



TRIANGLE SQUARES

Newsletter

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RECENT HAPPENINGS

The club hosted its first dance of the season, just prior to **Halloween**, which is always a popular time in the Village, bringing out the creativity in otherwise staid people. Voting for the best Halloween costume was competitive, but Colleen took the prize, weirding out everyone with her ghoulish make-up. Kudos to our newest dancers for attending, dancing, dressing in boffo costumes, and having a fun time. Despite being bumped to Room 106, which meant we didn't have everyone dancing at the same time, the room had a party atmosphere.



Here is a shot of four of our longest-standing members, who started in the late 1980s. Still dancing and still crazy after all these years (Ray, Richard, Don, and Don).



On November 23rd, we held our Annual General Meeting. We extend a big thanks to Peter, who can still attend meetings as Past President, and Gaylene, who was Secretary. A huge welcome and thanks to the in-coming execs: Joanne and Nancy as co-Presidents, and Anda and Moneesha as co-Secretaries. We're a volunteer-run organization, so the fun couldn't happen without you. They'll join the existing committee, Dan (Treasurer), Bob (IAGSDC Rep, not pictured), and Niall (Publicity). Huzzah, huzzah!



A good contingent of club dancers went to the **Snowflake Hoedown in Keswick** on November 25th. Doug Holmes hosted the dance aimed at new Basic dancers, who started in September, to encourage dancing with dancers from other clubs and to experience calling by other callers. One of our new dancers, Paul, made the trek north, and was much in-demand on the dance floor. Doug invited callers in the GTA, including Barry Clasper. In addition, caller-in-training, Marge, took her turn at the mic, featuring her latest singing call: *Blowing in the Wind*. She's been testing that out on the Plus class for the last several weeks.



Lots more photos of these and other happenings in our [Flickr group](#). Feel free to add your own photos, or send them to me and I'll add them. Social media publicity lives on photos.

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News from the T&D Association



Recent news from the Toronto & District Square and Round Dance Association:

You are invited to these up-coming Joint Toronto & District Dances in 2018

- Sat **Feb 3**, Etobicoke [flyer](#), our rising-star caller Marge will be there with Toronto callers Aaron Goodman & Grant Logan
- Sat **Mar 3**, Guelph [flyer](#), if only to say Hi to Lorna.
- Sat **Apr 7**, Waterdown [flyer](#) including the AGM

T&D also wants to let you know that hotel blocks are now open for the **2018 National Square Dance Convention**, July 19-21, 2018, in London, Ont. Discount codes are part of the links on the Hotels webpage.

If you want to be more plugged into the local square dance scene, Association membership is only \$10 per year. Membership and dance fees go to the promotion of Square Dance to potential new dancers in the GTA, as well as bursaries for people attending caller schools. Membership form is [here](#).

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Merry Christmas
from all your
Toronto & District
square dance friends



We hope your holiday season is filled with tradition, music,
dance, family, friends ...

... and door prizes!



What's Ahead

Here's what's on the calendar in the coming months:

- **Holiday Dinner & Dance**, Sunday, **Dec 3**, 2:00-8:00 pm. Barry Clasper calling. Class Basic to C1, followed by a catered dinner by Fabarnack. [flyer](#)
- Farewell to Veronica, **Dec 6**, 8:30 following Wed classes at Jesse Ketchum.
- Last classes for the year: **Dec 13 @ JK**; **Dec 14 @ The 519 & 15 Maitland Place**
- **New Year's Eve Dance** hosted by Aaron Goodman and the Etobicoke Arrowhead Squares, including full sit-down dinner. Order tickets in advance [flyer](#)
- Mark these dates in next year's day-timers: **Feb 11** & **Mar 11** for Sunday afternoon club dances.

Stay tuned to our [Events](#) page as updates are added. Our [Calendar](#) cross-lists select IAGSDC Fly-ins and regional Toronto & District dances.

Early-bird pricing ends **Dec 31**, for **Pearl Promenade**, **May 25-27, 2018**. Then the price goes *way* up (okay, maybe just a bit). Seriously, you won't wanna miss **Vic Ceder**, our guest caller. Which means you'll want to register, which means you'll want to catch the early-bird deadline. Register via the IAGSDC **Events** page, or print and mail in the **registration form** with your cheque (at the reduced early-bird amount).

Also, we are auctioning exchange vouchers for the Philadelphia and Grand Rapids Fly-ins, both Apr 6-8, 2018. To bid, send me an email. Auction closes Dec 3. Proceeds help our Fly-in.

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We welcome contributions of photos or a feature article. Send them to the club

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