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NEW YEAR DANCE FRIDAY, 6th JANUARY, 1984 PORCHESTER HALL, W.2 7.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. McBAIN'S BAND

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Scottish Reform	3-1
The Sailor	24-4
Miss Gibson's Strathspey	1980
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Cramond Bridge	London
Twa Rogueish E'en	Drewry
Neidpath Castle	22-9
The Starry-Eyed Lassie	23-11
The Duke and Duchess of Ed	inburgh
Jimmy's Fancy	
Muirland Willie	
The Earl of Mansfield	
The Montgomeries' Rant	10-1
The Happy Meeting	29-9
Autumn in Appin	
General Stuart's Reel	
Miss Hadden's Reel	23-5
The Shepherd's Crook	MacNab
Scotia	Reel 164
Argyll's Fancy	
The Round Reel of Eight	27-7
Sugar Candie	26-9
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The Branch Children's Christmas Dance will be held on Saturday, 10th December from 2.00 to 4.30 at St. James's Church Hall, Gloucester Terrace, London W.2. Teachers and parents also will be welcome. Admission 50p.

PROGRAMME

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The Cumberland Reel	
The White Cockade	5-11
The Hollin Buss	
Cromdel Hill18th	
The Dhoon	1981
The British Grenadiers	101
The Machine without Horses	12-12
Mr. Watson's FavouriteG	raded, 9
Beyond the Black Stump	.Bookle
The Merry Uplandersl	Reel 166
Jessie's Hornpipe	8-9
The Round Reel of Eight	27-7
Scottish Reform	3-1
The Triumph	1-2
The Wild Geese	24-3
The Dashing White Sergeant	3-2

Robin Ellis' Band will be playing for the dance, and they are also providing the music on a cassette tape of Scottish Country Dances for children which is being produced by the Branch. The tape will contain music for around a dozen dances popular with children including The Triumph, The Cumberland Reel, The British Grenadiers and Jessie's Hornpipe. It will also include music composed by Robin himself for the new dance—The Merry Uplanders—which appears in this edition of The Reel. The tape should cost about £3 and we hope to have it on sale by 10th December. For further information about the dance or the tape please contact Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kellett, 2 Arundel Court, Crook Log, Bexleyheath, Kent, DA6 8DZ. (Tel. 01-301 1403).

P.S. The M.C.'s at the dance will be Mr. Kellett and Uncle Johnnie.

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The Frisky	
Lord Elgin's Reel	26-5
De'il Amang The Tailors	14-7
The Luckenbooth Brooch	.Dickson
Up In The Air	
West's Hornpipe	
The Wild Geese	
Glasgow Country Dance	
The Buchan Eightsome	
Bratach Bana	
Ladies' Fancy	
The Dundee Whaler	Clowes
Nacton Hall	
The Laird of Milton's Daughter .	
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RECORD REVIEW

In our last review we promised to bring you some details of the latest records of Scottish songs; so here goes with a little bit of 'chat' thrown in for good measure.

It hardly seems credible but it is now 25 years since the Alexander Brothers made their professional debut at the Webster Hall, Arbroath. This was followed I think in the same year (1958) by their first visit to London at the old Metropole Theatre in Edgware Road. Their latest recording is entitled "Scotland For Me" and sports The Scottish Tourist Board's logo. It is on the Lismor label (LIDL 6007) and has a collection of songs and music not only from Scotland but from Canada and Australia.

Also on the Lismor label (LIDL 6008) another trusty "veteran", Andy Stewart dedicates his latest record to Iain Mac-Fadyen who died in April. Iain was latterly Head of Light Entertainment, BBC Scotland, but earlier in his career, away back in 1957, he was the man who founded "The White Heather Club" which many of us remember with affection. As well as being a BBC Producer Iain had a fine talent for writing music and under his nom-de-plume Neil Grant wrote a number of Scottish Dance tunes including The Deveron Reel and The Thurso Wedding. He also wrote the music for a number of Andy's songs. Four of them are included on this records—Come in, Come in, The Girl from Glasgow Town, The Lads of Bonnie Scotland and Lassie Come and Dance with Me. The latter has of course become well known as the original tune for Postie's Jig. Andy sings some old favourites: Danny Boy and Corn Riggs and the umpteenth recording of The Dark Island and Amazing Grace.

