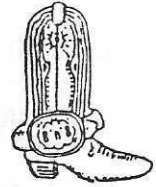


THE ROUNDUP



Newsletter for Boots "N" Buckles

March 1989

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I want to welcome all of the new faces that we are seeing each week. It is nice to see how much our club is growing, but along with it, we are experiencing growing pains. We need to check our dance floor etiquette and remember to leave room around the outside of the dance floor for walking. Please remember to be polite to everyone - we are here for the same thing "TO HAVE FUN"!

It is really nice to see our young people at the dances each week. We welcome them to our growing membership. I would ask our young people to abide by our 1 simple rule - stay on the steps when you go outside.

We are in the process of planning our next special dance for March 24. It will be our Easter Dance and WE NEED IDEAS! Let us know what you want to do. We are thinking about a Pot Luck and a few other surprises. So please help - we want it to be a big success!!

Our Valentines Dance went well and it was due entirely to the members. The deserts and recipes were wonderful!! (Someone even received a proposal of marriage for the apple pie.) My thanks to everyone for helping out and making it a fun, sharing evening.

Ann Thompson

MEMBERSHIP TIME

Club Membership Renewal

Well, it's March and time to renew your membership. All memberships need to be renewed! Look at the date on your mailing label to see the date your membership expires. We have sent this newsletter to all the names on our mailing list regardless of

when your membership expired. Renewal is simple and easy--

1. Tear off the front page with your address mailing label.
2. Verify that the name and address on your mailing label is correct; if not please print corrections in the space provided.
3. Attach to the renewal application a check for \$12.00 per year for each member
4. Bring your application with your check to any Friday night dance or mail to Boots 'n Buckles
5. After processing you will receive a new membership card.

A MATTER OF DANCE ETIQUETTE

by Neil Hale

Remember when, for the love of dancing, we had to go to honky tonks or other bars to dance? Remember too, the bouncers who threatened to bounce on us if we did line dances? How about those bands who played for their own amusement and didn't care a musical lick for the dancers they were supposed to have been playing for! It was primarily for these reasons, that C.W. Parker and Rick and Joan Bowen in the East Bay and Corrine and Don Wright in the East Bay, took the initiative to make some dramatic changes that would benefit all of us.

They started "private" or "semi-private" clubs that were completely run by the dance membership. Bigger dance floors allowed for expansion of club membership and enabled us to do our line dances in peaceful co-existence with those who desired to spot dance or dance progressively around us.

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C/W DANCE EVENTS

DEL WEBBS DANCE FESTIVAL

Country Western Dance Festival at Del Webb's High Sierra, Lake Tahoe, Nevada. This event will be held on April 14th, 15th, and 16th. The number for more information and to R.S.V.P. is (707)578-5716.

West Coast Swing Workshops

By 1987 Swing Champion, CARRIE HILL. Workshops offered in Santa Rosa on March 4, April 22, May 20, and June 24. Beginners 12:30 to 2, Intermediates from 2:30 to 4 and Advanced Syncopations from 4:30 to 5:30. Cost - \$15. Call Judy McBride (707) 528-6650 or Carrie Hill (714) 964-4931.

DESERT MOON DANCE CLASSIC

Date: April 20 & 30. Place HARRAHS Reno Hotel Casino. Organized by Gary Moore (702) 747-0156. Weekend ticket \$15 in advance or \$17 at the door. For reservations, call toll free 1-800-648-3773

C/W LESSONS WITH NORA WILT

Sponsored by Livermore Area Recreation and Park District. Session dates are April 4 - May 23. Cost is \$24 for 8 classes. Call (415) 447-7300 for information.

Dublin Rec Department offers classes from April 6 to June 8. Cost is \$30 for 10 classes. (call (415) 829-4932 for more information.

4TH ANNUAL NORTH BAY INVATIONAL

March 17 - 19 at El Rancho Tropicana in Santa Rosa. For tickets and more information contact Moe Padden 1315 Lincoln #3, San Rafael, CA 94901 or call (415) 457-1082. Advance tickets \$20 or \$25 at the door.

STOCKTON DANCE FESTIVAL

Host is Sundance Enterprises. Coordinator is Steve Freeman (702) 322-3355. Dates will be March 31, April 1 and 2.

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DANCE ETTIQUETE CONT.

This may sound like a "...happily forever after" ending, but with the rapid growth of our clubs, there is a problem developing on the dance floors that needs addressing.

DANCE ETIQUETTE must be adhered to.

Most dancers get the general idea their first time out: line dancing and spot dancing, like the swing, are done in the middle of the floor, allowing room for progressive dancers on the outside.

There are times, of course, when a line dance is called, but the tune is equally suitable for a swing. One equitable way to approach this is for the D.J. to call the line dance for the front of center floor and the swing for the remainder of center floor. If the song is versatile enough for dancers to two step to also, the D.J. might remind the dancers of this so that they will leave the perimeter of the dance floor open.

Dance etiquette wasn't devised by any one individual. it evolved out of common sense and the necessity to make things as enjoyable for as many people as possible. It is the individual, though, who must ultimately decide between common sense or chaos. Overall, we have a very good situation for ourselves compared to what we had when the honkey tonks were our only choice. Please take it upon yourself to be aware of dance etiquette, so all dancers can benefit. Its up to you!

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QUICK STEPPERS

The Country Quick Steppers will give their bi-monthly dances on March 4 and March 18. The March 4 dance will be held at the Veteran's Memorial building in Redwood City and the March 18 dance at Bowditch School in Foster City. Dnces begin at 8:30.

A special dance will be held on Friday, March 10 at Half Moon Bay at Chuna Schooll from 8 to 11. To get there, take Hwy 92 West to Hwy1. Turn left at the light, go one block to Kelly Ave and turn left. Go to middle of block to school parking lot.