



# Jigs And More

## JAM Camp - Auckland 2011

### "OVER THE RAINBOW"

**Easter School holidays**

**22 – 24 April, 2011**

**St Cuthbert's College, Epsom,  
Auckland**

Registration forms have been sent to JAM groups and also to each individual JAM.

Early Bird registration date is **31 December 2010**. For this only a small deposit (\$50) is required (balance due end February)

Confirmed as teachers for Camp are:

Doug Mills from Christchurch

Ruth Oldfield from Auckland

Gail Schofield from Auckland

**Keep in touch with Camp over the summer:**

- Search Auckland Region JAM Camp 2011 on Facebook
- Send an email, asking to be on the JAM Camp email list for updates, to:

***[jam@aucklandscd.org.nz](mailto:jam@aucklandscd.org.nz)***

## JAM Camp update

The Auckland Region is right behind the JAM Camp. The camp organiser is Claire Gellatly (herself in her 20s) from the Royal Oak Club. Fundraising has been done by so many clubs, particularly the host club Royal Oak, which very generously donated the proceeds from its annual dance in November to the Camp.

Milford Juniors and Ellerslie Youth Group provided demonstrations at the dance, to thank the adult clubs for their support of the Camp.

Both groups looked magnificent. As the Milford group came into the hall, they seemed to form a never-ending line of JAMs in white dresses and kilts. They danced Petronella and the Duke of Atholl's Reel.

The Ellerslie group danced a medley of 4 dances (including Petronella) – each dance once through. They are pictured here dancing towards the stage in the Glasgow Highlanders.



## Medal Tests

### Results

CHRISTCHURCH Jul 2010  
TOKOROA Oct 2010

#### GOLD BAR

Rebecca Hart Hay

#### GOLD MEDAL

Stephanie Godfrey

Nicholas Totton

#### SILVER BAR

Stephanie Wallen

#### SILVER MEDAL

Eden Arawa-Stirling

Laura Gruschow

Angela O'Carroll

Kerridwen Russ

Kate Van Beurten

Paige Van Beurten

Stephanie Wallen

#### BRONZE BAR

Drew Leaf-Dobbs

Laura Totton

#### BRONZE MEDAL

Bianca Amataiti

Nicole Hurd

Gareth Kirton

Emelia Lochhead

Rachel McQuillan

Ceirah Pollock

Sandi Pollock

Tegan-Maree Shewry

Anna Marja Verhaegh

Hendrik Jozef Verhaegh

Meg Webber

Justine Zhang

**Congratulations to all the JAMs who passed their test!!**

### Upcoming Tests

Dunedin (Summer School) Dec 2010

**Good Luck to everyone taking their test!!**

## Apology from JAM Committee

You will have noticed that the distribution of the second edition of Jigs and More for 2010 was very late. It was expected that this would have been sent out in August. However, several technical issues occurred that led to this delay. These issues largely related to the database of JAMs. We hope that they are mostly resolved now.

The JAM Committee apologises for the delay in getting the newsletter to you all, and any issues with applications for Summer School medal tests and the Summer School Scholarship.

If you are aware of any JAMs or JAM contacts that have registered this year but not received their copies of Jigs and More, we would appreciate hearing about this so that we can work to improve the situation. You can contact us by email: [jam@rscdsnz.org.nz](mailto:jam@rscdsnz.org.nz)

## Upcoming Events

### Summer School

**RSCDS NZ Branch  
Dunedin Summer School  
28 December 2010 – 6 January 2011**

Contact Janet Favel on ph +64 3 473 8178  
or email [janet.favel@rscdsnz.org.nz](mailto:janet.favel@rscdsnz.org.nz)  
or look at the website [www.rscdsnz.org.nz](http://www.rscdsnz.org.nz)

### JAM Camp

**Auckland Region invites you  
to JAM Camp  
Easter 22-24 April 2011**

Just in case you missed it on the front page!  
See you all in Auckland!

### Queen's Birthday Weekend School

**Wai Wooden Ya  
come to  
Queen's Birthday Weekend School  
in Putaruru?  
3-6 June 2011**

There will be a Junior JAM Class. Older JAMs will be working in the general classes depending on their dancing experience. Watch out for information and registration forms early in 2011

### In This Issue

**Devisor's Corner** - leaflet of **The Tasman Link** with music by Pete Murray

### Next Issue

**Do write to us!** We welcome contributions to the newsletter from JAMs, JAM groups and teachers.

To list Upcoming Events, please send details of event, date, and contact name.

Email [jam@rscdsnz.org.nz](mailto:jam@rscdsnz.org.nz) by **31 January 2011** for the next issue.

# JAM Forum, Summer School

Sunday, 2 January 2011, 4pm

The JAM Committee will be holding an open forum at the Dunedin Summer School. JAMs, teachers, parents and anyone else interested in JAM matters are welcome.

