



**Branch Committee Actions**

**April 2005**

*Reported by Greg Reznick, Recording Secretary*

Events

**Asilomar:** Cameron presented an updated budget for the 2005 weekend. She noted that, due to a change in policy at Asilomar whereby they are now charging for the use of rooms in which classes are held, she has had to increase ticket prices by \$10. The committee had accepted this change in price via phone vote. There was additional discussion regarding the new policy limiting dancers to those sixteen and over. Cameron explained that there had been some complaints last year regarding children at the ball and that the event committee, after significant discussion, decided to make the change. With some exceptions, the Branch Committee generally supported the decision.

**Jean Patrick Dance:** Larry reported that Hanneke Cassel and Andy Imbrie have been booked to play the event. He presented the balanced final budget with prices set at \$15 (\$19 at the door).

**Branch Gala:** Witsie again provided a detailed status report on the plans for the gala. There was some discussion regarding various aspects of the event, but all is on track for a successful event.

**Spring Workshop:** Greg reported that he had received 9 registrations for the Forms & Figures class and 11 for the Advanced Technique class. He asked for suggestions to increase registration. Paula volunteered to contact the teachers to ask them to direct likely dancers to the workshop.

Reports

**Treasurer's Report:** Gary had provided the committee with year-to-date financial reports prior to the meeting. He noted that annual financial statements are due from the classes. Sandra volunteered to send a reminder message to the class managers. *[Note: Regardless of these reminders, several classes failed to submit their financial statements in a timely manner, making presentation of annual financial statements at the AGM impossible. The Branch treasurer cannot perform his duties without the cooperation of the classes. Class managers are directed to the Finance Handbook, available online with other Branch documents at <http://www.rscds-sf.org/branch.htm#obd>.]*

**Insurance:** The committee discussed the circumstances of a

recent claim made by a member. There was further discussion as to which events are eligible for coverage. In particular, they need to be branch events (sponsored by the branch or a branch class with proceeds going to the branch or branch class). It was also stressed that it is good procedure to submit insurance requirements early and correctly to ensure that all available insurance coverage is in place.

**Class Managers Coordinator Report:** Larry reported on the meeting held in March. There was discussion of the planned monthly party schedule. There was also discussion about the duties of the class managers regarding financial reporting requirements.

**Membership:** Nancy reported that the Berkeley Folk Dancers now start beginners three times a year. She wondered if adding more opportunities for beginners might make it easier to recruit new dancers. There was discussion regarding the possibility of applying this to our Branch with points made about the logistical difficulties and the impact on classes when a "beginners anytime" policy is in force. Paula agreed to bring the matter to the Teachers' Committee.

**Nominating Committee:** Larry reported that the ballots were complete. As one candidate had withdrawn, there are five candidates for the five open slots in this year's branch committee election. The policy developed regarding non-contested elections will be applied this year.

Other Items

**Pleasanton Games:** Sandra reported that she has been in touch with Alastair Brown. He is attending to our queries regarding entries for the event, and she has provided him with updated contact information. He already has entry forms. Sandra will

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# Classified Announcements

## Stop Press!

### Branch Committee Elections

by Susie Langdon-Kass

Congratulations to the new Branch Committee Members elected in May. Five members were elected. At the June Branch Committee meeting new officers and other the Board positions were decided. The new officers announced at the June Monthly Party are:

- Chair: Larry Wakeman
- Vice Chair: Michael Janousek
- Treasurer: Louise Brewer
- Recording Secretary: Dottie Lieber
- Corresponding Secretary: Nancy Page

The other board members are

- Witsie McKelvy, Class Managers' Committee Coordinator
- Sandra Fritts, Monthly Party Venues & Scheduling coordinator
- Kathy Allen, Insurance contact
- Donna Weidenfeller.

If you would be interested in being on the board in the future or volunteering in another way, or could suggest someone, please let a Branch Committee or a nominating committee member know.

The RSCDS-SF Branch Committee, our "Board of Directors", is responsible for setting Branch policy, authorizing expenditures of Branch funds on activities, and other administrative duties.

All RSCDS-SF Branch members are welcome at Branch Committee meetings. The committee usually meets in the afternoon of monthly party days. Call one of the Committee members to find out the location.

Other volunteer positions are listed on the Volunteer list (page 10). It is designed to be copied or cut out, to fit in your Branch Directory.

Our organization is run entirely by volunteers. Can YOU help out?

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Pleasanton Games Volunteers

The Pleasanton Games are happening Saturday and Sunday of Labor Day weekend at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton (this year September 3rd and 4th).

Many teams will be participating in the SCD Adjudication. This event is a great way to show to the audience what SCD is, and for the dancers to have fun at the same time.

Our information tent is set up near the stages so spectators can pick up class flyers. People are needed to staff the tent and answer questions. This is an opportunity to help promote SCD, while sitting in the shade.