My wee friend from Glasgow, Alastair McDonald, has two fairly new records. White Wings (CBN 001) includes the title track, a song I had not heard before, and a selection of lesser known but very beautiful songs including three from Perthshire—Killiecrankie, The Waters of Loch Tay and Cam' ye by Atholl. Well sung, Alastair! On CBN 003 he sings Glencoe and 10 other songs requested by listeners. I particularly like Hie Johnny Cope and Baron's Heir; not forgetting The Wee Kirkcudbright Centipede and the hilarious Ten Wee Wimmin a' Ra Bus Stop.

Now to three Scottish singers making their first records. John Douglas (on LOCLP 1012) has a fine tenor voice and sings a number of "standards" such as Bonnie Gallowa, The Dark Island, Glencoe and Dark Lochnagar, plus two nice songs written by himself. Linton McMillan (AYRL 010) includes The Heart of Scotland, The Auld Meal Mill and Caledonia in his selection. The Wee Kirkcudbright Centipede has crept in again and a fairly new song—Always Argyll—is also included. This record is of particular interest because the accompaniment is by Kenny Thomson and the Wardlaw Band who have a couple of spots—The Sailor (4 x 32) and The Hogmanay Jig (4 x 32), and nicely played too. Roll on the 25th of February. David Ross has two solo accordion tracks.

The best of the "new" singers is undoubtedly James Nicol who has for a few years now been heard at the Royal Albert Hall with the Scottish Fiddle Orchestra. The record is LILP 5123 and I would not argue with the sleeve note which says "Scotland has long been famous for its very fine tenors and, in James Nicol, we have a worthy torch bearer of that great tradition." His repertoire is wide ranging and this record includes; Believe me if all those endearing young charms, Danny Boy, Hail Caledonia, The Music of the Spey and Annie's Song. I do wish he had included I'll walk beside you which he sang with such feeling on his last visit to London.

On her third record on the Lochshore label (LOCLP 1019) Anne Lorne Gillies maintains the excellent standard set by the first two. She succeeds in getting right away from current "Scottish Pop" and sings some good oldies such as Ae Fond Kiss, Jock o' Hazeldean and the beautiful haunting Jacobite song, Wae's me for Prince Charlie.

Finally, to whet your appetite, I learn, as we go to press, that Ross Records of Turriff have just issued three Band records; Jimmy Shand Junior, Graham Geddes and Gordon Pattullo are the Band leaders and that sure means some good music. More about them anon.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

23 Pembridge Gardens, London, W.2.

Dear Sir,

I expect many male members of the Society are constantly warned of the dangers of the sword whenever Scottish dancing is mentioned in Sassenach company.

But when I try to explain that country dancing is quite different—"les dames contre les messieurs" most folk are sceptical: not least perhaps regarding my French because in relation to static objects "en face" means opposite.

It seems to be accepted that the late Miss Milligan's researches extended back to the French court which was the origin of our current interest and enjoyment but surely they were "courtesans" as opposed to "paysans".

Alors—pourqoi la patrie?
Yours faithfully,
ANDREW McCRINDELL

"Craigmore", 65 Leatherhead Road, Ashtead, Surrey.

Dear Sir,

The article on the origins of "The Reel of the 51st Division" in issue No. 165 is extremely interesting. I would like to know the story which lies behind many more of our favourite dances. George S. Emmerson, in his book "Scotland through her Country Dances", tells us the story about many of our traditional dances, but of course many of our recent dances are not included. Who for instance were J. B. Milne and Angus MacLeod? And why have they got dances named after them. If there is some-one in the Society who could write a series of short articles giving the background to these dances I am sure that many members would find the information of very great interest.

Yours faithfully,

DAVID J. PARK

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1984

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Friday 25th. Club Night.

December

Friday 2nd. A.G.M. and Club Night.

Fridays 9th & 16th. Club Nights.

