

December 2017 NEWS

Welcome to December. Christmas is fast approaching, decorations are everywhere, and this is the time of year when many of us reflect on the past year and look forward to the next. The annual Hogmanay celebration is a great way to finish the old year and start the new.

Beginning this month, the newsletter in its entirety will be on the website. We will send out an email to let everyone know that it is available on the website. The change is occurring as there were some members who were having an issue opening the newsletter and we hope that this will help make it more available to all.

For information on the events listed below (and more) please visit our website at <http://www.rscdscalgary.org/events-2>

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Volunteering Opportunities
 - Help with events in general
- Membership renewal
- Calgary Class news
 - Class information
- RSCDS Hogmanay on December 31st.
- Confed Park Robbie Burns Night on January 19th
- St. Andrews-Caledonian Burns' Night on January 27
- Workshops in Calgary, Edmonton and Red Deer

DETAILS:

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Helping out at events**

Please remember that the events do not set up and clean up themselves. There is always a need for people to help. If you are coming to any of our events, please consider helping before and/or after the event. If you need specifics on time and what you could do, please contact debbyhenderson@yahoo.ca.

Membership Renewal

If you need to renew your membership in RSCDS Calgary or would like to join as a new member, please click on the link to download at membership form - [RSCDS-Calgary-Branch-Membership-registration-form-2017-2018.pdf](#)

Calgary Class News

- **Weekly classes**
 - Classes
 - Monday – Airdrie Kids class @ 4:30pm
 - Monday – St Giles SDC club @ 7:30pm
 - Monday – Beginners class at Capital Hill 11th @ 7:30pm
 - Tuesday – St. Andrews at Confed Park @ 7:30pm
 - Tuesday – Cross and Thistle @ 8:15pm

- Wednesday – Grace SDC @ 7:30
- Wednesday – Airdrie Youth class @ 4:30
- Thursday – Confederation Park SDC @ 6:30pm
- Thursday – St. Barnabas class – Sept 7th @ 7:30pm
- Saturday – Airdrie Adult class – Sept. 9th @ 7:00pm
- Complete information for locations of the classes can be found on the RSCDS Calgary website listed above.

Upcoming RSCDS Calgary events

RSCDS Annual Hogmanay Celebration – Sunday, December 31st at 7pm

- Location – Confederation Park Activity Centre (2212 13 St NW, Calgary)
- Band: Glen Morin
- Time: Doors open at 6:30pm and dinner at 7 pm
- Price RSCDS \$50, non RSCDS \$55 – see RSCDS website for online ticket purchase
- See RSCDS website listed above for more information, short program and dance diagrams

Upcoming Non RSCDS Scottish dance events in Calgary

Confederation Park Seniors Activity, Scottish country Dance Group Robbie Burns Night

- Date: Friday, January 19th
- Time: 5:30 to 11:00pm
- Location – Confederation Park Activity Center (2212 13 St NW, Calgary)
- Price: Confed park members \$35, Non-members \$45
- Tickets: please contact janyn_bertram@hotmail.com or at the Confed Park office at ed@yycseniors.com

St Andrew-Caledonian Society Burns' Night Saturday, January 27th

- Location – Polish Canadian Club (3015 15 St NE)
- Time: 5:30pm Doors open, program begins at 6 pm sharp
- Cost; \$60
- Tickets: online <http://standrewcaledonian.ca/upcoming-events-2/>
- Or contact Annvanderwal@shaw.ca

St. Giles Scottish Country Dance Club 35th Anniversary Workshop

(Fri Mar 9- Sun Mar 11)

- This year's teachers are Richard Bennett (BC), Fiona Miller (AB), and Bernadette Thill (AB)
- Music be Ron Krug and Dennis Orr
- Early bird rates until February 1st, 2018
- Registration details and brochure available on rscdscalgary.org or contact Janyn_bertram@hotmail.com
- **As this is a special anniversary for this workshop, we are asking anyone who may have pictures of anyone who has danced with the St. Giles group over the years to please forward directly to me.fisher@shaw.ca

Upcoming Events Outside of Calgary

Edmonton Workshop (Fri. Feb. 16 – Sat. Feb 18, 2018)

- Location: Chateau Lacombe Hotel
- For complete information on the workshop see the website www.rscdsedmonton.com/annual-workshop-ball.html

Red Deer Workshop (Apr. 6-8, 2018)

- Save the date! More information coming soon. Check out the website: <https://reddeerscottishcountrydancers.weebly.com/workshop-save-the-date.html>
- **Workshop reimbursement:** If you are attending an out of town workshop within Alberta, you may be eligible for up to \$200.00 to cover the cost of the workshop itself and accommodation costs. Please see the RSCDS Calgary website under Member Support for more information on applying for reimbursement. Please remember that while there is no specific deadline for reimbursement, please consider filing for the funds as soon as possible after the event. PLEASE NOTE: CHANGES ARE COMING TO THE WORKSHOP SUPPORT PROGRAM. STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Feedback is welcome - please let me know if this information is useful to you and/or if there is anything you would like to see added or any corrections needed. Thanks.

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Happy Dancing!!

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