



Spring Fling Children's Ball

by Cathy Bertics

The 4th annual Spring Fling Children's Ball was a great success! There were 95 children dancing and over 100 spectators. The children are all enrolled in Scottish Country Dance classes in Lafayette, Livermore, Mountain View, Berkeley, or Sacramento. The spectators are the dancers' parents or relatives. Although we invite special friends to help, this event is strictly for children. Invitations go to the children enrolled in the classes and their parents. We spend many class hours preparing for this special, once-a-year, formal ball. The dancers learn not only the dances, but also the etiquette involved in Scottish Country Dancing. They meet new friends and come to understand that the Scottish Country Dancing that we learn in our classrooms is part of a world-wide family.

We have many friends to thank for helping to make this event so special. The band this year was Andy Imbrie and his ensemble of players—Janet Kurnick, Susan Worland, Michael Bentley, Patty Van Winkle, and Rod Stradling (visiting from England). They were simply superb! What a treat for our dancers to have this wonderful music to dance to. It was hard for the parents who dance to sit and watch with such fabulous music playing. Our Piper for the grand march was Armin Busse (chairman of our teachers' committee and guest teacher). He did a wonderful job of piping and also talked through some dances. In keeping with our theme of "fairies," Jo Hamilton (teacher) was the Grand Marshal as "Fairy God Teacher." Jo led the children in a grand march that ended in proper sets (no easy feat!).

She then presented the "Fairy God Teacher" award to Kathleen McAdam (teacher and MC). Witsie McKelvy (Lafayette class treasurer) was our official photographer. Witsie and Coletta Busse (guest teacher) were in charge of registration and the bookstore. This helped Cathy Bertics (teacher) to be able to concentrate on just being "Mom" for the day. Her son Scott had a great time dancing at his first ball! Connie Wai (class manager for the Mountain View children's class) and Larry Wakeman (Branch

Committee member) were a great help coaching sets. Pat O'Brien (teacher) and Lynn Lockwood (teacher) helped talk through dances and coach sets. Sheena MacQueen (teacher) and Donald MacQueen (co-teacher) helped with talks-through and coaching sets. Their children James and Sarah had a great time dancing.

One of our dancers, Angelique Lucia, entertained us with her wonderful singing. An incredible group of parent volunteers put on a beautiful High Tea following the dance. Kathleen and Randy Burton (whose own children were sick!) put up decorations and helped in the kitchen. The fairy artwork that decorated the hall was made by children in the Lafayette and Berkeley classes. Ann Galvez, Ann Kositsky, Jenny Howe, June Christie, Kathryn Lucia, and their many volunteers did an amazing job in the kitchen. We simply could not put on this event without all of the wonderful parents. Of course, a huge thank you goes to the "Fairy God Teacher," Kathleen McAdam, whose dedication to the children and to the San Francisco Branch continues with boundless enthusiasm. Anyone wanting more information regarding Children's classes and Branch events for children, please contact:

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MONTHLY PARTIES

MAY MONTHLY PARTY

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2002
 Mountain View Masonic Hall
 840 Church Street, Mountain View
 Hosts: Mountain View Class

Lady C. Bruce's Reel+	MMM I**	32J3	B
Jimmy's Fancy	14/ 11	32S3	B/I
The March Hare	Bentley lft	32R3	A
The Hibiscus Waltz	Drewry (Cerry Blossom)	32W3	I
The Cumbrae Reel	28/8	32R3	I
Haste to the Wedding	25/6	2J22	B
Land o Cakes	29/ 1	32S3	I
Aird of Coigach	Imperial Bk III	48J4	A
Gypsy Dreams+	Glasspool (web)	32S2	A
My Mother's Coming In	15/ 1	32R3	B/I
Joe MacDiarmid's Jig+	5 for 82	32J4	B
Scotch Mist+	Drewry	32S5	A
John of Bon Accord	33/ 5	32R3	A
Hame Came our Gudeman+	30/2	32S3	I
The Montgomerie's Rant+	10/1	32R3	I

