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BC FESTIVAL 2019



JULY 10th - 14th SALMON ARM, BC

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Don's Plus * Enderby River Dancers * 4 Ways Family Dance * Gold Classic Dancers * Got 2 B Cloggin' * Kamloops Square Dancers * Nelson's Tuesday Morning Plus * Okanagan Cloggin' enticton Squares * R&R Rounders * Rhythm Rounds * Salmon Arm Squares * Star Country Squares * Ta'Lana Twirlers * Thompson Valley Stars * Westsyde Squares * Westsyde Youth Team Dance

IN THIS ISSUE!

Meet the exceptional callers, cuers and leaders who are currently registered to participate on the panels of BC Festival 2019! We can't say enough about all of the combined experience that will spice up the festival. The best we can do is introduce them and know that you will enjoy every minute of great entertainment and dancing fun.

What is Community Dance?



When you completed your registration form, you may have wondered what, in the dance and programming sections, *community (public)* means. It is BC Festival 2019's way of including non and soon-to-be dancers in this fantastic event.

When you join us in Salmon Arm, you might decide to make it into a spectacular adventure and vacation in two of the most beautiful regions of British Columbia. Why not bring your friends and family and, while you're partaking of the festival, they can also be involved in community workshops and dances.

When hundreds of dancers arrive for BC Festival 2019, it will make people more than a little curious about what is happening in their city. This is our way of introducing and including

the residents of Salmon Arm and surrounding areas to the great event taking place at the top of the hill.

What is offered? Callers and Cuers have volunteered to workshop and/or call entry-level dances for round and square dancing, contra, clogging and line dancing.

Callers, Cuers and Angels are all welcome to join us in extending a warm welcome to those who have not yet had the chance to learn and participate in this rewarding pastime.

Questions? Email us: info@bcfestival2019.com

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July 11th - 13th

BC FESTIVAL 2019

Three full days of workshops and dances.

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It's been 20 years since the BC Festival was last hosted in Salmon Arm, BC!

Come back to Salmon Arm to meet with friends once again.

Tell them you'll see them at **BC FESTIVAL 2019!**

July 10th Trail-In Dance

Hosted by Salmon Arm Squares

July 14th Trail-Out

Hosted by Westsyde Squares



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Salmon Arm is a popular tourist destination and reservations start well before the next summer arrives. We have reserved rooms at various hotels, motels & RV parks in Salmon Arm and area. These are rapidly filling up so please keep that in mind and book your accommodations early. We have a large list of accommodations, including dry camping, available on our website. We make every effort to see that this information is updated on a regular basis. bcfestival2019.com/accommodations/

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Don & Marlene (10 km) (250) 832-8420 marlenekrebs45@gmail.com

Bill & Jean (8 km) (250) 833-9227 wjjlwood@telus.net

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SELECTING OUR LEADERS

by Jean Wood

Recently, I was asked how we select our callers and cuers for **BC Festival 2019.** We don't. We are very privileged to have them choose to call for us. Their fees are paid the same as anyone else, as well as covering their own travel expenses and accommodations.

I feel that the biggest and least rewarded job is that of the dance coordinator. This person must schedule callers and cuers to make the most of the talent, the time and the desires of both the leaders and the dancers; must constantly monitor the dances and workshops to make sure that the leaders are there for the dancers. If someone takes sick or can't make their scheduled time, the coordinator must scramble to fill that spot or do it himself. This person is responsible for ensuring that the proper equipment, including turntables, is available and in good working condition.

Our coordinator feels that a tip, including a patter, singing call and a round, would take approximately 18 minutes. If you split a tip, there might be an additional minute or two for the switch. By my calculation, an evening dance is eight tips, give or take. That's at least 8 callers and 8 cuers; multiply that by two to cover the mainstream hall and the plus hall and that would mean 32 people are needed. Just for evening dancing! The sooner that the callers and cuers register, the sooner the coordinator can start planning the workshops and dances; *hint, hint*

Registered callers, cuers and leaders are given equal opportunity to appear at the festival, whether it be workshops or on panels for the evening dances. There are so many different levels in each dance category that we'll be able to have a great variety of entertainment, not to mention the many workshops to keep you on your toes.

