

Mt. Baker Council Notes June, July, August 2024

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Skagit Valley Hoedown All Plus Weekend



July 26, 27 & 28, 2024

Jet Roberts *Caller*
Shawn & Wendy Cavness *Cuer*

Sponsored by: Fidalgo Fogcutters

Skagit Valley Grange, 21273 Cook Road, Sedro Woolley, WA
Take I-5 Exit 232, go two miles east on Cook Road

Dance Events from Friday night through Sunday Morning
Potluck Saturday @ 5:30pm. Bring food to share and your own chair
Self-contained RV Parking is available at the grange Friday and
Saturday at \$5.00 per night

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After July 1 \$50 per person

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MT. BAKER COUNCIL NOTES FOR 2023-2024

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MT. BAKER COUNCIL - SPECIAL EVENTS

JUNE 5TH Caravan Coordinators Mtg 6:30 PM Marysville School District Board Room

JUNE 5TH Council Meeting 7:30 PM Marysville School District Board Room

New Dancer Spotlight



Stephanie and Tony, the ultimate duo of dance and adventure, just tossed their graduation caps into the air and found themselves tangled up in the joy of square dancing. It all started with a simple sign in their neighborhood, beckoning them to try something new. Tony, with his love for English literature, and Stephanie, the book-loving elementary librarian, figured, "Why not?"

From the moment they stepped onto the dance floor, they were hooked. Tony couldn't resist the charm of twirling his partner around, while Stephanie found herself laughing and loving every moment of it. The best part? The warm welcome they received from every-

one in the square dancing community.

When they're not cutting a rug, you can find them out on the trails, exploring nature's wonders, or indulging in some fine wine tasting sessions. And of course, there's always a good book waiting to be read, because even in the midst of their busy lives as teachers, they always find time for a little literary escape. Who knew that a simple sign would lead to such a whirlwind of fun and friendship for these two?

Next time you're in their square, don't forget to give a big wave and a cheerful "Hi!" to Stephanie and Tony as they spin and twirl their way through the dance floor. They'll be the ones lighting up the room with their infectious smiles and welcoming energy. Who knows, you might just find yourself caught up in the joy of square dancing alongside them!

President's Message



Well, we've made it through another dance season! I attended a lot of outstanding dances, and many clubs went out of their way this year to step things up. Before our May Council Meeting, the MBC Board hosted "Pasta With the Presidents" where we invited the current and incoming club presidents to meet each other and discuss how the year went. They had four questions to answer:

- #1 What did your club do that was successful this year?
- #2 What did your club do that was unsuccessful?
- #3 What changes did you make, and how did they work?
- #4. What changes are you planning for next year?

It was great to get all the clubs together talking about their successes and struggles, working and planning together for next dance season. I was proud to see a lot of notes being taken! Expect some awesome changes next year!

I would like to thank Penny Curtis for stepping up to be the Recording Secretary for the next year, but to do that, she has to give up Publicity and Promotion. I am looking for someone with those skills to take on this very important committee! Let's talk!

And also thanks to Geri Johnson for taking on the Area nominating position. Next year she will be looking for you!

We have a lot of fairs, demo dances, and parades this summer. Please consider signing up and helping out to promote square dancing in our area! On our website, click on Calendar, then Demo Events. See you here, there, or in a square!

Stephen Sworen

"OR-BETS in the Afternoon"

Round Dance
Easy Tempos & Phases 2 & 3
EVERY MONDAY
1:30 to 3:30 p.m.



Cuer: Karen Neverdowski

Juanita Community Club
Info: 206 719-4473
orbets@yahoo.com

OR-BETS Dance Club

Cuer: Karen Neverdowski

Juanita Community Club
13027 100th NE
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Round Dance
Phases 2, 3 & some 4
EVERY WEDNESDAY
7:30 to 9:00 p.m.



Cascade Crossfires

Plus Square Dancing

MONDAYS 7-9 PM

Cedar Valley Grange, Lynnwood

Caller: Stephen Cole

(For June it's the 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th)

