu-Gun Twirlers". Tugun Progress Hall. Jack Dalziel. 34-1828.

CALAMVALE: "Country Bumpkins", Progress Hall, Beaudesert Rd. Weekly. Don Proellocks, 379-6672.

WAVELL HEIGHTS: "Wavell Whirlwinds", Memorial Hall, Edinburgh Castle Road. Sid Leighton. 354-1004

BURLEIGH HEADS: "Tamara Round Dance Club", St. John's C. of E. Hall, Park Road, Pat and Mabs Bourke. 35-3385. Weekly.

TOOWOOMBA: Oddfellows Hall, Cnr. Neil and Julia Streets. Weekly. Bill McHardy. (Toowoomba 35-2155 or 32-7592).

THURSDAY:

DAISY HILL: "Daisy Chainers". Weekly (7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.). Now dancing at public hall. Peter and Ev. Johnson.

EDMONTON: "Coral Coasters", Masonic Hall. Weekly. Bill Browning, 55-4418 and Ben Bowmer, 54-2515.

SALISBURY: "Curly Q's", High School Auditorium. Weekly. (Intermediate Club). Ivor Burge, 378-2591.

MILTON: "Wheeling Eights" (Beginners and Intermediate), Christchurch Hall (Bottom Hall), weekly. (Workshop). Eric Wendell, 95-5606.

ACACIA RIDGE: "El-Paso Stars". St. Alban's C. of E. Hall, Mannington Street. Weekly. Graham Baldwin, 208-6018.

FRIDAY:

ASHGROVE: "S-Bar-B", St. Barnabas' Hall, Waterworks Road (bus stop 12). Weekly. Graham Rigby, 289-1475.

QUEENSLAND DIARY

SUNSHINE COAST: "Suncoasters" (Family Club), Bli Bli Hall, 3rd and 5th Friday each month. Nev. McLachlan (071) 47-3191.

ATHERTON: "Tablelanders", Methodist Hall, weekly. Bob Sellon. 95-4258.

AYR: "Ayr Allemanders". Buffalo Hall, Fortnightly. The Secretary, P.O. Box 289, Ayr 4807. 82-6717.

CAIRNS: "Cairns Squares", Weekly, 8 p.m., Progress Hall, Edge Hill, Cairns. Jack Wilson, phone 2311. Tom Birch, phone 53-1537.

MACKAY & DISTRICT: Weekly (Tuesday, Fortnightly Advanced). Pleystowe Mill Hall. Owen and Dawn Klippe. Homebush, 59-7305.

BURLEIGH HEADS: "Tamara Square & Round Dance Club", St. John's C. of E. Hall, Park Road. Pat and Mabs Bourke. 35-3385.

CITY: "Senior Citizens' Twirlers". Ritz Ballroom, Adelaide Street. Weekly. 10 a.m. Evelyn Johnson, 96-3813.

WELLINGTON POINT: "Salad Bowl Swingers". St. James' Church Hall, Station Road. Weekly. Peter Johnson, 96-3813.

KALLANGUR: "Pine Rangers". Weekly. Public Hall, Anzac Ave. Alan Leighton, 284-0158.

TINGALPA: "Wheeling Eights" (Intermediate). Tingalpa Church of England Hall (Weekly). Eric Wendell, 399-7606.

SATURDAY:

NOOSA: "Ocean Waves" (Family Club). St. James' Hall, Noosaville. 2nd and 5th Saturday each month. Graham Brandon, (07) 277-4845 or (071) 47-3504

SALISBURY: "Suzy Q's", High School Auditorium. Weekly. (Advanced Club). Ivor Burge. 78-2591.

MILTON: "Bar-K Ramblers" & "Circle W." Weekly. Christchurch Hall, Hale Street (Top Hall). (Open Club). Bernie Kennedy, 79-2196 or Neville McLachlan, 96-3302.

EAST BRISBANE: "Wheeling Eights" (Advanced). Fortnightly. St. Paul's Church of England Hall, 554 Vulture Street. Eric Wendell, 399-7606.

NAMBOUR: "Suncoasters" (family club). Bli Bli Hall, every four weeks. Nev. McLachlan (072) 96-3302.

WAVELL HEIGHTS: Church of England Hall, Warcombe St., 3rd Saturday. Sid Leighton, 354-1004.

YERONGA: "Spinchainers". Congregational Church Hall, School Road (Opp. Bowling Green). Weekly. Norm Pythian, 139 School Road, Yeronga.