When our Leaders register for BC Festival 2019, they are asked to complete a short questionnaire. Knowing their preference also helps us schedule the workshops and dances. Callers and Cuers, if you haven't already completed this it can be found on http://bcfestival2019.com/callers-cuers/

Some callers and cuers may want to do only one or two workshops and/or dances whereas others may want as much stage time as possible. We've been told by some that they want to dance more than call or cue and don't want to register for a festival until they know that there will be enough callers and cuers to allow for this.

There are also those who *combine* their tips to perform as a duo or a group (such as Merv & Sandy Meyer or the BC Boys and Heather Reynolds). We welcome this as it adds variety and spices things up a bit.

We must not forget the new callers and cuers who, for whatever reason, may be hesitant about being part of a large festival. We will do our best to give them a chance to showcase their talents at a comfortable level.

No matter what, a festival would not be complete without the many callers and cuers who freely give of their time, talent and effort to provide us with the best dancing to be had!

Join all of our Leaders for a fantastic festival full of fun and friendship!

MEET THE CALLERS, CUERS & LEADERS!

Introducing the callers and cuers who have signed up to lead you through the fun and friendship of BC Festival 2019. Some are a little shy and don't like to talk about themselves much. Perhaps, in the next newsletter, we'll learn more about them and other leaders who plan to participate in BC Festival 2019.

Regine Anderson - Penticton, BC - Rounds

Barbara Bazovie - Kelowna, BC - Clogging

Caitlyn Brendzy - Burnaby, BC - Squares

Nicholas Brendzy - Burnaby, BC - Squares

Ray & Christine Brendzy - Burnaby, BC - Squares

Lynda Colautti - West Kelowna, BC - Clogging

Garry Dodds - Victoria, BC - Squares

Steve & Lynnette Edlund - Surrey, BC - Squares

Murray & Barb Few - Edmonton, AB - Squares

Oren & Lew Gaskill - Bellingham, WA - Squares & Rounds

Elizabeth Hohner - Victoria, BC - Squares

Larry Jeske - Red Deer, AB - Squares

Don & Marlene Krebs - Salmon Arm, BC - Squares

Wendy Krueger - Abbotsford, BC - Squares & Rounds

Darby Love - Nanaimo, BC - Squares

Patricia Mahoney - Calgary, AB - Rounds

Brent & Therese Mawdsley - Delta, BC - Squares & Rounds

Lynette McLeod - Parksville, BC - Rounds

Merv Meyer - Kamloops, BC - Squares & Rounds

Sandy Meyer - Kamloops, BC - Rounds

Allan Peterson - Salmon Arm, BC - Squares & Rounds

Laura Peterson - Salmon Arm, BC - Rounds

Nelson & Kadie Reeme - Vernon, BC - Squares

Heather Reynolds - New Westminster, BC - Squares & Rounds

Connie Richie - Victoria, BC - Rounds

Debra Schmidt - Parksville, BC - Squares & Rounds

Ray Schmidt - Parksville, BC - Squares

Bob Simpson - Nanaimo, BC - Squares

Dorothy Simpson - Nanaimo, BC - Rounds

David & Marlene Symington - Calgary, AB - Squares & Rounds

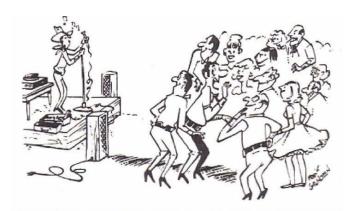
Peter Tennant - Vernon, BC - Rounds

Stella Tennant - Vernon, BC - Rounds

Peter Weel & Leora Lane - Eagle Bay, BC - Squares

Jean & Bill Wood - Salmon Arm, BC - Squares

Pat Zeeman - Victoria, BC - Rounds



"Let's really confuse him tonight.
...We'll dance what he calls."



