



Diamonds 'n Denim Linedancers



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*'I love a sunburnt country, a land of sweeping plains,
Of ragged mountain ranges,
Of droughts and flooding rains.. '*

Once again, the much-loved and ageless Dorothea Mackellar poem rings true.



This last year or so, we could *add* horrific hell-fires, biblical proportion plagues 'out west' and hanging around in the background, there's always the pandemic. The roll-out of long-awaited vaccine is our new hope for a normal Covid-free future.

And linedancing? We just keep on keeping on! We've tackled all obstacles and mastered the QR code sign-in at class, clubs, and pretty much everywhere else, as a part of our current lifestyle. Maybe it won't always be necessary, maybe it will. If you have an older phone and can't use the QR Code, just put a tick beside your name in the usual sign in book (yes, we still have to do this) and I'll sign you in on my phone. If you *can* sign in with your phone, please do. My Samsung GalaxyJ7 pro phone is now quite a few years old and still doing all I need. I guess I'll have to update before too long, but you know how it is, I've bonded with it!

Cancellations of events and even social was cancelled on the morn- there was a cyclone moving to- portant. We've had hundreds of hope to have many, many more.



classes happen from time to time. Our February ing as roads were unsafe with excessive rain and wards the coast off Port. Your safety is more im- socials over the years, enjoyed every one, and Must stay safe; we've much more dancing to do.

Anything like cancellations/ book as well as www.didenim.com a friend to contact you. If you're please let me know and I'll add you. Likewise, I need to have a mobile number for everyone. I don't have all new beginners yet. Emergency services also require an ICE contact number on your phone. I know you've heard it all before, but sometimes we can change numbers and forget.

changes that you need to know is posted on Face- Please ring me at any time if in doubt, or arrange for on Facebook but not getting our private group posts,



Our **20th anniversary** social will be **HAWAIIAN** at our March social on Sat 20th, now only weeks away. We can't waste all those colourful outfits and leis that you bought for February! There'll be announce- ments in class of what to bring, etc. Visitors always welcome.

HAPPY EASTER It's the 1st week of April, which is also school holidays. We haven't anything planned this year and there is no class on Easter Mon 5th. Enjoy your break with family and friends and stay safe.

MONDAY class is at Kendall hall. There is still some confusion over 3rd Mon of the month when this class is *transferred* to Club North Haven. It's the same class, just a time change from morning to afternoon, not both. There are a few who can't make the Kendall morning class so this once-a-month at the club 1-3 pm suits them and it's good for the rest of us to re-visit our 'old' floor and surroundings (read as coffee shop haha).

NEW DANCES are flowing in fast, as they do at this time of year. I have a folder of 'possibles'. What I teach is at my discretion, ie what I think **you'd** like. I don't have any obligation to anyone else. We've already had 8 new dances as well as revision from last year's. You can request revision of dances at any time, with a few provisos, eg do others want to do them? If I don't remember them, I'll do at your next class or when we can.

Forster workshop/socials have just been on and, although I didn't make it this year, we'll be doing some of the workshop dances. At the moment we're revising Irish dances for St Patrick's Day at our Tues class on 16th March.



Here we are in the 3rd month already.
Love dancing with you.
Stay safe, stay well and enjoy your dancing.

Coming soon.. Don't miss it!



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Di xx 1 Mar 2021

NEW

Dances to 1st March Choreographer

BRINGS YOU HAPPINESS! Stephen Paterson, Aus
TOOT TOOT Linda Burgess, Sydney
LONG WAY 'ROUND Glenda Silver, Gunnedah
NOT DANCING ALONE Ryan Lea, NSW
EVERY OTHER MEMORY Wayne Beazley, Hunter NSW
OUTSIDE LOOKING IN Chris Tyson, NSW
REDHEAD Travis Taylor, C & T Breed Aus
LOCKLIN'S BAR (Rev) Maggie Gallagher UK

Options for split floors / beginner dances

Little Miss Rosie / Little Rosie AB
Love is Beautiful / Waltz of Tears AB
Over Drinking / Waltz of Tears
A Waltz for Megan / Waltz of Tears
Bring Down the House / Mamma Maria AB
Big Country Sky / Mamma Maria
A Long Way Home / Mamma Maria
Stagger Lee / One Good Reason (B)
Pot o' Gold / St Patrick's Cha Cha (B)
Paradise / Rub It In (AB) or Down at the Honky Tonk (B)
Over the Rainbow Swing / Rub It In AB