Please sign up for one or more 1-hour shifts. A plan that works for many is to do a shift right after your adjudication. Contact me to sign up in advance for a particular time slot, or sign up at the tent when you arrive at the games.

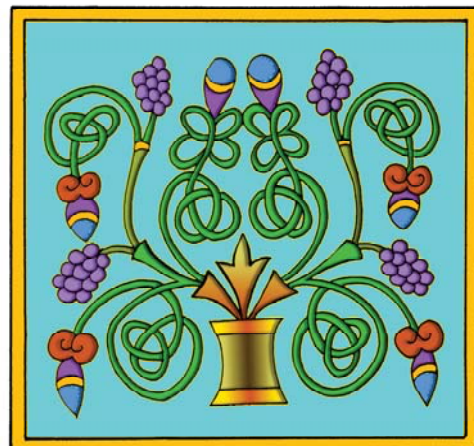
Please help spread the word about Scottish Country Dancing!

Susie Langdon Kass  
 Information Tent coordinator  
 415-333-9372  
[susielk@itsa.ucsf.edu](mailto:susielk@itsa.ucsf.edu)

## Class Reports

### Class Reports Still Accepted

Written class reports will still be accepted for the next issue of the *R&S*, if you did not get yours in for this summer issue of the newsletter. Please submit it now. The reports are fun to read, and keep dancers informed about other classes. Please send them by e-mail. If you are late this year, make a commitment to get it in by June 1 next year! Send reports to Mike Hird, *R&S* Editor, at [randnewsletter@comcast.net](mailto:randnewsletter@comcast.net)



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ask for a list of those groups provided entry forms so that she can augment his contacts with those from whom he may not have heard and who she learns have an interest.

**Branch Representatives to Scotland:** Nancy reported that all of our delegates have agreed to continue.

**Reel & Strathspeyer Editorship:** Paula reported that Mike Hird had notified her of his intention to resign the post of *Reel & Strathspeyer* Editor. The committee discussed possible candidates for the job. Sandra agreed to email the class managers and ask that they announce the need in class.

## The Unsung Heroes

by Kathleen McAdam

Parents and families of our dancers: where would we be without them?

April 30, 2005 was a good example of an event that could not have happened without their support. Everything went swimmingly!

76 young dancers followed the Piper (Armin Busse) and the Penguin (Dwayne McQuilliams) in a Grand March around the Veteran's Hall in Livermore.

Andy Imbrie again provided a wonderful band, which included Janet Kurnick, Patty Vanwinkel, David Strong on fiddles, Donald Robertson on drums and, of course, Andy on piano. Such enthusiastic music was understandably matched by the enthusiasm of the dancers. They surged onto the floor, counted off the sets and listened attentively to briefings. Their etiquette as each dance ended was commendable, curtsies and bows, acknowledging the band and escorting their partners off the floor. Several encores were demanded, including our theme dance, "The Piper and the Penguin," and of course "Petronella" and "The Reel of the 51<sup>st</sup> Division."

Teamwork is the key to making all this happen. The elegant tea provided by the parents consisted of dainty sandwiches, scones, sausage rolls, pancakes, "mice" cookies, fruits, etc. The ladies who "poured" from silver teapots, this year—Alice Macondray, Marge Henry, Revalee Huck, Pat O'Brien and June Christie—did a great job. Thank you, ladies, for this touch.

Of course, it goes without saying that we have some dedicated teachers who give of themselves every week to share our love of the dance with these young people. My personal thanks to Cathy Bertics, Jo Hamilton, Susie Langdon Kass, Lynne Lockwood, Sheena MacQueen, Mary McQuilliams and Pat O'Brien.

## Lafayette Class Report 2005

by Witsie McKelvy

The adults danced all summer, as usual, and started Fall with an exciting event. In October, we celebrated 40 years of dancing in the Veterans Hall with a memorable party. Kathleen McAdam brought some of her records and her old machine from 40 years ago, scratches and all, and we danced down memory lane. Exhibits and pictures from the old days fascinated attendees. We greeted old friends, some of whom are no longer dancing, but with whom we shared lots of memories. Prices too were rolled back as we charged \$1.00 for the dance. The Lafayette class is proud to be the longest continuously-running class in the Bay area, even older than the San Francisco Branch itself. We happily celebrated our roots with dancing, partying, eating and sharing old memories.

Adults and some children also enjoyed our traditional December party. Lafayette usually has a "Tween Party" when a Saturday falls between Christmas and New Year's, but when it doesn't we improvise anyway with a 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday party. Plaid Attitude provided us with lively music, and with lots of good food and holiday cheer we said goodbye to the old year.