Friday 23rd. GRAND CHRISTMAS DANCE AT CAXTON HALL (see separate announcement).

Saturday 31st. HOGMANAY DANCE AT BAT-TERSEA TOWN HALL (see separate announce-

Friday 6th, Club Night.

Saturday 14th. Afternoon 3 p.m. CHILDREN'S PARTY. Evening—DANCE (Haggis served during interval) with Robin Ellis and his Band.

Friday 20th. Club Night with films.

Friday 27th. Club Night.

Don't forget! Highland Club Ball at Porchester Hall on Saturday, 4th February with Bobby Crowe and his Band—see separate announcement.

Non-members are very welcome at all our functions—come along and join us. Enquiries: Hon. Sec. Claire Condon. Tel. 01-486 2194 (evenings) or Graham Cattell, Tel. Epsom 27206 (evenings).

ISLE OF WIGHT CALEDONIAN SOCIETY WEEK-END SCHOOL

2nd-4th March, 1984

Cliffs Tops Hotel, Shanklin

Teachers: Miss Wilma Miller

Mr. Alex Grav

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Fee: £44 plus £2 for a single room. A concession on rail fares may be obtained by application to the above hotel.

Applications enclosing s.a.e. to: Frances C. Packwood, Wyscan, 132 Baring Road, Cowes P031 8DS, Isle of Wight 0983 292627.

THE SCOTTISH REEL CLUB

Forthcoming dances to be held at St. Columba's hurch of Scotland, Pont Street, London, S.W.1.

Saturday, 12th November. St. Andrew's Band.

Saturday, 17th December. Christmas Dance, Frank Reid's Band.

Saturday, 31st December. Hogmanay Dance. Robin Ellis' Band.

Saturday, 7th January. New Year Dance. The Kafoozalum Band.

Saturday, 11th February. The Silver Cross Band.

Enquiries to: The Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Rhona Snowsill, 49 Wieland Road, Northwood, Middx. HA6 3QX. Tel. Northwood (65) 26318.

SHENE SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE GROUP ANNUAL BALL

Friday, 17th February, 1984

7.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.

Sheen Lane Centre, Sheen Lane, S.W.14 (Fifty yards from Bull Hotel)

Music by Silver Cross Band

Jennifer's Jig, Montgomeries' Rant, Miss Milligan's Strathspey, St. Andrew's Fair, Peat Fire Flame, Johnnie Walker, Polharrow Burn, Muirland Willie, Flower o' the Quern, Gavin's Reel, Luckenbooth Brooch, The Pines of Pitlochry, Bratach Bana, Staffin Harvest, Cramond Bridge, Bonnie Anne, Robertson Rant, Twa Rogueish E'en, Wicked Willie, Scotch Mist, Angus MacLeod, Ian Powrie's Farewell to Auchterarder.

Tickets, £3 from: Brenda Morris, 5 Longfield Drive, S.W.14. Tel. 876 2037.

MIDLANDS AREA BRANCHES DIAMOND JUBILEE BALL

De Montford Hall, Leicester

17th December, 1983

7.00 p.m. to Midnight

Tickets £6.50 (dancers), £4.00 (spectators) including supper. Evening dress preferred.

Applications for tickets to: Marjorie R. Duffield, 61 Monastery Drive, Solihull, West Midlands, B91 1DP. Closing date 10th December. Cheques to be made payable to: R.S.C.D.S. Midlands Area Ball

ENGAGEMENTS DIARY

DECEMBER Saturday 10th

THE LUCY CLARK S.C.D. CLUB, Christmas Dance with McBain's Band, 8 p.m. Royal British Legion Hall, Old Amersham. Tickets, including refreshments, £2.50 from Barbara Taylor, 8 South Drive, Beaconsfield. Tel. 3922.

Friday 16th

CHELSEA REEL CLUB, Christmas Ball. Chelsea Town Hall, 8 p.m. to Midnight. McBain's Band and Piper. Tickets £6—from Keith MacMillan, 29 Riverdale Gardens, Twickenham, Middx. Tel. 892 2603, or from: Laurence Wigglesworth, 63 Great Cumberland Place, London W.1. Tel. 262 6541.

