

# SQUARE TIME

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## Next issue...

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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.

The next board will be elected at the Council of Dancers Meeting in April.

# Message from the President

## Dance! Dance! Dance!

As winter gives way to spring across Eastern Ontario and dance lessons begin to wrap up, it's time to strap on those dancing shoes and Dance! Dance! Dance! Put those hard-earned dancing skills into practice and have some fun on the dance floor.

Across our region, opportunities to dance abound, and *You are invited to attend!*

Whether it's:

- the Grenville Gremlins 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dance in Kemptville;
- the Quinte Twirlers 42<sup>nd</sup> Apple Blossom Dance in Belleville;
- the 2024 Swing into Spring Dance Weekend in Brockville;
- the Spring Flutterwheel in Alexandria; or
- the Spring into Summer Dance in Napanee,

dance organizers are working hard to make their event a memorable one.

Callers have been selected, dance programs have been set, music has been chosen, dance halls have been rented, refreshments have been planned, flyers have been distributed. All is in place ---- with one important exception.

What's needed now is ---YOU!

You are the missing ingredient without which no dance can succeed. You're the one they're working for, you're the one they want. So come on out! Your welcome is assured. A good time is guaranteed.

But that's not all.

If you are looking for something to bridge the gap between the end of regular club nights and the start of summer, on Tuesday evenings in May and June, the Mississippi Squares are offering a series of Introduction to Plus workshops at Brunton Hall in Carleton Place. And Square Dance Ottawa will be dancing on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month from now right through until Autumn.

While you're at it, keep in mind that summer dancing is also alive and well in Eastern Ontario. As yet, not all clubs have announced their summer plans, but already we have seen announcements for Tuesday evenings (Improve your SSD and Basic) and Thursday evenings (Tough Plus) throughout the summer, in Ottawa.

Take advantage of the many opportunities available to you to maintain and improve your dancing skills. The more you dance, the better you dance.

In closing, congratulations to all the dancers who have completed or will shortly be completing this year's training syllabus. Whether you are a brand new Basic or SSD dancer or are in the process of moving up to Mainstream or to Plus or to Advanced 1 or to Advanced 2, you can be proud of what you have accomplished since last September, whether you have completed your journey or are still on the road to success.

I'm looking forward to meeting you on the dance floor.

Dave Western

President EOSARDA

(For more information about any of these events, see the Calendar of Events at <https://www.eodance.ca/calendar.php>)

# Message from the Editor

Do you have club badges from a club that no longer exists? I am planning to do articles on clubs that no longer dance. If you have badges or other historic material, and would like to share, just take a picture and send it along. I have a long list of clubs that danced in our area over the years. Please let me know. You can see a preliminary list of clubs toward the end of this issue.

Still waiting for articles on how we got here; a history of how you got into dancing and how it has affected your life.

As you can tell from the front cover, we are excited about the upcoming Swing into Spring event. There is much information on this, and I am sure many of you will be registering and planning to have a great time. This is EOSARDA's premier event of the year.

The "Council of Dancers" meeting is scheduled for April 28th. This is a annual meeting for EOSARDA and clubs should be attending. The council is where new directors are elected for the coming dance year and where issues important to clubs will be discussed. We are certainly looking forward having some new directors voted in.

You may have learned that the National Square Dance Convention in Calgary this summer is sold out. News Flash!! More floor space has been acquired which raises our capacity to 650 dancers. It's still not too late to register for the wait list. There's plenty of time and the wait list is fluid. Please complete a registration form but do not pay at this time. We will let people know as spots become available. [Festival 2024 - Alberta Square and Round Dance Federation \(squaredance.ab.ca\)](https://www.squaredance.ab.ca)

I want to thank Gloria Bateman of the Swallows for her much appreciated proof reading and editing for this issue, as well as my wife, Margaret.

Gerry Johnson

Square Time Editor

## **IN MEMORY OF SOMEONE ELSE**



"We are saddened to learn this week of the death of one of our Club's most valuable members. Someone Else. Someone's passing created a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with us for many years. Someone did far more than a normal person's share of work. Whenever leadership was mentioned, this wonderful person was looked to for inspiration as well as results. "Someone Else can work with that group!" Whenever there was a job to do, a committee to chair, a meeting to attend, one name was on everyone's list -- 'Let Someone Else do it.'"

"Someone Else was a wonderful person -- sometimes appearing superhuman, but a person can only do so much. Were the truth known, everyone expected too much of Someone Else. Now, Someone is gone. We wonder what we are going to do. Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow, but who is going to follow it? Who is going to do the things Someone Else did?"

"When you have a chance to participate in your Club, remember --we can't depend on Someone Else any more!"

*(Ed's Note: This item was lifted from the Edmonton and District Square Dance Association's publication "PROMENADERS". They, in turn, took it from the SIDNEY-SHELBY COUNTY, OHIO, NEWSLETTER.*

# REMINDER Visit Dangle Program for 2023-2024 is Underway!

Great News!!!!!! We wanted to remind all dancers that the EOSARDA Visit Dangle Program is underway for the 2023-2024 dance season! It is very encouraging to see so many Clubs hosting dances!

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!!!!!! A different caller or cuer will present things in a slightly different way and this is a fabulous way to improve your skills! The program runs from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 to August 31, 2024.

Last season we had five dancers track their participation!

So, how do you earn a dangle? A visit to another EOSARDA member club on it's regular club night qualifies (one visit per club per year per applicant). The second way is attendance at any open dance sponsored by an EOSARDA member club or association or by EOSARDA itself. Since September, the following dances have been held or will be held by EOSARDA Clubs, ALL of which qualify as a 'visit' for the Dangle Program!



## *Moved pic up*

October 7 - Autumn Leaves and Canadian Tartan hosted by the Glengarry Tartans

September 30/October 1 - A-2 Majic hosted by Don Moger

November 25 – November Nonsense – hosted by the Napanee Pioneers

November 26 - Tartan and Kilts Dance hosted by the Swinging B's

December 2 – All Day Sashay hosted by Meri Squares and Ottawa Date Squares

December 9 – EOSARDA Christmas Dance hosted by EOSARDA

December 31 – Ring in the New Year hosted by the Grenville Gremlins

January 13 – Snowflake Swing hosted by the Mississippi Squares

## Up and Coming

May 3-5 – Swing into Spring weekend square dance

So many exciting dances to pick from!!!!!! Take a look at our [website information](#), complete with the application form and do not hesitate to reach out to the [Dangle Dance Manager](#) for any information!