Levels

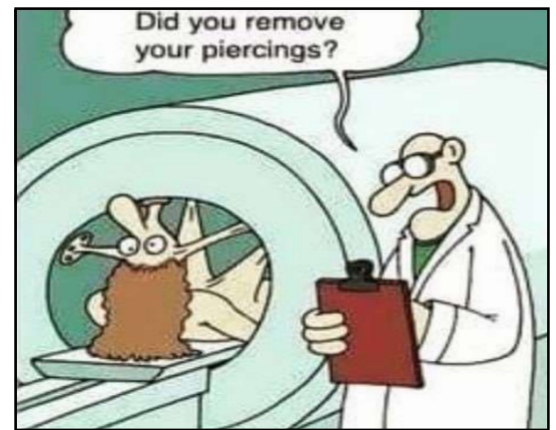
AB Absolute beginner
B Beginner
Imp Improver, or
EI Easy intermediate
Int Intermediate

My favourite bit of Ireland from our china cabinet.



I May Not Be The Most Important Person In Your Life... I Just Hope When You Hear My Name, You Smile And Say That's My Friend!

The Best Joke



Women know. They just know. Even if they didn't know, they would know. Men might not get this, but women will, because they know.

My Belt



My belt when I need to pee



The Rule



So You Mean To Tell Me a Stress Ball Isn't For Throwing At People Who Stress You Out?



We have a COVID-19 Safety Plan and are committed to keeping you safe.

MONDAY

Kendall hall.. (19 Comboyne St) **except 3rd Mon ***

1. Beginners 11 - 12 pm
2. Intermediate 12.15 - 1.30 pm

Classes & socials \$10

NB *3rd Mon only is at Club North Haven at old time of 1-3 pm

TUESDAY

Port Macquarie Rotary Hall.. (198 Hastings River Dr)

1. Beginners 11.30 - 12.30 pm
2. Intermediate 12.45 - 2.00 pm

MAR

Ros C 1
Di A 5
Neta D 6
Linda S 9
Gay B 11
Thora J 21
Shirley May (K) 29

APR

Faye E 3
Sue P 11
Ev L 12
Joybelle (K) 18
Pauline M 22
Heather S 29
Debby S 29

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EXERCISE?

i thought you said "Extra Fries"

Two Irishmen are nailing
down floor boards in a house

Paddy picks up a nail and realises
it's upside down and throws it away

He carries on doing this until
Murphy says "why are you throwing
them away?"

"Because they're upside down"
says Paddy

"You daft twat" says Murphy
"save them for the ceiling"



We've moved a few things around. Travel books are
in the Fantasy section, Politics is in Sci-Fi, and
Epidemiology is in Self-Help. Good luck. '

The Line Dancer



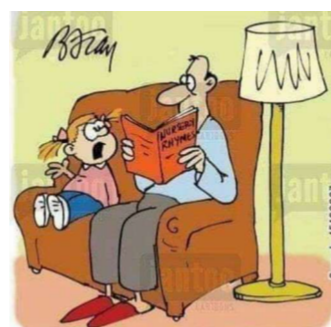
I'm a dancer and a prancer, it's my reason to smile
I cross shuffle and shuffle which can take quite a while .
Heel, toe 'n' heel , side rock and chasse
I've managed them fine, what a clever wee lassie !
The music is heaven , I'm singing the words
But now comes the hard part and I'm looking absurd
Quarter and half , full turn to the right
Reverse rumba box , oh no , what a sight 🤔
I'm facing the wumman in the row behind me
It's my back she looks at, not my face she should see.
So I smile and I wave , I pretend I don't care
I'm determined I'll no dae that any mair 😡
Here we go wi the next part , coaster step wi' a hold
I can make it a twirl when I'm feeling quite bold
Rock step and rock, Monterey front and back
A figure of eight and back shuffle ... oh ! B *****r that 🤔
I've done it again, I'm at the wrong wall 🤔
Will I ever be able to dance straight and tall ?
A quitter I'm not so I'll keep dancing on
And I'm thoroughly enjoying the words of the song
I keep sweeping and weaving tho' my wee head is spinning
Next part is the restart where we dance the beginning
Grapevine and scuff, wee mambo and hitch ,
What a lovely wee dance , with hardly a glitch !! 🥰🥰👍

Author unknown; poem was sent to Kenneth by a friend.
Hmm.. he might need to explain some of the words !