REGINE ANDERSON

Penticton, BC

Club cuer for the Penticton Squares, Penticton BC and Westsyde Squares, West Kelowna BC Regine has been involved in some form of dance since she was in grade one. In her junior high school years, she learned square dancing and danced with the teen square dance club in Comox BC.

Regine came back to Square Dancing in 1978, where she met her "angel" Ron. They took round dance lessons in 1979 and started teaching in 1986. They taught new dancers through easy Phase 3 until Ron's death in 1995. Later that year Regine started learning to cue so she could continue teaching two round dance clubs, the Peachland Connectors and the R&R Rounders.

BARBARA BIZOVIE

West Kelowna, BC

Clogging Instructor for Okanagan Cloggin' in Kelowna and West Kelowna,

Barbara instructs Clogging, levels beginner, easy, intermediate.

Website: http://www.okanagancloggin.com/



CAITLYN BRENDZY

Burnaby, BC

Caitlyn has been involved in square dancing her whole life. She joined the Wesburn Wranglers Teen Square Dance Club at five years old, and has been dancing ever since!

Caitlyn has attended the Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance Festival where she has competed as a caller, cuer, square and round dancer. She currently dances at the C1 level and round dances Phase IV.

Caitlyn attends Capilano University where she is studying Early Childhood Education and plans on becoming a kindergarten teacher. She enjoys traveling with her family and loves square dancing of course!



NICHOLAS BRENDZY

Burnaby, BC

Nicholas Brendzy has completed his third year at Simon Fraser University, where he is studying history and archaeology, and is planning on becoming a teacher. He is actively involved in student government and works part time as a lifeguard.

Nicholas has been square dancing his whole life and called his first solo singing call at three years of age! He is a caller and a cuer, square dances at the C1 level, and round dances up to Phase IV.

Nicholas enjoys getting on stage and harmonizing with his father and sister and has called and cued at many conventions.



RAY BRENDZY

Burnaby, BC

Ray has been part of the square dance activity for over 50 years. Ray currently calls for five clubs in the Vancouver area, and mentors young callers in his youth club. He has traveled extensively throughout North America, Europe and Asia. He calls up to the C3 level, and he and his wife Christine greatly enjoy square and round dancing.

Ray has recently joined LouMac Recordings and is proud of his newest release, "Lonely Drum". Ray is recently retired after working for the Vancouver School Board for thirty-six years.

LYNDA COLAUTTI

West Kelowna, BC

Under the tutelage of Susan Woods, Lynda started clogging in the early 1990's in Victoria, BC. About three months after Lynda learned her first steps, a group of people from the Cobble Hill area (north of Victoria) asked Susan to teach them all to clog. Lynda accompanied Susan to these classes to be of assistance in case something happened during the drive there and back.

Shortly after those classes were started, Susan and her husband decided to move. This would leave these keen people without an instructor. Although she had only been dancing six months, Lynda took over for Susan, and now, 20+ years later, that group is still clogging on.

In 2011, Lynda wrote her Instructor's exam and did the practical portion of the test in Grapevine, Texas. She passed with flying colours. Since then, she taught in Langley BC for two years and is now back in Kelowna



GARRY DODDS & PAT ZEEMAN

Victoria, BC

Garry started calling before he started dancing – while living in Cold Lake, AB. In the fall of 1965, he learned to dance with the Polar Teens, and called his first 'official' tip in December of 1965.

In 1968, he moved to Victoria to attend the University of Victoria and danced with the Swinging Singles as well as working on calling.

Pat started square dancing in January of 1974 in Nelson, BC, with a high school club known as the L.V. Teens. In September of 1974, she moved to Victoria to attend the University of Victoria and joined the Tanglefoot Twisters, an on-campus club whose caller was ... Garry Dodds!

In 2000, Garry and Pat become partners on the dance floor and on the stage. In the fall of 2000, Pat started cuing for Garry at the Star Twirlers. Currently, they still call and cue for the

Star Twirlers and the Frontier Twirlers .

