

# Tam Twirlers Square Dance Club



## Newsletter May, 2012



### Dance Schedule

#### **Wednesday Squares & Rounds**

**Rod and Gun Club**

**May 2, 9, 23, 30**

**NO DANCING MAY 16**

6:15–7:30 Phase 3 Round Dance Class (Rumba)

Last Wednesday features Rumba review plus earlier Two-step, waltz, and Cha Cha figures.

7:30–9:30 Two-couple warm-up followed by

Plus squares using numbered cards for square assignment except for first and last tips.

### Prez Sez

#### **Gen Sheppard**

Bob and I had a wonderful two weeks' vacation on the East coast early in April celebrating my birthday and Easter with his family and mine. We were happy to be back dancing with all of you on April 18 which was an exciting night for our club. As publicity for the Wine Country Senior Games, Carolyn and Tom Maloney arranged to have two young men professionally videotape our dancing for the evening. We had five squares and were on our best behavior. We're hoping that once the video is released, we'll be able to use it for some PR for our club was well.

It's time for our annual election for the Board of Directors for our club. Here is the proposed slate of officers for 2012/2013 (effective July 1, 2012):

President – Gen Sheppard; Vice President – Jeanice McGee; Secretary – Janet Sayles; Membership – June McClanahan; Treasurer – Marge Bowcock & Brad Christie; Publicity – Mary Carter & Brad Christie; NCSDA – Bob Sheppard; Hospitality – Sharon & Paul

Prudhomme; Fun & Games/Sheriff – Brad Sayles; Class Coordinator (as needed) – open.

Our election will be held Wednesday, June 6, when we will also take nominations from the floor (nominees have to agree prior to the meeting).

At our April 28 Board of Directors meeting, we voted to have an annual award for the club member who goes above and beyond to help make our club a viable and fun square dance club. This award is named in honor of John Bowcock (John was a super volunteer with the club). We are pleased to announce that the first recipient of the Annual John Bowcock Award is Brad Christie. Brad serves on the Board in two positions ( he does the Treasurer's report and our dance flyers); and he created the Taminations program which is used by square dancers everywhere. He is also most helpful on the dance floor. Never loses his "cool". Congratulations and thanks to Brad.

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that we approved applications for membership in the Tam Twirlers for the following dancers: Sarah and Jim Osher and Deborah Levin. Please welcome them when you see them.

See you on the dance floor.

*Gen*

### **Herm Johnson Memorial Service**

Herm and Barbara Johnson danced with us for many years going back to when Glen Dickey was calling in the mid 1980's. His memorial service will be 2 PM Saturday, May 5, at St Johns United Methodist Church, 150 Synder Lane, Rohnert Park. For more information contact Roger Rapport

## **May Dances**

**Cinco de Mayo Hoedown**  
**Adobe Squares/Singles and Pairs**  
**Saturday, May 5, 7:30 – 10:30**  
**Adam Christman**

[www.adobesquares.com](http://www.adobesquares.com)

This jointly sponsored hoedown features a new caller to this area, Adam Christman, from Spokane Valley, Washington. He's one precocious caller, having called his first dance at the young age of 3 [no, that's not a misprint]. Rounds from 7:30 to 8 and between tips cued by former Tam Twirler Bob Ensten. Plus squares from 8 to 10:30. Monroe Hall, 1400 W. College Ave., Santa Rosa.

## **Upcoming Early June Dance**

**Singles and Pairs 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance**  
**Saturday, June 2, 7:00 – 11:00**  
**Deborah Carroll-Jones**

[www.singlesandpairs.com](http://www.singlesandpairs.com)

Our neighbor club to the North is going all out for their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dance. From Arlington, Texas, Deborah Carroll-Jones ranks as one of the best female callers in the United States but rarely gets to the Bay Area. Joining her to cue rounds will be John Flora and Dolores Ferrero.

Plus dancing from 8 to 10:45; Advanced from 7 to 7:30 and the last tip after 10:45. Rounds from 7:30 to 8 and between tips. Monroe Hall, 1400 West College Avenue, Santa Rosa.