JANUARY 1984 Saturday 14th

MILTON KEYNES BRANCH ANNUAL BALL, Danelaw Band. Tickets from R. B. Osborne, 37 Silver Street, Stony Stratford, Milton Keynes. Tel. (0908) 564890.

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RUISLIP DISTRICT CALEDONIAN SOCIETY MIDSUMMER DANCE FRIDAY, 15th JUNE, 1984

WINSTON CHURCHILL HALL, RUISLIP 8 p.m.-Midnight

Details of Band and Programme in next issue.

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Joan Winsor

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Tickets £2.50 including refreshments from John Cameron 7, Havelock Road, Bromley. Kent. 01-464 7503.

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BRANCH EVENTS

(not already mentioned elsewhere in this issue)

Saturday, 10th March, 1984.

Afternoon: Children's Spring Dance. Venue to be announced. Brian Hamilton's Band.

Evening: Dance at St. Columba's. Brian Hamilton's Band.

Saturday, 31st March, 1984.

Day School followed by dance with Frank Reid's Band.

Saturday, 12th May, 1984.

Dance at St. Columba's. Kafoozalum

Saturday afternoon, 2nd June, 1984.

Dance at Polesden Lacey, McBain's Band.

Friday, 29th June, 1984.

Dance at Cecil Sharp House, Silver Cross Band.

Saturday, 14th July, 1984.

Dance at St. Columba's. Richard Smith's Band.

PORCHESTER HALL CATERING

In recent years the Branch committee has received several complaints about the interval programme at Porchester Hall dances. Members were disgruntled with the Stale Sandwich Strathspey, the Mouldy Cake Jig and the Reel of the Expired Fruit Pie. Clearly something had to be done about the catering arrangements. Moreover, last season the Branch had to pay the caterers an additional £100 in January and £50 in February, largely because it was implied, Scottish dancers do not drink enough of the hard stuff!

The committee thought long and hard and decided not to employ outside caterers for this season's dances at the Porchester Hall. You are therefore welcome, nay encouraged, to Bring Your Own food and drink. Tables and chairs will be available at the interval so you may sit down to a three course dinner (providing you can scoff the lot in twenty minutes) entertain your friends to a cheese and wine party or quietly sip a can of fruit juice. The choice is yours. In addition squash will be available at 3p a cup.



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Standard Day Place Teacher Pianist Time Central Inst. HQ. Monday Beginners Miss Anne Large Miss Jean Harrison 6.15 to 7.45 p.m. Central Inst. HQ. Intermediate Miss Anne Large Miss Jean Harrison 8.00 to 9.30 p.m. Advanced Central Y.W.C.A. Miss Rita Marlow Mrs. Phyllis Draper 7.15 to 9.15 p.m.

Central Institute Headquarters is in Longford Street, NW1 near Hampstead Road, Warren Street Station.

Central Y.W.C.A. is in Great Russell Street, near Tottenham Court Road Station.

H.Q. application and enrolment fees to Mrs. Margaret Shaw, H.B. Coot, Thistleworth Marine, Railshead Road, Isleworth, Middx. YMCA to Mrs. Pat Brown, 95 Kinfauns Road, Goodmayes Essex.

Chelsea-Westminster Institute

Wednesday Beginners Marlborough School Mr. Owen Meyer Miss Jean Harrison 6.30 to 8.00 p.m. Intermediate Marlborough School Mr. Owen Meyer Miss Jean Harrison 8.15 to 9.45 p.m. Advanced Marlborough School Mr. William Ireland Mr. Robert Duncan 7.00 to 9.00 p.m.

Marlborough School is in Sloane Avenue, off King's Road SW3, near Sloane Square and South Kensington Stations,

Applications and enrolment fees to Mr. Gerald Hitchcock, 30 Alexandra Grove, London, N4 2LF

Marylebone-Paddington Institute

Tuesday Advanced Quintin School Mrs. Mary Stoker Mrs. Phyllis Draper 7.15 to 9.15 p.m. Quintin School is in Marlborough Hill NW8, off Finchley Road, near St. John's Wood Station.

