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Jigs And More

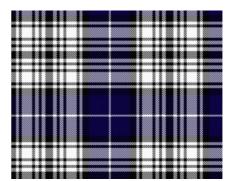
What do you know about Scotland and Scotlish Country Dancing?

- 1. Which famous Scottish battle took place in 1314?
- 2. Where would you find a chanter and a drone?
- 3. What is the name of the pouch worn in front of a kilt?
- 4. What is Scotland's longest river?
- 5. What international event is held on the Edinburgh Castle Esplanade between July and August each year?
- 6. Where is the headquarters for Scottish Country Dancing?
- 7. What is the highest mountain in Scotland?
- 8. Where in Scotland would you find Balmoral Castle?
- 9. Which language became an official language of Scotland in 2005?
- 10. What is the official Scottish currency?

- 11. What is a ceilidh?
- 12. What is the national symbol of Scotland?
- 13. What is the name of this castle?



- 14. Who is the patron of Scottish Country Dancing?
- 15. What is the capital city of Scotland?
- 16. How many medals did Scotland win at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games?
- 17. What is the name of this tartan?



Canberra Branch Dance Competition

Ever wondered what it'd be like to try writing a Scottish Country Dance? Maybe you've written one before, but haven't taken it further?

Why not get creative for the......

2018 Scottish Country Dance Devisor's Competition!

Facilitated by the Scottish Country Dance Club of Canberra (SCDCC), this competition is open to anyone wishing to try devising his or her own Scottish Country Dance.

The dances will be tried and tested and a winning dance will be chosen, with the view of it being put on the program for the Canberra end-of-year social!

Conditions of entry:

- Entries are to be received by Friday 31st August 2018.
- There needs to be a complete written description of the dance (i.e in eight bar sections).
- The dance can be any of the traditional Scottish Dancing styles reel, jig, strathspey or hornpipe.
- Each entry is to be the recent, original work of the entrant.
- A maximum of two entries are accepted from any entrant.
- Music for each entry will be selected by the entrant, and can be in the form of CD or other recording.
- The submission of a dance grants permission to the Scottish Country Dancing Club of Canberra, at its own discretion, to publish the dance at some future date.

Format of entries:

All entries need to include:

- Name of the dance, devisor and date the dance was created.
- Address, email and phone number of devisor.
- If relevant, a brief background of the dance.
- Selected music, either in CD format or other recording.
- The initial formation.
- Instructions need to be clear, complete, and unambiguous.
- Bar counts are to be shown by the number of bars since the start of the dance, in the left hand column.

Judging criteria:

- Enjoyment of the dance.
- Flow of the dance.
- Suitability of the music for the dance, including the suitability of the style and speed of the music for the formations, and accuracy and fit of the dance formations to the music.
- Clarity, accuracy and reliability of the written instructions.
- Originality or innovation of the dance.
- The dance can be taught and danced within a period of 20 minutes (if you're not sure about this one, check with your teacher and they will let you know).

If you need help with putting your creation into the right format, have a talk with your teacher or send an email to the committee and we can also help you out.

All entries for the 2018 Competition to be received at the following address by 31 August 2018: 8/10 Hyatt Park, Ashby Circuit, Kambah, ACT 2902, or by email to synnottd@yahoo.com

JAM Camp 2019

Save the date! Start planning now for the opportunity to dance and catch up with friends, and make new ones.

The next JAM Camp is being held in Auckland next year, during the July school holidays.

Friday 12th to Sunday 14th July

More news will be coming soon

See your name in print!

Don't forget! Jigs And More is for you - email us at jigsandmore@dancescottish.org.nz with a story or photo of what exciting things you and your group have been doing.

Closing date for the final edition for 2018 is Friday 31st August.

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. Chris will let you know how to pay the cost of \$7.50 (includes postage).

Summer School 2018-2019

28 December 2018 - 5 January 2019. Both Junior and Senior JAM classes are being offered. A fun-filled week packed with dancing, fun and friendship. For more information, visit the Summer School page on the NZ Branch website

http://dancescottish.org.nz/ss/SummerSchool.php?PageID=2 or emailss2018@dancescottish.org.nz.

Quiz Answers

- 1. Battle of Bannockburn.
- 2. Bagpipes.
- 3. A sporran.
- 4. The River Tay
- 5. The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- 6. Edinburgh.
- 7. Ben Nevis.
- 8. Crathie, Aberdeenshire.
- 9. Gaelic.
- 10. Pound sterling.
- 11. A fun evening of dance, songs and stories.
- 12. Thistle.
- 13. Stirling Castle.
- 14. Queen Elizabeth II
- 15. Edinburgh.
- 16. 44 (9 Gold, 13 Silver and 22 Bronze).
- 17. Napier

What's in a name?

Have you heard of the dance Kangaroo Paw? It's the common name for a number of species of plant that are endemic to the south-west of Western Australia. How about asking your teacher if your class can have a go at trying out the dance.

KANGAROO PAW (R8×32) John Brenchley Kangaroo Paw Book

1-8: 1s set advancing and dance down the middle. Lady dances under Man's left arm to change places and 1s dance up to end back to back in 2nd place facing opposite sides.

9-16: 1s dance Double Triangles and end facing 2^{nd} corner.

17-24: 1s turn 2^{nd} corner right hands, turn partner left hands, turn 1^{st} corner right hands and partner left hands to face out in 2^{nd} place on own sides.

25-32: Is dance reels of 3 on own sides (left shoulder to 4^{th} corner to start: 1^{st} m going down, 1^{st} I going up).

Buy, Sell or Exchange

Are you still stock-piling your children's Scottish gear because it's too good to throw away? Do you know someone whose children don't dance any more, or have grown up, but have kept their shoes, kilt, sash, shoe bag, socks, flashes, sporran?

Are you looking for a bigger kilt, new shoes, flashes of the right colour, a sash in the right tartan?

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 us at jam@dancescottish.org.nz

2018 Summer School scholarships

Thinking about possibly attending the upcoming Summer School in Nelson? How about applying for one of the JAM scholarships?

The Scholarship pays the full cost of a JAM resident at the New Zealand Summer School (any travel costs are extra). Applications close on 30th June each year and are drawn soon after. The award is by ballot only - there is no grading - so start thinking about getting your application in.

See the application form on the Youth page on the NZ Branch website, or talk to your club tutor for further details.

Opcoming Medal Tests

Wellington:

Saturday 25th August at Waikanae Presbyterian Church hall.

No further details were available at time of going to print, but we will let your teachers know as soon as the information is confirmed.

Opcoming region/club events

<u>Christchurch:</u> 24th June. 1.30pm at Sumner Community Hall.

<u>Tam O'Shanter:</u> 14th July. 7.30pm at Heaton Intermediate School Hall.

<u>Auckland Region Ball:</u> 14th July. 7.30pm at Edgewater College.

<u>Timaru:</u> 21st July. 4.00pm at Woodlands Road Church Hall.

<u>Upper Hutt:</u> 28th July. 6.00pm at Wesley Centre.

Tokoroa: 11th August. 5.00pm. Location TBA.

<u>Island Bay & Johnsonville:</u> 11th August. 7.30pm at Ngaio Town Hall.

<u>Napier:</u> 25th August. 7.30pm at St Patrick's School.

<u>Lower Hutt:</u> 1st September. 7.30pm at Knox-St Columba Church.

<u>Waimate</u>: 16th September. 1.30pm at Waimate High School.

<u>Glendarroch:</u> 29th September. 5.30pm at Wanganui Intermediate School