

*A Joint Newsletter of the  
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*Washington DC Branches of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society*

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## **The Big Tent at the Virginia Scottish Games!**

What does “The Big Tent” signify to you? Lee Atwater’s vision for the Republican Party? A revival meeting in the Bible Belt? How about THE VIRGINIA SCOTTISH GAMES?

RSCDS is ready for prime time at the Virginia Scottish Games, July 26 and 27 in Alexandria. We have a tent!! Not just any ol’ tent, but a 30-foot tent, in the center of the clan area along with the tents for harping and fiddling! We can dance out of the direct sun and offer people places to sit (for the few minutes they aren’t dancing, of course) with some light refreshments. Let’s welcome curious future dancers with a little more panache and style. We are excited about this new venue and appreciate the consideration that the Games Committee gave to our request for more space.

We need your help to prepare and carry off two full days of “Big Tent Time.” We need you to volunteer to staff the tent – greeting people and answering questions so they’ll come to our classes and events. We need you to come ready to dance in casual demonstrations. We need you to encourage people to jump into participation dancing.

We also need your help with some planning and logistics. Lucy Gallimore and Maria Adams, RSCDS liaisons to the Games Committee, need your input and advice on a few items:

- How could we run electricity for a fan or two, and perhaps a piano? Generators are noisy and people can burn themselves. Does anyone know anything about storage batteries or solar units? How much “juice” do they have? How could we make them work?
- We can stay on the grounds until 8 Saturday night – (other folks have to leave when the Games finish at 5 for the day). Would we like to have a ceilidh then? Will we be too hot and tired to participate, or would it be nice to finish out our day with a little refreshment and some samples of our friends’ talents?
- Should we do one or two demo dances every ½ hour on the ½ hour, followed by one or two participation dances? Is this too much dancing in the heat? How about only once an hour?
- We are allowed to sell things as long as we don’t compete with vendors and crafts people. Do we want to stock up on RSCDS and other dancing items and have them for sale? Books, music, videotapes?
- Do we still want to have a more formal demonstration as part of the advertised activities on Saturday and/or Sunday?

So, put your thinking caps on and contact Lucy or Maria with your opinions and ideas, but especially with the times when you are willing to take a turn staffing the tent. Reach Lucy at 703-451-3051, and Maria at 703-548-8031 or [maria.adams@ams.com](mailto:maria.adams@ams.com). For more information about the Virginia Scottish Games, visit [www.vascottishgames.org](http://www.vascottishgames.org) or contact Maria.

Don’t forget to kick off the Games weekend in the proper manner by coming to the country dance on Friday night, July 25. David Knight and Liz Donaldson will provide great music at Minnie Howard School across the street from the Games site at 8 pm. Spectators are welcome and admitted FREE, so bring your not-yet-dancing friends to introduce them to your favorite pastime.



## Anniversary Surprise

"Kurt, what are all the cars doing at Mom and Dad's?"

"I don't know hun," said Kurt (playing stupid till the end).

"What are Carl and Robin Burgett doing here at Evergreen?"

As Kurt parked the car, he turned to face Torie and said, "Happy Surprise Anniversary!"

On Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, Kurt Thompson managed to surprise his wife Torie so well she was first blithering and then speechless for a total of 15 minutes. The reason for this strange and rare occurrence was the surprise 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party he threw for her that day. (Actual anniversary was on May 12<sup>th</sup>.)

What made the event all the more special was the 20-some Scottish Country Dancing friends and 20 to 30 non-dancing friends and family who trekked down to Evergreen, the home of Torie's parents, Judge and Mrs. Cawood. The Cawoods graciously let Kurt use the house and front yard for the lawn dance and potluck dinner.

Dance music was provided by Circle of Friends. Jay Andrews devised a nice and simple dance program. Even the non-dancers (referred to by some more experienced dancers as non-combatants) enjoyed the program. Some of those uninitiated have asked about joining St Columba's classes on Tuesday nights this summer at Greenbelt. (Hope springs eternal for these new-bloods to join us.)

Though the plans included an after-dinner ceilidh, the party took its own course of pleasant chat amongst all the partyers, and the ceilidh was forgotten. After the dinner wound down, Torie was again shocked into silence when Kurt made his obligatory thank-yous, but included thanking Torie for marrying him and giving her an anniversary gift and kiss.

