

## Mountain Dew-ers News September 2023

Another square dance season (22-23) has officially ended. Adam and I travel-danced during the summer to learn from other callers, cuers, and dancers. Many of you had memorable summer dance experiences also. Here's our summer list....we are hoping you will share yours....

**\*\*Learned the most** — from Brent Mawdsley in Moxee WA

**\*\*Best selection of music** — Jack Cowan in Boise ID

**\*\*Hottest Hall** — Green Bluff Grange in Green Bluff WA

**\*\*Most Expensive** — Tony Oxendine in Boise ID \$15 pp for a single dance

**\*\*Most enjoyable dancers** — **Mountain Dew-ers** - either at home or traveling, we love to see Mountain Dew-ers in a square.

Last weekend at Deyo, 2+ squares of local dancers were joined by dancers from Moscow, Lewiston, and Jerome for a fun-filled weekend of eating, dancing, and camping by the reservoir. Where else could you go for peaceful mornings by the water and a bald eagle swooping down to retrieve a fish. Thank you Cathy and Robert for making the frybread for the Friday night feast. Thank you to all who contributed to the Saturday night potluck...the food was so good and the dutch oven entrees and desserts were amazing. After two afternoon workshops and two evenings of dancing, squares were working together like a well-oiled machine with a big grin on its face. On Sunday, 14 camping dancers enjoyed an early morning breakfast of huckleberry pancakes, ham, cooked-to-order eggs, milk, orange juice, and coffee. It was a great way to end the square dance year.

The rental cost for Clearwater Valley Schools increased from \$15 per day to \$150 per day. We are searching for reasonably priced venues for dance activities. If you have any ideas about where we can dance, please contact us. Thursday Square Dance Lesson will be in the Kamiah KOA PowWow Pavilion, 4243 Highway 12. Lessons start September 14<sup>th</sup> with Plus lessons @ 6:15 and Mainstream lessons @ 7:30. Suggested donation for lessons is \$5 per adult and \$2 for youth 18 and under.

### Looking Ahead – Fall 2023

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| <b>Sat</b>   | Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup> – BBQ Days Parade “Flash Gather Square Dance Demo” 10:40 am   |
| <b>Thurs</b> | Sept 14 <sup>th</sup> – Mainstream (7:30) and Plus (6:15) Square Dance Lessons KOA |
| <b>Thurs</b> | Sept 21 <sup>st</sup> – Mainstream (7:30) and Plus (6:15) Square Dance Lessons KOA |
| <b>Thurs</b> | Sept 28 <sup>th</sup> – Mainstream (7:30) and Plus (6:15) Square Dance Lessons KOA |
| <b>Thurs</b> | Oct 5 <sup>th</sup> – Mainstream (7:30) and Plus (6:15) Square Dance Lessons KOA   |
| <b>Thurs</b> | Oct 12 <sup>th</sup> – Mainstream (7:30) and Plus (6:15) Square Dance Lessons KOA  |
| <b>Sat</b>   | Oct 14 <sup>th</sup> – Regular Mainstream Dance/rounds Location: TBA               |

We hope to see you on the dance floor soon!

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### **“Follow Your Local Caller” Travel-Dance Opportunities:**

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| Sept 16th            | Clarkston WA | Twin City Twirlers – \$8 pp                                    |
| Oct 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Plains MT    | Montana Mavericks – \$??                                       |
| Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Caldwell ID  | Canyon County Stars Anniversary Dance & Ice Cream Social – \$8 |

Additional details on these and other dancing events are available at:

<http://www.idahosquaredancing.com/dance-fliers.html>

<https://www.squaredancespokane.org/general-clean>

