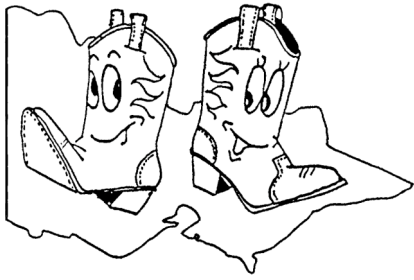


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PROMOTING & SUPPORTING LINE DANCING ACROSS VICTORIA

P R E S I D E N T ' S R E P O R T

The **VLDA Portarlington Line Dance Weekend** held during the March long weekend was a great success with over 200 people attending some, or all, events. The Friday night welcome social hosted by Gordon Elliott was a fun night with dancers asked to wear their club T shirts – one member who regularly supports a number of different clubs had a special shirt made with all of her club's logos displayed on the one shirt. Gordon's Saturday workshops were very well attended and I certainly haven't seen such numbers at a workshop for some time. Gordon worked very hard as usual – he even helped out in the kitchen at lunchtime when there was a long queue to purchase lunch, and our kitchen staff were struggling to feed the hungry dancers.

The Saturday night social saw the floor crowded all night and I would like to thank those instructors who gave me a hand on stage. Our 'dance styles' theme saw many people dressed appropriately including belly dancers (a great look, Robert), tap dancers (one complete with taps attached to each shoulder), Scottish, Irish, flamenco, rock 'n' roll, rap (a great exhibition of the style from Caro), ballet, 20's Charleston and many more. We even had a pole dancer (complete with pole), a 'square' dancer, and a stripper (fortunately I didn't have the appropriate music for a sample performance). Then, after a very busy day of dancing on Saturday, over 100 dancers turned up on Sunday morning for Pauline Greenwood's social. Sunday night was the Girl's Night Out hosted by Nadia Friel and other lady instructors with special guests Kylie, Rachael and Rebecca (if you've listened carefully to the words of Bobbi With An I you'll get the picture!). Thanks to all those folk who helped out in many ways behind the scenes to make the weekend such a success, especially Marion, Marg, Sue, Glenyse, Kaye, Nadia, Pauline (and hubby & son), Linda, Willy & Robo.

Our next VLDA event is the **Good Friday Marathon** to be held at Norwood Secondary College in North Ringwood from 11am until 11pm on Friday 22nd April. All proceeds from the day will once again be donated to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. Come along for all or part of the day for a guaranteed great time of dancing.

We are looking for donations for raffles and door prizes - things like hampers, unwanted Christmas gifts, quality bric-a-brac, etc. It would assist us greatly if members could mention this in class and collect any donated goods. Marion Adams is the contact person if you wish to arrange such items to be collected.

Bookings for the **Gala VLDA Ball** are *now open* and must be finalised by *May 28th*. This is to allow sufficient time for seating plans to be organised. The theme for the Ball is Country Glamour – that is, your best and most glamorous country/western gear

For country and interstate dancers the VLDA are again providing a bus to and from city motels at a (subsidised) cost of \$15 per head. Obviously we will need to know numbers so that the bus can be organised. If you would like to take advantage of this offer please let our Ball Co-ordinator, Marion Adams, know of your interest and approximate numbers when booking tickets.

I have been busy over the last couple of days collating the Ball Request Lists that instructors and members have sent to me. There were over 400 different dances requested! We will finalise the Ball Program as soon as possible, complete with split floors, but in the meantime here is a list of the 30 most requested dances that will definitely be on the Program

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| 1. Oklahoma Boogie | 11. Crazy Day Job | 21. The Last Waltz |
| 2. Hello Dolly | 12. Man Of My Word | 22. Triples |
| 3. San Francisco | 13. Mr Whoever You Are | 23. Alibis |
| 4. Felt Good On My Lips | 14. Rhyme Or Reason | 24. I Need You Now |
| 5. If I Knew Then | 15. Skinny Genes | 25. I Won't Let Go |
| 6. As Love Is My Witness | 16. Blue Night Cha | 26. Now & Then |
| 7. Homeward Bound | 17. Bobbi With An I | 27. Peppy Toe |
| 8. Under The Sun | 18. Flip Flops | 28. Turn On The Radio |
| 9. A Woman Like You | 19. Foxy Girl | 29. Africa |
| 10. Calypso Mexico | 20. Ghost Train | 30. Amame |

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT CONTINUES

Instructors please note: we are planning to update your class details on the VLDA website. Could you please carefully check your details on the website and let our secretary know if the details are correct. Even if the details are correct, a quick email confirming this would be helpful and appreciated.

