

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 2023. Deadline for submission is September 30.

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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 have committee members who are not directors, but fill important rolls.

Message from the President



What is EOSARDA and Why Should I care?

To many of you EOSARDA is someone who shows up at your club from time-to-time to hand out pins or certificates. To others it's as an organization that puts on a Basic/Mainstream dance every year in the dead of winter.

But EOSARDA is much more than that.

- ⇒ It is the organization that publishes the magazine you are reading right now.
- ⇒ It is the organization that is responsible for creating and maintaining the web site that hosts the magazine you are reading right now.
- ⇒ It is the organization that sends out the electronic Bulletins that tell you, among other things, that this edition of Square Time can be found on the web site that hosts the magazine you are reading right now.

But EOSARDA is more than that.

EOSARDA's primary role is to promote modern square and round dancing by encouraging the growth and advancement of the square and round dance movement within Eastern Ontario by:

- ⇒ Providing assistance in the organization, development, and promotion of Clubs
- ⇒ Encouraging and assisting the development of Dance Leaders
- ⇒ Organizing and co-ordinating square and round dance functions and
- ⇒ Serving the members of the Association in the advancement and encouragement of modern square and round dancing.

This is accomplished through a number of programs, including, among other things :

- ⇒ subsidies to Member Clubs for recruiting new dancers;
- ⇒ financial assistance to Dance Leaders and would-be Dance Leaders for professional development;
- ⇒ the development and implementation of a regional publicity program
- ⇒ the identification and exploitation of opportunities to publicize dance activities in our region

- ⇒ ensuring that significant club events and anniversaries are suitably recognized
- ⇒ recognizing the efforts of our newest dancers by participation in new dancer celebrations
- ⇒ planning, organizing and running special regional dances

The Association is **not** a governing body. It exists to serve the needs of Member Clubs, our Dance Leaders and our dancers.

To deliver its programs, the Association relies on a small cadre of unpaid, volunteer Directors assisted by a few volunteers who do not sit on the Board of Directors. But, like many organizations, EOSARDA is having difficulty attracting enough people to allow it to carry out its mandate. We don't need a lot of additional help, but additional help is needed. Without that help many of the programs EOSARDA operates are in jeopardy. Some may have to be either suspended or, in the worst case, discontinued.

It's up to you.

You don't have to be an elite-level dancer.

You don't have to have many years of dancing experience.

You don't have to have any previous Board experience.

All you need is a love of dancing and a desire to help Square and Round Dancing grow and prosper. In return you will get to work with a fantastic team of individuals who share your passion for dancing.

"But", you say, "I am too busy to help".

We are all busy people. But we also care about dancing, so we make time to help it grow and prosper. And with enough people to share the load, it doesn't take all that much time anyway. On average EOSARDA business takes only a few hours a week, less time than most of us spend watching cute cat videos on Facebook or TikTok.

If you are interested in helping out, whether as a Director or as a non-Board volunteer, please contact me by e-mail at president@eosarda.ca.

The club you save may be your own.

Dave Western

President

EOSARDA

Message from the Editor

I had hoped to publish a printed issue by now, but we have decided to postpone that until the fall. We need feedback on how important a printed issue is to our readers. The current issue is available on-line at no cost and can be easily printed as necessary. I will be sending a request for clubs to give me their thoughts of the availability of a printed version.

I had the surgery (Wipple) in late March. It went well and I restart Chemo in May.

Are you receiving bulletins? You can sign up to receive information from EOSARDA about coming events, notices and all kinds of useful information. You can sign up on our web site [Bulletins \(eosarda.ca\)](http://eosarda.ca) and select add yourself to the direct mailing list.

We have an article written by Gloria Bateman, reprinted from the Our Canada (part of Reader's Digest) , Feb/March 2023. Gloria says "Some dancers have contacted me, since it was published, to congratulate me, etc. I do think that it might act as an incentive to others to look for places to publish items like this. I could not 'market' our activity; it had to be personal experience, and that is what the article is. It was published on pages side-by-side."

