



# Victorian Line Dance Association Incorporated

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## President's Report - August 2016

It's blowing a gale as I write this report. The month of July has been freezing. Continue to rug up and attend the classes, especially those evening ones.

The VLDA has sponsored the SSLDC which was held on 23/24<sup>th</sup> of last month. The Event Directors, Jessica Lamb, Adrian Lefebour, Chris Herbing and Cynthia Rennolds, along with a team of volunteers and helpers hosted a first class event. The quality and standard of Victorian dancers has certainly put its stamp on competition and further to say, an increased interest from our younger competitors. Congratulations to Cowboys and Angels, Dare 2 Dance Melbourne, All in Line and Applejax for medal placings.

The VLDA has proven an esteemed record of stability for over 20 years. Its chief aim has been to promote and support Line Dancing across Victoria. For 3 years now, a trophy has been given for their contribution to the Association. On behalf of the SSLDC. I was honoured to present an Award to Marion Adams on her contribution to the VLDA for our appreciation to her outstanding service and devotion. She has served as a member on the Ball committee 2003 -11 and coordinator through 2010 -11. For many years now, she has played an integral part in supporting a working role in The Good Friday Appeal, raising funds for The Royal Children's Hospital. Huge congratulations, Marion on a most deserved Award. The SSLDC Hall of Fame was awarded to Caro Stoll for her contribution to Line Dancing, but more importantly to Line Dancing Competition.

A busy month of socials ahead with Valley Jade hosting a Social/Work Shop with Darren Mitchell and Stephen Paterson 5,6<sup>th</sup>. Bootscoot'n' Basics 22<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Social/Work Shop with Maddison Glover 20<sup>th</sup>, LV Country Bootscooters 10<sup>th</sup> Breast Cancer Awareness Fund raiser, presenting 2 Socials, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> with a workshop hosting Gordon Elliott, 14<sup>th</sup>. To avoid a doubling up with dates Linda has changed Gordon's workshop to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>. This is certainly a gesture of respect to the VLDA (check newsletter for further details)

Our next meeting will be the AGM, on Saturday, 13 August at St Martin de Porres Church Hall, 158 Military Rd, Avondale Heights. Please note times of Meetings and Workshops (revised copy) All committee and working party positions are deemed vacant. Please submit nomination forms for Executive Committee/Office Bearers, General Committee and Working Groups/Volunteers. Please ensure you are a fully paid up member of the Association for nomination and voting rights. If, unfortunately you are unable to attend on the day, there are Proxy forms available on request or via the web site. To comply with the Model Rules, only AGM correspondence, reports, general business that relates solely to the AGM can be tabled and discussed at the AGM meeting. To allow for other correspondence, reports and general business to be discussed on this day we have allocated a time for a General Meeting to be held directly after the AGM. This will allow the minutes from the May 2016 meeting, any business arising, Correspondence etc to be dealt with and not held over until our next scheduled General Meeting in November 2016. If you have any General Business you wish to have discussed at the General Meeting, please put it in writing then post or email it to the Secretary prior to the meeting day. The "cut off" date will be the 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016.

I have made a conscientious decision to consider a 3<sup>rd</sup> year as President. I have started a longer journey than I originally anticipated or expected, which leaves me in the position to finish off what I set out to do. I hold a great deal of respect to former presidential roles, as I realise how important a job this is to uphold. These last 2 years for me have been a learning curve, to master fair play, honesty, achievement and integrity. My chief aim has been to promote Line Dancing, supporting the VLDA Committee and members and through the network of the newsletter promote the uniformity of dances taught throughout Victoria.

I have endeavoured to visit the Interstate and Country rural areas, as well as Melbourne surrounds, notching up several kilometres on the "speedo". During this time I have spoken to quite a few dancers, who had no prior knowledge of the Association. It is interesting to note, that some Line Dancers do not feel the need to line dance anywhere else than their own club, I commend them for their loyalty.

On behalf of the Committee and General members, it has been an absolute pleasure to travel this road with your assistance and I will endeavour to continue to offer my support to this esteemed Association.

*Pauline Greenwood*  
*VLDA President*

