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Step, Lock and Shuffle

A monthly publication to share line dance news associated with Northern Riders Line Dancing

Northern Riders' Classes for 2012

Monday—Yagoona Greyhound
Social Club—6pm to 8.30pm

Beginner to intermediate class
with Michelle and Robert.

Tuesday—Denistone East Bowl-
ing Club—6.45pm to 8.45pm

Intermediate to advanced class
with Jenny.

Wednesday—Yagoona Grey-
hound Social Club—Beginner
6.15pm to 7.15pm then intermedi-
ate to 9.45pm with Michelle.

First Friday of Each Month—
Yagoona Greyhound Social Club.

Partner dancing and two-stepping
with Robert and Pat.

Congratulations Northern Riders and Diamond Line Dancers—Tamworth 2012



(Results and full report inside)



A group of Northern Riders attended the very enjoyable Showcase Social held by Linda Burgess (pictured left) and her One Liners early in the new year. There were over 100 dancers at the social from a number of clubs and, as well as dancing their favourite old and new requests, they were able to see choreographers demo some of their new dances for 2012. Throughout the night, Linda made some time for the choreographers to dance 4 walls of the dance to showcase the dance. This allowed dancers to get a feel for the dance and see how the choreographer meant it to be danced. The dances demoed on the night were "Here's Your Dance Song" and "Let Me Love You" by Lyn Booth, "Dance with Me Tonight" by Julie and Josh Talbot, "Country is as Country", "Good Intent", "Someone Like" and "Throw Your Hands Up in the Air" by Linda Burgess, "If I Had Wings" by Jennifer Hughes, "Can't Remember to Forget" by Darren Mitchell and Jennifer Hughes and "Blue Bayou" by Jennifer and John Hughes. A good fun social and a great idea thanks Linda.

For more information on upcoming events and lots of photos visit our website—www.northernriders.net. (Hosted by Liz Barned)

Please send news, views, suggestions, photos etc for inclusion in future publications to jhughes866@aol.com.

20th AUSTRALIAN LINE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

I am writing this having just got back and unpacked from a fantastic 10 days at the Tamworth Country Music Festival and the 20th Australian Line Dancing Championships in Tamworth. Teams from many parts of Australia came together to celebrate 20 years of championship dancing and the standard was excellent all week and, in my opinion, better than it has been for the last couple of years. Congratulations to all of the dancers who participated, the talented instructors who trained the teams and the parents and support staff who helped with transport, costumes, music, emotions etc. I will not go into all details here as I am sure that a full list of results will be published shortly on the LDAA website. A few of the highlights were:

- ◆ The "Club of the Year" was the Allstars from Queensland closely followed by the Bandits from country NSW.
- ◆ The ALDC Buckles for the Open Country Duo were won by Maddison Glover and Elise Spinks from Illawarra.
- ◆ The "Judges Recognition Award" for dedication to and involvement in line dancing was awarded to Kimberley Vidler from Lennox Beach for the outstanding work she is doing with the young line dancers in her team.
- ◆ The youngest dancer was 8 year old Mia Schirmer from Lennox Beach in NSW and the oldest dancer was 80 year old Shige Uematsu from Y & S Bootscooters in WA. That's what line dancing is all about!!

Northern Riders dancers Jenny, Karen, Liz, Ngaire and John combined with Kristine and Carol from Diamond Line Dancers to compete in the competition this year. The many hours of practice paid off as the results listed below show.

GOLD MEDALS

40 & Over Country Duo	Karen and Jennifer
40 & Over Duo O/C Music	Karen and Jennifer
40 & Over Trio O/C Music	Karen , Liz and Carol
50 & Over Trio O/C Music	Karen, Liz and Jennifer
50 & Over Team O/C Music	John, Jennifer, Liz, Carol, Karen and Ngaire
50 & Over Duo O/C Music	Jennifer and Karen
40 & Over Country Team	Jennifer, Kristine, Carol, Karen and Liz
Mixed Age Trio O/C Music	Liz, Karen and Jennifer
30 & Over Country Team	Jennifer, Kristine, Carol, Karen and Liz
30 & Over Waltz Team	Jennifer, Kristine, Carol and Karen
40 & Over Team O/C Music	Jennifer, Kristine, Carol and Karen