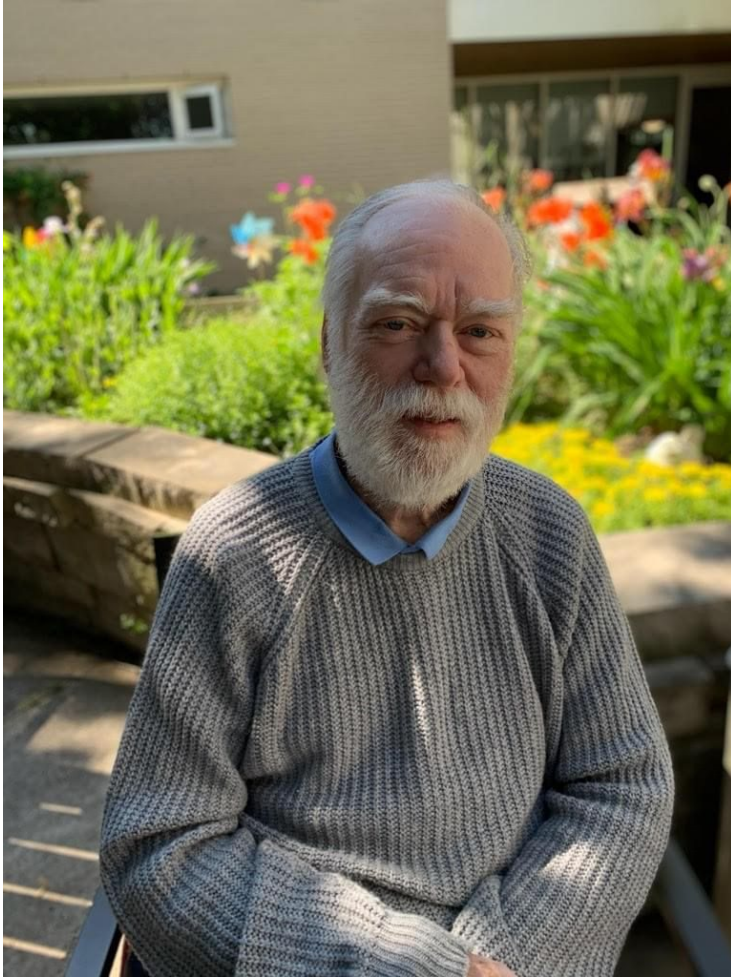
We want to remind you about the EOSARDA dance dangle program. It is to encourage dancers to travel to other clubs. This is lots of fun and can help to improve your dancing. See the article that will explain the program.

Are you a Facebook user? EOSARDA has a Facebook group that you can join. You can see posts for upcoming events and news. You can also post information yourself.

We just held the first Mother's Day dance in Prescott. Unfortunately, the turnout was not what we had hoped for. The dance was mainly geared for new basic and SSD dancers. Very few actually come out. I think we have to consider the adage that says "don't encourage new dancers to go, take them". Square dancing has always had a large friendship component. We need to do all we can to encourage participation.

Gerry Johnson
Square Time Editor

In Memorium Graham Ingram



Long-time square dance caller, round dance cuer, contradance prompter, music teacher, musician, band member, and music director – Graham Ingram – passed away March 7th at the Peter D. Clark Centre in Ottawa.

Graham started calling in the early 1980s and over the years called for many clubs in Eastern Ontario – including Village Squares, Country Cousins, Happy Squares, Date Squares, Mississippi Squares, Kanata Town Squares ... to mention some. Graham retired from calling in 2016 after more than 35 years with a microphone.

Creating and connecting communities through music was not just a hobby or pastime for Graham – it was a calling! His service to the Ontario square and round dance community was recognized in 2007 when he was awarded a Trillium Long Service Award.

A celebration of Graham's life was held on April 15th from 2:00 to 5:00 at Zion-Memorial United Church in Carleton Place. The afternoon was full of what Graham loved – music! There was also a square and round dance element to the event. The family promised that the afternoon would certainly not be traditional.

Rest easy, Graham ... we'll miss you – your dance family will keep the beat going on!

Additional information about Graham from the OACA is available at

[graham_ingram_retires - 2016.pdf \(eodance.ca\)](#)



Your Publicity Committee, working with you to promote square, round and line dancing.

