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Hello to all the dancers and leaders in the Region 5 - Cariboo and North West. *(If you paid your dance fees at the start of the dance season, you are a member of this organization.)*

Board of Directors' Meeting

The Board of Director's meeting of the BC Square and Round Dance Federation was held on April 6, in Abbotsford. Our region was represented by Helen and Henry Hall, Bill Rose, John Tutte and Peggy Jo Zettl. They took part in discussions and voted on behalf of our region and we thank them for their participation.

Following the meeting, the president of the BCS&RDF, Norm Cox, sent out a newsletter that summarized the main aspects of the meeting. This newsletter can be found on the internet at http://www.squaredance.bc.ca/articals/newsletters/Newsletter_April_13.pdf

For a look at the complete minutes of the meeting and all of the reports, you can go to <http://squaredance.bc.ca/handbook/minutesbod.html>

Some of the topics that might be of interest to our region were:

- discussion and motion to reduce the number of Region delegates from 8 to 4

- Brian Elmer showed ways that he has used Social Media to advertise New Dancer Classes. His report makes interesting reading and can be found at <http://squaredance.bc.ca/articals/bod2013/squareupbc.pdf>

A vote was taken and it was agreed that he should run this program for another year but in order for this program to run effectively **all Clubs that will be holding New Dancer Classes in the Fall must and I mean MUST submit all information on their classes (Dates, Place, Time etc.) to Brian Elmer at brian@squaredance.bc.ca before JULY 1st, 2013 if they wish to be included in the ad campaign.**

- Regional Delegates should note that you may order your 4 Score and More Badges from Al Ritchie of Sandy's Badges as he is now looking after this program since John Tutte retired from this job. Please check with individual clubs to see if they have dancers who qualify for this FREE BADGE and for a small cost you can purchase a Name Dangle for the badge which completes & compliments the badge very effectively. These badges are for dancers aged 80+ who are still actively dancing.

• Festival 2013 , which is for Plus dancers and above is definitely on. Enough dancers have registered to make it a go. They could use more ``A`` Callers, however. July 11, 12, 13, 2013 in Ocean Side, Parksville.

• Don't forget Peach Fest Square Dance Festival at Penticton, August 7 – 10, 2013 This is a great opportunity for you to come and bring your New Dancers and introduce them to this great Activity. Several days of dancing to many callers and cuers. Information can be found at <http://www.peachfest.com/squaredancefesti.html>

• Also at the Peach Fest Square Dance Festival, the B.C. Federation A.G.M will be held on the Friday, August 9th at 9am.

Region 5 Jamborees

Once again we remind you that we have 3 jamboree weekends coming up this spring. They are in Prince George, Williams Lake and 108 Mile Ranch. These jamborees have been advertised in the Cariboo Connection Newsletter. In addition to that, I have added the posters for each of the events to the Region 5 web page <http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca>

So if you have people inquiring about the events, you can direct them to this site where they can print a copy of the poster for themselves. *(They will take a bit of time to download - be patient.)* Please encourage your club members to step out of their comfort zone and travel to some or all of these jamboree events.

The more people on the dance floor - the better the party will be.

Hearing Assist Receivers

Do you know of any former dancers that no longer use their hearing assist receivers? Perhaps you could ask them if they wish to donate them back to the region. The receivers are of no use to people who are no longer dancing and could greatly benefit other dancers. If you know of such people, they could contact the region secretary (me) to make arrangements.

As usual, I remind you that I only have email addresses for some of the members of Region 5. I will send this bulletin to them and hope that they will share it with others. Please print a copy and take it to your club for those without email to read.

If you wish to be added to my email list or taken off it, just contact me at nmturner@telus.net

Hope to see you on a Jamboree dance floor, especially at Williams Lake. After all, the sight of Nick Turner in a grass skirt is definitely worth the price of admission!

Mary Anne Turner
Secretary of Region 5