** Note: The 'Lady C. Bruce's Reel' included in these programs is the one from Miss Milligan's Miscellany, not the one from the Graded Book that is included in the 'wee green book.'
 + new this month

JUNE MONTHLY PARTY

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2002
 Soquel Grange Hall
 2800 Porter Street, Soquel
 Hosts: Monterey, Santa Cruz and Soquel Classes

Joe MacDiarmid's Jig	5 for 82	32J4	B
Hame Came our Gudeman	30/2	32S3	I
Bratach Bana+	Drewry (Bon Accord)	32R3	A
The Hibiscus Waltz	Drewry (Cerry Blossom)	32W3	I
Once a Month+	Tokyo Coll.	32 R3	I
Haste to the Wedding	25/ 6	32J2	B
Lord Elgin's Reel+	26/5	32S3	B
Quarries Jig+	36/3	32J3	I/A
Gypsy Dreams	Glasspool (web)	32S2	A
The Montgomerie's Rant	10/1	32R3	
Lady C. Bruce's Reel	MMM I**	32J	B
Scotch Mist	Drewry	32S5	A
My Mother's Coming In	15/ 1	32R3	B
The Blithest Lass that			
Ever Was Seen+	MMM II	32S3	I
John of Bon Accord	33/ 5	32R3	I

+ new this month

Mountain View Masonic Hall
 840 Church Street, Mountain View, CA 94941.
 FROM 280: exit at S. El Monte Avenue, to Foothill Expressway. Right on Foothill Expressway, left on Miramonte Avenue, across El Camino Real W., to S. Shoreline Blvd. Turn right onto Church Street.

FROM 101: Exit at Moffett Blvd. Follow Moffett Blvd. south to Central Expressway. Cross Central Expressway to Castro Street. Turn right onto Church Street (5 blocks).

Directions to Soquel Grange Hall, 2800 Porter Street, Soquel:
 From Highway 1 (Cabrillo Highway), south of Santa Cruz, take the Porter Street exit. At the stop sign, turn North onto Porter. Hall is two blocks.

Branch Scholarships
 Scholarships are available for all kinds of dance/music workshops and events. Contact Paula Jacobson at (408) 688-8295 for more information.

Monthly Party Admission:	
New Dancers, with coupon from teacher.....	\$2.00
Members.....	\$6.00
Non-members.....	\$8.00
Non-members, please join the Branch! You can join now, as an affiliate member (January to May), for \$9.00. You receive the <i>R&S</i> , lower Party fees, help the Branch meet insurance requirements, and support the organization. Membership forms are available from your class manager, or at Monthly Parties.	

Pleasanton Adjudication

by Doug McConnell

This year's judges in the Scottish Country Dance Event at the Games over the Labor Day weekend will be Elinor Vandegrift, from the Seattle area, one of the very few North American teacher examiners, and San Francisco Branch's own Bruce Hamilton. Both are exceptional teachers and are well known to many. We are fortunate to have them again as our adjudicators.

For those who were unable to receive an application form electronically, a form is enclosed with this R&S.



Jean Patrick Memorial Dance

by Larry Wakeman

Mark your calendars! The Jean Patrick Memorial Dance will be held August 31, 2002, at 7:30 p.m. Earl Gaddis and Lyle Ramshaw will provide the music. The dance will be held at the Pleasanton Veterans Hall at 301 Main Street (the corner of Old Bernal Road) in Pleasanton. This location is a little smaller than last year's venue, but the floor is great. The Hall is also within easy walking distance of several excellent restaurants.

Fliers are available in classes now and will be included in the next issue of the *Reel and Strathspey*.