Applications and enrolment fees to Miss Kathryn Patterson, 2 Beechwood Cottages, Heronsgate Road, Chorleywood, Herts, WD3 5BW

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Fees: (inclusive of the Institute fee):

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> Autumn Term 26th September to 16th December 1983 Spring Term 9th January to 6th April 1984 Summer Term 30th April to 1st June 1984

NOTES ON THE STANDARD OF CLASSES Beginners: For those with little or no knowledge of Scottish Country Dancing, Intermediate: A good knowledge of steps and formations is required. Advanced: A good standard of dancing and a thorough knowledge of formations.

General enquiries to Miss S. Yarnold, 19 Winch House, Guinness Trust, Kings Road, London, SW10 0TR.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Please note my new address on the front page of this issue. Can I make a plea to advertisers to let me have copy for the February issue by the closing date of 10th December. One or two of our regulars are always late!

Has anyone got the relevant information (and the time) to write some short articles about the origins of names of dances as requested in David Park's letter? I have lots of information but no time, which prompts me to say that I spend an inordinate amount of time editing The Reel. I enjoy doing it but much of my time is spent re-writing adverts which are very bady written and set out. Please can you write legibly or have it typed and put the actual advert on a separate sheet of paper and not as part of a letter to me.

Another cry from the heart; please, please make a very real attempt to spell the names of dances correctly. A recent advert had no fewer than nine errors and as it was typed tightly on a small sheet of paper I had to completely re-do it. Let me list a few of the more common errors.

INCORRECT

Robertson's Rant Bonnie Ann Roguish or Rougeish or Rogeuish Wicked Willy Johnny Walker Montgomerie's

CORRECT

The Robertson Rant Bonnie Anne Rogueish

Wicked Willie Johnnie Walker The Montgomeries'

Can we also try and get the "Macs" correct, eg. Macdonald (of the Isles) but MacDonald (of Sleat); Angus MacLeod and Mrs. MacLeod; Mrs. MacPherson. Enough of this moaning, but let me assure you that every time an error in spelling a dance name escapes my eye one of our members bears down on me as if it was all my fault.

Members will, I hope, have noticed that we have a Band new to London playing at our Spring Dance. Kenny Thomson come from Ayrshire; he is a member of a musical family and well experienced in playing for Scottish Country Dancing. His Band, the "Wardlaw," is named after a hill near Muirkirk where Kenny was born.

Do come along and support the Branch and give the Band some encouragement on 25th February.

