



# May 2024

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## Year End Celebration / Graduation Night -



What an awesome night! This special night celebrated the graduation of our New Dancers, transitioning them to full scale Mainstream Dancers. It truly was a spectacular Red and Black event, with everyone sporting their outfits and the hall filled with Red and Black celebratory décor. Thank you to the convenors – Kathy and Paul Coates, Nancy and Brent Daignault, and Pat and Brian Bishop who along with many wonderful volunteers



organized and hosted the event.

The evening began with a delicious catered meal, followed by delectable desserts. A very special cake decorated with square dancers was provided by Madeleine Armstrong's daughter.



Following dinner, Nancy Daignault was the Master of Ceremonies for the program: Graduates were presented with their completion certificates from their instructor, Glenn Watts, and with their permanent Queens and Jacks badges from the President Couple, Brian and Pat Bishop. Acknowledgement and appreciation gifts were presented to those who had a key role in making this year a success and to those past presidents who contributed greatly to making this club so successful. Next year's executive and committee heads were introduced.



Jerry and Jeanette Thompson Presented with 10 year Pins



Appreciation to our caller Glenn Watts and our cuer Frances Levitt Byler



Presidents Pat and Brian Bishop and Past Presidents Nancy and Brent Daignault



### **Open MIC Night -**

Wheatland Whirlers hosted an 'open mike' night on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> in Strathmore. This was an opportunity for dancers to call a square dance or cue a round dance. Our own Christine Maurette was awesome! And a huge shout-out of appreciation to all the Queens & Jacks who travelled to Strathmore to support Christine. We were represented by 3 squares of dancers – half of the 6 squares who attended.



### **Where can I dance over the Summer?**

Our dance season might be over, but never fear – there are lots of opportunities to enjoy dancing and socializing between now and September. **Keep reading...**

### **The Alberta Tour, Visiting Caller –**

Tim Crawford from Hamilton, Ontario will be in Calgary as part of what is called The Alberta Tour on Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup> (Plus) and Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> (Mainstream). Tim will call in Calgary on Thursday and Friday, in Edmonton on Saturday for 2 dances, and on Sunday in Red Deer. There will be pre-rounds at 7:30 and Squares at 8:00 pm. The dances will be held at **Varsity Community Centre**. Brent and Nancy have tickets for purchase. See the attached poster below.

### **New Graduates Ball –**

**Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**, is a chance to celebrate with other graduates from the area at the Dalhousie Community Centre from 7:30 to 10:00 pm. The Banner Parade starts at 7:15pm. Admission is free, and please wear club colours and indoor shoes.

### **Kinsmen Lotteries 2024 -**

WIN, WIN, WIN – Volunteer to work at the Kinsmen Lottery Booths at the Stampede. Three benefits in one! Contribute your time to earn money for charities in Calgary, raise money for Queens & Jacks, and get free admission to the Stampede Grounds. They are trying to get people to sign up soon so there is an incentive to sign up before May 15<sup>th</sup>. The shifts are 5 to 7 hours long – 2 shifts a day, 3 on special days when they start at 8:00 am. When you sign up please indicate that you are with C& D Square & Round Dancers and that you belong to Queens & Jacks.

[Click here to sign up now!](#)

### **Square Dancing at the Calgary Stampede -**

Bonnie McCauley is again organizing square dance demonstrations at the Calgary Stampede under the auspices of the Western Agricultural Heritage Committee at the Draft Horse Town. Some of us participated 2 years ago when she organized this before. This year the demonstrations will be after 6:00 pm when it is cooler for 1 hour, and she is going to organize 3 demonstrations. People who commit to dancing the 3 times will be issued a 10 - day free pass to the grounds, and those who commit for 1 day will be given a 1 day pass. Joe Uebelacker will be the caller. Bonnie's email address is [bonnie.mccauley@auarts.ca](mailto:bonnie.mccauley@auarts.ca) .



## Can you help? -

Nancy and Brent are looking for people to put up 'banners over the road' for the C&D Promotions Committee. The banners need to go up on June 2<sup>nd</sup> after 10:00 am and be taken down on Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> before noon. We will give a workshop on how to do it. nancy.daignault@telusplanet.net or 403-660-1353.

## National Square Dance Festival, Calgary -

It's getting closer!!! Brent and Nancy would like to thank everyone for the great response to their request for volunteers for the National Festival 2024 this July at the Glenmore Inn. Planning is well underway for a very exciting few days with many visitors from all over Canada and beyond. The logo wear is awesome and can be ordered through Nancy and Brent. nancy.daignault@telusplanet.net or 403-660-1353.

