

## R5CCDA Executive 2016/2017

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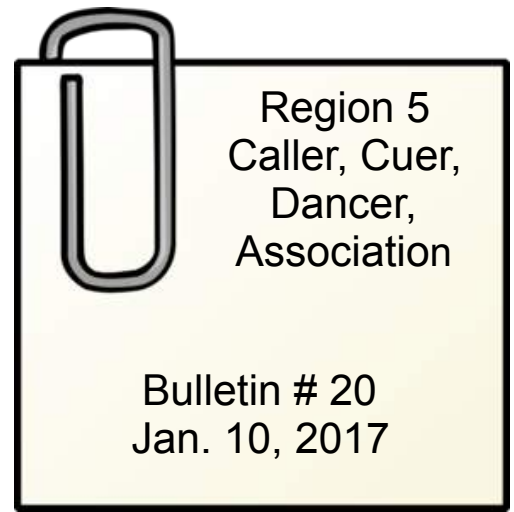
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## Keeping You Informed

Happy New Year to dancers and leaders from your Region 5 executive (Bill, John, Nick and Mary Anne).

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.)*

First, I have a newsletter to share with you 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 20, 2017**.

You may send articles at any time from now but be sure to note that the **deadline is Jan. 20**.

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- Jan. 2017**

I hope you had a good Christmas and holiday season and that you are ready for another fun season of dancing. It looks like 2017 should be a year full of great events for square and round dancers in the Province of BC.

If your club is planning a special anniversary dance in 2017 please let us know so we can help you celebrate the event. At the present time I am aware of the Rainbow Rounders in Victoria marking their 25th on January 29th and the Northern Twisters in Prince George celebrating their 60th on June 2-4th. Please send an email to me ([kcrisp@telus.net](mailto:kcrisp@telus.net)) with a copy to the secretary ([cgyle@shaw.ca](mailto:cgyle@shaw.ca)) and the Canadian Society representatives ([beth\\_peachfest@hotmail.com](mailto:beth_peachfest@hotmail.com)) if you have an anniversary event coming up this year.

The Board of Directors meeting will be held at the ASA Hall, 33889 Essendene Avenue, Abbotsford, BC on April 1, 2017. This is not an April Fools day joke so please make sure that your Region is ably represented as we will be conducting business that could effect your fun for years to come. Each Region should send a list of your voting delegates to the Secretary as soon as possible so we can keep them up-to-date on meeting details.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in conjunction with Festival 2017 on July 6, 7 & 8, 2017 at the Cloverdale Fair Grounds in Surrey. Please register early for the Festival so the committee will have the funds to cover expenses and so they can plan dancing at the level(s) you request. Registration prices will increase after March 1, 2017.

Dancers in Region 2 have submitted a request to the Canadian Society to host a National in Surrey in 2020. This event will be patterned on the Mini-Convention held in Regina in 2016. When registration begins for this event please support it with you early registrations as well.

All dancers should be registered by this time but you are reminded that late registrations can be accepted by the Canadian Society up to the end of February. Happy Dancing!

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Square Dance !

**Cariboo Callers', Cuers' and Dancers' Association **ALERT! ALERT! ALERT!****

We need help. As you know, Region 5 sends four Delegates to the Annual Federation Board of Directors' meeting held in early April each year in Abbotsford. (*This year the meeting will be held at the ASA Hall, 33889 Essendene Avenue, Abbotsford, BC on April 1, 2017.*)

After many years of service, our current four Delegates, Helen and Henry Hall and Bill and Marilyn Rose have decided it is time to retire from their positions **so our Region needs four new Delegates.**

Being a Delegate is a volunteer position but the R5CCDA and the BCS&RD Federation do offer some funding to help defray travel and hotel costs. (*For the past few years, our delegates have travelled down in 1 car and shared 2 hotel rooms between the 4 of them. This resulted in them having almost all of their expenses covered.*)

We need delegates to attend the meeting to represent Region 5's interests, to vote on issues that might affect our area and to report back to the Region after the meeting.

Of course, if you wish to carry your participation further, being a delegate is an opportunity to participate in the inner workings of the Federation and have direct input on ideas that you feel will further its goals and purpose. Being a Regional Delegate makes you eligible to run for a position on the Federation Executive if you so desire.

For information about the duties of a Delegate, go to the Region 5 website [http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca/Forms/delegate\\_guidelines.html](http://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca/Forms/delegate_guidelines.html)

**Help!** Let's not be a Region without representation! Please discuss this in your club and find eager volunteers. If you have questions, call or email Nick or Mary Anne Turner (250-392-2432 / [nmtturner@telus.net](mailto:nmtturner@telus.net))

**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. 21, 2017**, Caller- Ken Sipe from Edmonton, Cuer - Gary Dean from PG. 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 [nmtturner@telus.net](mailto:nmtturner@telus.net)

Talk to you in the next Cariboo Connection.  
Happy New Year !