

REPORTS ATTACHED TO SRDFNS AGM MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 13, 2012

SRDFNS Treasurer's Year End Report

SUMMARY OF OPERATING ACCOUNT

August 1, 2011 - July 31, 2012

2012

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Budget
INCOME						
Club Dues		676.00			676.00	700.00
DANS		15.00			15.00	15.00
CSRDS Membership		1,491.00			1,491.00	1,500.00
Total Club Remittances		2,182.00			2,182.00	2,215.00
Club Dues		676.00			676.00	700.00
Povincial Festival	160.00				160.00	
Personal Subscriptions	30.00	15.00			45.00	75.00
Pins/Badges						200.00
Cook Book Sales	50.00	60.00	218.00		328.00	150.00
Video Sales	120.00			12.50	132.50	150.00
Canvas Bag Sales	120.00				120.00	125.00
Total Operating Income	480.00	751.00	218.00	12.50	1,461.50	1,125.00
Non Operating Income						
DANS & Insurance		1,506.00			1,506.00	1,515.00
Japan Campaign	300.00	1,606.91	50.00	-3,194.55	-1,237.64	
Provincial Festival	160.00				160.00	160.00
Finance Committee Transfer			2,500.00		2,500.00	1,000.00
SubTotal	460.00	3,112.91	2,550.00	-3,194.55	2,928.36	2,675.00
Total Income	940.00	3,863.91	2,768.00	-3,182.05	4,389.86	3,800.00
EXPENSES						
Archives						100.00
Awards			128.49		128.49	200.00
DANS		50.00			50.00	25.00
Provincial Festival	299.00				299.00	
CSRDS Membership		5.00			5.00	5.00
Internet						50.00
Meetings	48.00	7.18	92.99		148.17	200.00
Miscellaneous				5.45	5.45	25.00
Office Expense		34.57	34.12	-10.00	58.69	100.00
Pins/badges						300.00
Publications	74.46	337.19	23.00		434.65	800.00
Publicity			341.25		341.25	600.00
Registry of Joint Stock		28.59			28.59	30.00
Representative Badges						50.00
Service charge	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	30.00	30.00
Total Operating Expenses	428.96	470.03	627.35	2.95	1,529.29	2,515.00
Income Less Expenses	51.04	280.97	-409.35	9.55	-67.79	-1,390.00
DANS		15.00			15.00	15.00
CSRDS Membership		1,491.00			1,491.00	1,500.00
Festival 2010	364.31			50.00	414.31	414.31
Total Non Operating Expenses	364.31	1,506.00		50.00	1,920.31	1,929.31
Opening Balance	3,137.13	3,188.17	3,469.14	3,059.79	3,137.13	3,137.13
Funds Due to Japan Campaign	1,537.64	1,606.91	50.00	-3,194.55	NIL	
Funds Due to Festival 2010	-388.27		2,500.00	-50.00	2,061.73	
Operating Balance	3,188.17	3,469.14	3,059.79	3,069.34	5,569.34	2,747.13

Square & Round Dance Federation of Nova Scotia

Consolidated Balance Sheet

PERIOD ENDING July 31, 2012

ASSETS

Cash on Hand (Operating)			5,569.34		
Total Operating				5,569.34	
Japan Campaign				Nil	
Festival 2010 Profit			9,561.73		
Transferred to Capital Account			10,000.00		
Transferred From Capital Account			2,500.00		
Net				2,061.73	
CAPITAL ACCOUNT					
Cash On Hand			4,530.52		
TD Bank GIC Nov 7/12 -1.90%			15,000.00		
TD Bank GIC Jun 03/13 -1.5%			10,000.00		
TD Bank GIC Sep 25/13 -1.55%			10,000.00		
TD Bank GIC Sep 1/14 -1.85%			10,000.00		
Total Capital Account				49,530.52	
TOTAL ASSETS					57,161.59
LIABILITIES					
TOTAL LIABILITIES					0.00
NET FINANCIAL POSITION					57,161.59