In 2013, Garry and Pat were one of the co-Chair Couples for BC Festival 2013 – a mini-Festival featuring Plus and Advanced that was held in Parksville, BC.

They represent Region 1 as delegates to the British Columbia Square & Round Dance Federation, and Pat has been Treasurer for the Federation since 2012. Garry and Pat are the BC representatives to the Canadian Square & Round Dance Society.



STEVE EDLUND

Surrey, BC

Steve and his wife Lynnette live is Surrey, BC.

Steve has been calling for over 35 years and has a successful home program calling for 3 clubs in the Lower Mainland. He just celebrated 35 years of calling for his original club. Square Dancing has brought many opportunities to Steve and he has had the opportunity to call extensively throughout North America, Sweden and Japan. Steve is on the staff of Elite Records, based in Houston, Texas and Riverboat Records out of California. Steve has been employed by Coast Mountain Bus Company for 35 years. When not calling, Steve enjoys playing golf and hockey.



MURRAY FEW

Edmonton, AB

Murray has been calling for 54 years based in Edmonton. He has called throughout Alberta, with trips to BC. Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario & Nova Scotia, Yukon & NWT. He is a member of Edmonton's EDCIA,, Alberta's ASRDIA and Callerlab.

Murray was the Square Dance Program Chairman for the 1st and 10th Canadian National Square Dance Conventions in Edmonton in 1978 and 1996. He has also called for the Klondike Mounted Square Dance Exhibition group in Edmonton and does many "one night events" for horse/rider groups & people. Current programs, Class, Mainstream, and Plus.



OREN GASKILL

Bellingham, WA

Oren started singing with his parents as they traveled in their Model A. He was a wedding singer at age 6 and was a soloist and a choir member in church. Oren started square dancing in 1994 and his wife, Lew, started dancing in 1996.

Oren went to Cascade Callers College and has been Calling and teaching ever since. He calls for party nights and is a member of Mt Baker Teachers, Callers & Cuers. He has called on the evening program and has been an MC at Penticton.

Oren has been a Caller and an MC at WA State Festivals and has called dances for clubs in Mt Baker Council.



ELIZABETH HOHNER,

Victoria, BC

Elizabeth began calling in 2009 to fill a void in her life after her husband passed.

Elizabeth spent the 2010-2011 dance season being tutored by her father (Mike Groenendyk) in the art of calling squares while at the same time being tutored by her mother (Lena Groenendyk) to learn the fine art of cueing rounds. She officially became the caller-cuer of the Circle Eights Club in Qualicum Beach on May 13, 2011.

Elizabeth took a year off between 2013-2014 for dental surgery and started next year doing guest calling, eventually becoming Caller-Cuer for the Promenaders in 2015, and remains there to this day.



LARRY JESKE

Red Deer, AB

Larry calls for the Parkland Bells & Beaux in Blackfalds AB, as well as the Golden Circle in Red Deer, AB. He is in his second year of teaching at the Red Deer Square Dance Club, where he teaches two classes per year.

Larry is the president of the Central Alberta Callers Association.



DON KREBS

Salmon Arm, BC

Don started square dancing, as a teenager, in Edmonton (Namao) in 1960. Within a year, he began calling under the guidance of callers Alec Bowles, Ray Bowden, and Bill Coulter.

Don started dating his future wife, Marlene, in 1962. By the time they were married in 1966 Don was calling five nights a week.

Don has called throughout Alberta and British Columbia. He has been an active member of various caller and cuer associations throughout the years. Square and round dancing have been an integral part of the Krebs' lives over the past 58 years.



WENDY KRUEGER

Abbotsford, BC

Wendy lives in Abbotsford, where she started square and round dancing in 2002. She started calling in 2011 and calls for Guys'n'Gals of Aldergrove and Chilliwack Rhythm Reelers. She also teaches square dancing in community centres and public schools and teaches basic round dance lessons. She calls Basic, Mainstream, Plus, and some Advanced.