Programme

Mrs. Stewart's Jig	8 x 32J Bk 35/1
Many Happy Returns	8 x 32S Slip Knot Collection - Briscoe
The Flowers of Edinburgh	8 x 32R Bk 1/6
Balmoral Strathspey	4 x 32S Bk 22/3
Duke of Perth	8 x 32R Bk 1/8

Wild Geese	8 x 32J Bk 24/3
Bob Campbell	8 x 32S Canadian Book Drewry
Last of the Lairds	8 x 32J Bk 22/5
My Friend Joe	8 x 32S Bk 38/2
General Stuart's Reel	8 x 32R Bk 10/3

Follow Me Home	8 x 32J Bk 38/2
Miss Gibson's Strathspey	8 x 32S Leaflet 10
Falls of Rogie	8 x 32R Alexander Coll Bk I?
Minister on the Loch	3 x 32S Goldring 24 Social dances
Reel of the Royal Scots	8 x 32R Leaflet 7

Summer by the Sea Dance

Santa Cruz

August 17, 2002

Come dance this summer in a beautiful hall with a view of Monterey Bay—the Summer by the Sea Dance! It will be on Saturday, August 17, from 7 to 10 p.m., at the First Congregational Church, 900 High St., Santa Cruz.

Music will be provided by Janet Kurnick, Lyle Ramshaw, and friends. Admission is \$10. A buffet of tasty finger foods will follow the dance.

Overnight hospitality will be available for those who need it: call (831) 423-6165 or email dottyl@cruzio.com after August 1. For general information about the dance, call Karen MacQuarrie at (831) 479-1615.

Programme

Machine Without Horses	8x32J 3C	RSCDS Book 12 #12
Peat Fire Flame	8x40R 3C	J. Drewry, Bon Accord Book
Anna Holden's Strathspey	8x32S 2C	J. Drewry, Bankhead Book
Luckenbooth Brooch	8x32J 3C	J. Bowie Dickson
Glendarroch Gypsy Dreams	8x32S 2C	Glasspool
Lady Susan Stewart's Reel	8x32R 3C	RSCDS Book 5 #9
Pelorus Jack	8x32J 3C	RSCDS Book 41 #1
Delvine Side	8x32S 3C	RSCDS Book 2 #9
Polharrow Burn	5x32R 5C	Foss, Glendarroch
John McAlpin	8x32S 3C	Foss, Galloway Album
J.B. Milne Collection	8x32R 3C	Foss, Angus Fitchett
Fair Jenny's Jig	8x32J 3C	Wallace
Miss Milligan's Strathspey	8x32S 3C	RSCDS Leaflets #20
Fusilier's Dream	8x32R 3C	McQuilling, Jean Patrick Collection
Scotch Mist	5x32S 5C	J. Drewry, Leaflet
Reel of the 51st Division	8x32R 3C	RSCDS Book 13 #10



APPLICATION FOR THE SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE EVENT
 HIGHLAND GAMES AND GATHERING 2002, PLEASANTON
 THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL COUNTRY DANCE ADJUDICATION
 (deadline for entries is Friday, June 7, 2002)

Name of Group _____

Organizer/Teacher _____

Mailing Address (No. & Street) _____

(City, State and Zip code) _____

E-mail address _____

Phone Number (Area code and number) _____

Please enter the dancers named below in the PERFORMANCE/SOCIAL/ YOUTH* category of the Scottish Country Dancing Adjudication Event. Enclosed is my check, drawn in favor of the Caledonian Club, in the amount of \$_____, representing entry fees and admission to the Games for the two days, at \$10.00 per person. A set may comprise up to 10 persons plus a teacher.

The names of participants are:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

The dances selected are:

Title

Source

_____	_____
_____	_____

2 Copies of selected dances must accompany the entry form, together with your check. While there can be no guarantee, if your group has a preference for Saturday or Sunday, indicate it here _____.

Mail entries to: **The Caledonian Club of San Francisco**
 4174 Oak Hill Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94306-3720

RSCDS
SF BRANCH

POTLUCK SUPPER



5:30 PM
SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2002
prior to the Monthly Party and AGM
in Mountain View

Enjoy a chance to socialize
and eat fantastic food!



Bring your favorite main dish,
casserole, side dish, salad,
or bread to share.
Desserts will be served after the dance.

Paper plates and plastic forks, etc., will be provided,
but if convenient, please bring your own plate and utensils.

For more information contact:
Susie Langdon Kass
415-333-9372
susielk@itsa.ucsf.edu

Class Reports Due

Class Managers and Teachers:

Written class reports are due to Victoria Williams, R & S Editor, by June 1 for the summer issue of the newsletter. The reports are fun to read and keep dancers informed about other classes. Please send them in by e-mail.

