



# Footnotes

Portland Country Dance Community · July / August 1995

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Although the usual PCDC First Saturday English Country Dance series will be off for the summer, Saturday, July 1 brings a **Special English Country Dance Event**. Visiting from England is **Colin Hume**, one of the most well-known (and most outspoken) callers and teachers of this genre. Besides being an expert on traditional dances, he's composed many dances and tunes of his own. Colin will lead a workshop focusing on his own dances, 1-3:30 PM, and then an evening dance mixing modern English dances, Playford, contras, squares, and who knows what else, 8-11 PM. Both events will be at the Burlingame Water Tower Dance Hall.

The **PCDC First Friday Dance** has an appointment for July 7. Portland's own **Merilee Karr** will be prescribing the dances, to the musical ministrations of Eugene's **Chico Schwall** and **Fred Wilson** (bowing, plucking, and puffing, respectively), and local **Dave Goldman** (pounding). Expect an evening of high energy and musical surprises. 8 PM at Multnomah Art Center.

**Merilee** returns on Saturday, July 8 to call the **PCDC Family Dance**. Helping her with the every-other-month munchkin m  le   will be musicians **Alan Garren & Clyde Curley**. The dance runs from 5-7 PM, followed by a potluck picnic on the MAC grounds.

Then stick around for the **PCDC Second Saturday Dance**. Caller **Ted Remillard** will lead an evening of smooth contras to the unstrained strains of **Mark Bautista, Maria Falasca** and **Ellen Hansen**. Everyone in this band is a string player, but if you ask nicely Maria will probably show off some skin, too. 8 PM at MAC.

Due to OSHA energy-saving regulations, **Jigsaw** is being given the summer off from **Paul McCullough's**

**Third Saturday Contradance**. Filling in during July will be the equally energetic (don't tell OSHA!) **Clyde Curley & Associates**. **Moondog** sits in in August. 8 PM at Fulton Community Center.

Elsewhen on the Fulton front, the **Fourth Saturday Contradance's** caller and organizer, **Ted Remillard**, will henceforth share those responsibilities with **Mary Devlin**. Ted will do July with **Full Moon**, and Mary will handle August with **Alan Garren & Creighton Lindsay**. 8 PM at FCC.

The **PCDC First Friday Dance** of August 4 welcomes Eugene caller **Elinor Preston**. She'll be calling from her cool collection of crafty contras, over the collective cooing of **Moondog**. 8 PM at MAC.

Saturday, August 5 brings a special **Cats & Dogs Dance**, with *three* bands performing for your podiatric pleasure. First, **Moondog** will draw from its vast repertoire to avoid any but the most crowd-pleasing re-runs from the previous night. Next, in their penultimate Portland performance, **Cats Cradle** will provide the feline perspective. Finally, hold onto your socks for the **Mammoth Monster Band of Four-Footed Furies!** Holding the reins all night will be favorite Seattle caller **Laura M   Smith**. 8 PM at St. Andrew's Church.

The **PCDC Second Saturday Dance** will feature Portland's newest acquisition from the nationwide pool of migrating callers—**Ben Allbrandt**. Ben's already gaining a reputation here for his well-chosen dances and smooth teaching and calling. Joining him on the stage will be another local with a rising reputation, **Twisted Shamrock**. 8 PM at MAC.

## Dance Locations

BC	Benton Center, 630 NW 7th, Corvallis
BWT	Burlingame Water Tower Dance Hall, SW 17th and Marigold (between Spring Garden and Taylor's Ferry Roads)—no street shoes permitted on the dance floor
EAT	East Avenue Tavern, 727 E. Burnside
ECHO	Echo Theater, 1515 SE 37th
FAS	French American School, 1849 SW 58th (Sylvan)
FCC	Fulton Community Center, 68 SW Miles (off Barbur, traffic light just east of Terwilliger)
GP	Guthrie Park, 3 miles south of Dallas on Kings Valley Highway.
HS	Hough School, 1900 Daniels, Vancouver, WA.
IOOF	IOOF Lodge, 187 High NE, Salem.
KMS	Kelly Middle School, North Park & Howard, Eugene.
MAC	Multnomah Art Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. (at 31st)
MG	Mountainview Grange, White Salmon. Call 503/386-6461 for address.
MLB	Melody Lane Ballroom, 615 SE Alder
NG	Netel Grange, Lewis & Clark Road, 3.9 miles south of Miles Crossing at "Logan Road Chapel" sign. Call 503/325-7279 if lost.
NWSC	Northwest Service Center, 1819 NW Everett
OC	The Old Church, 1422 SW 11th
PPAA	Portland Police Athletic Assoc., 618 SE Alder
RG	Rockford Grange, 4250 Barrett Drive, Hood River.
SAC	Saint Andrew's Church, SW Dosch Road at Sunset Boulevard (near Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy)
WHCC	Waldo Hills Community Club, 5 miles south of Silverton, Cascade Highway & Sunnyview Road.