OTHER ORGANISATIONS

- ALDRINGTON (HOVE) SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE GROUP (Affiliated to R.S.C.D.S.)—Meet every Tuesday, 8.15 p.m.-10.30 p.m., September to June. New members and visitors welcome. Further details from Hon. Sec.: J. P. R. Steer, 15 Carlton Terrace, Portslade, Brighton, Sussex, BN4 1XF. Tel.: Brighton 416893.
- BRACKNELL REEL CLUB meets every Thursday from 8—10 p.m. at Birch Hill Community Centre from September to end of May. Instruction alternate weeks. Beginners welcome. Sec: Mrs. Kit Ross, 125 Viking, Bracknell. Tel: 26072.
- BRIGHTON AND HOVE SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB—Meets on Thursdays at Dorset Gardens Methodist Church Hall, 7.30-10 p.m. September-May. Hon. Sec.: Miss M. Howland, 4 Goldsmid Road, Hove, 2. Tel.: Brighton 717868.
- CAMBERLEY REEL CLUB—Dancing every Tuesday, 8 p.m., at St. Pauls Church Hall, Church Hill, Camberley. Beginners welcome. Hon. Sec.: Mrs. J. M. Adams, 1 Rosemary Gardens, Blackwater, Camberley. Tel.: Camberley 35198.
- CAMBRIDGE AND DISTRICT BRANCH R.S.C.D.S. meets every Tuesday during school terms at the Manor Centre, Arbury Road, Cambridge at 7.30 p.m. Hon. Sec. Miss Maureen Hamon, 25 Derwent Close, Cambridge. Tel. 0223 245820.
- CHELSEA REEL CLUB meets most Thursdays, late September to early April, St. Saviours Church Hall, Walton Street, London SW3, 8.15-10.30 p.m. For information about attendance and membership, please contact the Secretary, Miss Maureen Bebb, 3, Queens Gate Place, London SW7. Tel: 01-589 0230.
- CHELTENHAM SCOTTISH SOCIETY—Scottish country dancing most Friday evenings October to May, St. Andrew's United Reformed Church Hall at 7.30 p.m., Enquiries about this and other activities to Mr. J. Scott, 8a Lears Drive, Bishop's Cleeve, Cheltenham. Tel: 024 267 3763.
- CRAWLEY SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING CLUB meets Thursday 8-10 p.m. September to Whitsun at Gossops Green Junior School. Beginners welcome. Details from Miss P. Johnston, 19 Burleigh Way, Crawley Down, West Sussex, RH10 4UA. Tel.: Copthorne (0342) 714451.
- CROYDON & DISTRICT BRANCH R.S.C.D.S. Details from Miss J Martin, 19 Garrick Crescent, Croydon. (Tel.: 681 3968). Classes in Reigate (General—Mon.); Purley (General—alt. Tues.); Taunton Manor (Inter—Wed.); Selsdon (General—Thurs.); Croydon (Adv—alt. Thurs.); West Wickham (General—Fridays).
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- EPSOM & DISTRICT CALEDONIAN ASSOCI-ATION (Affiliated to the R.S.C.D.S.)—Classes in Scottish country dancing. (September to March). Many other activities including informal Saturday dances. Enquiries to: Hon. Sec., Jack Phillips, 20 Clandon Close, Ewell, Surrey KT17 2NH. Tel.: 01-393 9397.
- FARNHAM SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING CLUB. Dancing every Tuesday at 8 p.m., September to May at the Memorial Hall, West Street, Farnham, Surrey. Instruction once per month. Hon. Sec.: Miss Joan Deavin, 18 Howards Lane, Holybourne, Alton, Hants. Tel: Alton 83288.
- FESTIVAL OF SCOTLAND IN LONDON. Highland Gathering 19th May, 1984, CLAP-HAM COMMON. Festival Dance 14th April, 1984, St. Columba's Church, Pont Street, S.W.I. For further details of these events and of Society and individual membership write to Hon. Sec. Miss Sheena W. Dallas, 29 Queen's Court, Hampstead Way, London NW11 7TN. Tel: 01-455 9096 (preferably at weekends) or President Mr. Iain Windsor 01-554 9413.
- FLEET SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY meets on alternate Saturdays for Dancing at Ss. Philip and James Church Hall, Kings Road, Fleet, Hants., at 7.30 p.m. Details from Mrs. H. L. Pease. Tel: Fleet 4395.
- GREENFORD AND DISTRICT CALEDONIAN ASSOCIATION meet at the British Legion Hall, Oldfield Lane, Greenford, Visitors welcome. Tuesday, 8 p.m.—10.30 p.m. Contact Mrs. Merrick, 2 Hillbeck Way, Greenford. Tel. 578 3458.