Our wonderful children also had a good year, culminating in the Children's Ball at the end of April. The theme this year was "The Piper and the Penguin". With Armin Busse as Piper and Dwayne McQuilliams as Penguin, the Ball was off to a hilarious start. Andy Imbrie and his group provided quality music for the children. The food and decorations were wonderful. The adults were really impressed with the manners and decorum of the children, and we are delighted that our next generation of dancers will be so skilled and able to carry on our valued traditions.

The only shadow cast this year is that our beloved old Veterans Hall on the corner of First St. and Mt. Diablo Blvd. will be torn down, but a beautiful new facility is under construction farther down Mt. Diablo Blvd. We have been promised a danceable wooden floor (thank you, Veterans!) and know that change, which seems to be inevitable, may also bring us some real benefits. Our farewell party in the old Hall will be the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday in June (June 30<sup>th</sup>). With live music provided by Janet Kurnick and Andy Imbrie, and good food, what more can we ask?

## Berkeley Class Report

by Zoë Pollock

It has been another year of fun and dancing in Berkeley. The Monday night Technique class is going strong under the tutelage of Bruce Herbold. This has become Berkeley's strongest class during the past year. The combination of Bruce's fine instruction and Patti Cobb's "Monday Night Band" are too good to be missed! We're looking forward to continuing this dynamic class in the fall.

The Friday night Basic taught by Claudette Sigg saw many new faces this past year. Claudette is leaving us to pursue her writing, but we hope she can join us now and then on the dance floor. We wish her well and thank her for all her dedication.

Dwayne McQuilliams will be taking over the Basic class and David Newitt is returning to teach the Friday Intermediate class. Heather MacKay has done a brilliant job coordinating musicians for both Friday night classes. Thanks to Heather's hard work we are fortunate to have live music for our classes each week.

The format for our Friday classes will be changing in the fall. In the past the two classes have combined for the last 15 minutes of dancing followed by tea. We will now combine in the same way for two Fridays each month. On one Friday each month the class will gather for tea, but each class will have separate instruction straight through. On the remaining Friday of each month we will have a social dance night combining the two classes for the entire evening.

Our youth class is blooming under the guidance of Mary McQuilliams. Mary has three levels of instruction each week. The next generation of dancers is having lots of fun in Mary's class and learning just how fun Scottish Country Dance is. Each year the class is getting bigger.



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,

I am responding to the Asilomar Committee's decision, as reported in the May-June 2005 edition of the *Reel & Strathspey*, to make an age limit for young people attending the workshop and ball. I do not think that age is necessarily the most important criteria. So long as a child is a competent dancer, can do the ball dances and is also well behaved on the dance floor, I do not see why children younger than 16, should not be able to attend. I realize this is an "adult" event, but as adults we are not doing anything on the dance floor that would lead to the delinquency of a minor and there is no alcohol involved. So it is not for the protection of the children that this rule is being implemented. It is the adults who are uncomfortable for some reason if there are children present.

We are always complaining about the "graying" of Scottish country dancing, so I would have thought that anything we could do to encourage our youth to participate would be popular. We want them to enjoy dancing and continue to do so. They are the future of the society. Many young people attended the Valentine's Ball and they danced beautifully and it was a pleasure to see them there. They have a glow when they dance which should make us older folk glad.

I have been dancing for nearly 43 years and started as a kid. If it had not been for the encouragement of the adults of the 1960s, I might not still be dancing today. I will always remember my first ball. Our school demonstration team had performed in the afternoon and we were invited by the adults to stay for the ball. It was great to have adults ask us to dance and treat us as equals. I can still see the huge red headed man with the handlebar mustache who asked me for the Buchan Eightsome.

Shutting the children out of the mainstream and marginalizing and isolating their activities is not the way to encourage them. We need to embrace our youth so that in 40 years time, they will be welcoming the children of the mid 21st century into a still vibrant RSCDS!

*Helena Ivatt*

Dear Sir,

It seems to me a shame that a significant number of people who complain can cause persons under 16 to be barred from dancing at the Asilomar weekend, as was reported in the May-June 2005 edition of the *Reel & Strathspey*. I rather enjoy dancing with young people. This policy ought to be put to a vote of the Branch.

Sincerely yours,

*Rich Calendar*

# summer By the sea Dance!

hosted by the santa cruz class, RSCDS-SF BRANCH

saturday, august 20, 2005 7–10 p.m.

first congregational church, 900 high street, santa cruz

musicians: janet kurnick, susan worland, fiddles; lyle ramshaw, piano; david mostardi, accordion

## program

roaring jelly	8X32J3	foss, glendarroch
Balquidder strathspey	8X32S3	Bk24#2
J.B. milne	8X32R3	foss, angus fitchett coll.
the white heatherjig	4X40J4	cosh 22scd
linnea's strathspey	8X32S3	wilson, dunsmuir dances
polharrow burn	5X32R5	foss, glendarroch
the duke of atholl's reel	8X32J2	RSCDS Bk16 #3
leslie's strathspey	8X32S3	glasgow assembly
mairi's wedding	8X40R3	cosh 22scd
the belle of bon accord	4X32S4	drewry, deeside
the hole in the wa'	8X32R3	dickson, dunedin Bk3
the luckenbooth brooch	8X32J3	dickson, glendarroch
the dundee whaler	4X32S4	clowes, ormskirk 1
the peat fire flame	8X40R3	drewry, bon accord
john mcAlpin	8X32S3	foss galloway album
reel of the royal scots	8X32R3	RSCDS leaflet #7

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for information call karen: 831-688-1576

**RSCDS-SF Calendar of Events • 2005–2006**

Revised 05/31/05 • Compiled by Dotty Lieber: [dottyl@cruzio.com](mailto:dottyl@cruzio.com)

**JUNE, 2005**

- 4, Sa: 7:30 p.m. MONTHLY PARTY: Soquel Grange, 2800 Porter St., SOQUEL, Hosted by Monterey, Santa Cruz, Soquel Classes Sandra: [dancingsands@hotmail.com](mailto:dancingsands@hotmail.com)
- 11, Sa: 1–6 p.m. REVIEW SESSION FOR DANCE OF THE DECADE, Paula Jacobson and Bob McMurtry, Teachers. at Soquel Grange Hall, 2800 Porter St., Soquel. Alisa: 831-469-8313 or [reelgirl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:reelgirl@sbcglobal.net)
- 11, Sa, and 12 Su: TRUCKEE WORKSHOP, DANCE and HIKE Dave Wilson: [allenortep@sbcglobal.net](mailto:allenortep@sbcglobal.net)
- 15, We–19, Su: MUSIC AND DANCE CONFERENCE at Sonoma State University for musicians, teachers and advanced dancers. Ron: 707-795-2185
- 17, Fr, evening: MURIEL JOHNSTONE and KEITH SMITH CONCERT at Sonoma State University. Ron: 707-795-2185
- 18, Sa: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. CAMPBELL HIGHLAND GAMES, Campbell Community Center, Campbell Ave. and Winchester, Campbell. Sparky Gregory, 408-257-2294 [sparkyg@pacbell.net](mailto:sparkyg@pacbell.net)
- 18, Sa: 7:30 PM: BEGINNERS BALL Music by Muriel Johnstone and Keith Smith. McKinley Gym, Sonoma State University–Susan Scott: 707-569-8307 or [susanascott@earthlink.net](mailto:susanascott@earthlink.net)
- 20, Mo: 7:30 p.m. SAN JOSE CLASS END OF YEAR PARTY, American Legion Hall, 1504 Minnesota, San Jose. Contact Sparky Gregory 408-257-2294, [sparkyg@pacbell.net](mailto:sparkyg@pacbell.net) or Jonathan Lovell 408-274-6524, [jhlovell@pacbell.net](mailto:jhlovell@pacbell.net)
- 25, Sa: DANCE OF THE DECADE: 40th Anniversary of the Branch! Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Oakland—Green Ginger playing. Witsie: [witken@astound.net](mailto:witken@astound.net)
- 30, Th 7:45 p.m. SF CLASS SUMMER SOLSTICE PARTY: Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez SF. David Strong, Fiddle, Katherine Hall, Flute, Danny Cantrell, Keyboard. Linnea, 415-841-9456, [linneaj@spursuits.com](mailto:linneaj@spursuits.com)
- 30, Th: 7:45 p.m. SANTA CRUZ CLASS FAMILY NIGHT. 8:30 p.m. Social dancing for adults. Juliet: [juliet@davoren.net](mailto:juliet@davoren.net)
- 30, Th: 8 p.m. LAFAYETTE 5th THURSDAY PARTY. Veterans Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd. at First St. Witsie: 925-676-3637 or [witken@astound.net](mailto:witken@astound.net)

**JULY, 2005**

- 9, Sa and 10, Su: DUNSMUIR HIGHLAND GAMES, Oakland. Zoe: 510-234-8985

- 16, Sa: 1:30 p.m.: TEACHERS COMMITTEE MEETING, at Bruce and Jo Hamilton's. NOTE CHANGE FROM JULY 9. Bruce: [brucehamilton@macconnect.com](mailto:brucehamilton@macconnect.com)

**AUGUST, 2005**

- 6, Sa and 7, Su: MONTEREY HIGHLAND GAMES and CELTIC FESTIVAL at Toro County Park. Sara: [Saragratiot@aol.com](mailto:Saragratiot@aol.com) or [www.montereyscotgames.com/main.html](http://www.montereyscotgames.com/main.html)
- 6, Sa: SPOKANE HIGHLAND GAMES: [www.spokanescots.org](http://www.spokanescots.org)
- 20, Sa: 7 p.m. SUMMER BY THE SEA DANCE, First Congregational Church, 900 High St., Santa Cruz. Janet Kurnick, fiddle, Lyle Ramshaw, piano, and friends. Karen: 831-688-1576