SUNSHINE COAST: "Suncoasters" (Family Club), Bli Bli Hall, 1st Saturday each month. Nev. McLachlan, (071) 47-3191.

CORAL COASTERS

Thanks to the Tablelanders and the Cairns Squares for helping us to celebrate our club's first birthday. Club numbers still small, but good standard of dancing being enjoyed weekly. Will be considering learners' classes again after Easter Convention. Our venue is Edmonton (15 km. South of Cairns). Peg and Ben's Round Dance classes (Tuesdays) have enthusiastic following and increasing numbers.

SALAD BOWL SWINGERS

Having some hot times at the old club lately — hot music and calling — hot nights and ditto dancers. Peter's amplifier ticking over again nicely, and he has dug up a real beaut. number, "El Paso City". Ev. Johnson still on crutches after her fall at Tullie Camp.

Maureen, Terry and family back from recent holiday tour of England and the Continent.

BAR-K RAMBLERS CIRCLE W.

Congratulations to Lyman and Edna Gillies on the arrival of their new daughter, Rhonda Kay, 7 lb. 12 ozs.

A good time was had by all recently at our car rally organised by Nev. McLachlan. Winner was Paul Burrows in the Mighty Morrie.

The election of officers resulted in:

President, John Hill.
Vice-President, John McDonald.

Secretary / Treasurer, Bev. Brandon.

Councillor, Julie Hands.
Good luck to all.

TAMARA SQUARE AND ROUND

A busy month with new beginners enjoying the Monday night classes combining Square and Round basics. Casualties in our ranks include Trish Myke battling a lung infection, Phil Schults nursing a knee injury. Most enjoyable were visits from Coral and Ron Crockett, Margaret and Malcolm Johnson, Sid and Betty Leighton, Graham and Denise Baldwin, Gordon and Thelma Besford and family.

PINE RANGERS

Beginners' class proving most successful with about 15 new members.

Yearly general meeting held and new office-bearers getting on with their jobs.

Thank you to visitors who helped make our second anniversary based on a Country and Western theme such a great night. Well deserved wins by Kerry and Dale in the fancy dress. Thanks to Marion for the anniversary cake.

OLD NEWS

SUNCOASTERS

Going great guns during March with Nev now well into the New Year's training programme, which has been enthusiastically received and danced to by up to twelve sets. Never seen so many at Bli Bli before, neither have the mosquitoes! Dancing now comes more regularly every first Saturday and third and fifth Fridays of the month (or if you're still confused, ring Geoff or Pat at 071-432575 for details).

CAROUSEL ROUND DANCE

Weekly rounding is continuing to be very successful with new members enjoying the simple rounds. "Sleepy Time Gal" and "My Wonderful One" most popular rounds of the month. We are also busy brushing up on Convention rounds.

Myrtle Piggan recovering from a back injury. Hope to have her back dancing soon.

Club members are looking forward to weekend in Toowoomba.

SUZY Q

Ivor's re-introduction of "singing calls by request" has had us enjoying some old favourites, including "Pussy-cat," "April in Portugal," and "Running Bear". Also re-introduced was Round Dance,

"Molly and Me", while Callalab selections, "Touch", "Roll", and "Extend", and a new Contra, "Trade by Contra", have created interest. Our 24 new members are coping well with the new work.

TAMARA ROUND DANCE

The beautiful classic, "Dream Awhile" and old favourite, "Birth of the Blues," were the Rounds chosen for our demonstration at Eric Wendell's Gala Dance at Labrador. Busy fingers spending many fun-time hours in the sewing circle, making new frocks and petticoats for the occasion. A

revision of classics has been enjoyed by all, "Pearly Shells" latest addition to the beginners' list.

A.C.T.

YELLOW ROCK

Well, the latest shift to a new hall occurred without serious hitch—let's hope this is the last. We are now at the Deakin High School. Here's a warm welcome to the new members we've collected lately—hope they stay with us.

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WILD FRONTIERS

Our "Back-to" night was a great success, and we say thanks to Colin Huddleston and Ted Thomas for an enjoyable dance. Some nine sets had a ball dancing to Colin and Ted, and dancing a lot of old movements forgotten in our modern approach to square dancing. Among our visitors for the month was Harry Shetrone from Dallas, Texas.

KANNELA SQUARES

We have welcomed a few visitors this month, Barbara Weaver from Port Lincoln, Sandra Delbridge and Vic Etherington, Mildura, along with Harry Shetrone, Dallas, Texas. Congratulations to Sandra and Vic on their recent engagement. Don't forget our weekend with Nev McLachlan, Queensland, and Wally Cook, Victoria, May 7th and 8th. We hope Eric and Beryl enjoy their tour of Europe.