Full Plus Dancing

More Info: <http://cascadecrossfires.org>
Cedar Valley Grange: 20526 52nd Ave W

425-435-8253
Lynnwood, WA

Mid-Stream SQUARE DANCE

Saturday, June 1, 2024 7-9 pm

Moves thru 8 weeks

Caller **DAVE HARRY**

Mount Vernon Senior Center, 1410 Cleveland

Info: rosie@valleyint.com



Dancing Shadows

With Eastside Plus

June 1st Andy Garboden

June 15th Rounds Only



Round Dancing

With

Randy & Marie Preskitt

4/5 rd workshop 5:00-6:30

2/3/4 rounds 6:30-7:30

Plus 7:30-9:30

Juanita Community Club 13027 100th NE Kirkland

For information call Cliff 425 478 5128



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FREEWHEELERS

Cedar Valley Grange

20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood

Contact: Contact: Randy at 206.367.9219

Freewheelersquaredance@gmail.com

www.squaredanceseatle.com

Mainstream Dance

Sunday June 2

39th Anniversary

Caller: Spyder Webb

Cuer: Randy Preskitt

Plus Dance

Sunday June 16

Beach Party

Caller: Andy Garboden

Cuer: Randy Preskitt



6:30 to 7:00 Advance Rounds
7:00 to 9:00 Dance with Rounds



Come Dance with Whirlybirds

First Friday Fun Fest

June 7th

No Experience Dance

No Partner Needed

Dancing Begins at 7:30



Ages 8 years and Above

Dancing Dave will be teaching basic Square Dance Moves and Line Dances

Hayloft Dance Hall 15320 35th Ave W, Lynnwood

whirlybirdsclub@gmail.com

Happy Hoppers

Stilly Valley Center
18308 Smokey Pt Blvd. (I-5 Exit 206)
Arlington, WA 98223

**Sunday
June 9**

Strawberry Double Dance

National Caller

David Mee calling

Rochelle Catt cueing



www.happyhoppers.org

Hearing
Enhancement

Plus Dance 2-4

Plus 6:00-6:30 Mainstream 6:30-8:30



Juanita Community Club
13027 100th NE, Kirkland

**Friday
June 14th**



Rootin' Tootin'

Robert Sax
calling

Cowboy

Karen Neverdowski
cuing



**7:30 - 8 pm Plus
8 - 10 pm Mainstream
Rounds between tips**

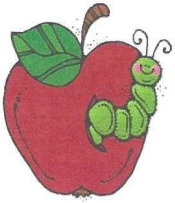
Hearing enhancement
Credit Cards accepted



Fern Bluff Squares

**Ed's Annual Apple Dance
& Brisket Potluck**

Entry Donation \$10.00

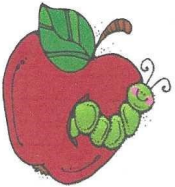


Saturday, June 15, 2024

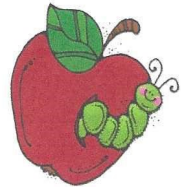
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Dance & Rounds 2:30 – 5:00pm

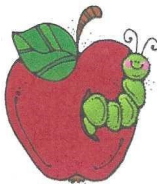
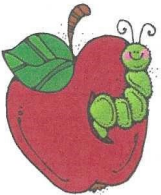
**Stephen (Laura) Cole Calling
Bob & Linda Berka Cueing**



**Ed's Apple Barn
13420 399th Ave SE
Sultan, WA 98294**



Additional Info: Kim 206-383-4977



**Caller -
Gaylen Sauve'**

**Cuer -
Karen Neverdowski**



**Entry Donation
\$9.00 per person**

Friday, June 21, 2024

7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds

8:00-10:00 PM Mainstream Square Dance

Square Crows Dance Club

Dance Location: Maltby Community Club

8711 206th St. SE, Snohomish WA 98296



www.squarecrows.org Info: 206-914-2253



**Juanita Community Club
13027 100th NE, Kirkland**

**Saturday
June 29th**



Brent Mawdsley
calling and cuing

**7:30 - 8 pm Plus
8 - 10 pm Mainstream
Rounds between tips**

Hearing enhancement
Credit Cards accepted



Mainstream

Summer Lessons 9 thru 20

Skagit Squares



Tuesday Evenings
Over the Summer

Skagit Squares



Starting June 11 and ending August 27 *
7 p.m. to 9 pm

*This a follow up to our Spring 2024 Mid-Stream Program
(Graduation September 3)