- HAMPSTEAD AND DISTRICT SCOTS ASSOCIATION—S.C. Dancing on Tuesdays (Mid-Sept—End June) from 8-10.30 p.m. at Golders Green Parish Church Hall, West Heath Drive, Golders Green, N.W.11. Dance instruction given. All welcome. Children's dancing S.C. tuition on Tues. 6.30-7.45 p.m.—6 years upwards. Enquiries for classes to Miss Jane Chaplin, 5 Holly Mansions, Fortune Green Road, London NW6 1UB. Tel. 01-435 5152.
- HATCH END SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE ASSOCIATION meets fortnightly on Saturdays Hatch End Free Church Hall, Rowlands Avenue, Hatch End from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Further information from Mr. E. K. Burt. Tel. 01-428 1049.
- HARPENDEN SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANC-ING CLUB meets every Tuesday at Lourdes Hall, Southdown Road, Harpenden, from 8— 10.30 p.m. A warm welcome will be given to beginners and experts. Hon. Sec.: Ken Brown, 32 Wordsworth Road, Harpenden, Herts. AL5 4AF. Tel. Harpenden 67808.
- HORSHAM SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB meets Mondays, September to May at Trafalgar Road School. Qualified Instructors. Adults 7.30-9.30 p.m. preceded by children's Country and Highland classes. Beginners and visitors welcome. Secretary: Mrs. P. Hyatt, 2 Blackbridge Lane, Horsham, West Sussex. Tel.: Horsham (0403) 63187.
- LEICESTER BRANCH R.S.C.D.S. meets at The Holy Cross Centre, Wellington Street, Leicester, every Thursday. 3 classes in separate halls 7.30-8.45 p.m. Social dancing 9-10 p.m. Visitors welcome. Sec. Mr. R. E. T. Noden, Whiteoaks Road, Oadby, Leics. Tel.: 0533 717001.
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- THE LONDON CHA CLUB SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING GROUP: The class meets most Wednesdays, September-June, at the London CHA Club. 153 Drummond Street, London NWI 2PB; 7 p.m.—admission 40p (members), 60p (non-members)—professional tuition. Dances once a month on Saturdays. For further details ring Mr. or Mrs. R. A. Francois 01-888 5185.
- THE LONDON HIGHLAND CLUB meets at St. Columba's Church of Scotland Hall, Pont Street, London, S.W.1. for regular Club Nights and Dances. Some major functions are held at other venues in London. The Club also produces records designed specially for the Scottish Country Dancer. For further details, see notices in "The Reel" or contact Graham L. Cattell, 75 Albert Road, Epsom, Surrey. Tel.: Epsom 27206.
- THE LUCY CLARK SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB meets every Thursday 8 p.m., Royal British Legion Hall, Old Amersham. Quarterly dances with McBain's Band. Enquiries to: Mr. William Lawrie, Crofters, Mill Lane, Amersham. Tel.: 3478.
- MILTON KEYNES BRANCH R.S.C.D.S. Meets Monday evenings. Details from Secretary, R. B. Osborne, 37 Silver Street, Stony Stratford, Milton Keynes MK11 1JS. Tel: 0908 564890.
- NORTH HERTS REEL CLUB (Affiliated to the R.S.C.D.S.)—Dancing most Wednesdays 8-10 p.m. from September to May at Roecroft School, Stotfold. New members and visitors Saturday Dances and Highland Ball. Enquiries welcome. Other activities include informal to Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Jennifer Warburton, 17 Victoria Road. Shefford, Beds. SG17 5AL. Tel.: Hitchin 812691.
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- RICHMOND CALEDONIAN SOCIETY. Dancing and instruction at Richmond Green U.R. Church Hall, Quadrant Road, Richmond, every Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. from mid-September until the end of May. All are welcome. Hon. Sec. Mrs. J. MacNaughton, 28 Kew Road, Richmond, Surrey. Tel. 01-948 1553.

