

Ebruary 2025

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Change of Schedule -

Looking to the future, we have had to change our Stampede Dance date. Our caller Glenn and many dancers will be participating in the Calgary Stampede Grandstand each of the Stampede days, so our dance scheduled for Saturday July 12th has been moved to Saturday July 19th. We're calling it the "Stampede Wind Down" for this year. See the attached **Revised Dance Schedule** below.

New Dancer Special Dances -

These dances are specifically for New Dancers from all clubs. All calls will be at the level that the New Dancers have learned so far. Many Mainstream dancers will also be there. This is an excellent opportunity to meet other new dancers from other clubs and dance to other callers who bring their own style to square dancing.

1. Calgary Callers Association is hosting a New Dancers Ball on Sunday Feb 2nd, 2-4pm at McDougall United Church. After the dance, an invitation to all Queens and Jacks to come to the Carriage House for dinner, at individual expense. Nancy is



organizing a reservation, so please let her know if you would like to be included.

2. Rockyview Ramblers Square Dance Club New Dancers Jamboree is on Sunday February 23rd, 2:30-4:30pm. Potluck to follow.

See individual posters for details.

Snacks -

Would those of you whose last names begin with the letters **Q** through **Z** please bring snacks for our Monday nights for the month of February.



Casino Volunteers -

The C & D Casino fundraising event was a great success, largely due to the volunteers and fundraiser coordinators that made it happen. A big Thank You goes out to all involved. This event is very important to all the C & D clubs, so thank you for volunteering your time.

Club Volunteers were:

Nancy & Brent D Kathy & Paul C Christine & Neal M Bonnie C



Nominations for Next Year -

If you see Nancy and Brent wearing train name badges at dances it is because they are **railroading** for people to fill volunteer positions for our Executive and Committee Heads for the upcoming dance season - 2025-2026.



If you can believe it, there are 16 Executive positions and 15 committee members that keep our club viable and running smoothly. There are currently 26 people volunteering for these positions - several people hold more than one position.

For the upcoming dance season, we are looking for volunteers to fill 6 of those positions, which are: President, Vice President, Director, Assistant Treasurer, Coffee Coordinator, and some people to work on the Promotions and Recruitment committee. Purpose and responsibility statements for each position are summarized below. Nancy and Brent have full position documents for you to view.

President: to foster positive relationships within the club, with other clubs, with the Calgary & District Square & Round Dancers Association, and in the community.

Vice-President: to assume the President's role in their absence and to share the President's workload.

Director: to support and advise the Executive committee.

Assistant Treasurer: to assume the duties of the Treasurer in their absence.

Coffee Coordinator: This will be a new position and will coordinate the making and setting up of coffee, tea, and water at Monday night lessons and dances.

Promotions and Recruitment: to promote square dancing with the intent of recruiting new dancers for Queens & Jacks.

Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. Without a full slate of Executive members and committee heads we will be a diminished club. We aim to be a strong and viable club and we need these positions filled.







Lets go Visiting -

Queens & Jacks have organized a series of visitations to other square dance clubs in the area for the 2024 - 2025, and we would love for you to join us as we visit these other clubs. It's a great opportunity to meet fellow dancers, support other clubs, and of course, have a fantastic time dancing together. Since we are visiting on behalf of the Queens & Jacks, **Red** and **Black** club colours are recommended unless you're dressing for the theme of the dance.



Visitation Schedule

- Feb 8 (Sat) Valentine's Dance, Dots & Dashers
- Mar 21 (Fri) Spring Colours, Rockyview Ramblers
- Mar 30 (Sun) Wearing of the Green, Wheatland Whirlers

<u>Queens & Jacks Visitation Sign Up Sheet</u> As the dance date approaches, we'll discuss meeting for drinks, a meal and/or car pooling. We appreciate your support in making these events successful and fun for everyone!

Loonies & Toonies Dance -

Our next Special Dance is our charity dance – the Loonies & Toonies dance where we collect donations for the Alzheimer's Calgary Society. The Society is extremely pleased that we have selected them as our charity of choice for this year. They will be bring a display and give a short presentation.