Dave Harry, Teacher/Caller

Mount Vernon Senior Center
1401 Cleveland

Info: 360-393-2048, 360-391-3504
or e-mail: rosie@valleyint.com

Sponsored by Skagit Squares www.skagitsquares.org

Skagit Squares





Gone To The Beach

Caller - Spider Webb

Cuer - Karen Neverdowski

July 19, 2024

Entry Donation
\$9.00 per person

7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds

8:00-10:00 PM

Mainstream Square Dance

Square Crows Dance Club

Dance Location: Maltby Community Club

8711 206th St. SE, Snohomish WA 98296



www.squarecrows.org Info: 206-914-2253



Caller - Stephan Cole

August 16, 2024

Cuer - Karen Neverdowski

7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds

Entry Donation

8:00-10:00 PM

\$9.00 per person

Mainstream Square Dance

Square Crows Dance Club

Dance Location: Maltby Community Club

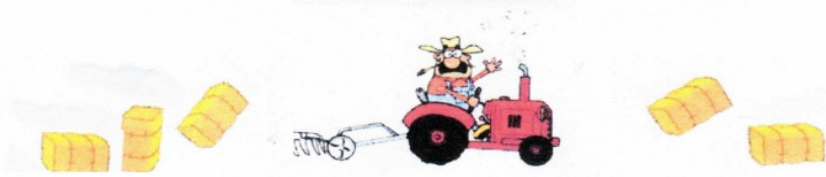
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www.squarecrows.org Info: 206-914-2253

SKAGIT SQUARES

SATURDAY AUGUST 17, 2024



FARM DANCE

CALLER GUNTER MONROE

FROM STEILACOOM, WA

CUER BOB & LINDA BERKA

FROM OAK HARBOR, WA.

7:00-9:30 PM

**KEITH & JEANNIE SWANSON FARM
12919 THILLBERG RD. MT. VERNON 98273**

SUMMERTIME SPECIAL EVENTS	Times	Date
Strawberry Festival Parade	4pm-7pm	6/22/2024
Bothell 4th of July	9am?	7/4/2024
AquaSox demo	3pm-4pm	7/21/2024
Stanwood Demo Dance	2pm-3pm	8/2/2024
Stanwood Demo Dance	2pm-3pm	8/3/2024
Stanwood Fair Booth	9am-6pm	8/3/2024
Stanwood Parade	TBD	8/3/2024
Stanwood Demo Dance	2pm-3pm	8/4/2024
Stanwood Fair Booth	9am-6pm	8/4/2024
Skagit Fair Booth	12pm-8pm	8/8/2024
Skagit Fair Booth	12pm-8pm	8/9/2024
Skagit Fair Booth	12pm-8pm	8/10/2024
Skagit Fair Booth	12pm-8pm	8/11/2024
Skagit Fair Demo	2pm-3pm	8/11/2024
Brier Parade	6pm-8pm	8/14/2024
Lynden Fair Demo	4pm-5pm	8/17/2024
Evergreen Fair Demo & Booth	5pm-7pm	8/23/2024
Evergreen Fair Parade	TBD	8/24/2024
44th Street Fair Lynnwood	10am-2pm	9/7/2024

JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
2 Freewheelers	3 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	4 Happy Rounders ABlast	5 Caravan I 6:30 MBC Meet 7:30
9 Happy Hoppers	10 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	11 Skagit Squares Lessons Happy Rounders ABlast	12 Orbets
16 Freewheelers (Plus)	17 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	18 Skagit Squares Lessons Happy Rounders ABlast	19 Orbets
23	24 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	25 Skagit Squares Lessons ABlast	26 Orbets
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E 2024

	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Dancing Shadows & Eastside Plus Skagit Squares (Level)
Mtg ting	6	7 Whirlybirds (Level)	8 Student Coordinator Mtg (2-4)
	13	14 Samena Squares	15 Dancing Shadows Fern Bluff @ Ed's Apple Barn
	20	21 Square Crows	22 Strawberry Festival Parade Pig Roast @Skagit Squares
	27	28	29 Samena Squares

JULY 2

Sun	Mon	Tue	We
	1 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	2 Skagit Squares Lessons	3 Orbets
7	8 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	9 Skagit Squares Lessons	10 Orbets
14	15 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	16 Skagit Squares Lessons	17 Orbets
21 AquaSox Demo Dance	22 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	23 Skagit Squares Lessons	24 Orbets
28 Skagit Valley Hoedown	29 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	30 Skagit Squares Lessons	31 Orbets

2024

d	Thu	Fri	Sat
	4 Bothell 4th of July Parade	5	6
	11 WA STATE SQUARE DANCE FESTIVAL	12 WA STATE SQUARE DANCE FESTIVAL	13 WA STATE SQUARE DANCE FESTIVAL
	18	19 Square Crows	20
	25	26 Skagit Valley Hoedown	27 Skagit Valley Hoedown

AUGUS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
4 Stanwood Demo Dance & Booth	5 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	6 Skagit Squares Lessons	7 Orbets
11 Skagit Fair Booth & Demo Dance	12 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	13 Skagit Squares Lessons	14 Orbets Brier Para
18	19 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	20 Skagit Squares Lessons	21 Orbets
25	26 Orbets Cascade Crossfires	27 Skagit Squares Lessons	28 Orbets