**SEPTEMBER, 2005**

- 3, Sa and 4, Su: PLEASANTON HIGHLAND GAMES: Alastair Brown: 510-222-0871, [alastairbrown@sbcglobal.net](mailto:alastairbrown@sbcglobal.net)
- 3, Sa: 7:30 p.m.: 24TH ANNUAL JEAN PATRICK MEMORIAL DANCE, Pleasanton Veterans Memorial Bldg., 301 Main St., Pleasanton. Hanneke Cassel, Fiddle and Andy Imbrie, Piano. Larry: [lcwakeman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lcwakeman@sbcglobal.net) or 925-676-1058
- 8, Th 8 p.m.: SF CLASS FREE INTRODUCTORY PARTY. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez, SF. Live music. Linnea, 415-841-9456, [linneaj@spursuits.com](mailto:linneaj@spursuits.com)
- 11, Su: 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Open dancing in the street at SOLANO STROLL, Solano Ave., Berkeley. Julie Carapanos: 925-930-6533 or [jc1284@sbc.com](mailto:jc1284@sbc.com)
- 16, Fr: 8 p.m. BERKELEY CLASS FREE INTRODUCTORY PARTY: Grace North Church Fellowship Hall, 2138 Cedar at Walnut, Berkeley. Zoe Pollock: 510-234-8985
- 16, Fr–18, Su: FT. WORDEN WORKSHOP and BALL—“Flowers of Scotland” Port Townsend, Washington [www.rscds-seattle.org](http://www.rscds-seattle.org)
- 24, Sa: DIXON HIGHLAND GAMES. Terri Anderson: [Terrilee49@hotmail.com](mailto:Terrilee49@hotmail.com)
- 29: Th: 7:45 p.m. SANTA CRUZ CLASS FAMILY NIGHT. 8:30 p.m. Social Dancing for adults. Juliet: [juliet@davoren.net](mailto:juliet@davoren.net)

**OCTOBER, 2005**

- 1, Sa: 7:30 p.m. MONTHLY PARTY, Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Rd., Palo Alto. Hosts: Red Thistle, New World Sandra: [dancingsands@hotmail.com](mailto:dancingsands@hotmail.com)
- 1, Sa: LOCH LOMOND HIGHLAND GAMES and CELTIC GATHERING [www.lochlomondceltic.org/games.htm](http://www.lochlomondceltic.org/games.htm)

1, Sa: TEACHERS COMMITTEE MEETING, place TBD  
 Bruce: [brucehamilton@macconnect.com](mailto:brucehamilton@macconnect.com)  
 28, Fr.–30, Su: THE 37TH ANNUAL ASILOMAR  
 WEEKEND WORKSHOPS and BALL Julee Montes,  
 650-722-0473 or [julm-hcs@pacbell.net](mailto:julm-hcs@pacbell.net)

**NOVEMBER, 2005**

5, Sa: 7:30 p.m. MONTHLY PARTY, Alameda Masonic,  
 2312 Alameda Ave., Alameda. Hosts: Livermore,  
 Lafayette. Sandra: [dancingsands@hotmail.com](mailto:dancingsands@hotmail.com)  
 5, Sa: SCOTTISH ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF  
 SPOKANE 50TH ANNIVERSARY HIGHLAND  
 BALL: [www.spokanescots.org](http://www.spokanescots.org)

**DECEMBER, 2005**

3, Sa: 7:30 p.m. MONTHLY PARTY, Palo Alto Art Center,  
 1313 Newell Rd., Palo Alto. Host: Mountain View  
 Class. Sandra: [dancingsands@hotmail.com](mailto:dancingsands@hotmail.com)  
 10, Sa: BERKELEY HOLIDAY PARTY: 6 p.m. POTLUCK,  
 7 p.m. CAROLING, 7:30–11 p.m. Dancing. Arlington  
 Church Hall. Julie Carapanos 925-930-6533 or [jc1284@sbc.com](mailto:jc1284@sbc.com)  
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**JANUARY, 2006**

7, Sa: 7:30 p.m. MONTHLY PARTY at Alameda Masonic  
 Hall, 2312 Alameda Ave., Alameda, hosted by Berkeley  
 Classes. Sandra: [dancingsands@hotmail.com](mailto:dancingsands@hotmail.com)

**FEBRUARY, 2006**

4, Sa: SAN FRANCISCO CLASS VALENTINE BALL  
 REVIEW at Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St., SF  
 Linnea, 415-841-9456, [linneaj@spursuits.com](mailto:linneaj@spursuits.com)  
 11, Sa: 2006 VALENTINE'S BALL [Artdiver@aol.com](mailto:Artdiver@aol.com)

**POST TIME!**

Dancers...It's that season of the year! It's time to post flyers and recruit new dancers for our fall classes. Please... TAKE flyers and POST them or GIVE them TO FRIENDS! If everyone helps post and distribute, we'll get lots of nice new dancers. The Branch yellow brochure and basic classes flyer (listing all new beginner classes) are available at class, at games or from Susie. Your class has its own flyer to post too. Ask your class manager.

