

October 2018 News

Just like that, a blast of cold winter air has sprung the fall season upon us. No problem. Dancing can help warm us up. The focus for this month's newsletter will be ongoing classes, the St Giles Ceilidh, and the start of ball practices.

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

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DETAILS:

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Helping 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 annvanderwal@shaw.ca

Membership Renewal

The RSCDS Calgary membership year runs from July 1st to June 30th of the next year. New memberships and renewals can take place at any time of the year. Please keep in mind that renewing your membership before October 31st means you will stay on the email list.

Memberships cost \$20.00. If you missed purchasing your 2018/2019 membership at the AGM, you can print off a membership form from the RSCDS website (<http://www.rscdscalgary.org/membership>) and

- 1) Bring the form and \$20.00 to your local dance class – cash or cheques accepted,
- 2) Mail the form and a cheque for \$20.00 per membership to
 The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society
 Calgary Branch
 P.O. Box 1471, Station M,
 Calgary Alberta, Canada,
 T2P 2L6
- 3) Email the form to membership@rscdscalgary.org and pay \$20.75 using PayPal on the website - \$20.00 for the membership and \$0.75 for the paypal fee.

Calgary Branch Class News

Regular weekly Branch or Branch supported classes locations and date are listed below.

- Monday – St Giles SCDC, Scarboro United Church 7:30
- Monday – Airdrie kids (5-12 yrs), 4:30
- Monday – RSCDS Beginners class, Capital Hill Comm. Hall, 7:30
- Tuesday - Cross and Thistle, North Glenmore Park Hall, 8:15
- Wednesday – Grace SCDC, Grace Presbyterian, 7:30
- Thursday – St. Barnabas SCDC, St. Barnabas United Church 7:30
- Thursday – Confederation Park SCDC, 7:30
- Saturday – Airdrie Adult class, 7:30

Other classes in the city include:

- Tuesday – St. Andrew's class, Northmount Baptist Church, 7:30
- Friday – Confederation Park group – contact Janyn Bertram at janynbertram@shaw.ca

Upcoming Calgary events

Scots Gathering – St Andrews Caledonian Society/RSCDS Calgary combined event – Oct. 5-7

Don't forget it's this weekend!!

St. Giles Scottish Dance Club Ceilidh – Saturday, Nov. 3rd.

An evening of fun entertainment, dancing, piping and more.

Location – Confed Park 55+ Activity Centre, 2212-13th St. NW

Cost - \$10.00 St Giles members, \$20.00 non-members

Tickets – stgilesscclub@gmail.com or visit www.stgilesscottishcountrydance.club

135th Annual St. Andrew's Ball – Sat. Nov. 24th.

Location – Polish Canadian Club – 3015 15 St. NE

Tickets - \$60.00 – includes dinner, entertainment and dancing

Ticket Purchase – visit the website – www.standrewcaledonian.ca

Music – Scott Band and Bill Ewan

Ball Practice – Oct. 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20 at the Northmount Baptist Church Hall

7:30-9:30

Out of town events and workshops

San Francisco Branch Annual Workshop – October 26-28

- Location: Pacific Grove, CA at the Asilomar Conference Centre
- More information can be found at <https://sfasilomardance.wixsite.com/asilomarweekend>

55th Annual Gleneagles Ball – Vancouver BC – Sunday, Dec. 9th, 2018

Location – Pacific Ballroom – Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

Tickets - \$125.00 – contact Gillian Muir at muirnet@shaw.ca

Music – The Vancouver Fiddle Orchestra

Scottish Weekend in Italy – Bolgna, Italy – March 29-31, 2019

Teachers – Ramona Zohm and Samuele Graziani

Music – Matthias Rank and Silke Grosholz

Information – www.rscds.it

Sadly – The Medicine Hat workshop has been cancelled for 2018, but they hope to revive it in 2019.

- **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. However, given the need for fiscal prudence, all RSCDS Calgary Branch members may submit twice within a year, (\$400.00 per year). If you wish to attend more than 2 workshops in the same year, you are encouraged to send in the required paperwork and if there are sufficient funds leftover, reimbursement may be made. For more information please see the RSCDS Calgary website under Member Support.
- In an effort to keep the reimbursements within the current fiscal year, (May 1- April 30), please have all reimbursement claims into the board for consideration by April 15th.

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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