

FALL LETTER: SEAWAY VALLEY SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION

Executive members have agreed on the following to support all member Clubs and Dancers.

The association would like all member clubs to continue, as in past, the promotion of Square and Round dance within our communities. SVSRDA will waive all Club fees for the 2020-21 dance year. Thus Members and Clubs can promote their special dances with the hope that we will dance and if cancellation is necessary due to COVID-19, it is at no loss of funds to the clubs.

1. A Calendar will be published for Dance year 2020-21. We are not sure as to when this will happen or what format it might take. We'll try and keep it as familiar as possible. It's not feasible at this time to try and get calendar information from Clubs, until such time that Governmental restrictions have been revised to the extent that dancing is felt to be possible. EOSARDA/SVSRDA will give us the green light to go at that time. Clubs may have been able to make some hypothetical planning prior to this happening, but nothing can happen in a publishing sense until current restrictions have been revised, and we truly know what we have to do.

It's at that time that Helgi Goodman will be contacting Clubs as to how they see their year being rolled out. We'll try to do things quickly. Your utmost co-operation is requested as we work our way through this as best as we can, to ensure that your Club information is accurately presented and that we all become aware of how neighbouring Clubs plan to operate.

2. As indicated SVSRDA will not be collecting fees in the coming year.
 - Club Membership fees of \$10.00 will be waived for 2020-21.
 - Calendar promotional material costs, such as Flyers (normally \$15.00 for a full page insertion) will be waived for 2020-21.
 - Club members who purchased a Calendar in 2019-20 will receive the 2020-21 Calendar at no fee.
3. New Dancer Achievement Certificates, completed by Helgi Goodman, were forwarded to Clubs in mid-May. Clubs have been asked to ensure that their new dancers of 2019-20 each receive these as soon as possible at Club discretion as to when and how best.
 - These New Dancers will also receive a free copy of this year's calendar at such time as they become available.
 - New dancers always receive a ribbon to the Mother's Day Dance. This did not happen in May 2020, therefore basis assumptions that they go, the association will honour free admission to either of the 2020 Christmas dance or the Mother's Day dance 2021.

The association hopes that waiving of fees will allow Clubs to maintain their current activities in as normal a fashion and as low as cost as is possible and stay positive for the future of Square and Round dancing.

Gerald and Marlene Casselman

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