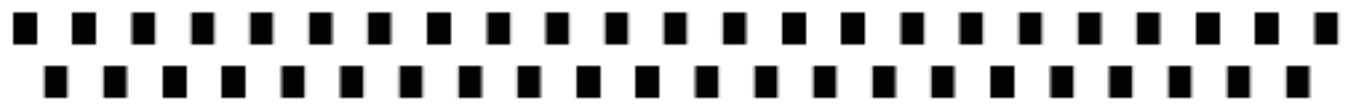
**Places to post flyers:**

- Dance studios
- Laundromats
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- Cleaners
- Variety stores
- At church
- College campuses
- At work
- Bookstores
- Libraries
- Coffee houses
- Bakeries
- Ice cream stores
- Music stores
- Record stores
- Bike shops
- Gyms
- Bulletin boards everywhere. Keep you eyes open for them!

Take along a stapler, tacks or push pins, and tape. Ask permission to post when necessary. Keep a supply of flyers in your purse and car. Get more at class or call Susie at 415-333-9372, e-mail: [susielk@itsa.ucsf.edu](mailto:susielk@itsa.ucsf.edu), for the Branch basic classes flyer, available as a PDF document. It also can be downloaded from the website.

Help promote the wonderful activity of Scottish Country Dancing! Spread the word.





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# VOLUNTEERS

Cheers to all our volunteers, those listed below, other committee members, our class managers, and other helpers not listed. Your commitment, effort, and time given to Scottish Country Dancing in the Bay Area is invaluable! Thank you.

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## RSCDS-SF BRANCH COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2005–2006

If you have any concerns about the S.F. Branch, or would like to attend a Branch Committee (Board of Directors) meeting, please contact one of the members. Branch Committee meetings are usually held in the afternoon before Monthly Parties.

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Michael Janousek, **VICE CHAIR:** 408-946-6777,  
mikejanousek@earthlink.net (05-07)

Louise Brewer, **TREASURER:** dancingchi@earthlink.net,  
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The symbol, "&", indicates that classes meet in separate rooms at the same location.

## San Francisco Branch Classes

### Berkeley

FRIDAYS: **Summer: Combined Social** (guest teachers): 8pm. Grace North Church, 2138 Cedar at Walnut. **Fall: Free intro party:** 9/16; **Basic:** starts 9/23, 8pm. Grace North Church. Teacher: Dwayne McQuilliams. **Intermediates:** resumes 9/23, 8pm. All Souls Episcopal Parish, 2220 Cedar at Spruce. Teacher: David Newitt. *Call Zoe Pollock 510-234-8985.* **Youth: No summer classes.** Classes resume 9/23. **Experienced:** 6:30pm; **Beginners:** 7:15pm. All Souls Episcopal Parish. *Call Mary McQuilliams, teacher, 415-564-9773.* MONDAYS: **Intermediate Technique: No summer classes.** Resumes 9/12, 8pm; St. Clement's Episcopal Church, 2837 Claremont Blvd. at Russell near Ashby. *Call Julie Carapanos 925-930-6533.* Teacher: Bruce Herbold.

### Lafayette

#### NEW LOCATION!

THURSDAYS: **Beginners & Intermediates:** 8:00pm; *Call Witsie McKelvy 925-676-3637.* **Fall: Intro party:** 9/8; **New beginners:** 9/15. **Youth** (7 yrs. & up): **No Summer classes.** (3 Levels): 5pm, 5:45pm; classes resume 9/15. *Call Kathleen McAdam 925-934-6148.* Veterans' Memorial Building, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Teachers: Eugene Bissell, Kathleen McAdam, Cathy Bertics.

### Livermore

#### NEW LOCATION!

**Fall:** New Adults, New Children: **days, times, and locations TBA.** Call Sheena MacQueen 925-447-1833. Teachers: Sheena MacQueen, Coletta Hill. • FRIDAYS: **Family Class:** 7:30pm. New Families start 9/9. *Call Sheena MacQueen 925-447-1833* for information.

### Monterey

MONDAYS: **Summer social class:** 6/6-8/29, 7-8:45pm. **Fall:** classes start 9/12. **Beginners:** 6:30pm; **Experienced:** 7:30pm; Monterey Senior Center, 280 Dickman at Lighthouse. *Call Kathy Wendell 831-663-3227 or Brian Campbell 831-656-9923.* Teachers: Sara Gratiot, Brian Campbell.

