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Hello Everyone

Now that dancing is well under way again, it's about time to start advertising your usual dance dates as well as your special events, remember there is no cost to advertise in "Stepp'n Out 'n' About" but we do ask that you submit a short (or long) article about your event with some pictures for publication in a forthcoming issue, it is one way of letting all our readers know just how good your event was and you never know you might just get a bigger response next year.

Perhaps a timely reminder, we have started compiling list of dance venues which will be a part of this newsletter, with travel restrictions being eased people are starting to move around the country a lot more with confidence, there are dancers coming to Rutherglen for our dance festival at the end of this month and they's travelling from as far as North West N.S.W., QLD., and Vic. they might also be looking for somewhere to dance on the way here.

So get your dance listed while we have space available. Russ 'n' Les

NEW ZEALAND

We are pleased to let you know, dates for our New Zealand Dance Tour are now set in concrete.

We leave Australia on the 20th. October and arrive in New Zealand just in time for three days of dancing at Lake Taupo before continuing our adventure and returning to Australia on the 30th. October. If you would like to know more, then give us a call. Russ 'n' Les

If you are arriving in Rutherglen before the Dance weekend or staying on Longer you may be interested in these dances.

Wednesday night with Anthony Pepers Memorial Hall, Corowa from 7.30pm Entry \$10.00

Monday Afternoon with Bev Grunow Mirambeena Community Centre (Albury) 3.30 pm. Entry \$5.00

Dance on, Keep Danc'n, Dance till you drop, all mean the same thing Enjoyment, exercise, socialising, and a longer life.





Geelong Ballroom Welcomes 2022

By Justin Mills, photos Alan Anstis & Peter Dearnley

It's New Years Eve 2021. Over 70 dancers are ready to celebrate the arrival of the 2022. Club members have decorated the Ballroom with flowers for the Fabulous Floral NYE. The dress theme is floral, and most men are wearing their Hawaiian shirts



On such a warm evening, in the uncertain Covid 19 climate, and with various competing events, this was a great crowd who all enjoyed a fabulous evening.

With music and a quick introduction to the *Social*



Samba by Jose and Karen, the Ballroom danced 2021 away.

Starting at 8pm we danced through the night with the usual Waltz', Tangos, and Foxtrots, as well as all the traditional ballroom dances.

Meena and Chris won the best decorated table prize with a dazzling table presentation.

As 2021 drew to an end we observed the classic countdown to bring in the New Year, which was met with popping corks, whistles, and streamers, as well as goodwill gestures all around.

We finished the night with a few fun dances including the Hokey Pokey, the Conga, and of course, Auld Lang Syne.

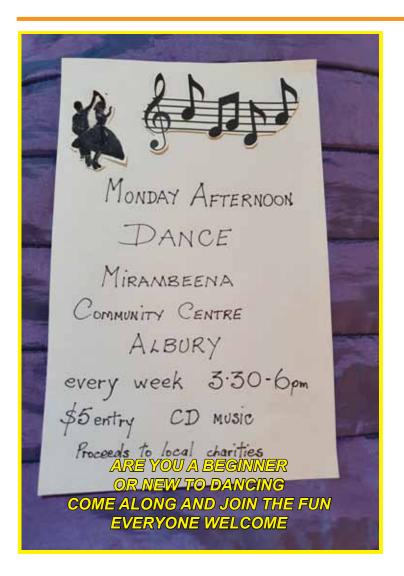


Hang on Cathy, still 2 hours and 17 minutes to go...



Subject to the various Covid 19 regulations, the Geelong Ballroom welcomes dancers from everywhere to our Hamlyn Heights (Geelong) venue, for dances every Saturday night from 7:30 pm.

Please contact David 0417 552 506 for further details (bookings recommended). Entry is \$10 per person. A great night of dancing is guaranteed for dancers of all skill levels.



Uarrawonga-Mulwala Social Dance Group

invites you to DANCE in the

Mulwala Civic Centre

Melbourne St, Mulwala
Between the Fire Station and the Post office

7.30 - 11.00pm

The program will start with the favourites below followed by your requests.

Carousel, Emmerdale Modern Waltz, Sally Ann Cha Cha, Alpine Stroll, New Vogue Modern Waltz, Festival Glide, JAB Samba

Attendance is limited to persons double vaccinated against COVID.