Wendy is now retired from her public school teaching career and wants to travel to call dances everywhere.



DARBY LOVE

Nanaimo, BC

Darby Love has danced for 4 years and called for 2 years. She calls mainstream and plus. Darby can be found calling for the Nanaimo Wheel Arounds Square Dancers.

Her dancing and calling are seriously curtailed by her work as a public librarian, but she likes her job anyway and tries not to complain too much.



PATRICIA MAHONEY

Calgary, AB

Patricia has been involved in square and round dancing since the early 90's, and has cued rounds since that time in both Canada and the United States at various conventions and week-end events.

Of late, she cues in Calgary and Edmonton as a regularly scheduled guest cuer. She has taught dances from the Showcase of Rounds at Conventions on several occasions, and has co-taught while one of our top cuers was not well. She had a round dance club for several years, which was mostly dancing.



BRENT MAWDSLEY

Delta, BC

Brent and his wife Therese live in Vancouver, BC, where Brent calls and cues three to four times per week for four clubs, one of them for over 29 years. He also calls and cues for dance weekends and special events throughout the Pacific Northwest and entertains community groups with an introduction to modern square dancing.

Brent was the Square Dance Program Chairperson for BC Festival 2017. In 2012, Brent and Therese were awarded the Caller Couple Scroll of Honour in recognition of their dedicated service to the Vancouver square dance community. By day Brent is the Business Development Manager for a global mineral testing company.



LYNETTE MCLEOD

Parksville, BC

Lynette is a cuer for the Sand Dollars in Parksville, and the Amalgam-Eighters in Nanaimo.

Lynette participated in BC Festival '99 and is looks forward to returning to Salmon Arm in 2019.



MERV MEYER

Kamloops, BC

Merv started dancing in 1982 at Abbotsford BC Swinging Hubs. He did some calling at goofer's nights from 1986 to 1989 and again in 1997 & 1998. He started his own club "Chase Square Dancers" in January 1999. By the year 2000 Merv was calling 4 times per week and doing some cueing of round dances.

Merv teaches Round dancing phase 2 to 3+, as well as Square dance Mainstream & Plus. Now, at the age of 76 Merv is still calling & cueing 3 times per week as well as at some party nights, Festivals, and Conventions. Merv has been the club caller for 4 different clubs and he currently calls for the Thompson Valley stars in Kamloops BC.

In 2014, Merv & Sandy received the BC Square & Round Dance Federation's Sillery Award for outstanding service extending well beyond club level endeavours.



SANDY MEYER

Kamloops, BC

Sandy Meyer has been square & round dancing for 19 years, and cueing for 11 years. She has cued at various Festivals and at 'party nights' throughout BC for the past 10 years. She was one of the 2 featured cuers for the 'Chase The Fun' Jamboree in Chase, BC for 4 years. Most recently she cued at the 2018 National Convention in London, ON. Sandy does some 'yodel' singing calls, and plays percussion in the 'World Famous Kamloops Rube Band'.

Sandy & husband Merv teach 6 different rhythms of round dancing, and passionately promote square & round dancing. They both choreograph many of their own round dances. They presently call, cue, & teach Round & Square Dancing in Kamloops for the 'Thompson Valley Stars'.

In 2014, Sandy and Merv received the BC Square & Round Dance Federation's Sillery Award for outstanding service extending well beyond club level endeavours.



ALLAN PETERSON

Salmon Arm, BC

Allan Peterson is Caller & Cuer Coordinator for BC Festival 2019!

Allan has been dancing for 34 years and has been a caller and cuer for 22 years. He currently calls and cues approximately 75 dances a year. Allan has appeared at festivals and conventions in both Canada and the USA and was the caller coordinator for BC Festival 2009 in Vernon.