Kurt wants to again thank all the folks who came down for making it a wonderful time for Torie and him. Particular and special thanks goes to Jay Andrews for being the Emcee; Jenn Mayrovitz for helping with the planning and keeping Kurt sane; Pame McFarland for helping with sanity and the band; and especially Katie Thompson for being Kurt's confidant and helper, especially helping keep little brother Eric in the dark but not upset by that fact.

## Starry-Eyed Splashy?

The Baltimore pool party at Merle and Dorothy Waugh's is currently planned for June 21. We will finish the afternoon with a program of potluck dances (you bring it, you brief it, we dance it) and dances rewritten from the original dances such as – Reel of the Royal Scots in a Square Set and Sean Truibhas Willichan for Three Couples. Just for fun, we will collect Baltimore Modified dances excluding any variety of Mairi's Wedding. We intend to give full acknowledgement to the original authors and an explanation of the muddle, brainlessness or strange circumstances that brought about the modified version. It all started with the Reel of the Royal Scots in a square set. Any similarly warped and warping versions are welcome. Contact Fred Eustis at 410-922-6369 or [feustis@starpower.net](mailto:feustis@starpower.net).

## Miss Milligan's Miscellanies

### Peet Postal Problem

Correction to the 2003 Dance Directory: The zip code for Blaine and Denise Peet in Okinawa is 96362, *not* 96360. Denise says, "Mail really will not arrive here without the proper zip....probably ends up in Guam!"

### Scotland at the Smithsonian

The 2003 Smithsonian Folklife Festival will celebrate the traditional cultures of Appalachia, Scotland, and Mali. On the National Mall June 25-29 and July 2-6.

[Www.folklife.si.edu/CFCH/festival2003.htm](http://www.folklife.si.edu/CFCH/festival2003.htm)



## Summer Class Schedules

### **Mondays**

**SCDS Washington:** Mondays 7:45 pm. NIH, building T-39, Bethesda MD. Summer dancing starting June 9. Arrive on time and be prepared for security car search. Under Code Orange, you may want to call or email to confirm class status and location. Contact Belinda Acre at 703-528-5628 or [bebac@earthlink.net](mailto:bebac@earthlink.net).



**Baltimore:** Mondays. Dancing through the summer at Westchester Community Center in Oella, MD on a lovely wood floor. In keeping with tradition, members of the group will lead the evening. Live music June 30 and July 21. Schedule and directions on the web site. Contact Fred Eustis at 410-922-6369 or [feustis@starpower.net](mailto:feustis@starpower.net).

### **Tuesdays**

**Saint Columba's:** Tuesdays 8-10 pm, Greenbelt Comm. Ctr, Greenbelt MD. Summer Social Dancing with guest teachers. Beginners welcome any time. Contact Jenn Mayrovitz at 410-381-3948 or [rjmayro@erols.com](mailto:rjmayro@erols.com).

**Charlottesville:** Tuesdays 6:30-9 pm, St. Paul's Epis. Church, Ivy VA. Mixed class; beginners welcome any time, but please call ahead. Contact Celia or Bob Belton at 804-979-0939 or [trouto@ntelos.net](mailto:trouto@ntelos.net).

**Richmond:** Tuesdays 7 pm, Richmond Comm. Sch., corner of Patterson & Libbie Aves, Richmond VA. Beginners welcome any time. Contact Stella Fogg at 804-740-4404 or [stellaf@attbi.com](mailto:stellaf@attbi.com).

### **Wednesdays**

**Northern Virginia Branch RSCDS:** DURING JUNE on Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 pm. General social dancing at Jefferson-Houston School, 1501 Cameron Street, Alexandria VA. A terrific line-up of guest teachers promises to make these evenings great fun. Classes move to Thursday and a different location for July and August (see below), then back to Wednesday at Jefferson-Houston Sept. 3.

**Frederick:** Wednesdays. Classes take a summer break. For info on fall classes, contact Valerie Hill at 301-663-1042 or [vlhill@juno.com](mailto:vlhill@juno.com).

**Cumberland:** Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 pm, Appalachian Ballet Theater, US Rt 220 South, Cresaptown MD, across from Sheetz store. All levels. Contact Roger Dale at 301-729-1775 or [smdlaw02@hereintown.net](mailto:smdlaw02@hereintown.net).

