

# Newsletter

### **Mondays New Format**

7:00 Rounds Workshop All Welcome! 7:30 Plus Workshop 8:00-9:30 Full Plus & Rounds

## **Coming Events**

Mon. April 29 Windup Mon. July 1 Canada Day





On April 29 Town & Country Dancers return to the Maple Ridge Sr. Centre. 12150 224th St. Maple Ridge 7:00- 9:30 **Brent Mawdsley Calling** 

On Monday July 1, join us for the 33rd Annual Canada Day Dance In the air conditioned, spacious hall. Good times, good food and good company!



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Special Events/Dance Coordinators: Lucille Lysne &

Deb Dahlgren

See info above – Plus and New Dancer Coordinators

### Committee Members

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Kitchen Conveners: Lucille Lysne – 604-380-0130 plus

Decorating: Decorations stored at the Lysne residence –

helpers as required at each event

Anything is possible when you work as a team.



### Allan and Maureen Densmore VP Couple



As you know we had our AGM April 14 where we elected our executive. Congratulations to new executives, those who agreed to return and those who remained but changed duties. Your contributions to the club are very much appreciated. A list of your executive will be posted on our web page and e-mailed shortly.

The square dance season will be ending shortly, how quickly the time flies. As you probably know by now, there will not be a plus teach this summer but we are hoping John Corrigan continues making progress and will be back in September. Keep an eye on our web page and newsletter for info on activities throughout the summer as we have some tentative plans and are finalizing the details. Remember this newsletter is for all of us to keep in touch. If you are going to, or hear of an interesting event (square dance related or otherwise) let us know. Have a great summer and we will see you in the floor in the fall.

April Birthdays
April 6 Steve Salter
April 9 John Richoux
April 13 Sue MacMillan, Maureen Thomey
April 19 Guy Tryssenaar
No April anniversaries





John is still in hospital, he is hoping to be there for only another two weeks before he can go home, depending on how well he does with his therapy. Peter and I visited him Apr 13 and he is progressing very well, able to dress himself and get into and out of his wheelchair. He would like to have visitors – he is in the Queen's Park Care Centre, 315 McBride Blvd, Room 314. If you would like to visit, please call him on his cell 604-868-2774 to arrange for a good time to visit. Check out the GoFundMe for the Corrigans – on our website – www.mapleridge.squaredance.bc.ca and click on Plus for information.

Vivian Murray is home from hospital and would also like to either hear from you or have you visit. Please call her at 604-464-3255 to chat or arrange a time to visit. Cheryl and Val have been in constant contact with her and can provide you with more information.

John Richoux had his surgery on April 9 – what a birthday present - and was home the same day and is doing well. But he will be out of commission while he recovers.

Denise Mitchell is going into hospital on April 17 for 1 week (17 – 24) and will be in Eagle Ridge Manor Respite Care, 471 Guildford Way, Port Moody. She would also like to have visitors, either there or when she is back home. Hugh's cell number is 604-619-4267.

Lucille

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Has anyone ever ridden in a helicopter? I just did!!!!! It was a special birthday present and it was fantastic. Allan booked it through Sky Helicopters at the Pitt Meadows Airport for Friday, April 12, at 1:00 pm. It turned out to be the icing in the oreo cookie of rainy days. I had been in other sorts of aircraft (DC9, acrobatic, commuter helicopter, single engine fixed wing) but never a small helicopter so was really looking forward to the ride. It was so cool how it just lifted straight off the ground a few feet, hovered around the parking lot, then up and over the fence toward the river. We headed north to Pitt Lake, then up Widgeon Creek to that lake. There was a gorgeous waterfall exiting the lake. We flew through the mountains to Coquitlam Lake and over Westwood Plateau golf course. On the way back we had a panoramic view from Maple Ridge to Coquitlam, then followed the Pitt River to the Fraser River and back to the airport. The whole trip, from entering the helicopter to leaving it, took about 45 minutes. Gorgeous views in the mountains and very little turbulence. Before the flight we were a little concerned about the noise as helicopters are loud as you hear them from the ground. However, the headsets they provide you with are amazing. They are made by Bose (same as Allan's) but that is the only similarity. Allan's cancel sound quite a bit but these pretty much eliminate it altogether. Once you put them on about all you hear is conversation over the radio with the tower and each other. Impressive. If you are looking for a special treat for someone, highly recommend it.

Allan and Maureen Densmore



It's April as I write this, the time of year when our thoughts turn to better weather, the wrap-up of our dance season, and what lies ahead for summer.

About five years ago, we discovered that with summer, came a wonderful opportunity to combine our enjoyment of square dancing, with the fun of weekends away in the RV. We went to Rally in the Valley, a weekend event hosted by the Chilliwack Rhythm Reelers. In the years since, we have attended other events hosted by Clubs throughout BC and Washington State.

This summer, we plan to attend more of these kinds of events than ever before: Rally in the Valley, Chase the Fun, Festival 2019 in Salmon Arm, and Brent Mawdsley's Mainstream Weekend at Circle 8 Ranch in Washington. Phew, that's a lot of dancing!

I'm excited to think of us packing up the dog, the sunscreen, a couple of favourite square dance outfits, and heading out for these fun adventures. Usually, these events include workshops where dancers have the opportunity to review and improve their dancing, evening dances and plenty of time to socialize with all the other dancers. Often there is a potluck dinner, pancake breakfast or impromptu evening gathering, all of which enhance the overall experience. Many dancers come out for one evening dance rather than the whole weekend, and others stay in nearby hotel accommodation rather than RV's. Either way, it's always great to see familiar faces when we are out of town.

In the lower mainland, we are particularly lucky, as we don't have to travel far to enjoy dancing in the summer months. The Abbotsford Grand Squares have posted their Summer Dance Schedule to Facebook. They host dances featuring different Callers and Cuers every Sunday afternoon, from July 7 through the end of August. Always well-attended and fun, we look forward to Abbotsford Summer Dancing, as well.

Last but not least, is our very own Canada Day Dance, held July 1, put on by Town n Country. Surely the social event of the summer, this dance is always well-attended and a great deal of fun. Hope to see you all there.

Deb Dahlgren





Modern Square and Round Dance Club

# Presents the 33rd Annual Canada Day Dance

Monday, July 1,2019
Ridge Meadows Sr. Centre
12150 224th St. Maple

Ridge

All Levels

Pre-rounds 7:00 - 7:30

Dancing 7:30 - 9:30

Refreshments

Cheryl Plume: Cuer

Tickets: \$10:00, \$12.00 at door Contact:
Lucille lvlysne@ shaw.ca





Celebrate Canada's Birthday, have some fun, connect with friends, and begin the summer with a party!

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