



# Queens & Jacks Square Dance Club

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2025

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## Message from the President Couple

**W**e have another packed issue of the Fan Out for you this month. Plenty of club news, calendar updates, and upcoming dances near and far. Pay particular attention to the Important Club Stuff that leads this issue. If you have further questions about what this all means, we'd be happy to explain.

Our new dancers are now well underway with their 2<sup>nd</sup> lesson night behind them. We have a strong group this year and soon they'll be challenging our Square Angels to keep up.

Cheers,  
Nancy and Brent Daignault

(First Try It Night)





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## Q & J Club Events

### Important Club Stuff

There is no dancing this month on October 6<sup>th</sup> – because the hall is being used for Advance Polls for the municipal elections – and October 13<sup>th</sup> because it is Thanksgiving Monday.

Paul Coates checked with Wild Rose Squares in Cochrane, and they are dancing on October 6<sup>th</sup> so suggested that we go out to visit them on the 6<sup>th</sup>. We should carpool out there.

ALSO IMPORTANT – We have been talking a bit about how the moves in the Mainstream programme are going to change. CALLERLAB, the international body that governs square dancing, has voted to decrease the number of moves that make up the Mainstream programme and increase the number of moves in the Plus programme – which is the programme that follows Mainstream. The programme is attached below and will officially begin in September 2026.

As an Executive and Board of Directors we voted in September, with Glenn's encouragement, to try an experiment on October 27<sup>th</sup> and November 24<sup>th</sup> during the Mainstream dance time – 8:45 to 9:30 pm – to learn some Plus moves.

As for Round dancing – Glenn has committed to have a round dance on the third Monday of the month (October 20<sup>th</sup> and November 17<sup>th</sup>), and for the first ½ hour of our special events.

### Past Club Activities

#### Try It Night at the Ranchman's



What a great evening of square dancing and line dancing we had at Ranchman's on Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>! Glenn taught and called the square dancing and our own Murielle Clements taught and led the line dancing. What a good pair they made. It is very unusual to have a square dance activity in a bar

because square dancing has always been a 'dry' activity. But Murielle and Glenn, and the group of dancers who danced in the Stampede Grandstand show, had a vision of how we could reach out to introduce a whole new group of people to our activity. And it worked! There were 9 squares on the dance floor for the first session and 7 squares on the floor for the second session. People were interested and

excited about learning square dancing. It was such a successful night that Ranchman's would like to have us back! We'll keep you posted.

### Canyon Meadows "Stampede in September" Event

On Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> about 20 Q&J dancers put on a square dance demonstration at the annual Canyon Meadows "Stampede in September" event. Glenn was unable to be there so he recorded 3 singing calls and that worked well. Christine introduced our club to the crowd.



### Queens & Jacks Try It Nights

We held our own Try It Nights on September 15<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. There were 20 people who came out on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 20 who came out on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. What a great turn out of new people. Word of mouth is still a good way to spread the news about square dancing, but the MagnetSign boards and the internet were also right up there.

So far, **13** people have signed up for our lessons programme. Thanks as always to Square Angels who come out to fill up the squares and offer help and encouragement.

### Upcoming Club Events

#### Harvest Moon Dance – Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

We will be holding our annual Harvest Moon Dance this month. We will begin with Rounds at 7:30 pm with the Mainstream dance at 8:00. Nancy and Brent are convening the dance but are looking for people to help with the decorations and the serving of dessert.

#### SAVE THE DATE – Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>

On Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> we will be holding our annual Get Acquainted Dance. This is an event for everyone – new dancers and club members. This is when we introduce our new dancers to the club and share punch and nibbles together. The

dance will be complimentary for all new dancers – we hope you will be able to attend. Julie will be convening the dance but will need several helpers to help out with decorating and food.

## Square Dance Demonstration for Mantra Arts - November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Mantra Arts is a non-profit organization whose mandate it is to promote arts and culture. This event is to feature dance and music from global communities. They would really like to have a demonstration of square dancing. The organizer would like us to perform twice – once before the intermission and once after. The evening will be held at the BMO Theatre at the Rocky Ridge YMCA. Glenn will be unable to call at this event but has agreed to record some singing calls. This worked really well at the demonstration at Canyon Meadows. As always for a demonstration we need to have 16 to 20 volunteers so that we have 2 squares on the dance floor. If you can commit to this event, please reply to this email. I don't have any more details at the moment regarding dance times.