### **Thursdays**



**Northern Virginia Branch RSCDS:** DURING JULY AND AUGUST NoVA moves to Thursdays 8-10 pm at Rock Springs Cong. United Church of Christ, 5000 Little Falls Rd, Arlington VA 22007 (2 miles north of Trinity Presbyterian). Air-conditioned! From the **south**, take George Mason Drive until the "T" intersection with Yorktown Boulevard. Turn left and go 1/3 mile to the traffic light. Turn right onto Little Falls Rd. Continue on Little Falls Rd. for about 1/2 mile. Cross through the intersection with Rock Spring Rd. and you will see the church on the right. From the **north**, take Old Dominion Drive and turn right at the traffic light at Rock Spring Rd. Continue to the intersection with Little Falls Rd. Turn right and the church is on the right. Or, from Glebe Rd. (Route 120) traveling south, turn right on Rock Spring Rd., cross Old Dominion Drive, and continue to the intersection with Little Falls Rd. Turn right and the church is on the right. Enter thru double doors between Fellowship Hall and Neighborhood House. Classes do meet July 3 and August 28. Contact Carol Porter at 703-379-5779; Jim McRae at 703-920-2412 or [jmcr@his.com](mailto:jmcr@his.com). Special treat August 14 –All Scottish Night at Fort Ward Park in Alexandria. Join NoVA at 7:00 for **FREE** bagpiping, highland dancing, and country dancing in the setting sun. Bring your ghillies, a flashlight, a camera, and some bug spray! Contact Maria Adams at 703-548-8031 or e-mail at [maria.adams@hotmail.com](mailto:maria.adams@hotmail.com).

### **Fridays**

**Washington Branch RSCDS:** Friday classes will resume in the Fall at Montgomery Blair High School, University Blvd & Colesville Rd, Silver Spring MD. Details to follow in September's Over The Water.

### **Weekends**

**Youth Classes:** Contact Ralph Stoddard at 301-649-6664.

**SSVH SCD in Roanoke:** See article in this issue. Contact Maggie Brall at [maggiebrall@iopener.net](mailto:maggiebrall@iopener.net)



## Flowers of the Forest

Amil "Jack" Jackowski, a former Washington dancer and Life Member of RSCDS, died recently. Jack was one of our most popular members and, with his bright red Montrose doublet and silver hair, was a star on the performance teams from 1959 to 1979. He will be missed by many friends both here and in numerous other places. Betty Lee Barnes remembers how much Jack enjoyed travel, and brought back beautiful photos: She writes: *I remember a story of his about the helpfulness of the Russians when he went to the circus in Moscow. He was about to take a picture, he said, when the people in the seats around him said, "Not yet, not yet" so, he said, "I waited for a while and sure enough, I got a much better shot." I said to him, "Jack, you know perfectly well that they were saying 'nyet, nyet' (no, no - you're not supposed to be taking pictures here). He just smiled his angelic smile, and showed me more pictures he'd taken in another forbidden spot by not holding the camera up to his face, just shooting from the hip as it were. A brave soul, given the Russia of that era - but a great photographer.*

Virginia Hunn passed away May 17. For over 50 years, Virginia danced in Delaware Valley (an original member of the group that became Delaware Valley Branch); Scotland (attending RSCDS Summer School at St. Andrews 25 times); and here in Washington (Harry Ways remembers Robert and Virginia in the Monday night class at Ben Murch School). In 1981, the Hunns built a house in Wilmington (DE) with a great room designed to hold 2 sets for classes and parties – and a musicians' gallery, of course! In her late 80s, Virginia could no longer "dance" jigs and reels, so she walked them in perfect time to the music, and kept going – an example and inspiration to us all.

## Details of Upcoming Events

### ♪ Sherando Lake Dance and Cookout

**Saturday, June 7 at 2 pm**

Sherando Recreation Area, west of the Blue Ridge. \$12 plus park entrance fee of \$8 per carload. Swimming is possible but cold. To cut down on park entrance costs, dancers can meet in advance at Mountain View Mennonite Church, a half mile beyond (south) park entrance, and carpool to the dance site. YOU MUST contact the Beltons in advance if you will attend the cookout – they need to know how much food to prepare!! Hospitality is available in Charlottesville. Music by Waverley Station (Liz Donaldson, piano; David Knight, fiddle)  
Contact Bob Belton at 434-979-0939 or trouto@ntelos.net.