Please phone or text Ray Luke on 0428 856 230 for info, to request a dance or to book for dinner at Burkes Hotel

Please bring some supper to share. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Entry \$10.00 includes prizes



Corowa

Classes

Wednesday 7-9pm Corowa Memorial Hall. Enter from car park doors. COVID rules apply

Thank God It's Friday (TGIF)

Music provided by: Various people from 7.30pm.

Corowa Memorial Hall. \$10 entry. BYO snacks, dinner, water, or other drinks.

Tea & Coffee available. Hope to see you there

Memorial Hall Corowa

3rd. Saturday Monthly
BYO Supper - Tea & Coffee Available
Music: Various People
Entry \$10.00 Time: 7.30 pm - 11.00pm
Corowa Memorial Hall
Further Information, Geoff Mallows: 0412,785,357

SPRINGHURST
MONTHLY
DANCE

Every 3rd Saturday of the month at the Springhurst Community Hall Anzac Rd

Springhurst Vict.
Dancing from 7.30 to 11.00pm
Entry, \$10 per person, includes Raffle Tickets.

Various Live Bands
Please bring a plate of Supper to share All enquires to Ken Adams - 0357265241

NEXT DANCE -19th March

Dancing in Canberra and district March 2022

In Canberra all dance groups are now operating as normal, registration is not compulsory and there is no restriction on numbers. Two of the Seniors clubs and one group which uses a school hall still request proof of vaccination.

During any given week there are 5 dances on weekdays at different locations, 3 Saturdays and one Sunday

For up to date news on dancing the Canberra area follow the links on this website https://canberradance.weebly.com/

Canowindra continues with its weekly Sunday afternoon dance at the Soldiers Club with live music, usually provided by Barry Whitty. They have 2 special events planned – one is a 12 hour dance on 26th of June 10 am to 10 pm; and the other is a Downton Abbey Ball to be held on Saturday 8th of October They are also planning a Christmas in July, Sunday 24th For further information on all dancing in Canowindra contact Gail 0417 747 338

Goulburn Dance Club The regular club events are Wednesday Practice Sessions 3 pm to 5.30 & 7.to 9.30 Sunday workshop & Social Dance 2nd and 4th Sunday 7 to 9.30

The group is planning a Dinner & Dance 9th April contact Warren to confirm 0457 337 970

The SATD (Society of Australian Teachers of Dancing) will hold a Social Dance on Saturday 11th. June and a Dance Festival on Sunday 12 June at the Goulburn Workers Club contact Warren to confirm 0457 337 970

Sutton Forest – Ron Shead has announced that dancing resumes on his private property 'Kardinia' at Sutton forest on 13th March. Other dates are April 10th and 12th June. Contact Ron 0412 367033 or Anna 0438 367033

Back in Canberra planning is well underway for the Annual Ball to be held by the Canberra Old Time Dance club on June 11th.

There are a few changes this year. Ian Stewart is unavailable and the music for the evening will be recorded music provided by D's Dance. Diane would like it noted that she will be playing all sequenced music from regular dance musicians including Tony Gilbert, Richard Keeling, Larry Green, Walter Willans. There will be table seating, and numbers will be limited to 80 to ensure there is still plenty of room for dancing. Tickets will be \$25.00 pp. There will be no dance on the Friday evening.

The usual club dance will be held on Thursday 9th June with a lesson with Diane on 'Dance for Joy' at 6.45. For supper it will be Bring a plate.

There will be two circles for dancing on both nights, as required, with an alternate dance nominated if the main dance is not known by all.

On Sunday there will dancing from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm followed by afternoon tea.

Proof of double vaccination will be required

More details including program and ticket sales will be available soon.

Contact Diane 0421 387 250 dvbles57@gmail.com

Marcia Penny



For all the latest news,
events and updates
about
dancing in Canberra,
and other places

go to

https://Canberradance.weebly.com

or contact

canberradance1@gmail.com

ALWAYS INTERESTING ALWAYS INFORMATIVE





The Tony Gilbert Sound
Table Bookings Available BUT not essential \$15pp
including SUPPER (pay on the night)
Text Dianne Fowler for Table Bookings only 0147 389 650

