

THE TOWN CRIER

December, 2016



English Country Dancing is friendship set to music

<http://www.villagegreenenglishcountrydancing.org/>

Executive for the upcoming season:

President:	Sue Stanton
Vice President	Bruce Berry
Secretary	Frances Harris
Treasurer	Karen Burton
Publicity	Lorraine Krahn/ Lynette Dyck
Social Convenors	Anne Morton; Linda Clark; Marion Tetrault
Teachers' Rep	Virginia Stevens
Town Crier Editor	Elizabeth Goossen
Member at large	Iris Moehring

Dates for the upcoming dance season

General Class at Harrow United Church 7:15 to 9:30

Dec 7 th	Last class
Jan 11 th	First class
May 3 rd	Last Class

Challenge Class at St. Mark's Lutheran Church 1:30 to 3:30

Dec 4th, 18th (3 to 7)
Jan 16th; 29th
Feb 12th; 26th
Mar 12th; 26th
Apr 9th; 23rd (windup 3 to 7)

Functions:

Christmas Dinner and Dance	Dec 10	Silver Heights United
John Trevenen Day	Feb 25th	St. Mark's Lutheran
Spring workshop/CD launch	Apr 28-30	TBA
AGM	May 10th	St. Mark's Lutheran

President's Message

What an exciting year 2016 has been! From the amazingly successful auction to outreach events of many stripes - from workshops to the Ruby Ball. Now we are looking forward to the Christmas Party. Planning is well underway and the evening should be a great time for all. Some lucky person will be heading home with a most beautiful Gnome Home created by Roger Palser and donated by him to help in our efforts to raise funds for the Spring Extravaganza April 28-30. As I am sure you are aware we will be hosting Sharon Green and the Flying Romanos for a weekend workshop unlike any we have held before. We will be dancing on Friday evening (suitable for all) and having workshop on Sat and Sunday. Saturday evening will be the CD Launch and dance. Thank you to Elizabeth, Molly, Bruce and Iris for taking on the job of planning. Thanks too to all who will be assisting in making this a weekend we will be talking about for years to come. The executive agreed that this event would need to dip into our reserve funds. I encourage everyone to support the fund raising events that will be happening, consider making a donation and being sure to bring family and friends to the Friday and Saturday evening events.

The executive has been working on many initiatives. One is establishing a clear process for our educational fund. Thank you Linda for raising the issue at the last 2 AGM's and for assisting in the drafting of the documents. We will be sending these out to everyone and would appreciate feedback on them. We would like to fine tune the documents and hope to put them to use in 2017. Please contact Bruce, Sue or Frances with your thoughts and suggestions.

A new initiative spearheaded by Lorraine and Lynette is a picture directory. It has been great to see between 30 and 40 people at the Wednesday classes. I will be using that directory to help me put names and faces together. Some of you may have noticed that the website has been under construction. Lorraine and Lynette have taken on this project. As with any new initiatives there have been some frustrations but we are pleased to report everything is coming together.

In closing, I would like to say how grateful I am for this group. Thanks to the executive, the ad hoc committees, the hall monitors, the teachers, the musicians, the people that help with the many aspects of decorating, photographers, archivist, pick up the turkeys etc etc. So many people are involved. Thanks most of all for the generosity of spirit and the warm welcome that is so much a part of this group. I look forward to Wednesday night dancing - which really is wonderful since I have been attending for close to 40 years!!

.Sue Stanton

Gnome Home - Carved by Roger Palser



3 views of the same carving

Raffle for the Gnome Home is being held on December 10th

Remember to stop by the table to buy your tickets.

All proceeds will help to bring the Flying Romanos to Winnipeg in April for the dance workshop and the launch of the CD

HAPPY HOLLY DAYS

DEC 10TH, 2016

DANCE PROGRAMME

A Merrily we dance and Sing	Sicilian Circle
A Dancing with Friends	Duple Minor
C Hit and Miss	2 couple
C Come with Voices singing	Duple Minor

.....Break.....

A Childgrove	Duple Minor
C Woodland Chase	3 couple longways
A Mile of Smiles	Duple Minor
A Waterfall Waltz	Sicilian Circle

.....Break.....

C Muriel's Measure	Duple Minor
C Dublin Bay	Duple Minor
C Hunsdon House	Square
A Hole in the Wall	Duple Minor

A straightforward dance for all

C for those who have attending class on a regular basis

Dance instructions on the following page can be kept in a binder for future reference-

HIT AND MISS

Two couples facing Playford 1651

Part I

- A 1-8 All forward a double and fall back a double. That again.
- Bl 1-4 All forward again, men lead opposite women away from set.
- B2 1-2 Changing hands, men lead same women back.
3-4 Face opposites, take right hands with partner and fall back a double.
- C 1-6 Face partner, dance circular hey, four changes, beginning with partner

Part II

- A Partners side twice.
- BB & C As in Part I.

Part III

- A Partners arm right, then left.
- BB & C As in Part 1.

CHILDGROVE

duple minor- improper CDB 6

- A1 All gentle siding(left shoulder) with partner. Back to back with partner(right)
- A2 All repeat A1 with neighbour.

- B1 Two hand turn with neighbour once and a half(progression). Face partner across the set and two hand turn once round.
- B2 First couple dance a figure eight round the 2nd couple above.

DANCING WITH FRIENDS

Duple Minor-Improper

Music: Dancing

with Friends

- A1: All set, fall back a double, dance forward and change places with partner (R)
- A2: Repeat A1 to original places
- B1: First couple dance down between 2s below and cast to place. Men change places (L), then women change places (R).
- B2: Two hand turn half way with partner (stay in the centre of the dance; first couple faces down and second couple faces up), set to the couple you are facing and circle four once round.