SOUTHERN CROSS (Monday)

We farewelled Ivy Tyler, Maisie and Eric's friend from England, who returned home after a long stay in South Australia. Our demonstration set danced at "Tattachilla" Camp where about 150 teenagers and teachers had fun learning to square dance. Nice to see Barbara Weaver from Port Lincoln, who obliged us by calling a dance or two.

SEACLIFF WEAVERS

A welcome was extended to visitors Mel and Doris Simons from Calgary, Canada, and Harry Stares from Sale, Victoria. Congratulations to Cynthia and Aynsley Rowe who celebrated their wedding anniversary recently. A great time was had by all those who attended the Easter weekend camp.

PORT LINCOLN

Enthusiasm and dance numbers seem to be up and down at the moment, but better things are hoped for in the future. Barb Weaver visited Kannela and Southern Cross clubs recently and would like to thank both clubs for their hospitality. Roger attended the Elizabeth Club's Camp at Ardrossan and had a great time.

SHERILEE

Our recent film night proved to be a success with the film, Earthquake, being shown. Thanks must go to the committee for organising the night and also to all those who attended and helped to make it the success it was. Hope everyone had a good Easter.

SOUTHERN CROSS (Saturday)

Another good night with five to six sets dancing. A very friendly visitor to our dance was Harry Shetrone from the "Wheel and Deal" Club in Dallas, Texas. Our next Saturday night dance is on 30th April.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIARY

MONDAY:

PLYMPTON: Weekly (Beginners), R.S.L. Hall, Long Street, Allan Frost, 44-1351.
MODBURY: Weekly (Beginners/Intermediate), Modbury Methodist Hall, Montague Road, Peter Cram, 262-4040.

WEDNESDAY:

ELIZABETH: Weekly (Beginners/Intermediate), Court Ballroom, Brian Townsend, 264-4864.

THURSDAY:

ELIZABETH: Weekly, Y.M.C.A. Hall, Woodford Road, Town and Country Callers, 254-6403.

FRIDAY:

KENSINGTON GARDENS: Weekly (Beginners), Church Hall, Brigalow Ave. Jeff Seidel, 263-5023.

EDWARDSTOWN: Weekly (Beginners), Methodist Hall, Delaine Ave. Allan Frost, 44-1351.

PORT LINCOLN: Weekly (Beginners), Town Tennis Club Rooms, Hallet Place, Roger Weaver, 82-2315.

SATURDAY:

ELIZABETH: Weekly, Y.M.C.A. Hall, Woodford Rd. Allan Frost calls fortnightly (Beginners to Intermediate), Intermediate to Advanced Workshop fortnightly. (Club Callers), 254-6403.

SUNDAY:

KENSINGTON PARK: Weekly (Advanced), Methodist Hall, Kensington Road, Jeff Seidel, 263-5023.

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MONDAY:

All Dances Weekly unless stated otherwise.

A.C.T.: "Yellow Rock" Club. 7.30 p.m.-10.30 p.m. Weekly. Beginners and visitors welcome. Drew or Mary, 58-2828 a.h.

COFFS HARBOUR: "Square Dancers '75". Weekly. Int. plus dancing. Phone 53-1692, 52-1007 for invitation.

SEVEN HILLS: "Swing n' Wheels", Senior Citizens' Centre, cnr. Northcott Rd. and Deanne Drive. Kevin Ryan, 624-5131.

ST. IVES: Methodist Church Hall, Mona Vale Road. Every Monday. Caller: Alex Purdy. Rounds: Dick and Mavis Schwarze, each fortnight. 94-5227 or 476-5696.

WOONONA: "Ghost Riders". Methodist Church Hall (opp. R.S.L.) 8 p.m. Caller: Chris Froggatt.

TUESDAY:

CANLEY HEIGHTS: "C.V.C.G.'s." Arch Stepney, Progress Hall, Peel Street. 728-6008.

PUNCHBOWL: Waggon Wheel Club, Girl Guides' Hall, Rossmore Ave. (opposite Catholic Church). Ron Jones, 709-7118.

COFFS HARBOUR: Bananacoasters. Girl Guides' Hall, High St. Ron Smith 52-1243, Steve Wood 53-4224.

NEWCASTLE: "Lakeside". Weekly. Lakeside Motor Inn, Warners Bay. Caller: Laurie Cox, 48-9940.

NEWCASTLE: Weekly (Beginners), 33 Main Road, Argenton. Ted and Betty Campbell, 58-1903.

