



SCOTTISH PLAINS

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General News Items

Welcome to the third edition of the Canterbury Region Newsletter for 2019.

Dancing is now well under way, and already several functions have come and gone.

Upcoming Events

Little Thistles Ball	27 April 2019
Caledonian Society SCD Club Dance	4 May 2019
Rangiora Club Dance	18 May 2019
Strathallan Club Dance	25 May 2019
Hoon Hay Club Dance	15 June 2019

Elementary / Intermediate Classes Bishopdale Community Centre, Bishopdale

Classes for newer dancers will be held on two Friday evenings from 7.30 p.m. on 10 and 24 May, starting at 7.30 p.m. This is an ideal opportunity to further increase your dancing skills. If these are popular, the classes will continue. Cost is \$5.00 per class.

Book 52 Class

Canterbury Region held a very interesting afternoon, trying new dances from the latest RSCDS Book 52.

Thanks to all who came along and supported and learnt about the new dances on that afternoon.

Friday Class – 26 April

The Bishopdale Community Centre is having maintenance done this week, therefore just for one week, the class will be held in the Fendalton Community Centre Hall, 170 Clyde Road. There is off street parking available.

Classes are back at Bishopdale Community Centre from Friday 3 May.

A few Points on Etiquette

Scottish Country Dancing is meant to be enjoyable for all. Good etiquette helps this.

While dances are being taught, or briefed, refrain from talking. This applies not only to all the dancers in the sets who need to hear instruction, but also to anyone sitting in the room. Many of us as we age, have hearing problems, and this problem is increased, when several voices are chattering at the same time. If you do have any questions, ask the teacher.

Dancers may wish to sit out a dance, and if they have declined, then they should not be forced to join a set.

It is polite to thank your partner at the end of a dance, and also to thank the rest of the set, for making the dance enjoyable.

Car Pooling Reminder

Several dancers brought up the suggestion that dancers travelling from a nearby location, travel together to club and other events. Several dancers already do this, and it appears to work very well for those dancers. Maybe, this could be discussed at club nights to see if there are other dancers who may live near each other, and could share travel to and from venues.

Scottish Society SCD, 70th Anniversary Dance

This was a very special occasion, with older members as well as many dancers including the NZ Branch President, Elaine Laidlaw. **See photos on Page 3**

Easter School 2019

A great crowd of dancers enjoyed Easter School at Owaka, South Otago. Quentin and his team did a wonderful job in encouraging dancers from around New Zealand and even a couple from Australia to attend.

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Canterbury Region up coming Events

Caledonian SCD Club Dance

Canterbury Caledonian Society Hall

5 Michelle Road, Wigram

Saturday 4 May 2019, 7.30 p.m.

Cost \$12.00, RSCDS Members \$10.00

Spectators / children \$6.00, JAM Members \$5.00

Programme

J	Come What May	Book 51
R	The White Cockade	Book 5
S	The Haar on Skye	Graded 3
J	Bill Clement MBE	Book 47
R	Trip to Timber Ridge	Book 52
S	The Garry Strathspey	Cosh
J	Best Set in the Hall	Book 46
R	The Meeting of the Waters	Strathday
S	The Minister on the Loch	24G&S Dances
J	The Jubilee Jig	Leaflet
S	Culla Bay	Book 41
R	Mrs MacLeod	Book 6
R	The Piper and the Penguin	Scotia Suite
S	Bill Little's Strathspey	Graded 3
J	Mrs Stewart's Jig	Book 35
S	Balmoral Strathspey	Book 22
R	The Irish Rover	Cosh
J	The White Heather Jig	Cosh

Rangiora SCD Club Dance

St John's Anglican Church Hall

Church Street, Rangiora

Saturday 18 May 2019, 7.30 p.m.

Cost \$10.00, Spectators / children \$5.00

Programme

J	Granville Market	Graded 2
R	The Somerset Children's Reel	Book 51
S	Neidpath Castle	Book 22
J	Red Nose Jig	Graded 2
R	The Lass of Richmond Hill	Graded 2
S	Triple Happiness	Book 52
J	The Wandering Wallaby	Book 50
R	Pluto's Head	Book 51
S	MacDonald of the Isles	Carnforth
J	The Scallywag	Book 52
R	The Kissing Bridge	Book 47
S	There's Something about 30	Book 50
J	The Compleat Gardener	Graded 3
R	Kingussie Flower	Book 21
S	The Water of Leith	Edinburgh 90 th
J	Rodney's Rant	Diamond Jubilee
R	The Castle of Mey	Diamond Jubilee
S	Rainbow Falls	NZ 50 th
J	The Arctophile's Jig	NZ 50 th
R	The Reel of the Royal Scots	RSCDS Leaf

Scottish Society Country Dance Club, 70th Anniversary Dance



Otago Region Easter School, Owaka 2019

