

THOMPSON-SHUSWAP SQUARE & ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION  
REGION 9 REPORT  
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEEING, MARCH 30, 2019

This season has proven to be a difficult one for Region 9. Like most regions, we have decreased numbers and we are not seeing many new dancers. Of the new dancers that we do get, many are not returning. We look to the BCS&RDF and other regions for ideas for promotion, recruitment and retention of new dancers.

We are also in need of new callers and cuers. We have had one caller and one cuer retire with another caller also wanting to retire. We have clubs who have two callers splitting the dance nights in order to accommodate their schedules.

In the Spring, it's expected that the Ta'Lana Twirlers will no longer operate as a club. However, they will still host this year's Easter Bunny Hop on April 22nd with Heather Reynolds.

Chase the Fun 2019 will take place on June 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> in Chase with caller, Steve Edlund and cuers, Allan & Laura Peterson. This has proven to be a great event for our region and we hope you'll join us for more fun this year.

BC Festival 2019 is shaping up to be a great event for us. We are being supported by the community and there is a lot of interest in the public workshops that we will be offering. We hope that this will spark new interest in dancing. Registrations are doing very well and we're looking forward to a successful festival.

Respectfully submitted by  
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