

SQUARE TIME

Eastern Ontario
Square and Round Dance
Association



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We welcome letters, articles, advertisements and almost anything dance related. Each member club is encouraged to send us their news, and tell us about themselves. Separate text and pictures, please. Text is reformatted to present a uniform appearance and pictures have to be extracted. Please send them to SquareTimeEditor@eosarda.ca.

Next issue...

The next issue will be October 2026. Deadline for submission is September 30.

Advertising in Square Time

To advertise in Square Time, please send a file to the editor, indicating the size the advertisement is to be (full page, half page etc.) Other than to fit the space, advertisements will not be reformatted. There is no charge for dance events.

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We are always looking for new directors to be on the board, so we would be delighted to have your help. We also need committee members who are not directors, but fill important rolls.

Message from the President, May 2026

Full disclosure.

I enjoy sitting on EOSARDA's Board of Directors and more particularly being Chair of the Board. If I didn't, I wouldn't be doing it.

Both jobs come with their share of challenges and frustrations.

Both give great satisfaction at the many achievements that come from working with a talented team of dedicated dancers.

But when running a large and diverse organization such as EOSARDA, it is very easy to get lost in the administria of work plans, reports, schedules, budgets, deadlines and regulatory requirements and in doing so, lose sight of the Big Picture.

A few days ago I had the honour of being invited to represent EOSARDA at what we used to call a New Dancer Graduation - now known more commonly as a New Dancer Celebration. During the course of the evening I was reminded of a few important things that, at the Board level, tend to get lost in the background noise.

I was reminded once again of how very lucky we are to have a number of talented and dedicated Callers who, with seeming ease, transform new dancers from unsure "newbies" to experienced dancers within just a few months while keeping the rest of us moving forward.

I was reminded of how lucky we are to have teams of club executives who are willing to spend a great deal of time ensuring that we have halls in which to dance, Callers to dance to, and other dancers to dance with.

I was reminded of how fortunate we are to have a whole lot of Angels working to ease our new dancers' entry into the wonderful world of Modern Square Dancing.

And, most importantly, I was reminded of the energy and enthusiasm that our new dancers bring with them to the dance floor. They represent the future of our favourite activity and from what I have seen, we are in good hands.

Summer Dancing

As we move ever deeper into Spring, our member clubs are busy wrapping up what, by all accounts, has been a very successful dance year. But don't put those dance shoes away just yet.

There's more to come. Summer Dancing is looming over the horizon:

- on May 10 there's a Mothers Day Dance in Alexandria
- May 16 features an all day Advanced and Challenge dance in Napanee
- the Spring Flutter Wheel Dance is scheduled for Alexandria on May 17
- May 30 sees the Spring into Summer dance in Napanee
- on June 6 at the Jack Purcell Community Centre in Ottawa there's a tune-up dance for the Montreal Mix
- June 20 gives us the chance to sail, eat and dance on the Ottawa River with Pembroke's Swinging Swallow at the Summer Breezes Dance and Cruise event
- From July 1 to the 5th the 43rd IAGSDC Convention (aka "The Montreal Mix") will be held in Montreal
- from July 15 through 18 the Canadian Square and Round Dance Society's 24th National Convention will be held in Penticton, B.C.

For more information on all of these exciting events go to <https://www.eodance.ca/calendar.php>

Registration Up-date

In the last issue of Square Time I announced that EOSARDA had registered 5% more dancer as of mid-February this year as compared to the same time last year. That was not correct. Thanks to a number of late registrations our year-over-year total membership actually increased by 8% this year, just short of the 10% goal we had set for ourselves. Well done, one and all.

Board News

Three of our current Directors, Lamar Mason, Michelle Gravelle and Debbie Pennie will be leaving the BOARD at the end of their current terms of office. On behalf of the Board and all our Members I thank them for their service. They will be missed.

If the Board is to continue to meet the needs of our Members, additional Board members are needed now while experienced Directors are available to pass on their knowledge and experience. The work, while important, is not difficult and Board meetings usually take place on Zoom, so no travel is required. The only requirement, besides a passion for dancing, is that a Director must sit on at least one of the five standing Committees (Executive, Dance, Publicity, Club Liaison or Technology).

If being a Director is not your thing, then we also need a number of non-Board Volunteers to help with the day-to-day work of the Standing Committees. No experience is required and no reasonable offer will be refused.

Interested? Contact me at president@eosarda.ca.

Dave Western
President
EOSARDA

Message from the Editor

I am planning to do **articles on clubs that no longer dance.**

Do you have club badges from a club that no longer exists? If you have badges or other historic material, and would like to share, please take *a* picture and send it along. I have a long list of clubs that have danced in our area over the years.

I am still waiting for articles to include in our *How We Got Here* column. This should be a paragraph or two about how you got interested in dancing and how it has affected your life. Perhaps clubs could suggest dancers who might like to take part in this project.

The cover is a picture of Don Moger who celebrated his 50th year of calling

There are lots of dances coming up to take part in. Check the list of flyers toward the end of this issue, and watch the EOSARDA Calendar on-line!

Gerry Johnson

Square Time Editor

SquareTimeEditor@eosarda.ca

Hello Dancers!

OMG - May is upon us!!!!!!!

I'll bet many of you have already attended five (silver) or eight (gold) dance events, and I am sure the forms will soon come pouring in!

What dances have you attended since February? It's easy to remember... just check the EOSARDA dance Calendar to refresh your memory!!

I checked the Calendar and there are five events in May, two in June and two conventions coming up! This is not even counting if you attend another club on their regular dance night!

I know I don't need to remind you that the best way for any dancer to become stronger is to dance more often, and visiting another club is a great way to do this! A different caller will present things in a slightly different way, and this is a fabulous way to improve your skills! The EOSARDA Visit Dangle Program runs from September 1, 2025, to August 31, 2026.

Check out the Calendar at eosarda.ca for the many dances that are coming up! It is so EASY for you to track and participate!

We have removed the requirement to obtain a signature to verify that a dancer did participate.

Attendance at any club other than the one where the dancer pays the EOSARDA registration fee, counts towards your dangle. Also, one visit per club, where a dancer attends two or three clubs regularly counts toward the dangle.



Attendance at any workshop, special event, summer dance and/or convention, including outside Canada.

SoI have attended the dances and club visits how do I obtain my dance dangle?

Complete the required number of visits during a single dance year and submit your completed [application form](#) to dancedangles@eosarda.ca on or before September 30, 2026!

Let's continue to increase the number of dancers who will earn their dangles for 2025-2026!

If you're not sure how the program works, send an email to dancedangles@eosarda.ca and I will be happy to chat with you!

Let's finish strong! See you on the dance floor.

Michelle Gravelle



*Help grow modern
square, round, line &
clog dancing!*

EOSARDA's
Publicity Committee is
offering all interested
members
a helping hand in creating
flyers and other
advertising documents
using **Canva software**.

This is a **free Zoom
tutorial, using Canva**.
No Canva membership
is required to register.
June 2 at 7:00 pm

Register by email to:
lamarmason4@gmail.com

Zoom link will be sent to
registered individuals on
May 29.



