



Royal Scottish Country Dance Society New Zealand Branch Inc.

MAC News

(Management and Co-ordinator News)

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PRESIDENT

The Management Committee held our first meeting in Christchurch on 21st February. At the meeting we discussed the items that that came up at the AGM and other matters that would normally been discussed at Summer School. Debbie and I will be reviewing the roles and responsibilities of all the coordinators to ensure that they are up to date and relevant to the role. I will be attending the Upper Hutt 50th on 24th July and the Wellington Regions 60th on 7th August 2021. After the Regions 60th celebration I will be staying on in Wellington until the 14th of August. I am looking forward to dancing at the Wellington clubs to catch up with old friends and meet new friends. The NZ Branch Summer School will be held in Christchurch from 28th December 2021 to 5th January 2022. The organising committee are Ian Marshall, Su Marshall, Alice Shankie and David Williamson. If you wish register this can be completed online or if you would like to know more about the Summer School, please email ss2021@dancescottish.org.nz.

SECRETARY

The most up-to-date version of the Branch Directories, including region and club contacts, club nights and venues, are available on the Branch Website. If changes occur during the year, please email Michele at secretary@dancescottish.org.nz. If the secretary changes, please send the secretary's personal email address (not the club's or region's dancescottish address)

Please note Linda Glavin's new phone number: 022 165 6699.

TREASURER

As well as the Branch's "general fund" it has a number of special purpose funds. The largest of these is the Summer School Fund. This fund was established in 1999 and is added to by any surplus from a Summer School plus periodic bank interest or subtracted to if a Summer School makes a loss.

The fund can be used in any way to help Summer Schools. So for example money can be advanced to the School organisers to pay costs that arise before

registrations have got going (such as booking deposits), this is then repaid when registration fees start to come in; money can be paid to help a School meet specific costs; and the fund is also very specifically there to cover a loss. We were fortunate that the postponement of the 2020/21 Summer School had plenty of notice and thus there were no postponement costs but if it had come in say mid-December, the unavoidable costs would have been met from the Summer School Fund - and not from membership fees.

For the 2021/22 Summer School the Management Committee have decided that as well as contributing to the School to meet specific costs, the Fund will pay \$100 of each Adult dancer registration (resident or commuter) and \$50 of each JAM (resident or commuter). It was felt that this was a way in which some the money "for a rainy day" can be used to help dancing after what was a disappointing 2020 for many dancers. It will still leave more than adequate funds in the Schools Fund.

CO-ORDINATORS' REPORTS MEMBERSHIP, COMMUNICATION & PUBLICITY

All new members that joined the RSCDS in 2020 should have received their New Member packs. If you didn't please contact Sue at communication@dancescottish.org.nz

If you have gained new members this year and want to share how you attracted them please email me and I will let other Clubs know of your success

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

No report received

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

No report received

YOUTH

No report received