Let's triple the number of dancers who will earn their dangles for 2023-2024! See you on the dance floor!!!!!!

Michelle Gravelle



# How we got here

## stories from the lives of our dancers



### Why We Joined Square Dancing

One of the best things we ever did was to join Modern Square and Round Dancing. When my husband and I moved from Saskatchewan to Ontario we were newly retired and moved to be closer to our family. Our son and daughter each came east to attend university and were now married and living in Ottawa, and grandchildren were arriving. The move was really great for our family, but Helgi and I needed friends of our generation—we needed a social life, we needed an activity we both could enjoy. When an ad for Introduction to Modern Square Dancing appeared in the local paper, we thought it might be something to try. We had enjoyed different kinds of dancing over the years but never square dancing, so why not? As the start date for the class drew nearer, we waffled. When the flyer appeared on our super box we thought “They must really want us,” so off we went. It was a great decision. The dancing was fun, the caller was encouraging and the people were warm and friendly. We joined Mississippi Squares that fall, 2002, and the rest, as it is said, is history. A number of the couples were like us; new to the area and looking for friendship and an activity. It was a great fit for us all. A few years later we joined Take-A-Step Rounds, which turned out to be another great decision.

Each fall we looked forward to the start of the dancing season. Over the years we visited almost every club in EOSARDA and Seaway Valley, attended open dances, went to Swing Into Spring, Summer Magic, etc. etc. Besides dancing at our home club, Mississippi Squares, we danced with Kanata Squares, Trackers and Lockits. We know many wonderful people and forged many great friendships. After the long hiatus that Covid brought, we were looking forward to seeing and dancing with everyone again. But it was not to be. My dancing and life partner of over fifty years succumbed to cancer and I was left adrift. When I felt I was ready to go back to dancing, the community welcomed me back and I was ever so grateful. I was paired with a dancing partner who dances squares as well as rounds, and I am now dancing with Capital Carousels as well as Mississippi, Lockits, and sometimes Grenville Gremlins. It is not just about the dancing, although that is a big part of it, it is about the people: the dancers, the callers, the cuers. These people and this activity became like a second family for Helgi and me and I am so happy it continues to be for me.

Sharen Goodman

# Club Newws Crazy A's

J.A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Ave, Ottawa

Fridays, 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Wendy VanderMeulen

By the time you read this, our dancing for the current dance season will be over. Hard to believe that time can pass so quickly.

We had 2 new dancers this year and have gone through all the calls for a second time for several others. Through it all, John manages to continually challenge them. I like to call that “Keeping the grey matter from turning to ash.” 😊

Specific start up for the fall has not been decided yet. For now, we will all enjoy the summer break ... and maybe challenge our grey matter even more by attending Wendy's “Tough Plus” workshop throughout the summer.



# Glengarry Tartans – Alexandria

*It is with your feet  
that  
you  
move...*

*but it is with  
your heart  
that you  
dance*



**Just some good old Irish FUN!**



# Membership Drive Plans

Glengarry Tartans will be hosting three open houses during the summer  
A dance demo at a Canada Day Celebration in Glen Robertson  
Two open houses in September

The Glengarry Tartans are members of the following Associations.  
Eastern Ontario Square and Round Dance Association <http://www.eodance.ca/>  
[Border Boosters Square and Round Dance Association](http://www.borderboosters.qc.ca/)  
<http://www.borderboosters.qc.ca/>

You're invited to join the EOSARDA Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/eosarda>

As well as the BBSRDA Facebook page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/dansecarreeMontreal>

PINTEREST - Canadian Square & Round Dance Society <https://www.pinterest.com/canadiansquarea/>

**Flutterwheel on over to this event!**



**Carole Lauzon Advertising & Promotion - Glengarry Tartans Alexandria**

# Club News Grenville Gremlin's

The dance year is coming to a close at the end of April. It has been a very busy year, recruiting new dancers, our New Years Eve Dance and coming up April 13,2024 will be our 50th Anniversary Dance.

Our dancers have been busy visiting other clubs to invite them to help us celebrate.

We are lucky to have both Geoff Clarke and Brian Crawford as our callers,who will keep us all on the floor having a great time. We are having a quilt raffle, a 50/50 draw with door prizes to give away and, of course, lots of great snacks to keep our energy up. It will be a fun-filled day that we are looking forward to it.

On April 22, we will be having the Celebration of our New Dancers. We have two new dancers who will be graduating and really enjoyed having them join our club.

Our last dance of the year is April 29 with a pot-luck which will bring everyone together for the end of the 2023-2024 season.

We look forward to a fun-filled 2024-2025 dance season and wish all the dance clubs a happy, safe summer and a successful 2024-2025 dance year.

Debbie Armstrong

On behalf of all Gremlins, I am sending out a huge thank you to everyone who joined us in celebrating our 50th anniversary this afternoon. It was fantastic to see so many dancer from the surrounding clubs. I hope you all had as much fun as I did!

Thank you, also, to the EOSARDA folks for their support and their representation at the gala, your presence and the recognition of the club's milestone is truly appreciated.

A special congratulations goes out to Joey Walker, from Mississippi Squares, on winning the beautiful quilt. I'm sure it will provide you

with many years of warmth and comfort!

A photo of the quilt, it's creator (Gremlins president, Debbie Armstrong) and the winner, is attached.

Happy dancing!

Carol-Ann Goffin



# Club News Limestone Dancers – Kingston

Happy Spring to all reading this article!

On March 16<sup>th</sup> we hosted our first St Pat's Dance since the pandemic. It was a much smaller event than in the past but nonetheless a success as dancers from Belleville, Napanee, Ottawa and Cornwall joined us for an afternoon of good calling and lots of fun. Brian Crawford did an excellent job of keeping music to the theme, the floor dancing and our guests having fun. We were a little disappointed that there were no SSD dancers in attendance.



The array of food was pretty awesome – cookies, squares, sweets and savouries – all were on the table and thoroughly and enthusiastically enjoyed.

