



Milford Juniors in the Cloud

The Milford Scottish country dancers performed (at the Cloud on Queens Wharf in Auckland) on 31 May. There were eight of us in the teenagers group and three in the children's.

For us, we did three dances - *The Piper and the Penguin*, *Petronella* and *Postie's Jig*. (The younger group danced *The Scottish Werewolf*, *The Waratah Weaver* and *Ripples on the Lagoon*.)

It was a very fun event with lots of performances and stalls. This event held in the Cloud, was very enjoyable, and showed us a lot about the Scottish background.

Report by Anan Zhao, age 14 of Milford Juniors



See inside for the instructions for 'Ripples on the Lagoon'



JAM Badges

A reminder that JAM badges can be obtained from JAM Committee Membership. 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 to jam@dancescottish.org.nz. Amy will let you know how to pay the cost of \$7.50 (includes postage & packing).

Medal Test Results

CORRECTIONS:

Summer School, Cambridge
30 December 2013

Bronze Bar (not Bronze!) Sophia Kilgour, Lochiel

Silver (not Bronze Bar!) Xavia Fraser, Lochiel

Editor's apologies - I recorded the wrong level of medal test for you!

Upcoming Medal Tests

Medal test application forms are available online from rscdsnz.org.nz - Click on 'Youth' then under FORMS click 'Sit Medal Test'.

Send your form and payment to the test organiser for the test venue you want to attend - please note relevant closing dates.

Waikato /BOP 4 October 2014

1pm to 5pm at St Andrew's Church Hall
Hamilton Road, Cambridge

Applications to Helen Smythe
80A Raleigh Street, Cambridge
Closing date for applications **5 September**

Auckland 11 & 12 October 2014

Milford Senior Citizens Hall
141 Kitchener Rd, Milford,
Auckland
11 Oct - Gold, Gold Bar, Silver Bar
12 Oct - Bronze, Bronze Bar, Silver

Applications to Angela Maxted
116 Sunrise Ave, Mairangi Bay,
Auckland 0630
Closing date for applications **8 September**

Wellington tbc 18 October 2014

Venue tba

Applications to Elaine Lethbridge
19 Harper Street, Newtown, Wellington

Summer School 2014/15

Knox College, Dunedin
December 2014 (date tbc)

Applications to Diane Bradshaw
48 Tennyson Street, Trentham, Upper Hutt
Closing date for applications is **16 November**.

Upcoming Events

Summer School 2014-15

28 December 2014 - 5 January 2015
Knox College, Dunedin

Junior and Senior JAM classes offered
A fun-filled week packed with dancing, held
in the 'Edinburgh of the South'

Contact janet.favel@dancescottish.org.nz
or PO Box 8163, Dunedin 9041

Hoppit JAM Camp

Waikato July 2015

Start fundraising now - aim for everyone in
your group being able to go!

To be held at Totara Springs, Matamata

Contact Jeanette Lauder at
jamcamp@dancescottish.org.nz

Ripples on the Lagoon

32 bar jig for three couples in a three-couple longwise set

1-4 1st couple set turning to face 2nd couple at the end of bar 4, as 2nd couple face up

5-8 1st and 2nd couples set twice, facing up and down on the side

9-16 1st, 2nd and 3rd couples dance reels of three on the side - 1st couple dancing in and down to begin, 2nd couples out and up, and 3rd couple in and up

17-20 1st couple lead down the middle for 2 steps, lead up for 2

21-24 1st couple cast down to 3rd place, 2nd and 3rd couples moving up on bars 23 and 24

25-32 2nd, 3rd and 1st couples dance six hands round and back

Repeat with a new top couple.

Suggested music: "Jig Medley" recorded by Bobby Brown on "Grandfather Mountain Gala"

Published in the Milford Collection - dances devised by Milford Juniors, 2002. Lois McEwan was introducing the group to mirror reels and the rest of the dance just followed. One junior came up with the descriptions of the various bars:

1-8 Bullrushes blowing in the wind
9-16 Ripples on the water
17-24 Waves
15-32 Edge of the lagoon.

Does your group devise dances, or do some of your members? Send in your dance to Jigs And More, and we'll publish it so it can be shared with other juniors in New Zealand.

Or enter the Dance Devisors Competition being run by the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society (see below for details)

Dance Devisors Competition

RSCDS Headquarters is running a dance devisors competition to coincide with Spring Fling in London 2015. Spring Fling is a weekend event for dancers under 35 years old so the competition is only for devisors under 35 (and any music composed for the dance must be by a composer under 35 too).

Dances must not have been previously published. Dances have to be submitted online at <http://eval.rscds.net/p/ysc2015/>

Closing date for submissions is 10 November 2104. Evaluation will take place worldwide during December 2014 to March 2015 with the final winner announced on 19 April 2015. See the Headquarters website (www.rscds.org) for further details, or email Youth Services Coordinator Roy Bain at ysc@rscds.org

Like us on Facebook!

The official Facebook group for JAMs is "RSCDS NZ Branch, Jams, Yams and some ozzy kids too."

Ask to join the group and your friendly Youth committee member Kerridwen Russ will add you in so you can connect with friends from Summer School and JAM Camp, learn more about dancing, and see what's happening for JAMs around New Zealand!

2014-15 JAM membership

Just a reminder that the membership year runs from 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015. Renewal forms for **current dancers** will be sent out to junior group contacts in the next month or so. Fees are due by 30 September.

New dancers who begin dancing in 2014 should pay their registration fee (\$5, or \$10 per family) immediately, and will begin receiving membership benefits immediately. Their membership will run through until 31 August 2015. The application form for new members is available at

<http://www.rscdsnz.org.nz/Youth>

Registration cards for all renewed and new members will be mailed with Issue 3 of Jigs And More.

Note that there's a new address for membership applications by post to
Amy Luxton-Esler 1c Cambrai Ave, Mt Roskill,
Auckland 1041

Or you can send forms to the usual email address:
jam@dancescottish.org.nz

What do you want in Jigs And More?

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

We want this newsletter to have in it what you want to read, and to tell you about what JAMs are up to in the rest of New Zealand. So please send in your articles, photos, dances you've devised, ideas for competitions or activities, or details of upcoming events. We would love to receive them.

Email youth@dancescottish.org.nz or
jigsandmore@dancescottish.org.nz
by **15 September 2014** for the next issue.

JAM CAMP

Is Coming!

10-12 July 2015



The Waikato Bay of Plenty Region

contact:

jamcamp@dancescottish.org.nz

Commonwealth Ceilidh

Did you have a great time at your area's ceilidh? Christchurch JAMs danced the Teddy Bear's Picnic at Christchurch's Commonwealth Ceilidh. They had been practising for a few weeks. It went well on the night. "Always great to see the JAMs in action."