Calling, cuing or teaching three nights a week, Allan calls for four clubs. The Enderby River Dancers are more than happy that he has been their club caller for 22 years. He teaches and cues for the Star Country Squares in Vernon. Allan alternates weeks between the Salmon Arm Squares and the Ta'Lana Twirlers in Blind Bay as their caller and teacher.



LAURA PETERSON

Salmon Arm, BC

Cuer for Enderby River Dancers and the Ta'Lana Twirlers in Blind Bay.

Laura has been dancing for 22 years and cueing for 21 years.

Laura also cues special events and on occasion, will team up with Allan for a party night. In 2019 they are the featured cuers for *Chase the Fun* on the Father's Day Weekend.



NELSON REEME

Vernon, BC

Caller for Nelson's Tuesday Plus and the Star Country Squares in Vernon, BC

In 1986, Nelson started teaching himself to call by practicing in his basement. He started calling and teaching for the Sun Country Squares in 1989 and has been caller for Vernon's Star Country Squares and Kelowna's Wagon Wheelers. In 2000, Nelson & Kadie formed their own caller run club, Nelson's Tuesday Plus, which is still active today.

Nelson called on the BC Square Dance Jamboree Program from 1995 to 2003, at which time this jamboree became known as the Penticton Peachfest Square Dance Festival. Nelson has been on the program every year and has had the honor of being an MC five times. Nelson has been on the dance program at events such as the South-

ern Hemisphere Square Dance Festival in Christchurch, New Zealand and BC Festivals as well as numerous conventions, jamborees and specials events in BC and Alberta.

The caller's partner is an important part of a caller's career. Their tasks are many and can sometimes be challenging or frustrating. Kadie has been there with Nelson through the good nights and, once in a while, the not so good night. Nelson appreciates all that she does to help make his career a success.



HEATHER REYNOLDS

New Westminster, BC

Heather has been Calling and Cueing since 1997.

She is the Full Time Caller/Cuer for the Abbotsford Grand Squares and enjoys performing all over Region 2.

In 2016, the FVSRDA and VDCTA awarded her the Scroll of Honour in recognition of her going above and beyond as an ambassador for square dancing within the Region.

As a member of Callerlab, she loves sharing her passion for Square and Round Dancing as a traveling Caller/Cuer throughout the Province of BC.

Heather and her Husband, Luke live in New Westminster.

CONNIE RICHIE

Victoria, BC

Connie started dancing in Anchorage Alaska in 1981, took round dancing and plus in 1982, followed by A1 in 1983. In 1985, she moved back to her hometown, Victoria, BC. Connie started clogging in 1986.

In 1990, Connie taught her first class. A second class followed the next year and in January 1992 she, along with the guidance of Pat Zeeman, started the Rainbow Rounders, a Phase II + club. The Rainbow Rounders have held classes most years since. In the last 8 years, they have added some other Phase III rhythm to programs.

Connie is currently Round Dance Coordinator for the BC Square & Round Dance Federation and has, along with her late husband, represented the Victoria & District Callers Teachers Association, as delegates to the Federation since 2003.

Connie has enjoyed choreographing dances. Three of these have been chosen by the BC Federation as Rounds of the Month. She is always pleased to see other areas enjoying her choreography as well.

DEBRA & RAY SCHMIDT

Parksville, BC

Deb & Ray call and cue for the Sand Dollars, the Circle & Squares Plus club, and the Amalgam-Eighters on Vancouver Island.

BOB & DOROTHY SIMPSON

Nanaimo, BC

Bob & Dorothy call and cue for Nanaimo's Wheel Arounds Square Dancers.



DAVID & MARLENE SYMINGTON

Calgary, AB

David is the club caller for the Olds Calico Capers, Rockyview Ramblers in Airdrie and Rainbow Country Dancers in Nanton. He also does guest calls at Rocky Mountain House and in Red Deer.

David started dancing when he was seven, after watching his brother dance for two years with the Heel n' Toe club in Edmonton. He continued dancing with the Heel N' Toe club until his mid-teens. While living in Edmonton, David also danced with the Nuggateens, Country Kissin Kickers, NAIT Squares and Bandolaro's in Red Deer.