## Mark Your Calendars for Future Events –

- Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, New Graduates Ball, Dalhousie Community Centre, 7:30 - 10pm.
- Tuesdays in May, Western Squares are holding dances at the Winston Heights Community Centre, 7 - 9:30 pm.
- Rockyview Ramblers Mainstream workshops in May, Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup>, and Mondays May 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>. See attached poster.
- Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the C&D Annual BBQ, Winston Heights Community Centre, 4-9 pm. See attached poster.
- C&D Summer Dances will happen on the following Tuesdays at Winston Heights Community Centre, \$7.50 per person.
  - June 11<sup>th</sup> (hosted by Queens & Jacks), June 18<sup>th</sup>, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 - 9:30 pm
  - August 6<sup>th</sup>, August 13<sup>th</sup>, August 20<sup>th</sup>, August 27<sup>th</sup>, introductory dance 6:30 - 7:30 pm (FREE for new dancers), followed by Mainstream 7:30 - 9:30 pm.
- Our Stampede dance is on Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup> at our home place - the Willowridge Community Centre. There will be pre-rounds at 7:30 and squares at 8:00 pm. We had a great crowd last year with many visitors. See attached poster.
- Wheatland Whirlers:
  - Strathmore Outdoor Summer Dances – Every Wednesday June to August, 2024 INTRO HOUR 7-8 PM; EXPERIENCED 8-9 PM. Try something different, meet new people, and get in some steps.
  - Strathmore Heritage Days Dances - Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> AND Saturday August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Two callers. Rounds @ 7 pm, Mainstream Squares @ 7:30 - 9:30 pm. \$7 per Person per Dance. Westmount School Gym, 220 Wheatland Trail, STRATHMORE



## Looking ahead to September –

A huge thank you to all that completed the survey. The results helped very much as the executive discussed what direction to take with next year's schedule. The decision was made to trial a new schedule next fall.

Lessons for our new dancers will continue on Monday evenings starting September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm and continuing to 8:45 pm. The first hour will be review of previous weeks' moves and the last 45 minutes will be introduction of new moves. Recent graduates are encouraged to join us during this time to review and improve. As a graduate, you just pay the nightly fee for each evening you attend.

Mainstream dances will now be held on Mondays, following the lessons, beginning at 8:45 p.m. and continuing to 10 p.m. Mainstream dancers will have option to only attend the Mainstream part or to come earlier and attend the lessons as Square Angels, either for the entire lesson time or just for the New Teach part beginning at 8:00 p.m. Glenn feels that the New Teach section is where he needs Square Angel assistance.

New Dancers will be welcome to stay and watch the mainstream dancing.

Our Special Mainstream Dances will continue to be held on Friday evenings, with pre-rounds beginning at 7:30 p.m. and Squares starting at 8 p.m.

We will again offer two free introductory nights on Monday, September 9 and Monday, September 16. This is a great opportunity to bring family and friends who might be interested in beginning square dancing.

Please see attached 2024-2025 Dance Schedule.

## Sunshine Committee –

Cards were sent out to Madeleine Armstrong, Denise Watts, and Roger and Tara Vickery.



## Links for you –

Want to review dance moves? Do you want brush up on some mainstream moves? Learn a new one? Catch up on ones you missed? This is the #1 recommended website.

<https://videosquaredancelessons.com/lessons/#mainstream>

Check our website, [www.queensandjacks.com](http://www.queensandjacks.com), on the "Programs" page to see a full list of the mainstream moves.

Want to see events for Calgary and District?

<https://www.squaredancecalgary.com>

Looking forward to seeing you across the square,

**Pat and Brian Bishop**  
**Presidents**



### Queens & Jacks Dance Schedule 2024-2025

		<b>Monday</b> <b>7:00 – 8:45 New Dancer Lessons</b> <b>8:45 – 10:00 Mainstream Dance</b>	<b>Friday Mainstream Special Event</b> <b>7:30 – Pre-Rounds</b> <b>8:00 – Squares</b>
September	9	Invitational	
	16	Invitational	
	23	Lessons & Mainstream	
	30	Lessons & Mainstream	
October	7	Lessons & Mainstream	
	11		<b>Harvest Moon</b>
	14	NO DANCE	
	21	Lessons & Mainstream	
	28	Lessons & Mainstream	
November	4	Lessons & Mainstream	
	11	Lessons & Mainstream	
	18	Lessons & Mainstream	
	22		<b>Get Acquainted</b>
	25	Lessons & Mainstream	
December	2	Lessons & Mainstream	
	9	Lessons & Mainstream	
	16	Lessons & Mainstream	
	20		<b>Christmas Party</b>
January	6	Lessons & Mainstream	
	13	Lessons & Mainstream	
	20	Lessons & Mainstream	
	24		<b>Loonies &amp; Toonies</b>
	27	Lessons & Mainstream	
February	3	Lessons & Mainstream	
	10	Lessons & Mainstream	
	17	NO DANCE	
	24	Lessons & Mainstream	
March	3	Lessons & Mainstream	
	10	Lessons & Mainstream	
	14		<b>Spring Fling</b>
	17	Lessons & Mainstream	
	24	Lessons & Mainstream	
	31	Lessons & Mainstream	
April	7	Lessons & Mainstream	
	14	Lessons & Mainstream	
	21	Lessons & Mainstream	
	25		<b>Year End Celebration</b>
July	12		<b>Stampede Dance (Saturday)</b>