RECAP OF FINANCIAL POSITION 2012

Ending Financial Position - July 31, 2011					
Operating					
- Operating			3,137.13		
- F2010 Funds			-23.96		
Total Operating				3,113.17	
Finance					
- Capital			43,780.18		
- F2010 Funds			10,000.00		
Total Finance				53,780.18	
Total Finances 2011					56,893.35
Operating Income/Loss - Current			-67.79		
Capital Account Income - Current			750.34		
F2010 Expenditures - Current			-414.31		
Net Change - Current					268.24
Ending Financial Position					57,161.59

We certify the above to be an accurate presentation of the Financial Standing of the Organization as at July 31, 2012.

Russell Trimper

Mary Trimper

SRDFNS Finance Committee Year End Report
August 1, 2011 - July 31, 2012

Capital Account (# 0170-0000320)

Balance forward Aug 1, 2011 28,780.18

Revenue:

GIC Interest TD Bank	748.35	
Int Capital Acct	<u>1.99</u>	
	750.34	

Expense:

Transferred to General Acct	5,000.00	
New GICs	<u>20,000.00</u>	
	25,000.00	

Total funds in Capital Acct July 31, 2012 4,530.52

Investment Acct (# 8022215)

Balance fwd Aug 1, 2011		25,000.00
New GIC's	20,000.00	
Investment Acct balance July 31, 2012		45,000.00

GIC details (in order of maturity)

TD Canada Trust GIC # 25 (Jul 30/12)	1.90% (100 da)	maturity Nov 7, 2012	15,000.00
TD Canada Trust GIC # 21 (Mar 5/12)	1.50% (15 mo)	maturity Jun 3, 2013	10,000.00
TD Canada Trust GIC # 24 (Jun 27/12)	1.55% (15 mo)	maturity Sep 25, 2013	10,000.00
TD Canada Trust GIC # 22 (Mar 5/12)	1.85% (30 mo)	maturity Sep 1, 2014	10,000.00

Total Assets as of July 31, 2012 49,530.52

As a Non-Profit Organization, filing of Tax Return for current year is not necessary; earnings / assets do not exceed amounts outlined in subsection 149 (12) of the Income Tax Act

Finance Committee – Marion McLellan

SRDFNS President's Report, October 2012

Another Annual General Meeting means another year has passed and we continue to strive to promote the square dance activity. The struggle to attract new members is a difficult one and we hope some breakthroughs will happen next year.

Next year's 2013 Nova Scotia Summer Festival is being organized by members of our ANSSRDT callers' organization and hosted by dancers in Highland Region. It will take place on the July 26-27, 2013 weekend at Nova Scotia Community College, Pictou Campus in Stellarton. It promises to be a great time with air conditioned rooms and all tiled floors. Remember that unless we can make these events successful financially, they will not be available to our dancers in the future. We ask you to promote this event in your area at every opportunity from now to next summer.

We regret to learn of the retirement of Neil and Kathy Dorey. Their contribution to South Shore and, indeed, Nova Scotia dancing has been great and we have lost a very good caller couple and good friends of the activity.

We thank those members of the Federation Executive who work tirelessly year after year to support our activity. We recognize the contributions of our table officers, archivists, webmaster, publicity and publications officers, CSRDS Directors and thank you for the support you have given us over the last four years. We also thank our Nova Scotia callers who are always there for us and support our efforts. We and Nova Scotia dancers owe you for all you do.

Twenty-five years ago this month, we attended our first Annual General Meeting of the Federation and left impressed with the dedication of the many who attended and participated in the discussion and decision making process. The numbers have diminished but the dedication remains. We step down knowing all of the effort that has gone into keeping the activity afloat and thankful for all the great friends we have made as a result of our participation in the Federation and part of the square dance activity.

