

Newsletter October 2020

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2020

October

21st 'Lead and Follow' workshop with Shaun, 7-7.30pm, followed with Club night 7.30pm, with our popular 'request' night format. DJ Craig will play music requests from his extensive music library, Hei Hei Hall 28th Open planning meeting, Hei Hei Hall, 7pm, all members welcome.

November

4th Intro to West Coast Swing with Shaun, followed with club night, music request night.
11th West Coast Swing 7-8pm
18th Learn a Move
7-8pm, club night Hei Hei
Hall, 8pm
25th Learn a Move
29th All Comers competition

December

2nd Club night 7-9.30pm 13th Christchurch RnR Club Christmas Tea Dance, Hei Hei Hall, 4pm to 8pm, Music with Ian Mac

Well

It's certainly been one of those years. Between Covid-19 lockdowns, and elections, there has been plenty going on, all of it enough to make it difficult to get any momentum going in our dancing. We have chosen to take the most socially responsible and conservative line in terms of health and wellbeing when it comes to lessons, and this has meant great disruption. We live with the hope that we may now be able to get some dancing going again. First up in the week after the elections (the first week in which we can get back into our hall) Shaun is running a half hour 'Lead and follow' workshop. Perhaps one of the most difficult skills for male dancers to master is that of having a sufficiently positive lead to ensure that your partner knows what you are expecting to do when not dancing a routine. Expect the usual Shaun 'awesomeness' at that workshop. In the meantime, thanks everyone for your support and patience. Remember that while there isn't too much happening right now, we need your support as members like never before. This is one of those classic Robert F Kennedy moments: 'Ask not what ChCh RnR can do for you, but what you can do for ChCh RnR'... well he might not have said exactly that but you get the idea. So ... Kia tau te mauri Robin

Mini Workshops: West Coast Swing

While we have no further lesson sets planned for this year, we have organised a special set of Workshops in which Shaun will teach 'West Coast Swing', a surprisingly simple variation to rock and roll that simply uses a triple step. Please book through the usual channels. These are scheduled for Wednesday 4th and 11th of November.

Membership renewal

Members: we need YOU!! We know you are out there.. those awesome members who have forgotten to renew your membership. As we move into the Post Covid world, we need every one of you.. we need you to renew your membership, we need you to support us as we come into the Post Covid world, we need you to come and dance.

Please get your membership renewal completed. Subscription fees are: Senior \$40 Junior \$30 Couple \$65 Family \$85 Bank Details for Direct Credit General Account BNZ Bush Inn Centre 020874 0296279 00

2021

January

30th Welcome back dance

February

March

27th Birthday dance

April

May

June

6th South Island Interclub Comps (TBC)

<mark>July</mark> 31st Club champs

August

28th Welcome Spring dance

September

October

November

December

4th Christmas dance

Competition news .. change of date (again)

We are keenly aware of the impact that the cancellation of both junior and senior nationals, and the annual South Island Interclub comps, has had on many dancers.

Please note this change: we have set the new date as to Sunday 29 November, the venue is Hei Hei Hall, and doors will open at 2.30pm. Let's just have some good fun. Entry forms will be out soon. Don't forget that if you are looking towards an assessment for Nationals, this can be done at this comp too.

Open planning meeting

Wednesday 28th October at 7pm at the Hei Hei Hall, we are holding a committee planning meeting for 2021 and beyond. In these current times we see significant risks and significant opportunities, and so we are making this an open meeting at which all club members are welcome. While the committee has the core of a plan in mind, if you have thoughts on what might lie ahead for us in 2021 and beyond, please feel free to come along. The meeting will be followed by a 'learn a move' session.