

VICI REPORT TO BC FED FOR 2020

For most of us Cloggers, just as with the square & round dancers, classes came to a halt for the second time in November 2020! We had a feeling it was going to happen so had already cancelled our Sealion Stomp workshop that is held at Nanoose Place the first weekend in November. This was to have been our 30th anniversary! Barb made the decision to follow the crowd & hold a virtual fun dance. All the instructors were on board. We went "live" on Sat Nov 7 & at one point had close to 200 cloggers from all over the world watching & dancing with us. The video stays on You Tube until we take it down & to date has had over 1100 views! Cloggers have the advantage of not needing a partner so it has been easy to hold these fun dances. The instructors have become very adept at making sure their dancers have a way to continue dancing. Some have held classes outdoors until the weather forced them to stop. Others have made teaching videos for their dancers. Some are holding classes via Zoom! Some have not done anything since they do not have a place in which to hold classes during the Pandemic.

As Cloggers we have been fortunate to have had lots of virtual fun dances & online clogging classes to "attend". Some of those are still going as all over the world we are all in the same boat. We don't have anywhere in which we can hold in-person classes. The next best thing is online & at it's peak during the pandemic, there was dancing 7 days a week!

Barb attended the Dance Leaders Seminar & presented a breakout session on Clogging. Unfortunately it was not well-attended, but we did have other instructors supporting from Oregon, Cranbrook, & Fort Saskatchewan & had some good discussions.

Barb has also attended 2 other zoom sessions with BC Fed on our post-pandemic image & teamwork.

As with everyone else, the Cloggers are looking forward to being able to dance in-person soon. We miss the camaraderie of dancing in a room full of other Cloggers.