

BC Square and Round Dance Federation

2026 Annual General Meeting

Report – Victoria and District Caller Teachers Association

October 2026

The 2025/26 Dance Year was a busy year for members of the Victoria and District Caller Teachers Association.

Club Activities:

- The members are active in providing cuing, calling, teaching and administration for one Round Dance club (Rainbow Rounders), one Plus club (Star Twirlers), and four Mainstream clubs (Country Cousins, Mavericks, Frontier Twirlers, Sooke Squares, Saanich Squares).
- The Rainbow Rounders held Phase II Waltz and Two-Step classes, and Phase III Rumba and Cha classes. The classes were well attended and graduates are now attending regular club dances.
- The Frontier Twirlers, Sooke Squares, and the Saanich Squares held Mainstream classes which were well attended and graduates are now attending regular club dances.
- The Star Twirlers held a Plus class. Graduates are now attending regular club dances.
- In Spring 2026, the Association held a meeting with club members to determine whether to adopt the new Mainstream program or continue with the classic program. It was decided that Lower Vancouver Island clubs would continue with the classic program for the 2026/27 Dance Year.

Association Activities:

- Two new members have joined the Association starting in the 2026/27 Dance Year and are training to be callers. Both members attended the Caller School in Penticton this summer.
- Association members participated in many special dances this year, including two Hall benefit dances, weekly summer dances, and celebration dances.
- Association members have also been active in cuing and calling at dances for other clubs this summer on Vancouver Island and elsewhere, including the Festival in Penticton.
- Pat Zeeman and Garry Dodds, both holding Executive positions with the Association, were very active this past summer. The Caller School in Penticton was a great success largely due to their efforts. In addition, their work on the BDSRDF and with CallerLab was substantial and appreciated.
- Members of the Association are also assisting Connie Ritchie in planning the BC Mini-Festival in NanOOSE Bay in July 2027.

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President

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