Sad News - Brian Gibbs

Brian passed away very early Thursday morning at St. Patrick's Long Term Care Home where he had been staying.

Brian was an active round dancer and square dancer. Over the years, Brian and Ann danced with:

Adam's Aces
Capital Carousels
Capital Squares
Capital Steppers
Crazy A's
Lockits
PJ's
Rhapsody Rounds
Riverside Gypsies
Shadow Casters
Spinettes
Spinning Spurs
Stepping Out Rounds
Sunshine Squares
Take a Step Rounds
Trackers



Brian and Ann served as directors on EOSARDA's board in 2007/2008 and again in 2008/09 during which time they served on the association's Dance Committee, a role they continued in 2009/10 after they left the Board.

Along the way, they have also served as: President & Vice President of the Sunshine Squares; Board Members of Capital Steppers; and members of EOSARDA's Board of Directors. They attended several Canadian and American Square Dance Conventions and have danced on the high seas on a number of dance cruises.

Brian and Ann were awarded a Trillium Long Service Award in 2023.

Club News: Glengarry Tartans May 2026 News

September 2025 and January 2026 open houses (4) resulted in 7 new dancers to our club. Lots of work but almost a full square. Must stay positive....



Summer 2026 will see us participating in the North Glengarry Township sponsored "Meet Me on Main Street" events happening in surrounding communities: Dalkeith, Dunvegan & Alexandria are booked for a no cost advertising table for nonprofits with a potential demo in Dunvegan.

We have once again been invited to demo dance in Glen Robertson for their Canada Day celebrations.

Our club is now comprised of Group 1 and Group 2 dancers, Group 1 being new dancers and less experienced dancers. Group 2 was initiated by Wendy VanderMeulen to accommodate our more experienced dancers. Wendy has gone

over and above to assist our club. We thank both Wendy and John for great calling and making the learning curve a fun and social gathering. Being that we usually dance only 3 Sundays a month Wendy has added some Saturday dancing to increase classes for our club.

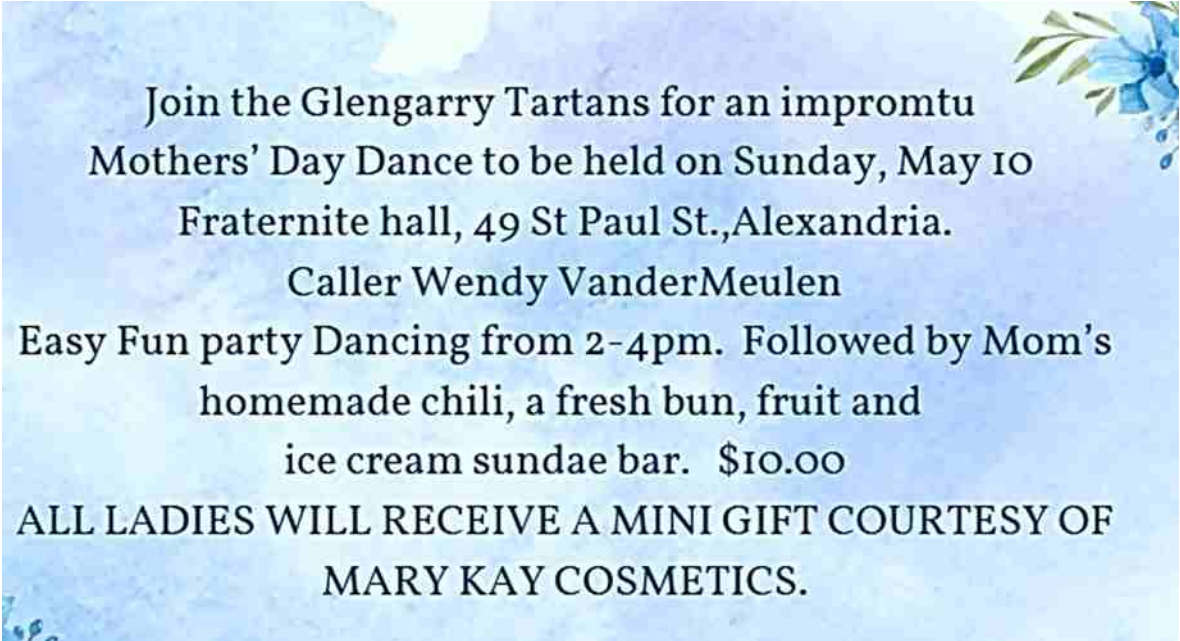
Our Valentine dance was loads of fun and we are looking forward to our Mother's Day dance on May 10 complete with Mom's homemade chili (check out the flyer).

Our annual Spring Flutterwheel event to be held on May 17th will feature loads of dancing including PLUS and a hot and cold buffet and we are looking to add some extra entertainment to the event. Stay tuned by visiting the EOSARDA Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/eosarda>

Valentine Day with the Glengarry Tartans.





Join the Glengarry Tartans for an impromptu
Mothers' Day Dance to be held on Sunday, May 10
Fraternite hall, 49 St Paul St., Alexandria.

Caller Wendy VanderMeulen

Easy Fun party Dancing from 2-4pm. Followed by Mom's
homemade chili, a fresh bun, fruit and
ice cream sundae bar. \$10.00

ALL LADIES WILL RECEIVE A MINI GIFT COURTESY OF
MARY KAY COSMETICS.



Glengarry Tartans invite You to our annual

Spring Flutterwheel Event!

Sunday, May 17th, 2026

Glengarry Sports Palace Alexandria, ON

170 MacDonald Blvd, Alexandria, ON

With the great calling of Wendy VanderMeulen

1:30pm - 2:00pm reserved for PLUS dancers

2:00-4:00 everyone dances Easy Peasy

SSD/Basic/Mainstream

4:00-4:30 hot & cold buffet

Hot food sampler bar consists of chilli,
meatballs, veggies & rice \$15.00 at the door

\$12.00 advance contact clauzon55@sympatico.ca

Door prize - share the wealth-

Draw for a tartan blanket & gift basket

Surprise guests & Butterfly launch win a prize!

Club News: Grenville Gremlins



Grenville Gremlins Banner Retrieved!

In early March, the Grenville Gremlins Banner was absconded by the devious Carleton Place Mississippi Squares dance club after showing up one night in North Grenville with a large contingent of dancers. This brazen act of purloining was duly rectified in late March when two contingents of Grenville Gremlins dancers attended two Mississippi Squares dances and retrieved the sacred banner. A highlight at one of the banner retrieval dances occurred when the Grenville dancers were allowed to take the banner only if they danced a tip with the male and female roles reversed. As expected, but not desired, the new dancers who were significant in number, quickly fell into disarray amid much laughter. All-in all the back-and-forth dancing exchanges led to much merriment at both clubs achieving a key goal for non-competitive square dancing which is fun. Hats off to our new dancers for their superlative retrieval efforts and thanks to the Mississippi Squares for entering into the fun of it all.