Happy Dancing,
Barb and Ralph MacDonald

SRDFNS Awards Committee Report, October 2012

Awards presented during 2012:

Dancer Longevity Awards presented to members of Sunrise Squares on April 12, 2012:

Martin and Hazel Hebb, 20 years
Marjorie and Moyle Crouse, 20 years,
Doreen and Chesley Skinner, 20 years,
Charles and Ina Nelson, 20 years,

Dancer Longevity Awards presented to all members of Mapleleaf Whirlaways on May 14, 2012

George Irish, 20 years
Henry & Effie Joosten, 20 years
Ken & Essie Chinn, 20 years
Mabel Brunelle, 20 years
Murray & Pat Workman, 20 years
Ralph & Barbara MacDonald, 25 years

Club Longevity Award for 25 years presented to Mapleleaf Whirlaways on May 14, 2012
Club Longevity Award for 25 years presented to West Kings Twirlers on October 19, 2012
Club Longevity Award for 50 years presented to Berwick Bells 'n' Beaus on November 10, 2012

Don & Carol Scott
Awards Chair

SRDFNS Publications Report, October 2012

Since Lynda has retired in June we plan on doing some travelling and spending most of our winters in Florida. Due to this we will no longer be able to produce and mail the monthly Calendar of Events after the end of 2012. We have some supplies and the mailing list to pass on to whomever the Federation chooses to continue this job.

Thanks,
John & Lynda Reid

Annual Report from Federation Webmaster

Gary Welch, 13 October 2012

I have busied myself with the usual maintenance chores: Between Tips, dance posters, We Remember, and occasional issue of The Phantom. In the last case, I am not satisfied with the amount of material being contributed for future issues - growl!

Responding to suggestions (prodding?) from our Secretary and Vice President, I've been attempting to put new dancer information more up-front in the web site, including club open houses and public dances. I rely on input from our dance community to keep that information current. Please help by sending me notices of any events designed to attract new dancers!

As always, I am interested in any suggestions to improve our presence on the Internet.

Report on SRDFNS Participation in 50+Expo, June 2012

Since we did not have a caller on Friday, we ended up dancing to recorded music. We had enough people for one square with a dancer at the desk looking after the booth. Don was able to look after the music but before we danced in front of the public he and Bob listened to the music and choreography to ensure everything was suitable for the dancers. On Saturday we did not have enough people to dance until the afternoon. Don picked up Barry Bendle on Saturday and he stayed until the dancers came in the afternoon.

We had quite a few people picking up information at the booth, as a matter of fact we ran out of the flyers where classes were being held throughout Nova Scotia and we only had about 5 flyers left with the other information on it. Paul and Cathy had given us a number of flyers for the event.

I directed a couple of single ladies to Lake City Swingers, one of which said she had a problem with her left leg. She said her left shoe was built up and for that reason she didn't know whether she would be able to do it. I showed her my brace and built up shoe and then she got all excited about the activity. I think she was thinking of Cape Breton square dancing where they step dance all through the movements.

Don brought his camera to ensure pictures were taken.

Carol and Don Scott

Central Region Report to SRDFNS AGM Meeting October 2012

All clubs are now dancing with most having less members than in previous years. The Metro Executive remains as last year.

Summer Dancing resulted in a financial loss this year. It was cancelled three nights because of insufficient dancers and the average attendance was 11 dancers on the other nights. Unless there are new dancers planning to attend, Metro will likely reduce the number of dances planned for next summer.

(Note: Additional Central Region information can be found in the Metro Association part of the SRDFNS Website.)

Don & Carol Scott
Central Region Representatives

Report from the Valley Region to SRDFNS AGM Meeting October 2012

The following clubs were active during the 2011 – 2012 season:

Apple Valley Dancers danced Tuesday evening with callers Laurie Illsley, Barry Walker and Terry Lewis taking turns doing the calling. The average attendance was two to three squares.

Berwick Belles and Beaus danced once a month with caller Tommy Collins. They hosted a 99th Birthday Party for Esther Chute in April. On May 5th, they held their annual Mayflower Dance with guest caller Wayne Isles.

