



The Leeds Branch Newsletter

25, 30 & 40 Years On!



Dancers enjoying the June Strawberry & Cream dance. Why not join the fun this season - there are plenty of opportunities.

Our new season is sprinkled with a number of anniversaries. The 25th Children's Festival in March will be followed quickly by the 30th Weekend in Scarborough and then the dancing year comes to a climax with the Branch's 40th Birthday Dance in June when dancing will be with Kenny Thomson and the Wardlaw Band.

November sees our 60's Heartbeat Ball when David Cunningham and his band will be in attendance at the Great Hall at the University. This event is subsidised by the proceeds from the television appearance of a number of branch members. Tickets for this event will be available from Jean Dyson.

There are the usual classes, details of which can be found on the back of the

Newsletter. It is hoped that the Level 3 Class will work towards the new Dancing Proficiency Test. Avis Harrison and David Queen will teach this class. A copy of the syllabus can be obtained from Jean Dyson.

All classes will commence in the week beginning September 10th. Again, we are offering a term dancing ticket for £30.00, which entitles subscribers to attend as many classes as they wish.

There are also the usual courses. Bruce Frazer and Jack Judson open the season on September 15th, with Sandy Legget playing in the evening. As last year, there are two Highland Day Courses taught by Catherine Livsey, as well as the Weekends at Malhamdale and Scarborough. Details of

these courses can be found in the Membership Syllabus.

In February, we are having a Musicians' Course which is being run by Neil Copland. Neil and the students will play at the evening dance and there should be around twelve musicians on the stage. The people who attended the Musician's Course Dance two years ago found it an exciting and exhilarating occasion.

This year, we are changing the time and format of the Teachers Workshop. It will be on April 20th. It will be run by Helen Frame and will contain elements of the successful Teaching Skills courses held in Edinburgh and St. Andrews recently. Details will be available in the next Newsletter and an early

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If for some reason you don't receive any copy of the Branch newsletter please contact Alan Carr on 01943 466702.

application is essential, as numbers will be strictly limited.

As you can see, we have another busy year packed with lots of 'goodies'. All it needs is your support to make it another successful season. So get out your diaries and mark off the Branch dates. The committee is looking forward to seeing you at our functions.

Our New Members

Welcome to new members of the Branch this year

Sarah Alderson	Penny Anderson
Jo Cabbage	Rosemary Jobling
Christine Swayne	Chuck and Joan Weigand
Christine Whiteley	

Have you paid your Membership?

Anyone who has not paid their membership fees for this season please contact Brenda as this will be your last Branch Newsletter. Fees were due on July 1st this year.

Subscription to this Newsletter can be taken out at £3.00 for 4 issues for non Leeds Branch Members.

Contact Brenda Burnell for details and form.

The Branch web site is www.rscdsleeds.freeserve.co.uk Why not give it a try.

Teachers' Workshop

16th June 2001

We had another excellent day with Graham Donald and Pat Clark. Graham, in his own warm charismatic style, drew out of us our contributions to teaching, warm-ups and common figures in dancing, so that



Graham Donald and Pat Clark

we were learning from each other as well as himself. He gave us a group teaching exercise where we could focus on linking figures together and phrasing our dancing.

Pat, with her expert knowledge, suggested a range of music equipment which would help us in our teaching and showed us how to make best use of it, then gave us a group teaching exercise where we could focus on the music. It was interesting to meet

Step practice for the class

teachers from different areas and talk about aspects of dancing, for a full day. Thank you, Graham and Pat, for a stimulating day, which has refreshed our outlook on teaching and will send us with greater enthusiasm into our next class. *Barbara Caldicott.*

Sat 15th September 2001 7.30pm

SOCIAL DANCE

West Park Centre

Music: Sandy Legget Trio M.Cs : Jean and Reg Dyson

Admission: RSCDS Members £5.00, Non Members £6.00,
Students £2, Children £1

Programme

Miss Hadden's Reel	8x32J	Bk 23
Music Makars	8x32R	Bk 33
Gang the Same Gate	8x32S	Bk 36
Instructor's Choice		
None So Pretty	8x40R	Bk 19
Bonnie Lass of Bon Accord	1x64 S	Drewry
Mrs Stewart's Jig	8x32 J	Bk 35
Inverneill House	8x32R	Bk 35
Joie de Vivre	8x32J	Bk. 39
Reverend John MacFarlane	4x32R	Bk 37
Instructors Choice		
Luckenbooth Brooch	8x32J	Glendarroch 28
Bratach Bana	8x32R	Drewry
Miss Gibson's Strathspey	8x32S	RSCDS Leaflet
Diamond Jubilee	4x32J	RSCDS Leaflet
Reel of the Royal Scots	8x32R	RSCSA Leaflet