Our St. Patrick's Day Dance

We were delighted that so many of our dancers got into the spirit of St. Patrick's Day. There was plenty of fun and treats



with a green theme. Brian O'Crawford had us dancing to Irish tunes during the evening too.

Our New Dancers for Dance Year 2025-26

Because of our late start to the dance year and consequently the delayed new dancer grad (after articles were due), we wanted to recognize our new 11 dancers now. What a wonderful addition to the club they are and we look forward to seeing them all back in the Fall of 2026.



New Dancers Perspectives of Joining the Grenville Gremlins

I walked in expecting to survive one class; I walked out wondering why I hadn't tried it sooner.

When my friend first invited me to join her and her partner for a beginner's square-dancing class, I hesitated – it just didn't feel like my thing. But on her third class, her partner was out of town, and she asked if I'd fill in just for one night. Reluctantly, I agreed. Well... I was completely wrong to say no at the start.

The moment I stepped inside, I was greeted by the friendliest people and instantly felt at home. As the evening went on, I found myself smiling nonstop – and at one point laughing so hard I had tears in my eyes. I had such a blast that I signed up right away. This class truly is for everyone, no matter your age or experience. You don't need a partner – there's always someone happy to dance with you, and the senior dancers are wonderful at showing newcomers the ropes. Square dancing is a fantastic way to stay active, and it's great for your memory too.

And our caller, Brian, is the best. He makes everyone feel welcome, even when the whole square collapses into laughter and confusion. Somehow, he always gets us back on track, even when it seems impossible.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this experience so joyful.

Gwen

Square Dancing - A New Experience

I'm always up for a new activity, so when our friends told us about square dancing we thought we would give it a whirl. It's a great idea to have the first couple of classes free as it encourages people to come out and try. Although when first walking into our class I found myself wondering if this was for us. We were greeted with enthusiasm, and everyone was so welcoming.

From the first class we found our selves having fun. After each class we felt increasingly more comfortable. Our fellow newbies were also lots of fun and we learned together. I have recommended square dancing to some of our other friends. Hopefully they w

ill come out in the fall. It's nice that you don't have to be a couple to learn how to square dance.

Brian is a patient and helpful instructor. He always helps out those couples who are having trouble and makes each week very enjoyable and fun. Brian has a great sense of humour, and his calling is easy to follow and understand. If you want any corrections, just be in the squares closest to him and he will help you out. Every week we learned more and more calls and steps. The Mainstream dancers were very helpful mastering each new call, showing us how the steps work, and encouraging us. Always there to help us out. As the weeks went by, we became more comfortable and enjoyed our experience even more. We will encourage other people to give square dancing a try.

Pat

Club News: Riverside Gypsy Squares

The Riverside Gypsy Squares are happy to report we had a very successful Mid Winter Dance on February 22. We had 3 squares up dancing to basic, mainstream and plus tips. As part of our planning, we invited several of new callers to call for us, and as a result we had four guest callers and our two in-house callers for the afternoon. It was a great day!

We are looking forward to our summer of dancing with campouts planned for May through September. We have callers lined up for all five months and I am sure each of the monthly committees will have all kinds of interesting activities planned to entertain us on the weekends.

We are looking forward to seeing our friends from the last few years and catching up on their news from over the winter, and meeting new members who might be joining us to camp and

Sincerely,
Helen MacCallum, Club Contact,
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Cell #: 613-330-4873



LOCKITS Advanced Dance Club

Geoff & Teena Clarke

April 2026



The photo above was taken this past week on April 29th as we completed our 18th year of dancing Advanced, with almost all (just over 4 squares) of our regular dancers in attendance. It was a great turnout, 'missing' only six of our regulars, with 3 away on trips including two of them attending the Australian National Convention currently going on in Hobart, Tasmania! Yes, square dancing in Australia - how lucky is that? We 'celebrated' the completion of the dance year with some social chat time, including an array of goodies!

It has been another great season of dancing, as another year has 'raced by' us all once again!! We started out in the fall of 2007 in the dance hall in our basement with a group of 20 dancers, most wanting to learn A1 (with a few angels helping out), and me wanting to learn how to call/teach A1! "Together" we made that all happen & we became a registered EOSARDA club in Sept. 2008.

Looking back at a photo taken in April 2008, reminds us of just how time doesn't indeed pass us by quickly, noting that only three of our original group are still dancing with us today!

We are already looking forward to our next season that starts on September 23rd, 2026 so if you'd like to come dance with us, mark it on your calendar now!



You're welcome to come & dance with us at any time!

**Square Dancing IS all about Fun & Friendship
So, come & join us, won't you?**

Live Lively -



Square Dance

CLUB NEWS: MERI SQUARES

That's a wrap! The regular 2025-2026 dance season has ended at Meri Squares but what fun we all had.

At the end of March we celebrated spring (although it seems to have missed the message!). Dancers were invited to wear their best spring outfits, Easter bunny ears or St. Patrick's green as dancing had been cancelled on St. Patrick's Day. It made for a very eclectic event. Thanks to our Social Committee of Joyce Fleury, Susan Vail, and Sandy Rosen, with decorating help from Colleen Barnes for goodies and decorations. There were certainly lots of smiles and good times.



St. Patrick Day and Easter representation at Spring Dance

Meri Squares had with a wonderful celebration of dancers at our end-of-year party on April 30. We handed out SSD certificates to 12 new dancers bringing to 20 the total number of new members to Meri Squares in this dance season. And we are happy to say that most have stayed with us! Quite an accomplishment. Thank you to Shirley Brown for coming all the way from Kingston to present the EOSARDA new dancer danglers! Thank you to Wendy VanderMeulen for being such an outstanding teacher to brand new dancers.

SSD grads. Congratulations!



We also saw 13 members complete the Plus program. This is the first time since returning to dancing in 2022 that Meri Squares has taught the Plus program. Many of the participants were SSD dancers who completed that program with us over the past 3 years. It was wonderful to see their progress. While caller John Charman's patience was tested from time to time as the boat often sank in Load the Boat or the baton was dropped in Relay the Deucey, in the end, everyone had a great time and success. Four squares on the floor on Thursday nights is wonderful to see!

New Plus dancers!



We also took time to recognize a newer member of Meri Squares who has made a significant contribution to the spirit of our club.

Our Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to Barbara Pearson who comes every night with a smile on her face and a hearty laugh, who is always pitching in where needed with events, always offering to drive

dancers to and from dance nights or other dances, and reaches out to dancers who may be experiencing personal health issues. Barb puts the caring into the Meri Squares family, and we are grateful to have her. Keep laughing and dancing, Barb!



Meri Squares thanked two outgoing members of its Executive, Sandy Rosen and long-time Membership Coordinator, Colleen McEwan. We are so thankful for their dedication to the club.

We also welcomed a new President for 2026-2027. Guy Quesnel will take over the reins in late May and move us ever forward. Meri Squares has always enjoyed strong support from its membership, and we are lucky to have members who step up to serve on the Executive. We welcome for the coming year, Susan Lee and Karen Burns. You will have lots of help from the whole Executive team.

We have several promotional events planned for the summer at local markets and community fairs. Keep an eye out for Meri Squares dancers in their new Club T-shirts!