T 2024

	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Stanwood Demo Dance	3 Stanwood Parade Demo Dance Booth
	8 Skagit Fair Booth	9 Skagit Fair Booth	10 Skagit Fair Booth
de	15	16 Square Crows	17 Skagit Squares Farm Dance Lynden Fair Demo
	22	23 Evergreen Fair Demo Dance & Booth	24 Evergreen Fair Parade
	29	30	31

Mount Baker Council Minutes

May 1, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: President Steve Sworen called the meeting to order at 8:03 pm at the Marysville School Board Room. Roll call of officers found all present. Roll call of clubs found Mt. Baker Teachers, Callers & Cuers absent.

Guests in Attendance:

Gordy Ball, Dan Blood, Samena Squares; Ken Frey, Bertha Davidson, Dwight Malott, Happy Hoppers; Steve Noseck, Fidalgo Fogcutters

Recording Secretary: Melody Scalzo 425-339-8440 rmbcrecsec@gmail.com

Called for corrections to March minutes. Finding none, minutes were accepted as submitted.

Sammi Fredenburg, as Footnotes Committee Chair suggested the Council send a donation to the Heritage Center in recognition Ron Ward, who passed away last month, and served as Footnotes Coordinator for many years. Since Standing Rule 20 provides for a donation for deceased Council Presidents and Ila Williams recipients, it is already covered. A motion was made by Oren Gaskill, seconded by Melody Scalzo to make this donation. Motion passed. The Council is in need of someone to store the portable stage, which has been kept at Ron and Gailyn Ploeg's property for several years. Please contact Steve Sworen to find out more if you may be able to take it.

Treasurer: Dave Fredenburg 425-297-3210 adfrede354@frontier.com

Dave went over the financial report (see attached). Bills were reported & delegates agreed to pay. Accepted as presented.

Corresponding Secretary: Tina Heide 360-651-1328
tinaheidehh@gmail.com No report

Area Delegate: Brooks Bennett 206-9144632 brooksbennett79@gmail.com

I mentioned in my March report that the Federation voted to have a hybrid in-person/Zoom meeting for Spring 2026, and that we may be interested in this event. I think it would be good if Mount Baker Council offered to host that meeting. It would give us a timely opportunity to showcase the venue and the preparations for our 2027 State Festival.

I suggest that Sammi Fredenburg be empowered to make that bid at the Federation Spring meeting later this month.

Area Nominating: Kim Ludlow 206-3834977 kludlow57@gmail.com

No report.

President's Report: Stephen Sworen 425-308-3950 mbcpres@gmail.com

No report

Vice President: Jo Ann Pyle 206-914-2253 lopenn@aol.com

The Freewheelers will host our Council dance in the Fall of this year and Fern Bluff Squares will be hosting in the Spring of 2025. The Square Crows will be in the Fall of 2025. The Crows' Council dance will be on October 4th at the Northshore Senior Center.

Since I was not able to attend the last meeting, I would like to thank Sammi & Dave Fredenburg for selecting Brooks and I for the Ila Williams award for this year. Now is the time to start thinking about nominations for next year's award. Please send any applications to either Brooks or myself.

Brooks and I attended a planning meeting for the 2027 State Festival. Although we don't have specifics yet we are looking at possible venues. Thanks to Dave and Bonnie Harry for hosting the meetings and also thanks to Penny Curtis for her help in setting up and chairing these meetings.

Advisor: Oren Gaskill 360-733-4487 olgaskill@comcast.net

Please bring your delegate packets to the June meeting so that they can be updated for next year.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Computer Coordinator: Penny (Harland) Curtis 206-365-3186
publicitymbc@gmail.com

No report

Council Dances:

Spring '24 Council Dance-Dudes & Dolls

Dudes & Dolls hosted another successful Council Dance March 30, 2024 at Totem Middle School in Marysville, WA. Thank you to all the D & D Members who volunteered and did an incredible amount of work, not to mention the creativity to transform the school into a beautiful dance experience! Thank you all who attended & bought tickets as you also made this dance so successful for both the Council & Dudes & Dolls! The theme was 'Fun on the Floor in Spring of '24' with murals of cherry blossoms, flowers and butterflies, featuring human butterflies too. The dance featured a Mainstream and 'No Experience' Hall. A national caller, Mike & Janet Olivieri from Colorado were flown in. With the passing of our beloved Debbie Taylor who is greatly missed, Shawn & Wendy

Cavness did the cueing. Dave Harry called in the 'No Experience' hall. The Final Report of the finances is as follows: (See Attached Report)

Dudes & Dolls had a Special PLUS Trail-In dance Friday, March 29, 2024 in conjunction with the council dance, at Cedar Valley Grange with Mr. Mike Olivieri calling and Shawn Cavness cueing. It was well attended with 7 squares.

