

## **1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT AGM 2012**

Following the BOD meeting I have found new homes for a number of the items from our video tape library. I will be bringing the remaining tapes to the AGM and offering them to attendees one last time before disposing of the unwanted ones.

I have catalogued the DVDs which will now comprise our new condensed mobile library which is to be transferred from one participating region to another on a time sharing basis. I am creating an application for regions who wish to participate in the program to fill out, so that a schedule can be developed. These will be posted on our web site.

After reflecting on some of the ideas brought to the floor during the square dance makeover seminar at the BOD meeting I presented a proposal to the callers of my region that we develop a dance program which could be taught in 10 to 12 lessons. The intention would not be to replace the mainstream program with ours, but to instead defer the teaching of selected calls until after our new dancers had been given some time to enjoy dancing at the level they had achieved during those first three months. For such a program to be successful, we would need the support of our existing dancer population which means there would have to be enough meat left in the program to provide them with an enjoyable dance as well.

Having received the approval of my colleagues, we are now in the process of compiling our favourite singing call figures to determine which calls are most frequently used by our group and therefore essential to our program. Both basic and mainstream calls will be either incorporated into the program or deferred, based on which calls are needed to provide our dancers with good, smooth and interesting choreography. I expect the project to be completed by mid July since I already have a workable model in place and am just waiting for input from some of the others before finalizing the program.

I have met with other members of the makeover team to discuss this and other ideas; see Lyle O'Hara's report.

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