ASHFIELD: Orbit 8's. St. John's Parish Hall, Bland Street. Advanced and Inter. Caller: Russ Eastment, 798-5361.

GLADESVILLE: (Promenaders). Tom McGrath. Presbyterian Church Hall, corner Pittwater and Victoria Roads. Inq. 85-3821.

HARBORD: "Roll-A-Waves". Weekly. Methodist Hall, Marmora Street, 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Caller: Ada Johnson, 981-3795.

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

LAKEEMBA: "Circle Eight". Scout Hall, Earnest St. Bob Woolcock. 759-5340

WEDNESDAY:

OATLEY: "High Flyers" Square Dance Club, Methodist Hall, Cnr. Letitia and Frederick Streets. (Int.). Caller: Barry J. Wanson, (042) 29-7203.

BLAKEHURST: "Teen Twirlers" (beginners) every Wednesday. Methodist Church Hall, King Georges Road, T. Dodd. 709-8411.

CARINGBAH: "Funtimers", Sutherland Y.M.C.A., 5 Jacaranda Rd., Squares, Contras and Rounds. Caller: Graham J. Robinson, 524-1800.

SUSSEX INLET: Every Wednesday. (Beginners), R.S.L. Hall. Phone (044) 41-2287.

SAWTELL: "Tenderfoots" Sawtell Reserve Hall, 7.30 p.m. Teacher: Hazel Payne, Phone (066) 53-1433.

MURRYLANDS: "D-Bar-F" Square Dance Club. Masonic Hall, Corner Pitt and MacFarlane Sts. Caller: David Todd. Enquiries 727-8848 or 637-2816.

RYDE: Alternanders, Vince Spillane. Government Bus Depot, Cressy and Buffalo Roads, Ryde. 94-4186. (Advanced).

THURSDAY:

BEVERLY HILLS: "Wanderers", Scout Hall, Morgan Street. Caller: Roy Etherington, 502-2130, 57-5415.

GLADESVILLE: Rendezvous (Int. Rounds.) 1st Thursday. Church Hall, Victoria and Pittwater Roads. Marg, Les and Lucky 32-5031.

MIRANDA/SUTHERLAND (Happy Couples). Pensioners Hall, Princes Highway (opp. hotel) Sutherland. Arthur Gates 727-9951, work 771-5566.

MOOREBANK: Seton Hall, cnr. Bradshaw Ave and Heathcote Road. Caller: John Eldridge, 602-9574.

PUNCHBOWL: Waggon Wheel Club, Girl Guides' Hall, Rossmore Ave. (opposite Catholic Church). Ron Jones, 709-7118.

FRIDAY:

GREENWICH SWINGERS: Presbyterian Church Hall, 86 Greenwich Road. B. Markwick. 407-2340.

CORRIMAL: "Ghost Riders". Presbyterian Church Hall (opp. BP, Princes Hwy.). Caller: Chris Froggatt.

EAST GOSFORD: "Spaciors". Learners Standard. 7.30-10.30. East Gosford Scout Hall, Althorpe St. Callers: David Cox, 25-1919 and Gary Carpenter.

NORMANHURST: 7.00 p.m. (Beginners only). "Academy of Square Dancing", Normanhurst Primary School, cnr. Pennant Hills Road and Normanhurst Rd. (except long weekends). Caller: Fred Meads, 47-1997.

NORMANHURST: 8.00 p.m. (Advanced). "Sparkilates", Normanhurst Primary School, cnr. Pennant Hills Road and Normanhurst Road (except long weekends). Caller: Fred Meads, 47-1997.

LIVERPOOL: St. John Ambulance Hall, Northumberland St. Caller: John Eldridge, 602-9574.

THE ENTRANCE: "Jerimanders" (Int.). Stimson's Lane, Tumby Umbi, 88-1208. Caller: Jeremy Weedon, 25-3212.

LOFTUS: Red Baron's Square Dance Club, Loftus Progress Hall, Loftus Ave., Loftus. Caller: Barry J. Wanson. (042) 29-7203. Int. & Advanced.

ARMIDALE: "Armidales Eights". 1st and 3rd Methodist Church Hall. Callers: David Pitt, 72-4544; David Pearce, 72-2699.

BEXLEY ROUND DANCE CLUB: 1st and 2nd Fridays, Bexley School of Arts, Forest Road (next Masonic Hall). Geoff and Linda Redding. 30-2379

NEWCASTLE: Ted and Betty Campbell, Mara Lynne Ballroom, 66 Belford Street, Broadmeadow, 58-1903.

