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Message from the President Couple

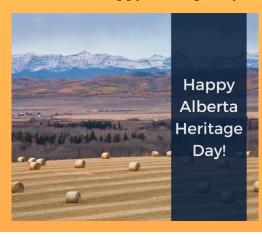
As the days are long and summer is in full swing, we're thrilled to bring you a newsletter packed with exciting recaps, upcoming events, and opportunities to connect. We truly believe there's something for everyone in this edition, whether you're a seasoned dancer or curious about dipping your toes into the wonderful world of square dancing!

First off, let's raise a collective cheer for our fantastic Grandstand Show Performance group! They truly shone on stage and, thankfully, stayed dry throughout their performances. If you missed them, don't fret - you might just catch them in action at an upcoming event! And speaking of celebrations, a huge thank you to Julie and Brian for orchestrating a truly "fabulous" Stampede Windup Dance. What a night! Ask Pat and Denis what they were up to as well.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for some fantastic opportunities to socialize and dance! Join us for a laid-back Coffee Time, a night at the Ranchman's, C&D Summer Dances, and our new square dancing season in September. We've been busy spreading the word with MagnetSign boards, posters, community newsletter articles, and online advertising, so here's hoping for a big turnout.

We hope you enjoy reading through all the exciting happenings. Keep dancing, keep smiling, and we look forward to seeing you at our next event!

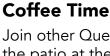
Cheers and Happy Heritage Day - Nancy and Brent Daignault





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Join other Queens & Jacks members for a coffee time on Thursday, August 7th on the patio at the Canyon Meadows Community Centre. From 10 am to 12 noon. Bring your favourite morning beverage and your lawn chairs. Hosted by Fay and Dave Halverson.

Q & J Club Events

Grandstand Show Performance

The Stampede performances at the Grandstand Show went very well. We were lucky enough not to have been rained on even once. If you didn't get a chance to see our square dancers on stage, I hear something is afoot at the C&D Summer Dance on August 12th. Also visit the club website for all the pictures and videos.



Stampede Windup Dance

Thanks to Julie and Brian for organizing a fabulous Stampede Wind Up dance on Saturday, July 19th. We had lots of dancers – 5 squares for most of the night – there were 44 people in total which included 19 visitors. Glenn called and provided round dancing for the evening. The event ended with strawberries and ice cream.









Queens & Jacks C&D Summer Dance

Our club is hosting the C&D Summer Dance and Intro Hour on Tuesday, August 12th at Winston Heights Community Centre. If you can come early – say 6:30 – it would be helpful to have some Square Angels to help with the new people during the Intro Hour. Consider bringing family members or friends to try square dancing. The Mainstream Dance goes from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. The cost is \$7.50 per person at the door. The Grandstand Show group are going to be performing their numbers between the Intro Hour and the Mainstream dance to show how much fun square dancing can be.

September Start-Up Info

Our September 'start up' will begin with two free 'try it' nights on September 8th and 15th. The evenings will begin at 7:00 pm and we will have instruction and dancing from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. This is an opportunity to invite friends and family to try out square dancing with our club. Not only are these dances free for people who come to try out square dancing – they are free for Queens & Jacks members as well! We will follow the evening with a Mainstream demonstration, and coffee and treats. If you can, please bring a small snack to share.

We have promoted these events with three MagnetSign boards in the area, a poster blitz, a message on the Canyon Meadows sign, an article in the Canyon Meadows community newsletter, and advertising on the internet. Thanks to all who will put up posters in their neighbourhoods – remember to post them after August 25th.

Our lessons programme will start on September 22nd.

Membership and Payment for the coming year

If you want to get a jump on fall, you are welcome to submit your 2025/26 membership fee, which remains at \$15 per person. E-transfers can be sent to treasurerqueensandjacks@gmail.com. Registration forms will be available at the September dances.



Save the Date - Square Dancing at Ranchman's

Thursday September 11th, 5:00 to 7:30 pm. Murielle has been communicating with the Ranchman's and has booked a dance time on this date. Glenn will call and tips will be interspersed with line dancing led by Murielle. We intend to attract new members for all clubs. Please mark this date on your calendar and further details will follow in the September Fanout.