While the regular season is over, Meri Squares will continue to dance during the summer. You can find us dancing SSD and Plus on Tuesday, May 19, June 16, July 21 and August 18 at the J. A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Ave, Ottawa from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Check our calendar on the website for the summer picnic date when decided. www.merisquares.ca

We wish all EOSARDA dancers a great summer of relaxation, if that is what you choose, or a fun summer of dancing across Canada and locally. Please feel free to join Meri Squares on our dance nights.

Submitted by Lamar Mason

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Submitted by Lamar Mason

Club News Mississippi Squares

The 2025 – 26 season was our 40th year of dancing here in Carleton Place. It's been a busy year and there's quite a bit of Mississippi Squares club news since the last issue of Square Time.

One night, head referee Brian Crawford decided he needed some help officiating. These four guys volunteered to act as linesmen (just kidding, no out-of-bounds infractions were recorded that evening). On another night, Howie Marsh led a band of our doughtiest members on a successful banner napping mission to Grenville Gremlins.



Our St. Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day Dances were held on Tuesday, February 17th (after a 1 week postponement) and on Tuesday, March 17th, respectively. Geoff Clarke did a great job subbing for Brian at the first event, and Brian is only pretending to be falling asleep at the second.



Our Mississippi Squares 40th Anniversary Dance took place on Saturday, March 28th at the Carleton Place Arena. A total of 14 clubs took part in this event. There were 174 ribbons sold; 12 heritage guests came; and 10 free admission tickets were given out to callers and EOSARDA VIP's. There were nearly 200 guests in total at this

event. Four prizes of \$54.25 were awarded to the Share the Wealth winners.

Other awards were presented as well. Marilyn Sellers, who joined the club in its second year is our longest continuing member. She was presented with a lovely bouquet of flowers by Sharen Goodman. Betty Goodwin, our club president, accepted certificates from EOSARDA and the Ontario Square and Round Dance Federation in recognition of our club's 40 years of existence. These were presented by Shirley Brown and David Western respectively.



A second hall adjacent to the main hall was reserved this year at the Carleton Place Arena to act as a Heritage Room for presenting the history of our club. The four boxes of embedded images in the picture which follows highlight: 1) a sign directing folks to this location; 2) what some folks wore when square dancing in yesteryear; 3) not exactly sure what this is all about; and 4) ribbons from previous dances hosted by the Mississippi Squares.





There was plenty of good food to eat throughout the afternoon. The boxed in image of one of the two celebratory cakes present at this event (embedded in the bottom left corner of this picture) is NOT to scale with respect to the other fare laid out on the table.

The dance floor was full.



The Ring of Friendship dance at the conclusion of this event turned out to be a “double-ring” due to a lack of space in the hall. It’s hard to make out folks in the outer ring (see below) – please note Barb Bongiorno’s head which has been boxed in in the following two images to help illustrate the existence of this second circle of dancers.



Our New Dancer Celebration was held on Tuesday, April 14th. It started with the customary procession of new dancers into the hall. Each dancer initially entered with a single escort. First couple went right, second couple went left, et cetera, until eventually ending up in two rows of new dancers and their escorts triumphally marching up to the head of the hall where the new dancers could take their seats of honour.

Each new dancer was then presented with a certificate from EOSARDA president Dave Western, a swag bag from club president Betty Goodwin, another certificate from caller Brian Crawford and his wife Amy, and a club name badge from Diane Marsh. Each dancer then

proceeded to the signing table managed by Sharen Goodman.

Following this, the new dancers passed Brian's new dancer test and presented a song about the joys of square dancing to the tune of "King of The Road." Their production was very well received. The new dancers are: Gerry Armstrong, Laura Pummell, John Pummell, Tomi Hunter, Grace Meehan, Murielle Bourdon and Mary Camelon.

The evening was emceed by Pauline and Bruce Patterson.



Our club's Annual General Meeting (AGM) took place on Tuesday, April 21st. The following positions on next year's executive are all held by acclamation:

- **President: Betty Goodwin**
- **Vice President: Diane Marsh**
- **Past President: VACANT**
- **Secretary: Wendy Waddell**
- **Treasurer: Muriel Hanneson**
- **Social: Cora Merchand and Diana Zubac**
- **Publicity: Howie Marsh**
- **Directors at Large:**

- **Marion Armstrong (Demo and Decoration)**
- **Marian & Murray Grant**
- **Charlie Henderson (Club Articles for Square Time)**
- **Pauline & Bruce Patterson**

The following individuals will assist the executive as specified:

- **Fran George - Goodwill**
- **Vince Guthro - Webmaster**
- **Robin Kirk - Membership Database**

Our annual year-end Potluck Supper Dance was held on Tuesday, April 28th. A very attractive floral centrepiece was created for the event by Marion Armstrong. After the feasting and before beginning some square dancing designed to burn off a few of the calories consumed, there was a lively demonstration of clog dancing performed by the Rideau Canal Cloggers.



One final tidbit – at a recent Friday night gathering of Plus dancers, the

following picture was taken. Can you guess what the call was?



In closing, we would like to issue the following invitation to dancers from all of the other member clubs of EOSARDA. If you are ever wondering what to do with yourself on a Tuesday or Friday night next fall, please feel free to drop in for a fun-filled evening of dancing in Carleton Place. We'd love to see you! We'll be doing Basic and Mainstream on Tuesdays and Plus on Fridays. Please also note that we will be dancing at the (relatively) new hall at 2022 Beckwith Park Lane. If you have any questions or concerns regarding anything to do with our club, please feel free to contact our president, Betty Goodwin at 613-256-0551.

Many thanks to Melanie Jones, Sharen Goodman, Diane Marsh, Joey Walker, Brian Crawford, Cheryl Waters and myself for supplying the many, many wonderful images found in this article.

Submitted by Charles Henderson



Club News Napanee Pioneers

Hurrah! Looks like spring is here and the Pioneers are Preparing to “Spring into Summer” with our welcoming Dance coming up on May 30th. Preparations are under way and our members are working hard to make you are all welcome! Hope to see you all on May 30th. See our Flyer for more details.

On April 17th we held our Pie Night. We had a great turn-out And plenty of pies for everyone. Excellent dancing with our very own caller, Dave.



On April 18th we attended Peterborough’s annual Spring Spree Dance. What a dance! Good callers and It was good to see old friends.

Napanee’s Pot Luck and Graduation is being held on May 8th when we will usher in our new graduates and enjoy and potluck before dancing. We are looking forward to a bountiful dinner. Bring your “dish” and join us.

May is a busy month for us.

On May 15th we will hold our AGM with a dance to follow.

If anyone is interested, our caller, Dave is holding an Advanced/Challenge Dance on May 16th. The flyer is posted on the EOSARDA web site.

Every Monday from May 25 to June 22nd there will be summer Dancing with a Mainstream teach and a Plus workshop. See the attached flyer.

Then on August 1st Napanee Pioneers will be doing a Demo at the Napanee Fair and an evening dance following, with Wendy Vandermeulen calling. See our flyer attached.