## Regular Dances

Unless stated, all dances are open to everyone—experienced or not, with or without partners, and feature live music. All dances are taught and children are admitted without charge. PCDC encourages sit-in musicians (unmiked) at regular PCDC dances at the discretion of the hired band and caller. Sit-in musicians will be admitted free to PCDC dances.

**PCDC First Friday Dance.** This contra dance showcases local and regional callers and dance bands. If you'd like to call or book a band for this dance, please contact PCDC. Musicians are encouraged to sit in with the hired band, but will not be miked. MAC, 8 pm, beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. \$6/\$5 for seniors and PCDC members.

**PCDC First Saturday English Country Dance.** English Country dance is a source of modern square and contra dance style. FCC, 8 pm, beginner's workshop 7:30 pm. \$5/\$4 seniors and PCDC members.

**First Saturday Cats & Dogs Contradance.** Cat's Cradle and Moondog play alternate months with guest callers. SAC, 8 pm, beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. \$5.

**Second Friday English Country Dance.** At least a little experience advised. Nan Evans calls and coordinates. BWT, 8 pm, no beginner's workshop. \$5.

**PCDC Second Saturday Dance,** the longest continuously running contra dance in the state. This dance is similar to the first Friday dance, maintaining the tradition. MAC, 8 pm, beginners' workshop 7:30 pm. \$6/\$5 seniors and PCDC members.

**Portland Ceili Society Dance** is "a gathering of friends" with lively Irish music, frequently played by world famous musicians. Very aerobic dancing and a full bar are only a few of the notable features of this Third Friday of the month dance, held at Portland Police Athletic Association. Cost \$5.

**Third Saturday Contradance** is a dance series organized by Paul McCullough. The dances tend towards the challenging side. FCC, 8 pm, beginner's workshop 7:30 pm. \$6.

**Fourth Friday Open Mike Dance Party.** Open mike for callers and musicians, with designated leaders. Organized by Paula Hamlin, with different dance themes from month to month. BWT, 8 pm, no beginner's workshop. \$2.

**Fourth Saturday Contradance** is another independent dance series, organized and called by Ted Remillard and Mary Devlin. FCC, 8 pm, beginner's workshop 7:30 pm. \$6.

**Fifth Saturday Dance.** The Rose City Aces and guest callers. More of an old-timey/square-dance slant. FCC, 8 pm, beginner's workshop 7:30 pm. \$5.

### Upriver Dances

**Second Saturday Dance.** GP, Salem, 8 pm.

**Fourth Friday Scandinavian Dance.** IOOF at 8 pm. Call 503/364-6713 to confirm.

**First & Third Saturday Dances.** BC, Corvallis. 8 pm. (Bring non-street shoes.)

**Second Saturday Dance.** KMS, Eugene, 8 PM. Beginner's instruction at 7:30 PM. (For info or places to stay, call Ellen at 503/686-2053.)

**Fourth Saturday Swing 'n Contra Dance,** GP, Salem, 8 pm.

**Astoria Old-Time Country Dance.** NG, Astoria. Call 503/325-7279 for details.

**Contramania Dances.** More challenging dances, no beginner instruction. KMS, Eugene. Fourth Saturdays at 8 pm.

**Hood River Saturday Dances.** RG, 8 pm. Call 503/386-6461 for details.

**White Salmon Saturday Dances.** MG, 8 pm. Call 503/386-6461 for details.

# CALENDAR • AUGUST / SEPTEMBER '95

## July

1st (Sa) PCDC First Saturday English Country Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

1st (Sa) Special English Country Dance Event with Colin Hume. Workshop 1-3:30 pm, dance 8 pm, both at BWT.