C & D Events



Upcoming C&D Events

Upcoming C&D Summer Dances take place at Winston Heights Community Centre beginning August 5th. Each evening begins at 6:30 with an Intro Hour followed by a Mainstream dance. The clubs hosting the dances are as follows –

August 5th Dots & Dashers

August 12th Us (Q&J)

August 19th Banff Trailers

August 26th Rockyview Ramblers and Cochrane Wild Rose Squares

Wheatland Whirlers will be holding their annual August Long Weekend dances on August 1st and 2nd at Westmount School in Strathmore. Dances begin at 7:00 pm with Rounds, and 7:30 to 9:30 for Mainstream. The cost is \$7.00 per person at the door for experienced dancers. If you attend the parade on Saturday at 9:00 am – park at the school and walk east towards the noise/people – there is a breakfast afterwards at Ian and Wilma's home. You can also pre-purchase tickets for the Rodeo any afternoon, and the running of the bulls and chuckwagon races in the evening on Sunday.

And remember that Wheatland Whirlers dance outdoors every Wednesday night at the Kinsmen Pavillion in Strathmore, 1 Park Lane Drive, 7 - 9pm.

ASRDF Events

Alberta Convention 2025 in Lacombe, Alberta August 29th to September 1st, 2025



For registration information and other details, go to https://www.communitydance.net/convention2025.html





National Events



The 24^{th} Canadian National Square, Round and Clog Dance Festival is being held next summer in Penticton, BC. at the Penticton Trade and Convention Centre. July 15^{th} to 18^{th} , 2026.

For registration and other information - https://squaredance.bc.ca/festival2026/

And Finally...

Sudoku Corner

If you like Sudoku, a great online site is https://sudoku.com/medium/

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Sunshine

A congratulations card was sent to Pat and Denis on their marriage.



Do you want to brush up on some Mainstream moves? This is the #1 recommended website:

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

Do you want to check out other C&D events? https://www.squaredancecalgary.com/admin/events/

Cheers,

Brent and Nancy Daignault



Attachments

Q&Js Try-It Poster

Q&Js Registration Form

C&D Summers Dances

Wheatland Whirlers Summer Dances

Wheatland Whirlers August Long Weekend Activities





Today's Square Dancing

Mondays September 8th and 15th
7:00 to 9:00 pm

Canyon Meadows Community Centre 848 Cantabrian Drive SW

- o No Partner Required
- No Experience Necessary

Queens & Jacks Square Dance Club www.queensandjacks.com queensandjackspromotions@gmail.com



Queens & Jacks Square Dance Club Registration Form – 2025 - 2026

Name/	's:
Addres	ss:
Email a	address/es:
Phone	number/s:
Emerge	ency Contact Information:
Name:	
Phone	number/s:
•	The Club may use photographs or videos that I/we appear in for promotional purposes including social media. The above personal information will be added to our Club directory which is distributed to Club members.
Signatı	ure/s:
Dated:	
Paid:	Date Payment Method

SOUARE DANCE
DANCE
ROUND DANCES Association

Complimentary

INTRO HOUR

6:30-7:30p

Tuesdays

August 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th

Winston Heights Hall 520 – 27 Avenue NE Calgary

<u>promotion@squaredancecalgary.com</u></u> www.squaredancecalgary.com

NO Partner Needed • NO Experience Required



TUESDAY SUMMER DANCES 2025



WINSTON HEIGHTS HALL 520 – 27th 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.

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.

DATE	HOST CLUB	CALLER
June 17	Calgary & District	Tom Dakers
June 24	Wheatland Whirlers	Dave Littlefair
JULY	NO SUMMER DANCES	N/A
August 5	Dots & Dashers	Tom Dakers
August 12	Queens & Jacks	Glenn Watts
August 19	Banff Trailers	Lorne Smith
August 26	Rocky View Ramblers/	David Symington
	Wild Rose, Cochrane	

Calgary & District
Square & Round Dancers Association



Outdoor Summer Square Square Dancing

WEDNESDAYS, 7-9pm JUNE, JULY, AUGUST

KINSMEN PARK PAVILION
1 PARK LANE DRIVE, STRATHMORE

7-8pm "INTRO HOUR" (when needed).
INVITE your family and friends to
try out our amazing activity!

8-9pm - MAINSTREAM



Questions or More Information:

CALL: Dave 403-620-5131

EMAIL: claudia.littlefair@gmail.com

ANY Wednesday or EVERY Wednesday, Make Dancing Part Of Your Summer.

Gary & Eileen Smith



Edmonton

Yanoo:
Two Callers!
Two Dances!
OUBLE the FUN!

Dave & Claudia Littlefair



Strathmore





SATURDAY AUGUST 2

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 WECOME!

** 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. Complimentary Breakfast Sandwiches at Ian & Wilma's following the parade.
- 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