The dance will also be extra special as we are having TWO callers for the evening – our own Glenn and our guest caller Dave Littlefair.

We expect to have several guests as C&D has designated this dance as a "Fill the Hall" night and is encouraging all clubs to attend our special night.

Please gather up your loonies & toonies and join us for a night of fun and fundraising.



Let's Dance Together -

C&D has re-introduced "Fill the Hall" dance evenings. They also have selected one dance for each of the clubs as a "Fill the Hall" evening and are encouraging all dancers to visit the same club on the same night.

QUEENS & JACKS Loonies & Toonies Dance is the designated "Fill the Hall" dance for February.

See all the details for this and other "Fill the Hall" dances in attached poster.



Upcoming Dances at Other Clubs -

See attached poster for:

- Feb 8 (Sat) Valentine's Dance, <u>Dots & Dashers</u>
- Feb 21 (Fri) Pizza Party and Dance, <u>Banff Trailers</u>

Get full information for these dances at https://www.squaredancecalgary.com/admin/events

Queens & Jacks at Winter Weekend Special -

Our club members were out in force on Jan 25th with Gary Winter calling. Several members also attended the Plus dance on Sunday afternoon.





Annual Alberta Provincial Convention -

The Annual Alberta Square & Round Dance Federation (ASRDF) Convention: LACOMBE. ALBERTA. CANADA

August 29 - September 1, 2025

All events including the Friday Trail-in are included with your registration.

Friday, August 29 – Evening Trail-in dance Saturday August 30 – Morning, Afternoon, and Evening dancing Sunday August 31 – Morning Church and Memorial Service, Afternoon and Evening dancing, with a Themed After-party Monday September 1 – Morning Trail-out dance

See webpage for registration form and recommendations for accommodation: www.communitydance.net

The Next National Festival 2026 -

We had such a great time here in Calgary - let's start planning for Penticton!



Canadian Square & Round Dance Society Festival 2026 24th National Festival, July 15th - 18th, 2026 Penticton Trade and Convention Centre 273 Power Street, Penticton, BC V2A 7K9

Festival Email: <u>Festival2026Finance@gmail.com</u> Website: www.squaredance.bc.ca/festival2026





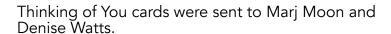


With Sadness -

It is with great sadness to learn that Calgary Caller Joe Uebelacker passed away on Sunday, January 26, 2025. Joe had been calling for over 25 years throughout North America and the South Pacific He called all levels from beginner through C4.

Sunshine Committee -

Thank You cards were sent to Theresa Roy, and to Shirley and Greg King for donations to the club.





Get Well cards were sent to Lisette Clarke, Tim Mahoney, Tom Hutchinson, Michael Doyle, and Alex Moon. Be careful out there!

A Sympathy card was sent to Gail Uebelacker and Family.

Links for you -

Want to Review Dance Moves? – Do you want to 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

Want to see events for Calgary and District? https://www.squaredancecalgary.com

See you across the square!

Pat and Brian Bishop Presidents





Queens & Jacks Dance Schedule 2024-25

Monday:Lesson 7-8:45, M/S 8:45-10

Special Dance: Prerounds 7:30, Mainstream 8:00

Month	Day	Monday Dances	Friday Dances	Dance Times
November		4 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		11 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		18 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		22	Get Aquainted	7:00 -10:00
		25 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
December		2 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		9 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		13	Christmas Party	6:30 - 10:00
January		6 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		13 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		20 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		27 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
February		3 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		10 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		15	Loonie Toonie	7:30-10:00
		24 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
March		3 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		10 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		15	Spring Fling	7:30-10:00
		17 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		24 Lessons & Mainstream	AGM 6:30	7-8:45, 8:45-10
		31 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
April		7 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		14 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		21 Lessons & Mainstream		7-8:45, 8:45-10
		25	Year End Celebration	6:00 - 10:00
July		19	Stampede Wind-Down Dance	7:30-10