Fundy Squares danced Wednesday evenings with caller Tommy Collins. They held several special dances throughout the season with the Benefit Dance in March being their annual Benefit Dance. This year, the Palliative Care Unit at Soldier Memorial Hospital received \$837 from their efforts. Fundy was the only club to graduate new dancers – 8 new, enthusiastic dancers. Well done!

West Kings Twirlers danced Friday nights with Laurie Illsley and Nelson Labor taking turns calling. Their Annual IWK Dance in April was very successful with \$1700 collected in donations. All Valley callers donated their time and talent for a very enjoyable evening of dancing.

In February, all Valley clubs and callers joined forces once again for our annual Heart and Stroke Dance. Although the attendance was down, we realized \$1489.50 in donations for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Young Country Dancers held the 49th Apple Blossom Dance. Again attendance was down, but a very enjoyable dance.

Summer dances were held June, July and August at Morden with callers Laurie Illsley, Barry Walker, Tommy Coillins and Terry Lewis sharing the calling. There was one visiting couple from out of province. It was very nice to see the new Fundy graduates in attendance nearly every Tuesday evening and really enjoying themselves.

All clubs have started the new season and all are dancing in the same halls as previously and with the same callers.

West Kings Twirlers are planning a 2th Anniversary Dance on October 19th at Melvern Square Community Centre.

Note regarding summer dance schedules:

When delivering schedules to the Visitors Centres this past summer, I encountered a problem at the Hantsport Visitors Centre. The lay there told me that she could not put them on the rack as they were not on the list of approved organizations that can advertise their events. She said she could put them under the counter and give them out if anyone asked for one. She called me later with an address for us to contact for permission.

Address: Economic & Rural Development & Tourism Division
1800 Argyle Street, Suite 602-603
Halifax, NS, B3J 2R5
Attention: Lori Blackburn

Submitted by Al and Corinne McNabb, Valley Region Reps

Report from the Dice Hill Squares to the SRDFNS Board AGM 2012

The Dice Hill Squares started the 2011-2012 season with reduced numbers and several cancellations due to severe weather or lack of dancers. The New Year brought further cancellations, but one former dancer did return to join the club for a month!

In February, the Club began a new program of Contra Dances under the direction of Dottie Welch. It was hoped to get some “spin-off” members to the Square Dance club! Attendance varied between 12 and 16 during the 3 sessions.

The annual end-of-season, Mulberry Dance fund-raiser, had 6 squares in attendance. The presence of so many guests was well appreciated!

The summer dances scheduled for the 3 months of summer suffered from the same problems of lack of Caller, and dancers, so only one dance was held in August.

The new season began with 3 Open Houses, and one new lady dancer joining the club. She is an enthusiastic dancer who is picking up the moves very quickly! Unfortunately, our membership has been reduced to 15 regular dancers, with some possibility of a couple suffering medical issues, returning later.

With those numbers, the club needs regular attendance of all members to cover expenses. The club's status will be reviewed at the end of December.

The Introduction to Contra Dancing will be tried again on 19 October and 17 November. Advertising has been placed throughout the area.

All Nova Scotia dancers are welcome to visit the Dice Hill Squares on Thursday nights for dancing from 8 to 10pm. at the Ardoise Community Hall, School Road and Highway1, Ardoise. Easy Rounds are provided at all dances during the Square Dance breaks.

Submitted by: Bob & Inge Ruohoniemi
Coordinators, Dice Hill Squares

Fundy Region Reports, October 12, 2012 AGM

Border Rounders: (Nothing to report)

Strathmore Strutters: (No response)

Cumberland Twirlers:

April was a very busy month – our Maple Fling attracted dancers from 11 outside clubs; in excess of 10 squares enjoyed the calling /cueing of Ron Lowe.