<i>Hooper's Jig (32J3, MMM2)</i> <i>Edinburgh Castle Reel (32R3, Children's)</i> <i>Sandy O'er the Lea (32S2, MMM2)</i> <i>Mason's Apron (32R3, Border)</i> <i>St Andrew's Fair (32J3, 5 for 1982)</i> <i>Munro Rant (32S2, MMM1)</i> <i>Reel of the Royal Scots (32R3, RSCDS Lflt)</i>	<i>Miss Hadden's Reel (32J3, Bk 23)</i> <i>Salute to Miss Milligan (32R3, Canadian Bk)</i> <i>Lady Lucy Ramsay (32S3, MMM2)</i> <i>James Gray (32J4, Book 42)</i> <i>College Hornpipe (32H3, Bk 20)</i> <i>Balquidder Strathspey (32S3, Bk 24)</i> <i>The De'il Amang the Tailors (32R3, Book 14)</i>
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### ♪ Richmond Silver Anniversary Ball

**Saturday, June 14 at 7 pm**

Hanover Arts & Activities Center, 500 S. Central Street, Ashland, VA. \$20 if received by June 1 (\$25 at the door) Champagne reception at 7; Grand March at 7:45 pm. Music by Dave Wiesler (piano), David Knight (fiddle), and piper Dan Emery. Contact Stella Fogg 804-740-4404, stellaf@attbi.com

<i>The Jubilee Jig (RSCDS Leaflet)</i> <i>Miss Catherine Ann (David Queen)</i> <i>J.B. Milne (Collins Pocket Ref.)</i> <i>The Silver Tassie (RSCDS Leaflet)</i> <i>Blue Bonnets (Book 3)</i> <i>Davy Nick Nack (Glasgow Assembly)</i> <i>Delvine Side (Book 2)</i> <i>Sleepy Maggie (Book 11)</i>	<i>The Dillsburg Jig (Shengzhang Tang)</i> <i>Balgeddie Reel (Memories of Fife)</i> <i>Monymusk (Book 11)</i> <i>Fair Jenny's Jig (Ron Wallace)</i> <i>Foggy River Reel (Jana Blue)</i> <i>The Robertson Rant (Book 39)</i> <i>Pelorus Jack (Dolphin Book)</i> <i>The Reel of the Royal Scots (RSCDS Leaflet)</i>
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## Upcoming Events, Continued

### ♫ Virginia Games Dance

**Friday, July 25 at 8 pm**

Minnie Howard School, 3801 West Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA. \$15.  
Music by David Knight and Liz Donaldson. Contact Carol Porter at 703-379-5779.

*Lake Shore Jig (32J3, Chicago Coll.)*

*Flowers of Edinburgh (32R3, Book 1)*

*Miss Milligan's Strathspey (32S3, RSCDS Leaflet)*

*The Other Left Hand (32R3, Boyd Leaflet)*

*John McAlpin (32S3, Galloway)*

*James Gray (32J4, Book 42)*

*Laird of Milton's Daughter (32J3, Book 22)*

*Catch the Wind (32H3, Island Bay)*

*Ca' the Ewes Tae the Knowes (32S2, Book 16)*

*Maxwell's Rant (32R3, Book 18)*

*Neidpath Castle (32S3, Book 22)*

*Highlandman Kissed His Mother (32R3, MMM I)*

### ♫ Frederick/Cumberland/Harrisburg Workshop/Party **Saturday, August 23 at 2 pm**

Walkersville Town Hall, Walkersville MD. \$5 and contribution to the pot luck dinner.

Guest Teacher: Jenn Stoddard

### ♫ Frederick 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Dance Party

**Saturday, October 11 at 8 pm**

PLAN AHEAD! Walkersville Town Hall, Walkersville MD. \$12. Musicians TBA.