News & Views spring 2023

One of the Publicity Committee's plans to help raise awareness about square and round dancing in Eastern Ontario is to:

"Continue to research and explore public events where EOSARDA can participate, i.e., fall fairs, spring festivals, and work with local clubs for representation."

Is there something happening in your neck of the woods that would provide a venue for a demonstration dance and the EOSARDA Information Booth? We love what we do...we need to show the community how much fun dancing is!

Dancing at the Byward Market was the Publicity Committee's first attempt at an 'all inclusive' event for our dancers where we could reach a large public audience. Last year, we were at Confederation Park in Kingston and, even though we danced in the rain in the morning, the sun later on made dancing even more fun (and hot!). EOSARDA (and your club) was also represented at the International Plowing Match near Kemptville for five days in September with our Info Booth and thanks to volunteer dancers and callers, performed two demo dances.

The Publicity Committee **wants to work with you** to help promote our dancing, but we need your help! Please contact publicity@eosarda.ca with a suggestion or two for a promotional venue!

We have designed a tri-fold flyer for EOSARDA Directors to pass out to our new dancers at the celebration dances this spring. We are also designing a new flyer promoting dancing to have available at events where we set up the EOSARDA Info Booth. It will be brief, point-form but full of information! We will let you know when the flyers are available and how to obtain a few copies, if desired.

Clubs are encouraged to take a look at https://eodance.ca/club_page.php. The "Interested in dancing" link on the eodance.ca home page has lots of useful information that can be copied to your Club's website for new dancers.

This [link](#) will take you to a variety of marketing materials from the BC area, including information about using social media to raise awareness. Scroll down to view editable posters available. Visit squaredan-cetech.com website for some great resources. A [spot](#) where I found free, editable posters that are quick and easy to use was through Google Images.

Please try these links, create a poster or two to determine whether the sites are of value to your club. Keep in touch with us – and we will share information with all of you!

Gloria Bateman, with Lamar Mason and Shirley Brown

Making the Right Call



After some initial reservations, learning to square dance proved to be the best thing this couple ever did!

by Gloria Bateman, Eganville, Ont.

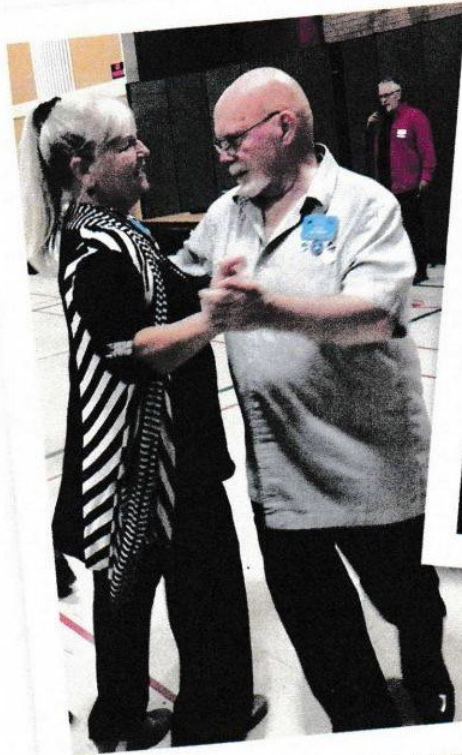


PHOTOS: NORMA CROZIER-GRANT

Quite a few years ago, my husband, Doug, and I screwed up our courage and, with great apprehension, entered the local public-school gymnasium. Our first lesson was about to begin. This was Doug's idea. After having recently rejoined the workforce, I felt guilty about being away from home and our young kids. However, once we hit the dance floor that evening, everything changed. We were smitten with square dancing.

The only dancing we had done prior to this was a shuffle: leaning on one foot, moving a little in any direction and then leaning on the other foot—back and forth and, with any luck, in time to the music.

With square dancing, though, we were learning an actual dance: exactly what to do with our feet, where to put our hands and where to go on the dance floor. To add to the fun, we danced with six other people, a total of four couples creating a square on the dance floor. We interacted with one another as the square-dance caller instructed. What a lot of fun! We had so many laughs, got some



exercise and made many friends. What more could a person ask for in an activity?