Many helped make this event the success it was but as special shout out to the following Club members who arrived early and helped set up the decorations (of which there were many!), the sign in table and most importantly the food table: Suzanne Fleury, Noreen Peters, Judi Paterson, Debbie McNulty, Louise Tsiang, Linda & Jurek Romaniec, our official front entrance greeters. It would not be a St Pat's dance in Kingston without the special appearance of the Limestone Leprechaun, Marilyn Armstrong! I would be remiss in not acknowledging and thanking Collin Brown for his invaluable assistance in organizing all the prep and loading & unloading all the stuff.

Now our Club looks forward to dancing at Spring Spree, Apple Blossom, and Swing Into Spring and we hope to see many of you at these great square dance events!

Shirley Brown, Interim President



# Club News Meri Squares

The year 2024 started off with a bang for Meri Squares, as we welcomed 17 new SSD dancers to the Club at our January Open House. We expect to graduate at least 10 SSD dancers in April, as we celebrate with a special party and cake for all club members.

February saw the Club celebrating with several dances and special parties.

Valentines Day is always a treat, and we held two dances to celebrate, with lots of pink and red, and special decorations and food.

We continued our club fun with two lively St. Patrick 's Day dances, for both our SSD and Plus members. Everyone came out wearing a bit o' the green, and we enjoyed good food and good company.

On Saturday, Feb 24th, Meri Squares hosted the "Meri Mingle" plus dance. It was a huge success, with seven energetic squares on the floor at all times. Thanks to Caller Geoff for providing the music, to Lamar Mason, Past President, for taking the lead on organizing, and thanks to all the Meri Squares members for their support and delicious treats!

We look forward to a busy April, with a club square dance clothing sale, our AGM, graduation of our new dancers, and lastly, our wrap-up dance. It has been a busy and rewarding year. We want to give a special thank you to Callers Wendy and John, and to our Executive, for their hard work and dedication to the Club.



Our SSD Valentine Dance



**Meri Mingle Plus Dance**



**St. Patrick's Plus Dance**

**Submitted by Pat McLachlan**



# Club News Mississippi Squares

The 2023 – 24 dancing season has certainly been one to remember at Mississippi Squares. Brian's calling has been nothing short of exceptional and our members have enjoyed their Tuesday and Friday nights at Brunton Hall immensely. Having the Waterside Retirement Community in Carleton Place as an alternate dancing venue on the few Friday nights when Brunton Hall was not available has also proven to be a great success.

Our Mississippi Squares season started on a high note this year with a glorious influx of 18 new dancers. They have been a joy to behold making our Tuesday night sessions a lively mix of laughter and learning. The high degree of happy intermingling that takes place between our old and new dancers on Tuesdays is truly remarkable – such a refreshing change from the prolonged period of pandemic related staying at home which was formerly required.

A brief summary of just some of this year's successes might be in order. Our Hallowe'en Dance held on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> was a great success, as was our Christmas Dance on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> was when we scheduled our 1<sup>st</sup> Snowflake Swing event. Despite the blizzard-like conditions the night before and less than favourable driving conditions the day of, we had a very much-appreciated group of enthusiastic visitors from a number of our fellow EOSARDA clubs brave the elements and come out to Carleton Place to join us. Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> was when we had our St. Valentine's Day Dance which was much enjoyed, and on Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> we held a rousing dance to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.



It should also be noted that people's birthdays and anniversaries are held in high regard by Mississippi Squares. When our birthdays come up, for example, the regular routine is for the usually somewhat red-faced recipient to sit uncomfortably through a less than melodious rendition of Happy Birthday sung by all. Unfortunately, not all members of our club (myself included) have singing voices at all comparable to Brian's. Of particular interest was the birthday of Betty Goodwin, one of the pillars of our dancing community. An exception was made in her case this year and we were all able to partake in a delightfully delectable surprise birthday cake in honour of the occasion. As it turns out, our gifted caller, Brian, is also quite adept with photoshop!



As you can see, it's been a busy year. Still to come, on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> in addition to dancing we'll be holding our Annual General Meeting to discuss our progress to date and select our Club Executive for next year. Then, on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> it's our new dancer celebration and on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> we'll be starting the evening with a year-end catered dinner followed by calorie-burning squares of dancers.

One final note: we'll be holding a **Workshop Intro to Plus** led by Brian at Brunton Hall in May and June. It'll run for 6 Tuesday nights: May 7, 14, 21, 28 and June 4, 11. It'll be \$50 per person. Please see the flyer also posted in this edition of Square Time for additional details.

If you are ever wondering what to do with yourself on a Tuesday or Friday night, please feel free to drop in for a fun-filled evening of dancing in Carleton Place. We're doing Basic and Mainstream dancing on Tuesdays and Plus on Fridays. If you have any questions or concerns regarding anything to do with our club, please get in touch with either of our co-presidents, Vince and Debbie Guthro at 613-296-1817.

Submitted by Charles Henderson

## **Club News Riverside Gypsy Squares C175**

There are signs of Spring: Robins and Red Winged Blackbirds are arriving at my feeder, the crocuses are beginning to poke their flowers out and the Snowdrops are blooming!

We don't dance as a club in the winter but some of us did get together one Sunday in February to enjoy some board games and a small potluck supper.

Our first dance weekend at Lower Beverley Lake Campground will be from Friday to Sunday May 10-12. We are looking forward to dancing on Friday night. A "meet and greet" continental breakfast Saturday morning, possibly a walk around the campground in the morning and then dancing in the Pavilion on Saturday afternoon. Both evenings there is usually a campfire in the central spot.

The other weekends in the summer will have dancing Friday night and Saturday afternoon. There is usually a gathering for Saturday suppers with either the main dish or dessert featured.

Please join us for the weekend or to dance on Friday or Saturday night in May or any of these weekends: June 21-23, July 19-21, Aug. 16-18, or Sept. 20-22. You can contact Helen MacCallum for more information 1-613-330-4873 or [helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca](mailto:helenmaccallum@sympatico.ca) . If you are coming to dance but not camp the park charges \$5.00 visitor admission to the campgrounds so plan to come early and stay late to enjoy the park amenities (swimming, forest trails, snack bar, etc)

<https://beverleylakepark.com/>

Hope to see you on the dancefloor or around the campfire.