### ♫ Richmond Games "Dance on the Field"

**Saturday, October 25 at 1 pm**

Highland Games and Celtic Festival, Celtic Culture Stage at the Strawberry Hill Fairgrounds, Richmond, VA. Musicians: Terpsichore - Elke Baker, Fiddle and Liz Donaldson, Piano. Pot luck to follow at the home of Jana Blue. Contact Stella Fogg 804-740-4404 or Stellaf@attbi.com

*The Happy Meeting*

*The Sailor*

*Fair Donald*

*Miss Hadden's Reel*

*Flowers of Edinburgh*

*Braes of Breadalbane*

*Mrs. Stewart's Jig*

*MacDonald of the Isles*

*Mairi's Wedding*

*Seann Truibhas Willichan*

*EH3 7AF*

*Bratach Bana*

*Culla Bay*

*Reel of the 51st Division*

### ♫ Richmond Christmas Dance

**Sunday, December 14 at 2 pm**

Church of the Epiphany, 8000 Hermitage Road, Richmond VA. Musicians: Mara Shea, Fiddle and Liz Donaldson, Piano. Programme to follow. Contact Stella Fogg 804-740-4404 or Stellaf@attbi.com

## SCD in Roanoke

The Scottish Society of the Virginia Highlands Ltd (SSVH) is the Scottish heritage and Scottish fellowship organization covering western and south central Virginia. SSVH now sponsors Saturday afternoon Scottish Country Dance classes June 28, July 26, Aug. 30, Sept. 20, Oct. 25, Nov. 15 and Dec. 20, 2003. Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church, Grandin Road, Roanoke, VA. Beginners 1-2 pm.; intermediate 2-4 pm. Children over 12 welcome. Teachers: Celia Belton and Elaine Brunken. \$10. Contact Maggie Brall at maggiebrall@iopener.net.

## Deadline for September Newsletter

*Send us your articles, announcements, huddled masses yearning to breathe free.... Submissions for the next issue of Over The Water go to Jenn Stoddard at [SawinJ@sec.gov](mailto:SawinJ@sec.gov) (specify "Newsletter" or "O-T-H2O September" in the header), or by USPS to 1709 Alberti Drive, Silver Spring MD 20902. Email in Microsoft Word preferred.*

*Items for the September issue should reach Jenn by **August 13, 2003**. As always, thanks to Jay Andrews for the Calendar, distribution, and moral support.*

## CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT DESCRIPTION <i>(NOTE: Details for many local events are elsewhere in this issue)</i>
June 7	<b>McHenry Highland Festival</b> Deep Creek, MD. Contact 800-457-6777.
June 7	<b>Lake Sherando Dance and Cookout, 2:00 p.m.</b> Sponsored by Monroe-Highland Scottish Country Dancers, Charlottesville, VA. Sherando Recreation Area (near Waynesboro, VA). Music: Waverley Station (David Knight, fiddle and Liz Donaldson, piano). Contact: Bob Belton at 434-979-0939 or trouto@ntelos.net.
June 8	<b>Washington Branch Pot-Luck and AGM</b> At the home of Joan and John MacLeod, 1718 Priscilla Drive, Silver Spring, MD. Pot Luck at 5:00; AGM at 6:30. Contact Mary Ann Williamson, 202-686-9591 or williamson@de45.nidr.nih.gov.
June 14	<b>Richmond SCD "Silver Anniversary Ball", 8:00 p.m.</b> Sponsored by the Scottish Country Dancers of Richmond. Hanover Cultural Arts Centre, Ashland, VA. Champagne reception at 7:15 p.m. Music: Dave Wiesler (piano), David Knight (fiddle), and piper Dan Emery. Contact Stella Fogg, 804-740-4404 or stellaf@attbi.com.
June 14-15	<b>Potomac Celtic Festival</b> Morven Park Equestrian Center, Leesburg, VA. Web site: <a href="http://www.potomaccelticfest.org">www.potomaccelticfest.org</a>
June 15	<b>Steppingstone Museum Scottish Highland Festival</b> Havre De Grace, MD. Contact 888-419-1762
July 6	<b>Pub Jam, Royal Mile Pub, Wheaton, 3:00 p.m.</b> Scottish jam session. Bring an instrument or come listen. Good food! <a href="http://www.royalmilepub.com">www.royalmilepub.com</a>
July 10-13	<b>Grandfather Mountain Highland Games</b> MacRae Meadows, Linville, NC. Contact 828-733-1333.
July 6-11	<b>Thistle School of Scottish Country Dance</b> Lees-McRae College, Banner Elk, NC. Contact Betty Lee Barnes 202-966-3595 <a href="mailto:ThistleDance@erols.com">ThistleDance@erols.com</a>
July 7-11	<b>Pinewoods English-Scottish Session.</b> Sponsored by Country Dance Society, Boston Centre and Boston Branch. Contact Howard Brezner, <a href="mailto:hsbresne@gw.dec.state.ny.us">hsbresne@gw.dec.state.ny.us</a> .
July 11-14	<b>Pinewoods Scottish Sessions I</b> Sponsored by RSCDS Boston Branch. Contact Betty Allen, 781-849-3512, <a href="mailto:eallenscd@beld.net">eallenscd@beld.net</a> or Mary Ellen Scannell, 781-593-5949, <a href="mailto:scannell@gis.net">scannell@gis.net</a> . Web site: <a href="http://www.rscdsboston.org">www.rscdsboston.org</a> .
July 13 – Aug. 10	<b>RSCDS Summer School 2003</b> University Hall, Kennedy Gardens, St Andrews, Scotland. See the Society web site for details and application form <a href="http://www.scottishdance.org">www.scottishdance.org</a> .
July 14-19	<b>Pinewoods Scottish Sessions II</b> Sponsored by RSCDS Boston Branch. Contact Betty Allen, 781-849-3512, <a href="mailto:eallenscd@beld.net">eallenscd@beld.net</a> or Mary Ellen Scannell, 781-593-5949, <a href="mailto:scannell@gis.net">scannell@gis.net</a> . Web site: <a href="http://www.rscdsboston.org">www.rscdsboston.org</a> .
July 25	<b>Northern Virginia Branch's Virginia Scottish Games Dance, 8:00 p.m.</b> Minnie Howard Middle School, Alexandria, VA. Music: Liz Donaldson and David Knight. Contact: Carol Porter at 703-379-5779.
July 25-27	<b>Northern Virginia Scottish Games</b> Episcopal High School, Alexandria, VA. Contact 703-912-1943. <a href="http://www.vascottishgames.org">www.vascottishgames.org</a> .
July 27 – Aug. 3	<b>Teachers' Association (Canada) Summer School</b> St. Jerome's University in Waterloo, Ontario. <a href="http://www.tac-rscds.org/SummerSchool/general.html">www.tac-rscds.org/SummerSchool/general.html</a> .
Aug. 3	<b>Pub Jam, Royal Mile Pub, Wheaton, 3:00 p.m.</b> Scottish jam session. Bring an instrument or come listen. Good food! <a href="http://www.royalmilepub.com">www.royalmilepub.com</a>