## **OUR OWN HOEDOWN!**

**Tam Twirlers 34<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance**  
**Saturday, June 16, 7:30 – 10:30**  
**Eric Henerlau and Jet Roberts**

[www.tamtwirlers.org](http://www.tamtwirlers.org)

Yes, it's here – our very own 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary hoedown on June 16 featuring Eric and guest caller Jet Roberts in tandem. Jet hails from Antelope, California. For those of you who don't know, "Jet" is not a nickname. Jet's father was an Air Force pilot who named his kids accordingly [good thing Jet's dad wasn't a cumquat grower]. Alternating Plus and Advanced tips European Style (no breaks between tips). No rounds, just

continuous square dancing so dancers take breaks only when they want to. Same great location as the past few years – San Rafael Community Center, 618B Street. Sign-up sheets are on our table or will be shortly.

## **May and June Festivals**

**65<sup>th</sup> Annual Silver State Dance Festival**

**Friday–Sunday, May 11–13**

**Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, Nevada**

**Bob Baier, Gary Shoemake, Joe Saltel**

[www.squaredancenevada.com](http://www.squaredancenevada.com)

Billed as "The longest continuously running festival in the US," Silver State features callers Bob Baier (Texas), Gary Shoemake (Tennessee) and Joe Saltel (Texas). Cuers are Susie and Gert-Jan Rotscheid from the Netherlands.

The dance schedule includes a Trails End Plus dance on Thursday evening (extra \$7.50 but then you'll get Joe Saltel) and a warm-up dance on Friday afternoon with callers from the floor (included in the 3-day rate). Mainstream through C-1. Dancing is on wood floors.

**59<sup>th</sup> Annual Golden State Round Up**

**San Ramon Marriott, May 25-27**

**Marshall, Kellogg, Lipscomb, Robertson**

**TJ & Bruce Chadd**

[www.ncsda.com](http://www.ncsda.com)

Time once again for our very own NCSDA (Northern California Square Dancers Association) event. Callers include John Marshall (Virginia), Michael Kellogg (California), and Charlie Robertson (California). Cuers will be TJ and Bruce Chadd (Idaho). Mainstream thru Challenge.

**Sonoma Wine Country Senior Games**

**Spring Village, Santa Rosa, May 31-June 10**

**Competitive Squares June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>**

[www.winecountrygames.com](http://www.winecountrygames.com)

Remember the crew filming our dancing April 18th? Well, it was to promote this event. Square dancing during the Wine Country Senior Games will be held June 8 and 9<sup>th</sup> at Spring Village in Santa Rosa. Proceeds benefit the Sonoma Council on Aging. Carolyn Maloney is coordinating the square dancing.

## **Far-Out Festivals**

Here are some farther out festivals. More details will follow as they draw closer.

### **Harvest Hoedown 2012**

**Yuba City, Oct 26-28**

**Dee Dee Dougherty, Mike Seastrom, Bronc Wise**

**Ron & Mary Noble**

[www.asdsc.org](http://www.asdsc.org)

### **Winter Festival 2013**

**King City, January 18-20**

**Baier/Oxendine/Story/Henerlau/Tannehill**

Web link not yet available

### **Sequoia Stampede 2013**

**Tulare, February 15-17**

**Mike Seastrom, Tony Oxendine, Jet Roberts**

**Sharon and Casey Parker**

[www.gsiinternational.org/](http://www.gsiinternational.org/)

### **Wing Ding 2013**

**Merced, March 1-3**

**Bob Baier, Jet Roberts, Bronc Wise**

**Sharon & Casey Parker, Mary & Ron Noble**

[www.ccsda.org](http://www.ccsda.org)

## **Bill, Meg, & Carolyn's Puzzle Time** **Guess the Mainstream Calls**

Here we come again to beguile you with our second segment of 10 clues for Mainstream calls.

See if you can match a call with each clue. For example, from last month, our answer for the clue "Needs WD-40 if it squeaks" was Hinge.