On July 11th The Pioneers will be hosting a dance from 7:00 to 9:30 with Brian Crawford calling. A flyer will be posted on the EOSARDA web site soon.

We have sad news to report.

One of our members, Marion Thomas, passed away on March 14th. She made many friends at our club and danced for years. When she couldn't dance any more she sat at the front table and sold share the wealth tickets. She is missed by all our members.



We look forward to dancing with you soon. Until then, enjoy the good weather.

Muriel Brough
Napanee Pioneers



Club news Russell Squares

Saint Mother Teresa School, 1035 Concession St., Russell K4R 1G7

Teaching and Dancing the SSD program

Fridays, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Wendy VanderMeulen

If you remember the last Club News, it mentioned that a few of our dancers had gone to their first open dance - and loved it! Now they have been to a few more - 3 of them even went to Montreal for a dance! Turns out they enjoy the experience of dancing with dancers from other clubs so much that they are keen to host their own dance! So:

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Russell Squares invites you to an open dance:

Saturday, November 7, 2026

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Frank Kinnaird Community Centre (in the Russell Arena), Russell, ON

Watch for details!!!

Club News - Swinging Bs Cornwall

A great turnout for the 50th Anniversary dance that was held by the Swinging B's on March 6, 2026. They had 109 dancers dosado'ing the afternoon away and enjoying a fulfilling hot & cold buffet supper. The club honored their eldest member, , 92 years young, and their longest serving members Carol & Bob Milne, with certificates.

There were 6 Gift Baskets containing items donated by members, plus a beautiful hand-made quilt made by Barb & Bob Mazerolle. Dave Hutchison called, assisted by Mary. During breaks, Dave visited each table to welcome people.

Local papers (Seaway News and Local Seeker) covered the event, taking pictures and preparing write-ups for publication.



The Swinging Swallows, Pembroke: **Come, Share the Adventure!**

Our club continues to have fun, though our numbers are few. We are enjoying Ron Gardner's calling (and teaching) for us on Thursday evenings. There were a few nights that we did not venture out to dance because of bad weather. Caller Ron drives 1.5 to 2 hours each way and many of our dancers drive 30 to 40 minutes. Some of us have suffered various viruses or surgeries that kept us away from the dance floor for two and three weeks. We've done well to hang on! We are planning a bigger-than-ever recruitment campaign for this fall! If anyone out there has unusual suggestions (I've tried all the usual things) please contact this scribe. There must be some 'wanna-be' modern square dancers in our area!

Part of our recruitment plan is to dance at the Beachburg Fair! We would love to have three or four squares, but to do that we **need you to come dance with us!** We dance on July 10, starting at 5 pm for an hour or two -- depending on how many dancers we have. Plan to spend the weekend at an old-fashioned country fair!



Club Caller, Ron, has a commitment that day so if there's **a caller who can attend, please contact me**

The Swallows, as I hope you have heard, are partnering with EOSARDA to plan a fun-filled day (10 am to 5 pm) on June 20: square dancing – Basic thru Advance – bbq chicken and salads for lunch, dessert served on board the large pontoon boat while we cruise (and *possibly dance*) on the Ottawa River. Then we go back to the Pavillion for square dancing all afternoon; a break at 4:00 to take a walk, sit on the beach, have a drink and then to the Pavilion for our "Happy Trails Dance" as we prepare to part company.



Owl Rafting is a wonderful venue, and here we are.... planning a fun dancing adventure so out-of-towners will come and enjoy the Valley! We hope you will plan to attend. If it rains, we're prepared ... but it is even more enjoyable if the sun shines!

We'll be dancing under (part of) the red roof, and pontoon boats are at the dock! Be careful of the shoes you wear, considering the venue.

Registration information can be found in our 4-page flyer, elsewhere in this issue of Square Time. If you want more information or a copy of the flyer, email me at bateman.gloria@gmail.com and I'll get back to you.

Note that we must give final numbers to Owl Rafting on June 16 and the number of seats on the pontoon boat is limited, so plan to be an early bird!

You might also go to OwlRafting.com to reserve a spot on a raft to do some whitewater rafting (light, medium or high intensity) on Sunday if you're *adventuresome*. There are restaurants to be found and places to stay over if you want to make it a weekend away from home!

I think this will be a memorable day for everyone and the Swallows are looking forward to dancing and sharing the experience with you.

Submitted by Gloria Bateman



CELEBRATING DON MOGER'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY



On Saturday, May 2 dancers and callers from western Quebec and eastern Ontario gathered at Centre Charles-Emile-Claude in Cornwall to celebrate and honour Don Moger's 50 years as a caller, teacher, and mentor. Border Boosters Square and Round Dance Association (BBS & RDA) organized and hosted this afternoon dance that attracted almost 120 dancers.

Don has called in all Canada provinces, 37 States in the USA, and 13 countries, mainly in Europe - and with regular Zoom sessions continues to call to those dancers.



Don provides entertainment thru his choreography, which is always interesting and fun, his choice of music, which is upbeat, and his smooth delivery. These qualities combined result in the class or dance being energetic and fun. He instills confidence in the dancers with his patient and relaxed style of teaching/calling. His most famous line is "You know I am only here to help you" - and this usually results in guffaws of laughter!

Don's "Magic" weekends for higher level dancing have kept those levels alive - Advance and Challenge dancers will travel large distances to hone these skills. But Don also leads excellent classes at the Basic level for new dancers.

His quote: "Square dancing has been the best part of my life"

With his enthusiasm, humour and love of square dancing he has taught, encouraged, and brought fun to thousand of dancers and we give a big THANK YOU to him for that and his commitment to our sport.



Both EOSARDA and BBS-RDA presented Don with congratulatory certificates recognizing his contributions to keeping square dance alive and relevant.

There was lots of food (what is a square dance with out food?), lots of dancing Basic thru Plus, and lots of laughter. A great afternoon for all.

Shirley Brown
Club Liaison

GRADUATE FESTIVAL



**ALL NEW GRADUATES AND
SUPPORTIVE DANCERS,
COME AND CELEBRATE
NAPANEE'S GRADUATING CLASS
OF 2025 - 2026**

Bring your "Dish" and join our **POT LUCK
At **5:45 p.m.** then dance with our new
dancers**

North Fred Hall, 1178 County Rd. 8

May 8th from 5:45 to 9:30

\$8.00 p.p.

