

Dots & Dashers

Newsletter
March 17, 2013

Let's attract more new dancers for our club!
Share your enthusiasm for square dancing with anyone you meet. It would be exciting if each couple in the club could bring in one new couple next season.

Lessons & Graduation

Thanks to Tom's great teaching and the help of all the square angels, we now have only five more moves to learn.

Our graduation dance has been moved to April 16 at 7:30 pm, so that all new dancers can attend. Please wear your club colours and help us fill the hall. Admission is free.

Christmas Charity

We collected \$268.74 for Salvation Army Christmas Fund. The club rounded the donation up to \$500.00. Thanks for making this fund-raiser a success.

Our Fiftieth Anniversary (Feb. 23)

The Dots & Dashers club was founded on February 23, 1963. Our caller, Tom Dakers, was one month old at the time. Thanks to Myrna & Ted Kornak and everyone who helped to make this an evening to remember! Let's do it again in 2063.

Seventy-seven people attended the dinner, including Hilda Gill, a founding member and Bob and Jan Brander, our caller couple from 1979-89. Clay and Marion Schnurr came all the way from Campbell River, BC and took many photographs of the event. Thirty-four more folks joined us for the Anniversary Dance, including our special guests, the Prairie Winds club and all of our beginner dancers.

Pictures of the Anniversary are included on a separate page.



April Showers, May Flowers (Apr. 27)

Come and celebrate spring at our next theme dance. We welcome our new graduates to their first mainstream dance. This will be a pie and ice cream night.

"New Grad" Dances with Tom Dakers

Tom will again call this popular series of dances at Sunalta Hall, starting at 7:30 pm (April 30, May 7, 14, 21). They are intended to give new graduates (from all clubs) more experience at the mainstream level, but all dancers are welcome. The dances will be caffeine and calorie free.

C&D Freshman's Frolic (May 10)

On Friday, May 10, all the clubs in Calgary & District will gather at Foothills Academy to celebrate the graduation of their new dancers. Club colours are usually worn at this event. The local callers will take turns calling the tips.

Election of Officers

The club needs your help with leadership. There are four elected officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) and several appointed positions (C&D reps, Membership, Newsletter, Promotion, Phoning, Kitchen, Social and Member at Large). Please contact Jack & Judy Tiessen (our Past-Presidents) if you are willing to serve in one of these positions.

Annual General Meeting (May 22)

Our AGM will be held on Wednesday, May 22 at 7:30 pm in the small hall at Sunalta. We encourage all members and new dancers to attend. You can pay for your membership and Grapevine newsletter at that time. Members attending will be eligible for a grand prize draw!

Fun Addicts Campout (May 31 - Jun. 02)

Our campout at Torrington will be held on the weekend of May 31 - June 02. You can come for the weekend or just for the day. Saturday's program includes lunch, horse shoes, bocci (lawn bowling), a catered dinner and an evening dance. Western dress is optional.

The cost of the entire campout remains at \$20.00 per person for both campers and day visitors. If you plan to attend, please contact Doris Haynes (403-249-2294) before May 20.

Volunteers are needed to organize the Saturday lunch plus the bocci and horseshoe tournaments.

The campout will again feature a silent auction. Please bring any "unwanted items" that would be suitable for sale at this auction.

Summer Dance (Jun 11)

The Dots & Dashers will host a C&D Summer Dance on Tuesday, June 11 at 7:30 pm. The other summer dances are shown in the events list (see later).

Stampede Dance (Jul 06)

Our Stampede dance will be held at 7:30 pm on Saturday, July 06. Western dress is optional.

Alberta Convention (Aug 30 - Sep 02)


This year's convention will be held in Lacombe. More information and registration forms are available on the C&D website.

C&D Website

www.squaredancecalgary.com

Dots & Dashers Website

www.calfolk.ca/square/

	<h3>Irish Toast</h3> <p>There are good ships and there are wood ships, the ships that sail the sea. But the best ships are friendships, and may they always be.</p>
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Tom Dakers - 50th BD



Lord of the Haggis



Henry Rieder - 80th BD

Cards & Flowers (coordinated by Doris Haynes, 403-249-2294)

- Dec. 4 Thinking of you to Allan Attoe – prostate cancer diagnosis
- Dec. 12 Get Well to Jess Stonehouse – broken hip
- Dec. 23 Get Well to Judy Tiessen – nasal cancer surgery
- Jan. 10 Condolences to Nora Jeffery – death of husband Bill
- Jan. 13 Condolences to family of Wynne Williams, death of Wynne
- Feb. 3 Sympathy to Marg Vogel – death of brother
- Feb. 9 Get Well to Roberta Labute – hospitalized – viral infection

Dots & Dashers Events 2012 - 2013 (updated 2013-03-13)

Date	Day	Time	Event (Sponsor)	Location (Visitors)
2013-03-23	Sat	7:30	Mainstream Dance (DD)	Sunalta ()
2013-03-25	Mon	8:00	Visit to Prairie Winds	Sunalta
2013-04-10	Wed	7:30	Hawaiian Night (SS)	Winston Heights
2012-04-13	Sat	7:30	Mainstream Dance (DD)	Sunalta ()
2013-04-16	Tue	7:30	New Dancer Graduation (DD)	Sunalta (new date)
2013-04-24	Wed	7:30	Chili Night (HL)	St. David's
2013-04-26	Fri	7:30	Mother of the Year (RR)	Airdrie
2013-04-27	Sat	7:30	April Showers, May Flowers (DD)	Sunalta ()
2013-04-28	Sun	2:30	Don Moger (Mainstream & Plus)	Braeside
2013-04-30	Tue	7:30	New Grad Dance - Tom Dakers	Sunalta
2012-05-03	Fri	7:30	Ken Bower (Mainstream, C&D)	Foothills Academy
2013-05-06	Tue	7:30	New Grad Dance - Tom Dakers	Sunalta
2013-05-10	Fri	7:30	Freshman's Frolic (C&D)	Foothills Academy
2013-05-13	Tue	7:30	New Grad Dance - Tom Dakers	Sunalta
2013-05-20	Tue	7:30	New Grad Dance - Tom Dakers	Sunalta
2013-05-22	Wed	7:30	Annual General Meeting (DD)	Sunalta
2013-05-31	FSS	-----	Fun Addicts Campout (DD)	Torrington
2013-06-04	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (PW)	Sunalta
2013-06-11	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (DD)	Sunalta
2013-06-18	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (HL)	St. David's
2013-06-25	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (QJ)	Braeside
2013-07-06	Sat	7:30	Stampede Dance (DD)	Sunalta
2013-07-16	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (WW)	Strathmore
2013-07-23	Tue	7:30	No Dance This Week	
2013-07-30	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (BT)	Highwood
2013-08-06	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (SS)	Winston Heights
2013-08-13	Tue	7:30	Summer Dance (RR)	Airdrie
2013-08-20	Tue	7:30	No Dance This Week	
2013-08-27	Tue	7:30	No Dance This Week	
2013-08-30	FSSM	-----	Alberta Convention	Lacombe, AB

Notes:

- Items in red are either recent changes or unconfirmed
- Hi-Land Swingers have moved to Saint David's United Church