An astute cluer pointed out that two of our clues last month had more than one answer. "Divide a call in half" could be either our choice of Split Circulate or one we hadn't thought of, Half Tag. We liked Turn Back for the clue of "Going the wrong way? Then . . ." but an equally valid answer is Wrong Way Grand. Isn't this fun?

And once again a special nod to Carolyn Maloney for originality and timeliness with her clue this week about the San Francisco pedestrian. Our answers are on page 4.

If you would like to join our Guess the Calls team, just send us clues for any of the remaining 35 Mainstream calls. We'd love to include them.

Feel free also to let us know when you have a different answer for any of our clues.

## **Match a Mainstream Call with Each Clue**

Irish symbol

Store that bug

Return quickly

Angry 10K event

Kill the lead actor

Amusement park ride

No-no in a stick shift car

Arnold and Maria did this

Ambidextrous pianist plays one

San Francisco pedestrian in a cross walk

## **Setter/Cleaner Upper Duties**

When moving chairs or tables please make sure to lift rather than drag them so that no scuff marks are made on the floor.

Please remember if you are unable to make your assigned date it is your responsibility to switch with someone and then let Jeanice McGee (269-4697) know so she can revise the calendar and remind the appropriate people the day before. If you plan to go on leave or a long vacation, please let her know well in advance so she can schedule accordingly.

**Set-up:** Arrive by 7:00 – tables, chairs, and ice water should already be set up by the round dancers. Put out the hand sanitizer, cups, snack mix, and flyers on the far table. Put out more chairs if needed. Put sign-in sheets on the table by the door. On party night, set up an extra food table along with napkins, and assorted drink items. When it gets dark, turn on the outside lights. When supplies are running low, let Jeanice know.

**Clean-up:** Help cuers and callers load their equipment. Police the hall for cups and other trash. Empty the water cooler. Place the cooler, supplies, and table items back in our cupboard.

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Tables and chairs remain in place. The Janitor takes care of the garbage, lights, and locking up. Just be sure doors are closed when you leave.

### **May Birthdays**

Marge Bowcock      Soni Farwell      Donna Rapport

### **Setup and Cleanup Schedule**

	<b>7:00 Setup</b>	<b>9:30 Cleanup</b>
May 2	Nelson/Ryan	Van Herick
May 9	Sheppard	Carter
May 16	DARK	
May 23	Strawbridge/Wallhagen	Christie/Jones
May 30*	Aftowicz/Anderson	McGee/Cornish
Jun 6	Bowcock/McClanahan	Hard
Jun 13	Clinton	Mousley
Jun 20	Street	Parker
Jun 27*	Grissom	Prudhomme

**\*Party Night.** Those setting and cleaning up for the month should bring something to share.

### **Answers to Guess the Mainstream Calls**

<b>Clue</b>	<b>Mainstream Call</b>
Irish symbol	Cloverleaf
Store that bug	Box the Gnat
Return quickly	Scoot Back
Angry 10K event	Cross Run
Kill the lead actor	Shoot the Star
Amusement park ride	Ferris Wheel
No-no in a stick shift car	Slip the Clutch
Arnold and Maria did this	Separate
Ambidextrous pianist plays one	Right and Left Grand
San Francisco pedestrian in a cross walk	Walk and Dodge

### **Board Members**

#### **President**

Gen Sheppard

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Frank Aftowicz

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Brad Christie

#### **Secretary**

Janet Sayles

#### **Publicity**

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Brad Christie

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June McClanahan

#### **NCSDA Delegate**

Bob Sheppard

#### **Class Coordinator/Hospitality**

Jeanice McGee

#### **Fun and Games/Sheriff**

Brad Sayles

#### **Caller**

Eric Henerlau

#### **Cuers**

Dan and Allison Drumheller

#### **Tam Twirlers Website**

Webmaster: Brad Christie  
[www.tamtwirlers.org](http://www.tamtwirlers.org)

#### **Newsletter Editors**

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