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

RYDE-BUFFALO SQUARES, 2nd and 4th, Govt. Bus Depot, Cressy and Buffalo Roads, Ryde. Callers: Vince Spillane. 94-4186.

KELLYVILLE: "Family Night" 1st & 3rd, Memorial Hall, Windsor Road. Caller: Vince Spillane.

RYDE: (Beg.) 2nd Friday month, St. James' Pres. Hall, Bowden St. All welcome. Ada Johnson, 93-1643, 80-5291.

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SATURDAY: ARMIDALE: "Armidales Eights", 2nd and 4th. (Workshop). Callers: David Pitt and David Pearce, Phone: 72-4544, 72-2699.

BLAKEHURST: "Teen Twirlers" (advanced) 2nd Saturday. Methodist Church Hall, King Georges Road, T. Dodd. 709-8411.

COFFS HARBOUR: Square Dancers. Weekly. 77 Azalea Ave. Olive Kellie, 52-1367.

NARRABEEN: Workshop Style Rounds and Squares, Senior Citizens' Centre. 3rd Saturday. Ph.: 451-5545

1st SATURDAY: Air Force Memorial Bowling Club, Chandler Street, Rockdale. Supper provided. Table bookings, 587-9000. Tom McGrath, 85-3821.

BELMORE: 3rd Saturday. A. J. Pate Senior Citizens' Hall, Redman Parade. Caller: Ron Jones. Sec.: R. Petty. 759-5330.

BELMORE, SQUARE & ROUND CLUB (A), Scouts Hall, Lark Street. Nancy and Roy Etherington, Jeff and Linda Redding, 78-4166, 632-6685. Second Saturday month.

BEXLEY (Illawarras): Round and Square Dancing, 4th Saturday, Bexley School of Arts, Forest Road, (next Masonic Hall). Geoff and Linda Redding. 30-2379.

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

WILLOUGHBY: 1st Saturday. Different caller each month. See separate ad. 94-4030.

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SQUARE WHIRL
COMING EVENTS

12th May: American visitors

28th May: Cabaret.

10th, 11th, 12th June: National Convention.

3rd July: Half-way Dance, Wyong.

30th July: Annual Ball.

21st August: Newcastle Festival of Dance.

25th September: Annual Society Picnic.

22nd October: Lane Cove Festival of Dance.

25th November: Christmas party.

N.S.W. Presidents: Charles Krix, 84-5432.

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NEWPORT OCEAN WAVES

Fantastic fun at Don and Doris Doe's place Easter Sunday.

After barbecue-cum-smorgasbord dinner, exciting game of cricket — gents v. ladies. Needless to say, ladies won — or did they! Also, some good square dancing. Thanks Don and Doris!

A big welcome to the New Square Dancers. Lovely to see so many and all doing well, too!

Bon voyage this month to Norm and Hazel, Les and Thelma, Mavis, Pat and Fred, all touring different parts of the world. They sure will be missed!

NARRABEEN OCEAN WAVES

Good standard continuing in Square and Rounds, thanks to Vice-President Ken looking after squares, and our President looking after Rounds, assisted by Hazel, Dick and Mavis. A most refreshing new venture with ample challenge — for more information ring Ken Rigby (tel. 451-5545).

Lucky Ken is off to New Zealand this month to enjoy Dave Taylor's calling — wish we were all going, Ken!

BLUE PACIFIC CLUB

ROSE BAY

Spent a very happy evening at Jim and Jean Parsons' home, square dancing, carry on and supper — thank you both.

Welcomed four American dancers from Ohio. The evening was good, they knew our round dances; nice people.

Best decorated Easter egg won by Denise, all the eggs donated went to Meals on Wheels to help their budget, which is mainly run by donations and charity.

SQUARE AND ROUNDS
BELMORE

Small crowd as quite a number of our dancers away for Easter.

Great having Arthur and Carol along for the evening. We all enjoyed his calling and the new movement!

Plenty of room for round dancing. Linda and Geoff concentrating on the rounds for the Convention. "Slow Poke", the dance for the month. Jack and Avis still on Frazer Island.

WILLOUGHBY

Committee pleased to welcome Arthur Gates and followers, annual visitors and regulars to April dance. Lots of old familiar tunes. Marion and Dick kept door prizes in the family. Next month we

will welcome interstate square dancers arriving early for Convention — we've even scored an interstate caller. Who said the best come from the West? The best come from Willoughby!