Tangam St Patrick's Dance

International Frog Day
GREEN THEME



OldTime/New Vogue Dance
Tangambalanga Community Centre

SUNDAY March 20th 2022 7.30 to 11.00pm

Covid rules apply: double vax required

Music by Russell's Dance Music Bring a plate of supper to share Entry \$10.00 - Raffle and Door prizes BYO water bottle Enquiries: 0449058899

Dear Lesley and Russell A little bit of info for you. - The Tony Gilbert Sound

Have started back at Twin Town Services Club on Wednesdays, first Wednesday of every month 1.00-4.00pm

"The Stage" in Breezes with a great Dance Floor, plenty of seating, a fabulous atmosphere FUN, FITNESS and FRIENDSHIP! Coolangatta Senior Citizens Club is coming back to a normal pace with the Dancers arriving from Interstate and the locals venturing back out after such a terrible few years of lockdown. Patti is there every Tuesday from 12.30pm-3.30pm with Revision at 12.15pm with Dianne Fowler. Barry Martin is kindly giving her a hand too.

Dancing at the Seniors is still popular and Thursday Mornings and Saturday nights are holding their own. Ken Churches has a teaching class on Fridays for beginners and an intermediate class follows. George Walker runs a Swing Class on Monday nights and that has started to create interest too, - so plenty of opportunities on the Gold Coast. Unfortunately there doesn't seem to be a Dance VENUE book now but word of mouth gets the information out there on all available Venues in Northern NSW and OLD.

AS THE YEAR STARTS TO SETTLE INTO ROUTINE, we look forward to meeting up with more Dancing friends and the Rutherglen Festival of Dance will be a great start - we look forward to seeing you in the region 31st March - 3rd April 2022.

Our NEW CD is now available "The Story of Love" and we will have stock available for the Rutherglen Festival of Dance. Good health and happiness to all Patti and Tony Gilbert www.newvoguemusic.com



SAPHIRE COAST - MERIMBULA

Yesterdays Sunday Dance at Club Sapphire, the first for many, many months went extremely well and I am sure the Club was as happy to see us as we were to be there dancing.

Our attendance of the mid thirties was very acceptable in the circumstances as there was some doubt, not by me, that we would get a reasonable number.

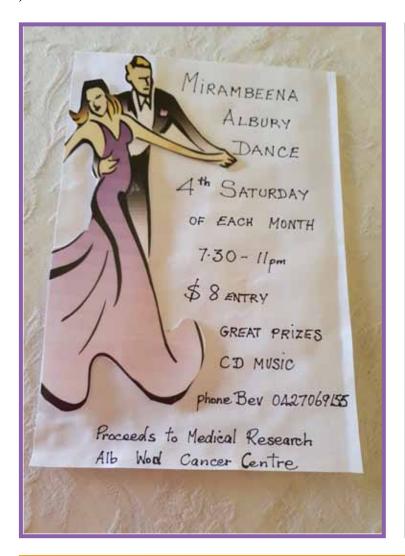
Rick and Pat did a sterling job on the music and all in all, a great afternoon.

Our Sunday dances are usually aimed at the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month but if you look at the schedule of dates on the Clubs website they do not conform to this. The reason being that we could not always have those dates due to paying bookings so we were asked if we would like alternative Sundays where they were available and that was agreed. Just go to Club Sapphires web site, click on "what's on" and scroll down, down, down until you hit on the list of dates. But remember that because we are not charged a hiring fee, if the Club gets a paying booking we lose that date. So the list today may not be the same in a few months time. Believe me, their hiring fee is quite substantial.

Celebrating the "end" of covid lockdowns etc. Everyone seemed happy with a dinner, probably at one of the clubs but I will look at an alternative subject to the menu and price so hopefully something during March. The dance group will contribute \$10 each towards the cost of the meal for our regular dancers and partners.

However Kevin and Glennys (sorry lass, I will never get your spelling right) came up with a new idea of a weekend of dance later in the year, probably at the Wolumla Hall and a small committee has been appointed to thrash this out. I had looked at this myself for the long weekend in March for Victoria and the ACT but the hire of the Auditorium at Club Sapphire was so high to make it not practical and I did not look outside the box.

Happy dancing all John and Pat



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Kyneton and District Old Time Dance Club Inc Now at Lancefield

Corner of High Street & Crescent St. Lancefield 8.00pm. - 12.00 Midnight 4th. Friday Monthly Entry: \$8.00 Band and Country Supper Snippits from
"KEEPING IN TOUCH"
With Julie Wilson
February 2022

GREAT NEWS THAT RESTRICTIONS ON DANCING HAVE NOW BEEN LIFTED

Hi to all.