Dave Hutchinson calling

Please bring your own plates and cutlery

ADVANCED – CHALLENGE DANCE IN NAPANEE MAY 16/ 2026



Barry Clasper
North York, ON

Hall 1 A1/A2
Hall 2 C1/C2

DANCING FROM
10:30 to 12:30
1:30 to 4:30
6:30 to 9:00



Jenn Engimann
Philadelphia, PA



Dave Hutchinson
Marlbank, ON

**Any 2 Sessions + Lunch \$40.00
3rd Session Free**

Any Single Session no lunch \$20.00



Osamu Miyabe
Toronto, ON

Please Pre-register for lunch

Pay at the door – we just need to plan #'s for lunch

Dinner available at the hall for an extra charge – Menu TBA

Or see list of restaurants on reverse

**North Fredericksburgh Hall
1178 County Rd. 8, Napanee**

Mary – 705-957-8746

Muriel – 613-305-0551

We are an LGBTQ Friendly Group

Restaurants in Napanee

- Jimmy's Italian – 35 Jim Kimmett Blvd
- Mr. Chips & Fish – Hwy 41, north of 401
- The Waterfront Pub & Terrace, 22 Water St (on Centre St)
- Napanee Fish & Chips – 35 Jim Kimmett Blvd
- The Loaf'N'Ale Pub – 25 Dundas St E.
- Santorini Mediterranean Grill – 54 County Rd. 8
- Shoeless Joes Sports Grill – 17 McPherson Dr
- Chuck's Road House – 9 Jim Kimmett Blvd

SUMMER 2026

IMPROVE YOUR SSD DANCING



Okay. Lessons are over, but let's not forget everything over the summer!

Dancing continues all summer – so you can improve your dancing skills.

Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:45 p.m.

May 12, 26; June 2, 9, 23, 30; July 7, 14, 28; Aug. 4, 11

Mel Baker Hall, J. A. Dulude Arena

941 Clyde Ave.

(+/- 1/2 km south of Carling, at Woodward)

Callers: Brian Crawford, Ron Gardner, and Wendy VanderMeulen

May 12	Ron
May 26	Brian
June 2	Wendy
June 9	Wendy
June 23	Brian
June 30	Ron
July 7	Wendy
July 14	Wendy
July 28	Ron
August 4	Wendy
August 11	Wendy, Brian, Ron



\$10 per person per night*

* When Wendy calls, payment may be made by cash, credit, or debit.

All other nights, payment by cash only.

For more information, contact WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com or 613-282-0575

Riverside Gypsy Squares



**Do you Love Square Dancing?
Do you Love Camping?**

Combine these two great activities and join us!



Dancing level is full Mainstream with Plus tips, and easy line dancing. Visitors are welcome and encouraged to join us for our Open Dances on Friday evening and on Saturday afternoon. Our Friday dances are from 7:00 – 9:00 PM and our Saturday dances are in the afternoon from 1:30 – 3:30 PM. They are held in the open air Pavillion just near the entrance gate. Our dress code is "relaxed", so please wear something comfortable and appropriate for the weather as we could be outside.

You can find us at Lower Beverley Lake Park Campground, **146 Lower Beverley Lake Park Road.**, Delta, ON. Phone (613) 928-2881 on the following week-ends:

Summer 2026 Schedule

May	June	July	August	September
22-23	19-20	17-18	21-22	18-19

You may camp with us for up to a maximum of 2 weekends, then we would expect you to join our group. Our Membership fees are \$40.00 per couple. Otherwise, there is also a small fee of \$5.00 per person to dance.

For more information please contact Chris or Christine Slater at: 613-925-1712 or (Cell) 613-246-3053 (call or text) or email at: cslaterfamily@gmail.com



The Summer Breezes -- June 20

with Brian Crawford, Dave Hutchinson & Ron Gardner

for your Square Dancing pleasure! B thru A

The Swinging Swallows invite you to Owl Rafting, Foresters Falls KOJ 1VO, for a great square dance adventure in the Pavilion, rain or shine!

\$70 per dancer for lots of dancing, lunch, & dessert on the pontoon boat.

co-sponsored by EOSARDA



- Delicious BBQ chicken & salads for lunch
- Pontoon Boat Cruise on the Ottawa River
- Come at 10, dance 'til 5!

We have a fun-filled day planned for you! RSVP by June 15, email bateman.gloria@gmail.com to save your spot - on the dance floor, at the table and on the boat. See Pg 3 for payment details.



The Summer Breezes -- June 20

with Brian Crauford, Dave Hutchinson & Ron Gardner
the Program

Our plan for your day:

- 10:00 Arrive, register & square up for the Trail In Dance
- 11:30 Enjoy bbq chicken, assorted salads, rolls for lunch
- 12:15 Dessert & coffee/tea served on board the pontoon boat
- 1:30 Dance in the Pavilion all afternoon
- 4:00 Video wrap-up for the Rafters, who will need access to the Pavilion for half an hour; our group can watch the video or take a break, get refreshments. Owl Rafting has a licensed bar with drinks for purchase.
- 4:30 Happy Trails Dance to finish off the day!!

If you want even more excitement, contact OwlRafting.com to reserve a spot for whitewater rafting the next day!

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The Summer Breezes -- June 20

the Business Page

To register (before June 15, please) send an email to bateman.gloria@gmail.com, providing:

- Name of each dancer, dance level preferred
- Club & location
- phone number
- if you prefer a vegetarian lunch

Payment may be made **by cheque to 'the Swinging Swallows'** and it and your information as shown above, mailed to 70 Melanie St, Apt 5, Eganville, ON K0J 1T0. We **prefer payment by e-Transfer to bateman.gloria@gmail.com**, **security answer will be SummerBreezes**. You will receive an email to confirm your registration after the receipt of your email and payment.

We are unable to provide tickets at the event, so please register in advance.

If, for any reason, we must cancel the event, you will be notified by email on or before June 18 and your payment refunded

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The Summer Breezes -- June 20
Want to go for Dinner or Stay Over?

Renfrew is only a 20 minute drive from Owl Rafting and there are a number of restaurants, both fast-food and dining.

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There are places to stay:

Renfrew Inn 760 Gibbons Road, Renfrew, 613-208-0736
White Water Inn (Airbnb), 1739 Beachburg Road, Beachburg, 1-613-582-7011
Quality Inn & Suites, 900 Pembroke Street East, Pembroke, 1-613-216-2247

For those who want to stay & experience all the Whitewater region has to offer:
Wilderness Tours Hostel Hotel Units – rustic cabins available: (867) 393-2111
Bayside Suites, Cedar Cabins, Eco Cedar Cabins, and Glamping Tents

We suggest you check online for camping near Foresters Falls, ON;
there are a number choices!

Final Page!



Registration Form

Register online or if paying by cheque, clip out this section and mail it to us at:

MSDC Inc.
450 Rochefort Circle, Ottawa, ON
K4A 0M9 Canada

Person 1 Name: _____
 Dance Level: _____
 Person 2 Name: _____
 Dance Level: _____
 Club Affiliation: _____
 Address: _____

 Phone Number: _____
 Email Address: _____

Registration Includes

- 4 days of square dancing
- Seven large dance halls
- All levels up to C4, including SSD
- 13 internationally renowned callers
- Thursday brunch
- Saturday evening banquet gala
- Memorial room
- Women's hospitality suite

You can register easily online using our website, montrealmix2026.com or use this form to register by mail. Make cheques payable to MSDC Inc.