Fall '24 Council Dance-Freewheelers

The Fall Council dance hosted by the Freewheelers is on Saturday, October 26 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Northshore Senior Center, in Bothell. The caller is Steve Noseck and the cuer is Randy Preskitt. Presale tickets are \$12 and at the door are \$15.

Council Directory: Stephen Sworen 425-308-3950 mbcprez@gmail.com

No report

Council Notes: Joyce Sworen 425-308-3950 mbccouncilnotes@gmail.com

For May only, The Mt. Baker Council Notes has a special center feature with the calendar toward the back of the booklet. For May's issue and in the months ahead, there is a new article "Students in the Spotlight" that I hope you all take a look at! There were 460 copies printed of the Notes at \$653. We mailed 442 copies at a cost of \$161. There are still clubs who have not paid their bill for January-March Council Notes. Please pay these ASAP. Thank you.

Education/Leadership: Stephen (Joyce) Sworen 425-308-3950
mbcprez@gmail.com

In April, the student liaisons met with mainstream class coordinators and other club representatives from across the council. There were 21 attendees and all clubs were represented! The collaboration was great and there was consensus that we should meet three times a year to allow for even better planning and communication. We reviewed the consolidated graduation questionnaires and made plans to address opportunities to improve the new dancer experience. This includes offering two angel workshops in the fall and ensuring there are plenty of level dances next season ... and that they don't conflict with each other. Lastly, we reviewed the student liaison responsibilities and introduced the "new dancer spotlight" you'll see starting with this month's Council Notes!

2024 State Festival Combined Leadership Event – There are now over 300 people registered. The theme is "Dance More in '24" with the Trail-In Dance on Thursday evening, July 11th. This dance is included in the State Festival Ticket you purchase. The State Festival & Leadership Conference will be held at the Yakima Convention Center, 10 North 8th St, Yakima, WA from July 11-

13, 2024. An adult ticket is \$95/person. Some of the clinics being offered are:
Remote or Zoom Calling by Dave Boggs for all the callers & cuers
No Experience Fun Fest Dance Night by Dave Harry
Club Officer Breakout Sessions for each board position for support and questions.

The Keynote Speaker will be Nancy Raiha. She is speaking on promotion and publicity, getting students into lessons, and retaining them as club members. She is incredibly gifted in this area.

The same sessions/classes will be offered more than once so you can still go to your favorite caller or cuer without missing a class of interest. The committee has elected to have callers and cuers from all over the State of Washington participating rather than bringing in a special national or international caller. There are 24 different Washington callers who have elected to participate!

You can register on the State Festival Website: festival.wasdf.org. or please see Joyce Sworen at any Dudes & Dolls Dance. I can get you registered and paid with cash, credit card, or check. I will also have registration and payment available at any dance you see me at. I'll be happy to meet up with an appointment for coffee and get it done then too. Please contact me at (360) 631-8919 to set up a date & time.

Footnotes: Sammi Fredenburg 360-359-2304 sammi.98270@gmail.com
It's time to tout the awesomeness of your club again for June 2024. Be sure to include any activities your club has planned over the summer as well. I really need to have my edited info to the State by the 10th of each month, so please provide your reports to me sooner in the month rather than later so I can format words and picture pixels to the required format. I'm going to State on Brooke's behalf this month, and would prefer to not have Cynda Clark, the Footnotes State Editor, giving me a hairy eyeball from across the room! It's been a great year of reporting on behalf of the council. We're a testimony to the Washington State Federation (and beyond) of how fun, educational, and friendship-supporting square dancing can be.
Great summer to you all.

Heritage Center: Ellen Ostrum 425-308-9559 ellenostrum@gmail.com
No report

Historian: Position Vacant. Contact Steve Sworen if you are interested in taking over this position.

Membership & Insurance: Dave Fredenburg 425-297-3210 adfrede354@frontier.com
No report

New Dancer Books: Lynnea Dunbar 425-894-5312 lynneadunbar@gmail.com

All new dancers (one per family) have received the 2023/2024 handbook. It's

also available on the website.

Nominating: Kim Ludlow 206-383-4977 kludlow57@gmail.com

No report. Elections will be at this meeting.

Properties: Geri Johnson 425-337-3658 gjandl628@gmail.com

I've passed out the "Individual Property Records" to the current officers and committee chairmen for you to review and update for deletions and/or additions. They need to be returned to me at the next meeting in June. I will update these records as needed.