Please speak to Victoria about format, length, or if the June 1st deadline is a problem. The report may be written by any class member and reviewed by the class manager and/or teacher.

Send to Victoria Williams at

victoria@uclink4.berkeley.edu

or call her at (510) 526-5854.

Reports also may be brought and displayed at the AGM.



Summer 2002 Class Schedule

Find a place to dance this summer, if your class doesn't meet! Or visit another class that has a guest teacher scheduled. Get up a carpool and have fun dancing at a new place!

Summer class information is listed on the last page of this issue. For most classes the summer schedule starts sometime in June. Call to confirm. You can also check class information on the website:

www.rscds-sf.org.

The Fall schedule will appear in the next *R&S*.

The Mark deLemos Music and Memorial Fund

by Nancy Page, Corresponding Secretary

In March, 1990, a popular dancer from the Berkeley class named Mark deLemos died very young of leukemia: The class put on a dance in his honor and the funds received from that were used to start the Mark deLemos Music and Memorial Fund. The purpose of the fund is to promote having live music at all San Francisco Branch Scottish Country Dance events, including weekly classes. A specific part of it is to support music workshops.

The current Branch Committee is trying to revive the Mark deLemos Fund. People who wish to contribute to the Fund may do so by checking off a line on their Membership Application and Dues Notice and including the amount they want to contribute along with their dues. If you wish to contribute to the Fund at any other time during the year, you may also send a check to RSCDS San Francisco, c/o Gary Knox, Treasurer, 3673 Stoneglen South, Richmond, CA 94806-5261, clearly marked with the words "For the Mark deLemos Fund."

A Scottish Haiku

by Dan Shapiro

It's a great fine day,
Wear'n ma kilt to market. Och!
The lassies tremble.

**24th Annual Scottish Highland Games
Celtic Gathering and Ceilidh Dance at
Campbell**

**A Family Day, All Day
Campbell Games Assn. wishes
the City of Campbell
Happy 50th Birthday!**

The 2002 Campbell Scottish Highland Games and Celtic Gathering will be held on Saturday, June 15 from 9:00 AM–5:00 PM at the Campbell Community Center, Winchester Blvd. at Campbell Ave., Campbell, CA 95008. Home of the World Professional Stone Put Championship, this event draws professional class athletes from all over the United States, Canada, and Australia.

This year we proudly welcome Bette Deal, Executive Director of the Campbell Chamber of Commerce, as Honorary Chieftain. The popular Highland Mercenaries will demonstrate ancient battle. Entertainment features Bay Area Celtic Favourites: John Taylor and Devil’s Elbow; Danny Carnahan (currently of “Wake the Dead”) and Company; and from Southern California, singer Linda Dewar. Also enjoy Pipebands, Highland Dance Competition, Scottish Country and Ceilidh Dancing, Scottish Clans and Celtic Societies, Youth Caber Toss, Bonnie Knees Contest, Celtic food, and dry goods vendors.

For information, call 408.225.3305 or 408.578.0929 or visit us at <http://www.campbellgames.org> or send an e-mail to bdundee@aol.com or scotnono1@aol.com.

TO VOLUNTEER FOR THIS EVENT, PLEASE CALL SANDY WELSH at 408.629.9325 or richsan@pacbell.net.

Note from the Teachers’ Committee:

Bruce Hamilton, Acting Secretary, Teachers’ Committee

Anyone interested in taking the examination for the preliminary or teachers certificate, and the preparatory class (typically two Sundays a month, September through March) is asked to contact Armin Busse arminbusse@hotmail.com before June 15.