## Other Q&J Club News

### Membership

Thank you to everyone who has already renewed their membership for this season. For those who have not, the deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>, and the cost remains at \$15. Please renew promptly. There will be a registration form attached to the end of the Fanout. Some people have sent in their money, but not their forms. We require a form every year to ensure we have update contact information, and your permission to publish your personal information in the roster. As well, the form lists your emergency contact person. In the event of an accident, we need to know who to contact. Please make sure you get your forms in too. Drop them off in person or email them to [treasurerqueensandjacks@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerqueensandjacks@gmail.com).

Your membership:

- ensures that you are on our email list for the Club Fanout, our monthly official newsletter, which keeps you current on all the Club news,
- gives you liability insurance in case of an accident/injury while dancing, which is transferable to dancing at other Calgary and district clubs,
- pays for any badges you might receive (Club badge, Square Angel Badge, Long Time Membership badges etc.),
- supports our AMAZING club!!!

Ways to pay besides in person:

- Pay by e-transfer to [treasurerqueensandjacks@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerqueensandjacks@gmail.com).
- Pay by cheque, which can be mailed to Kathy Coates, 216 Sunmount Place SE, Calgary, T2X 1Y2. Please make cheques payable to Queens and Jacks Square Dance Club.



## Snacks

For the month of October would people whose last name begins with the letters A through K please bring a small snack to share. When the evening is over please take home any remaining food, plates, etc.

## Sunshine

A get well/thinking of you card was sent to Denise Watts. Denise is a long time member of Queens & Jacks, and is Glenn's mother.



## C & D Events



### Past Events

#### Introductory Dance Party

The C&D Promotions group held an introductory night on Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at McDougall United Church. There were four squares of people in attendance including several members of Queens & Jacks.

## Events by Other Clubs

### Upcoming Events

There are several events coming up around the city in October:

- The Fancy Double "C" Clogging group has just begun their lessons for the fall season. Clogging is a little like tap dancing but is related to square and round dancing because there is a 'cuer' calling out the moves. It is quite energetic!
- Please remember the dance in memory of Joe Uebelacker on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at the club in Cochrane where he was the caller and teacher. Let us know if you are interested in attending and we will try to arrange carpooling.
- If you are into Halloween, Rockyview Ramblers is holding their annual Halloween Dance on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at North Haven Community Centre.

More details on these opportunities and other Calgary & District dances please see the trifold board.

I have attached a letter and poster from Trish Farrow – a new caller – about the need for Mainstream dancers to help out with a virtual callers' school that Lorne Smith – a senior caller - runs out of his basement. If you can make one or all of the sessions please follow the directions. It's lots of fun and you get to learn some of the inside 'magic' of calling.

## ASRDF Events



### Save the Date - Convention 2026

Hot off the press – next year's annual square dance, round dance and clogging convention will be held on September 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> at the Memorial Centre in Lacombe, Alberta, with the Trail-In Dance on September 4<sup>th</sup>.



For registration information and other details, go to the C&D [website](#).

## National Events



The 24<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Penticton is a tourist destination with many places of interest. Maybe you just want to relax on a beautiful beach, or take a ride on the Kettle Valley Train (there may even be a "robbery" while you are aboard), visit the radio observatory, take a tube ride down the local aqueduct, or visit a local winery to sample the local fare!

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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7		2			3		6	
		8	2	5				
		1	6		7			2
		7			5	9	2	6
9	3		7	2				
6				9		4	7	

## Links

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





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

Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address/es: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency 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.

Signature/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Paid: Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Payment Method \_\_\_\_\_

Queens & Jacks Dance Schedule 2025-2026	
	<b>Monday</b>
	<b>7:00 – 8:30 New Dancer Lessons</b> <b>8:30 – 9:30 Mainstream Dance</b>
Monday, September 8, 2025	INTRODUCTORY FREE 7- 9:00
Monday, September 15, 2025	INTRODUCTORY FREE 7 - 9:00
Monday, September 22, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, September 29, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
<b>Monday, October 6, 2025</b>	<b>NO DANCE</b>
<b>Monday, October 13, 2025</b>	<b>NO DANCE</b>
Monday, October 20, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, October 27, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, November 3, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, November 10, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, November 17, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, November 24, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, December 1, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, December 8, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, December 15, 2025	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, January 5, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, January 12, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, January 19, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, January 26, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, February 2, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, February 9, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
<b>Monday, February 16, 2026</b>	<b>NO DANCE</b>
Monday, February 23, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, March 2, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, March 9, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, March 16, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
<b>Monday, March 23, 2026</b>	<b>AGM, Lessons &amp; Mainstream</b>
Monday, March 30, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, April 6, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, April 13, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream
Monday, April 20, 2026	Lessons & Mainstream