Dancers also entertained at 3 nursing / special care homes during the month. Previous dates had been booked for 2 of them with cancellations because of flu closures and/or weather. Following one of these engagements & regular club dancing, we celebrated the 92nd birthday of one of our members with cake & ice cream – he didn't miss a tip at either. We are endeavoring to get a local newspaper to interview him & publish an article promoting the benefits of square dancing.

Our club closing in May included supper at a local restaurant returning to farm for dancing and a 'dessert smorgasbord', tea & coffee, to sign off the evening & the season.

Although club was officially closed for year, our caller and members joined Tantramar Twirlers for the MASSIE (Mount Allison Student Semester in English) program in Sackville – currently, a three times per year request – students are usually Japanese, very enthusiastic and appreciative. Faye now assists Doug Leaman in the 'teach'.

On Sept 18th Cumberland Twirlers kicked off the fall season with an opening BBQ, followed by dancing – in excess of 3 squares made for a fun evening. We are already booked for a nursing home appearance in Oct and a new MASSIE group in Nov.

Members recently attended the funeral service for Robert Porter as a group. Robert and his wife Beatrice danced with the club for 17 years prior to his affliction with Alzheimer's; they held several executive positions during that time.

Cumberland Twirlers recently updated their "Club Story" on Federation web site; this would be a good exercise for several NS clubs.

Gerry & Marion McLellan, Fundy Region Reps

Highland Region Report to 2012 AGM

The **Highland Squares** Club in Stellarton continues to have 3 squares in attendance spring and fall and two square when snow birds fly south. We have one new class couple and one couple who moved to the area this summer. We look forward to participation in the 2013 Summer Festival and hope to get some publicity for square dancing and hopefully some new dancers.

Mapleleaf Whirlaways continue to maintain our numbers and, except for health issues, our membership remains constant. WE regret to report that no new class members have come forward this year.

Submitted by Ralph and Barb MacDonald, Highland Region Reps

Bluenose V Squares Report to 2012 AGM

Bluenose RV Squares had another fun summer, meeting six weekends with attendance of 21 to 33 couples (average of 28 couples) plus a few guest couples each time. We continue to plan little extras each campout to create something to laugh about. We continue to support designated charities (IWK, Christmas Daddies and Breast Cancer Research) and this year we did Movember in August where male members started, clean shaven, at the August Campout, and did their best to grow a moustache or beard before our late September Campout raising over \$2700 for Prostate Cancer Research. The ladies, not to be outdone, organized a “slightly used” square dance clothing sale which raised over \$300 for Breast Cancer Research.

On another fun side, six of our couples joined Terry Hebert at Mick Mack Trailer Club (Kings Landing area) for a fun weekend in August and spent the remainder of a week touring New Brunswick before arriving at Elm River for our August Campout.

As with any other club, age is coming to take its toll and this is the first time in sixteen years we do not have any new members. We do, however, look forward to the May 31st, 2013 weekend with anticipation.

Submitted by Ralph and Barb MacDonald

NS Directors Canadian Square & Round Dance Society Report to the SRDFNS AGM October 2012

The Canadian Square & Round Dance Society held their AGM 2012 on 21 July in Ottawa.

At the Society AGM12, a motion was passed to have a slight increase to the membership fee from the present \$2.00 per dancer and leader, it is now increased to \$3.00 per dancer and leader. The \$5.00 membership fee for the clubs, associations and the federations, remains the same.

There was agreement to have several deadline dates for memberships. The dates provided here are the dates for the membership forms to be in the Society Membership Chair’s hands by: December 1 (for effective Insurance date of January 1st of the next year); February 28 (for effective Insurance date of March 1); and, if necessary for new dancers – October 15 of the current year, (for effective Insurance date of October 16)of this year).

A Comprehensive Insurance Sheet has been prepared and distributed to ALL the member clubs across Canada. Also, a Standard Application Form has been prepared and distributed to each of the clubs across Canada. Third Party request forms have been placed on the Society Web Site for those clubs requiring “additional insured”. This request now costs \$10.