After square dancing for about six months and loving it, we realized there is a skill to learning all the various moves and recalling them when the caller tells us to perform each move. Only then did we realize that we had to shake off the fear of what people would think—and that we had to tell our family and friends what we had been up to. We even bragged about it!

Part of the fun is that no matter where in the world we might travel, we will be able to find a place to square dance—we learned that there are clubs everywhere. It seemed to us that modern-day square dancing had to be one of the best-kept secrets ever! There are several levels, so

there is a challenge in learning and performing the various moves. Perhaps that is why today's square dancing is recommended as a great low-impact exercise that is a wonderful workout for both the body and the mind. It helps keep you sharp as a tack!

After family, our social life revolves around the dance community of friends we have made over the years. And to think, we nearly did not go into the gymnasium for that first lesson! While Doug likes most sports, especially hockey, the only activity that appeals to me is square dancing—for me, it's like a contact sport! If we hadn't given it a try those years ago, we would have missed out on making lots of good friends—and on all that fun! ■

Over the years, Gloria and Doug have mastered and fallen in love with square dancing.

"Originally published in the Feb/Mar 2023 issue of Our Canada (an affiliate of Reader's Digest)."

EOSARDA Visit Dangle Program is Up and Running!

Great News!!!!!! We want to remind all dancers that the EOSARDA Visit Dangle Program is up and running! It is very encouraging to see so many Clubs back on the dance floor and hosting dancers!

As a reminder, 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!!!! The program runs from April 1st 2022 to August 31st, 2023.

Overview

The EOSARDA Club Visit Dangle is intended to encourage visits to EOSARDA Member Dance Clubs and attendance at Open Dances. It is awarded, upon application, to any registered dancer who completes the specific number of visits during the course of a single dance year. (September 1 through August 30). For the purposes of qualifying for this dangle the term "visit" includes:

- a visit to any EOSARDA Member Club of which you are not a member, on its regular club night
- attendance at any Open Dance hosted by an EOSARDA Member Club/Association
- attendance at any Open Dance hosted by EOSARDA



To obtain your dance dangle:

- Complete the required number of visits during a single dance year (only one club night visit per club per year per applicant please)
- Have the application form signed and dated as proof of your visit.
- Submit completed form to the Dance Dangle Manager or to your Club President on or before September 30 of the next dance year.

Achievement Levels

Silver Level: To earn a Silver Club Visit Dangle, a dancer must, during the course of a single dance year, undertake 5 "visits"

Gold Level: To earn a Gold Club Visit Dangle, a dancer must, during the course of a single dance year, undertake 8 "visits"

NOTE: The Skirts and Flirts Dance Club of Canton, New York, a former member of the Seaway Valley Square and Round Dance Association still qualifies to participate in this program. Thus, visits to or from Skirts N Flirts are eligible to be included on the application form.

If you have not participated in this program for this dance year, no problem, you can print out your form and plan on participating next dance year.



EOSARDA Club Visit Dangle - Application Form



Dance Year 20__/20__

The EOSARDA Club Visit Dangle Program is intended to encourage member dancer visits to EOSARDA Clubs and attendance at Open Dances.

For member visits during a single Dance Year: beginning September 1 and ending August 31 awards are presented for:

- Visiting any EOSARDA member Club of which you are not a member, on its regular dance night. (Only one such visit per year per applicant please).
- Attendance at any Open Dance hosted by EOSARDA or by EOSARDA together with a Member Club or Association.
- All visits must be made between Sep 01 and Aug 31 in a single dance year, i.e. that consecutive 12 month period.
- Achievement Levels:
 - SILVER*: Dancer has made five (5) such visits.
 - GOLD**: Dancer has made eight (8) such visits.

Completed form(s) must be sent to EOSARDA on or before September 30 of the next dance year. Submission can be made through the [Dance Dangle Manager](#) or your Club President. In addition, Michelle Gravelle & Sander Rosen (non-board members of the EOSARDA Liaison Committee) will accept forms on your behalf at their home address: 25-710 Coronation Avenue, Ottawa, ON, K1G 4G7. Questions/Suggestions can also be directed to them by email at mgraveln628@rogers.com, or phone at 613-698-0888.