Queens & Jacks Dance Schedule 2025-2026		SPECIAL DANCES
	<b>Club Special Events</b>	<b>Event Time</b>
<b>Saturday, October 18, 2025</b>	<b>Harvest Moon</b>	7:30 - 10:00
<b>Saturday, November 15, 2025</b>	<b>Get Acquainted</b>	6:00 - 10:00
<b>Saturday, December 13, 2025</b>	<b>Christmas Party</b>	6:00 - 10:00
<b>Saturday, February 21, 2026</b>	<b>Loonies &amp; Toonies</b>	7:30 - 10:00
<b>Saturday, March 21, 2026</b>	<b>Spring Fling</b>	7:30 - 10:00
<b>Saturday, April 25, 2026</b>	<b>Year End Celebration</b>	6:00 - 10:00
<b>Saturday, July 11, 2026</b>	<b>Stampede Dance</b>	7:30 - 10:00



# ***Queens & Jacks - New Initiatives***

## **On Mainstream Dance Nights**

Third Monday of the Month –  
October 20<sup>th</sup> and November 17<sup>th</sup>  
Rounds – 8:45 to 9:00

Last Monday of the Month –  
October 27<sup>th</sup> and November 24<sup>th</sup>  
Instruction in Plus Moves – 8:45 to 9:00



# CALLERLAB (NEW) MAINSTREAM PROGRAM

*Effective September 1, 2026*

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1. Arm Turn Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Right/Left Arm Turn</li> <li>b. Allemande Left/Right</li> </ul>  | 24. Pass the Ocean   |
| 2. Bend the Line  | 25. Pass Thru  |
| 3. Box the Gnat   | 26. Promenade Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Couples Promenade</li> <li>b. Single File Promenade</li> <li>c. Star Promenade</li> <li>d. Wrong Way Promenade</li> </ul>   |
| 4. California Twirl   | 27. Recycle (From Waves Only)  |
| 5. Cast Off 3/4   | 28. Right and Left Grand Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Right and Left Grand</li> <li>b. Weave the Ring</li> <li>c. Wrong Way Grand</li> </ul>                           |
| 6. Centers In   | 29. Right and Left Thru  |
| 7. Circle Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Circle Left/Right (1/4, 1/2, 3/4, Full)</li> <li>b. Circle of 4 Left/Right (1/4, 1/2, 3/4, Full)</li> <li>c. Single Circle Left/Right (1/4, 1/2, 3/4, Full)</li> </ul>           | 30. Run / Cross Run  |
| 8. Circulate Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Couples Circulate</li> <li>b. (Named Dancers) Circulate</li> <li>c. All Eight Circulate</li> <li>d. Single File (Column) Circulate</li> <li>e. Box/Split Circulate</li> </ul> | 31. Scoot Back   |
| 9. Courtesy Turn  | 32. Separate Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Separate</li> <li>b. Separate Around 1 or 2 to a Line</li> <li>c. Separate Around 1 or 2 and come into the middle</li> </ul> |
| 10. Dive Thru   | 33. Slide Thru   |
| 11. Dosado  | 34. Spin the Top   |
| 12. Double Pass Thru  | 35. Split Two  |
| 13. Extend  | 36. Square Thru / Left Square Thru   |
| 14. Ferris Wheel  | 37. Star Right / Left  |
| 15. First Couple Go Left/Right,<br>Next Couple Go Right/Left  | 38. Star Thru  |
| 16. Flutterwheel / Reverse Flutterwheel   | 39. Sweep a Quarter  |
| 17. Fold / Cross Fold   | 40. Swing  |
| 18. Grand Square  | 41. Swing Thru / Left Swing Thru   |
| 19. Half Sashay Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Half Sashay</li> <li>b. Rollaway</li> <li>c. Ladies In, Men Sashay</li> </ul>  | 42. Tag the Line Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Tag the Line (In / Out / Left / Right)</li> <li>b. Fraction (1/4, 1/2, 3/4) Tag</li> </ul>                               |
| 20. Hinge Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Single Hinge</li> <li>b. Couples Hinge</li> </ul>  | 43. Touch a Quarter  |
| 21. Ladies Chain Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Ladies Chain / Ladies Chain 3/4</li> <li>b. Four Ladies Chain / Four Ladies Chain 3/4</li> <li>c. Chain Down the Line</li> </ul>  | 44. Trade Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Couples Trade</li> <li>b. (Named Dancers) Trade</li> <li>c. Right/Left Hand Trade</li> <li>d. Partner Trade</li> </ul>          |
| 22. Lead Right/Left   | 45. Trade By   |
| 23. Ocean Wave Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Step to a Wave</li> <li>b. Dosado to a Wave</li> <li>c. Single Circle to a Wave</li> <li>d. Alamo Style</li> <li>e. Balance</li> </ul>                                      | 46. Turn Back Family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. U-Turn Back</li> <li>b. Backtrack</li> </ul>  |
|   | 47. Veer Left/Right  |
|   | 48. Wheel and Deal   |
|   | 49. Wheel Around / Reverse Wheel Around  |
|   | 50. Zoom   |

