



Royal Scottish Country Dance Society New Zealand Branch Inc.

MAC News

(Management and Co-ordinator News)

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PRESIDENT

The Management Committee's recent zoom meeting was held on Saturday 3rd July 2021. It was great to see an increase in the number of scholarship applications this year 19 in total. The working group for Consult 2020 sent out a survey which has now been completed. A summary of the findings will be available to members. Debbie and I are still working on reviewing the roles and responsibilities for all coordinators. There has been a change of contact for members who have changed email address, contact number or moved house; please email communication@dancescottish.org.nz for your details to be updated in the New Zealand and the Society's data bases.

The Branch secretary Michele Miller and Education and Training Co-Ordinator Lee Miller, who have both been on the management committee for 4 years, will not be standing for re-election this year. If you are interested in either of these positions and would like more information please contact Michele, Lee, or myself.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge the passing of Dan Sharpe. Dan was a former President and Vice President of the Branch and a NZ Branch honorary life member. Dan's contribution to dancing, both nationally and in the Auckland Region, spanned more than 50 years. We extend our condolences to Betty and her family.

SECRETARY

Reminder: Notices of motion for the NZ Branch AGM 2022 and nominations for the Management Committee are due to the secretary by 31 August 2021. Online forms are available for nominations on the Branch website. (See **About Us** tab).

Memorial Book: Maureen Robson has produced beautiful pages for the Memorial Book for many years. If you are interested in taking on this role, please contact the secretary. You can see examples of the Memorial Book pages on the Branch website. (See **About Us** tab).

TREASURER

Clubs and Regions sometimes have difficulties with how to show the collection of RSCDS subs and fees in their financial reports, particularly where they are

collected before 31 August and paid on to the Branch in the following financial year. There is a simple solution to this which I am happy to discuss and provide help with (including templates). In simple terms the funds received and paid are not "income" or expenditure" of the Club or Region, they are just collected and on-paid on behalf of the members. As such while they should be included in a report of cash flows; and if there is an amount held at 31 August it should be shown as a liability in the statement of what is owned and owed ("balance sheet"); they should not be part of the statement of income and expenditure. Reporting in this way will make the income and expenditure easier to understand and more relevant to the members; showing the subs and fees in a cash movement report completes the picture and will help avoid the puzzled look on club members' faces at club AGMs.

If you want more info on this contact Quentin – treasurer@dancescottish.org.nz

CO-ORDINATORS' REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP, COMMUNICATION & PUBLICITY

Membership Renewals are due to go to the Region Secretaries on the 1 August who will then send the workbook to the Clubs on the 3 August. Clubs then need to have the workbooks back to the Region Secretary by the 3 September so that the Region Secretaries can get the workbooks and fees to the NZ Branch by the 10 September. Since we have a tight timeline Clubs will be asked to email their workbooks to both their Region Secretary and to communication@dancescottish.org.nz so that inputting of the data into both the NZ Branch and Society's databases is completed by the 24 September. This will enable Membership cards to be printed and sent out prior to Clubs finishing for the 2021 year

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

No Report Received

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

No Report Received

YOUTH

No Report Received