Please Print

Name: _____ Club: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Visit	Name of Club/Dance Visited	Visit Date	Signature of Caller/Executive
1			
2			
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5*			
6			
7			
8**			

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Revised: February 2023

Club News Harbour Lites

Harbour Lites will be having a special evening on May 31st to celebrate and honour the contributions made by long time dancers with the Club. The club will be celebrating 50 years of dancing.

Club News Grenville Gremlin's Square Dance Club

The club celebrated our new dancers on April 17th with Lamar Mason, EOSARDA Representative doing the presentation.

We graduated 5 new dancers and had them perform a very special dance routine with our fill in caller Brian Crawford. The Gremlins had a great time cheering the new dancers.

On April 24th, we had our final dance night with a delicious pot luck dinner, followed by the Rideau Cloggers (Anna May Kerr and Marie O'Neil) entertaining us with a very energetic dance performance.

Thank you gifts were passed out to the out going Executive and our new Executive was welcomed in for the upcoming dance season. We are looking forward to getting back on the dance in the fall, have a wonderful summer.



Important dates to remember (To be confirmed)

Dec 31st 2023 New Years Eve Dance

April 13th 2024, 50th + Anniversary dance

Peter & Geraldine Matthew



Club News Meri Squares

Wow! We made it! First full dance season, from September to April, since 2019. And it was a great 2022-2023 dance season.

Meri Squares took a chance and used Social Square Dancing (SSD) as its introductory dance program. It was a good decision. We graduated 16 dancers in December with 11 returning for the winter session. We welcomed another 7 graduates at the end of April. Most of them have indicated they will return in September. Overall, we have 18 new dancers. A good start to rebuilding our membership and sharing our love of square dancing with others.

Celebrations

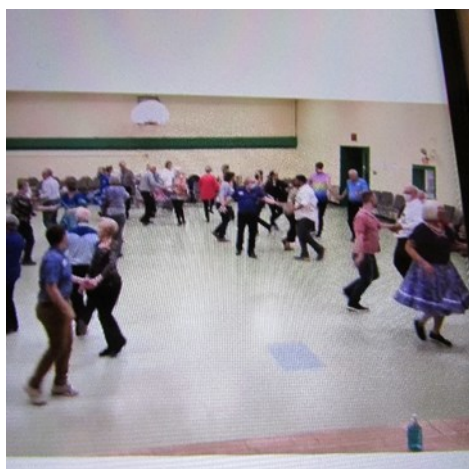
As mentioned, on April 25, we welcomed 7 new SSD dancers. Thanks to Geoff and Teena Clarke for coming to represent EOSARDA and share in our celebrations. It was a fun evening. A special thank you to Wendy VanderMeulen for guiding us through this new program this year and making sure everyone had a great dance experience.



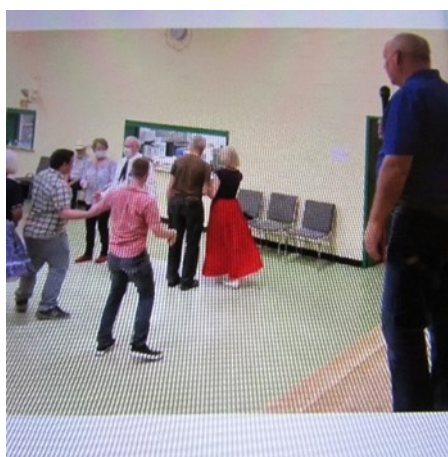
April SSD graduates with Geoff and Teena Clarke

On April 27, both SSD and Plus dancers came together to celebrate the end of our regular dance season. There was great music, wonderful calling (thanks John Charman), good eats and lots of friendship and fun.

April 29 was Meri Squares fourth and final dance sponsored jointly with the Ottawa Date Squares. Tim Crawford called all levels from SSD to A2! It was loads of fun and challenging for many of us as we adjusted to Tim's calling style. There were lots of laughs and lots of "Go home" moments but everyone had a great time. The energy from the young SSD dancers from ODS was amazing in the evening. If only all of us could attract the young folks to square dancing...the dance halls would be rocking!



