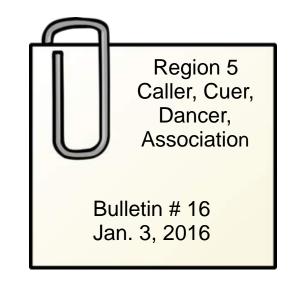
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Keeping You Informed

On behalf of your Region 5 executive (Bill, John, Nick and Mary Anne) we wish a **Happy New Year** to all the dancers and leaders in Region 5. We hope 2016 will be a good dancing year for you.

As you may know, sometimes I receive information that should not wait until the next Cariboo Connection to be passed on to you. In those cases, I send out bulletins. (Please let me know if you wish to be removed from the Region 5 E-Mail list or if you know of anyone that should be added to the list.)

Primarily, I would like to pass on to you a message from Ken Crisp, the president of the BC Square and Round Dance Federation (if you paid your dance fees this season, you are a member of the BCS&RDF)

Check out page 2 for Ken's newsletter.

Cariboo Connection Newsletter

It will soon be time to put together the February issue of the Cariboo Connection Dance Newsletter so I wish to notify all members of Region 5 that the deadline date for submitting articles, ads, notices, posters etc. for the next issue is January 18, 2016.

You may send articles at any time from now but be sure to note that the deadline is Jan. 18.

More than just announcements, it is very interesting to read **news** from clubs and dancers from around our huge region so don't hesitate to write something. Tell us how your Christmas events went. How are your new dancers doing? Any new promotion ideas to suggest? Praise or thanks to anyone? Requests or suggestions? Any interesting travels? Did you attend any noteworthy dance events?

This is your newsletter and all entries are welcome. See if you can contribute in some way.

Also, it is important to send your posters in to me if you have events you wish to advertise between now and the end of the dance season. It is free advertising so be sure to take advantage of the opportunity. The posters will also be entered on the Region 5 website.

http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca/index.html

B.C.S. & R.D.FEDERATION NEWSLETTER

On behalf of the executive of the BC Square and Round Dance Federation I would like to wish you a Happy New Year with lots of dancing, fun and good health. I hope you have done your promotion for January new dancer classes and hope that you get an enthusiastic response.

The board of directors meeting will be held on Saturday April 2, 2016 at the ASAA Hall, 33889 Essendene Avenue, Abbotsford. Please ensure that there are four delegates ready to represent you and your Region and that our Secretary, Wendy Krueger has been advised who your regional delegates are. (wkreuger@shaw.ca)

A big thank you to members, clubs and associations who submitted their Federation and Society dues on time. As of the deadline we have 68 clubs, 1863 dancers and 95 leaders registered. This does not include pre-teen, teen and wheelchair dancers registered.

Region 2 is planning to host a Provincial Festival on July 6 to 8, 2017 at Cloverdale (Surrey) BC. The website will be up and

running early in the New Year and registration forms available.

Why not check it out at

www.BCFestival2017.squaredance.bc.ca

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A New Brochure Heading Your Way!

A new square dance brochure and rack card has been created by a sub-committee of the BC Square & Round Dance Federation (BCS&RDF) Revitalization Task Force. They are very attractive and modern looking. They should be a very useful way of getting Square Dance information publicized - especially if your club is to hold new dancer sessions at any time.

Copies of the new brochure and rack card have been mailed to each of our region's club Presidents so that they can show these to their members.

The brochure and rack cards are being paid for by the BCS&RDF and will be available at no charge for reasonable orders. Further information will be published in the next edition of the Cariboo Connection newsletter.

Information about them can be directed to Dennis Sutton <u>dsutton9@telus.net</u>

That's All for Now

The next Cariboo Connection will not arrive at the clubs until approximately the middle of February so I would like to remind you of the following event that will happen before that time.

Prince George Robbie Burns Dance - Jan. 23, 2016, Caller- Gys Koops Cuer - Don Hollis See the Prince George Northern Twisters website at http://northerntwisters.ca for more details.

More news will follow in the next Cariboo Connection. Remember to help our large region feel united by keeping in touch and sharing your news and information.

I will post this bulletin on the Region 5 website http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca and I will email it to the addresses that I have.

If you are not receiving information from the Region 5 executive by email and you wish to do so, please make sure that the Region 5 secretary has your email address.

The secretary is Nick Turner nmturner@telus.net

Talk to you in the next Cariboo Connection.

Happy New Year!