Mary Anne Reinhard

# **Club News Russell Squares**

**Mother Teresa School, Russell, ON**

**Fridays, 6:30 – 8:00 PM**

**Wendy VanderMeulen**

FINALLY, some good news! Russell Squares have danced 8 of the 10 weeks offered as a course by the Township of Russell. Yeay!!! We're actually dancing!!! ☺

As mentioned last Square Time, there were 16 people registered for the course. Funny enough, 2 couples were there to learn LINE dancing! Apparently, the French version of Russell's Winter Recreation Guide translated "Square Dancing" as "Line Dancing"! I didn't notice that, unfortunately. However, those 2 couples have stayed for the square dancing and are a great contribution to the fun of the club.

Of the 16 people who registered, 3 dropped out before the course even started, but we gained 2 others, so we're left with 15 dancers. Only once have all 15 been there and, that time, Dean & Shirley Benson (founders of the original Russell Stonebridge Squares) were able to come at a moment's notice to help us so that we could dance with 2 squares. We are very grateful to them for helping us!!

We're looking forward to the last two nights of dancing to end the season, and to end it with a usual party – that's what we all do on the last night of dancing, right?! ☺ Then, it's forward to the Fall, where the program will be offered again by the Township. As with every EOSARDA club, I'm hopeful that they will all return in the Fall....

Talk to you then!

# **Club News Square Dance Ottawa**

**4th Sunday of the Month**

**J.A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Ave.**

**Wendy VanderMeulen**

Square Dance Ottawa continues to be a success with 3 or more squares dancing each month. Since the January dance, there have been a few people who have come every month. Who knows.... maybe they'll be joining your club to dance weekly in the fall!!!

March was the first dance of our 3<sup>rd</sup> year.... And I wasn't even there! I was in a hotel at the Dallas airport attending CALLERLAB meetings. I thank John Charman for filling in for me that day and – as I was told – for providing a great dance that day.

We will continue dancing through the summer, so feel free to come for a dance and bring a friend who is interested in learning to dance in the fall. Give them an early idea of what it's all about!

# Club New SUNSHINE SQUARES (Plus level)



Canterbury Community Centre, Ottawa  
Wednesdays (7:30 – 9:30) pm

During the Winter Term, some of the dancers were away to warmer weather. Some nights we were short of two squares, and instead of having some dancers sitting out, our callers introduced a format with six dancers in a square (or rather a rectangle).



This format was new to most dancers. However, we stepped up to the challenge and had fun and laughter.

We celebrated St Patrick's Day on 13<sup>th</sup> March and all came and dressed in their favourite costumes. It was another fun night!!



As we didn't have the hall for dancing on 27<sup>th</sup> March, the Executives decided to have another night of dancing on 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Please come out and join us before the Winter Term comes to an end.

Sophie and Peter Kwok

## **Club News Swinging Bs**

Time sure does fly by when you are having fun... our lessons will be complete in a few more weeks for our new dancers. We will have 4 folks graduating the Basic level and we are very proud of them. We had two very good turn outs for our Valentines dance and I do recall someone took notice that we had 26 guests at our St Patrick's dance. The weatherman and our guest callers made these events a success.

Our 50th anniversary is coming up in 2026 and the executive members are busy working on that celebration...stay tuned for more news on that ....

I do know members of our club travel to attend dances and have made many new friends along the way. Just went to Ottawa dance on March 30th and hope to see a lot of you at the Brockville event in May.

Yellow rocks, see you on the dance floor.

Penny E Lafave



# A Wonderful Winter Wonderland Day!

With Pembroke's Swinging Swallows



**February 25--**  
It was a great day for dancing indoors and in the snow...see who earned a 'snow dance dangle'!



Dancers who visited the Swallows for the first time are given a 'Swallows' dangle.



And, dancers who danced with us for the first time – **in the snow** – earned the 'snow dance dangle'! Two **new** Swallows had fun dancing in the snow this year!



In our last Square Time report, we announced our end of February event, and now we are proud to announce that our Winter Wonderland has been deemed to be a success...since it seems that all those who attended enjoyed themselves and had fun!

The Swallows' Vice-President, Andre Blais, welcomed dancers and made the dangle presentations. Club caller, Ron Gardner, did a great job calling.



Robert and Rosie have attended most 'fun days' the Swallows have hosted. Here they present Andre Blais and me, Gloria Bateman, with their newest method for



ensuring we have some snow for our Winter Wonderland event!

*Here is the whole gang , after lunch and dancing indoors and out!*



Winter Wonderland just happened to occur during Leap Year – there were frogs everywhere in honour of that! Dancers had to hop out of bed early to arrive on time for the Swallows' Wonderland event that began at 10:30 a.m. Guests were welcomed with warm apple cider (a special recipe) and warm muffins. We danced indoors, with our club caller, Ron Gardner, putting us through our paces. Towards lunch time, dancers went outdoors to participate in the *Dancing in the Snow* portion of the day.

After dancing in the snow (or actually on top of the snow this year), lunch was offered to all: lasagna, shepherds pies – one made with beef and the other with venison, as the main course. We enjoyed some coleslaw and a carrot salad, cheese and pickles and nice, fresh dinner rolls. There were three different dishes for dessert, plus the left-over muffins and banana bread. Food was delicious and there was lots of it!

We danced all afternoon: Ron Gardner called and then invited Bob Summers and Dave Hutchinson each to call. We all enjoyed the variety and the special calling of the visiting callers! Some time after lunch, a friend, Jack Rosein, dropped by because he is interested in including the 'stars' and 'waves' into his old time square dance calls. He and his wife, Gail, joined in a Basic dance (had lots of fun) and then called an old time square for us to try! What a time we had! Great fun!

Submitted by Gloria Bateman

## Believe It or Not – They Bring the Snow!



Over the years, there have been a number of people in the square dance environment who have shown themselves to be very supportive of the Swinging Swallows, but none more so than Robert Milburn and Rosie Schurr. I think that they have attended almost every special event that we have hosted, plus a couple of our Celebration Dances and perhaps even a Christmas dinner/dance as well.

So it should come as no surprise that Robert and Rosie, from the first Winter Wonderland event the Swallows held, have put in place their own special custom: they always bring some 'snow' to ensure that we at least have a little bit for our fun day.