Truckee Workshop Dance Party Program

22 June 2002

Laird of Milton’s Daughter3	2J3	Bk 22
Workshop Strathspey		
Pelorus Jack	32J3	Skelton
Sugar Candie	32S3	Bk 26
JB Milne	32R3	Foss
White Heather Jig	40J4	Cosh
Bob Campbell	32S3	Drewry
Petronella	32R2	Bk 1
Byron Strathspey	32S3	Drewry
Pinewoods Reel	32R3	Dickson
Workshop Quicktime		
Lammermuir Hills	32S2	Goldring
Mairi’s Wedding	40R3	Cosh
MacDonald of the Isles	32S3	Glendarroch 8
Lady Susan Stuart’s Reel	32R3	Bk 9
Extra: Irish Rover	32R3	Cosh

Applications are available at classes and events in the region. If you have trouble finding a flier, contact Dave Wilson at (775) 825-6867, allenortep@earthlink.net.



Valentine’s Ball

by Melinda Davis

Lots of dancing and socializing at the 36th annual Valentine’s Ball this year! The event was held at the Scottish Rite Center in Oakland. The evening started with a Grand March with Jane Muirhead as the Grand Marshal, and piping by Matt Anderson. Music by Fiddlesticks and Ivory was enjoyed by dancers and spectators alike, and Master of Ceremonies Bruce Hamilton kept the night flowing smoothly.

Decorations included large banners of tartan and lit centerpieces surrounded by roses. Dancers and spectators enjoyed a midnight buffet. Thanks to everyone who worked hard on making the Ball special, as well as to those who worked behind the scenes! Next year’s Ball is tentatively scheduled for February 15, 2003. Mark your calendars! If you are interested in joining the Ball committee, please contact Art Tarsa at (650) 365-5574.

Membership Committee

by Bradley Hobbs

Previously known as the Publicity and Marketing Committee, this group has reorganized and is now called the Membership Committee. In turn, Eugene Bissell has adopted the new title: Branch Registrar.

The aim of the Membership Committee is to discuss issues and provide support to the Branch and its members regarding new member recruitment and membership retention. The Membership Committee functions as a standing committee of the Branch, reporting to the Branch Committee and implementing projects so approved.

Co-chaired by Connie Wai and Bradley Hobbs, the committee is supported with the help of Susie Langdon Kass (head of Publicity Committee) and Eugene Bissell (Branch Registrar). Given busy and conflicting schedules, much of our discussion is conducted through e-mail or telephone to facilitate action. We meet every other month, or as required, to further discuss issues.

The Membership Committee encourages participation by the class managers as representatives of the many Branch classes. Any member of the Branch is also welcome to approach members of the committee with comments or suggestions for increasing and retaining membership.



Branch Committee Actions

March and April, 2002

Events

Asilomar: In March, Marianna provided a first look at the 2002 event. She has had a very good discussion with Asilomar management. Due to increased costs, prices will rise to \$280 this year. The Committee reviewed the 2002 budget and approved it. There was further discussion about which weekends to request for future years and it was agreed that weekends in October are preferable to weekends in November. It was also noted that, this year, the weekend will happen on the first weekend in November; therefore the November monthly party will be moved to the following weekend. Marianna also reported on her correspondence with Asilomar regarding the surprise energy surcharge associated with the 2001 weekend. The Asilomar management acknowledged

their error and assured the Branch that it will not occur again.

Valentine's Ball: At the March meeting Art reviewed the registration process and preliminary results. The Committee discussed various aspects regarding attendance and the possibility of doing a survey of the membership to get feedback. The Committee appointed Art Tarsa as event chair for the 2003 with distinct enthusiasm. The Committee also expressed deep thanks to Cecilia Grote, the outgoing chair. In April, Patti reported that the survey had been successfully prepared and included with the mailing of the Branch ballots. Art presented the 2001 Valentine's Ball Final Report. The event had a deficit of approximately \$1,300 compared to a planned deficit of \$845. The difference was primarily attributed to a somewhat lower than expected attendance. He also reported that for the 2003 ball, Pat O'Brien has agreed to chair the program Committee and that Fiddlesticks and Ivory have been retained. Other members of the Committee include Judy Glickman and Cecilia Grote.

Jean Patrick Dance: In March, Larry presented the preliminary budget for the 2002 dance. In April, Larry reported that the dance will be held at the Veteran's Hall in downtown Pleasanton this year. This venue is less expensive than the alternative, has a better floor and is close to downtown restaurants, but is smaller and not air-conditioned.