Then at the September Mount Baker Council meeting, everyone will receive the updated copy of the properties belonging to each position. For delegates, these will be in the updated delegate folders from the advisor, Oren Gaskill.

Publicity & Promotion: Penny (Harland) Curtis 206-365-3186 publicitymbc@gmail.com

We have a busy demo dance schedule this year. The Fair Coordinator Bonnie and I have arranged for the events shown below. Booths need to be staffed the entire time shown but folks can do only whatever hours they wish to do. Best to have 2 folks so there can be rest/food breaks.

You can sign up to volunteer at sqdance.org/demoevents, click the black box, and fill out the form. When you sign up to staff a booth, we will contact you to find out what times you would like to do.

AquaSox demo will be on the trailer parked in the field behind the arena. We will do one dance demo on the ball field before the game starts at 4:05. Stay for the game! Get a dangle!

Please sign up!

Fair Coordinator: Bonnie Harry 425-773-9513 friends@petticoatjct.com

Late breaking news! We have been approved for a performance at the

Evergreen St. Fair in Monroe! FRIDAY, August 23rd, 5:15pm-6:45pm

28 free tickets & 14 parking passes are available.

We will work closely with the Publicity committee there, too, a booth for the show acts is adjacent to the dance area and we will take full advantage of that space this year with signage, a video, and literature for the public during our set up, performance, and tear down (2 hours, 5-7pm).

Of course, we need dancers and information volunteers! Contact these hard-working people to sign up for the 4 fairs this summer:

STANWOOD-CAMANO FAIR Aug 2, 3 & 4 1 demo dance per day @ 2pm plus Sat Parade

Contact Jerry Bougie 425-327-4742 or jerrybougie@gmail.com

Penny Curtis needs people to volunteer for the info booth, all 3 days 10-6,
206-365-3186 publicitymbc@gmail.com

SKAGIT FAIR, Mount Vernon Sunday Aug 11th 1 demo dance at 2PM.

Contact John Hayes, 360-424-4608 rosie@valleyint.com

Penny Curtis needs people to volunteer for the info booth, all 4 days 12-8,
206-365-3186 publicitymbc@gmail.com

NORTHWEST WA FAIR, Lynden, Saturday Aug 17th, 1 demo dance 4PM

Contact Lew Gaskill at 360-303-6070 or olgaskill@comcast.net

EVERGREEN STATE FAIR, Monroe, FRIDAY Aug 23rd, 1 demo dance 5:15-6:45pm

Contact Bonnie Harry, 425-743-9513 or friends@petticoatjct.com

Penny Curtis needs people to volunteer for the info booth 5-7pm
206-365-3186 publicitymbc@gmail.com

Round Dance: Bob (Linda) Berka 360-675-8691 bekarl@whidbey.net

Round of the Month for May 2024

"The Sand And The Foam II"

Chore: Al Hipkins

Music: CD The Innocent Age Trk 3

Waltz: Phase II

Download: Amazon & I-Tunes & You Tube

Other Selections were: "Masquerade of the Ghosts" & "Loyal Brave True"

Round Tuit: Kim Ludlow 206-383-4977 kludlow57@gmail.com

No report

Scrapbook: Claire Ball 425-206-8709 ball.gordy@gmail.com

No report

Solo Coordinator: Carol Harris 206-362-3734 chskier@gmail.com

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Ways & Means: Carol Harris 206-362-3734 chskier@gmail.com

No report

OLD BUSINESS:

Festival '27 Update-The Mount Baker Council's bid for 2027 State Festival will be presented at the Spring State Meeting by Sammi Fredenberg.

NEW BUSINESS:

Penny Curtis was nominated for and accepted the nomination for Recording Secretary. Geri Johnson was nominated for and accepted the nomination for State Nominating/Council Nominating. The full slate was then presented to the delegates. Oren Gaskill made a motion, seconded by Melody Scalzo, to accept the slate by acclamation, since there were no opposing candidates. Motion passed.

Then, since there was no one running for Corresponding Secretary, and Tina Heide had already served her full three terms and was ineligible to run again, President Steve Sworen appointed her to serve as Corresponding Secretary.

2024-2025 Mount Baker Council Board

President – Steve Sworen

Vice President – Jo Ann Pyle

Recording Secretary – Penny Curtis

Corresponding Secretary – Tina Heide

Treasurer – Dave Fredenburg

Area Council Delegate – Brooks Bennett

Delegate to the State Nominating Committee – Geri Johnson

Advisor – Oren Gaskill

DELEGATE REPORTS

A Blast: Gary Faulds 206-618-8840 gary.v.faulds@gmail.com

A Blast has completed A2 lessons. We are continuing Advance workshops on Tuesdays, 7:30pm to 9:30pm at the Triway Grange with Spyder Webb for as long as we have a square to give our new Advance dancers practice and give other Advance dancers a chance to dance.

