

British Columbia Square and Round Dance Federation

Annual General Meeting – April 10, 2022

Report – Director at Large – Region 1

Lower Vancouver Island Western Square & Round Dance Association

Region 1 – Lower Vancouver Island – is operating under the current COVID-19 Public Health Orders which has allowed both square and round dancing to restart with COVID safety plans in place.

Round dancing restarted earlier this year with both round dance clubs now holding regular dances.

Square dancing resumed on March 4, 2022, starting with a joint dance of the Mavericks and Country Cousins. These two clubs are continuing with joint dances through to the end of this season in early May. The Star Twirlers and the Frontier Twirlers both restarted a little later in March. The Salty Wheels (Salt Spring Island) has not yet made plans to restart.

On December 18, 2021, Elizabeth Hohner, the caller for the Promenaders, announced that her caller-run club had shut down. The Promenaders would have celebrated their 65th anniversary in April 2022.

To date six Region 1 clubs with a total of 112 members and one class with no members at present have renewed their memberships in the BCSRDF for 2021-2022. One club has yet to register. This compares to a dancer count for 2019-2020 of 250 made up of 194 graduate dancers and 56 new dancers.

We have continued to hold regular general meetings of our Association using Zoom courtesy of the BCSRDF. We plan to resume in-person meetings with our AGM scheduled for Sunday, April 24, 2022.

The Cross Trail News, the official publication for Regions 1 and 8, that had suspended publication for the 2020-2021 dance season due to the COVID-19 pandemic dancing shutdown, resumed publication with the September-October-November 2021 issue.

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