Treasurer's Report

In March, the Committee decided not to consider a change in the Branch portion of membership dues this year. The Committee will review monthly party pricing at a future meeting, after the venues have been selected. In April, Gary provided a preliminary report of the results of the fiscal year that ended on March 31, 2002. It appears that the Branch will suffer an \$8,500 deficit for the year, divided fairly evenly between event deficits and administrative deficits. The Committee agreed to review monthly party ticket prices at the June meeting and to discuss the larger budget issues starting in October. Gary also reported that the South Bay Children's class has repaid one third of its startup loan.

Committee Activities

Nominating Committee: Larry reported that four candidates were up for election to four open positions. Patti

and Gary agree to oversee the counting of the ballots at the AGM.

Marketing/Membership: In March the Committee reviewed the document that Bradley had distributed at a previous meeting. The Committee is directing their efforts at membership retention and recruitment. Because of this, they would like to be known as the Membership Committee. To avoid confusion it was suggested that the role currently known as Membership held by Eugene Bissell be renamed Branch Registrar. In addition it was agreed that both the Registrar and members of the Publicity Committee should be automatic members of the Membership Committee.

Other Items

Music Fund: In April, Dan reported that Nancy and Gene Bissell had implemented the check-off item on the membership renewal form. Given that the check-off item is on the form, and that it is clear that the de Lemos fund is available for the support of live music, we need a mechanism for members to take advantage of the opportunity. As his effort for the Santa Cruz class was considered to be a good example of that, he will write up the project for the *R&S*. It was suggested that he include the key points of the Santa Cruz application which made it appropriate for funding by the Branch. The Committee also discussed finding a way to make copies of "Leaves of Cabbage" available to Branch musicians.

Bylaws Update: The Committee discussed various aspects of the Bylaws update in March and April and agreed to wait until the AGM in 2003 to present a proposal to the Branch membership. In a related discussion, the Committee discussed conducting the poll on briefing again this year. The consensus was that every year was too often, but that it would be good to find out how the membership felt about the policy so far. Therefore, the Committee decided to conduct the poll again this year, and every other year thereafter.

Teacher Tutor Job Description: The Committee worked on a draft of the Job Description and forwarded it to the Teachers' Committee for their final review. The document has now been adopted by both Committees and is available on the Branch website.

Selection of Branch Representatives for Scotland: The Committee confirmed Alex Tweedly and Robert McKay as Branch representatives and asked Nancy to invite David Normand Harris to be our third representative. It

was also suggested that it would be prudent to have an alternate available. In April, Patti reported that we now get six representatives, so we need two more. She agreed to canvas the attendees at the monthly party and inquire with our current representatives in Scotland to get suggestions.

Guidelines for Children: Sheena MacQueen and Kathleen McAdam presented the updated Children's Activities Policy from HQ and said that we needed a new Code of Practice to match. There was a discussion of the HQ document; Kathleen and Sheena said that they would provide a new policy for the Branch based on the HQ document with appropriate changes.

The Committee went on to discuss the proposed "Guidelines for Children Dancing with the Royal Scottish Dance Society San Francisco Branch" and other documents provided. It was noted that the definition of "children" (under 16) may not meet the needs of the Branch and the use of the word "minors" was suggested instead. There was considerable discussion of the guidelines. It was noted that the document addressed a variety of issues beyond the safety of minors that related to the character of RSCDS events. Dan suggested that the document might be better if it was organized around principles rather than rules for specific events. For example, the principles might include the requirement that children receive parental permission to attend RSCDS events, that adult attendees should, in the main, be aware of and supportive of the presence of children if children are to be included and that children's safety must be paramount. The representatives of the Teachers' Committee agreed to present the comments of the Branch Committee to the Teachers' Committee for further discussion.

Request for materials to support the Pleasanton Games: Miriam reported that at the last Pleasanton games she had noticed that several of the tarps and clamps were in need of replacement. The Committee authorized the expenditure of up to \$100 to buy new items as needed during the setup of the game tents.



Editor's Note: Space considerations have made it necessary to omit the Calendar and SCD Elsewhere sections in this edition of the *R&S*. They will return next time!

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