Queens & Jacks Square Dance Club



Saturday, February 15, 2025

All donations going to Alzheimer Calgary

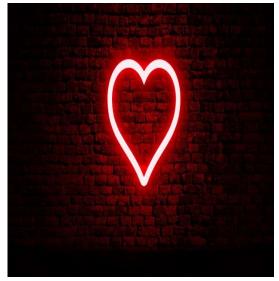
Canyon Meadows Community Centre 848 Cantabrian Drive SW

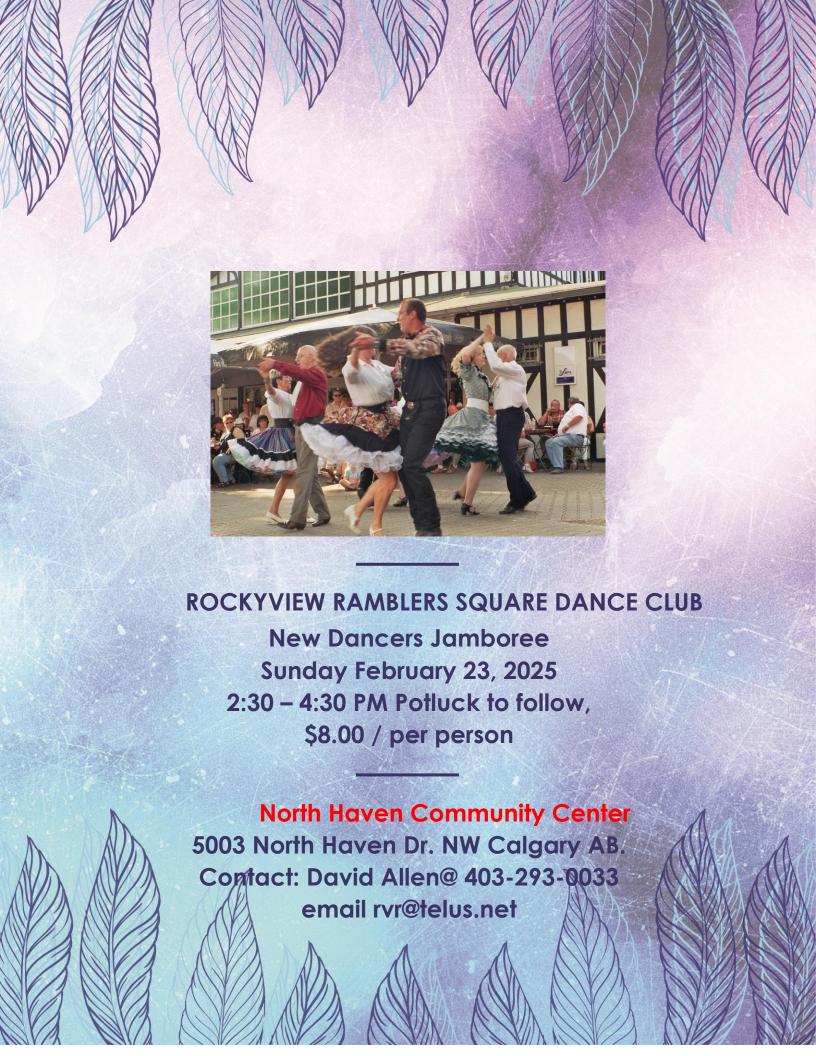
All Singing Calls, All Night Long

Caller – Glenn Watts
Guest Caller – Dave Littlefair
Cuer – Frances Levitt Byler



Rounds – 7:30 pm Mainstream – 8:00 pm \$7.50 per person







FILL-the-HALL 2025

- ★ WESTERN SQUARES Monday, January 13 Winston Heights Community Hall, 520 – 27 Avenue NE, Calgary Mainstream 7:30—9:30pm; \$7/person
- ★ ROCKYVIEW RAMBLERS Friday, January 31
 North Haven Community Hall, 5003 North Haven Drive NW, Calgary
 Lessons 7-8:30pm; Mainstream 8:30-10pm; \$8/person
- ★ QUEENS & JACKS Saturday, February 15
 Canyon Meadows Community Hall, 848 Cantabrian Drive SW, Calgary
 Pre-Rounds 7:30pm; Mainstream 8-10pm; \$7.50/person
- ★ WHEATLAND WHIRLERS Sunday, March 30 Westmount School Gym, 220 Wheatland Trail, Strathmore Pre-Rounds 2pm; Mainstream 2:30-4:30pm; \$7/person
- ★ DOTS & DASHERS Saturday, April 12 Sunalta Hall, 1627 — 10 Avenue SW, Calgary Pre-Rounds - 7:30pm; Mainstream — 8-10pm; \$7.50/person
- ★ COCHRANE WILD ROSE Monday, April 21
 Seniors on the Bow Auditorium 2nd floor
 Spray Lakes Sports Centre, 800 Griffith Road E. Cochrane
 Mainstream 7-9pm; \$8/person

Let's Dance TOGETHER! VISIT the SAME Club at the SAME Time



VENUES

Lacombe **Memorial Centre**

5214 50 Ave, Lacombe





Kozy Korner Community Centre

5024 53 St, Lacombe **Choreographed Ballroom**



KEY DISTANCES

Banff, AB 292 km southwest					
Calgary YYC Airport 161 km south					
Crossiron Mills Mall 152 km south					
Edmonton YEG Airport 100 km north					
Jasper, AB417 km northwest					
West Edmonton Mall135 km north					
Kozy Korner (across the street)150 meters					

ENJOY LOCAL HIDDEN GEMS

Lacombe Golf & Country Club **Kraay Family Farm Gull Lake Honey Company** Blacksmith Shop Museum

World's Largest Fishing Lure Ellis Nature Centre Michener House Museum Farmers Market



