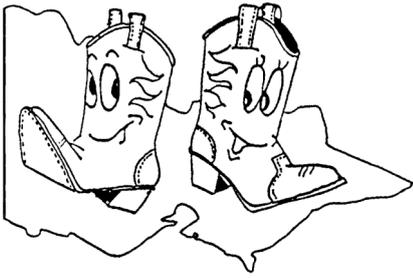


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PROMOTING & SUPPORTING LINE DANCING ACROSS VICTORIA PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hope you all had a restful and very happy Easter. I am glad to say The Portarlington Weekend raised a total of \$1,600 and three weeks later, on April 6, the Line Dance Marathon raised a total of \$10,090 for the Royal Children's Hospital. Thank you for the donations from many dancers and instructors that came to enjoy the day, as well as the clubs who gathered a multitude of gifts to be raffled off. Thank you also to a couple of dancers who wish to remain anonymous, for their generous donations.

I would also like to thank the Committee in attendance on the day, including all the instructors that helped lead the vast amount of dances requested, plus a few members of the VLDA who helped out before and on the day. A very special thank you to Marion Adams who generously donated her time and effort to collect the raffles and organize the trading table. Special thanks also to John Ikin who kindly supplied the sound equipment. All hard work was greatly appreciated.

During the day we danced a total of 183 different dances out of 310 dances requested. Only 7 dances were repeated throughout the day. 17 dancers stayed for the whole 12 hours while many came for part of the day. Our efforts were also broadcasted to the wider community via conversation with Steve Murphy from 3AW.

Preparation is under way for the Annual Gala Ball on the 30th of June and bookings must be finalized by the end of May. The theme for the ball is red and black and the mini workshop with Simon Ward will start at 4 pm.

The Southern State Line Dancing Championships will be held on the Queen's Birthday Weekend the 9th and 10th of June. Adrian Lefebour, Jessica Lamb, Chris Herbing, Cynthia Reynolds and Stephen Paterson are the Event Directors. Socials will be held on the Saturday and Sunday evenings. Please support this major event held at the Serbian Community Hall in Greensborough. All details are on the SSLDC website.

The next VLDA Meeting/Workshop will be held in Gordon on the 20th of May and will be followed by a social with Kerry Bailey from Nuline Dance from 3:30 onwards. Details are always available on the VLDA facebook page as well as the Newsletter.

I am off to the Perth Ball and then over to Tamworth for the Australian Line Dance Competitions. Good luck to all Competitors attending this event and results will be in the next Newsletter.

Till next month take care and enjoy your dancing.

Nadia Friel President