CIRCLE EIGHT

Our Caravan Club has been active, a trip to Lake Tabourie at Easter and to Warner's Bay for the Lake Macquarie Festival. Pat and Sid still talking about their holiday in Tasmania. We are all looking forward to the Cabaret and our own 15th Birthday Party on the 17th of this month.

BEXLEY ROUND DANCE

Congratulations to our newest grandparents, Mavis and Dick, on the arrival of Emily. Val and Alf, Gloria and Bill,

Marge and Eric all up North Queensland on safari. Our Convention "workshoppers" have learnt the programmed dances, and now busy polishing them up ready for June. Possibly our workshopping nights will continue after the Convention if the present enthusiasm hasn't waned.

BANANA COASTERS

Nice to see Alec back with us. Congratulations to Steve and Kris — now one year married. Our monthly Saturday night dance has proved very popular with the locals. It's a pleasure to see our many visitors — lately from Tamara, Tugun and the Waggon Wheels. Last month we started beginners — good numbers, so far.

SQUARE WHIRL

NEWCASTLE

Twenty-two daring dancers from our Club went on an Easter adventure tour of the Upper Allyn River for the long weekend break. We found out who can cook, who can catch leeches and ticks, and eels. Ted caught all three!

New officers are doing grand job, and are receiving co-operation from all members. Ted is now recognised caller.

B-BAR-H

Everyone was shocked to hear about Michael Prescars breaking his leg in several places in a motor-bike accident. We all hope that he has a speedy and successful recovery and look forward to seeing him among us again in about September. We look forward to seeing many new faces at our combined festival over Anzac.

LAKESIDERS

Our combined festival's planning is now well in hand and we look forward to a fantastic weekend. Our beginners are making really fine progress and we soon will be ready to dance anywhere. Our thanks to those advanced dancers who help out.

We wish Laurie's "Lake-Twirlets" much success in the competition at Sydney and wish that we could all be there.

D-BAR-T

Where have all the dancers gone? We do miss you so. Looking forward to the night when the beginners will join in with the regulars. A big welcome awaits you all. I hear that Greg is on the sick list. Hope to see you soon we miss you. Didn't see Colin or Robyn either. Hope you are back soon.

SPARKILATE

Great roll-up at new hall, everyone had a ball. Good to see so many new members enjoying themselves, a big welcome to the club. Sorry to hear about your trip to hospital over Easter, Phillip. Hope you are soon better. We all miss Rosalyn very much, and hope it is not permanent. Looking forward to the big house-warming soon.

ILLAWARRAS (Bexley)

Managed to get into quite a tangle doing the teacup chain last month, but thanks to Arthur Gates. Hope we have unravelled our problems now. Happy holiday to Jean and Eric, at present touring New Zealand. Looking forward to the Cabaret in May, by then eight of our dancers will be back from their holidays. Happy birthday to Mavis

AIR FORCE, ROCKDALE

Have new fans, but they weren't wired up. Could have used them, too. Had a beaut. night in April! Same happy atmosphere. Coral and Norm celebrated their 34th wedding anniversary. They look too young! Must be the square dancing. Happy to see Tim and Elaine back square dancing after an absence of eight to nine years.

ARMIDALE EIGHTS

We have been having a good roll-up of beginners at our club nights. Last month we farewelled two of our members, Rell and Roland Turner, who left for New Zealand.

David and Bev. Pitt are off to Cairns for Easter, and Arthur Lancaster has gone on "safari" with Rigbys. It sounds like a great trip.

BUFFALO, RYDE

Good time had by all before and over Easter. Beginners are advancing rapidly. Jake and Ruth Zane from Pennsylvania, visited us. I hope we all can dance as energetically in our 80's as they do. We had an open invitation to visit them. They are in the square dance register.

SWING-N-WHEELS

Hi Everybody! Another month has gone by and our club is doing very well. Welcome visitors this month were Bill and Gloria Atkinson, Jenny and Brian Bacon. Nice to see you. Hope you enjoyed yourselves. Mary away on Safari. Dancers coming along very nicely — standard improving. At time of writing looking forward to Laurie coming down from Newcastle next week.

GLADESVILLE

PROMENADERS

Chic and Nev led us astray! A group of Promenaders were up to their place on a recent weekend and they took us to a beach where everyone was without! Our Easter Hat Parade was a great success; nice to have Roy and Beryl as judges. The hall is jumping lately with chase rights, recalls, rebounds, and lots of happy beginners. We need girls!

GREENWICH SWINGERS

Several of our members dancing in the Martin Place promotions.

