

## R5CCDA Executive 2014/2015

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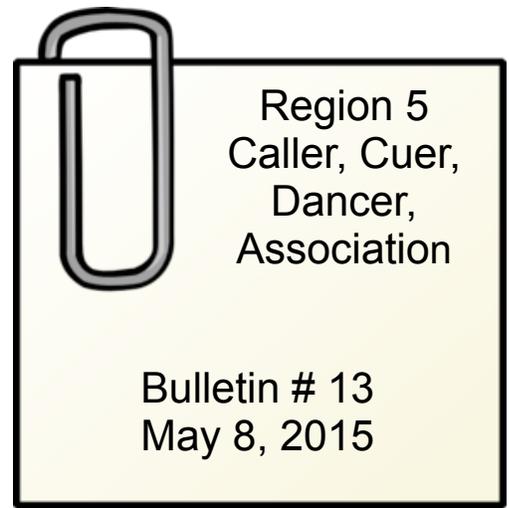
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## KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Mary Anne Turner, R5CCDA President

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

The final edition of the Cariboo Connection newsletter for the 2014/2015 season has been distributed around the region and now I am using this bulletin to bridge the gap between editions and keep you informed of ongoing concerns.

First, the **BC Square and Round Dance Federation** held its Board of Directors' Meeting (BOD) in Abbotsford at the end of March. If you paid your dance fees at the start of the dance season, you are a member of this organization, too. Again we thank Helen & Henry Hall and Bill & Marilyn Rose who attended on our behalf.

All of the reports and the complete minutes of this meeting are available on the Federation website at

<http://squaredance.bc.ca/handbook/minutes.shtml>

Some results of the meeting that stood out for me were:

- The treasurer, Pat Zeeman reported the the Federation funds have been accumulated over a long period of time as profits from festivals in the past. Based on the budget approved in last year's AGM, if we carry on with our losses, we will be bankrupt within a few years. Our projects cannot be funded strictly on membership fees. We have to find people willing to hold festivals to raise money. We have none for 2015. We need to do this on an ongoing basis.
- Frank McNeil was appointed as our provincial webmaster effective April 1st, due to the retirement of Phil Douziech from the position after 20 years of service. A committee is working on a massive redesign of the complete website to make it more user friendly and Frank would also like to attract square dance related advertising. The server costs \$1000 a year and about \$300 is earned in advertising at present.

- Of great help to our region was the following motion that was passed:

Moved Norm Cox/Bill Wood that the BCSR Federation, upon receipt of expense vouchers due before the end of the fiscal year, reimburse delegates for the cost of attending the BOD meetings up to a maximum of **\$400 per region**, over and above the amounts of any reimbursement received from their region, beginning with this, 2015, meeting, excluding the host region.

The costs for our delegates to attend most Federation meetings really adds up with expenses in fuel and because of the necessity to stay for 2 nights in a hotel. This year, the expenses of our 4 delegates totaled \$789.27 so the grant of \$400.00 is a significant assistance.

.....and now, a newsletter from the BC Square and Round Dance Federation President

### **President's Newsletter Spring 2015**

The annual Board of Directors Meeting was held in Abbotsford on March 28, 2015 with delegates from Regions One, Two, Three, Five, Eight and Nine in attendance. The minutes of this meeting can be found on the Federation website at **[www.squaredance.bc.ca](http://www.squaredance.bc.ca)**. Several motions were passed that have resulted in changes to the by-laws. For example, the two year trial that provided for four (4) rather than eight (8) delegates per region to the Board of Directors meeting has been approved.

Several of the changes made at the BOD meeting will likely result in discussions and action at the Annual General Meeting in Penticton on August 7, 2015. We have received a notice of motion from Region 5 that recommends changes to the wording of Article 3.1 (BOARD OF DIRECTORS). If you have any notices of motion for the AGM they must be received by the Secretary at [wkrueger@shaw.ca](mailto:wkrueger@shaw.ca) by May 8, 2015 in order to be put on the agenda that is to be distributed 60 days prior to the meeting.

Phil Douziech was the driving force that got our website up and running and for 20 years he has worked tirelessly as our webmaster. He advises that he is ready for a well deserved rest and has resigned as webmaster. Thank you Phil for all you have done for us. I am pleased to announce that our new webmaster is Frank McNeil who is actively participating on the Revitalization sub-committee that is looking into the redesigning of the website.

Have a great Summer. If you are able to attend our AGM in Penticton we would love to see you. Delegates please distribute this newsletter within your Region.

