



Triangle Squares

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"HAPPY NEW YEAR"

We trust you all had a wonderful Holiday Season and if you found your belt needed to be let out just one more notch, dance all the square-dancing tips, and think about clogging and two-stepping to get back into shape.

DANCING IN JANUARY

Monday, January 6 will see the resumption of the Advanced Class at Church St. Public School, 7:30 p.m.

The Basic/Mainstream Class is resuming on Thursday, January 9 at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Plus class at 8:30 p.m.

Contrary to what was said in the December Newsletter, not all the moves in the Basic and Plus lists will have been covered by Christmas. So the teaching will continue with the Basic Class moving into and through the Mainstream list in time for our Fly-In at the end of May.

Fees for all classes for the next twelve weeks will be set at \$48.00, payable IN FULL on either January 6 or 9, depending on your level.

If you want to pay only on a nightly basis, we must insist that the weekly charge be \$5.00 (FIVE DOLLARS).

TRIANGLE SQUARES BADGES

At its December meeting, your Steering Committee approved the plan to order new badges for all those who this year have paid their Membership fee to Triangle Squares. It will be similar to the original club badge design but all the information, including your name, will be on the one part.

These new badges should be available at the end of January sometime as they are being ordered through Dominion Regalia, a firm well-used to this kind of badge production. A hot-stamp process will be used to make the colours consistent and durable. We specially want to thank Les for his design help in this process (and so many other processes, too!).

Please understand that the new badge will be available only to those ABOVE the Basic/Mainstream Level. The Basic/Mainstream dancers will be receiving their own version of the laminated badge that some people are wearing. It's important that everyone have a visible, legible name-tag for our Fly-In, but we felt it wasn't right to ask the Basic/Mainstream dancers to support the club with a Membership fee until September, when they'll be invited to do so on their return to dance during the next season.

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"TRIPLE SCOOT TO TORONTO"

Brian Wilding, our Fly-In Committee Chairman, was also at the December Steering Committee meeting. A committee of seven has been struck to oversee "Triple Scoot" events at the end of May and we welcome their energy and ideas. This Fly-In should be extra special. Please give committee members your help and cooperation as these events take a considerable amount of organizing and effort. They will be announcing their request for housing space closer to the event.

STEERING COMMITTEE VACANCIES

There may no longer be two vacancies to be filled on the Executive Steering Committee. One of them came about because Herman had to step down as Basic Class representative and there already was a vacancy from John's earlier resignation of the Treasurer's position.

Alan Dearnley has volunteered to be the new Basic Class representative and if anyone else from any dance level would like to be on the Steering Committee, please talk to Chris. The committee meets usually the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and handles the decisions that help to move the club along, set policy when needed or look after finances. Positions are held for at least a year, if possible. At the moment, as one of its main tasks, the committee is trying to establish a constitution and by-laws for the club.

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TWO-STEP LESSONS

Starting Sunday, January 19, two-step and line dance lessons will be given by Andrew Kennedy upstairs at Chaps (9 Isabella St.) These sessions will be FREE and are scheduled each Sunday from 3 - 5 p.m.

Andrew used to be involved in similar sessions last year and they proved to be very popular. He'll start from the basic steps, and build from there. But, if you have to miss a Sunday, don't despair, he reviews everything each week.

You also don't need a partner, so come with or without.

Apart from our own Western Party on February 22, there's going to be a Clogging Hoedown Western Party on Saturday, May 23 and then our own Fly-In Western Party on Saturday, May 30. So there's good reason to learn to two-step and line-dance as you'll be able to participate more fully in these events. Two-stepping and line dances also happen at Badlands (downstairs at Chaps) most evenings, so you'll have plenty of opportunities for practice, too.

SILK SCREENING

Is anyone in the club skilled in using the silk-screen process and equipment? We want to turn out another batch of club T-shirts in time for the Fly-In and the logo needs to be silk-screened!

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