Register today at: www.communitydance.net





Alberta Square & Round Dance Federation

55th Annual Convention 2025 Lacombe, Alberta

Square Dancing, Choreographed Ballroom, Clogging

August 29 - September 1, 2025







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2025 SCHEDULE

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REGISTRATION FEES

Package includes all dances including Trail-In and Convention Name Badge

•	Adult Early-registration (before June 30/25)	\$75.00
•	Adult Registration (after June 30/25)	\$85.00
•	Youth ≤17 Early-registration (before June 30/25)	\$25.00
•	Youth ≤17 Registration (after June 30/25)	\$30.00
•	Family Rate: 2 adults and 2 or more youth	\$200.00



Visit the website for complete registration details.



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ACCOMMODATIONS

LOCAL LACOMBE ACCOMMODATIONS

(Speak to the hotel directly for best rates.)

Best Western Plus Lacombe Inn & Suites, 4751 – 63 Street, Lacombe T4L 1K7, 1-403-782-3535

Travelodge by Wyndham Lacombe, 5402 Highway 2A, Lacombe T4L 1A9, 1-403-782-7826

Lacombe Motor Inn, 5136 Highway 2A, Lacombe T4L1Y8, 1-403-782-2424 **Country Club Inn**, 6205 – 50 Avenue, Lacombe T4L 1K7 1-403-782-7878 **50th Avenue House Bed & Breakfast**, 5424 – 50th Avenue, Lacombe T4L 1N5, 1-403-782-4264

Elizabeth View Bed & Breakfast, 37 Wildrose Street, Rosedale Valley, Lacombe T4L 1Y4 1-403-782-3407

There are numerous other properties in nearby communities all within 8 to 23 minutes drive from the dance venue.



The City of Lacombe operates **Michener Park Campground** with 37 sites including power, picnic tables, shower & washroom facilities. There is an onsite manager to handle your registration. Open for reservations after May 1, 2025, Phone 1-403-782-2268.

Nearby area campgrounds all within 8 to 23 minutes drive from the dance venue:

Blackfalds All Star Park 403-885-4039 Blackfalds Wapiti Campground 403-598-1537 Red Deer Lions Campground 403-342-8183



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