I hope this finds you healthy and well, enjoying the things you like and are able to do. As we move on into a more open and accessible future, as summer moves towards autumn, and as dancing is now permitted – life begins to look more 'as it used to be'. However, there are still many unknowns and possibilities so that we still need to be cautious and keep as safe as we can. It's quite strange that not having to wear a mask was something we all wanted, but now, as we are able to move around and mingle together, we can easily start to feel 'undressed' without one, we have some concerns about doing so. I guess the best we can do really is the best we can do. JW

FUTURE DANCING AT KYNETON - ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Whilst the K&DOTDC is planning to continue to operate out of Lancefield Hall, Steve and I would really like to see dancing resume at Kyneton. It has been a long time Covid put a stop to being able to dance, due to the unavailability of St Mary's Hall. Now that K&DOTDC Committee has decided to continue to use Lancefield Hall, we felt that there were many loyal and enthusiastic dancers who may like to be able to dance again at Kyneton and we would see what we could do to make this happen.

If this is to happen, we need St Mary's Hall to be available. The good news is that just today I caught up with Fr O'Brien, the Parish priest, after having tried unsuccessfully for some weeks, if not months, to do so. We had a very amicable discussion. Now that Covid restrictions on dancing have been lifted, he is happy to allow dancing in the Hall again. I explained the situation re the Club relocating at this stage to Lancefield and that our venture would be quite separate from K&DOTDC, that we would be starting from scratch without too much experience in running regular dances. This dance would not, in any way, be in competition with Lancefield, but rather Kyneton could/would fill a gap that has opened up, largely since Covid struck – with the loss of local dances such as Trentham, Newstead, Majorca and others. In days past, the third Friday was always Kyneton Football Club, just as the second Friday was Trentham and alternate first Fridays were Newstead and Maldon. Kyneton dances catered for and were supported by many of from the north and west, as well as south and east, many of who now find that the distance to travel to Lancefield is too far. You have always been so loyal to Kyneton that, if it is possible, we would like to again provide dance events for you. Your regular attendance and enthusiasm went a long way towards making those pre-Covid dances such happy and friendly events.

Steve and I would really appreciate your feedback and input so we know whether this will be feasible/viable before we get started. Please email, phone or text (0400 126 870).

It would be wonderful to have dancing in Kyneton again.

Information from President Rod is that the K&DOTDC Committee has decided that K&DOTDC dances (Tuesday afternoons and Friday nights) will continue to be held at Lancefield, at least for the remainder of 2022 as the hall and bands have been booked ahead.

K&DOTDC Tuesday dancing will continue as usual from 1 -4pm at Lancefield. Tuesdays have been successful and well attended, with increasing numbers of dancers coming from the local and metro areas. Great effort!

MY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, APPRECIATION AND THANKS TO SEVERAL PEOPLE

Personally, and maybe on your behalf, I would like to acknowledge and thank both Mary Thornely for her efforts over the past several years as President, and Rod, who took over as Acting President during the past months. Prior to Covid, they took the Club forward and provided wonderful dances for us all. They then managed to keep the Club alive and as active as possible during the two years of Covid restrictions. It was obviously a most difficult time to keep a dance club going when dancing was so often not permitted. They not only kept the Club going but the good news from Helen is that we now have 86 paid up members. A great job under very difficult conditions.

I also want to sincerely thank Enid and Dick, both of whom have been such special and integral members of the club since its inception. They have been marvellous workers, who have contributed enormously to the club. Enid's enthusiasm and energy, together with Dick's sense of humour and reliability, have gone a long way towards the atmosphere of 'family' and fun which I believe is so much part of the success of the Club.

I would like to sincerely acknowledge and thank John and Jill Bennett for the tremendous effort they have put into the Tuesday afternoon dances, and previously the Zoom dancing early in the Covid epidemic. What they have achieved has enabled us to stay connected and to continue dancing throughout this difficult time. John has put together the programs and music out of the goodness of his heart, enthusiastically supported by Jill, who willingly dances with anyone unpartnered while John is busy with the music. I am sure those dancers who have enjoyed these afternoons have really appreciated the chance to do so. Thank you so much to you both – a really great effort.

