

Newsletter of the Bush Dance & Music Club of Bendigo Inc.

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Membership fees are now overdue, bank details are as follows:

Account name: Bush Dance and Music Club INC Bank: Bendigo Bank

Account number: 1003 18351

BSB: 633 000

Membership forms:

The club is trying to update all our member details, we have again included a copy of our new membership form at the end of the newsletter, it would be greatly appreciated if you could fill it out and return as soon as possible. We will have printed forms at the dance if you are unable to print them. Many thanks.

Newsletter contributions:

If you would like anything included in the newsletter please email it to me on flecks@hotmail.com or if you are not on email phone me on 0404 532 779. Please note the last day I will be able to include anything is **Monday 6th May**, before the Wednesday Mail.

Esma

Esma who recently had a fall and stay in hospital is now out, we wish her all the best for a speedy recovery.

Upcoming events to keep in mind:

➤ Dance Clubs Monthly Dance –



Saturday 13th April 2019 at Keck St Hall

Please note that the April dance will be held on the 2nd Saturday rather than the 3rd to avoid clashing with Bendigo's Easter festivities.

We will be donating all proceeds from the April raffle to the Uncle Bob's Club- Good Friday Appeal and will also have a tin for anyone who would like to make a donation to this very worthy cause.

Music by "Emu Creek"

Keck Street Hall

Admission: Members \$5 Non-members \$8 Children under 16 Free

A Plate of Supper to share is always appreciated.

Don't forget if you have a friend or know someone who wants to give dancing a try let them know if they come along to a dance they will receive a FREE!! Pass to use at a dance throughout the year (excluding the Dinki-Di-Ball and Christmas party)



➤ TSDAV's 11th Hour' Dance Workshops-

! LAST CHANCE ! - to practice the dances on this year's NFF "A Dance for Dancers" program ~

~ Saturday 6th April 2 - 5 pm ~

@ the Church of Christ Hall, 1 The Avenue, Surrey Hills (Melway 46 H11)

All dancers are welcome ~ Inquiries: Norm Ellis 9888 5332. George Ansell 9890 5650.

TSDAV's '11th Hour' Dance Workshops 2019 ~ Dances for Dancers ~

When is it happening at the National ?

"A Dance for Dancers" Friday 19th April, 2019 - 12:30 to 14:30, in the Coorong.

A Dance for Dancers ~ with "Cue & Do"

"Cue and Do" are the TSDAV's Norm Ellis calling, and musicians drawn from the Melbourne Colonial Dancers Band.

Presenting a high intensity Dance for Dancers, with a minimum of fuss: briefed and called, **but NOT walked through**, structured for experienced dancers and maximum enjoyment!

<http://www.tsdav.asn.au/dance-notations/nff-2019-a-dance-for-dancers-with-cue-do>

- for links to **Dance Program / Instructions / Videos**

➤ Dance Clubs General Meeting –

Wednesday 24th April at Bendigo Neighbourhood Hub at the Strathdale Community Centre, Crook St. Strathdale.

Reports:

➤ March St Patrick's theme Dance at Keck Street Hall:

Our clubs monthly dance was held on Saturday 15th March at the Keck Street Hall. A small crowd again this month with ladies in short supply! Mary and Dianne did a great job decorating the hall green for the night, thankyou!

The music was wonderful and no one went hungry at supper time, there were even some green goodies to eat.

Overall a lovely night was had by all.

➤ Dance Clubs General Meeting:

Only 7 members were present at this month's meeting held on Wednesday 27th March at the Bendigo Neighborhood Hub. During the meeting we discussed the upcoming club birthday dance and it was decided the theme for the night will be "Decorated hats"

It would be great to have a few more members at the next meeting.

➤ Gay Charmers 60th Birthday Celebrations:

Six bands were represented: Gay Charmers, Nariel Creek Band, Emu Creek Bush Band, Wedderburn Old Timers, Blackberry Jam and Verandah Coots. We also had several solo performers and lots of humorous banter.

Instruments included Accordions - Diatonic, Chromatic and Piano, Fiddle, Keyboard, Saws, Flute, Recorders, Washboard, Banjo, Concertinas, Strohviol, Double Bass, Guitar, Ukulele, 'Didgeridoo' made from PVC piping.

I heard several estimates of the attendees, somewhere between 150 and 200.

There was dancing Saturday evening and Sunday morning after an old-time application of Kerosene and sawdust to the floor. We were almost gassed when it first went on, but gradually the smell faded and surface was perfect for dancing. Program included Pride of Erin, Maxina, Charmaine, Swing Waltz, Evening 3 Step, Progressive Barn Dance, Galopede, Lancers, Alberts, Modern Waltz, Slow Foxtrot and Tangoette.

We were well fed and watered by the local Lake Charm cooks, chef and helpers.

We had a BBQ tea on the Saturday between the concert and the dance with sausages, hamburgers, delicious salads and bread, followed by desserts of fruit salad and ice cream or pavlova. For supper many savoury pastries and sweet slices covered the tables. Tea and coffee was available too.

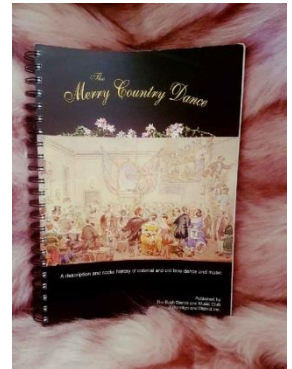
Sunday morning breakfast would have put a lot of motels to shame - cereal, milk, fruit juice, sliced bread or rolls. Lunch was whatever was left over from all the above. We were so well looked after with music for listening or dancing, plus all that delicious food. There were a few containers for Donations for contributions towards the weekend costs, which also included hired chairs and marquees. Truly an amazing event in a small community.

Carol Rowe- photos included at end of newsletter (courtesy of Dianne Pearse and Carol Rowe)

Merry Country Dance Book:

Our revised edition of the "Merry Country Dance" book is now ready for purchase. Please contact Mary Smith if you wish to buy a copy. The cost of the book is \$35

You can also purchase this book and have it posted to you at an additional cost, price subject to location being posted to.



Facebook:

Don't forget to like and share our Facebook page if you have some free time to check it out. The link to the page is below:

<https://www.facebook.com/busdanceandmusicclubbendigo/>

Email:

- Please reply to club emails where possible, especially meeting reminders.
- If you would like to receive your club newsletter via email please email me on flecks@hotmail.com so that I can add you to the list.



Birthdays and anniversaries:

April Birthdays:

This month we wish **Kevin Long (19th April)** and **Julie Manypenny (23rd April)** Wishing you both all the best on your special day.

April Anniversaries:

Congratulations to **Bev and Alan Filbey** who celebrate 26 years of marriage together on **April 3rd**, wishing you many more years of happiness together.



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Membership Form of The Bush Dance and Music Club of Bendigo

Type of membership: Single- \$20 Family- \$35

Name of member 1: _____

Birthdate: _____

Can this be used in newsletter/announced at dance (Year not required)? Yes No

Contact Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Postal address: _____

Preferred method to receive newsletter (please tick):

Post Email Both

Name of member 2: _____

Birthdate: _____

Can this be used in newsletter/announced at dance (Year not required)? Yes No

Contact Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Postal address: _____

Preferred method to receive newsletter (please tick):

Post Email Both

Wedding Anniversary (if applicable): _____

Can this be used in newsletter/announced at dance (Year not required)? Yes No