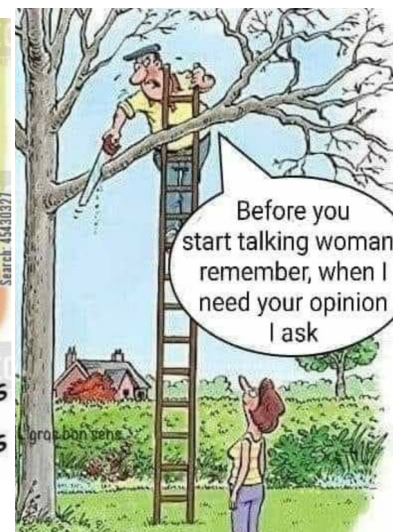


I don't think INSIDE
the BOX. I don't think
OUTSIDE the BOX either.
I DON'T even know where
the BOX is.

IF A WOMAN SAYS
"DO WHAT YOU WANT"
DO NOT DO WHAT YOU WANT.
STAND STILL. DO NOT BLINK.
DON'T EVEN BREATHE.
JUST PLAY DEAD.



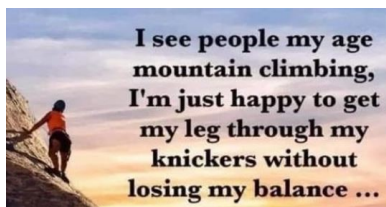
" SO, THESE THREE LITTLE MICE ARE
BLIND AND THE FARMER'S WIFE COMES
ALONG AND CUTS OFF THEIR TAILS
WITH A CARVING KNIFE!? WHO WRITES
THIS STUFF, STEPHEN KING? "



Old roads, old dogs, old folks and
old ways still have a lot to offer
in this sped-up world we all live in.



I see people my age
mountain climbing,
I'm just happy to get
my leg through my
knickers without
losing my balance ...



Happy Easter!



In the good old days..

Today's antiques were available new. You could warm your hands on the radio. Old people seemed much older than now.



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We arrest you in front of
your wife & release you on
Tuesday. Includes camping
fee, fishing license, tent,
and beer.
We come in full police
uniforms & blue lights.

You liked last issue's funnies,
so here's some more.

If you think you are
smarter than the
previous
generation...50
years ago the
owners manual of a
car showed you
how to adjust the
valves. Today it
warns you not to
drink the contents
of the battery.



Sir, we need to
take your
temperature before
entering the store.

Ma'am, have you
ever seen a man
with a fever,
walking?

HUSBANDS ARE THE BEST
PEOPLE TO SHARE
SECRETS WITH.
THEY'LL
NEVER
TELL ANYONE,
BECAUSE THEY
AREN'T EVEN LISTENING.

Anyone else read the cooking
instructions on a packet,
confidently throw it away
then seconds later dive into
the bin to retrieve it...
just to check?!

My boss texted me,
"Send me one of your funny
jokes."
Me: "I'm working at the
moment, I'll send you one
later."
Boss: "That was fantastic,
send another one!"



MAR 16 St Patrick's Day at TUES CLASS. Irish theme/ Irish craic.

MAR 20 **Celebrating 20 years of Diamonds 'n Denim with social at Tele Pt. Theme is Hawaiian.**

APR 5 EASTER Monday. NO class.

APR 17 Social at Tele Pt.

Socials as usual on 3rd Sat of each month. Updates here as time
draws closer. No full calendar due to possible Covid disruptions.

OCT 30 Maitland Muster Sat and Sun now confirmed. I'll be booking rooms soon at Maitland City Motel for
Sat night. Please arrange your own travel/room share, etc. Please see me asap if going. Numbers
may still be restricted, hopefully not!

Surround yourself with
the dreamers and the
doers, the believers and
thinkers, but most of all,
surround yourself with
those who see greatness
within you even when you
don't see it yourself.

1. I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do, it's because I missed my exit.
2. When can we start using 2020 as a profanity? Eg 'That's a load of 2020' or 'What in the 2020?', or 'abso-2020-lutely.
3. It's weird being the same age as old people. When I was a kid I wanted to be older.. this is not what I expected.