1st (Sa) First Saturday Cats & Dogs Dance. 8 pm at SAC. Caller: Ben Allbrandt. Music: Cat's Cradle.

1st (Sa) Corvallis First Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

3rd (Mo) Old-Time Music Jam Session. 7-10:30 pm at the Martin's. Call Bill or Nancy (206/695-4361) for details.

7th (Fr) PCDC First Friday Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: Merilee Karr. Music: Chico Schwall, Fred Wilson, Dave Goldman.

8th (Sa) PCDC Family Dance. 5 pm at MAC. Caller: Merilee Karr. Music: Clyde Curley & Alan Garren. *Potluck picnic at 7 pm.*

8th (Sa) PCDC Second Saturday Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: Ted Remillard. Music: Mark Bautista, Maria Falasca, Ellen Hansen.

8th (Sa) Salem Second Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer?*

8th (Sa) Eugene Second Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

12th (We) Beginner Music Teaching Session. Call Susan (503/771-0035) for details.

14th (Fr) Second Friday English Country Dance. Caller: Mary Devlin. Music: Kathleen Towers & friends. (No street shoes allowed.)

15th (Sa) Third Saturday Contradance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Paul McCullough. Music: Clyde Curley & associates.

15th (Sa) Corvallis Third Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

21st (Fr) Portland Ceili Society Dance. 8:30 pm at PPAA. *Off for the Summer.*

22nd (Sa) Fourth Saturday Contradance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Ted Remillard. Music: Full Moon.

22nd (Sa) Salem Fourth Saturday Swing 'n Contra Dance. *Off for the Summer?*

22nd (Sa) Eugene Contramania Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

28th (Fr) Fourth Friday Open Mike Dance Party. 8 pm at BWT. Lead caller: Ted Remillard. Lead musicians: TBA. (No street shoes allowed.)

28th (Fr) Salem Fourth Friday Scandinavian Dance. 8 pm at IOOF.

29th (Sa) Fifth Saturday Aces Dance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: TBA. Music: Rose City Aces.

## August

4th (Fr) PCDC First Friday Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: Elinor Preston. Music: Moondog.

5th (Sa) PCDC First Saturday English Country Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

5th (Sa) First Saturday Cats & Dogs Dance. 8 pm at SAC. Caller: Laura Mé Smith. Music: Moondog & Cats Cradle.

5th (Sa) Corvallis First Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

7th (Mo) Old-Time Music Jam Session. 7-10:30 pm at the Martin's. Call Bill or Nancy (206/695-4361) for details.

9th (We) Beginner Music Teaching Session. Call Susan (503/771-0035) for details.

11th (Fr) Second Friday English Country Dance. 8 pm at BWT. Caller: Nan Evans. Music: TBA. (No street shoes allowed.)

12th (Sa) PCDC Second Saturday Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: Ben Allbrandt. Music: Twisted Shamrock.

12th (Sa) Salem Second Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer?*

12th (Sa) Eugene Second Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

18th (Fr) Portland Ceili Society Dance. 8:30 pm at PPAA. *Off for the Summer.*

19th (Sa) Third Saturday Contradance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Paul McCullough. Music: Moondog.

19th (Sa) Corvallis Third Saturday Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

25th (Fr) Fourth Friday Open Mike Dance Party. 8 pm at BWT. Lead caller: TBA. Lead musicians: TBA. (No street shoes allowed.)

25th (Fr) Salem Fourth Friday Scandinavian Dance. 8 pm at IOOF.

26th (Sa) Fourth Saturday Contradance. 8 pm at FCC. Caller: Mary Devlin. Music: Alan Garren & Creighton Lindsay.

26th (Sa) Salem Fourth Saturday Swing 'n Contra Dance. *Off for the Summer?*

26th (Sa) Eugene Contramania Dance. *Off for the Summer.*

## September

1st (Fr) PCDC First Friday Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: Eric Black. Music: Rose City Aces.