The Society Professional Development Bursary Program deadline of June 15th was discussed. A motion was passed that late applications for bursarys to attend Caller/Cuer Schools, will be considered by the Board if the budgeted money had not been allocated by the June 15th deadline.

The Society Appeal for Japanese Square Dancer Earthquake & Tsunami Victims was completed with \$4200 sent to the Japanese Square Dance Association. A very gracious “Thank You” letter was received. The biggest portion of donations came from the NS Federation, Clubs and Dancers.

It continues to be recommended that all Canadian square dance flyers and correspondence include the Society website www.squaredance.ca and the toll free number 1 866 206 6696.

Note that all provincial information changes, updates, corrections should be sent to the NS Society directors: Bob & Inge Ruohoniemi 902 757-3884 bobruoho@eastlink.ca

Provincial Federations, Associations, and Clubs are encouraged to nominate both Leaders and dancers for the Society Award of Excellence and/or the Longevity Award. Contact the NS Directors for full details.

Plans for the Society 2014 Convention continue on track. Two trial dances have been held at the venue to determine sound and flooring requirements. Festival 2014 will be held July 17-19, 2014, at the new Ottawa Convention Centre. Those planning to attend F2014 are encouraged to register for the Festival before reserving a hotel room.

The Society is working on a draft badge and dangle for purchase by those dancers who have danced in more than one Canadian Province or Territory. More information will be coming as the project progresses.

The Society Board is still searching for someone to become the Chair of the Society Publicity Committee. Anyone interested is asked to contact the NS Society Directors.

The next Society Board meeting will be by teleconference in November.

Submitted by: Bob and Inge Ruohoniemi Nova Scotia Directors CSRDS

Report regarding the CSRDS Appeal to support Japanese Square Dancers who were victims of the Earthquake and Tsunami

Donations were received from 7 dancers/couples, 20 clubs, 1 association, 1 federation, CSRDS Total amount \$4,200. Expenses were paid by CSRDS and the Nova Scotia Federation. The total amount was forwarded by the Bank of Montreal to the bank account of the "Nihon Square Dance Kyokai" or Japan Square Dance Association in Tokyo.

DANS Representative Report to DANS Board of Governors Meeting 30 September 2012

The regions of the SRDFNS have completed their 2012 Summer Dance Schedule.

Bluenose RV Squares is completing its campout schedule this weekend with their annual turkey dinner at Loch Lomond Campground, Amherst. This club operates from May until September with monthly campouts at Elm River Campground, Masstown; Sunset Sands, Port Hood, and Loch Lomond Campground, Amherst. This is the only RV square dance club in the Atlantic provinces and its growing membership includes square dancers from New Brunswick.

The Club has implemented a monthly newsletter following each campout which has improved communication within the Club immensely. The campout dates for 2013 are:

May 31 -June 1, 2 - Elm River

June 21, 22, 23 - Elm River

July 19, 20, 21 - Sunset Sands

Aug. 16, 17, 18 - Elm River

Sept. 13, 14, 15 - Elm River

Sept. 17, 28, 29 - Loch Lomond

Clubs throughout Nova Scotia are just getting underway for the 2012-13 dance season. It is safe to say most are struggling with declining number of dancers and recruitment.

The Cardiac Rehab. group has adopted square dancing as their 12 week session finale. On Sept. 25, 5 couples assisted the latest group of cardiac rehab participants introducing them to square dancing and hopefully a lifestyle change for them.

The South Shore region has a particular challenge this year as our only Caller has quit effective August 16 leaving Sunrise Squares without Caller services. A meeting of the members of Sunrise Squares indicated they did not want the Club to close. They agreed upon one of the 3 business models presented and are pre-selling tickets monthly dances scheduled for October 26, November 16, and December 14, 2012. A proposed members' meeting on Jan. 11, 2013, will review the monthly dances, consider resuming weekly dances, possible class, or alternatively, deem the club inactive or close. ANSSRDT (Association of Nova Scotia Square and Round Dance Teachers) was advised the South Shore was "open for business" and Valley Region Callers have responded on a rotational basis for the monthly dances. Callers are being paid at Perform Nova Scotia rates and written contracts will be used.