After living in Calgary for a few years, David decided to get back into square dancing so he joined the Swinging Singles club in 1999. Sam Stead found out that David used to call when he was a teen so he

would let him do a tip.

It was at the Swinging Singles club where he met the love of his life, Marlene Demers; they were married the following year on July 1, 2000. Shortly after they were married, they joined the Calgary Callers Association and served as treasurers and the reps for the Square and Round Dance Instructors of Alberta Association (SRDIAA). David was the Assistant Programmer for the Alberta Square & Round Dance Provincial Conventions in High River in 2012 & 2016 and Lacombe in 2013.

In 2015 David & Marlene were awarded the Alberta Rose Award for their contributions to square dancing in Alberta.



PETER & STELLA TENNANT

Vernon, BC

Cuers for the Rhythm Rounds, Vernon, BC

Peter and Stella took their first Round Dance Lesson in Oct. 1993. In Feb. 1996, Peter cued his first dance at a Goofer's Night and started cueing and teaching in September, 1996. Stella was the cuer for Kelowna's Wagon Wheelers for 10 years.

Peter and Stella have appeared at Canadian and Alberta Conventions. They have cued and given workshops at previous BC Festivals and were the Round Dance Co-ordinators for BC Festival 2009 in Vernon, BC.

Peter and Stella have taught and cued Phase III & IV workshops in West Kelowna. In 2018, they were the Presenters for a 3 day cuer's workshop.

...AND THEY LOVE EVERY MINUTE OF IT.



PETER WEEL & LEORA LANE

Eagle Bay, BC

Peter recently retired as the club caller for the Ta'lana Twirlers in Blind Bay, BC.

For over 25 years, Peter Weel has gladly given his time, energy and talent to calling and teaching throughout the province's lower mainland, in Vernon, Kelowna, and the Thompson-Shuswap.

Peter is BC Festival's host to the callers, cuers and leaders who come perpared to engage in BC Festival 2019.



JEAN & BILL WOOD

Salmon Arm, BC

Jean is the BC Square & Round Dance Federation President and Co-Chairperson for BC Festival 2019.

Bill is the President of the Thompson-Shuswap (Region 9) Square & Round Dance Association.

Jean and Bill started square dancing in 2012 as a means to get out of the house and meet new people. Little did they know, what was to come. They have been active at many different levels of the dance community. Jean always says that they wear so many hats that there are times when they're not sure which fits who on what day.

Jean attempted to start learning to call in 2015 when she saw a need for new callers. Unfortunately, she suffered from extreme "stage fright" and was a little slow to come forward. In 2016, she started gaining more confidence and is willing to take the leap... on occasion! She has appeared on the program at BC Festival 2017, at Peachfest and the Alberta Convention in 2018.

Jean and Bill look forward to seeing and welcoming you all to BC FESTIVAL 2019!



BE AN EARLY BIRD!

Register before December 31, 2018 and take advantage of the best rate of \$60 for BC Festival 2019.

Early Bird Draw for two tickets to the Canadian Festival 2020 in Surrey, BC was won by Merv Meyer, Kamloops, BC

Register before December 31, 2018 and have your name entered for a chance to win two tickets to **Peachfest** Square Dance Festival, August 2019, in Penticton, BC

CALLING ALL DANCERS! Can you boost your region's percentage?

From as far east as Ontario and south into Washington state, dancers are registering for BC Festival 2019!

These dancers are all taking advantage of two things; the lowest possible registration fee of \$60 per person (until December 31, 2018) and a chance to have their name drawn for two tickets to the 2019 Peachfest Square Dance Festival in Penticton, BC. If you are worried about taking that big leap, you can do so with confidence. Until June 15, 2019, if for any reason you be unable to attend, your registration fees are 100% refundable.