### Mountain View

WEDNESDAYS: **Dancing in the Park:** 6/1-6/15, 7pm-dark; **Summer social class** (no teachers): 6/22-7/27. **Fall: Bring-a friend night:** 9/7; classes resume 9/14. **Basic Skills & Experienced:** 7:45pm; Mountain View Sports Pavilion, 1185 Castro Avenue. *Call Jo Hamilton, 650-328-0474 or Alan Twibigg 650-962-1939.* Teachers: Alan Twibigg, Armin Busse, Bruce Hamilton, Jo Hamilton.

### San Francisco

THURSDAYS: **Summer social class** (guest teachers): 7/7-9/1. **Fall: Free intro party:** 9/8; **Beginners:** 9/15. **Beginners & Experienced:** 8pm; Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez Street at 23rd Street. *Call Linnea Johnson 415-841-9456 or Susie Langdon Kass 415-333-9372.* Teachers: Trina Merriman, Bruce Herbold. • SUNDAYS: **Summer:** 7/17-8/28. **Fall:** starts 10/2. **Beginners/Experienced:** 6:30pm; SF Youth Ballet Academy, 3149 Vicente at 43rd Avenue. *Call Susie Langdon Kass, teacher, 415-333-9372.* • MONDAYS: **Youth** (7 yrs. & up): **No summer session:** Classes resume 9/12. **Beginners:** 4-5:15pm; **Experienced:** 4:45-6pm; Ballet Russe, 1944 Clement Street at 21st Avenue. *Call Daphne Ball 415-751-3119 or Susie Langdon Kass 415-333-9372.* Teachers: Pat O'Brien, Susie Langdon Kass.

### San Jose

MONDAYS: **Summer social class** (no teachers): 8pm. **Fall:** Classes resume 9/12. **Beginners:** 7:30pm; **Experienced:** 8:30pm; American Legion Hall, 1504 Minnesota Avenue. *Call Sparky Gregory 408-257-2294 or Jonathan Lovell 408-924-4437.* Teachers: Marianna Harvey, Bob McMurtry.

### Santa Cruz

THURSDAYS: **Intermediates/Beginners:** 8pm; First Congregational Church, 900 High Street. *Call Karen MacQuarrie 831-688-1576.* Teacher: Juliet Davoren. *Beginners anytime.*

### Santa Rosa/Cotati

MONDAYS: June: **Summer social class;** July/August: **no regular classes.** **Fall:** Classes resume 9/12; **Beginners:** 7pm; **Intermediates:** 8:30pm; Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Street. *Call Emily Evans 707-874-2512.* Teachers: Gary Thomas, Ron Wallace, Emily Evans. • WEDNESDAYS: **Youth Class:** 11am; Monroe Hall, 1400 West College Avenue. *Call Ron Wallace, teacher, 707-795-2185.* • THURSDAYS: **Hard Shoe:** 7pm; **Ladies' Step:** 8pm. Church of the Oaks, Page and West Sierra Ave, Cotati. *Call Ron Wallace, teacher, 707-795-2185.* • FRIDAYS: **Advanced SCD** (with permission): 7pm. Cotati. *Call Emily Evans 707-874-2512 or Gary Thomas, teacher, 707-795-2185.*

### Soquel

FRIDAYS: **No summer classes.** **Fall:** Classes resume 9/9. **Beginners:** 7pm; **Intermediates:** 8:30pm; Soquel Grange Hall, 2800 Porter Street. *Call Alisa Pura 831-469-8133 or Bob McMurtry 831-335-7459.* Teachers: Paula Jacobson, Bob McMurtry.

### South Bay Youth Class

MONDAYS: **No summer session.** **Fall:** resumes 9/12; 3:45pm; St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 800 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto. *Call Louise Perry 408-374-1969 or Jo Hamilton, teacher, 650-328-0474.*

## Demonstration Teams

### Dunsmuir Scottish Dancers

TUESDAYS: 7:30pm, San Pablo: **Advanced** (by invitation only). *Call Sbari Salis 510-558-8644 or Ron Wallace, director, 707-795-2185.*

### New World Scottish Dancers

THURSDAYS: 8pm, Pleasant Hill: **Advanced** (by invitation only). *Call Claudette Sigg, director, 510-526-8192.*

### Red Thistle Dancers

THURSDAYS: 8pm: Palo Alto: **Advanced** (by invitation only). *Call Jennifer Kelly, director, 650-327-1350.*

### Santa Rosa Scottish Dancers

FRIDAYS: 7pm: Santa Rosa: **Advanced** (by invitation only). *Call Gary Thomas, director, 707-795-2185.*

## Sacramento Branch Classes

### Sacramento

FRIDAYS: **Beginners:** 7pm; **Experienced:** 8:15pm; YLI Clubhouse, 1400 27th Street. *Call Margo Glenn-Lewis 530-753-7213 or BJ Bailey 916-482-1158.* Teachers: Peggy Hamilton, Lynne Lockwood, Sandra Kesler. • MONDAYS: **No summer classes.** Resumes 9/12. **Technique/Demonstration Class:** 7:30pm; YLI Clubhouse, 1400 27th Street. • SATURDAYS: **Youth classes** (8-18 years). **No summer classes.** Resumes 10/1. **Beginners:** 9am; **Intermediates:** 10am; **Experienced/White Heather Dancers:** 11am. YLI Clubhouse, 1400 27th Street. *Call Carrie Leeman 916-783-9675.* Teacher: Lynne Lockwood.

