October 2026 Newsletter

Hello fellow square dancer enthusiasts.

Here is what the executive is working on for the next two months: we are planning Halloween themed dances for Mainstream and Plus, we will have a clothing sale in November, and we will have a Christmas dinner & dance in December.

But first because we care for each other and since cold, and flu, and covid are ramping up, here are some health tips for dancers attending our Tuesday and Thursday dances;

- If you feel sick, stay home to get well.
- If you do not feel sick, come out and dance, dance, dance the evening away.
- Use hand sanitizer frequently, like between every tip if you can.

We will endeavour to have multiple hand sanitizing bottles available at every dance.
Sneezing and coughing happens. But it doesn't have to be in your hands just before a Right & Left Grand (Yikes!). Do it in your elbow or in a tissue/kleenex, please.

The Mainstream Halloween Dance is on Tuesday October 27 and the Plus Halloween Dance is on Thursday October 29. Yeah, that is in two weeks. All members are encouraged to dress for the themed dances. Members with last name starting with A to K are invited to bring treats for all the dancers.

We are having a Square Dancing Clothing Sale on Tuesday November 10, at the Mainstream Dulude dance class. Dancers of all levels are invited to come out and browse for square dancing clothing both for men and women. There will be shirts, skirts, and accessories, with everything going for $5 or less. This is a great opportunity to find a whole outfit or something to complete what you already have for special themed events. Patricia McLachlan (Pat) will be coordinating the clothing sale event, and we are looking for a few volunteers to help that evening. Please contact Pat if you can assist her.

For our Christmas dinner, the results are in and members voted in majority to have the turkey catered dinner. Those intending to attend the dinner part of the evening will be asked to pay $20. Everybody at all levels is welcome to attend the dance part of the evening which will have alternating Mainstream and Plus levels dances. The Social Coordinators will take care of drinks (tea, coffee, punch). We will ask for member volunteers who's last name starts with L to Z to bring dessert. More information to come.

All the above events are entered in our MeriSquares Website Calendar (https://merisquares.ca/wp/calendar-2/). You can subscribe to make sure you do not miss any dance events.

Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

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