The first time, they were passing an area in Pembroke where the city dumps the snow. Robert and Rosie took the time to find a stationery store, purchased a brightly coloured gift bag and a dark marker, wrote 'Top Quality Pembroke Snow for Sale' on the bag and attached it to the fence around the snow piles; took photos of it and came to our event. They told us how they had found this snow for sale, if we wanted some! That was 2018.

In 2019, Robert and Rosie again attended the Swallows' Winter Wonderland dance, bringing with them a dump truck full of 'snow'. WOW! Again, snow for our fun dance!

The Wonderland event in 2020, just prior to the onset of COVID, saw Robert and Rosie bring a new method of delivering snow! This is how it began:



And there was this:

Bringing snow for an event such as the Swallows put on takes a lot of work! These photos give an indication of the amount of effort that Robert puts into the job!



Here is the finished product -- a sure-fire method of delivering snow to our dancing-in-the-snow event!



There were no Wonderland dances during and right after COVID, but this year the Swallows felt it was time to get back on track and so we scheduled the 2024 Winter Wonderland.

However, this year for the first time, we thought it best if we began our fun day early, provide lunch, dance for the afternoon, inside. So many people dislike driving in the dark, we thought folks could then make their return trip earlier. We wondered, also, if it might encourage dancers to come to

Pembroke (actually, Beachburg for this event). I'm not sure who came the farthest to join in the fun, but I didn't hear anyone complain of the 10:30 am start!

Robert and Rosie were among the first to reserve their spots on the dance floor and at the lunch table, and – sure enough – Robert tells me he did indeed bring some snow.



They proudly presented this year's method of delivery of snow for our event to Vice President, Andre Blais and me, Gloria Bateman: *a whole train load of snow, pulled by an engine that actually works!*



Robert and Rosie have been such good friends of the Swallows and we love having them join us! They show their support in *soooo* many ways! For instance, one year when we danced in an amphitheater on the shores of the Petawawa River, Rosie (a guest!) helped me clean up **bird dirt** off our dance floor – with a stick! Now, that's support!

**Thank you, Robert and Rosie, for your support, for being so thoughtful, and for attending so many of our fun dances, though a simple 'thank you' doesn't seem to be nearly enough, considering all you do! Please know that we appreciate you!**

A few years ago when, after hearing Rosie's response to a question: "No, I'm not a Swallow but I want to be", we presented them with "Wanna Be Swallows" badges – you may have seen Robert & Rosie wearing them. They certainly are very special people!

Submitted by Gloria Bateman, with special thanks to Robert for the photos!

This is a list of square, round, line and clog dance clubs that have been in the Eastern Ontario area over the years; most no longer exist. I have created this list from old issues of Square Time and other sources. As you can see there have been more than one hundred clubs.

<b>Club name</b>	<b>location</b>	<b>start date</b>
1000 Islands Swingers	Brockville	
4 Star Squares	Alexandria	
Adams Aces	Ottawa	1993
Atonabee Squares	Peterborough	2009
Barrhaven Buckles and Bows	Ottawa	
Barrhaven Square Dance Club	Ottawa	
Bay Waves	Constance Bay	2001
Beaconaire Squares	Blackburn Hamlet	
Beaver 8s	Ottawa	
Bee Sharp Challenge s/d Club	Ottawa	
Blackburn Rambling Squares	Ottawa	
Bonnechere Squares	Eganville	
Brock Squares	Brockville	
Busy Bees	Ottawa	
Bytown Squares	Ottawa	1991
Canterbury Carousels	Ottawa	
Capital As		
Capital Carousels	Ottawa	
Capital City lines	Ottawa	
Capital Squares		
Capital Steppers	Ottawa	
Centennial Cross Towners	Ottawa	
Centennial Crossovers	Ottawa	1966
Charley's Angles	Ottawa	
Challengers		
Charmin' Promenaders	Lancaster	
Circle Eighters	Ottawa	
Confusion Squares	Ottawa	
Cookie Club	Orleans	
Corners and Belles	Ottawa	1961
Cornwall Carousels	Cornwall	
Cornwall Whirlaways	Cornwall	
Country Corners Swingers	Pleasant Corners	

Crazy A's	Ottawa	2018
Dee Rounders	Ottawa	
Dip 'n Dive Singles	Ottawa	
Dixie Grands	Ottawa	
Do-si-la-mont	Hull	
Double R Rounders	Kanata	
Dounettes	Perth	
Du Portage Promenaders	Hull	
Dynamite Tay Dancers	Ottawa	
Easy Does It Rounds		
Flutterwheel	Russell	2014
First Edition	Ottawa	
Gananoque Gate Swingers	Gananoque	
Gay-laurs Squares	Ottawa	
Glengarry Tartans	Alexandria	2018
Goodtime Squares	Bells Corners	1979
Got Lines	Richmond	1971
Grenville Gremlins	Kemptville	1971
Harbour Lites	Prescott	1974
Harmony Rounds	Kanata	
Hash Swingers	Ottawa	
Johnstown Carousels	Johnstown	
Kanata Grand Squares	Kanata	1976
Kanata Town Squares	Kanata	
Kanata Squares	Kanata	1996
Kingston Promenaders	Kingston	1965
Kingston Towners	Kingston	
Kuntry Kuzins	North Dundas	
Lads & Lasses	Ottawa	
Laurentian Squares	Ottawa	

Lift Lock Squares	Ottawa	1963
L'll Beavers	Nepean	
Limestone Dancers	Kingston	1997
Lockits	Carleton Place	2008
Madoc Merry Mixers	Madoc	
Memory Makers	Ottawa	1969
Meri Squares	Ottawa	1969
Mill Squares	Manotick	
Mississippi Squares	Carleton place	1986
Napanee Pioneers	Napanee	
Octopeds	Ingleside	
Opeongo Squares	Barry's Bay	
Ottawa Date Squares	Ottawa	
Ottawa Valley Cloggers	Ottawa	
Petawawa Swinging Squares	Petawawa	
Pinetree Squares	Arnprior	
PJ's	Belleville	1983
Quinte Twirlers	Belleville	1983
Rhythm Rounds		
Riverside Gypsy Squares	Delta	1994
Riverview Cloggers	Ottawa	
Rock 'n Roll Squares	Mallorytown	
Rollaways	Ottawa	
Round Tuit Dancers	Ottawa	
Round-a-bouts	Ottawa	
Roundaleirs	Ottawa	
Saint Lawrence Smoothies	Prescott	
Saturday Squares		
Seaway Cloggers	Morrisburg	
Seaway Squares	Ottawa	
S D & G Traveling Squares	Cornwall	
Senior Funtimers	Canton NY	
Shashay Rounders	Ottawa	
Silver Spurs	Ottawa	
Skirts 'n Flirts	Smiths Falls	1961
Smiths Falls Happy Squares	Smiths Falls	1963
Spin Chainers	Ottawa	
Spinettes	Ottawa	