A Blast is still working on the Dance schedule for next year. We have at least 5 National Callers already scheduled with more waiting for confirmation. We

have changed our dance time to 1pm to 3:30pm so our out-of-town dancers can dance with us, have dinner and go to the Saturday evening dances in our area. We dance at the Triway Grange (3509 Seattle Hill Rd, Mill Creek, WA).

Cascade Crossfires: Judy (Tom) Corning 206-794-5946 judyse-atrvl@comcast.net

The club has voted to dance all summer. Every Monday night. Unless a holiday lands on Monday. Like Christmas, New Year's or 4th of July. Then we will be dark. Come and join us if you like fast paced dancing. We have lots of fun and Stephen Cole makes it fun for all.

Dancing Shadows: Cliff McCracken 425-478-5128 Clisha59@gmail.com

No report

Dudes & Dolls: Vicki Byers 425-359-3234 bylynn@hotmail.com

May 31st is Lucky T-Shirt dance, wear your Fav T Shirt. 7pm is an Ice cream social. Mainstream. Scott Coon caller, Shawn Cavness cuer. 7-7:30 Lines/pre-rounds. 7:30-8 Plus. 8-10 Mainstream. Cedar Valley Grange.

June will bring opportunities for the Dudes and Dolls to attend other clubs' dances and workshops.

Fern Bluff Squares: Kim Ludlow 206-383-4977 kludlow57@gmail.com

Fern Bluff is having a dance at Ed's Apple dance on June 15 in Sultan It will start at 1:00 pm with a pot luck until 2:30 pm. Then we will dance to Stephen Cole and Bob and Linda Berka. Hope to see you all there.

Fidalgo Fogcutters: Lois Cassidy 360-293-0181 loisc3@gmail.com

Mark your calendar for July 26, 27, and 28 to attend the summer event of the year, the Skagit Valley Hoedown Plus weekend! We are proud to present Jet Roberts calling and Shawn Cavness cueing for your dancing enjoyment. Dancing starts on Friday night, Saturday begins at 10:00am with 2 Plus Workshops and a Round dance teach, Potluck Dinner and evening dancing of Plus and Rounds. Sunday morning there is Omelet in a Bag breakfast, followed by a Trail Out Dance. Dry RV parking at the Grange for \$5 a night. The Early Bird all-inclusive weekend is \$45 each, after July 1 it is \$50. Each individual portions of the weekend are separately priced if you can't make the whole weekend. See the flyer or website for registration.

Freewheelers: Carol Harris 206-362-3734 chskier@gmail.com

Sunday, June 2, is our 39th Anniversary dance with Spyder Webb and Randy Preskitt. Our last dance of the season is our Beach Party plus dance on Sunday, June 16, with Andy Garboden and Randy Preskitt.

We dance at the Cedar Valley Grange, with advanced rounds from 6:30 to 7:00 followed by the dance from 7:00-9:00 p.m. with a plus tip at the end of our mainstream dances.

Happy Hoppers: Karen Hammtree 425-870-1632 kmtree99@gmail.com
The Happy Hoppers will be dark May 26 in honor of Memorial Day.

Our last dance of the season is June 9th. This will be our "Strawberry Dance" and it is a double dance, with national caller David Mee calling and Rochelle Catt cueing. Our afternoon plus dance starts at 2pm and ends at 4pm. The evening dance starts with plus at 6 followed by mainstream dancing from 6:30 to 8:30.

It would be great to see everyone for this last dance. We will be serving strawberry shortcakes at the evening dance.

We dance at the Stilly Valley Center in Arlington.

Happy Rounders: Larry Mercer 206-365-8095 larry_mercer02@outlook.com

Happy Rounders will be dancing on the Tuesdays of June 4th, 11th, and 19th. Randy Preskitt is the cuer. We dance at the Hayloft, from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. We dance phase 3 & 4, and look forward to seeing new guests.

Mt. Baker Teachers, Callers & Cuers: Stephen Cole 206-769-4959 stephen@isquaredance.com

No report

Rainbow Squares: Lew (Oren) Gaskill 360-733-4487 olgaskill@comcast.net

****Please Note**** Rainbow has changed their dance schedule for the 2024-2025 Dance season to dancing one Saturday a month. Depending on Brent's schedule and holidays or big events, the dances will be on either the 2nd or 4th Saturday, but not both. Please check the Council website or our Facebook page for the correct dates.