Merchandise

Commemorate your visit to Montréal by purchasing some amazing merchandise from our website: montrealmix2026.com



43rd IAGSDC Square Dance Convention



July 1-5, 2026

Montréal, Québec, Canada

Rates

Through 2025: \$315
 Through 2026: \$345
 Non-Dancer: \$195
 First Timer: \$275
 * Rate is per person
 CAD Canadian

Cancellation

Before June 1, 2026:
 Refund minus \$10 fee

Transfer at no cost

After June 1, 2026: No refunds, cancellations or transfers



MontrealMix2026.com
info@montrealmix2026.com

The Venue

The Centre Sheraton Hotel is your home away from home.

Located in the heart of downtown Montréal, a short walk to the Metro (subway), this hotel will be a warm and contemporary space to dance and sleep all under one roof.



Montréal, Québec, Canada



* Note: English is widely spoken in Montréal

Signature Event

At this year's signature event we're bringing cirque to you!

Hosted in the hotel ballroom and curated by Marcus Gauthier — a renowned trainer from Cirque du Soleil — professional circus actors spanning multiple disciplines will thrill and amaze you with their skills.

A gourmet plated three course meal is included as well as two hours of square dancing to celebrate the beginning of convention.

You won't want to miss this event!
 * a *matinée performance* has been added



Tours

Visit our website to book any of these fun tours, including others, during your stay in Montréal.

- Fun Badge Tour
- Québec City Bus Tour
- Montréal City Bus Tour

We will be adding more tours as we get them organized so visit our website often. Full details and pricing at montrealmix2026.com



Barry Clasper Toronto, ON	Kris Jensen Albuquerque, NM
Michael Kellogg Northridge, CA	Sandie Bryant Chicago, IL
Brian Crawford Carleton Place, ON	Michael Levy San Francisco, CA
Justin Russell Moscow, TN	Vic Ceder Los Olivos, CA
Ett McAtee Severn, MD	Wendy VanderMeulen St-Albert, ON
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Featuring an extensive convention centre with multiple large ballrooms, a fitness centre and a swimming pool, this hotel is ideally situated to be our home base while exploring all that Montréal has to offer.

Montréal, Québec, Canada



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Signature Event

At the Montréal Mix 2026 Signature Event on June 30, 2026 we're bringing cirque (circus) to you!

Hosted in the hotel ballroom and curated by Marcus Gauthier — a renowned acrobatics trainer — we bring you a spectacular circus show you will never forget. Professional circus actors spanning multiple disciplines will thrill and amaze you with their skills.

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Convention Update

Are you registered for the Montréal convention yet? If you haven't registered, the number of days until the next price increase is limited because on **January 1**, the rate goes from \$315 to **\$345**.

That price includes a full weekend of amazing square dancing at all levels (SSD/MS through C4) to eleven of the best callers in the world, a banquet supper and a breakfast buffet meal. Also some really fun specialty tips like women's tip, bear tip, leather tip, last man standing, hot hash and many more.

If you've never attended an IAGSDC convention before, you qualify for a special **first-timer rate of \$275**. Check out the [registration page](#) of the website for details on how to get it.

If your reason for not attending the convention is financial, you should definitely check out the [special subsidy](#) that's available to anyone who can't afford to attend. Do it before the subsidies run out.

Either way, the host hotel (Le Centre Sheraton) is **filling up fast**. Rooms are 95% booked already so if you plan to attend, you should [reserve your room](#) asap. You can cancel the hotel up to 72 hours in advance with no penalty.

PENTICTON

British Columbia, Canada



July 15th - 18th
2026



Canadian National Square, Round & Clog Dance Festival

squaredance.bc.ca



PENTICTON TRADE AND
CONVENTION CENTRE



Come to Penticton, with its rich history of square dancing.
Host of the Peach Festival Square Dance Jamboree for over 60 years.
Enjoy square dancing in Okanagan Lake, floating down the canal joining two
beautiful lakes, wine tasting tours, bountiful orchards and dancing
with friends old and new.

Welcome to the Okanagan!!

Look who you could be dancing to in Penticton BC in 2026:



Ray Brendzy



Betsy Gotta



Barry Clasper



Wendy Krueger



Lorne Smith

AND MANY MORE SUCH AS: *Patrick Aubert, Gary Baker, Black Sheep Steph, Caitlyn Brendzy, Nicholas Brendzy, Lionel Crowe, Gary Dean, Jim Decelle, Garry Dodds, John Fawcett, Joe Gonzalez, Roy Gotta, Terry Hebert, Dave Hutchinson, Laurie Illsely, Claudis & Dave Littlefair, Sandy Meyer, Vance Morrison, Steve Ocskasy, Connie Ritchie, Kirk Rocherbie, Dan Roy, Gordon Ruedig, Deb & Ray Schmidt, David Symington, Mary Thurston, and Dottie Welch!!*

CLOGGING LEADERS: *Rosalie Bodnarchuk, Barbara Bizovie, Lyle Boswall, Mary Dart, Barbara Guenette, Janet Guise, Mike McDow and Tracy Turner!!*

EARLY BIRD PRICING EXPIRES DECEMBER 31ST, 2025!!!!

REGISTER NOW FOR THE 24TH CANADIAN NATIONAL SQUARE, ROUND & CLOG DANCE FESTIVAL: JULY 15TH – 18TH 2026

TO REGISTER AND FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO: squaredance.bc.ca/festivals

****Reminder: special hotel pricing for this event expires soon****

Newsletter #4



Canadian Square and Round Dance Festival 2026 Catering and Transportation



Catering

We have now been able to arrange snack catering for the event which will be available from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. It will be run on a concession basis with the menu and prices now posted on our website—squareandrounddance.bc.ca . From the landing page, click on the Festival sub link.

This is in addition to the evening meal which must be booked in advance with the information and order form available on the BC Square and Round Dance Federation website



Transportation to and from Kelowna Airport

Kelowna airport to Penticton is approximately a 60 minute drive most of which follows the scenic west shore of Lake Okanagan. We have reviewed the bus services which are available and the options are noted below. Using these services requires advanced booking. They run directly from the airport to the hotels and reverse. We have been requested by the bus lines to advise them of the expected demand as they operate vehicles of varying sizes.

For most shuttle providers a deposit is required at the time of booking (usually 50%) with the balance 2 weeks before travel.

The choices are:

Public Shuttles which leave the airport every 60 to 90 minutes from Zone 7, just outside the Arrivals door. Cost is \$75 per person each way or \$150 round-trip

Private Transfers which are designed for groups of varying sizes, usually in the 12-15 or 20-24 passenger range, are rather cheaper, being approximately \$48 and \$27 respectively one way or \$96 and \$58 for the round-trip. This may be ideal for groups travelling together or at times which closely match. Or it might be possible for us to pool independent travelers arriving close to same time. These leave from the same location as the Public Shuttles.

To proceed further, we need to be able to estimate demand for each option. Attached is a short questionnaire which, if you wish to consider using a shuttle service, will help us to understand requirements. Please return the questionnaire to Dennis Sutton by email at dsutton9@telus.net no later than Sunday, 14th June, 2026. Earlier greatly preferred.

Based on the information we receive, we shall then be in a position to inform you of possible arrangements.

