

## Marchers

Marching is unique to this side of the world and dates back to the 1930s when there were teams of factory workers enjoying this activity.

A national body was established in 1944 and the sport of marching was formalised with rules and competitions.

It was a sport for thousands of young girls and women.

Unfortunately today the numbers have really declined although there are a group of marchers from Wellington that wow the crowds that attend the Edinburgh Tattoo.

Today it is the older generation keeping the activity alive with Leisure Marching that is non-competitive and just for fun, fitness and friendship - a lot like Scottish Country Dancing.

We had a short and small sample of Leisure Marching at the ceilidh last night. The group was made up of ex-competitive marchers, current leisure marchers, non-marching dancers and a lone non-dancer.

## You and Your Class

You and your class - are you user friendly?

Notes from this discussion session, hosted by Ann Dix, are now available from Unit 6.

## Class Venue Changes

Rakino (the Junior Jams) will be in the YMCA on the 3rd of January (just across the road and the room to the right as you go through the front door).

Motutapu (the Elementary class) will be in the Northbridge Hall on the 3rd and 4th of January.

These changes are necessary as the halls are being used for other things.

## Lost and Found

Lost: One pair of black framed sunglasses. Please see Janet Favel in unit 28.

Lost: A black fan with a distinctive Chinese pattern. Please see Elizabeth Wilson.

Lost: A pair of size 12 dancing pumps in a brown leather shoe bag. They were left in the Sports Hall, if found please return to Eddy West.

Lost: A blue collapsible 1 litre water bottle left in the Sports Hall after Hogmanay at the back of the seats. Please return to Helen Pettet in Unit 26A.

Lost: Ron Lucas has lost a silver button. Please give to Jo Reed.

Found: a black jacket button. See unit 5.

## Calling Peter Pan

9th May 2010 is being acknowledged as the 150th anniversary of Sir J M Barrie (the author of Peter Pan).

A reel called 'Sir J M Barrie of Thrums' has now been devised by Rob Sargent.

Rob is suggesting that this can be danced publicly by as many dancers as possible around the world (on or about this time).

Even the big Peters and Wendys can participate!

So how about it? The dance instructions will be circulated early in the year giving us all a chance to work on it.

Give some thought to where and in which format it could be danced by our clubs.

Talk to your club tutor when you return home and let's help celebrate this occasion.

## What's Happening

Sunday 3rd

**12:30 - 13:30** Lunch, Conference Centre.

**14:00** Teachers and Management committee to Unit 5.

**14:00 - 15:30** President's Ball walkthrough, Hato Petera.

**15:30 - 16:30** Open Forum, Common Room in Student Village.

**17:30 - 18:30** Dinner, Conference Centre.

**19:00 - 19:45** President's Drinks, Conference Centre.

**19:45 - 20:00** Grand March, Sports Hall.

**20:00 - 00:00** President's Ball, Sports Hall.

Monday 4th

**12:30 - 13:30** Lunch, Conference Centre.

**14:00 - 15:30** Mock Court, Common Room in Student Village.

**17:30 - 18:30** Dinner, Conference Centre.

**19:30 - 20:00** Final night, Sports Hall.

## Mock Court Charges

Did your teacher forget their shoes more than once?

Did someone make a faux pas while explaining something?

If so the mock court will be in session again on the 4th of January from 2pm to 3:30pm.

## Memorial Book

The memorial book is available to view in the shops area.

## You are Invited

To join us in Dunedin for the 2010/11 New Zealand Branch Summer School.

The School starts on 28 December 2010 (move in) and finishes on 6 January 2011 (move out). A limited number of information brochures and registration forms are available from Janet Favel, Unit 28. The forms will be posted on the New Zealand Branch website soon, and will be sent to New Zealand Branch members in the February mail-out.

For more information contact Janet on 021 050 1800.

**ICECREAM available from the Summer School office**



**Chateau Vanilla**

**\$1.50 per tub (100ml)**

## Shops

The Summer School shopping mall is located up the stairs in the AUT University student village.

The shops are open daily from 1pm to 4pm.



## Transport on the 5th

A list of people who need to be transported and departure times from AUT Village have been posted on the notice board. Please ensure that if you require transport, your name is on the list and if there are any problems, notify Helen Greenwood (Unit 6) or contact her by mobile phone 021 149 8834.

All rooms need to be vacated by 10am. For those leaving after that time, please put your luggage in the common room and be ready to leave at your appointed departure time.



## Adopt a Dancer

Beryl Zakharov, room 35, has a 9:00pm flight on Tuesday the 5th.

She would be grateful for somewhere to leave her luggage for the day and possible transport to the airport.

## Easter 2010

Come and dance in Geraldine in the beautiful South Island.

A "Jig in Geraldine" is happening between Friday 2nd to Monday 5th April 2010.

Come and dance to the South Island's newest Scottish Country Dance music group - "Scotch Measure"!

If you are interested in joining us, brochures are on the table in the students' common room or talk to any of the friendly Canterbury contingent in unit 28.

## The Final Countdown

Please note the bookshop will be closing for an indefinite period of time this afternoon. The newsletter would like to acknowledge the work that Anne and Bob Christie have put into this valuable resource.

## For Sale

Brand New Shoe Bags  
\$5  
See Apartment 5

## An Apology

It was noted that an overseas president, and her merry followers, jumped the table call for dinner earlier in the week, and then they sat and ate it at someone else's table.

A member of the same area would like to apologise for this behaviour and let it be known that her fellow overseas dancers are not all like this.

Shame on you president!

## Open Forum

The open forum this year will discuss the results of the New Zealand Branch Survey.

It will be held in the Common Room at the AUT University Student Village on the Sunday the 3rd from 15:30 to 16:30.

## Derek Haynes Dances

Maureen Haynes has with her a few copies of each of books 1 - 6 of the Carnforth Collections, dances devised by Derek Haynes, priced NZ \$2.50, all of which goes to Cancer charities.

Please see Maureen.

## Daily Sudoku

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