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- ST. ANDREW SOCIETY (LONDON)—The Wimbledon and District Scots' Association (affiliated to R.S.C.D.S.) Dancing every other Tuesday, 8 p.m., at Wimbledon Community Centre, St. George's Road, Wimbledon, SW19. Full details from Miss A. J. Watson, 1 Ulva Road, Putney, SW15 6AP. Tel. 01-788 0889.
- THE SCOTTISH CLANS' ASSOCIATION OF LONDON. Meets on Tuesdays October to end of May in the upper hall St. Columba's Church, Pont Street, S.W.1. Instruction given before general Country Dancing. 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Enquiries on Clans' functions to: May Holmes, 15 Apollo House, 14 Broadlands Road, Highgate N6 4AT. Tel.: 01-348 5637.
- SEVENOAKS REEL CLUB meets every Tuesday from October until April 8-10 p.m. at Walthamstow Hall Junior School, Bayham Road. Everyone welcome. For further details please contact Mrs. A. Ostler. Tel.: Tonbridge 352581.
- SHENE SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE GROUP (Affiliated to R.S.C.D.S.) Meets every Thursday from September to June 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., with teacher at Barnes Methodist Church Hall, Sheen Road, SW13. Details from Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Brenda Morris, 5 Longfield Drive, London SW14 7AU. Tel. 01-876 2037.
- SOUTH DORSET CALEDONIAN SOCIETY SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE GROUP—WEYMOUTH—Dancing at St. Edmund's Church Hall, Lanehouse Rocks Road, Weymouth, Dorset. Wednesday, 7.30—10 p.m. Hon. Sec.: Miss Joan Warren, The Trossachs, Littlemoor Road, Broadwey, Weymouth. Tel. Upwey 2579.
- SOUTH EAST ESSEX SCOTTISH SOCIETY'S REEL CLUB (open to non-members) meets every Friday, September to end of May from 8 to 10.15 p.m. at Crowstone St. George's United Reformed Church (Upper Hall), King's Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex, Hon. Sec.: Mrs. K. M. Judkins, 23 Stirling Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex SS9 3PP. Tel.: 75143.
- SOUTH-EAST HERTS SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY—Dancing in Hertford, monthly September to May. Fridays 7.45 to 10.45 p.m. Classes: Beginners—Thurs.; Int.—Tues.; Adv—alt. Mondays; All in Hertford 7.45 p.m. Children—Wednesdays in Hoddesdon 6.30 p.m. New members and beginners welcome. Details from Nigel Pollard, 72 Rib Vale, Bengeo, Hertford, SG14 3LF. Tel. Hertford 53186.
- SURBITON AND DISTRICT CALEDONIAN SOCIETY—Scottish country dancing every Thursday at 8 p.m. mid-September to mid-May at St. Mark's Church Hall, Church Hill Road, Surbiton. Instruction given. Beginners welcome. Hon. Sec.: Lewis Morris, 245 Raeburn Avenue. Surbiton, Surrey KTS 9DF. Tel. 01-399 0373.
- WALLINGTON—SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION FOR WALLINGTON, CARSHALTON & DISTRICT hold weekly Scottish Country Dance Classes—Adults: Beginners' Class; Intermediate Class; Advance Class. Children's Class on Saturday mornings. For further information apply to: Mrs. Agnes Dell, 20 St. Georges Road, Wallington, Surrey, SM6 0AS. Tel.: 01-647 1690.
- WATFORD & WEST HERTS SCOTTISH SOCIETY—Adult dancing class in St. Michael's Church Hall, Durban Road West, Watford, 8.00—10.00 p.m. every Tuesday from September until June. Details from Hon. Sec. Stanley Fraser, 79 Kilby Close, Watford. Tel.: Garston 72664. Details of children's classes from Miss Debbie Cooper. Tel. Watford 42586.
- WEMBLEY & DISTRICT SCOTTISH AS-SOCIATION meets on Mondays at 8 p.m. for Scottish Country Dance Class and on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. for Ladies Choir at Wembley Institute, London Road, Wembley. Newcomers Welcome. Contact Secretary, Mrs. Pam Crisp, 19 Compton Place, Watford WD1 5HP. Tel: 01-421 0470.
- WEST SURREY SCOTTISH DANCING GROUP. Meeting in Guildford on Monday Evenings September-Easter. Enquiries to: W. F. McLaren, 2 Churchfields, Horsell Park, Woking, Surrey. Tel. Woking 72299.
- WITHAM & DISTRICT CALEDONIAN SOCIETY—Dancing every Wednesday 8 p.m.-10 p.m. Howbridge School, Witham, Essex. Instruction on first Wednesday of the month. Hon. Sec.: Mrs. Sheila Withnell, Heron Cottage, Station Road, White Notley, Witham, Essex. Tel.: Silver End 83772.
- YEOVIL; ST. MICHAEL'S SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB—Thursdays 8.00 to 10.30 p.m. mid September to May at St. Michael's Hall, St. Michael's Road, Yeovil. Hon. Sec. Mrs. Joy Newman, Cheriton, Milborne Port, DT9 5BA. Tel. Milborne Port 250226.