SILVER MEDALS

60 & Over Duo O/C Music	Ngaire and John
40 & Over Duo O/C Music	Carol and Kristine
30 & Over Trio O/C Music	Carol, Kristine and Jennifer
60 & Over Country Duo	Ngaire and John
Mixed Age Team O/C Music	Jennifer, Kristine, Carol, Karen and Liz
30 & Over Duo O/C Music	Carol and Kristine
50 & Over Country Duo	Karen and Jennifer
30 & Over Waltz Duo	Kristine and Carol

BRONZE MEDALS

30 & Over Standard Solo	Carol
40 & Over Country Duo	Kristine and Carol



The National Choreography Championships were held at the Tamworth Tennis Club on the first Sunday. It was great to see Jan Wiley back in the competition for the first time in five or six years. And, as you can see from the results below, it was a very successful return!

There were 65 entries in three sections and there were some very good dances seen throughout the day. Choreography is a very personal thing and we all have our likes and dislikes. The winning dances on the day are the judges' choices but many dances that do not place in the competition are taken away by spectators who then pester their teachers to teach the dance. I am sure that a number of dances from the competition will become very popular throughout the year. Choreography results listed below:

Beginner Line Dance

Bad Day Fishing – Jennifer Hughes

In The Wine – Jan Wiley

Maria Magdalena – Jan Wiley



Easy Intermediate (Improver) Line Dance

This Is Our Waltz – Jan Wiley

Happy Dance – Jan Wiley

Love Me Like A Rock – Linda Burgess

Intermediate Line Dance

****Can't Remember to Forget – Darren Mitchell and Jennifer Hughes****

If I Had Wings – Jennifer Hughes

Stand Together – Anne Herd



**** Highest scoring dance of the competition****



February Socials

****Saturday 11th Boots and Diamonds: Denistone East Bowling Club,
7.30pm—11.30pm—Your host and DJ is Linda Burgess. \$12

****Friday 17th Northern Riders: Yagoona Greyhound Club, 7.30pm—
11.30pm. Please bring a plate for supper. \$12

2011 Australian Line Dance Awards

Australian Easy Dance of the Year	“Beethoven Boogie” - Gordon Elliot
Australian Open Dance of the Year	“Man of My word” - Jennifer Hughes & Darren Mitchell
Australian Instructor of the Year	Tom Glover & Liz Collett (tie)
Australian Line Dance Website of the Year	Aussie Dance Sheets/Line Dance Sydney
Australian Choreographer of the Year	Simon Ward
Australian Line Dancer of the Year	Chris Watson
International Dance of the Year	“Alabama Slammin’” - Rachel McEnaney
International Choreographer of the Year	Rachel McEnaney

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Line Dance Events for 2012

Event	Dates	Details
Marathon with Peter and Sandy Fry	Saturday 18th Feb 12pm—12am.	Telarah Bowling Club. This social is now sold out!!!
NSW Line Dance Charity Ball	Saturday 14th March. Doors open at 4.30pm	State Sports Centre—Homebush Bay. “Heart of the Country” theme. Tickets and optional transport available. See Robert, Michelle or John asap.
Mayworth Australian Line Dance Festival	Thursday 3rd to Sunday 6th May.	Competition, workshops and socials. You need to make your own arrangements for travel and accommodation.
Canberra Ball Weekend	Saturday 2nd June 7pm—12am	Italian Club—78 Franklin Street Forrest ACT. Ball \$20. Afternoon workshop with Maddison Glover and Simon Ward \$15. Bus and accommodation can be organised as a group. Cost to be confirmed.
Southern State Line Dancing Championships	Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th June	Flights, transport and accommodation can be organised as a group. Leave Friday 8th and return Monday 11th. Cost to be confirmed.
Victorian Line Dance Ball	Saturday 29th June	Flights, transport and accommodation can be organised as a group. Leave Friday 28th and return Sunday 30th. Cost to be confirmed.
Gold Coast “Bling” Ball	Saturday 4th August	“Black and Purple” theme. \$55 includes meal. Sunday workshop with Jennifer Hughes. Flights, transport and accommodation can be organised as a group. Leave Friday 3rd August and return Sunday 6th August. Cost to be confirmed.
NSW Line Dancing Championships	Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th August	Competition, workshops and socials. You need to make your own arrangements for tickets and travel.

Tear off this slip and hand it to John, Michelle or Robert if you would like to join Northern Riders for any of the shaded events in the table above.. Slips must be received in the **week beginning 13 Feb** so that bookings etc can be made.

NAME: _____

I would like to attend the following event/s:
