

# The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society

## Peterborough & District Branch



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## Newsletter March 2018



### AGM

This year's AGM will take place at 7.30 pm on **Tuesday 15 May**, in St Mark's Church Hall. All class members are encouraged to attend. There will be dancing afterwards, and the evening will be free of charge.

In order to speed up the meeting, you are asked to **please think about the following in advance:**

- **New Treasurer:** Eleanor's term of office as Treasurer unfortunately has to end in May, as our office bearers are not allowed to serve for more than five consecutive years. We therefore need a new Treasurer – could this be you? If you would like to know more about what the role involves, then do speak to Eleanor. Please give this some serious thought as the Branch cannot function without a Treasurer.
- **New Committee Members:** We currently have ten dancers on the Committee, and our constitution allows us to have up to twelve. Would you like to join and be involved in the decision making? If interested, please let a current Committee member know.

All dancers, new and experienced, are eligible to stand for Committee. However, please bear in mind that only members of the RSCDS are entitled to vote and to nominate committee members. AGM papers, which will include nomination forms, will be sent out in April, but please do let us know your thoughts before then.

### Charity

Thanks to the generosity of dancers over the past year, we have been able to donate £250 to the Salvation Army Good Neighbours Scheme.

**Is there a particular charity you would like us to support in 2018? Please let any Committee member know before our next Committee meeting on 28 April**, so that we can consider all suggestions and follow up with a proposal at the AGM.

## Burns' Suppers

Well done to our team of dancers who were invited to take part in the Dem. and Ceilidh at Peterborough Cathedral Burns' Supper on 19 January. Thanks go to Kerry and her husband Phil, Hazel and James, who were in charge of the dances and music, and to all dancers who had to cope with waiting around in the cold sacristy and dancing on a stone floor! The Dean's Secretary has thanked us for our involvement and has informed us that a profit was made on the night, to be added to the Cathedral funds.

Our own Peterborough & District RSCDS Branch Burns' Supper Dance took place on 27 January and was a very enjoyable evening, as you will have seen from the photos. Thank you, Amanda, for all your hard work, and also thank you to all those who helped in any way to make this such a success. A profit of £133.66 was made from ticket sales, which goes into Branch funds. The charity raffle raised £95, with the addition of £20 which had been found in the hall and not claimed. We have already booked the piper for our next Burns' Supper Dance on Saturday 26 January 2019!

## Class Dates

**Easter Break: No class on Tuesday 27 March & Tuesday 3 April: Happy Easter, everyone!**

**AGM + Dancing:** Tuesday 15 May

**Tuesday Classes End:** Tuesday 22 May, **7.30 - 10 pm**. Please bring a small amount of food.

**Tuesday Classes Resume:** Tuesday 4 September

**Advanced Classes:** Thursday 22 March, Thursday 26 April, Thursday 24 May

## Tea Dance Dates

**13 April and 11 May:** 3 – 6 pm, at Newborough Village Hall, PE6 7RT

Cribs and video links can be found on our website: [www.peterboroughrscds.org.uk](http://www.peterboroughrscds.org.uk)

## Peterborough & District RSCDS Summer Dance

**Saturday 23 June, 7 – 10.30 pm, at Newborough Village Hall, PE6 7RT**

We hope you will all come along: we shall be dancing to CDs, and the programme, crib and link to videos can be found on our website: [www.peterboroughrscds.org.uk](http://www.peterboroughrscds.org.uk). We intend practising some of the dances from the programme on **Tuesday 19 June**, 7.30 – 9.30 pm, at St Mark's Church Hall.

## Summer Tuesdays

Thank you to all who filled out a questionnaire regarding inviting a Visiting Teacher along to one of our summer Tuesdays. Your replies will be of great help to the Committee, and once summer dancing plans have been finalised, details will be sent via email and will also appear on our website. In the meantime, please keep these provisional dancing dates free: **5 June, 3 July, 17 July, 31 July**.

## The Wee Green Book

The latest – ninth - edition of 'Scottish Country Dances in Diagrams', also known as 'the wee green book', has been published recently. This is a useful aide memoire for anyone who likes to see dances in diagram form and is available from the RSCDS online shop at a cost of £6.75 (discount available for RSCDS members).

## RSCDS Subscriptions 2018-19

RSCDS Subscription rates remain the same for the coming year: Adult Single £20; Adult Joint £32; Young Adult (18-24 yrs) £16. Subscriptions are due from 1 July: please let Sheila have payment from 1 July and **by 31 July 2018** at the very latest. More details in a future email.

## Saturday 8 December - Save the Date!

Mandy Baxter will be holding her 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Dance on **Saturday 8 December**, 3 – 6 pm, at Newborough Village Hall; all Peterborough & District dancers are welcome, and Mandy asks you to please save the date.