

**Metro Square and Round Dance Association  
General Meeting, Sunday, 6 December 2009**

Sackville Heights Community Centre

**Attendees:**

Don & Carol Scott	Chairman, Central Region Reps
Dottie Welch	Secretary, Metro Matters Editor, Sail Sets
Barry Bendle	Treasurer
Bernard Conrad	Timberlea Twirlers
Bob & Inge Ruohoniemi	National Society

**Regrets:**

Mary Sargeant	Lake City Swingers, Coordinators
Jim and Pat Briggs	Publicity, Stardusters

1. Welcome: Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by Don Scott
2. Adoption of the Agenda:  
Motion to approve as circulated by Carol, 2nd Bernard, passed
3. Minutes of 27 September 2009  
Motion to approve as circulated by Dottie, 2nd Bob, passed
4. **Business Arising from Minutes:** None
5. **Correspondence:**  
Received an acknowledgment and thank you from Laurie Naugler, for the \$132.05 from Summer Dancing given in support of Halifax National Festival 2010.
6. **Reports from Officers**
  - a) **Chairman, Don Scott:** No report
  - b) **Treasurer, Barry Bendle:**

Balance on 29 September 2009	\$2331.57
30 September 2009 Service Charge	\$2.00
Credit reversal of from Bank	\$4.00
New cheques	\$36.76
October 31, 2009	\$2296.81
Have \$78 in cash from Pat Briggs for clothes	
Balance + cash to be deposited	\$2374.81

Barry moved, 2nd Inge, that we accept the Treasurer's report, passed.
  - c) **Publicity, Pat & Jim Briggs:** Regrets sent, no report
  - d) **Metro Matters Editor, Dottie Welch:**  
The National Convention has priority. Hope to have an issue by New Years. Note that Between Tips needs a new editor. Meanwhile give information to Gary Welch for an online Newsletter.
  - e) **Central Region Rep, Don Scott:**  
We still need a future place to store the trailer. Meanwhile Harold Redden has it stored for the winter for \$100.

f) **CSRDS, Bob:**

The current situation is that there is no Canadian National Convention for 2012 but there will be National in Ottawa in 2014.

The membership chair is suffering some medical issues (Gary Geldart) but he had already processed the membership cards. Still looking for someone to take on the 1-800 number for Canada.

**Halifax National Festival 2010, Dottie Welch:**

- New Cancellation policy is a \$5 per person administration fee.
- Presented our Promo Dance at MCCA to a full and appreciative audience.
- Raffle tickets are now on sale for three individual items (Queen Quilt, Hand Carved Trout, Nova Scotia Tartan Wreath), look for tickets at your club or special dances.
- Volunteers needed to assist on the setup day, Wednesday July 28th.
- Looking for local dancers to help solicit ads for our Souvenir Book.
- Plan to participate in the Banner Parade on Thursday morning.
- Calling all Nova Scotians to participate in the Opening Ceremonies: wear the attire, march in, line up, welcome our visitors, and dance the first tip.

**DANS:** The Square Dance in the Schools package is now in final edit.

**7. Club Reports**

a) Coordinators, Dottie: Dancing 1-2 squares per usual, Christmas dance is on the 14th. Restarting on Jan 11th.

b) Lake City Swingers, Dottie: The 3 new dancers reported last time are still with us and doing well. Held a successful Swing Into Fall on 17 October, 2009 at N. Woodside CC with 38 dancers and 16 musicians plus Dottie & Gary. Christmas dance on December 9th, restarting on January 7th.

c) Fun Squares: no report

d) MMM/Ocean Waves: Christmas dance on December 8th.

e) Tidal Waves, Barry: Dancing 1 square, last dance is December 11th.

e) Sail Sets, Dottie: Dancing 1-2 squares. The A-1 dancers have mostly worked through teaches of the entire A-2 list but are still perfecting their skills. Christmas dance on December 15th but no dance on the 8th due to Christmas Concert at the school. Restarting on January 5th.

f) Scotia Dancers, Don: Final dance held on October 3rd with 6 squares. Free dance, 50/50 draw produced two winners with all the money given out. Pat Alguire has the historical records which will eventually go to the archives.

g) Stardusters: Celebrated Kerry's 50th Birthday on November 27th.

h) Timberlea Twirlers, Bernie: Have 2 squares when everyone is there. Christmas dance on December 14th.

i) Dancing Shadows, Dottie: Again dancing to the CDs from Alex mostly on Sunday afternoons.

k) Fun Time Rounds, Barry: The class finished this past Wednesday and will start again the first Wednesday in March (March 3). Monday Club has Christmas party on 7th and will also start again in March.

l) Contra Time Dancers, Dottie: Have had 3 dances this fall with 25 present for the one on November 28th. Have had a new guitarist for all 3 and a new fiddler at this last one. Next dance is January 9th. Smokin' Contra group is dancing on December 12th.

8. **Old Business (none)**

9. **New Business**

a) **New Year's Eve 2009:** Thursday, 31 December 2009 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Terry Hebert was unavailable so Dottie is calling and Lionel is cueing. We are following the usual schedule with potluck supper at 7:30 (optional). Dancing 9 p.m. to Midnight plus a tip, Basic, Mainstream, and Phase II Rounds. Traditional Attire please, \$12 per person.

b) **Heart Fund Dance 2010:** Hall booked for Friday, 26 February 2010 at North Woodside Community Centre. Don will contact the Heart and Stroke Foundation in January. Mary will bring the Tea and Coffee Pots, Don will assemble the box of material for making the Tea and Coffee.

c) **Summer Dancing 2010:**

Changing the hall to St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall.

Dancing Thursday evenings starting June 3, 2010 and ending August 12, 2010.

Note this includes July 1 which is Thursday. No dance on July 29th due to the National Convention.

Tentative Host Clubs: (These are "Voluntolds")

June 3	Metro
June 10	Timberlea
June 17	Coordinators
June 24	Lake City
July 1	Stardusters
July 8	Stardusters
July 15	Fun Time Rounds
July 22	Fun Time Rounds
Aug 5	Sail Sets
Aug 12	Metro

d) **Parade:**

July 1: Plan to dance on Grand Parade for the Pancake Breakfast.

Natal Day Parade is August 2nd. We are looking for someone to pull the trailer. If we can recruit some additional dancers then we will have more dancing on the bridge and perhaps some walking behind the float with banners.

Eastern Passage Parade is probably Saturday, August 7th.

11. Updates to **Special Dance Schedule:**

Dec 31	Metro New Year's Eve Dance at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
Feb 26	Metro Heart Dance
Apr 12	Timberlea Twirlers 50-60's Dance
Apr 24	Fun Squares Apple Crisp
May 15	Coordinators Sail Into Summer
May 20	Stardusters Pie Night
May 20	Dice Hill Squares Mulberry Dance
July 29-31	Halifax National Festival 2010
Oct 16	SRDFNS AGM and Lake city Swingers Swing Into Fall

12. **Date and Location of next meeting:**

AGM, Sunday, March 14, 2010, 6 pm, Sackville Heights Community Centre

13. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn, Bob, 2nd Barry, 7:23

Respectfully Submitted, Dottie Welch, Metro Secretary