At the time of this issue's printing, our registered dancers are from:

BC = 87%

Alberta = 7%

Manitoba = 1%

Ontario = 1%

Washington = 4%

At a glance, you would assume that a large region is going to have a higher percentage of dancers whereas a small one with no clubs is going to be almost non existent. By looking at the number of dancers registered versus the number of dancers* in a region, each region's percentage can be calculated:

Region 1 = 2.6%

Region 2 = 8.4%

Region 3 = 17.3%

Region 5 = 3.9%

Region 8 = 4.6%

Region 9 = 17.8%

Can these numbers be changed? You bet! Register today and let's see what the numbers tell us at the next printing!

BC's Seven Dance Regions



REGION 1 - LOWER VANCOUVER ISLAND. Home to Victoria, BC's capital city, this region is located on the southernmost portion of Vancouver Island. The boundary is the area south of the Chemainus River and adjoining islands.

Web: region1.squaredance.bc.ca

REGION 2 - VANCOUVER & DISTRICT. Making it the region with the greatest number of dancers, this area encompasses greater Vancouver and the Fraser Valley.

Web: region2.squaredance.bc.ca

REGION 3 - OKANAGAN. One of two regions hosting BC Festival 2019. This region's northern boundary starts in Enderby, just close to Salmon Arm and extends south to the US border.

Web: region3.squaredance.bc.ca

REGION 4 - KOOTENAY. Currently, this region has no active clubs. However, one of the inactive clubs, the Columbia Valley Twirlers, does play host to two events a year.

Web: radium.squaredance.bc.ca

REGION 5 - CARIBOO & NORTHERN INTERIOR. Geographically, the largest region in BC. In short, it encompasses Clinton (125 Km northwest of Kamloops by road), diagonally northeast to Tete Juan Cache at the BC/Alberta, and north.

Web: www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca

REGION 8 - UPPER VANCOUVER ISLAND. Region 8 of the BC Square and Round Dance Federation consists of the upper Vancouver Island and Powell River. The boundary at the southern part is the Chemainus River and on up to the north end of Island.

Web: region8.squaredance.bc.ca

REGION 9 - THOMPSON SHUSWAP. Home of Salmon Arm, location of BC Festival 2019!

Web: region9.squaredance.bc.ca

^{* 2018} membership statistics at March 31, 2018

REGISTRATION FORM

CONTACT INFORMATION					
Name:					
Club(s):					
Street Address:		Apt/Unit#			
City: Prov/State			PC/Zip Code:		
Phone:	Email:				
FEES FOR 3-DAY FULL FESTIVAL (Trail-In & Trail-Out Dances Not Included) No refunds after June 15, 2019					
Per Dancer Adult Youth (18 & Und	8 & Under) Please send completed registration forms to:				
Before December 31, 2018 \$60 \$30	BC Festival 2019				
January 1 to April 30, 2019 \$65 \$32.50	P.O. Box 26061				
May 1 to July 1, 2019 \$70 \$35	West Kelowna, BC. V4T 2G3 registrar@bcfestival2019.com				
At the Door \$75 \$37.50	For all Transferts Transport leader the Object of 2010 and				
Fees in Canadian Funds payable to BC FESTIVAL 2019 Email Transfer to Treasurer: <u>lcolautti@bcfestival2019.com</u>					
PARTICIPANT FIRST NAME PARTICIPANT LAST NAME		ME	YOUTH	FEE ENCLOSED	
1.			Yes □		
2.			Yes □		
3.			Yes □		
4.			Yes □		
Additional Items	Price		Quantity		
BC Festival Badge \$7.00		7.00			
Festival 2019 Bar	\$3.00				
Program Booklet	\$3.00				
Dry Camping	\$10.00 per night				
☐ PAYMENT ENCLOSED ☐ PAYMENT BY MAIL ☐ PAYMENT		BY EMAIL TRANSFER	TOTAL		
DANCE To help us schedule dance programs, please indicate number of dancers for each workshop PROGRAMMING Please indicate program workshop			ams that you are willing to call, cue or		
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Date Confirmation Sent Cheque or Reference Number					

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