SSD dancers rocking April 29



Tim Crawford calling-April 29

Summer dancing

Meri Squares Plus dancers got snowed out 4 times between January and March! We have therefore added three Plus dance nights to our schedule. We will meet at the J. A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Avenue on Tuesdays, May 2, 9 and 16 from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. Anyone is welcome to join us. \$10 per night.

For the first time, Meri Squares will dance during the summer. Dance nights for SSD and Plus are Tuesday May 23, June 13, July 11, and August 8. Again, all SSD and Plus dancers are welcome to join us at the Dulude Arena from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. \$10 per night. There is AC!

New President

At its Annual General Meeting, Meri Squares welcomed David Shackleton as its new President. We know he will provide great leadership as Meri Squares continues to seek ways to grow and meet the needs of its dancers. David is supported by a strong team of returning Executive members. The Club thanked Lamar Mason, our outgoing President, for guiding the Club through Covid and this year of firsts.



Meri Squares' new President, David Shackleton with Past President, Lamar Mason

Submitted by Lamar Mason

Club News Swinging Swallows

The Swallows ... Still Having Fun!



The Swallows may have dwindled in number, but those who remain sure have kept the Swallows spirit and maintain the love of square dance, the music and the will to do all we can to bring out more dancers this fall.

None of the new dancers who came out with such enthusiasm in the fall returned in the new year. We have a number of folks away because of illness, but hope they are able to return by the fall. We are all set to do some fun dancing in the summer, maybe visit some other clubs who are hosting summer dances/workshops, and we will be doing our best to promote square dancing throughout our local communities.

Our Celebration Dance (although we have no new dancers, we celebrated our good, loyal group of dancers!) was held on April 27 with some fun dancing and lots of finger foods. Our club Caller, Ron Gardner, and Charlene have made a regular trip to Pembroke most every week – I think there was one ‘snow day’ – and have been very good for the club. Caller Roger Moreau has done much to contribute as well – calling at least one tip each evening and filling in for Ron when he was on vacation! Thanks to both of them for helping make dancing so much fun!

With some effort and some luck, we will have a new flock of Swallows in the fall to join us in our nest!



Submitted by Gloria Bateman



April 22nd 2023 was a great day of dancing and renewal of friendships at Lift Lock Square's 58th Spring Spree dance. After a hiatus of three years following the cancelation of 2020 Spring Spree, due to covid restrictions, it was a chance for dancers to check out and exercise their dancing skills.

A total of 270 dancers enjoyed the opportunity to join the squares and participate in Basic, Mainstream, Plus, and Advance levels of dancing. With four rooms of dancing in the afternoon dancers shared the calling of Brian Crawford from Carlton Place, Dave Hutchinson from Marlbank, Don Moger from Montreal, and Jeff Priest from Brantford as the callers moved from room to room. Evening dancing started with Dave Hutchinson calling C1 level tips to a square of higher level dancers while some dancers were enjoying the calling of guest callers in a caller's showcase event in the Mainstream Hall. Basic and Mainstream dancing was combined in the South Gym hall for the evening dancing with Plus dancing in the North Gym and Advance dancing in the Cafetorium.

During the afternoon dancing, coffee, tea and lots of homemade cookies were available for dancers to help themselves to an afternoon snack. Supper break from 4:30 to 6:00 gave dancers a chance to head out to a restaurant or fast food location to stock up for the evening dancing. At 9:00 PM the gym dividing wall was rolled back and everyone joined all four callers in the combined gym space for a finale with all dancers together. Following the grand finale everyone moved to the Cafetorium for a snack of cookies and squares and Coffee & Tea prior to departing for home.

Lift Lock Squares extend a thank you to everyone who came to make our dance a success and the Lift Lock executive thank all club members for their work in providing cookies and squares and sharing in the work of hosting the dance for 2023. Be sure to mark your calendar for the date of 2024 Spring Spree to be held on 20th of April. We'll send out further information about the 59th Spring Spree once with get callers lined up for next years event.