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Aug. 14	<b>City of Alexandria Music at Twilight Concert All Scottish Night, 7:00 p.m.</b> Fort Ward Park Amphitheater, Alexandria, VA. Northern Virginia Branch Demo team will perform along with the Alexandria Pipes and Drums.
Aug. 15-16	<b>West Virginia Highland Games and Celtic Festival</b> South Charleston, WV. Contact 800-238-9488.
Aug. 16	<b>Triad Highland Games</b> Archdale, NC (near Winston-Salem). Contact 336-431-8482.
Aug. 23	<b>Seventh Annual Frederick/Cumberland/Harrisburg Workshop and Dance, 2:00 p.m.</b> Walkersville Town Hall, Walkersville, MD. \$5+contribution to the pot luck. Teacher: Jenn Stoddard
Aug. 29-31	<b>Teachers' Association (Canada) Annual General Meeting</b> Holiday Inn, 700 Elm Street, Manchester, NH. <a href="http://www.tac-rscds.org/SummerSchool/general.html">www.tac-rscds.org/SummerSchool/general.html</a> .
Sept. 6	<b>Appalachian Highland Games and Festival</b> Murphy, NC. Contact 828-389-0747.
Sept. 7	<b>Pub Jam, Royal Mile Pub, Wheaton, 3:00 p.m.</b> Scottish jam session. Bring an instrument or come listen. Good food! <a href="http://www.royalmilepub.com">www.royalmilepub.com</a>
Sept. 20-21	<b>Maryland Renaissance Festival – Scottish Celebration</b> Crownsville, MD. Contact 800-296-7304.
Sept. 26-28	<b>Scottish Weekend at Camp Ramblewood, Darlington, MD.</b> Sponsored by Scottish Weekend, Inc. Friday Welcome dance, classes Saturday and Sunday, formal ball Saturday night. Dance teachers: Marjorie McLaughlin, Fred deMarse, Ruth Jappy. Guest musician Muriel Johnstone. Music by Mara Beamish, Liz Donaldson, Dan Emery, Earl Gaddis, Ralph Gordon, Julie Gorka, David Knight, Marty Taylor, and Dave Wiesler. Contact Betty Evans 410-296-5537 <a href="mailto:bettyevans@worldnet.att.net">bettyevans@worldnet.att.net</a> or Fred Eustis (Registrar) 410-922-6369 <a href="mailto:feustis@starpower.net">feustis@starpower.net</a> . <a href="http://www.ScottishWeekend.org">www.ScottishWeekend.org</a> .
Sept. 27	<b>Alexandria Scottish Heritage Fair</b> Fort Ward Park, 4301 West Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA. Contact 703-683-5849.
Sept. 27	<b>Cumberland Celtic Festival</b> Cumberland, MD. Contact 301-777-2800.
Sept. 27	<b>Williamsburg Scottish Festival</b> Williamsburg, VA. Contact 910-843-5000.
Oct. 5	<b>Pub Jam, Royal Mile Pub, Wheaton, 3:00 p.m.</b> Scottish jam session. Bring an instrument or come listen. Good food! <a href="http://www.royalmilepub.com">www.royalmilepub.com</a>
Oct. 11	<b>Ninth Annual Frederick Scottish Country Dance Party, 8:00 p.m.</b> Walkersville Town Hall, Walkersville, MD Tickets: \$12. Musicians to be announced.
Nov. 2	<b>Pub Jam, Royal Mile Pub, Wheaton, 3:00 p.m.</b> Scottish jam session. Bring an instrument or come listen. Good food! <a href="http://www.royalmilepub.com">www.royalmilepub.com</a>
Nov. 7-9	<b>Argyle XX Weekend</b> Sponsored by Northern Virginia Branch of the RSCDS. Trinity Presbyterian Church, Arlington, VA. Contacts: Jeff McLean (Chair), 703-533-0032, <a href="mailto:jeffrey@clanMclean.org">jeffrey@clanMclean.org</a> ; David Chase (Co-Chair), 703-780-8616, <a href="mailto:David_E._Chase@hud.gov">David_E._Chase@hud.gov</a> ; or Yvonne Y. Yang (Registrar), 703-750-2965, <a href="mailto:argyle@rscds-greaterdc.org">argyle@rscds-greaterdc.org</a> .