If you have feedback or questions that you would like the JAM Committee to consider for the Forum, please send these to the JAM Convenor, to the address on the front page of the newsletter. You don't have to have raised the matter before Summer School, in order to discuss it at the Forum but as not all Committee members will be able to be in Dunedin, it may help the Committee to prepare and consult beforehand.

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## Buy, Sell or Exchange

Are you still stock-piling your children's Scottish gear because it's too good to throw away?? OR are you looking for a bigger kilt, new shoes, flashes of the right colour, a sash in the right tartan (or any sash at all)?!

Send in your offers to buy, sell or exchange, and we'll see if we can match you up, or add your request to this column in the next Jigs And More. Email [jam@rscdsnz.org.nz](mailto:jam@rscdsnz.org.nz) or post to PO Box 9743 Wellington 6141, with a photo if possible.

### For Sale

See kilt and waistcoat on back page.  
Email [jam@rscdsnz.org.nz](mailto:jam@rscdsnz.org.nz) if you have a good home for either of these items.

### Wanted to Buy

**Junior sporran** – Email [jam@rscdsnz.org.nz](mailto:jam@rscdsnz.org.nz) if you have one for sale or to give away, or to borrow for a few years!

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## Summer School Scholarship Winner

This year's winner of the Summer School Scholarship was drawn at the Waikato-BOP Region dance – the winner is (drum roll, please):

**Melanie Paulin.**

The Scholarship pays Melanie's fees for Summer School. It is awarded annually by the JAM Committee to one registered Junior Associate Member. Anyone can apply, but no one can win it more than once. Why not consider applying next year? Applications close 15 Sept for that year's Summer School.

# JAM Badges

A reminder that JAM badges can be obtained from the JAM Committee Convenor. The badge is a coloured metal badge with the JAM logo from the banner of this newsletter.

To obtain a badge, please send your name and address and \$7.50 (includes postage and packing) to the JAM Convenor, to the address at the foot of the newsletter.

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## Devisors' Corner

The third of the dances from the Junior JAMs (the 7 – 12 year olds) class at the 2009-2010 Summer School was devised by Georgina Kingston (NSW, Australia) and Claire Wyeth (Ellerslie Juniors), both aged 10 at the time.

The class's creativity so impressed the musicians who were playing for the class the day the dances were tried out for the first time, one of them – Pete Murray of Christchurch – promised to write a tune for this dance.

The dance instructions by Georgina and Claire and music by Pete are included as a special leaflet with this Jigs And More. (The second two tunes are only suggestions; any other good jigs would do.)

Have fun trying this dance! Hopefully your region's musicians can be persuaded to learn, and play for your dancing, the title tune.

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## What's in a Name?

The dance Johnny Groat's House, published by the RSCDS in Book 18, is relatively simple and fun for the first couple – but no-one else has much to do!!

The house of the dance's title was built by a Dutch family called Groat on the northernmost tip of Scotland. The original de Groat was probably sent by the King to run the ferry to Orkney in the fifteenth century. The landing on the mainland became known as "John de Grot's house". The house was recorded as covered in shells "beautified with diverse colours", and octagonal in shape.

Apparently, there were arguments between 8 relatives at family gatherings about who should sit in the "top" place – the one by the door. So John built a house or room with 8 sides and 8 doors, with a table of the same shape!!

The topmost point of Scotland is still called John O' Groats, even though the house is no longer there – see if you can find it on a map.

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# Christchurch Medal Tests

In the afternoon of Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July, the Christchurch Club's Children's Class and the Rangiora Club's Class came together to take their medal tests. There were two groups; one group going for bronze and the other going for silver.



Back row It to rt: Margaret McMurtry, Kerridwen Russ (silver), Sandi Pollock (bronze), Meg Weber (bronze), Rachel McQuillan (bronze), Justine Zhang (bronze), Laura Gruschow (silver), Nicole Hurd (in front) (bronze), Angela O'Carroll (silver), Kate van Beurten (silver), Linda Glavin, Paige van Beurten (silver), Joyce Gray  
Front row It to rt: Emelia Lochhead (bronze), Bianca Amataiti (bronze), Eden Arawa-Stirling (silver), Ceirah Pollock (bronze). Gareth Kirton (bronze) (Helen Russ in the back ground)

After each group had finished they were furnished with a lavish afternoon tea – a just reward for all the hard work.

Well done to the teachers, Margaret, Linda and Joyce, for getting them ready and Sandra McCormick for organising everything.

We are very happy to say that everyone passed and they all found out the week after the earthquake. It was nice to get some good news after the big shake and all the ones that followed.

Thanks also to Doug Mills and Wendy Jaegar for being our examiners.

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## For Sale

**Kilted skirt** – green on brown ground, with red & white; waist 62-69 cm, length 45 cm

**Waistcoat** – green on green, 8-10yr (chest 83cm, back length 44cm), 4 buttons, slit pockets.

Both free to good home, or donation to Newtown Juniors JAM Camp fund. Email [jam@rscdsnzb.org.nz](mailto:jam@rscdsnzb.org.nz) if interested; delivery by post, or pick-up from Summer School (on or after 30 Dec).

