

R5CCDA Executive 2021/2022

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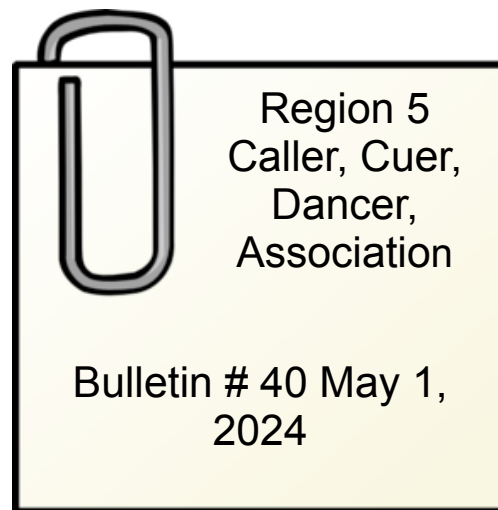
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Position is Vacant - any
volunteers?

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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.)

It has been a while since I have used the bulletin format to send information to the region. After the devastating punch from Covid, our region is slowly recovering. Unfortunately we only have 4 clubs left and our enrolment is down to around 60 members. We are hanging in there but an influx of new dancers would certainly be welcome.

Last week, the British Columbia Square and Round Dance Federation (BCS&RDF) held its Annual General Meeting. It was an electronic meeting, using the Zoom platform. Region 5 was represented by Bill Cave, our Director-at-Large, and also by volunteer Darwin McKinnon.

Various monetary motions were discussed and voted on and a new executive was installed. The complete minutes can be read on the BCSRDF website at <https://squaredance.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/2024-04-28-AGM-minutes-final.pdf>

Reports were available from the dance regions and organizations around the province. The reports can be read at <https://squaredance.bc.ca/reports-minutes/> Check out this reports section. It is interesting reading about the other dance regions in BC.

Our report from Region 5 is there and I would like to thank those volunteers from each of our clubs who sent me the information that I needed to submit a Region report to the BCS&RDF.

A new president was elected at the BCS&RDF AGM. His name is Frank McNeil and after the meeting, he wasted no time getting to work. He wrote a newsletter to all the dancers and leaders in BC. I have pasted it below.

My name is Frank McNeil. Many of you know me as Webmaster of the Federation and/or the ad editor of the Valley Circle Magazine or the Chair of the FVSRDA Promotion Committee and I am also Webmaster for BC Festival 2025. My home club is the Surrey Square Wheelers where my wife Yvonne and I dance weekly – where I have had the position of President and am now Webmaster for the club.

I would first like to thank Dennis Sutton for his years of service. Dennis will now serve as Past President and Norm Cox will retire from the position of past president.

*At the start of the summer of 2024 things look promising for Square Dancing, Round Dancing, Clogging and Contra Dancing as the 23rd Canadian National Square & Round Dance Convention for July 17 – 20, **2024 has been sold out since last summer.***



*BC Festival 2025 is coming to Langley July 31, Aug. 1 & 2, **2025** with a trail in dance at the festival location and a Trail out dance with a location to be determined. Registrations have started coming in, check the Federation web site for the BC Festival 2025 Registration, Poster, and more info on the festival and register soon.*

I look forward to working with the Executive and Directors at large who work to support the clubs and members of the B.C. Square & Round Dance Federation.

All members of the Federation are welcome to attend our AGM (Our adjourned AGM is on October 27th, 2024 @ 9:30 a.m.) or email the Executive info@squaredance.bc.ca with any questions or concerns. Check our website squaredance.bc.ca for more information.

If you are interested in attending the BC Festival 2025, as Frank mentioned above, you can find information and registration forms on the web at

<https://squaredance.bc.ca/bcfestival2025/>

It will be held in Langley, Aug.31- Aug. 2, 2025

We welcome Frank to the position of BCS&RDF President. He will stay on as Webmaster as well. Don't hesitate to send information to Frank about your region and club activities. He would like to stay informed and will probably post your info on the Club Chatter section of the Federation website. This is a new space that has been created on the landing page of the website.

<https://squaredance.bc.ca/>

I will be sending this information to the Region 5 dancers and leaders on my email list but there are many people who have not yet given me their email addresses. I would welcome receiving them so I can easily pass square dance information around the region

I will also be posting this bulletin on the Region 5 webpage at https://www.r5ccda.squaredance.bc.ca/r5ccda_newsletter.html

Click on Bulletin #40. I hope that someone from each club makes sure that all of your club members have access to this information.

Thanks for your support,

Mary Anne Turner
President R5CCDA