Extras

Tribute to the Borders	8x32J	RSCDS Leaflet
Baldovan Reel	4x32 R	BaldovanSet
Neidpath Castle	3x32 S	Bk 22
Ian Powrie's Farewell...	1x 128 J	Hamilton

Sat 20th October 2001 7.30pm

SOCIAL DANCE

West Park Centre

Music: John Browne M.C : Jean Morrison

Admission: RSCDS Members £4.50, Non Members £5.50,
Students £2, Children £1

Programme

Last of the Lairds	8x32 J.	Bk. 22
Cumbræ Reel	8x32 R	Bk. 28
Gang the Same Gate	8x32 S	Bk. 36
Immigrant Lass	4x32 J	Bk. 39
Kenora Reel	8x32 R	Drewry
Balmoral Strathspey	4x32 S	Bk. 22
Starry-eyed Lassie	8x32 J	Bk. 23
Buchan Eightsome	1x400R	Bk. 21
Ladies' Fancy	6x32 J	Bk.13
Earl of Mansfield	4x48 R	RSCDS Leaflet
Lea Rig	6x32 S	Bk. 21
Midnight Oil	5x48J	Drewry
Peggy Dewar	8x32 R	Bk. 38
Culla Bay	4x32 S	Bk. 41
Mrs Stewart's Jig	8x32 J	Bk. 35
Montgomerys Rant	8x32 R	Bk. 10

Extras

Laird of Milton's Daughter	8x32 J	Bk. 22
Barmkin	88 R	Goldring (24 dances)
Neidpath Castle	3x32 S	Bk. 22
Peat Fire Flame	8x40 R	Drewry

White Rose Festival

The York Festival of Scottish Country Dancing 13th & 14th July 2001

It was great that the Branch had 4 Adult, 1 children's and a combined Leeds - Darlington Teens and Twenties teams taking part. It was again nice to be able to join forces with the Leeds Club and also help out other teams producing a happy mix of dancers and dancing, highlighting what Scottish Dancing is all about.

Catherine Livsey



Once again the Leeds Branch and the Leeds SCD Club joined forces to produce two teams of dancers for the York Festival.

Thanks to the patience and expertise of Susan Carr and Catherine Livsey the Branch and Club were fully represented in both the massed and demonstration dances. The Club welcomes the opportunity to promote the friendly and social aspect of Scottish Country Dancing by mixing with Branch members to

produce two joint teams. We were also pleased to be "borrowed" by other teams whose numbers were depleted, necessitating not only a change of partner and set but sometimes a change of sex too!

Despite being deprived of our open air venue by a heavy shower of rain we all thoroughly enjoyed representing our Branch and Club and are already looking forward to next year.

Dancers taking part were:

Don & Brenda Andrews, Barbara Caldicott, Alan & Susan Carr, Heather Craven, Kath Dosell, Isabel Douglas, Ida Gatecliffe, Alec Green, Pat Hynes, Sheila Johns, May Johnson, Catherine Livsey, Alistair Mason, Adrian and Chris McDonald, Lesley Tompkins, Mary Wallace, Ray Williams, Mairi Devlin, Janet Brayson

For the information of newer Branch members, or those who are unaware,

the Leeds SCD Club holds dances each month at St Chads Parish Centre, Headingley. There is dancing to live music every month and to recorded music most months. We are a friendly and welcoming group and although our programmes are not specifically aimed at beginners help is readily available if you are willing to have a go. Further information about dates and programmes can be obtained from me on: tel. 01943 461705 or e-mail: Hmc41wpv@aol.com.

If you are free on one of our dance nights come along and join us - we would love to see you.

*Heather Craven,
Secretary, Leeds SCD Club*



Sat 17th November 2001

HEARTBEAT BALL
University Great Hall

Music: David Cunningham Band
M.C: Nigel Campbell
Tickets: £6.00, Students £3.00

Programme

Barley Bree	4x40J	Book 13
None So Pretty	8x40R	Book 19
Up in the Air	8x32S	Book 19
Muirland Willie	8x32J	Book 21
Mrs MacLeod	8x32R	Book 6
Braes of Breadalbane	8x32S	Book 21
Espie McNabb	8x32J	MMM
General Stuart's Reel	8x32R	Book 10
Reel of the 51st	8x32R	Book 13
Hooper's Jig	8x32J	MMM
Miss Ogilvie's Fancy	8x32S	Book 20
Glasgow Country Dance	8x32M	Book 23
The Express	8x40J	Book 20
Neidpath Castle	3x32S	Book 22
Laird of Milton's Daughter	8x32J	Book 22
Montgomerie's Rant	8x32R	Book 10

Extras

Duke of Perth	R	Book 1
Last of the Lairds	J	Book 22
Balmoral Strathspey	S	Book 22
Deil Among the Tailors	R	Book 14

Tickets from Jean Dyson 01943 461022

Obituary

Sadly, recently after a long illness Margaret Kendall died. Sincere sympathy to her family & friends.