Ken Crisp, President

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## **Note to Cuers**

Helen Maddeux (formerly from Region 5, now in Nanaimo) has been a driving force in trying to organize a Roundalab Mini-Lab for cuers. We have just received the following message from Walter Brewer, the Roundalab Mini-Lab chairman....

*With pleasure, I get the privilege of announcing that the Board of Directors of Roundalab has approved two Mini-Labs to be held toward the end of this year (2015).*

*The first will be held on the third weekend of September (18-20) in Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada. The local sponsor is UVICTA (the Upper Vancouver Island Caller Teacher Association). The local contact is Helen Maddeaux. You may contact her at: [maddeauxh@shaw.ca](mailto:maddeauxh@shaw.ca). Clinicians for this Mini-Lab will be Irv & Betty Easterday.*

*The second Mini-Lab will be held the third weekend of October (16-18) at Beloit College's Hendricks Dance Center in Beloit, Wisconsin. The sponsor is the Wisconsin Round Dance Leaders Council with local contact Peggy Weisense Chavey. You may contact her at: [weisense@uwalumni.com](mailto:weisense@uwalumni.com). Clinicians for the Mini-Lab will be John & Karen Herr.*

*Complete details & flyers for both Mini-Labs will be available very soon. Until then put Nanaimo or Beloit on your calendar.*

*As you may know, Mini-Labs are a great way to bring high-quality round dance teacher education to areas which are generally not served by Roundalab due to geographic distances from the annual Roundalab Convention. The mission of Roundalab is to foster the art of round dancing by improving cueing skills and teacher excellence through education, standardization and cooperation with other dance organizations. The Mini-Lab program is a powerful aid in fulfilling this mission. Roundalab helps local organizations bring a high-caliber educational experience to their area by defraying the clinician's fee and transportation costs.*

*If you or your group is interested in finding out more information about the possibility of hosting a Roundalab Mini-Lab feel free to contact the Mini-Lab Chairman, Walter Brewer at: [R.Dancers@att.net](mailto:R.Dancers@att.net).*

*Best regards,*

*Walter Brewer, Roundalab Mini-Lab Chairman*

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## **And Remember.....**

Your Region 5 Association will be holding its AGM on Saturday June 6th, 2015 at the Prince George Jamboree venue. The time will be 11:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m. Before attending the afternoon dance, bring a brown bag lunch and join us for a quick meeting. Your executive would really appreciate some company. I will be sending out an agenda in a bit and also posting it on the Region 5 website at <http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca/index.html>

If you have anything you would like discussed, let me know so I can include it on the agenda.

## **Don't forget to support the upcoming jamborees.**

**May 22- 24 Williams Lake** "Jolly Old England" Jamboree with Dustin McGifford, Nick and Mary Anne Turner. Due to a very difficult school board, we have had to change our location again. It will now be held at the Long House (part of the Stampede Grounds) and instructions can be found on our poster.

Pre-registration is not required but as we are a small club we would appreciate knowing if you are coming so that we can efficiently plan the food preparations. Just send an email to [nmturner@telus.net](mailto:nmturner@telus.net)

Caller/cuer for Friday will be Nick and Mary Anne Turner. Saturday morning will be a Round Dance Social (Phase II) with Nick and Mary Anne. Caller/cuer for Saturday will be Dustin McGifford and Mary Anne Turner. And on Sunday, we will welcome a panel of callers and cuers as a fine way to end the jamboree.

**June 5-7, 2015 Prince George** "Spring Barn Dance" Jamboree at the Hart Pioneer Center - 6966 Hart Highway

Friday will be a panel of callers and cuers. Saturday will feature Jerry Jestin as caller/cuer.

Pre-registration is required for their dinner on Saturday evening. The deadline date for notification is May 15. Just contact Glenda at 250-563-7743 and leave a message any time

See our posters for full details of both jamborees at [http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca/r5ccda\\_posters.html](http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca/r5ccda_posters.html)

## **That's It for Now**

Stay tuned for the agenda for the upcoming AGM and let me know if you wish anything added to the agenda.

Also, the 2 year term is up for the President (Mary Anne), the Vice-President ( John Tutte) and the Secretary (Nick) so elections will be held. All of these members have agreed to let their names stand for another term if needed, but they would welcome nominations of others who might be interested in taking part in the work of our regional organization.

I hope you find these bulletins helpful. 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.

I hope to see you at the AGM and on a jamboree dance floor soon. Don't forget to take some great 'out of the box' photos of the dance fun that we might be able to use for future promotion.

Mary Anne Turner  
President - R5CCDA