Spensor City Squares	Spencerville	
Spinning Spurs	Ottawa	
Square Dance Ottawa	Ottawa	2022
Square Roots	Kemptville	
Star Dusters	Ottawa	
Stardust Rounders	Ottawa	
Stepping Out Rounds	Ottawa	2019
Stetson Rounders	Ottawa	
Stetson Strutters	Smiths Falls	
Stetson Twirlers	Ottawa	
Stone Bridge Squares	Russell	1958
Sunshine Squares	Ottawa	1958
Swinging Bs	Cornwall	1976
Swinging Saints	Brockville	1987
Swinging Swallows	Pembroke	1987
Swingsters	Carleton Place	
Take A Step Rounds	Williamstown	1980
Teen Twirlers	Ottawa	
The Ottawa Roundaliers	Ottawa	
The Travellers	Ottawa	
The Wheeling Glens	Stittsville	1998
Tonitata Wanderers	Brockville	
Town & Kountry Kickers	Kingston	1961
Trackers	Kanata	2003
Triangle Squares		
Tricksey Tanglers	Maitland	
U-Can Dance	Kingston	1964
Ottawa Valley Reelers	Ottawa	
Valley Reelers	Ottawa	
Valley Squares	Petawawa	1964
Village Squares	Orleans	
Water Wheels	Ottawa	
Wendy's Elegant Eights	Ottawa	
Wheeling Glens of Glengarry	Glengarry	



\*\*\* NEW LOCATION \*\*\*



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Thousand Islands Secondary School  
2510 Parkedale Ave, Brockville

May 3, 4, & 5, 2024

Swing *into* Spring

## Swing into Spring 2024 – Back in Step

One of the first of our changes that readers may notice is our **new logo** at the top of this page. Spring flowers!

The next change to realize is the **new location**: *Swing into Spring* will move to Brockville this year. Dancing will be at the Thousand Islands Secondary School, which will provide us with a great dance venue and, being in Brockville, there will be more choices in overnight accommodation (although there will still be ‘dry camping’ in the parking lot). A block of rooms has been reserved at the Comfort Inn (information on our [webpage](#)). There is a variety of restaurants in the area that dancers can explore for lunch and dinner.



The next change is a **program change** which has a two-fold reason for being. First, each year there are fewer round dancers (who do not square dance) in attendance, certainly not the numbers needed to cover the cost of the cuers. Secondly, there have been several requests for a higher level of square dancing, and most of the attendees are plus or advanced level dancers. Like yours at home – our books have to balance. As a result, this year *Swing into Spring* will offer only square dancing – from basic and SSD through advanced. With three halls and three callers there should be an abundance of tired dancers by the end of the weekend!

In keeping with our mandate to provide guest out-of-town callers and cuers, the weekend will feature **Jet Roberts** from Alabama and **Sandie Bryant** from Chicago. Our third caller will be **Brian Crawford**, from right around the corner. As well as calling in one of our three halls on Friday/Saturday,, Brian will be the feature caller at Sunday’s Mother’s Day Dance.

Not everything is changing. Recognizing that everyone (including our dancers) is battling increased costs in all parts of their lives, we have decided to keep our registration fee the same as the last *Swing into Spring* dance that took place (2019). The timing of the event has not changed either; *Swing into Spring* will still take place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of the weekend of the first Sunday in May. [As in other years, we appreciate volunteers stepping up to assist at the event.](#) Offer to help by sending an email to [promotion@SwingintoSpring.ca](mailto:promotion@SwingintoSpring.ca) .

A variety of information is included in this issue, to ensure everyone has seen it. You still have time to register for the weekend, or part of it! If there are updates about *Swing into Spring 2024* they will be posted on the [Swing into Spring.ca](http://Swing into Spring.ca) webpage, at [www.Facebook.com/brockvilleSiS](https://www.Facebook.com/brockvilleSiS) and an EOSARDA Bulletin will be sent out.

Plan to join in the fun! With your help, it will be a fantastic weekend!

Gloria Bateman, for the *Swing into Spring* Committee



# *Swing into Spring*

**Register to DANCE THE WHOLE WEEKEND**

(Friday evening through Sunday afternoon),

**or dance Saturday & Sunday, Saturday only, or  
attend the Mother's Day Dance on Sunday afternoon.**

See the Registration Form ([www.SwingintoSpring.ca](http://www.SwingintoSpring.ca)) for details  
about how to register and how to make payment,  
and also visit the website for hotel details.

Questions? Contact [Treasurer@SwingintoSpring.ca](mailto:Treasurer@SwingintoSpring.ca)

Thousand Islands Secondary School  
2510 Parkedale Ave, Brockville, ON  
May 3-5, 2024

Square dancing in three great halls, with three fantastic callers:

**Sandie Bryant, Brian Crawford & Jet Roberts.**

Snacks, tea & coffee will be available at the event.

Visit a local restaurant for dinner with other dancers.

Dance a lot – laugh a lot -- enjoy yourself!