## AGM News and Notes

Northern Virginia Branch held its AGM April 30, 2003. David Chase was presented with an engraved Jefferson cup in appreciation of his two years' service as Chairman. Though there had been plans to fill the cup with haggis, David's obsession with chocolate was considered and chocolates were substituted. David expressed his gratitude for cup and contents. Social dancing followed with live music by Jeff Steinberg and Liz Donaldson.



Washington Branch will hold its AGM on Sunday June 8, 2003 (NOT Saturday June 7, as previously announced) at the home of Joan and John MacLeod, 1718 Priscilla Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20904. Potluck supper at 5, Annual General Meeting to begin at 6:30. Please bring salads, desserts, or other side dishes; the hosts are providing meat with setups. Agenda will include constitutional amendments and elections of officers. Weather permitting we will be outside; please bring a lawn chair if you can. Fred Eustis also writes that Washington Branch recently received Membership Cards from the RSCDS for the period ending June 2003. If anyone would like to have one of the cards for a souvenir of the past year, please contact Fred.

**Northern Virginia Branch:** AGM was held April 30, 2003. New officers are: Chairman - Jim McRae; Vice Chairman - Jeff McLean; Secretary - Susan Krakower; and Treasurer - Mark Priest. Members at Large: Peggy Collier, Patti Justice, Pame McFarland, and Carol Porter.

**Washington Branch:** AGM to be held June 8, 2003. See note above for REVISED time and place.

**Scottish Country Dance Society-Washington:** AGM was held May 19, 2003. New officers are: President - John MacLeod; VP - Carla Wiedemann; Secretary - Jane Faulman; Treasurer - Vicky Platz; Trustee - Judy Rankin. Teacher Comm Rep - Sally Beth Buckner. Committee of Management meets quarterly. Meetings are open to SCDS-W members.

**Saint Columba's Scottish Country Dance Group:** AGM was held May 20, 2003. New officers are: President - Jennifer Mayrovitz; VP - Kurt Thompson; Secretary - Michael Newman; Treasurer - Linda Newman; Trustee - Jay Andrews. Teacher Comm Rep - Linda Newman. Branch COM Reps - boB Cameron, Jenise Williamson.

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