Wendy Krueger and Dennis Sutton
Co-Chairs, Canadian Square and Round Dance Festival, 2026





Canadian Square and Round Dance Festival 2026

Transportation Information Questionnaire

For Arrivals/Departures from Kelowna Airport only

- a) Name:
- b) email address:
- c) Number of persons in your party:
- d) One Way or Round Trip:
- e) Which hotel/ motel in Penticton have you booked:
- f) The scheduled date and time of your arrival:
- g) The scheduled date and time of your departure:
- h) How many suitcases per person:
- i) Are you considering the Public Shuttle - Yes/No:
- j) If your answer is "yes" to the question above, would you be interested if it is possible pool travelers arriving and/or leaving close to the same time?
- k) Are you interested in a Private Shuttle for your Group - Yes/No. If yes –How large is it?
- l) Anything else or comments?

Please note that responses later than Sunday, June 14th 2026 cannot be accepted.

List of interesting web sites for our dancers

EOSARDA web site	https://www.eodance.ca/SD_clubs_full.php
EOSARDA Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/groups/eosarda/
Ontario Federation	https://squaredance.on.ca/
Canadian Square Society	https://csrds.ca/
Toronto and District	http://www.td-dance.ca/
Southwest Ontario	https://swosda.ca/

EOSARDA Email Contacts

President	president@eosarda.ca
Registrar	registrar@eosarda.ca
Square Time Editor	SquareTimeEditor@eosarda.ca
Bulletins	bulletins@eosarda.ca
Webmaster	webmaster@eoDance.ca

EOSARDA Dance Clubs

Grenville Gremlins	<u>Grenville Gremlins</u>
Limestone Dancers	<u>Limestone Dancers</u>
Meri Squares	<u>Meri Squares</u>
Mississippi Squares	<u>Mississippi Squares</u>
Napanee Pioneers	<u>Napanee Pioneers</u>
Ottawa Date Squares	<u>Ottawa Date Squares</u>
Quinte Twirlers	<u>Quinte Twirlers</u>
Square Dance Ottawa	<u>Square Dance Ottawa</u>
Swinging Swallows	<u>Swinging Swallows</u>

Square Dance Clubs

Crazy A's

A1 Friday 1:00pm - 3:00pm
J.A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Ave., Ottawa
Caller: John Charman
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen
613-282-0575 WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com

Glengarry Tartans

Basic Most Sundays
Check schedule 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Usually La Fraternite Hall
49 St Paul St, Alexandria—Check Schedule
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen, John Charman
Contact: Carole & Bernie Lauzon
613-931-1783 clauzon55@sympatico.ca\

Grenville Gremlins

Basic/MS Monday 7:00pm - 9:00pm
North Grenville Municipal Centre
285 County Road #44,
Kemptville, ON
Caller: Brian Crawford
Contact: Robert Taylor King
612-853-5634 grenvillegremlins09@gmail.com

Limestone Dancers

Basic/MS/Plus Thursday 6:45pm - 9:30pm
Polson Park Public School
165 Robert Wallace Dr. Kingston
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: Noreen Peters
613-888-3170 noreenpeters1957@gmail.com

Lockits

A2, A1 Wednesday
A2 - 10:00 to 11:00am
A1 - 11:00am to 12:30
Brunton Community Hall
2022 Beckwith Park Lane, Carleton Place
Caller: Geoff Clarke
Contact: Geoff & Teena Clarke
613-724-8438 caller.geoff@bell.net

Meri Squares

SSD* Tuesday 7:00pm - 9:30pm
Alternating tips: SSD Teach & Full SSD
J.A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Ave, Ottawa
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Lamar Mason
613-221-9188 lamarmason4@gmail.com

Meri Squares

Plus / Plus Teach Thursday 7:15pm - 9:15pm
Westminister Presbyterian Church
470 Roosevelt Ave, Ottawa
Caller: John Charman
Contact: Lamar Mason
613-221-9188 lamarmason4@gmail.com

Mississippi Squares

Basic/MS Tuesday 7:00-7:30pm Full MS
7:30pm - 9:30pm B/MS
Brunton Community Hall
2022 Beckwith Park Lane, Carleton Place
Caller: Brian Crawford

Contact: Betty Goodwin
613-852-3496 betty.goodwin@gmail.com

Mississippi Squares

Plus, Plus Teach Friday 7:30pm - 10:00pm
Brunton Community Hall
2022 Beckwith Park Lane, Carleton Place
Caller: Brian Crawford
Contact: Betty Goodwin
613-852-3496 betty.goodwin@gmail.com

Napanee Pioneers

Basic/MS/Plus Friday 7:00pm - 9:30pm
North Fredericksburgh Hall
1178 County Rd. 8, Napanee
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: Muriel Brough
613-354-4595 mrb47@cogeco.ca

Ottawa Date Squares

SSD*/MS LGBT friendly Wednesdays 6:30pm - 8:45pm
Room B203, Jack Purcell Community Centre
320 Jack Purcell Lane, Ottawa
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud
613-806-3138 OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com

Ottawa Date Squares

A2 LGBT friendly Wednesdays 6:45pm - 8:45pm
Room B201, Jack Purcell Community Centre
320 Jack Purcell Lane, -
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud
613-806-3138 OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com

Ottawa Date Squares

Plus LGBT friendly Mondays 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Room 202, Jack Purcell Community Centre
320 Jack Purcell Lane, Ottawa
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud
613-806-3138 OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com

Quinte Twirlers

Basic, MS, Plus Wednesday 7:00pm - 9:30pm
Harmony Public School
Belleville
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: David Dunham
613-403-2882 quintetwirlers@gmail.com

Riverside Gypsy Squares

MS/Plus/Rounds/Lines May/ Jun/ Jul/ Aug/ Sep
3rd Weekend of every month
(Fri evening, Sat afternoon),
Lower Beverly Lake Campground, Delta, On
Caller: Various Callers and Cuers
Contact: Helen MacCallum
1-613-330-4873 helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

Russell Squares

SSD Friday 6:30 - 8:30pm
Mother Teresa Catholic School, 1035 Concession St., Russell
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen
613-282-0575, WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com

Square Dance Ottawa

Beginner 4th Sunday of the Month 2:30pm - 4:30pm
J.A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Ave., Ottawa
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen
613-282-0575, WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com

Swinging Bs

Basic/MS
Plus Tips Friday 6:30-7:00 pm (Plus)
7:00-9:00 pm (B/MS)
Knox - St. Paul United Church
800 Twelfth St E, Cornwall
Caller: Don Moger
Bob Summers
Contact: Iris Swerdfeger
613-937-3455 iris.swerdfeger@gmail.com

Swinging Swallows

Basic/MS/Plus Thursday 7:00pm - 9:30pm
Wesley United Church Hall
275 Pembroke St E, Pembroke
Caller: Ron Gardner
Contact: Jeannie Mastine
613-401-4907 j.mastine@outlook.com

Round Dance Clubs

Capital Carousels

Ph 3-4

Thursday 10:00am - 12:00pm

Parkdale United Church

429 Parkdale Ave

Dancing to pre-recorded tapes

Contact Gavin Currie

613-739-9395