**Queens & Jacks Square Dance Club**

# **Stampede Dance**

**Willow Ridge Community Centre  
680 Acadia Drive SE**

**Saturday, July 13th, 2024**

**Caller – Glenn Watts  
Cuer – Frances Levitt Byler**

**Pre-Rounds – 7:30 pm  
Mainstream Dance – 8:00 pm**

**\$7.50 per person or \$15.00 per couple**

**Stampede Casual, of course!**

**Please bring your own water bottle.**

# CALGARY



Featuring  
**Tim  
Crawford**  
Burlington, ON

**PLUS: Thursday, MAY 2**

**MAINSTREAM: Friday, MAY 3**

**ROUNDS: 7:30pm & every 2<sup>nd</sup> tip**

**SQUARES: 8-10pm**

## **Varsity Community Hall**

**4303 Varsity Drive NW, Calgary**

(Note: No street shoes on dance floor)

**ADVANCE TICKETS: \$10 per Dance OR \$15 for BOTH Dances**

**AT THE DOOR: \$14 per Dance OR \$23 for BOTH Dances**

Tickets Available from C&D Reps

or Al Moody 403-256-8738 [almoody@nucleus.com](mailto:almoody@nucleus.com)

**\*\* Tim Will Also Be Calling In \*\***

**EDMONTON** – [www.communitydance.net](http://www.communitydance.net)

**PLUS 2pm & MAINSTREAM 7:30pm, Saturday, May 4**

**RED DEER** – Contact Al Turton 403-845-3579

**ROUNDS 1:30pm, MAINSTREAM 2:00-4:30pm, Sun. May 5**

## **ABOUT TIM**

Tim started dancing when he was 8 years old and called for the first time at the age of ten. He calls Basic thru to C2 and is a recording artist.

Tim is an international caller appearing at festivals and special events across Canada, most of the United States, Europe and Japan.

He served on the CALLERLAB Board of Governors for 10 years on various committees and the executive. He is a Caller Coach, instructing at numerous caller schools, the most recent in Germany.

For Tim, calling is an incredible opportunity to meet, get to know and work with wonderful people.

**For dancers, Tim's quick wit, sense of humor and engaging choreography makes him a pleasure to dance to.**





# Graduates Ball

Friday, May 10, 2024

**7:25 pm Club Banner Parade**

**7:30-10 pm Square Dance**

**\* CUE STEPS CLUB Round Dance Demo \***

**DALHOUSIE COMMUNITY HALL**

**5432 Dalhart Road NW, Calgary**

**\*\* FREE Admission \*\***



**Note: Banner Parade forms at 7:15 pm.  
Two people per club banner. Bring own hangers.**

**Hosted by**

**CALGARY & DISTRICT SQUARE & ROUND DANCERS ASSOCIATION**

**Al & Carol Moody [almoody@nucleus.com](mailto:almoody@nucleus.com) 403-256-8738**



# WESTERN SQUARE DANCE CLUB

## FILL THE HALL

**DATE:** May 7, 14, 21, 2024 7:30

**PRICE:** \$7.00 per person

**WHERE:** Winston Heights Community Hall  
520 – 27 Avenue NE  
Calgary, Alberta

**CALLER:** Lorne & Barb Smith

WELCOME TO ALL SQUARE DANCERS. NEW GRADS INCLUDED.

SNACKS AND BEVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED!



Rockyview  
Ramblers  
May '24  
Mainstream  
Workshops

Wednesday May 8,  
Monday May 13,  
20, 27, 2024

7:00 – 9:00 PM  
\$8 per/person

Nose Creek Valley  
Museum  
1701 Main St SW  
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SQUARE  
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EMAIL: [RVR@TELUS.NET](mailto:RVR@TELUS.NET)  
PHONE: (403) 293-0033

*Rockyview Ramblers Square Dance Club*

<https://www.facebook.com/RockyviewRamblers>



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ASSOCIATION PRESENTS



## ANNUAL BAR B QUE AND DANCE

**WHEN:** SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024  
DOORS OPEN AT 4:00 P.M.  
DINNER AT 5:00 P.M.  
DANCING FROM 6:30 TO 8:30 P.M.