What a great way to

*Swing into Spring!*

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# Swing *into* Spring

## May 3, 4 & 5, 2024



**Sandie Bryant,**  
Chicago, IL

**3 Rooms & 3 Great Callers - SSD - Plus - A1 & A2**

**Thousand Islands Secondary School  
2510 Parkedale Ave, Brockville**

Friday	7:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM - Noon; 2:00 - 4:30 PM; 7:00 -9:30 PM
Sunday	10:00 AM - Noon
Mother's Day Dance 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	



**Jet Roberts**  
Owens  
Crossroads, AL

\$80.00 for the full weekend  
\$70.00 for Saturday and Sunday  
\$60.00 for Saturday only

**\$10 discount if registered by March 31!**

For those attending only the Mother's Day Dance \$12.00

A block of rooms has been reserved at  
Comfort Inn, 7777 Kent Blvd, Brockville, ON K6V 6N7  
Phone: (613) 345-0042



**Brian Crawford,**  
Carleton  
Place, ON

The hotel is within a 10 minute walk or a very short ride to the Thousand Island Secondary School. To make reservations, call the hotel directly and ask for group rate for Swing into Spring. Our rate includes breakfast.

### TO REGISTER

Download a registration form at [www.SwingintoSpring.ca](http://www.SwingintoSpring.ca), or email [treasurer@swingintospring.ca](mailto:treasurer@swingintospring.ca) and a form will be sent to you. Completed forms can be sent as a pdf to same address or mailed

**Pay fees either with e-transfer or email or at the door. But register!  
Full details are on the form**

[www.SwingintoSpring.ca](http://www.SwingintoSpring.ca)

[www.facebook.com/brockvilleSiS](http://www.facebook.com/brockvilleSiS)

\*\*\* NEW LOCATION \*\*\*



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2510 Parkedale Ave, Brockville

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# Swing *into* Spring

## Registration Form

Dancer #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Dancer #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the highest level of square dance dancer # 1 will perform: **SSD Basic MS Plus A1 A2**

Please circle the highest level of square dance dancer # 2 will perform: **SSD Basic MS Plus A1 A2**

Snacks, coffee and tea will be available during the event. There are many restaurants to choose from for lunch & dinner. A block of rooms has been reserved for SiS participants at the Comfort Inn. There is more information on the SiS [website](#). Other accommodation information can be found on [Brockville's website](#). There will be 'dry camping' in the parking lot.

### Registration Fees (per person):

Registration Type	Cost by March 31	Cost April 1 and after
1. <b>Full weekend</b> (Friday night through Sunday)	\$70	\$80
2. Saturday and Sunday (including workshops)	\$60	\$70
3. Saturday ONLY (including workshops)	\$50	\$60
4. Mother's Day Dance, Sunday afternoon ONLY	\$12	\$12

Registration Type \_\_\_\_\_ # of dancers \_\_\_\_\_ x \$/person \_\_\_\_\_ = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send eTransfer to [Treasurer@SwingintoSpring.ca](mailto:Treasurer@SwingintoSpring.ca)

Remember to send your Registration Form: Download this form, then fill it in and save it with the file name 'YourSurnameSIS2024' as a .pdf and attach it to your email OR print and fill it in, then mail it in (see next block).

Make cheques/money orders payable to 'Swing into Spring', and mail payment & form to: Swing into Spring 2024  
c/o Shirley Brown, 1136 Dillingham St,  
Kingston, ON K7P 2J2

Revised March 27, 2024

[www.SwingintoSpring.ca](http://www.SwingintoSpring.ca)



[www.facebook.com/brockvilleSiS](https://www.facebook.com/brockvilleSiS)

# Workshop Intro to Plus

**Introduction to Plus Square Dancing – Confidence in Mainstream is required!**

Caller **Brian Crawford**

Have fun. Meet new people.  
Exercise your brain and body.

**Advance registration ONLY**, By April 30, 2024 please.

### When?

May 7, 14, 21, 28 June 4, 11  
Tuesday @ 7:30 to 9:30 pm

### Where?

Brunton Community Hall  
1702 9th Line, Carleton Place

### How much?

\$50.00 per person

Won't you join us?

If you need information, call  
Vince or Debbie @ 613-296-1817  
or Betty @ 613-256-0551

**Mississippi Squares Dance Club**

[www.mississippisquares.ca](http://www.mississippisquares.ca)



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### Advance Registration: Intro to Plus Square Dancing Workshop

May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11 2024

Brunton Community Hall

**\$50.00** per dancer  
enclosed

Tuesday @ 7:30 to 9:30

Register as a dancing couple \_\_\_\_\_ or single \_\_\_\_\_

Name

Phone No.

E-mail

Dancing mans part \_\_\_\_\_

Dancing womans part \_\_\_\_\_

Mail registration with cheque made out to: Mississippi Squares Dance Club

To: Muriel Hanneson P.O. Box 156 Almonte, ON, K0A 1A0

Register early to ensure a space in the class

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# Allan Marjerison Spring Jamboree

**Callers: Wendy VanderMeulen + John Charman**

**Saturday April 20, 2024**

**Glengarry Sports Palace**

**170 MacDonald blvd, Alexandria, ON K0C 2J0**

**Program:**

**2:00 - 2:30 pm: A1**

**2:30 - 5:00 pm: SSD, Mainstream & Plus**

Refreshments & pot of gold

**Donations: \$12 at the door**

**or \$10 in advance - eTransfer to [bbsrdazoom@gmail.com](mailto:bbsrdazoom@gmail.com)**

**Please include your full name and club in the etransfer comment area**

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To get to Alexandria from highway 401, take exit 814 to County Rd 34, drive for 22 km, turn left on Kenyon St W/County Rd 43 W, drive 400 m and turn right on MacDonald Blvd

From highway 417 take exit for County Rd 23, turn right on County Rd 23, drive for 1,4 km and turn right on County Rd 34, drive for 13,7 km and turn right on McDougald St, after 400 m turn left on MacDonald Blvd.

**Information: Carole Lauzon—[clauzon55@sympatico.ca](mailto:clauzon55@sympatico.ca)—[www.borderboosters.qc.ca](http://www.borderboosters.qc.ca)**

# SUMMER 2024

## ATTENTION PLUS DANCERS – ARE YOU UP FOR A CHALLENGE???

Are you **VERY** confident in your Plus dancing?  
Are you ready for some **TOUGH PLUS** choreography? Things like:

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Thursdays, May 9 to August 22  
(except July 18)  
7:00 - 8:45 p.m.