New!!

As Vice-Presidents, SRDFNS, Paul and I visited Jody Conrad, Community School Coordinator, Municipality of the District of Chester, Recreation and Parks, about sponsoring Community Dances. As a result, two community dances are scheduled at the Forest Heights High School, Chester Grant (Exit 9 (New Ross) off Hwy. 103) on Saturday, November 10, and Saturday, December 1. Dottie Welch will instruct and guide the dancers through their steps. Dances are open to all ages, but only those 12 and up will be invited to the dance floor. South Shore square dancers will participate and perform 2 demo dances at the Germany Wellness Expo Thursday, October 25, at New Germany High School, 1:00- 5:00 pm.

On November 25 South Shore square dancers will be represented in the annual LaHave Christmas Parade with a decorated truck and club banners. Hoping to have a presence in major towns within our catchment area, we are awaiting confirmation from Lunenburg and Liverpool regarding their parades.

Intergenerational Dance Event

While this event did not come off as planned for the Bridgewater Exhibition, the plan is now to take it into the schools under the leadership of Beth George, Senior Safety Coordinator, Bridgewater Police. www.Lunenburgcounty.unitedway.ca features a short video of the intergenerational dancers during one their practice sessions.

Upcoming community service events are scheduled for Shannex and Ridgewood retirement residences in Bridgewater, Oct. 16 and Nov. 15, respectively.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Langille SRDFNS- DANS Rep.
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ANSSRDT LIAISON REPORT to SRDFNS AGM October 13, 2012

Submitted by Dottie Welch, ANSSRDT Liaison

ANSSRDT Executive for April 2010 - April 2012:

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ANSSRDT (Association of Nova Scotia Square & Round Dance Teachers):

The April and September 2012 Newsletters are available on the SRDFNS website.

ANSSRDT met on April 14, and September 22, 2012 at E. H. Horne School in Enfield. We held workshops on sight calling, creating singing call figures, and ideas for beginner and community dances including traditional squares, mixers and resource suggestions.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 13th, 2013 at the same location

ANSSRDT will be hosting the provincial festival to be held July 26-27, 2013 at Nova Scotia Community College in Stellarton. Chairman is Ralph and Barb MacDonald, Registration Chairman is Dottie & Gary Welch, and Programmers are Laurie & Wilma Illsley and Lionel & Janet Crowe.

ALGUIRE CALLERS MEMORIAL FUND and CALLERS SCHOOL:

The sixth biannual Alguire Memorial Callers School will be held August 18 to 23, 2013 at Elm River Park Campground with Betsy and Roy Gotta of New Jersey as guest teachers along with Kerry Fletcher and Dottie Welch.

Donations to the Alguire Fund may still be made through Alex Ritchie or DANS.

If you know anyone interested in learning to call, this is an excellent opportunity that only occurs biannually, so please encourage attendance.

CALLERLAB (International Association of Square Dance Callers):

The 39th CALLERLAB Convention was held April 1-4 in Nashville, Tennessee.

The next convention is scheduled for March 25-27, 2013 in Cary (Raleigh), North Carolina.

The tri-annual review of calls on each program is nearly complete. No changes have been made to Basic, Mainstream or Plus. At Advanced, Split Square Chain Thru was moved from A-2 to A-1 and Half Breed Thru has been renamed Brace Thru.

MCCA (Maritime Callers and Cuers Association):

On 9 June 2012 the annual MCCA workshop and meeting was held in Amherst. It was necessary to shorten this event to one day in order to accommodate scheduling conflicts and to reduce costs.

The 43rd Maritime Square and Round Dance Convention is scheduled for November 2-3, 2012 at the Fredericton Inn, in New Brunswick. The MCCA owned flooring will be in use. Please plan to attend and also encourage dancers in your club or region to join us.