**WHERE:** WINSTON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTRE  
520 27<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE N.E.  
CALGARY, ALBERTA

**COST:** 15.00 PER DANCER  
INCLUDES: MEAL PROVIDED BY C&D  
ADMISSION TO DANCE

**CALLER:** TOM DAKERS

### WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING:

YOUR CHOICE OF A DESSERT OR SALAD  
YOUR DANCING SHOES  
A SMILE

- C&D will provide pulled pork or chicken on a bun, baked brown beans, plates, cutlery and cups.
- C&D will provide coffee and tea. All other beverages must be brought by the dancer.
- Tickets will be on sale until noon on Thursday, May 30, 2024.  
Tickets will not be available at the door.
- For further information please contact Al Moody by phone at 403-256-8738 or by email at [almoody@nucleus.com](mailto:almoody@nucleus.com)



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YOU'RE INVITED  
EVERY WEDNESDAY!



**FREE!** *Summer  
Square  
Dancing*

JUNE to AUGUST, 2024  
INTRO HOUR 7-8PM; EXPERIENCED 8-9PM  
KINSMEN PARK PAVILION  
1 PARK LANE DRIVE, STRATHMORE

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ANY Wednesday or EVERY Wednesday  
Make Dancing Part Of Your Summer!



Easy! Step-by-step instruction by qualified dance instructor. For all ages. Singles, couples, teens, families.

Most often heard comment,  
*"I had no idea square dancing is THIS much fun!"*

Enjoy the outdoors, meet new people and get in some steps.

For more information:  
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EMAIL: [strathmoresquaredance@gmail.com](mailto:strathmoresquaredance@gmail.com)  
WEBSITE: [www.StrathmoreSquareDance.com](http://www.StrathmoreSquareDance.com)



# TUESDAY SUMMER DANCES 2024



**WINSTON HEIGHTS HALL**  
**520 – 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE**  
**\$7.50 / Person**



**JUNE DANCES - 7:30 to 9:30 pm (no Intro Hour)**

**AUGUST DANCES - 6:30 to 9:30 pm (free Intro Hour)**

**6:30-7:30pm** – Intro to Square Dancing sponsored by C&D Promotion Committee.

**7:30-9:30pm** – Dance level is Mainstream (or to the level of the floor).

Rounds between tips at Caller's discretion.

**These Summer Dances are intended to give new graduates and experienced dancers an opportunity to improve their square dance skills.**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>HOST CLUB</b>	<b>CALLER</b>
June 11	Queens & Jacks	Glenn Watts
June 18	Rockyview Ramblers	David Symington
June 25	Western Squares	Lorne Smith
August 6	Wheatland Whirlers	Dave Littlefair
August 13	Banff Trailers	Lorne Smith
August 20	Dots & Dashers	Tom Dakers
August 27	Calgary & District	Joe Uebelacker

**Calgary & District**  
**Square & Round Dancers Association**



# STRATHMORE AUGUST LONG

Gary & Eileen  
Smith

Edmonton



**Yahoo!!**  
TWO Callers!  
TWO Dances!  
DOUBLE the FUN!!

Dave & Claudia  
Littlefair

Strathmore



**FRIDAY  
AUGUST 2**



**SATURDAY  
AUGUST 3**

**ROUNDS @ 7PM**

**MAINSTREAM SQUARES @ 7:30-9:30PM**

**\$7 per Person per Dance**

**Westmount School Gym**

220 Wheatland Trail, STRATHMORE

*DIRECTIONS: On Hwy #1 East, left at 2nd set of lights onto Wheatland Trail.  
North two blocks. School is on LHS.*

**CAMPERS WELCOME!**

**\*\* Free Dry Camping at Westmount School \*\***

## ENJOY STRATHMORE'S WEEKEND RODEO



- **SATURDAY MORNING PARADE - 9AM**  
*Watch for our Club Float and the Horsin' Around Square Dance Riders.*
- Rodeo & Fairgrounds (Afternoons)
- Running of the Bulls & Chuckwagons (Evenings)
- For more information or tickets visit  
<http://strathmoreag.com/rodeo>

Contact: Dixie 403-901-5605 [www.StrathmoreSquareDance.com](http://www.StrathmoreSquareDance.com)