The travel bug is rife at Greenwich. Peg Dewar making us envious with cards from Shanghai, Hong Kong and all ports East. Beryl Church about to depart for a 'seven-months' European tour and Harry Wright soon flying to Japan.

April 1st saw us celebrating Christopher's second birthday with three cakes and

"LA RONDE" RAMBLINGS AND ROUNDS

Already it's May, with June and the Convention only a matter of weeks away. Time has a habit of slipping away from us in a disconcerting way. At least that is my own experience.

Your Health and The Convention is a topic I would like to ponder on for a moment or two. I wonder if you have noticed the number of folks who are a bit off colour at the end of the Convention and have returned to their homes to really go down with some unwelcome virus. Many arrive at the National, having made quite long and tiring journeys. Probably there was the usual last-minute flurry. Things that must be done before leaving home.

Then there is the excitement of it all. We may not be aware of any tiredness, but it's there, and our natural defences are at a disadvantage. We seem to get to bed at a much later hour than intended. With after parties all the rage, there's not much point in trying to get some shut-eye, anyway. In all those hundreds of dancers we are at close quarters with, it's a pretty safe bet there'll be one or two coughs and sneezes. Those little germs don't need any assistance in spreading themselves around, and spread they do. Travel agents have a few hints on travel that are useful, amongst all the glossy pictures of their brochures. Try them out this year and see if we can't have a healthier Convention time for us all.

1. Do have a good night's rest before starting out.
2. Rest frequently in your first two days after arrival.
3. Several small light snacks are preferable to big and heavy feasts.
4. Keep the liquids up (i.e., water and fruit juices).
5. Dress sensibly for the climate.
6. At the first hint of infection, act fast against it.

Ah... ah... chew!

It never ceases to amaze me, the number of new rounds that are released each month. There is the need for different levels of dances and it is heartening to see some of the top line choreographers' names on easy level rounds. This is a real test of their skill. To present a dance that is delightful and interesting and yet remain within the capabilities of the up-and-coming dancer. I would like to see a few more adding their names to this very important field, the easy level round.

David Cox, in an article last month, mentioned the full measure of beats allowed in

movement to be danced correctly. The tempo of our present day squares appears to be much faster to the average dancer, when he compares them with a contra. Actually, it is not the case so much as the phrasing of the call. One finds the square dropping behind some three calls, then comes a promenade with theme patter to allow time for all movements to be done with ample time. One movement I find I am frequently disappointed in is the grand square. With 32 beats for the same number of steps, it is a pleasing figure. Yet what do we find? Dancers time after time will hit the panic button and take off in corner-cutting frenzy, only to find themselves back at their home position, far ahead of time, and nothing to do. Let's try the four beats on each line of progress and keep it a grand square instead of a mutilated mess.

(For God's sake, would you all do the grand square correctly. This has been bugging Lucky for years. As usual, he's right and you'd all do well to note.—Editor).

GIRL TALK

Winter coming and oh, those cold nights changing into square dance gear (only time I wish I were a man?), so, girls, make yourself a nice warm gored skirt, winter weights material, from Sussan, Woolworths (other States have their big stores, too). You can buy such pretty, warm, long-sleeved blouses, quite cheaply, so now you can have a comfortable outfit, without the cardigan, which always seems to be coming off and on, if you are like me, I seem to be always searching for it at a dance.

Now an easy recipe for all those weight-conscious girls and that requires no cooking, healthy, too.

FRUIT & NUT BALLS

- ¾ cup chopped dried apricots.
- ½ cup cold water.
- 1/3 cup chopped almonds.
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice.
- 1 teaspoon lemon rind.
- 1 teaspoon orange juice.
- 1 cup skimmed milk powder.
- 1 tablespoon wheat germ.
- ½ cup sultanas.
- ½ cup coconut. Extra coconut.

Combine apricots and water, simmer until tender. Combine with other ingredients. Roll into balls with coconut — refrigerate.

Bye now, PEGGY VAGGS.

MONDAY: WEST AUSTRALIAN DIARY
"SANDGROPPERS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Grenville Community Centre Hall, corner of Cape and Stoneham Sts., Tuart Hill. Caller: Colin Richardson. Enquiries 35-4282.
"SOUTHSIDERS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Collins Street Hall, South Perth. Caller: Steven Turner. Enquiries 65-5301.

TUESDAY:
"SUNDOWNERS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Cnr Douglas and Moresby Sts., South Perth. Caller: Kevin Kelly. Enquiries M. Appelt, 95-5758.
"WANNEROO WHIRLWAYS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Cultural Development Council Hall, 9 Museum St., Perth. FAMILY CLUB. Caller: Steven Wigmore. Enquiries M. Dawes, 42-1065.