### Stockton

WEDNESDAYS: **No summer classes.** Resumes 9/7. **Experienced Social/Beginners:** 7:30pm; Unitarian Church, Bristol & Pacific. *Call Charles Wood 209-465-8871.* Teacher: Carolyn Hunt.

## Other Classes

### Arcata

FRIDAYS: **Experienced Social:** 4pm. Arcata Presbyterian Church, 11th & G Streets. *Call Helen Macpherson 707-822-3056.* Teacher: Ann McClary. *Beginners: anytime.*

### Campbell

FRIDAYS: **Beginner and Basic Intermediate classes;** Campbell Community Center. *Call Rebecca Davis, teacher, 408-378-3817.*

### Grass Valley

MONDAYS: **Beginners/Experienced:** 7pm. *Call Ed Johnston, teacher, 530-622-1519, or Jean Hoy 530-265-9714.* *Beginners: anytime.*

### Merced

THURSDAYS: **Beginners/Experienced:** 7:30pm; Merced Multicultural Arts Center, 645 W. Main Street. *Call Pattee Russell-Curry, teacher, 209-722-7030.*

### Mill Valley

FRIDAYS: **No summer classes.** Resumes 9/9. **Beginners:** 7:30pm; **Experienced Social:** 8:15pm; Almonte Hall, Wisteria Way at Almonte. *Call Mike Hird or Margbie Goff 415-884-2716.* Teacher: Margbie Goff.

### Rancho Cordova

THURSDAYS: **Beginners/Experienced:** 7:30pm. *Call Ed Johnston, teacher, 530-622-1519, or Recreation & Park District 916-362-1841.* *Beginners: anytime.*

### Redding

THURSDAYS: **No summer classes.** Resumes 9/8. **Beginners:** 6:30pm; **Experienced:** 7pm. *Call Margaret Anne Schlobohm, teacher, 530-472-1154.* *Beginners: anytime.*

### San Mateo

TUESDAYS: **Summer session:** 6/14-8/2. **Beginners/Experienced:** 7:30-8:45pm; **Fall session:** 9/6-12/7. **New Format: Beginners:** 7:30-8:30; **Experienced:** 8:30-9:30pm. Beresford Community Center, 28th and Alameda de las Pulgas. *Call Lin Pettengill, teacher, 650-728-9105.*

## Reno, Nevada (Silver State Dancers)

WEDNESDAYS: **Beginners/Experienced:** June (no class 6/29): 7:30-10:00pm; McKinley Arts Center, 925 Riverside Drive. **July:** 7:00-8:50pm; NorthEast Community Center, 1301 Valley Road. **August & Fall:** times and location TBD. *Call Marian Stroh, teacher, 775-825-1224 or Debby Dabstrom 775-324-1999.* *Beginners: anytime.* Call to confirm location and times. • THURSDAYS: **Intermediate/Advanced:** 8pm. Nevada Dance Academy, 1790 W. 4th. *Call Dave Wilson, teacher, 775-825-6867.*

## Step Dancing Classes

### Atherton/Menlo Park

TUESDAYS: **Intermediates:** 7pm, **Beginners:** 8:15pm. Carriage House, Atherton. *Call Jo Hamilton, teacher, 650-328-0474.* • THURSDAYS: **Experienced:** 8:00pm, Peninsula School, Menlo Park. *Call Jo Hamilton, teacher, 650-328-0474.*

### Pleasant Hill

THURSDAYS: **Beginners:** 6pm; **Experienced:** 7pm. Diablo Light Opera Co., 1948 Oak Park Blvd. at Douglas Lane. *Call Claudette Sigg, teacher, 510-526-8192.*

### San Pablo

WEDNESDAYS: **Advanced Soft Shoe Step** (with permission): 7:30pm; **Advanced Hard Shoe Step** (with permission): 8:30pm; San Pablo Sportsmen's Club, 5220 Glen Avenue. *Call Ron Wallace, teacher, 707-795-2185.*

**Scottish Step** and/or **Cape Breton Step** classes are held also in Monterey, Sacramento, and Santa Rosa. *Call Sara Gratiot 831-384-4783, Peggy Hamilton 209-956-6676, Bob Schuldbetsz 209-745-9063.*

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