Finally, last month I asked Associate Members to let me know their favourite dances that they have learnt this year. Ann from Mornington likes Man of My Word and revisions of Mr President & Desperado, Jo from Doncaster also likes Man of My Word, as well as Africa and Tango Tonight. Jenni from Tassie likes Jambalaya Easy (an easy split for the older well known dance) and Chicken Walk Jive. Tania from Katamatite likes Burlesque, Shoes Of Another Man, Felt Good On My Lips, Lover You Let Me Down and Drop On By

Until next month, as always, enjoy your dancing!

Keith Davies President

VLDA CD 40 – February 2011

| Dance | Choreographer | Song | Artist |
|------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1) All We Are | <i>J Hughes & K Jennings (NSW)</i> | "All We Are" | Matt Nathanson |
| 2) CanAm Tango | <i>M Burton, M Barr & M Perron (USA/CAN)</i> | "Fools" | Diane Birch |
| 3) Cooler Than Me | <i>J Hughes & K Jennings (NSW)</i> | "Cooler than Me" | Mike Posner |
| 4) Drop on By | <i>Wendy Hughes & Travis Taylor (NSW)</i> | "Drop on By" | Laura Bell Bundy |
| 5) Everything I Do | <i>Rachael McEnaney (UK)</i> | "I Do it for You" | Brandy |
| 6) Felt Good on My Lips - | <i>Stephen Paterson (VIC)</i> | "Felt Good on My Lips" | Tim McGraw |
| 7) For All Seasons | <i>Sandy Kerrigan (NSW)</i> | "Love Me with All of Your Heart" | Agnetha Faltskog |
| 8) Foxy Girl | <i>Frank Trace (USA)</i> | "Bad, Bad Girl" | The Derailers |
| 9) I Can't Stand the Rain - | <i>Travis Taylor (NSW)</i> | "I Can't Stand the Rain" | Seal |
| 10) I Don't | <i>Jackie Mcilrick (Aust)</i> | "I Don't Want to Work That Hard" | Blain Larson |
| 11) I Think About Us | <i>Travis Taylor</i> | "Think About Us" | Jo Dee Messina |
| 12) Love it When it Rocks - | <i>Nadia Friel (VIC)</i> | "Love it When it Rocks" | Steve Eales & Chris E Thomas |
| 13) Missing Link | <i>Hazel Pace (UK)</i> | "Baby I Miss You" | Chris Norman |
| 14) More than a Memory - | <i>Mark Simpkin (NSW)</i> | "More than a Memory" | Garth Brooks |
| 15) Mountains of Mourne - | <i>Linda Burgess (NSW)</i> | "The Mountains of Mourne" | Celtic Thunder & Keith Harkin |
| 16) Right Where | <i>Pauline Greenwood (VIC)</i> | "Right Where I Want You" | Alan Jackson |
| 17) Shanghai Surprise | <i>Jo Thompson Szymanski (USA) & Rachael McEnaney (UK)</i> | "Jumpin the Jetty" | Coastline |
| 18) Somebody's Chelsea | <i>Lu Olsen (VIC)</i> | "Somebody's Chelsea" | Reba McEntire |
| 19) Something in the Water - | <i>Luke Watson (NZ)</i> | "Something in the Water" | Brooke Fraser |
| 20) Tango Tonight | <i>Kathy Chang & Sue Hsu (USA)</i> | "Tango Tango" | Petra Nielsen |
| 21) Telepathy | <i>Chris Hodgson (UK)</i> | "You Can't Read my Mind" | Toby Keith |
| 22) The Orange & the Green - | <i>June Hulcombe (VIC)</i> | "The Orange & the Green" | The Irish Rovers |
| 23) Unbroken | <i>Neville Fitzgerald & Julie Harris (UK)</i> | "Unbroken" | Stan Walker |

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