Wayne Hare

Lift Lock Squares

Summer 2023

Mainstream Teach & Review



Thursdays, May 11 thru August 24
(except July 6)

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Mel Baker Hall, J.A. Dulude Arena
941 Clyde Ave.
(about ½ km south of Carling, at Woodward)



Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen

\$10 per person per night

(Payment accepted by eTransfer to wendyv@sympatico.ca, cash at the door, or credit card at the door)

WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com or 613-282-0575

Please consider this, before deciding to go: if you are a current Basic or SSD dancer, this is *not* an open invitation for anyone to take these lessons. So, how do you decide if you should join them? Quite simply – if you are dependent on other dancers to dance successfully, you are NOT ready to "advance to the next dance program" (and that goes for ANY program, not just Mainstream). You need to be a competent dancer at Basic or SSD, dancing WITHOUT looking to other dancers to make sure you're in the right place at the right time. If you have any questions about it, ask your caller for their input. Dancing is MUCH MORE fun if you dance it correctly and easily, so don't take on more than you are ready for. It's not fair to yourself; it's not fair to other dancers; and it's not fair to the caller. ALWAYS be a VERY GOOD dancer at one program before deciding to try the next "level" of dancing. It will make learning the new stuff easier, and you'll enjoy it more! 😊

If you plan to attend to LEARN Mainstream, you can start on May 11 or 18. After that, it would be too late to join, as you would have already missed to many "teach" sessions. If you plan to attend for REVIEW, you are welcome any time.



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Ottawa2023.com



Barry Clasper
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Brian Crawford
Carleton Place, ON

Chris Phillips
Fort Lauderdale, FL

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Arlington, TX

Deborah Carroll-Jones
Arlington, TX

Don Moger
Montréal, QC

Kris Jensen
Albuquerque, NM

Sandie Bryant
Chicago, IL

Tim Crawford
Burlington, ON

Vic Ceder
Los Olivos, CA

Wendy VanderMeulen
St-Albert, ON

Registration Includes

- Over 250 hours of dancing in 7 dance halls
- All levels: SSD through C4
- Friday banquet gala and Saturday brunch
- Vendor fair
- Country & Western, Line Dancing, Two-Step
- Contra Dancing
- 600+ already registered!

Rates

First Timer: \$230 until June 1
Past Attendees: \$295
Non-Dancer: \$160

The Venue

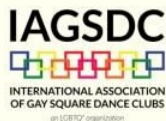
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Be Patient...It's Coming!

The Swing into Spring Committee is disappointed that we were unable to host the 2023 event. There were just too many issues to deal with at the last minute, issues that were beyond our control.

HOWEVER, we are already making plans for a great weekend event in May 2024. We will be contacting dance leaders, applying to our usual venue for space, planning the programme, planning the lunches and every other detail that we can think of!

If you would like to join the Committee or just help us at the event (Registration Table, welcoming dancers, helping set out lunches, etc.) please contact promotion@SwingintoSpring.ca. We can use a helping hand and fresh ideas, as can most other committees in EOSARDA.

The Committee will post updates on www.SwingintoSpring.ca and on /PrescottSiS. Keep watch and plan to attend!

Gloria (with Arlo, Bob Pitruniak & Shirley Brown)

Square Dance Clubs

Bay Waves

Basic/MS Friday 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Northwind Community Centre

262 Len Purcell Dr,

Constance Bay

Caller: Ron Gardner

Contact: Ron Gardner

613-878-7712

bay.waves@live.ca

Crazy A's

A1 Friday 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Alexander Community Centre, 960 Silver Street, Ottawa

Caller: John Charman

Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen

613-282-0575

WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com

Glengarry Tartans

Beginners + Basic

at every dance Most Sundays

Check schedule 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Usually La Fraternité Hall

49 St Paul St, Alexandria

Check Schedule

Caller: Lynn Trepanier

Contact: Carole & Bernie Lauzon

613-931-1783

clauzon55@sympatico.ca

Grenville Gremlins

Basic/MS Monday 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Check their website location change for Oct 17 and 24

North Grenville Municipal Centre

285 County Road #44,

Kemptville, ON

Caller: Geoff Clarke

Contact: Peter & Geraldine Matthews
613-258-3690
kemptvillesquaredance@gmail.com

Harbour Lites

Basic/MS Wednesday 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Dancing resumes Mar 1
Presbyterian Church
Center & Dibble Streets, Prescott
Caller: John Charman
Contact: Gerald & Marlene Casselman
613-652-4232
gm.casselman@gmail.com