**Mel Baker Hall, J. A. Dulude Arena**  
941 Clyde Ave. (+/- 1/2 km south of Carling, at Woodward)

**Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen**  
**\$12 per person per night**

*Register and pay in advance\*: \$150 (equivalent of \$10 per night)*

For more information, contact [WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com](mailto:WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com) or 613-282-0575

\*By cash, cheque (to Wendy VanderMeulen), or eTransfer (to [wendygvanndermeulen@gmail.com](mailto:wendygvanndermeulen@gmail.com))



# Summer 2024

## ***Improve your SSD / Basic\****



Tuesdays  
May 7, 14, 28 -- June 4, 11, 25  
July 2, 9, 23, 30 -- August 6, 13, 27

**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](mailto:wendyv@sympatico.ca), cash at the door, or credit/debit card at the door)*

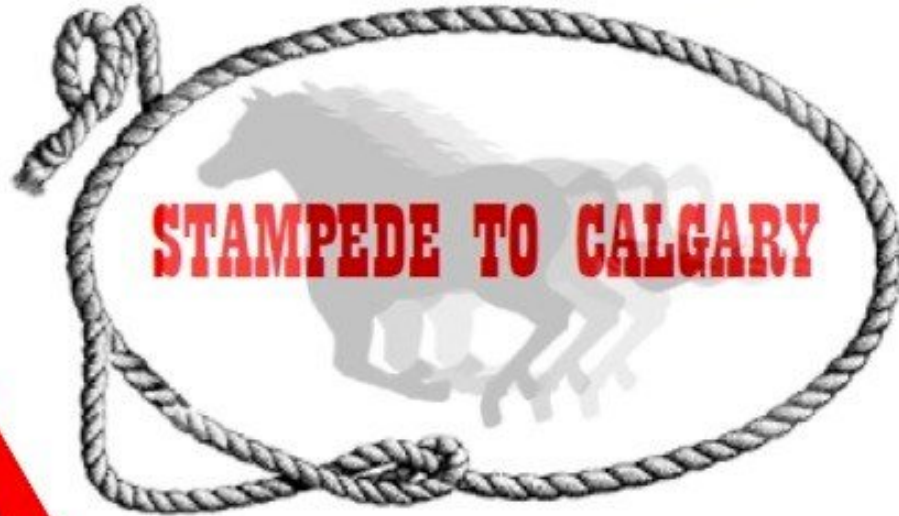
[WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com](mailto:WendyGVanderMeulen@gmail.com) or 613-282-0575

*\* SSD dancers will be taught the calls they need to dance the full Basic program. Basic dancers will be taught the calls they need to dance the full SSD program.*

Information & Registration: [www.squaredance.ab.ca](http://www.squaredance.ab.ca)

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# List of interesting web sites for our dancers

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

## EOSARDA Email Contacts

President	<a href="mailto:president@eosarda.ca">president@eosarda.ca</a>
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Email: Square Time Editor	<a href="mailto:SquareTimeEditor@eosarda.ca">SquareTimeEditor@eosarda.ca</a>
Email: Bulletins	<a href="mailto:bulletins@eosarda.ca">bulletins@eosarda.ca</a>
Email: Webmaster	<a href="mailto:webmaster@eoDance.ca">webmaster@eoDance.ca</a>

## EOSARDA Dance Clubs

Grenville Gremlins	<a href="#">Grenville Gremlins</a>
Kanata Squares	<a href="#">Kanata Squares</a>
Limestone Dancers	<a href="#">Limestone Dancers</a>
Meri Squares	<a href="#">Meri Squares</a>
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Quinte Twirlers	<a href="#">Quinte Twirlers</a>
Square Dance Ottawa	<a href="#">Square Dance Ottawa</a>
Swinging Swallows	<a href="#">Swinging Swallows</a>

# 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

SSD\* Most Sundays  
Check schedule 2:00pm - 4:00pm  
Usually La Fraternité Hall  
49 St Paul St, Alexandria  
Check Schedule  
Caller: Lynn Trepanier  
Wendy VanderMeulen  
Contact: Carole & Bernie Lauzon  
613-931-1783 clauzon55@sympatico.ca

## Grenville Gremlins

Basic/MS Monday 7:30pm - 9:30pm  
North Grenville Municipal Centre  
285 County Road #44,  
Kemptville, ON  
Caller: Geoff Clarke  
Contact: Debbie Armstrong  
613-989-2784 kemptvillesquaredance@gmail.com

## Harbour Lites

Basic/MS Wednesday 7:00pm - 9:00pm  
Presbyterian Church  
Center & Dibble Streets, Prescott  
Caller: John Charman  
Contact: Donna Plume  
613-391-8895 dnmmchale@gmail.com

## Kanata Squares

Mainstream Thursday 1:30pm - 3:30pm  
Dick Brulé Community Centre  
170 Castlefrank Rd, Kanata  
Caller: Bob Summers  
Contact: Marguerite Summers  
613-258-7511 margueritebob@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 - 10:00 to 11:00am  
A1 - 11:00am to 12:30  
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 - 9:30pm  
Aternating tips: SSD Teach & Full SSD  
J.A. Dulude Arena, 941 Clyde Ave, Ottawa  
Caller: Wendy VanderMeulen  
Contact: David Shackleton  
613-832-2284 david@integraldesign.org

### **Meri Squares**

Plus Thursday 7:15pm - 9:15pm  
Westminster Presbyterian Church  
470 Roosevelt Ave, Ottawa  
Caller: John Charman  
Contact: David Shackleton  
613-832-2284 david@integraldesign.org

### **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 7:00pm - 9:30pm  
North Fredericksburgh Hall  
1208 County Rd. 8, Napanee  
Caller: Dave Hutchinson  
Contact: Muriel Brough  
613-354-4595 murielbrough@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: Brian Crawford  
Contact: Jean-Marc Robichaud  
613-806-3138 OttawaDateSquares@gmail.com

### **Ottawa Date Squares**

A1  
LGBT friendly Wednesdays 6:45pm - 8:45pm  
Room B201, 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**

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

### **Skirts 'n Flirts**

B/MS Friday 6:00pm - 8:00pm  
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 One Sunday a 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

### **Sunshine Squares**

Plus. Plus Teach Wednesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm  
Canterbury Community Center  
2185 Arch St  
Caller: Bob Summers  
Ron Gardner  
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: Joan Gaudreau  
613-936-2831 hogandonw@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: Jeanie 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