

**BC Square & Round Dance Federation**

**Region #1 Report to Board, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014**

1. Our Region continues to have nine functioning clubs, 1 Plus, 2 Round Dance and 6 Mainstream, all in Greater Victoria, except for 1 in Duncan and 1 on Saltspring Island. At the time of writing one relies on visiting callers but has been able to complete its scheduled dances.
2. The Plus Club, Star Twirlers, has held A1 classes at the Old Colwood Fire Hall (Adjacent to the Women's Institute Hall) from September. The A1 Programme is complete, so the regular Tuesday dances are now reinforcement and practice.
3. The number of registered dancers is 280 (including 22 new dancers sponsored by The Mavericks) 12 down from last year. Unless we can attract new, younger dancers it is difficult to see an end to this trend.
4. On March 30<sup>th</sup>, a week before the BCSRDF Meeting, the Vancouver Island Regions are holding a joint dance at Colwood Hall. Jake and Diana Ring, from Campbell River, are the Caller/Cuer couple and a good attendance is expected.
5. Denis Kirkpatrick (Country Cousins) celebrates 40 years of calling and cueing at a special dance on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at Colwood Hall. The Cousins have cancelled their regular dance scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup>
6. The Region is sorry to report that Connie and Al Ritchie are giving up their Square Dance Apparel shop for medical reasons.
7. In Square Dance Awareness Week Molly & Bruce Spencer spearheaded a Flash Dance with 7 squares at the Walmart in Uptown which can be found at [squaredanceflashmob.com](http://squaredanceflashmob.com) (It lasts 4:16). Others may be interested in doing the same – good publicity. For information on organizing a similar event you are invited to talk to Molly or Bruce at 250-391-6628.

Respectfully submitted;

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