SUNDAY LUNCH ON 3 APRIL AT TELEGRAPH HOTEL IN GISBORNE

It seems to be ages since we had a meal get together for dancers and others from anywhere, it is time we did it again.

So, I have made a booking for the Telegraph Hotel, 19 Hamilton St., Gisborne for Sunday 3 April, arriving at around 12 midday. The Telegraph is the hotel on the corner of the first roundabout heading in from south or east – and the second roundabout heading in from the north. The meals are mostly around \$20.00, the arrangement will be pay as you order. I'm no sure about masks in hospitality venues, so bring one in case. We would love you to join us. If you would like to, please contact Julie on 0400 126 870 to book in asap. I need to confirm the booking numbers prior to the event, so by Wednesday 30 March. Any queries, contact Julie.

Yvonne Meier/Code has asked me to pass on that on Friday 4 March, the monthly Maldon dance will be held at Newstead Hall, as the Maldon Hall is unavailable on that night. Newstead is such a great hall for dancing so if you normally attend Maldon, take notice of this change. (Thanks Yvonne)

Julie Wilson & Steve Kelly

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KATAMATITE DANCE

PLEASE PROVIDE PROOF OF DOUBLE VACCINATION UPON ENTRY OF VENUE

WHERE: KATAMATITE HALL
WHEN: 1st. SATURDAY MONTHLY

TIME: 7:30pm—11:30PM
ENTRY: \$8.00 PER PERSON
MUSIC: RUSSELL'S DANCE MUSIC
CONTACT: 0428 290 339 OR 0408 831 454

OLD TIME/NU VOGUE

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Dance Organisers and Dancers

We have started to compile our list of dance venues and contacts for 2022 if you wish to be included on the list email your details asap. The list will be published in this newsletter without charge.

We need

Dance Club Name Contact Name Day (weekly/monthly) Where (Town/Suburb)

Venue and Address PH. Number/Email

Time

General Dance / Dance Festival (dates)

The Windsor Senior Citizens' Club Inc.

Invites you to attend an Easter Charity Dance at The Malvern Town Hall, Cnr High Street & Glenferrie Road Malvern Dancing 12pm – 4pm on Tuesday 19 April 2022 Music: CDs Afternoon Tea Provided



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BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Contact: Dianne Fowler

Mobile: 0417 389 650

INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND GUESTS 2021

SOUTH WEST VICTORIA

Here in Warrnambool dancing has commenced in earnest. As a club we dance Wednesday Afternoons from 1pm to 3pm at The Christ Church Hall - Koroit Street, Warrnambool For Saturdays we are rather spoilt with the Tarragal Girls providing music around the district.

Hamilton

1st. Saturday - contact: Hellen Moore - ph: 0412 315 387 Club Night - Mondays Saturday dances also held at Yulcart & Victoria Valley.

South Portland

3rd. Saturday - Music by Tarragal contact: Helena - ph: 0417 501 810

Stawell

Last Friday of the Month Contact Bill Day - ph: 0428 357 563

Ararat

2nd. & 3rd. Fridays - Senior Citizens Do not forget our interstate Dancing Groups

Mt.Gambier

Wednesdays at the Moorak Hall Contact Ivy Lawson - ph: 0408 898 155

Barmera

Weekend of Dance at Bonney Hall May 21st. & 22nd. Contact K Stead - ph: 0427 970 948

Ken Cathie

Secretary Warrnambool & District Dance Club Kcat@bigpond.com

At Wollongong University,

There were four students taking chemistry and all of them had an 'A' so far.

These four friends were so confident that the weekend before finals, they decided to go to Sydney and visit some friends and have a big party.

They had a great time but, after all the partying, they slept all day Sunday and didn't make it back to the Uni until late Monday morning.

Rather than taking the final then, they decided that after the final they would explain to their professor why they missed it.

They said that they visited friends but on the way back they had a flat tire and found there was no spare in the car.

As a result, they missed the final.

The Professor agreed they could make up the final the next day. The guys were excited and relieved.

They studied that night for the exam.

The next day the Professor placed them in separate rooms and gave them a test booklet.

They quickly answered the first problem worth 5 points. Cool, they thought!

Each one in separate rooms thought this was going to be easy ... then they turned the page.

On the second page was written.. For 95 points: Which tyre went flat?





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