WEDNESDAY:
"DIANELLA RANGERS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. 356 Grand Promenade, Dianella. Caller: Peter Banham. Enquiries Jeff Van Sambecq, 76-6749.
"RIVERSIDERS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. St. Barnabas Church, Orrong Road, Carlisle. Caller: Dennis Gadsby. Enquiries 71-6553.
QUAIRADING SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Agricultural Hall, Quairading. Caller: Wilf Caporn. Enquiries 137 McLennan St., Quairading.

THURSDAY:
"SHANANDOAHS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Cnr Angelo and Forrest Sts., South Perth. Caller: Steven Turner. Enquiries 65-6652.
"CIRCULATE SQUARES" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Scout Hall, cnr. Welshpool Rd. and Gibbs St., East Cannington. Enquiries E. Willis 68-6051.

FRIDAY:
"GIDGIGANNUP" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Public Hall, Toodyay Rd. Caller: Steven Wigmore. Enquiries 74-3043.

SATURDAY:
"WHITE GUM VALLEY" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Guide Hall, cnr. Nannine Ave. and Stephen St., White Gum Valley. Caller: Les Johnson. Enquiries C. Crompton 39-4414.
"HAPPY WANDERERS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB. Drill Hall, Murray Street, Bayswater. Enquiries 57-2575.
"SILVER SLIPPER" ROUND DANCE CLUB. Guide Hall, cnr. Nannine Ave. and Stephen St., White Gum Valley, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Teacher: Olive Hastie. Enquiries 35-6524.

COUNTRY CLUBS:
"SWINGING ALBANY SQUARES", Albany. Caller: Alan Grogan, Kelgan, Albany. 41-2241.
"DOG ROCK TWIRLERS". Enquiries Sylvia Horter, Oyster Harbour. 44-7087. Caller: Adrian Horter.

BUNBURY
"CIRCLE C" SQUARE DANCE CLUB (Tuesday). Methodist Church Hall, Lowe St., Carey Park. Caller: Jeff Garbutt. Enquiries C. Crompton, 39-4414.
"SURFSIDERS" SQUARE DANCE CLUB (3rd Saturday). Enquiries C. Crompton, 39-4414.

WEST AUSTRALIA

WHITE GUM VALLEY

Our weekend at Quairading in March was really fantastic. There were over 100 dancers attending from the city and country clubs. The caravan park was full of square dancers, Quairading organisers doing a mighty job.

Congratulations to Sue Dawes and Peter Vagg on their engagement. Sue and Peter are two young dancers who have danced at our club for several years.

CIRCLE C — BUNBURY

We now dance at Methodist Church Hall, Lowe Street, Carey Park. It seems that very few of our members know about it yet, so please spread the word as we would like to see all your smiling faces again. Let's put Circle C back on the map. Congrats. to Gary Bassett who has been accepted into the Navy.

SUNDOWNERS

Sundowners are still going strong—last year saw several engagements and marriages within the club, including the marriage of our caller, Kevin Kelly to Diane Appelt. Congratulations to all.

SANDGROPPERS

Sandgroppers held an "Irish" Night on 14th March. Had a terrific time looking for shamrocks — lucky Kevin Kelly found two of them. Many thanks to our guest callers, Kevin and Dennis.

We are happy to announce the engagement of Sand-

groppers' secretary, Anne, to the Club President, Frank Christensen. Congratulations, to you both.

QUAIRADING

Enthusiastic square dancers from Perth to Albany, including learners from rural areas, made the biggest crowd ever to attend the Quairading Square Dance Festival. Special thanks from learner dancers who came from Kulin, Meckering and Wongan Hills to those people who pulled us through those difficult steps. The new Caravan Park looked like a satellite city at 1 a.m.

OBITUARY

Members of the Sunnyside clubs were saddened by the loss of a wonderful friend and dancer, George Snook, on March 17th. George collapsed and died suddenly after dancing in our display at Royal Park. It was a tremendous shock to us all. George was well known in most States; he has not missed a Convention since 1963. He loved his dancing and was a lovely person to have known. — Ron and Ella Whyte.

OBITUARY

Western Australian square dancers were saddened by the death of Duncan Bond on Friday, 1st April, as the

result of injuries received in a motor-cycle accident. Only eighteen years old, Duncan grew up in the Square Dance World and

was popular with dancers of all ages. Our deepest sympathies go to his mother, Cheryl and family.

Callers who have Registered for the 18th NATIONAL CONVENTION

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