Kanata Squares

Basic/MS Thursday 1:30pm - 3:30pm
No dancing Feb 9: freezing rain
Dick Brulé Community Centre
170 Castlefrank Rd, Kanata
Caller: Bob Summers
Contact: Bob & Marguerite Summers
613-258-7511
summers_bob@yahoo.ca

Limestone Dancers

Basic/MS/Plus Thursday 6:45pm - 9:30pm
Polson Park Public School
645 Robert Wallace Dr. Kingston
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: Shirley Brown
613 767 6650
colshirl35@gmail.com

Lockits

A2
A1 Wednesday A2 - 9:30 to 10:30am
A1 - 10:30am to 12 noon
Brunton Community Hall
1702 9th Line, Beckwith (Carleton Place)

Caller: Geoff Clarke
Contact: Geoff & Teena Clarke
613-724-8438
caller.geoff@bell.net

Meri Squares

SSD* Tuesday 7:00pm - 8:30pm Teach
8:30pm - 9:30pm Full SSD & MS
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 7:00pm - 9:30pm
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 Hall
1702 9th Line, Blacks Corners (Carleton Place)
Caller: Brian Crawford
Contact: Vince and Debbie Guthro
613-296-1817

Mississippi Squares

Plus, Plus Teach Friday 7:30pm - 10:00pm
Brunton Hall
1702 9th Line, Blacks Corners (Carleton Place)
Caller: Brian Crawford
Contact: Vince and Debbie Guthro
613-296-1817

Napanee Pioneers

Basic/MS/Plus Friday 7:00 pm
North Fredericksburgh Hall
1208 County Rd. 8, Napanee
Caller: Dave Hutchinson
Contact: Muriel Brough
613-354-4595
brough@kingston.net

Opeongo Squares

Basic
some MS teach Tuesdays 2:00pm - 4:00pm
call to confirm time & date
Opeongo Seniors Centre
19 Stafford St, Barrys Bay
Caller: Roger Moreau
Contact: Roger J. Moreau
613-628-6626
jrmoreau@distributel.net

Ottawa Date Squares

SSD*/MS
LGBT friendly Wednesdays 6:30 pm - 8:45pm
Room 202, Jack Purcell Community Centre
320 Jack Purcell Lane, Ottawa
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud
613-424-2992
OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com

Ottawa Date Squares

Plus
LGBT friendly Mondays 6:30 pm - 8:30pm
Room 202, Jack Purcell Community Centre
320 Jack Purcell Lane, Ottawa
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud
613-424-2992
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
Every 3rd Weekend
(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

Skirts 'n Flirts

B/MS Friday 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Not Dancing until March 2023
Knights of Columbus Hall
30 Miner St
Canton, NY 13617
Caller: Ron Roy
Contact: Alan & Sandy Brown
315-543-2175
sadushbrown@gmail.com

Square Dance Ottawa

Beginner Sunday 2:30pm - 4:45pm
Jim Durrell Recreation Centre, 1265 Walkley Rd., Ottawa
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen
Contact: Wendy VanderMeulen
613-282-0575,
WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com

Sunshine Squares

MS/Plus Wednesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Canterbury Community Centre

2185 Arch St, Ottawa

Caller: Bob Summers

Contact: Doug Bennett & Laura Johnson

613-730-0002

douglas.bennett2@sympatico.ca

Swinging Bs

Basic/MS Plus Tip Friday 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Knox - St. Paul United Church

800 Twelfth St E, Cornwall

Caller: Don Moger

Bob Summers

Contact: Helen MacCallum

hm: (613) 933-4052

helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca

Swinging Swallows

Basic/MS/Plus Thursday 7:00pm - 9:30pm

Wesley United Church Hall

275 Pembroke St E, Pembroke

Caller: Ron Gardner

Contact: Andre Blais

819-689-5487

andre.cathy@hotmail.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 Gaven Currie

613-739-9593

Line Dance clubs

Capital City Lines

Beginner Beginner-Plus Starting Sep 7

Wed 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Alexander Community Center

960 Silver Street, Ottawa

(AJ) Diane Poulton

613-729-4974

clogger13@sympatico.ca