Free Tickets are still available for the Aug 17th Demo Dance at the NW WA Fair in Lynden, at the Clock Tower from 4 to 5PM. Contact Lew Gaskill to get your name on the list for tickets.

Samena Squares: Claire Ball 206-229-2708 clairemball714@gmail.com

No report

Skagit Squares: Linda (Bob) Berka 360-675-8691 berkalw@whidbey.net

On **June 1** we'll be holding a level dance we are calling "Dave's Mid-Stream Dance" at the MVSC from 7 to 9 pm. We will be continuing our MS class lessons on Tuesday evenings from **June 4** through the summer.

We'll be holding our annual "Pig Roast Dance" at the Skagit Valley Grange on Cook Road on **June 22**. Scott Coon will be calling and Bob Berka cueing. See potluck details at skagitsquares.org.

Our Skagit Squares will be traveling to the Happy Hoppers on **June 9** for their "Strawberry Dance". As a club we travel to the Samena Squares on **June 29** to complete our caravan schedule for the season.

Sky Valley Whirlwinds: Geri Johnson 425-337-3658 gjandl628@gmail.com

A good time is had every Thursday evening at the TriWay Grange. Spyder Webb is the teacher/caller for lessons cosponsored with the Freewheelers. There are always 2-3 squares in attendance. Graduation will be in June.

Square Crows: Jo Ann Pyle 206-914-2253 lopenn@aol.com

Our June 21st event will feature Gaylen Sauve' and Karen in our "Roaring 20's" dance.

Please remember, we dance all summer long on the third Friday. We'll have Spyder Webb and Karen on July 19th doing "Gone to the Beach"; then Stephen Cole and Karen dishing up our "Ice Cream Social" dance on August 16th.

Our club recently visited the Pi R Squares. The Freewheelers, Sky Valley and the Whirlybirds will be visiting us soon.

I attended the MBC lesson Coordinator meeting. I think these meetings are very valuable for our Council. Thank you to Lynnea Dunbar for her leadership and the other coordinators.

The Square Crows begin our lessons on Sunday September 22nd at the Northshore Senior Center in Bothell. Vance Morrison will, once again, be our instructor.

Whirlybirds: Sammi Fredenburg 360 359-2304 sammi.98270@gmail.com

We will wrap up our dance year at the June First Family Funfest with our Hot Diggity Dog Dance on June 7th. Doors open at 7:00. Come early and have a hot dog or two before the dance.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Vernon Johnson, formerly of the Checkerboard Squares, passed away recently.

Over 200 people attended Debbie Taylor's memorial dance, including many former dancers and dancers from across the State and Canada.

A new club, A&C Regroup, has joined the Rainier Council.

Steve Noseck suggested it would be useful to get input from area callers and that clubs trade callers for a lesson or two so that the students get exposed to

Spring Council Dance 3/30/24			
Dudes and Dolls Square Dance Club			
Totem Middle School, Marysville, WA			
ITEM	NO.	PRICE	AMOUNT
INCOME			
Number of Dancers in Attendance			176
Advance Ticket Sales: Adult	160	\$12.00	\$1,920.00
Advance Ticket Sales: Youth	3	\$6.00	\$18.00
Advance Ticket Sales: Family	1	\$40.00	\$40.00
Door Ticket Sales: Adult	24	\$15.00	\$360.00
Door Ticket Sales: Youth	1	\$6.00	\$6.00
Door Ticket Sales: No Experience Hall	11	\$10.00	\$110.00
Other Income (Square Fees)			\$0.04
GROSS INCOME			\$2,454.04
EXPENSES			
Hall Rent			\$595.00
Caller 1: Mike Olivieri			\$400.00
Caller 1 Expenses			\$163.90
Caller 2: Dave Harry			\$150.00
Cuer 1: Shawn Cavness			\$200.00
Advertising			
Council Notes	1	\$35.00	\$35.00
Footnotes	1	\$25.00	\$25.00
Fliers			
Other (Ticket Printing)			\$30.22
Door Prizes			
Decorations			\$262.34
Tableware			\$38.26
Other(Candy)			
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$1,899.72
NET INCOME			\$554.32
Club Amount (60%)			\$332.59
Council Amount (40%)			\$221.73

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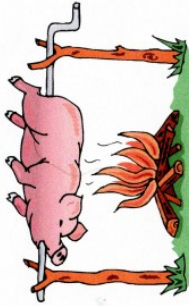
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