Queens & Jacks Square Dance Club



Canyon Meadows Community Centre  
848 Cantabrian Drive SW

Caller – Glenn Watts

Pre-Rounds – 7:30 pm

Mainstream Dance – 8:00 pm

\$7.50 per person, \$15 per couple

Please bring your own water bottle



# **Fancy Double “C” Cloggers**

**Fall 2025 Clogging Session**

**Wednesday Evenings**

**September 24 – December 3 (11 classes)**

**Session Cost: \$135.00**

**Winston Heights Community Centre – East Hall**

**520 – 27 Avenue, N.E. Calgary**

**Beginners: 6:45 – 7:30 PM**

**Easy to Easy Intermediate: 7:30 – 8:30 PM**

**Intermediate to Low Advanced: 8:30 – 9:15 PM**

For more information, contact:

**Janet (Rae) Guise**

**[Janet\\_rae@shaw.ca](mailto:Janet_rae@shaw.ca)**



**Joe Uebelacker - Club Caller**

Dancers & Leaders

You are invited to  
join us on

Sunday,

October 19, 2025

2 – 5 pm

Mainstream Dance

\$8.00/person

MC – David Symington

*Let's Dance &  
celebrate Joe's Life*

Seniors on The Bow Auditorium  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Spray Lakes Sports (SLS) Centre

800 Griffin Road East

Cochrane, Alberta





**You're Invited to a**

**HALLOWEEN**

**≈ Dance ≈**

**October 31 8:00 PM**

**5003 North Haven Dr NW**

**Costumes Optional**

**Contact: [RVR@telus.net](mailto:RVR@telus.net)**

**\$8.00 /Person**





September 25, 2025

Dear Club Leader,

On behalf of the Calgary Callers and Cuers Association and the request of Lorne Smith, I am contacting you with an invitation and opportunity for you to share with your experienced dancers.

Lorne Smith is hosting monthly new caller workshops on zoom. The thing that makes these workshops unique is having live dancers on the floor. As far as we know, this is the only caller education online using this approach. There are more than 20 zoom caller participants calling to the floor from Alberta, BC, Saskatchewan, the USA, Australia, and other countries too.

Having 2 squares of live dancers at his home for the zoom workshops is beneficial for the dancers. With 2 full squares dancers can rotate in and out between sections of the teaching. It is a workshop so there is standing in the square as the caller participants work out the exercises. And we definitely enjoy some quiet visiting on the sidelines.

It isn't often we as dancers have a chance to help callers hone their craft. As a new caller myself I can vouch for the value of this support from Lorne and the dancing community.

Dancers are needed for

October 18 Guest instructor Terry Hebert from Fredericton, NB

Nov 16 Guest instructor Steve Edlund from Surrey, BC

Dec 14 Guest instructor TBA

Any dancer interested is encouraged to contact Lorne to participate or find out more about this opportunity.

Email: [l.b.smith@shaw.ca](mailto:l.b.smith@shaw.ca) phone: 403-251-5390

Trish Farrow

Secretary, Calgary Callers and Cuers Association (CCCA)

# **SUPPORT NEW CALLERS**

**ZOOM WORKSHOPS  
YOU'RE INVITED TO BE AN ON THE FLOOR  
DANCER**

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## **DATES**

October 18<sup>th</sup>, November 16<sup>th</sup>, December 14<sup>th</sup>

Dancer spaces are filled as RSVPs are received

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RSVP to Lorne Smith  
403-251-5390  
l.b.smith@shaw.ca