2nd (Sa) PCDC First Saturday English Country Dance. *Off until October.*

2nd (Sa) First Saturday Cats & Dogs Dance. 8 pm at SAC. Caller: Marlin Prowell. Music: Moondog.

2nd (Sa) Corvallis First Saturday Dance. 8 pm at BC. Caller: TBA. Music: TBA.

9th (Sa) PCDC Family Dance. 5 pm at MAC. Caller: TBA. Music: TBA.

9th (Sa) PCDC Second Saturday Dance. 8 pm at MAC. Caller: Mike Richardson. Music: Cats Cradle.

*Note: most dances offer a beginners' workshop half an hour before listed time.*

## Welcome to New Board Members

Their terms expired, the following PCDC stalwarts have left the Board of Directors: Darrell Desper, Keith Fish, Barbara & Rik Fischer Smoody, Dave Hamlin, Jan Hinkamp, and John Kral. Please give them your personal applause next time you see them, for a job well done.

And please give your support and encouragement to our new members: Michael Bissell, Kathy Bowman, Paula Hamlin, Susan Kuhn, Stan Sanders, and Judith Swinney.



## Dance On the Internet

If you've recently joined the rush to the Internet, you might want to check out the international hang-out of contradancers, square dancers, and folkdancers of all genres (though the contradancers are certainly the chat-tiest). It's the Usenet newsgroup *rec.folk-dancing*.

Current "threads" include discussions of the relative ease and responsibilities of male and female dancers in asking prospective partners for a dance, and the merits of different kinds of dance shoes. Musicians have been comparing notes on tune medleys for contras.

Previous hot threads have included arguments about gender-balance policies at dance camps, whether "gypsy" is a politically incorrect dance call, and the origin of the musician term "four potatoes."

*Rec.folk-dancing* ("r.f-d" for those in the know) also receives regular postings of dance events all over the continent. It's a great place to ask things like "I'm going to be on a business trip to Calgary next week—will there be any good dances in the area?"



## WANTED: Dishwashers who dance!

PCDC'S Suttle Lake Fall Dance Camp is hiring 3 kitchen staff members to wash dishes, pots, and pans for the weekend of September 15-17. Total camp attendance is around 130, so be prepared to roll up your sleeves. The benefits:

- You will be paid \$100 for the weekend
- You will get room and board at beautiful Suttle Lake Camp for the duration of camp
- You will be able to participate—without charge—in several of the camp workshops and dances

Positions won't last long! If interested, please contact Barb Tabachnick at 590-3542(h), 248-9985 x16(w), or [Barbara@ata.org](mailto:Barbara@ata.org) (e-mail).

## Ted Sannella Ailing

Ted Sannella—the influential contra and square dance caller, now residing in Maine—has enjoyed seven years of remission from lymphoma. Unfortunately, he has suffered a recent recurrence with a vengeance, including leukemia as a complication. He is currently undergoing chemotherapy with encouraging results.

Ted's well-wishers are encouraged to send him a note at RR 1, Box 218, Old Sheepscot Road, Wiscasset, ME 04578.



## Consider Joining CDSS

PCDC is an Affiliate Member of the national Country Dance and Song Society, headquartered in Northampton, Massachusetts. If you're interested in dance and dance music for contras, squares, and English Country Dance, then you might enjoy becoming an individual member of CDSS yourself.

Membership gets you an info-packed bi-monthly newsletter, an easy way to contact dancers and musicians around the country, and a discount on purchases from CDSS's mail order collection of tapes, CD's, and books. Not to mention the pleasure of supporting *our* national (no—international!) organization. Dancers/musicians in the west are represented by four of us—Mike Richardson (Seattle), Bruce Hamilton & Alison Dodson (Bay area) and Mary Devlin (Portland). Contact Mary (503/236-8062; [devlin@bnamf.blackwell.com](mailto:devlin@bnamf.blackwell.com)) for more information. You can also find CDSS flyers at any PCDC dance.



## Lisa Greenleaf & Bruce Hamilton to Call at Suttle Lake Weekend

PCDC welcomes two visiting callers and teachers to this year's Fall Weekend at Suttle Lake. (*September 15-17; there may still be some spaces left if you get your application in right away—check with the camp registrar, Norman Hale, 503/236-8062.*)

Lisa Greenleaf hails from the Boston region, but is known throughout the country for her work at numerous dance camps and festivals. Her high-spirited, witty calling and precise teaching make her a favorite wherever she goes. Besides the New England contras and squares that she'll be leading at Suttle Lake, Lisa is also in demand as a teacher of couple dances and Morris.