To members of the Branch who remember Margaret.

My family and I wish to thank members of the branch for the many messages of sympathy and letters of appreciation for Margaret that were received.

Margaret and I spent many happy hours dancing at both club and branch and made many enduring friendships. Our lives were made rich by this. Thank you.

Derek Kendall

Contributions received from friends, neighbours and family allowed us to pass £650 to the Prince of Wales hospice fund in memory of Margaret.

Certificate/Examination Class

The Certificate class has made a good start with two dancing days and now in September the teaching will begin. If any of you can spare an hour or two on any of the following dates, please contact Brenda (0113 2676655) to check the times. Please put December 8th in your diary, as that day we will need dancers to be taught at the exam.

September 8th and 22nd, October 6th and 21st (Sunday), November 10th, December 2nd (Sunday) and 8th for the exam

Children's Class - Calling all children!

The numbers have dropped dramatically in the children's class this past year and it would be lovely if we could have more children dancing in time for our 25th Children's Festival in March next year. If you know any children who might be interested in dancing please do ask them to phone 0113 2676655 for further details or come to our first class on Friday September 14th at 7.15 p.m. at Hawksworth Wood Primary School. We would love to see new dancers at the class.

DATES, DATES, DATES

SEPTEMBER 2001

15th Half Day School
1pm St Mary's,
Hawkswood Ave, Leeds 5
Please note change of venue
Teacher Bruce Frazer
Musician Jack Judson
*Further information & bookings
please contact Yvonne Tredgett -
01302 851174.*

15th Social Dance
7.30pm West Park CDC
Sandy Legget Trio
MCs Jean & Reg Dyson

OCTOBER 2001

13th Highland Day School
Complete beginners welcome
*See Form enclosed in this
Newsletter for more details*
10am St Mary's,
Hawkswood Ave, Leeds 5
Teacher Catherine Livsey
*Further information & bookings
please contact Yvonne Tredgett -
01302 851174.*

20th Social Dance
7.30pm West Park CDC
John Brown (Solo)
MC Jean Morrison

NOVEMBER 2001

17th Heartbeat Ball
University Great Hall
David Cunningham Band
MC Nigel Campbell
Tickets £6, Students £3
Tickets from Jean Dyson
01943 461022

23rd-25th Malhamdale Weekend
Teacher Andrew Mc Connell
Musician George Meikle
*Further information & bookings
please contact Yvonne Tredgett -
01302 851174.*

DECEMBER 2001

15th Christmas Social Dance
7.30pm West Park CDC
George Meikle/Alan Rintoul
MCs Alan & Susan Carr

JANUARY 2002

19th Social Dance
7.30pm West Park CDC
Robert Whitehead Band
MC Yvonne Tredgett

Classes

Fees and Levels

Level 1, 2 & 3 - £2 per class,
£3 (if the class has live music).

Level 1 - Beginners.

Level 2 - General.

Level 3 - Experienced Dancers.

Terms

Autumn wc Sept 10th 2001 to wc Dec 10th 2001

Winter wc Jan 7th 2002 to wc March 25th 2002

Summer wc Apr 8th 2002 until White Rose Festival

All Levels

Monday, 1.45 - 3.45pm

Adel Methodist Church Hall, Adel, Leeds 16

Teachers: Barbara Caldicott, Susan Carr

Level 2

Tuesdays, 7.45 - 9.45pm

Adel Methodist Church Hall, Adel, Leeds 16

Teacher: Roy Goldring

Sept 11th & 18th

Alan & Susan Carr

Sept 25th to Dec 11th

Level 3

Wednesdays, 7.45 - 9.45pm

Mechanics Institute, Calverley

Teacher: Avis Harrison

Sept 12th, to 26th

David Queen

Oct 3rd to Dec 5th,

No class Nov 14th

Level 1

Wednesdays except the

4th Wednesday of each month,

7.30 - 10.00pm

Holy Trinity Church Hall, Knaresborough

Level 2

Thursdays, 7.45 - 10.00pm

Brackenwood Community Centre,

New Building, Lidgett Lane, Leeds 8

Teacher: Brenda Burnell

Children

Fridays 7.15 - 8.45pm

Hawksworth Wood Primary School,

Broadway, Leeds 5

Teacher: Brenda Burnell