Bruce Hamilton is one of the best-known leaders of English Country Dance in the San Francisco Bay Area—though his many appearances at dance camps throughout the nation keep dragging him away. Bruce's contagious excitement about both the dance and the music will energize your own enjoyment. (He's also been known to belt out a ballad or two with the right prompting, so some late-night song sessions might be in order.)

**PLEASE let us know immediately if your address changes.** We get charged a quarter for each newsletter that is returned. And worse yet, you won't get your newsletter. Give your old and new address. Contact Bob Nisbet, 10101 SW 55th, Portland, OR 97219, 244-3971.

This newsletter, *Footnotes*, is published every other month. If you have a dance announcement for the newsletter, please contact the newsletter committee, or send it to PCDC, PO Box 14636, Portland, OR 97214. Give a concise description of your event, including featured band and callers, date, time, place, cost, and phone number for further info. The information provided here is as accurate as we can make it, and changes or cancellations may not be reflected in this calendar. We encourage submission of letters and articles of interest to the community. Letters and articles become the property of *Footnotes* on publication and may be edited. The **deadline** for the Sept./Oct. calendar is Aug. 15th.

**Portland Country Dance Community** is a consortium of dancers, musicians and callers promoting country dance and music traditions through regular dances, workshops and other events. Everyone is welcome. Our interests

include American, English, Celtic, Scandinavian and related traditions, expressed through live performance and participation. With this newsletter, we hope to exchange information and share concerns about traditional music and dance. We publish the newsletter every other month and distribute it to members of PCDC and other folk organizations in the Pacific Northwest. Membership is \$10.00 a year (\$8.00 for seniors), which provides a \$1.00 discount at our regular dances and subscription to the newsletter. Donations in excess of \$10 per year are tax deductible. Correspondence may be sent to PCDC, PO Box 14636, Portland, OR 97214. We are an educational non-profit corporation and also a center of the Country Dance and Song Society, a national organization whose address is 17 New South Street, Northampton, MA 01060.

The PCDC board is an elected body of volunteers from the community. Meetings are held once a month, and community members are always welcome. Help, ideas and feedback from the community, in whatever form, is necessary to make PCDC events happen. Your contributions of time and support are appreciated. Call any

board member for further info. The PCDC board comprises:

Michael Bissell .....	245-2172
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Barb Tabachnick .....	590-3542

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**PCDC April Board Meeting Minutes (digest).** The Dusk 'til Dawn Dance is all set. The MAC piano has been successfully renovated. Elections will be held in June; Rik will round up a slate of new candidates. Sue has approached Artquake about some sort of dance event; she hasn't heard back yet. PCDC's separate Musician's Fund, which was created to deal with a particular theft of instruments, really hasn't served any purpose for many years now. The Board voted to eliminate the Fund, while maintaining a commitment to financially assist musicians in the event of an emergency or loss. The Board declined to organize a benefit dance for the Stumptown Cloggers to get new costumes. PCDC will donate its mailing list as a gift to a member couple getting married. The mailing list will also be made available to CDSS to solicit members. A donation can will be put out at dances after the break, for late arrivers.

**PCDC June Board Meeting Minutes (digest).** Both outgoing and incoming Board members were in attendance. For the moment Sue will be Chair, with Michael as Assistant Chair; official Chair election will be in 6 months. Late arriver donations will be deposited to PCDC's general fund. Jeff Weber is working on some dance workshops ideas for the Fall. Artquake is considering Sue's suggestion; she will discuss with them the necessary facilities for a dance. After extensive discussion, the Board voted to reinstate the First Saturday English Country Dance as a PCDC event. Board members will continue to be involved with the dance's planning committee, and the Board encourages other committee members to routinely attend PCDC board meetings. The committee will provide a budget proposal at the next board meeting.

**Next Meeting:** July 20, 6:30 PM at Michael's, 5761 SW 39th Avenue, Portland.

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